
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 2004.

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:

- 80.1% of all juvenile drug arrests involved possession violations, while 19.9% were for sale or manufacturing of drugs.
- 76.4% of all adult drug arrests involved possession violations, while 23.6% were for sale or manufacturing of drugs.
- Of the 5,625 total drug arrests: 4,452 were male, 1,173 were female.
- Total drug arrests increased by 10.3% from the 5,099 arrests in 2003.

Facts revealed by the chart on liquor violations:

- 87.4% of all juvenile arrests involving liquor were for violations of liquor laws, while 12.6% were for driving under the influence of liquor.
- 73.1% of all adult arrests involving liquor were for driving under the influence of liquor, while 26.9% were for violations of liquor laws.
- Arrests for driving under the influence of liquor during 2004 decreased by 1.1% from the 2003 total. There were 7,357 OUI arrests in 2003 — 7,274 in 2004. Adult OUI arrests decreased 0.8% and juvenile OUI arrests decreased 16.7%.
- Of the 7,274 OUI arrests in 2004, 5,808 were male — 1,466 were female.
- Adults accounted for 98.1% of all OUI arrests for 2004.
- Juvenile liquor arrests decreased 8.4%, from 1,171 in 2003 to 1,073 in 2004.

Drug and Liquor Arrests by Age — 2004
(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	3	7	10	—	4	4	14
11–12	1	13	14	—	5	5	19
13–14	25	86	111	3	70	73	184
15	34	117	151	2	146	148	299
16	36	190	226	35	284	319	545
17	61	233	294	95	429	524	818
Total Juvenile Arrests	160	646	806	135	938	1,073	1,879
Percent of Total	19.9%	80.1%	100.0%	12.6%	87.4%	100.0%	
18	79	381	460	207	664	871	1,331
19	92	355	447	263	747	1,010	1,457
20	60	286	346	261	559	820	1,166
21–29	397	1,379	1,776	2,331	264	2,595	4,371
30–39	243	712	955	1,661	107	1,768	2,723
40–49	209	454	663	1,560	201	1,761	2,424
50–59	49	108	157	657	76	733	890
60 and over	7	8	15	199	10	209	224
Total Adult Arrests	1,136	3,683	4,819	7,139	2,628	9,767	14,586
Percent of Total	23.6%	76.4%	100.0%	73.1%	26.9%	100.0%	
Grand Totals	1,296	4,329	5,625	7,274	3,566	10,840	16,465
Percent of Total	23.0%	77.0%	100.0%	67.1%	32.9%	100.0%	

Drug Arrest Analysis 2004

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	2	1	—	—	3	—	6	—	1	7	10
11–12	—	—	1	—	1	—	10	—	3	13	14
13–14	1	11	4	9	25	1	74	2	9	86	111
15	—	18	2	14	34	2	101	3	11	117	151
16	1	20	3	12	36	5	156	10	19	190	226
17	4	37	3	17	61	11	181	9	32	233	294
Total < 18	8	87	13	52	160	19	528	24	75	646	806
18	10	54	7	8	79	16	296	25	44	381	460
19	17	58	7	10	92	28	269	21	37	355	447
20	19	26	6	9	60	19	212	15	40	286	346
21	37	26	7	9	79	29	209	9	36	283	362
22	16	21	8	9	54	23	143	15	28	209	263
23	18	16	4	8	46	17	111	11	41	180	226
24	32	14	7	5	58	19	104	14	30	167	225
25–29	52	58	18	32	160	62	334	46	98	540	700
30–34	48	43	14	14	119	66	235	30	67	398	517
35–39	42	47	24	11	124	57	189	22	46	314	438
40–44	40	54	17	15	126	57	177	14	45	293	419
45–49	24	37	10	12	83	21	104	11	25	161	244
50–54	5	20	4	3	32	13	48	4	12	77	109
55–59	6	7	1	3	17	5	21	1	4	31	48
60–64	2	1	1	2	6	1	4	—	1	6	12
Over 65	1	—	—	—	1	—	2	—	—	2	3
Total > 18	369	482	135	150	1,136	433	2,458	238	554	3,683	4,819
Grand Total	377	569	148	202	1,296	452	2,986	262	629	4,329	5,625