
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 2005.

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:

- 83.0% of all juvenile drug arrests involved possession violations, while 17.0% were for sale or manufacturing of drugs.
- 76.2% of all adult drug arrests involved possession violations, while 23.8% were for sale or manufacturing of drugs.
- Of the 5,252 total drug arrests: 4,180 were male, 1,072 were female.
- Total drug arrests decreased by 6.6% from the 5,625 arrests in 2004.

Facts revealed by the chart on liquor violations:

- 88.3% of all juvenile arrests involving liquor were for violations of liquor laws, while 11.7% were for driving under the influence of liquor.
- 69.9% of all adult arrests involving liquor were for driving under the influence of liquor, while 30.1% were for violations of liquor laws.
- Arrests for driving under the influence of liquor during 2005 did not change in number from the 2004 total. There were 7,274 OUI arrests in 2004 — 7,274 in 2005. Adult OUI arrests decreased less than 0.1% and juvenile OUI arrests increased 2.2%.
- Of the 7,274 OUI arrests in 2005, 5,710 were male — 1,564 were female.
- Adults accounted for 98.1% of all OUI arrests for 2005.
- Juvenile liquor arrests increased 9.6%, from 1,073 in 2004 to 1,176 in 2005.

Drug and Liquor Arrests by Age — 2005
(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	
Under 10	—	—	0	3	—	3	3
10-12	3	7	10	—	5	5	15
13-14	18	70	88	2	56	58	146
15	12	80	92	4	132	136	228
16	30	149	179	42	312	354	533
17	43	213	256	87	533	620	876
Total Juvenile Arrests	106	519	625	138	1,038	1,176	1,801
Percent of Total	17.0%	83.0%	100.0%	11.7%	88.3%	100.0%	
18	55	311	366	170	776	946	1,312
19	71	399	470	276	907	1,183	1,653
20	55	319	374	270	706	976	1,350
21-29	407	1,293	1,700	2,369	352	2,721	4,421
30-39	245	666	911	1,585	91	1,676	2,587
40-49	184	441	625	1,581	171	1,752	2,377
50-59	68	86	154	681	50	731	885
60 and over	16	11	27	204	13	217	244
Total Adult Arrests	1,101	3,526	4,627	7,136	3,066	10,202	14,829
Percent of Total	23.8%	76.2%	100.0%	69.9%	30.1%	100.0%	
Grand Totals	1,207	4,045	5,252	7,274	4,104	11,378	16,630
Percent of Total	23.0%	77.0%	100.0%	63.9%	36.1%	100.0%	

Drug Arrest Analysis 2005

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	
Under 10	—	—	—	—	0	—	—	—	—	0	0
10-12	—	1	1	1	3	—	6	—	1	7	10
13-14	2	8	2	6	18	—	59	5	6	70	88
15	—	9	—	3	12	1	61	7	11	80	92
16	3	20	2	5	30	4	126	4	15	149	179
17	8	23	3	9	43	6	177	13	17	213	256
Total < 18	13	61	8	24	106	11	429	29	50	519	625
18	5	40	3	7	55	20	253	13	25	311	366
19	27	24	6	14	71	26	307	21	45	399	470
20	19	23	6	7	55	25	250	10	34	319	374
21	33	17	3	7	60	26	156	15	36	233	293
22	31	19	5	7	62	28	142	15	25	210	272
23	18	24	10	5	57	25	106	17	24	172	229
24	15	16	5	4	40	23	86	4	21	134	174
25-29	77	69	22	20	188	90	331	59	64	544	732
30-34	51	34	14	18	117	67	194	23	61	345	462
35-39	55	38	19	16	128	62	183	33	43	321	449
40-44	29	34	22	19	104	61	151	17	39	268	372
45-49	22	33	14	11	80	32	102	15	24	173	253
50-54	9	20	4	7	40	16	27	4	9	56	96
55-59	9	12	2	5	28	5	19	3	3	30	58
60-64	4	5	2	—	11	1	7	—	2	10	21
Over 65	—	4	1	—	5	—	—	1	—	1	6
Total >18	404	412	138	147	1,101	507	2,314	250	455	3,526	4,627
Grand Total	417	473	146	171	1,207	518	2,743	279	505	4,045	5,252