
Arrests — Drug and Liquor Violations

Due to the nature of the violations and a high interest and concern by public officials and the citizens of Maine generally, a special review is provided of drug and alcohol-related arrests. The charts displayed reveal the number and age of people arrested during 2000.

The information provided here should be of interest to social agencies involved in the study of drugs and alcohol problems in Maine. The information pinpoints the predominant drug and liquor arrests in Maine by age and identifies possible problem areas.

Facts revealed by the chart on drug violations:

- 85.4% of all juvenile drug arrests involved possession violations, while 14.6% were for sale or manufacturing of drugs.
- 78.5% of all adult drug arrests involved possession violations, while 21.5% were for sale or manufacturing of drugs.
- Of the 5,090 total drug arrests: 4,350 were male, 740 were female.
- Total drug arrests increased by 13.3% from the 4,494 arrests in 1999.

Facts revealed by the chart on liquor violations:

- 83.6% of all juvenile arrests involving liquor were for violations of liquor laws, while 16.4% were for driving under the influence of liquor.
- 76.2% of all adult arrests involving liquor were for driving under the influence of liquor, while 23.8% were for violations of liquor laws.
- Arrests for driving under the influence of liquor during 2000 increased by 2.2% from the 1999 total. There were 7,293 OUI arrests in 1999 — 7,452 in 2000. Adult OUI arrests increased 1.9% and juvenile OUI arrests increased 15.1%.
- Of the 7,452 OUI arrests in 2000, 6,008 were male — 1,444 were female.
- Adults accounted for 97.9% of all OUI arrests for 2000.
- Juvenile liquor arrests increased 6.7%, from 915 in 1999 to 976 in 2000.

Drug and Liquor Arrests by Age — 2000
(includes those released without having been formally charged)

Age	DRUG ARRESTS			LIQUOR ARRESTS			Total Drug & Liquor Arrests
	Sale or Manufacturing	Possession	Total	Operating Under Influence	Liquor Laws	Total	
10 and under	—	1	1	7	4	11	12
11–12	2	13	15	—	4	4	19
13–14	24	103	127	1	71	72	199
15	26	110	136	4	141	145	281
16	36	205	241	38	209	247	488
17	43	332	375	110	387	497	872
Total Juvenile Arrests	131	764	895	160	816	976	1,871
Percent of Total	14.6%	85.4%	100.0%	16.4%	83.6%	100.0%	
18	51	386	437	196	622	818	1,255
19	66	361	427	276	630	906	1,333
20	74	296	370	246	465	711	1,081
21–29	331	1,171	1,502	2,083	273	2,356	3,858
30–39	208	675	883	2,163	107	2,270	3,153
40–49	139	341	480	1,545	128	1,673	2,153
50–59	29	53	82	587	41	628	710
60 and over	5	9	14	196	7	203	217
Total Adult Arrests	903	3,292	4,195	7,292	2,273	9,565	13,760
Percent of Total	21.5%	78.5%	100.0%	76.2%	23.8%	100.0%	
Grand Totals	1,034	4,056	5,090	7,452	3,089	10,541	15,631
Percent of Total	20.3%	79.7%	100.0%	70.7%	29.3%	100.0%	

Drug Arrest Analysis 2000

Age	SALE/MANUFACTURING					POSSESSION					Grand Totals Drug Arrests
	Opium, cocaine and derivatives	Mari- juana	Synthetic narcotics	Other dangerous non- narcotics	Sub- totals	Opium, cocaine and derivatives	Mari- juana	Synthetic narcotics	Other dangerous non- narcotics	Sub- totals	
10 and under	—	—	—	—	0	—	1	—	—	1	1
11–12	—	2	—	—	2	—	10	2	1	13	15
13–14	2	8	5	9	24	1	79	9	14	103	127
15	—	15	1	10	26	3	91	4	12	110	136
16	1	23	5	7	36	1	176	7	21	205	241
17	3	16	7	17	43	4	279	8	41	332	375
Total < 18	6	64	18	43	131	9	636	30	89	764	895
18	3	34	2	12	51	12	330	7	37	386	437
19	8	40	5	13	66	11	304	15	31	361	427
20	13	44	6	11	74	12	237	15	32	296	370
21	16	34	1	12	63	14	178	7	29	228	291
22	20	27	5	2	54	16	156	5	11	188	242
23	15	20	5	7	47	10	102	6	10	128	175
24	7	13	3	4	27	15	113	14	16	158	185
25–29	41	56	17	26	140	44	358	31	36	469	609
30–34	16	60	15	9	100	27	281	11	25	344	444
35–39	26	59	13	10	108	35	246	15	35	331	439
40–44	16	39	13	11	79	16	173	10	20	219	298
45–49	10	37	6	7	60	15	92	7	8	122	182
50–54	4	11	1	5	21	5	32	—	3	40	61
55–59	1	4	3	—	8	—	9	—	4	13	21
60–64	—	2	1	—	3	1	5	—	—	6	9
Over 65	—	2	—	—	2	—	1	—	2	3	5
Total > 18	196	482	96	129	903	233	2,617	143	299	3,292	4,195
Grand Total	202	546	114	172	1,034	242	3,253	173	388	4,056	5,090