

CRIME RATES

The computation of crime rates as they appear in this report is based on 2012 population estimates received from the Uniform Crime Reporting division of the FBI, using provisional estimates of the Bureau of Census. Rural populations are arrived at by deleting the population figures for each direct reporting municipal department from their respective county totals.

Monthly and annual Uniform Crime Reports currently received from approximately 135 municipal, county and state law enforcement agencies in Maine represent 100 percent of the estimated Maine population.

The crime rate involves the number of Index Crimes

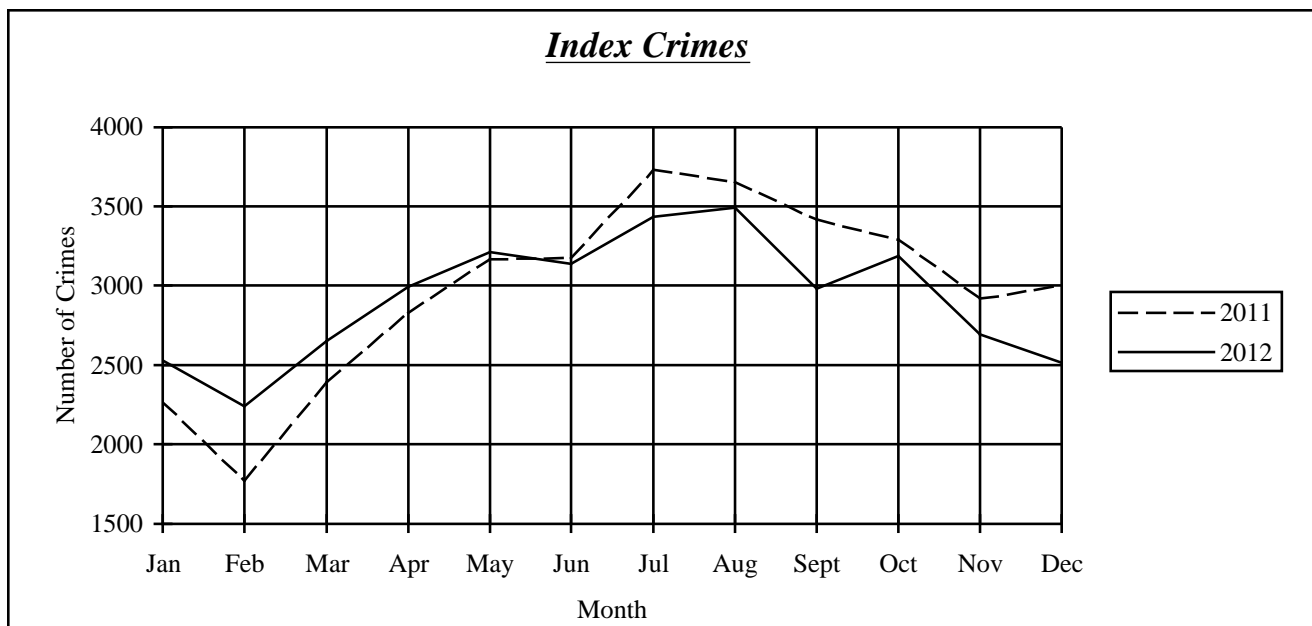
per unit of population, usually per 100,000 persons. Because Maine has such a low population total, a rate per 1,000 persons has been used to reflect a more realistic volume. No attempt has been made to incorporate either transient population or other factors which contribute to the ratio and type of crime in a given area. Any effort to make comparisons of crime rates between one area and another should recognize these population changes and varying environmental factors.

The crime index rate for Maine for the year 2012 was 26.39 offenses per 1,000 persons. Violent crimes occurred at a rate of 1.22 offenses per 1,000 persons, property crimes at a rate of 25.17.

2012 Crime Rates

Offense	Number of Offenses	Percent of Total	Rate/1,000 Population
Murder	24	.07%	.02
Rape	368	1.05%	.28
Robbery	421	1.20%	.32
Aggravated Assault	803	2.29%	.60
Burglary	7,429	21.18%	5.59
Larceny-Theft	24,812	70.74%	18.67
M/V Theft	990	2.82%	.74
Arson	226	.64%	.17
Totals	35,073	100.00%	26.39
Total Violent Crime	1,616	4.61%	1.22
Total Property Crime	33,457	95.39%	25.17

