



## MURDER AND NON-NEGLIGENT MANSLAUGHTER

Murder and non-negligent manslaughter are described by UCR as the willful (non-negligent) killing of one human being by another — or a death that results from the commission of another criminal act.

*Murder* — “1. A person is guilty of murder if: A. He intentionally or knowingly causes the death of another human being; B. He engages in conduct which manifests a depraved indifference to the value of human life ...; or C. ... causes another human being to commit suicide by the use of force, duress or deception.” M.R.S.A. Title 17-A, § 201

*Felony Murder* — “1. A person is guilty of felony murder if acting alone or with one or more other persons in the commission or attempt to commit immediate flight after committing or attempting to commit ... [another felony offense], he or another participant in fact causes the death of another human being ...” M.R.S.A. Title 17-A, § 202

*Manslaughter* — “1. A person is guilty of manslaughter if he: B. ... causes the death of another human being ... while under the influence of extreme anger or extreme fear ...” M.R.S.A. Title 17-A, § 203

Not included in the count for this offense classification are deaths caused by negligence, suicide, or accident. Although manslaughter by negligence is recorded on the “offenses known to police” form along with murder, it is not considered an index offense and is not discussed in this report. Attempts to murder or assaults to murder are scored as aggravated assaults and not murder.

### Crime Clock

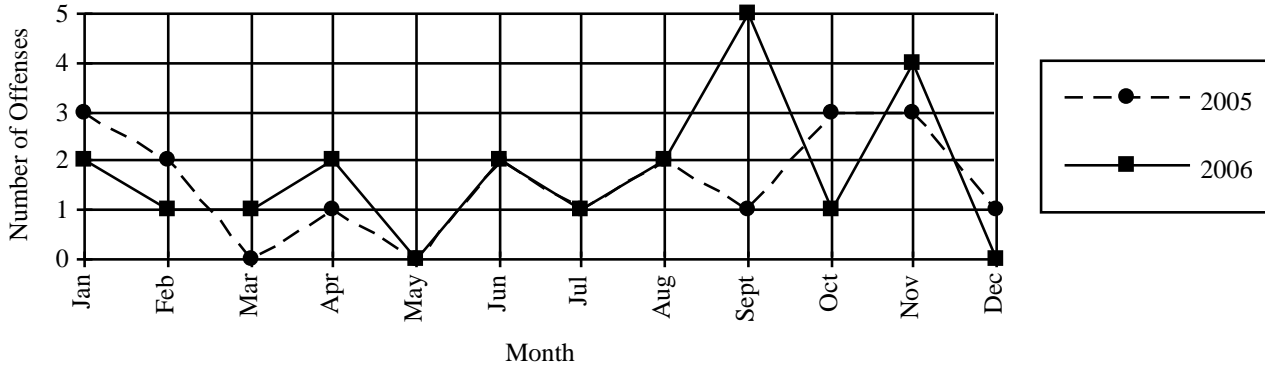


Year	Trend					2002–2006
	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	
Number reported	14	17	19	19	21	
% change from previous year	-26.3%	21.4%	11.8%	—	10.5%	% change 50.0%
Rate per 1,000	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.02	
% change from previous year	—	—	—	—	100.0%	% change 100.0%

### Characteristics — 2006

Victim–Offender Relationship		Months of Highest Occurrence	
Non-Stranger to Non-Stranger .....	81.0%	September .....	23.8%
Stranger to Stranger .....	9.5%	November .....	19.0%
Unknown .....	9.5%	Jan., Apr., June, Aug. ....	9.5%
Type of Weapon Used		Value of Property Stolen during Offense	
Firearm .....	57.1%	Total .....	\$0.00
Knife/Cutting Instrument.....	4.8%	Per Incident Average.....	\$0.00
Other Dangerous Weapon.....	14.3%	Clearance Rate	
Hands, Fists, Feet .....	4.8%	21 Offenses Cleared.....	100.0%
Other/Undetermined .....	19.0%	Arrests/Crime Ratio.....	0.76

