

POLICE EMPLOYMENT DATA

The Uniform Crime Reporting System in Maine incorporates a collection of important data relating to police within the state. Information such as ratio of police to population, assaults on officers, and related analysis are covered in this section.

As of October 31, 1996, the following information was gathered from 136 reporting agencies.

Sworn Personnel

- There were 1,460 full-time municipal law enforcement officers, representing 1.79 officers per 1,000 population for urban population areas.
- There were 241 full-time sworn law enforcement officers employed by Maine's 16 Sheriff's Departments. There were 304 sworn officers employed by the Maine State Police. The ratio of officers per 1,000 population in rural areas is 1.32.
- Statewide, there were 2,042 full-time sworn law enforcement officers. The total complement of officers represents a rate of 1.66 officers per 1,000 population.
- Nationally, the average rate per 1,000 is 2.3. The average rate for the New England states is 2.1.

Civilian Personnel

- The number of full-time civilian support personnel employed by the municipal departments in Maine was 428.
- There were 91 civilians employed full-time by the county Sheriff's Departments. The Maine State Police employed 129 full-time civilians.
- The total number of full-time civilian support personnel employed statewide was 648.

Caution should be exercised in using rates for comparative purposes, since a wide variety of factors dictate the number of employees necessary to various law enforcement agencies. The term "full-time sworn" officers does not mean that these personnel are performing regular police enforcement duties in investigations, patrol and deterrent practices. The need for regulatory duties, correction duties, administrative duties and assigned special duties affects the number of personnel available for regular law enforcement duties. Comparing agencies should not be done without considering the "in-house" duties and responsibilities of the agencies involved.

Figures for Sheriff's Department personnel for the year 1996 do not include persons serving as correctional or court personnel in all Sheriff's Departments. Population figures given here may vary from those shown in the County Crime Analysis (pp. 90-96), which reflect a population update at another part of the year.

Agency	Population	Sworn Law Enforcement Officers			Civilian Personnel		Total		Total
		M	F	Officers/ 1,000	M	F	M	F	
Androscoggin SO	22,682	11	—	0.5	4	1	15	1	16
Auburn PD	23,382	46	1	2.0	6	3	52	4	56
Lewiston PD	37,475	76	3	2.1	3	14	79	17	96
Livermore Falls PD	3,420	6	—	1.8	2	3	8	3	11
Lisbon PD	9,366	12	—	1.3	3	2	15	2	17
Mechanic Falls PD	2,889	4	—	1.4	—	—	4	—	4
Sabattus PD	3,658	5	1	1.6	—	1	5	2	7
Total Androscoggin	102,872	160	5	1.6	18	24	178	29	207
Aroostook SO	29,062	9	—	0.3	1	4	10	4	14
Caribou PD	8,951	14	—	1.6	1	—	15	—	15
Ft. Fairfield PD	4,021	5	—	1.2	—	—	5	—	5
Ft. Kent PD	4,292	4	—	0.9	2	2	6	2	8
Houlton PD	6,653	12	1	2.0	3	2	15	3	18
Madawaska PD	4,829	7	—	1.4	—	1	7	1	8
Presque Isle PD	10,042	16	1	1.7	2	2	18	3	21
Van Buren PD	3,062	4	—	1.3	—	—	4	—	4
Ashland PD	1,549	3	—	1.9	—	—	3	—	3
Limestone PD	7,632	3	1	0.5	—	—	3	1	4
Washburn PD	1,889	1	—	0.5	—	—	1	—	1
Total Aroostook	81,982	78	3	1.0	9	11	87	14	101
Cumberland SO	47,262	42	1	0.9	11	6	53	7	60
Brunswick PD	21,093	29	2	1.5	5	4	34	6	40
Cape Elizabeth PD	8,931	13	—	1.5	4	—	17	—	17
Falmouth PD	7,676	13	—	1.7	—	5	13	5	18
Gorham PD	11,960	15	1	1.3	2	4	17	5	22
Portland PD	61,803	136	13	2.4	18	39	154	52	206
So. Portland PD	22,614	49	3	2.3	3	2	52	5	57
Scarborough PD	12,629	23	3	2.1	9	4	32	7	39
Westbrook PD	15,749	29	2	2.0	2	4	31	6	37

