
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 2010.

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:

- 84.3% of all juvenile drug arrests involved possession violations, while 15.7% were for sale or manufacturing of drugs.
- 73.2% of all adult drug arrests involved possession violations, while 26.8% were for sale or manufacturing of drugs.
- Of the 5,912 total drug arrests: 4,569 were male, 1,343 were female.
- Total drug arrests increased by 0.6% from the 5,879 arrests in 2009.

Facts revealed by the chart on liquor violations:

- 96.5% of all juvenile arrests involving liquor were for violations of liquor laws, while 3.5% were for driving under the influence of liquor.
- 61.6% of all adult arrests involving liquor were for driving under the influence of liquor, while 38.4% were for violations of liquor laws.
- Arrests for driving under the influence of liquor during 2010 decreased by 9.6% from the 2009 total. There were 6,863 OUI arrests in 2009 — 6,205 in 2010. Adult OUI arrests decreased 9.3% and juvenile OUI arrests decreased 40.3%.
- Of the 6,205 OUI arrests in 2010, 4,525 were male — 1,680 were female.
- Adults accounted for 99.4% of all OUI arrests for 2010.
- Juvenile liquor arrests decreased 9.9%, from 1,271 in 2009 to 1,145 in 2010.

Drug and Liquor Arrests by Age — 2010
(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	—	1	1	1
10–12	2	7	9	—	1	1	10
13–14	15	61	76	—	63	63	139
15	24	72	96	—	141	141	237
16	15	125	140	9	336	345	485
17	33	213	246	31	563	594	840
Total Juvenile Arrests	89	478	567	40	1,105	1,145	1,712
Percent of Total	15.7%	84.3%	100.0%	3.5%	96.5%	100.0%	
18	50	378	428	125	946	1,071	1,499
19	70	342	412	148	1,150	1,298	1,710
20	72	294	366	168	975	1,143	1,509
21–29	538	1,564	2,102	2,142	386	2,528	4,630
30–39	324	677	1,001	1,256	97	1,353	2,354
40–49	220	448	668	1,291	152	1,443	2,111
50–59	132	182	314	764	118	882	1,196
60 and over	27	27	54	271	21	292	346
Total Adult Arrests	1,433	3,912	5,345	6,165	3,845	10,010	15,355
Percent of Total	26.8%	73.2%	100.0%	61.6%	38.4%	100.0%	
Grand Totals	1,522	4,390	5,912	6,205	4,950	11,155	17,067
Percent of Total	25.7%	74.3%	100.0%	55.6%	44.4%	100.0%	

Drug Arrest Analysis 2010

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	—	2	—	7	—	—	7	9
13–14	—	8	—	7	15	3	45	2	11	61	76
15	—	13	3	8	24	1	58	4	9	72	96
16	—	8	—	7	15	1	104	4	16	125	140
17	—	19	4	10	33	1	190	5	17	213	246
Total < 18	0	49	8	32	89	6	404	15	53	478	567
18	8	31	4	7	50	9	317	19	33	378	428
19	10	32	6	22	70	8	280	15	39	342	412
20	15	32	7	18	72	15	217	22	40	294	366
21	14	22	12	21	69	17	181	14	47	259	328
22	13	20	6	18	57	13	152	18	35	218	275
23	10	16	9	13	48	31	150	24	38	243	291
24	14	24	17	19	74	25	107	13	23	168	242
25–29	92	80	55	63	290	80	380	59	157	676	966
30–34	47	51	45	48	191	64	210	47	83	404	595
35–39	34	47	24	28	133	36	126	42	69	273	406
40–44	20	54	28	29	131	30	112	30	60	232	363
45–49	13	55	11	10	89	42	112	19	43	216	305
50–54	11	46	18	12	87	19	70	15	32	136	223
55–59	5	28	5	7	45	4	33	3	6	46	91
60–64	2	10	4	5	21	1	15	—	2	18	39
Over 65	—	2	3	1	6	1	6	1	1	9	15
Total > 18	308	550	254	321	1,433	395	2,468	341	708	3,912	5,345
Grand Total	308	599	262	353	1,522	401	2,872	356	761	4,390	5,912