***Murder & Non-Negligent Manslaughter — Comparative  
Data 2005–2006***

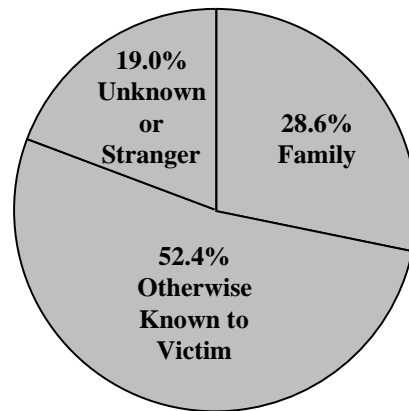


***Profile of Persons Arrested — 16 Arrests***

Age	Sex
17 and under.....0.0%	Male.....93.8%
18–24.....6.3%	Female.....6.3%
25–29.....18.8%	
30–34.....37.5%	
35–39.....18.8%	
40 and over.....18.8%	
5 offenders committed suicide	

***Murder Distribution by Relationship (Victim to Offender)***

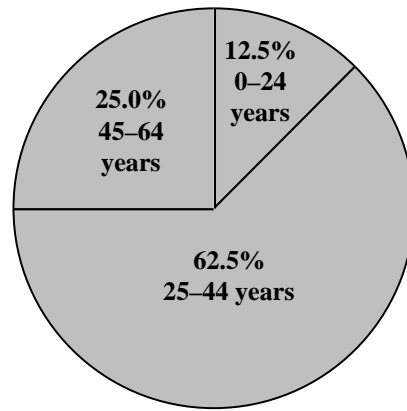
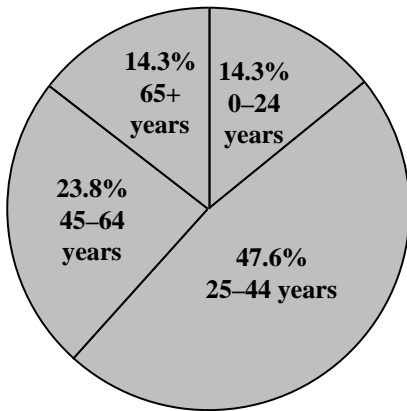
Relationship*	Number	% of Total
Wife	3	14.3%
Father	1	4.8%
Mother	1	4.8%
Brother	1	4.8%
<b>Total Family</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>28.6%</b>
Girlfriend/Boyfriend	2	9.5%
Acquaintance	9	42.9%
Stranger	2	9.5%
Unknown	2	9.5%
<b>Total Other</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>71.4%</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>100.0%</b>



\*Number of relationships may not agree with number of victims due to instances of multiple offenders or multiple victims.

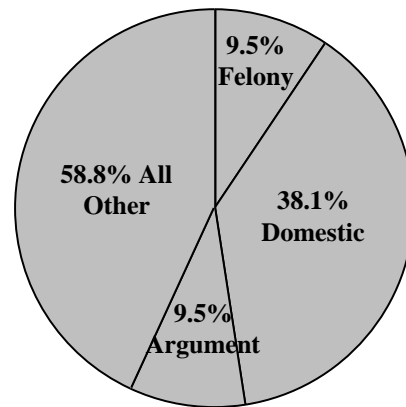
**Murder Distribution by Age and Sex**

Age of Victims	Male	Female	Total	Age of Offenders	Male	Female	Total
0-14 years	1	—	1	0-14 years	—	—	—
15-24 years	1	1	2	15-24 years	2	—	2
25-34 years	2	2	4	25-34 years	5	—	5
35-44 years	1	5	6	35-44 years	4	1	5
45-54 years	2	1	3	45-54 years	4	—	4
55-64 years	2	—	2	55-64 years	—	—	—
65+ years	1	2	3	65+ years	—	—	—
<b>Total</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>16</b>



**Murder Distribution by Circumstances**

Circumstance**	Number	% of Total
Aggravated Assault	2	9.5%
<b>Felony Total*</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>9.5%</b>
Domestic Conflict	8	38.1%
Argument	2	9.5%
Child Abuse/Neglect	1	4.8%
Other	6	28.6%
Unknown	2	9.5%
<b>Other than Felony Total</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>90.5%</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

