

## ASSAULTS ON LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS

The following information is based on a detailed monthly collection of data in the Uniform Crime Reporting system regarding the problem of assaults on municipal, county and state law enforcement officers.

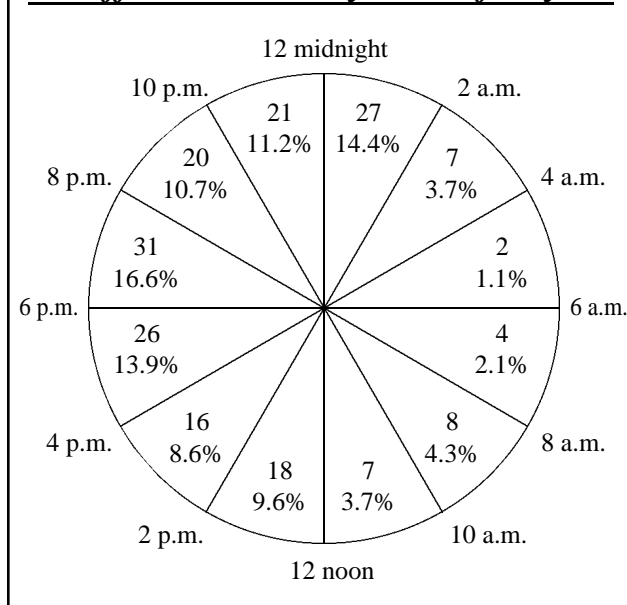
During 2013:

- There were 187 assaults on law enforcement officers, an increase from the 2012 figure of 173.
- The ratio of assaults per 100 officers during 2013 was 8.2, compared to 7.6 assaults per 100 officers during 2012.
- The greatest number of officer assaults occurred while the officer was responding to disturbance calls — 79, or 42.2% of the total.
- Personal weapons (hands, fists, feet, etc.) were used in 88.2% or 165 of the assaults.
- Of the 187 assaults, 16.0% (30) resulted in personal injury to the officer, while 84.0% (157) produced no injury.
- 41.2% of assaults were aimed at officers who were alone (77), 58.8% were directed at assisted officers (110).
- The most common time period of assaults was 8 p.m. to 2 a.m. (36.4%), with 14.4% occurring from 12 a.m. to 2 a.m.
- Law enforcement cleared 99.5% (186) of all assaults on officers.
- Of the 187 reported assaults on officers, 20 were on sheriff's deputies, 20 were on state police officers, and 147 were on municipal officers.

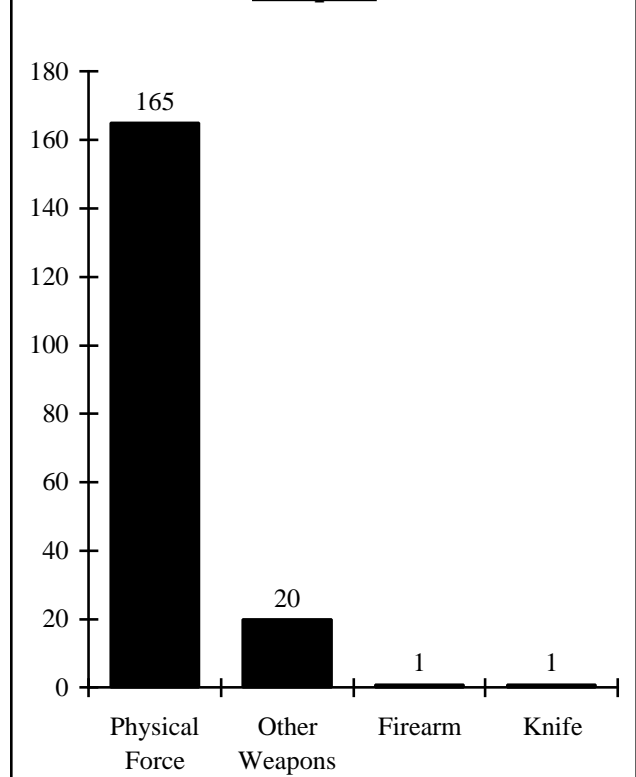
### Assaults on Officers by County

County	Assaults on Officers			2013 Rate Per 100 Officers
	2012	2013	% Change	
Androscoggin	22	15	-31.8%	8.2
Aroostook	6	6	—	7.4
Cumberland	39	31	-20.5%	6.0
Franklin	1	3	200.0%	5.3
Hancock	—	1	100.0%	1.5
Kennebec	12	27	125.0%	19.3
Knox	4	—	-100.0%	—
Lincoln	9	—	-100.0%	—
Oxford	6	8	33.3%	11.1
Penobscot	18	13	-27.8%	6.1
Piscataquis	—	2	100.0%	10.5
Sagadahoc	4	2	-50.0%	3.6
Somerset	6	11	83.3%	18.6
Waldo	2	4	100.0%	11.4
Washington	7	6	-14.3%	19.4
York	37	58	56.8%	18.6
<b>Totals</b>	<b>173</b>	<b>187</b>	<b>8.1%</b>	<b>8.2</b>

### Officer Assaults by Time of Day



### Officer Assaults by Type of Weapon



**Officer Assaults by Circumstances — 2013**

Type of Activity	Total Assaults (A)	Type of Weapon				Type of Assignment						Police Assault Cleared (M)	
		Firearm (B)	Knife or Other Cutting Instrument (C)	Other Dangerous Weapon (D)	Hands, Fists, Feet, etc. (E)	Two-Officer Vehicle (F)	One-Officer Vehicle		Detective or Spec. Assign.		Other		
							Alone (G)	Assisted (H)	Alone (I)	Assisted (J)	Alone (K)		Assisted (L)
1a. Responding to disturbance calls, domestic	78	1	—	4	73	7	22	43	1	—	1	4	78
1b. Responding to disturbance calls, all other	1	—	—	—	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	1
2. Burglaries in progress or pursuing burglary suspects	13	—	—	1	12	1	8	4	—	—	—	—	13
3. Robberies in progress or pursuing robbery suspects	1	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	1
4. Attempting other arrests	18	—	—	2	16	—	10	4	—	1	2	1	17
5. Civil disorder (riot, mass disobedience)	4	—	—	—	4	—	2	1	—	—	—	1	4
6. Handling, transporting, custody of prisoners	19	—	—	3	16	2	2	7	—	—	1	7	19
7. Investigating suspicious persons or circumstances	13	—	—	2	11	—	6	5	—	—	1	1	13
8. Ambush — no warning	2	—	—	—	2	—	1	—	—	—	—	1	2
9. Mentally deranged	6	—	1	—	5	—	3	2	—	—	1	—	6
10. Traffic pursuits and stops	5	—	—	2	3	—	3	—	—	1	1	—	5
11. All other	27	—	—	6	21	5	8	8	1	—	2	3	27
<b>12. Totals (1–11)</b>	<b>187</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>165</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>66</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>186</b>
13. Number with personal injury	30	—	—	5	25								
14. Number without personal injury	157	1	1	15	140								
15. Time of assaults													
A.M.	27	7	2	4	8	7							
P.M.	18	16	26	31	20	21							
	12:01	2:00	4:00	6:00	8:00	10:00	12:00						