Agency	Population	Sworn Law Enforcement			Civilian		Total		Total
		Officers	Officers/ 1,000	Officers/ 1,000	Personnel	Personnel	M	F	
Bridgton PD	4,343	8	—	1.8	1	3	9	3	12
Cumberland PD	5,886	10	—	1.7	—	5	10	5	15
Freeport PD	6,964	11	1	1.7	1	4	12	5	17
Yarmouth PD	7,931	10	—	1.3	2	3	12	3	15
Windham PD	13,134	19	1	1.5	3	2	22	3	25
U.S.M. Campus PD	—	16	2	—	3	3	19	5	24
Total Cumberland	247,975	423	29	1.8	64	88	487	117	604
Franklin SO	11,191	13	1	1.3	4	5	17	6	23
Farmington PD	7,576	7	1	1.1	—	1	7	2	9
Jay PD	5,175	7	—	1.4	2	2	9	2	11
Wilton PD	4,321	5	—	1.2	—	—	5	—	5
Rangeley PD	1,075	2	—	1.9	—	—	2	—	2
U.M.F. Campus PD	—	4	—	—	—	—	4	—	4
Carrabassett Valley PD	329	1	—	3.0	—	—	1	—	1
Total Franklin	29,667	39	2	1.4	6	8	45	10	55
Hancock SO	25,943	12	—	0.5	2	—	14	—	14
Bar Harbor PD	4,556	8	1	2.0	3	1	11	2	13
Ellsworth PD	6,259	10	1	1.8	3	1	13	2	15
Bucksport PD	4,948	7	—	1.4	1	1	8	1	9
Mt. Desert PD	1,945	4	1	2.6	2	2	6	3	9
So. West Harbor PD	2,000	5	—	2.5	2	2	7	2	9
Gouldsboro-Winter Harbor PD	3,222	1	—	0.3	—	—	1	—	1
Total Hancock	48,873	47	3	1.0	13	7	60	10	70
Kennebec SO	43,045	18	2	0.5	4	3	22	5	27
Augusta PD	19,786	38	1	2.0	7	6	45	7	52
Gardiner PD	6,644	10	—	1.5	3	2	13	2	15
Hallowell PD	2,332	5	—	2.1	—	—	5	—	5
Waterville PD	16,246	28	2	1.8	3	5	31	7	38
Oakland PD	5,676	7	—	1.2	—	1	7	1	8
Monmouth PD	3,401	3	—	0.9	—	—	3	—	3
Winslow PD	8,114	5	1	0.7	—	1	5	2	7
Winthrop PD	6,054	9	—	1.5	4	—	13	—	13
Clinton PD	3,380	4	—	1.2	—	—	4	—	4
Total Kennebec	114,678	127	6	1.2	21	18	148	24	172
Knox SO	18,333	14	1	0.8	4	2	18	3	21
Camden PD	5,143	10	—	1.9	3	2	13	2	15
Rockland PD	7,366	21	—	2.9	5	2	26	2	28
Thomaston PD	3,359	5	—	1.5	—	—	5	—	5
Rockport PD	2,900	3	—	1.0	—	—	3	—	3
Total Knox	37,101	53	1	1.5	12	6	65	7	72
Lincoln SO	13,502	15	1	0.9	—	3	15	4	19
Boothbay Harbor PD	2,679	6	—	2.2	—	4	6	4	10
Damariscotta PD	1,831	3	—	1.6	—	—	3	—	3
Waldoboro PD	4,655	4	—	0.9	—	1	4	1	5
Wiscasset PD	3,378	7	1	2.4	—	1	7	2	9
Total Lincoln	26,045	35	2	1.4	—	9	35	11	46
Oxford SO	21,705	12	—	0.6	2	6	14	6	20
Rumford PD	7,106	14	1	2.1	—	—	14	1	15
Dixfield PD	2,584	3	1	1.5	—	—	3	1	4
Mexico PD	3,357	4	—	1.2	—	—	4	—	4
Norway PD	4,772	7	—	1.5	—	1	7	1	8
Paris PD	4,508	7	—	1.6	—	1	7	1	8
Bethel PD	2,336	3	—	1.3	—	—	3	—	3
Fryeburg PD	2,980	4	—	1.3	—	—	4	—	4
Oxford PD	3,721	4	—	1.1	—	1	4	1	5
Total Oxford	53,069	58	2	1.1	2	9	60	11	71
Penobscot SO	52,596	18	—	0.3	—	3	18	3	21
Bangor PD	32,029	64	1	2.0	6	7	70	8	78
Brewer PD	8,742	14	1	1.7	1	3	15	4	19
Dexter PD	4,428	5	—	1.1	—	1	5	1	6
Lincoln PD	5,600	3	—	0.5	—	1	3	1	4
Old Town PD	8,158	14	1	1.8	3	2	17	3	20
Orono PD	10,598	12	—	1.1	4	1	16	1	17
Hampden PD	5,987	9	—	1.5	1	4	10	4	14