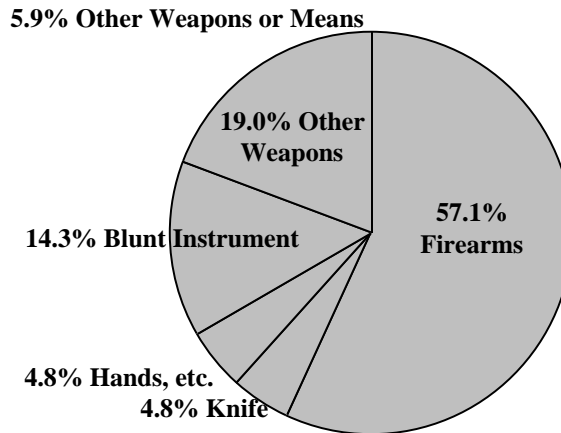


\*Felony murder is defined as a killing which occurs in conjunction with the commission of another crime such as a robbery, arson, sexual assault or other felonious activities.

\*\*Due to the unlimited set of possible circumstances surrounding homicides, it is difficult to provide a clear-cut or precise statistical category. In the intent of uniformity, the number of circumstance categories has been kept to a minimum. Caution is suggested in drawing generalizations from the data without more deliberate analysis. This table makes no attempt to analyze the motives of offenders, but rather to display general circumstances surrounding the events.

**Murder Distribution by Weapon**

Weapon	Number	% of Total
Firearm	12	57.1%
Knife, Cutting Instrument	1	4.8%
Hands, Fists, Feet	1	4.8%
Blunt Instrument	3	14.3%
Other/Unknown	4	19.0%
<b>Total</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>100.0%</b>



**FORCIBLE RAPE**

Forcible rape is the carnal knowledge of a female forcibly and against her will.

*“A person is guilty of gross sexual assault if that person engages in a sexual act (direct genital contact) with another person and the person submits as a result of compulsion.” M.R.S.A. Title 17-A, § 253*

This category is broken down into two categories: Rape by Force, and Attempted Forcible Rape. Carnal abuse without force (statutory rape) and other sex offenses are not included.

Forcible rape differs from other violent crimes in that the victim, in many cases, is reluctant to report the offense to police. The investigation by police, medical examination, court procedure, embarrassment and fear of any accompanying stigma have a deterrent effect on the victim’s willingness to make the offense known to police.

**Crime Clock**



Maine has experienced increased availability in services such as rape crisis centers providing 24-hour hot lines and counselors, witness/victim assistants in district attorneys’ offices, improved medical practices and increased sensitivity by law enforcement personnel. The increased number of offenses identified in this report may be, in part, influenced by the increasing confidence of victims in the criminal justice system.

**Trend**

Year	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2002–2006
Number reported	391	351	313	322	340	
% change from previous year	21.4%	-10.2%	-10.8%	2.9%	5.6%	% change -13.0%
Rate per 1,000	0.30	0.27	0.24	0.24	0.26	
% change from previous year	20.0%	-10.0%	-11.1%	—	8.3%	% change -13.3%

