

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.

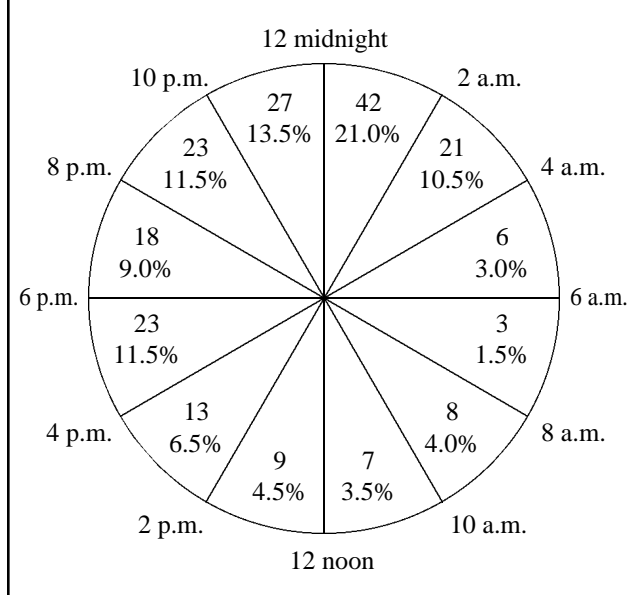
During 2011:

- There were 200 assaults on law enforcement officers, an increase from the 2010 figure of 192.
- The ratio of assaults per 100 officers during 2011 was 8.8, compared to 8.6 assaults per 100 officers during 2010.
- The greatest number of officer assaults occurred while the officer was responding to disturbance calls — 93, or 46.5% of the total.
- Personal weapons (hands, fists, feet, etc.) were used in 90.0% or 180 of the assaults.
- Of the 200 assaults, 18.0% (36) resulted in personal injury to the officer, while 82.0% (164) produced no injury.
- 46.5% of assaults were aimed at officers who were alone (93), 53.5% were directed at assisted officers (107).
- The most common time period of assaults was 8 p.m. to 2 a.m. (46.0%), with 21.0% occurring from 12 a.m. to 2 a.m.
- Law enforcement cleared 95.5% (191) of all assaults on officers.
- Of the 200 reported assaults on officers, 29 were on sheriff's deputies, 14 were on state police officers, and 157 were on municipal officers.

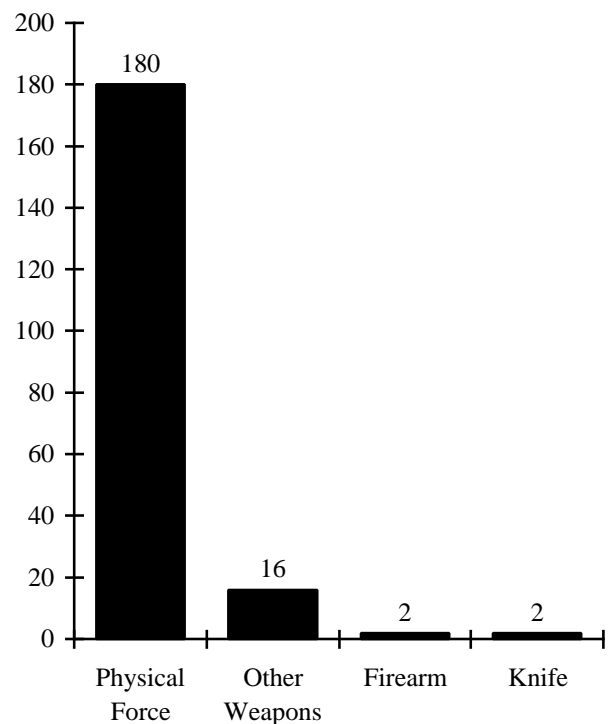
Assaults on Officers by County

County	Assaults on Officers			2010 Rate Per 100 Officers
	2010	2011	% Change	
Androscoggin	12	16	33.3%	9.0
Aroostook	3	5	66.7%	5.8
Cumberland	36	47	30.6%	9.1
Franklin	3	6	100.0%	12.0
Hancock	—	1	100.0%	1.5
Kennebec	38	31	-18.4%	21.4
Knox	2	2	—	3.3
Lincoln	4	4	—	8.7
Oxford	4	3	-25.0%	4.6
Penobscot	37	26	-29.7%	11.7
Piscataquis	—	2	100.0%	10.5
Sagadahoc	2	2	—	3.6
Somerset	10	5	-50.0%	9.8
Waldo	—	2	100.0%	5.6
Washington	1	3	200.0%	8.8
York	40	45	12.5%	14.1
Totals	192	200	4.2%	8.8

Officer Assaults by Time of Day



Officer Assaults by Type of Weapon



Officer Assaults by Circumstances — 2011

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)
1. Responding to disturbance calls	93	—	1	6	86	4	38	42	—	1	2	6	88
2. Burglaries in progress or pursuing burglary suspects	3	—	—	—	3	—	2	—	1	—	—	—	3
3. Robberies in progress or pursuing robbery suspects	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
4. Attempting other arrests	24	—	—	3	21	1	12	8	—	—	1	2	24
5. Civil disorder (riot, mass disobedience)	5	—	—	—	5	1	1	3	—	—	—	—	5
6. Handling, transporting, custody of prisoners	27	—	—	3	24	2	10	4	—	—	4	7	27
7. Investigating suspicious persons or circumstances	12	—	—	—	12	2	3	5	1	—	1	—	12
8. Ambush — no warning	2	—	1	—	1	—	1	—	—	—	1	—	2
9. Mentally deranged	10	2	—	—	8	—	2	5	—	—	2	1	8
10. Traffic pursuits and stops	7	—	—	2	5	1	5	1	—	—	—	—	6
11. All other	17	—	—	2	15	—	4	3	—	—	2	8	16
12. Totals (1–11)	200	2	2	16	180	11	78	71	2	1	13	24	191
13. Number with personal injury	36	—	1	5	30								
14. Number without personal injury	164	2	1	11	150								
15. Time of assaults													
A.M.	42	21	6	3	8	7							
P.M.	9	13	23	18	23	27							
	12:01	2:00	4:00	6:00	8:00	10:00	12:00						