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Millinocket PD	6,972	12	—	1.7	3	—	15	—	15
E. Millinocket PD	2,169	4	—	1.8	—	—	4	—	4
Newport PD	3,042	5	—	1.6	—	—	5	—	5
Veazie PD	1,635	3	1	2.4	—	—	3	1	4
Medway PD	1,925	2	—	1.0	—	—	2	—	2
U.M.O. Campus PD	—	18	4	—	8	4	26	8	34
Penobscot Nation	474	4	—	8.4	4	—	8	—	8
Total Penobscot	144,355	187	8	1.4	30	26	217	34	251
Piscataquis SO	7,842	8	—	1.0	4	—	12	—	12
Dover-Foxcroft PD	4,698	5	—	1.1	—	—	5	—	5
Milo PD	2,623	3	—	1.1	—	—	3	—	3
Brownville PD	1,510	2	—	1.3	—	—	2	—	2
Greenville PD	1,889	2	—	1.1	—	—	2	—	2
Total Piscataquis	18,562	20	—	1.1	4	—	24	—	24
Sagadahoc SO	10,711	15	1	1.5	2	1	17	2	19
Bath PD	9,325	15	2	1.8	5	3	20	5	25
Topsham PD	8,893	11	—	1.2	1	3	12	3	15
Richmond PD	3,122	4	—	1.3	—	—	4	—	4
Phippsburg PD	1,844	1	—	0.5	—	—	1	—	1
Total Sagadahoc	33,895	46	3	1.4	8	7	54	10	64
Somerset SO	26,316	12	—	0.5	2	4	14	4	18
Fairfield PD	6,879	9	1	1.5	—	1	9	2	11
Skowhegan PD	8,936	12	—	1.3	3	2	15	2	17
Madison PD	4,837	6	—	1.2	1	—	7	—	7
Pittsfield PD	4,290	5	—	1.2	—	—	5	—	5
Total Somerset	51,258	44	1	0.9	6	7	50	8	58
Waldo SO	25,987	10	—	0.4	4	1	14	1	15
Belfast PD	6,342	13	—	2.0	3	1	16	1	17
Searsport PD	2,701	3	—	1.1	—	—	3	—	3
Total Waldo	35,030	26	—	0.7	7	2	33	2	35
Washington SO	21,258	10	—	0.5	5	1	15	1	16
Calais PD	4,050	8	—	2.0	2	2	10	2	12
Eastport PD	1,819	4	—	2.2	—	—	4	—	4
Machias PD	2,621	4	—	1.5	—	—	4	—	4
Jonesport PD	1,555	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Baileyville PD	2,071	5	—	2.4	—	—	5	—	5
Pleasant Point PD	579	4	—	6.9	1	3	5	3	8
Indian Twp.	625	6	—	9.6	—	1	6	1	7
Milbridge PD	1,331	1	—	0.8	—	—	1	—	1
Total Washington	35,909	42	—	1.2	8	7	50	7	57
York County SO	34,697	15	—	0.4	—	2	15	2	17
Biddeford PD	20,432	39	3	2.1	3	11	42	14	56
Kittery PD	9,523	19	—	2.0	1	5	20	5	25
Old Orchard PD	7,915	14	2	2.0	1	4	15	6	21
Saco PD	15,398	26	1	1.8	2	4	28	5	33
Sanford PD	20,796	28	4	1.5	5	9	33	13	46
Berwick PD	6,090	10	—	1.6	—	1	10	1	11
Eliot PD	5,415	6	1	1.3	—	—	6	1	7
Kennebunk PD	8,133	14	2	2.0	1	4	15	6	21
Kennebunkport PD	3,409	10	1	3.2	3	2	13	3	16
North Berwick PD	3,854	7	—	1.8	—	1	7	1	8
Ogunquit PD	987	6	1	7.1	3	2	9	3	12
South Berwick PD	5,970	7	—	1.2	3	1	10	1	11
Wells PD	7,904	18	2	2.5	1	4	19	6	25
York PD	11,589	21	—	1.8	2	5	23	5	28
Buxton PD	6,598	4	2	0.9	1	3	5	5	10
Total York	168,710	244	19	1.6	26	58	270	77	347
All Other State		35	2	—	39	56	74	58	132
Maine State Police		289	15	—	77	52	366	67	433
Totals	1,229,981	1,941	101	1.7	348	395	2,289	496	2,785