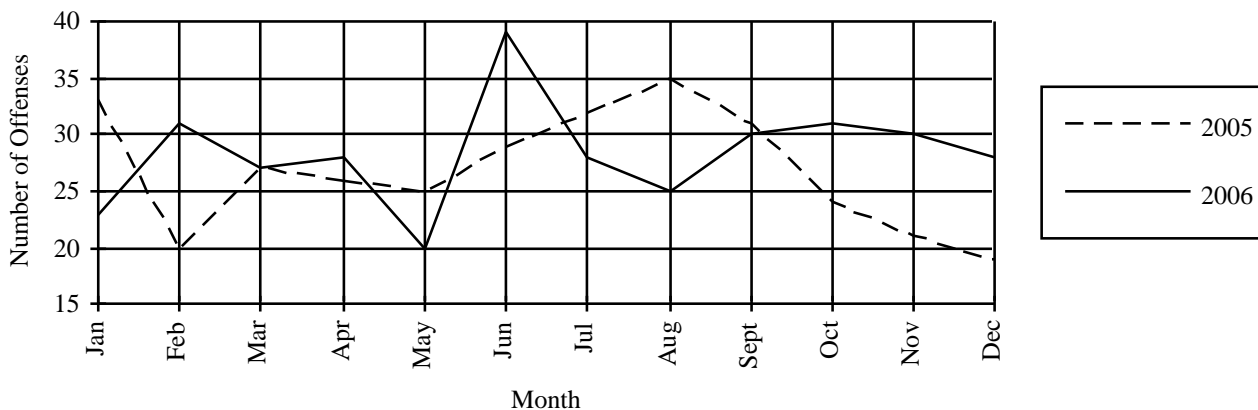
**Characteristics — 2006**

<b>Type of Offense</b>	
Rape by Force .....	95.9%
Attempts to Rape.....	4.1%
<b>Months of Highest Occurrence</b>	
June .....	11.5%
Feb., Oct. ....	9.1%
Sept., Nov. ....	8.8%
<b>Value of Property Stolen during Offense</b>	
Total.....	\$0.00
Per Incident Average .....	\$0.00
<b>Clearance Rate</b>	
142 Offenses Cleared.....	41.8%
Arrests/Crime Ratio.....	0.25

**Profile of Persons Arrested  
85 Arrests**

<b>Age</b>	
17 and under.....	25.9%
18–24.....	28.2%
25–29.....	8.2%
30–34.....	10.6%
35–39.....	12.9%
40 and over.....	14.1%
<b>Sex</b>	
Male.....	95.3%
Female.....	4.7%

**Rapes — Comparative Data 2005–2006**



**Rape by Type of Offense, 2005–2006**

	2005	2006	% change
Forcible Rape	311	326	4.8%
Attempted Rape	11	14	27.3%
<b>Totals</b>	<b>322</b>	<b>340</b>	<b>5.6%</b>



## ROBBERY

Robbery is defined by UCR as “the felonious and forcible taking of the property of another against his will by violence or by putting him in fear.” All attempts to rob are included in the UCR report.

“1. A person is guilty of robbery if he commits or attempts to commit theft and at the time of his actions: A. He recklessly inflicts bodily injury on another; B. He threatens to use force against any person present with the intent (1) to prevent or overcome resistance to the taking of the property, ...; or (2) to compel the person in control of the property to give it up ...; C. He uses physical force on another with the intent enumerated in paragraph B, subparagraphs (1) and (2); D. He intentional-

ly inflicts or attempts to inflict bodily injury on another; or E. He or an accomplice to his knowledge is armed with a dangerous weapon ... ” M.R.S.A. Title 17-A, § 65, 1

### Crime Clock



Year	Trend					2002–2006
	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	
Number reported	269	289	288	323	383	
% change from previous year	2.3%	7.4%	-0.3%	12.2%	18.6%	% change 42.4%
Rate per 1,000	0.21	0.22	0.22	0.24	0.29	
% change from previous year	5.0%	4.8%	—	9.1%	20.8%	% change 38.1%

### Characteristics — 2006

Type of Weapon Used	Months of Highest Occurrence
Hands, Fists, Feet.....47.8%	December .....12.5%
Knife/Cutting Instrument.....20.9%	November .....12.0%
Firearm.....20.4%	March .....11.7%
Other Dangerous Weapon.....11.0%	
Place of Occurrence	Value of Property Stolen during Offense
Business Establishment.....32.1%	Total.....\$265,220.00
Street, Alley.....29.8%	Per Incident Average.....\$692.48
Residence .....17.2%	Clearance Rate
Miscellaneous.....13.8%	167 Offenses Cleared.....43.6%
Banks.....7.0%	Arrests/Crime Ratio.....0.49

