

ARREST DATA

In addition to the monthly reports on the number of index crimes reported, law enforcement agencies also submit monthly forms detailing the number of persons arrested. For UCR statistical purposes, “arrests” also include those persons cited or summonsed for criminal acts in lieu of actual physical custody. These forms categorize the arrests by offense classification (both Part I and Part II crimes), and by age, sex and race. The same individual may be arrested several times over a period of time; each separate arrest is counted. A person may be arrested on several charges at one time; only one arrest is counted and is listed under the most serious charge. For UCR purposes, a juvenile is counted as “arrested” when the circumstances are such that if he or she were an adult, an arrest would result; in fact, there may not have been a formal charge.

During 2011:

- 10.5% of all arrests were juveniles, 89.5% were adults.
- Index offenses accounted for 27.5% of juvenile arrests.
- For adults, 16.0% of arrests were for index offenses.
- Nearly one third (30.0%) of adult arrests were between the ages of 25–34, inclusive.

The total number of arrests for 2011 was down 4.7%. Part I offenses were up 1.6%, Part II offenses were down 5.9%.

The report form on juvenile arrests used by the police agencies in Maine includes a section on the disposition of each person. These categories are as follows.

Disposition	Number	Percent Distribution
1. Handled within the department (released to parents, etc.)	596	10.9%
2. Referred to juvenile court or juvenile intake	4,641	85.1%
3. Referred to welfare agency (i.e., Dept. of Health & Human Services)	14	0.3%
4. Referred to other police agency	13	0.2%
5. Referred to criminal or adult court	191	3.5%
Total Dispositions	5,455	100.0%

(Percentages may not equal 100% because of rounding.)

Opposite is a summary of total arrests made this year and last. On page 50 begins a section showing arrests made by each reporting agency in the state. County arrest summaries and a statewide total may be found on pages 73–75.

The table on pages 76–77 shows total state arrests classified by age and sex; that on pages 78–79 gives arrest data for the last ten years; and that on page 80 shows a breakdown of arrests by age category.

<i>Total Arrests — Percent Change 2010–2011</i>			
Offenses	2010	2011	% Change
Murder	19	18	-5.3%
Forcible Rape	68	75	10.3%
Robbery	191	208	8.9%
Aggravated Assault	610	447	-26.7%
Burglary	1,440	1,404	-2.5%
Larceny-Theft	6,119	6,391	4.4%
Motor Vehicle Theft	229	301	31.4%
Arson	103	77	-25.2%
Subtotal for Part I Offenses	8,779	8,921	1.6%
Manslaughter	2	1	-50.0%
Other Assaults	6,405	6,576	2.7%
Forgery and Counterfeiting	315	368	16.8%
Fraud	727	758	4.3%
Embezzlement	43	56	30.2%
Stolen Property: Buy, Receive, Possess	211	198	-6.2%
Vandalism	1,456	1,459	0.2%
Weapons: Possession, etc.	413	405	-1.9%
Prostitution and Commercialized Vice	14	26	85.7%
Sex Offenses	279	253	-9.3%
Drug Abuse Violations	5,912	5,628	-4.8%
Gambling	2	1	-50.0%
Offenses against Family	107	129	20.6%
Driving under the Influence	6,205	5,812	-6.3%
Liquor Laws	4,950	3,936	-20.5%
Drunkenness	39	22	-43.6%
Disorderly Conduct	1,921	1,715	-10.7%
All Other (except Traffic)	16,380	15,320	-6.5%
Curfew and Loitering	59	35	-40.7%
Runaways	93	137	47.3%
Subtotal for Part II Offenses	45,533	42,835	-5.9%
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