Index Crimes



Crime by County

County		Annual Crime Rate per 1,000	Total Index Crimes	Aggravated						Motor Vehicle Theft	Arson	Percent Clearance
				Murder	Rape	Robbery	Assault	Burglary	Larceny			
Androscoggin	2011	31.35	3,376	4	38	61	65	840	2,279	63	26	31.9%
	2012	31.92	3,431	—	39	64	44	767	2,397	99	21	31.7%
Aroostook	2011	18.20	1,308	—	13	7	39	250	967	29	3	43.0%
	2012	18.00	1,288	1	16	9	33	271	915	37	6	46.0%
Cumberland	2011	28.62	8,060	5	83	137	163	1,472	5,853	272	75	28.9%
	2012	27.61	7,802	1	70	137	172	1,330	5,827	218	47	28.9%
Franklin	2011	28.57	879	1	23	4	28	216	581	21	5	32.4%
	2012	23.43	721	—	15	4	20	151	507	22	2	35.0%
Hancock	2011	18.86	1,026	—	4	1	31	195	761	29	5	31.8%
	2012	20.14	1,100	3	4	6	29	256	771	29	2	30.5%
Kennebec	2011	33.22	4,057	3	55	37	103	894	2,830	113	22	32.2%
	2012	31.17	3,803	1	56	44	101	830	2,639	106	26	32.9%
Knox	2011	22.48	893	1	5	10	16	140	686	30	5	30.6%
	2012	21.29	846	1	4	6	19	136	641	35	4	32.7%
Lincoln	2011	17.27	595	—	24	—	9	166	377	15	4	35.8%
	2012	17.84	611	1	7	4	30	180	370	11	8	25.4%
Oxford	2011	25.61	1,481	—	29	6	29	366	989	55	7	34.0%
	2012	27.57	1,592	—	36	7	22	435	1,033	43	16	34.2%
Penobscot	2011	28.99	4,461	7	21	47	48	921	3,254	140	23	26.1%
	2012	31.05	4,778	8	19	61	50	911	3,570	139	20	30.1%
Piscataquis	2011	25.84	453	2	7	—	33	147	252	8	4	23.4%
	2012	19.91	347	—	2	2	32	113	187	9	2	26.2%
Sagadahoc	2011	23.01	812	—	—	1	5	181	585	37	3	22.5%
	2012	22.56	795	—	6	6	8	142	613	15	5	25.4%
Somerset	2011	30.31	1,583	2	20	5	24	382	1,075	70	5	30.4%
	2012	32.52	1,693	1	26	14	24	406	1,161	44	17	27.3%
Waldo	2011	18.62	722	—	6	1	22	222	440	25	6	33.7%
	2012	18.80	729	1	4	2	14	231	444	27	6	36.4%
Washington	2011	21.40	703	—	11	5	50	160	437	24	16	40.5%
	2012	19.84	648	—	3	1	39	245	334	21	5	38.9%
York	2011	26.41	5,206	—	52	48	178	1,274	3,460	143	51	27.8%
	2012	24.65	4,889	6	61	54	166	1,025	3,403	135	39	28.8%
TOTALS	2011	26.81	35,615	25	391	370	843	7,826	24,826	1,074	260	30.0%
	2012	26.39	35,073	24	368	421	803	7,429	24,812	990	226	31.0%

Total Index Crimes by County, January–December 2012

County	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
Androscoggin	243	225	280	310	366	273	302	300	234	359	302	237	3,431
Aroostook	87	76	111	92	144	134	159	132	109	91	86	67	1,288
Cumberland	583	485	613	689	674	647	718	782	695	671	626	619	7,802
Franklin	49	36	77	63	88	81	67	52	55	55	57	41	721
Hancock	88	73	91	92	100	105	114	110	87	102	71	67	1,100
Kennebec	279	221	268	355	357	346	379	405	308	306	305	274	3,803
Knox	72	66	66	57	62	90	82	83	68	76	75	49	846
Lincoln	42	50	69	53	71	54	52	50	39	50	43	38	611
Oxford	122	101	121	158	154	156	150	138	118	150	126	98	1,592
Penobscot	348	334	329	406	383	412	509	436	419	471	333	398	4,778
Piscataquis	10	14	18	17	20	41	53	47	28	37	27	35	347
Sagadahoc	61	42	45	72	67	72	92	75	56	93	78	42	795
Somerset	95	99	120	131	176	191	183	174	165	147	116	96	1,693
Waldo	45	50	37	57	58	57	68	96	76	71	65	49	729
Washington	49	35	32	53	69	53	72	69	87	52	42	35	648
York	356	334	376	390	421	428	432	543	436	457	342	374	4,889
2012 Total	2,529	2,241	2,653	2,995	3,210	3,140	3,432	3,492	2,980	3,188	2,694	2,519	35,073
2011 Total	2,264	1,770	2,390	2,831	3,167	3,176	3,729	3,656	3,419	3,292	2,918	3,003	35,615
% Change	11.7%	26.6%	11.0%	5.8%	1.4%	-1.1%	-8.0%	-4.5%	-12.8%	-3.2%	-7.7%	-16.1%	-1.5%

TOTAL INDEX CRIMES BY COUNTY