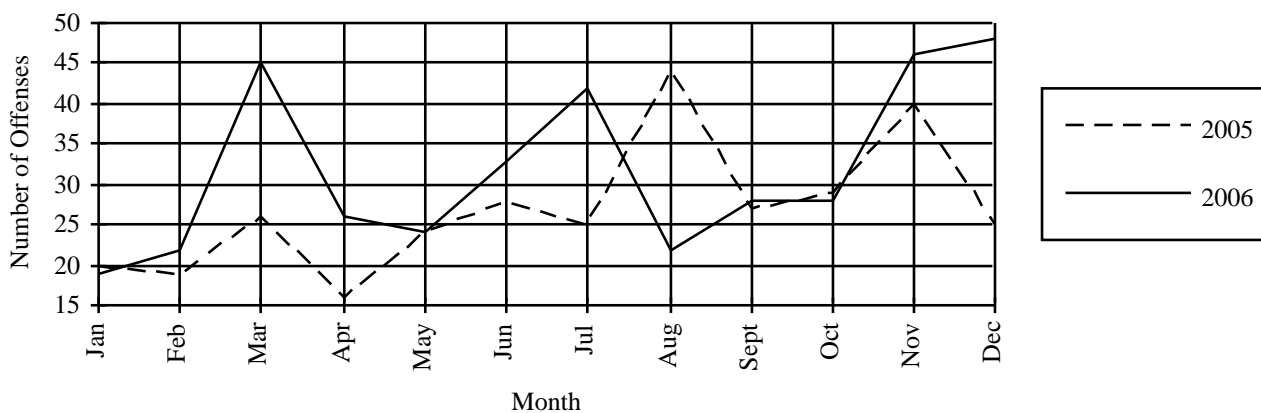
**Profile of Persons Arrested  
186 Arrests**

Age	
17 and under.....	14.5%
18–24.....	38.7%
25–29.....	13.4%
30–34.....	18.8%
35–39.....	3.8%
40 and over.....	10.8%
Sex	
Male.....	91.4%
Female.....	8.6%

**Robbery by Weapon Type, 2005–2006**

	2005	2006	% change
Firearm	58	78	34.5%
Knife	39	80	105.1%
Other Weapon	46	42	-8.7%
Strong Arm	180	183	1.7%
<b>Totals</b>	<b>323</b>	<b>383</b>	<b>18.6%</b>

**Robberies — Comparative Data 2005–2006**



**Robbery by Classification, 2005–2006**

Classification	Number of Offenses			2005	Value Stolen 2006	% change
	2005	2006	% change			
Highway	95	114	20.0%	\$15,360.00	\$19,325.00	25.8%
Commercial House	50	59	18.0%	\$9,856.00	\$29,893.00	203.3%
Gas/Service Station	7	12	71.4%	\$1,588.00	\$2,989.00	88.2%
Convenience Store	30	52	73.3%	\$14,291.00	\$14,026.00	-1.9%
Residence	77	66	-14.3%	\$85,513.00	\$14,310.00	-83.3%
Bank/Lending Inst.	14	27	92.9%	\$16,559.00	\$159,307.00	862.1%
Miscellaneous	50	53	6.0%	\$43,374.00	\$25,370.00	-41.5%
<b>Totals</b>	<b>323</b>	<b>383</b>	<b>18.6%</b>	<b>\$186,541.00</b>	<b>\$265,220.00</b>	<b>42.2%</b>

