

## ***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 2000:

- 17.7% of all arrests were juveniles, 82.3% were adults.
- Index offenses accounted for 29.3% of juvenile arrests.
- For adults, 11.0% of arrests were for index offenses.
- Over one quarter (26.8%) of adult arrests were between the ages of 25–34, inclusive.

The total number of arrests for 2000 was up 0.1%. Part I offenses were down 11.3%, Part II offenses were up 2.3%.

**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.**

<b>Disposition</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percent Distribution</b>
1. Handled within the department (released to parents, etc.)	1,060	10.6%
2. Referred to juvenile court or juvenile intake	8,104	81.1%
3. Referred to welfare agency (i.e., Dept. of Human Services)	21	0.2%
4. Referred to other police agency	9	0.1%
5. Referred to criminal or adult court	796	8.0%
<b>Total Dispositions</b>	<b>9,990</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

(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 1999–2000</i>			
<b>Offenses</b>	<b>1999</b>	<b>2000</b>	<b>% Change</b>
Murder	18	9	-50.0%
Forcible Rape	105	106	1.0%
Robbery	127	148	16.5%
Aggravated Assault	523	632	20.8%
Burglary	1,562	1,328	-15.0%
Larceny-Theft	6,174	5,390	-12.7%
Motor Vehicle Theft	477	372	-22.0%
Arson	87	64	-26.4%
<b>Subtotal for Part I Offenses</b>	<b>9,073</b>	<b>8,049</b>	<b>-11.3%</b>
Manslaughter	—	2	100.0%
Other Assaults	6,932	6,887	-0.6%
Forgery and Counterfeiting	325	343	5.5%
Fraud	1,037	1,160	11.9%
Embezzlement	10	11	10.0%
Stolen Property: Buy, Receive, Possess	377	303	-19.6%
Vandalism	1,805	1,721	-4.7%
Weapons: Possession, etc.	281	264	-6.0%
Prostitution and Commercialized Vice	55	22	-60.0%
Sex Offenses	277	286	3.2%
Drug Abuse Violations	4,494	5,090	13.3%
Gambling	2	3	50.0%
Offenses against Family	409	480	17.4%
Driving under the Influence	7,293	7,452	2.2%
Liquor Laws	3,194	3,089	-3.3%
Drunkenness	28	26	-7.1%
Disorderly Conduct	2,119	2,051	-3.2%
All Other (except Traffic)	17,873	18,490	3.5%
Curfew and Loitering	246	272	10.6%
Runaways	417	330	-20.9%
<b>Subtotal for Part II Offenses</b>	<b>47,174</b>	<b>48,282</b>	<b>2.3%</b>
<b>GRAND TOTALS — ARRESTS</b>	<b>56,247</b>	<b>56,331</b>	<b>0.1%</b>