<i>Robbery Type by County</i>									
County		Highway	Commercial House	Gas Station	Convenience Store	Residence	Bank	Misc.	Total
<b>Androscoggin</b>									
	2006	20	1	1	4	11	5	12	54
	2005	20	—	—	2	13	4	5	44
<b>Aroostook</b>									
	2006	—	—	—	—	5	—	—	5
	2005	1	—	1	1	1	—	3	7
<b>Cumberland</b>									
	2006	66	50	8	25	27	11	20	207
	2005	44	34	4	15	22	6	18	143
<b>Franklin</b>									
	2006	1	1	—	2	—	—	2	6
	2005	1	2	—	—	2	—	2	7
<b>Hancock</b>									
	2006	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	2005	—	—	—	—	1	—	1	2
<b>Kennebec</b>									
	2006	5	1	2	5	3	3	4	23
	2005	1	3	—	—	8	—	4	16
<b>Knox</b>									
	2006	—	1	—	—	—	—	1	2
	2005	—	—	—	1	4	—	—	5
<b>Lincoln</b>									
	2006	—	—	—	1	—	2	—	3
	2005	—	1	—	—	—	—	2	3
<b>Oxford</b>									
	2006	—	—	—	1	1	—	1	3
	2005	2	—	—	1	1	—	3	7
<b>Penobscot</b>									
	2006	11	3	—	5	10	1	3	33
	2005	12	8	—	1	9	2	1	33
<b>Piscataquis</b>									
	2006	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	2005	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	1
<b>Sagadahoc</b>									
	2006	2	1	—	—	2	1	—	6
	2005	2	—	—	—	—	1	—	3
<b>Somerset</b>									
	2006	—	—	—	6	—	—	2	8
	2005	—	—	—	2	2	—	—	4
<b>Waldo</b>									
	2006	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	1
	2005	—	—	—	1	2	1	1	5
<b>Washington</b>									
	2006	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
	2005	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	2
<b>York</b>									
	2006	8	—	1	3	7	4	8	31
	2005	12	2	2	5	10	—	10	41





## AGGRAVATED ASSAULT

An aggravated assault is an attempt or offer, with unlawful force or violence, to do physical injury to another. This type of assault is usually accompanied by the use of a weapon or other means likely to produce death or serious bodily injury. Attempts are included since it is not necessary that an injury result when a gun, knife, or other weapon is used which could and probably would result in serious personal injury if the crime is successfully completed. Assaults with personal weapons (hands, fists, feet) are scored as aggravated if there is personal injury requiring more than simple first aid to treat.

*Aggravated Assault: "1. A person is guilty of aggravated assault if he ... causes: A. Serious bodily injury to another; or, B. Bodily injury to another with use of a dangerous weapon; or, C. Bodily injury to another under circumstances manifesting extreme indifference to the value of human life." M.R.S.A. Title 17-A, § 208*

*Assault while Hunting: "1. A person is guilty of assault while hunting if ... he, with criminal negligence, causes bodily injury to another with the use of a dangerous weapon." M.R.S.A. Title 17-A, § 208-A*

*Assault on an Officer: "1. A person is guilty of assault on an officer if: A. ... causes bodily injury to a law enforcement officer while the officer is in the performance of his official duties; or, B. While in custody in a penal institution or other facility pursuant to an arrest or ... court order, he commits an assault on a member of the staff of the institution ..." M.R.S.A. Title 17-A, § 752-A*

Not included in this class are simple (non-aggravated) assaults. Simple assaults are non-index offenses, although a record is kept of these assaults on an "offenses known to police" form. During 2006 there were 10,901 simple assaults reported (-1.1% from 2005), with a clearance rate of 76.4%. These simple assaults are included in the report of domestic assaults, and assaults on law enforcement officers.

### Crime Clock

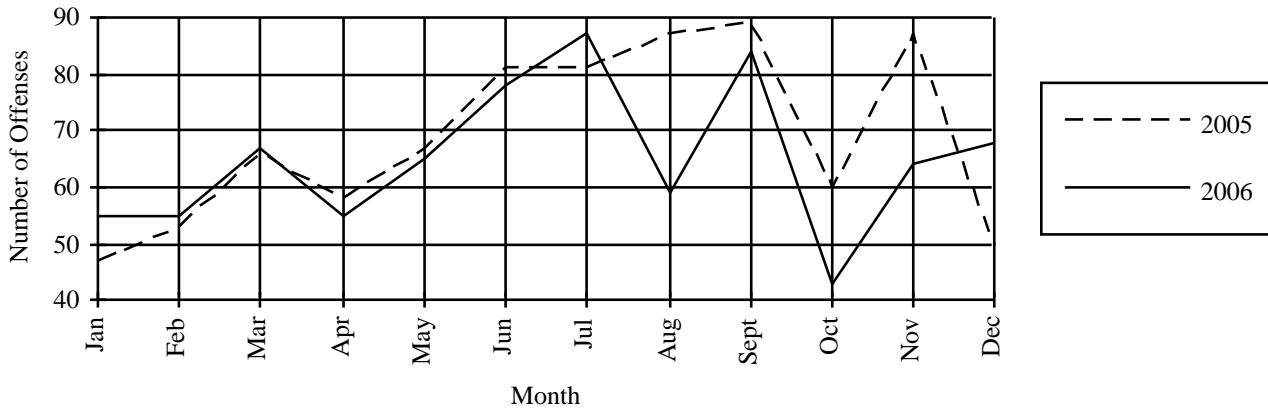


<i>Trend</i>						
Year	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2002-2006
Number reported	728	755	728	826	780	
% change from previous year	-11.1%	3.7%	-3.6%	13.5%	-5.6%	
						% change 7.1%
Rate per 1,000	0.56	0.58	0.55	0.63	0.59	
% change from previous year	-12.5%	3.6%	-5.2%	14.5%	-6.3%	
						% change 5.4%

<i>Characteristics — 2006</i>	
<b>Type of Weapon Used</b>	
Hands, Fists, Feet.....	46.0%
Other Dangerous Weapons .....	27.7%
Knife/Cutting Instrument.....	20.5%
Firearms.....	5.8%
<b>Months of Highest Occurrence</b>	
July .....	11.2%
September .....	10.8%
June .....	10.0%
<b>Clearance Rate</b>	
564 Offenses Cleared.....	72.3%
Arrests/Crime Ratio.....	0.71

<i>Profile of Persons Arrested 553 Arrests</i>	
<b>Age</b>	
17 and under.....	16.5%
18-24.....	29.7%
25-29.....	15.2%
30-34.....	9.0%
35-39.....	9.2%
40 and over.....	20.4%
<b>Sex</b>	
Male.....	86.6%
Female.....	13.4%

**Aggravated Assaults — Comparative Data 2005–2006**



**Aggravated Assault by Weapon Type, 2005–2006**

	Firearm	Knife	Other Weapon	Strong Arm	Totals
<b>2005</b>	32	166	252	376	<b>826</b>
<b>2006</b>	45	160	216	359	<b>780</b>
<b>% change</b>	40.6%	-3.6%	-14.3%	-4.5%	<b>-5.6%</b>

**DOMESTIC VIOLENCE**

Due to problems of abuse and domestic violence between family or household members, the 109th Maine Legislature enacted a law entitled “An Act Concerning Abuse between Household and Family Members.” The law, Chapter 578 of the Public Laws of 1979, mandates the reporting of domestic violence data by law enforcement agencies and the collection of such data (Title 19, § 770 [1]) by the Uniform Crime Reporting Unit, State Bureau of Identification, Department of Public Safety.

During 2006:

- Of a grand total of 11,681 reported assaults, 5,554 or 47.5% were identified as occurring between household

or family members.

- Domestic assaults increased 1.7% (95 offenses) from the 2005 figure of 5,459.
- Law enforcement agencies cleared 4,737 domestic assaults for a clearance rate of 85.3%.
- Of the 5,554 domestic assaults, 97.6% involved personal weapons (hands, fists, feet).



<i>Domestic Violence Assaults Comparison Data 2005–2006</i>				
<b>Situations/Relationships</b>	<b>2005 Number of Offenses</b>	<b>2005 % of Total</b>	<b>2006 Number of Offenses</b>	<b>2006 % of Total</b>
<b>Male Assault on Female</b>				
Firearm	9	.2	10	.2
Knife, Cutting Instrument	28	.5	9	.2
Other Dangerous Weapon	45	.8	43	.8
Hands, Aggravated Injury	76	1.4	47	.8
Hands, Not Aggravated	3,038	55.7	3,121	56.2
<b>Total Male Assault on Female</b>	<b>3,196</b>	<b>58.5</b>	<b>3,230</b>	<b>58.2</b>
<b>Female Assault on Male</b>				
Firearm	4	<.1	5	<.1
Knife, Cutting Instrument	15	.3	14	.3
Other Dangerous Weapon	25	.5	17	.3
Hands, Aggravated Injury	16	.3	3	<.1
Hands, Not Aggravated	813	14.9	833	15.0
<b>Total Female Assault on Male</b>	<b>873</b>	<b>16.0</b>	<b>872</b>	<b>15.7</b>
<b>Parent Assault on Child</b>				
Firearm	1	<.1	1	<.1
Knife, Cutting Instrument	4	<.1	1	<.1
Other Dangerous Weapon	4	<.1	6	.1
Hands, Aggravated Injury	11	.2	14	.3
Hands, Not Aggravated	379	6.9	420	7.6
<b>Total Parent Assault on Child</b>	<b>399</b>	<b>7.3</b>	<b>442</b>	<b>8.0</b>
<b>Child Assault on Parent</b>				
Firearm	—	—	1	<.1
Knife, Cutting Instrument	3	<.1	3	<.1
Other Dangerous Weapon	7	.1	8	.1
Hands, Aggravated Injury	11	.2	3	<.1
Hands, Not Aggravated	465	8.5	390	7.0
<b>Total Child Assault on Parent</b>	<b>486</b>	<b>8.9</b>	<b>405</b>	<b>7.3</b>
<b>All Other Domestic Assaults</b>				
Firearm	—	—	1	<.1
Knife, Cutting Instrument	12	.2	6	.1
Other Dangerous Weapon	12	.2	11	.2
Hands, Aggravated Injury	16	.3	10	.2
Hands, Not Aggravated	465	8.5	577	10.4
<b>Total All Other Domestic Assaults</b>	<b>505</b>	<b>9.3</b>	<b>605</b>	<b>10.9</b>
<b>Grand Total All Domestic Assaults</b>	<b>5,459</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>5,554</b>	<b>100.0</b>
<b>Domestic Assaults/Type of Weapon</b>				
Firearm	14	.3	18	.3
Knife, Cutting Instrument	62	1.1	33	.6
Other Dangerous Weapon	93	1.7	85	1.5
Hands, Aggravated Injury	130	2.4	77	1.4
Hands, Not Aggravated	5,160	94.5	5,341	96.2
<b>Total Domestic Assaults</b>	<b>5,459</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>5,554</b>	<b>100.0</b>
<b>Total All Domestic Assaults</b>	<b>5,459</b>	<b>46.1</b>	<b>5,554</b>	<b>47.5</b>
<b>Total All Reported Assaults</b>	<b>11,843</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>11,681</b>	<b>100.0</b>

***Breakdown of Reported Domestic Assaults by County, 2005–2006***

<b>County</b>	<b>2005 Number of Offenses</b>	<b>2005 Percent of Total</b>	<b>2006 Number of Offenses</b>	<b>2006 Percent of Total</b>	<b>Percent Change Offenses</b>
Androscoggin	554	10.1%	684	12.3%	23.5%
Aroostook	269	4.9%	260	4.7%	-3.3%
Cumberland	1,115	20.4%	1,106	19.9%	-0.8%
Franklin	178	3.3%	139	2.5%	-21.9%
Hancock	119	2.2%	85	1.5%	-28.6%
Kennebec	710	13.0%	672	12.1%	-5.4%
Knox	91	1.7%	85	1.5%	-6.6%
Lincoln	104	1.9%	128	2.3%	23.1%
Oxford	254	4.7%	249	4.5%	-2.0%
Penobscot	406	7.4%	435	7.8%	7.1%
Piscataquis	34	0.6%	30	0.5%	-11.8%
Sagadahoc	98	1.8%	90	1.6%	-8.2%
Somerset	254	4.7%	307	5.5%	20.9%
Waldo	118	2.2%	117	2.1%	-0.8%
Washington	79	1.4%	96	1.7%	21.5%
York	1,076	19.7%	1,071	19.3%	-0.5%
<b>Totals</b>	<b>5,459</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>5,554</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>1.7%</b>