

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, 1997, the following information was gathered from 138 reporting agencies.

Sworn Personnel

- There were 1,490 full-time municipal law enforcement officers, representing 1.82 officers per 1,000 population for urban population areas.
- There were 242 full-time sworn law enforcement officers employed by Maine's 16 Sheriff's Departments. There were 319 sworn officers employed by the Maine State Police. The ratio of officers per 1,000 population in rural areas is 1.33.
- Statewide, there were 2,095 full-time sworn law enforcement officers. The total complement of officers represents a rate of 1.69 officers per 1,000 population.
- Nationally, the average rate per 1,000 is 2.3. The average rate for the New England states is 2.2.

Civilian Personnel

- The number of full-time civilian support personnel employed by the municipal departments in Maine was 431.
- There were 75 civilians employed full-time by the county Sheriff's Departments. The Maine State Police employed 120 full-time civilians.
- The total number of full-time civilian support personnel employed statewide was 626.

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 1997 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.

Police Employment Data 1997

Agency	Population	Sworn Law Enforcement Officers			Civilian Personnel		Total		
		M	F	Officers/ 1,000	M	F	M	F	Total
Androscoggin SO	23,400	12	—	0.5	3	2	15	2	17
Auburn PD	23,400	46	1	2.0	5	3	51	4	55
Lewiston PD	37,445	74	5	2.1	3	10	77	15	92
Livermore Falls PD	3,422	6	—	1.8	2	3	8	3	11
Lisbon PD	9,373	13	—	1.4	4	1	17	1	18
Mechanic Falls PD	2,890	4	—	1.4	—	—	4	—	4
Sabattus PD	3,660	5	1	1.6	—	1	5	2	7
Total Androscoggin	103,590	160	7	1.6	17	20	177	27	204
Aroostook SO	29,084	10	—	0.3	1	4	11	4	15
Caribou PD	8,957	14	1	1.7	1	—	15	1	16
Ft. Fairfield PD	4,023	4	—	1.0	—	—	4	—	4
Ft. Kent PD	4,294	4	—	0.9	4	—	8	—	8
Houlton PD	6,657	13	1	2.1	3	2	16	3	19
Madawaska PD	4,832	7	—	1.4	—	1	7	1	8
Presque Isle PD	10,049	16	1	1.7	2	2	18	3	21
Van Buren PD	3,063	4	—	1.3	—	—	4	—	4
Ashland PD	1,549	3	—	1.9	—	—	3	—	3
Limestone PD	7,637	4	1	0.7	—	—	4	1	5
Washburn PD	1,890	1	—	0.5	—	—	1	—	1
Total Aroostook	82,035	80	4	1.0	11	9	91	13	104
Cumberland SO	47,300	36	2	0.8	—	1	36	3	39
Brunswick PD	21,109	29	2	1.5	5	4	34	6	40
Cape Elizabeth PD	8,937	12	—	1.3	5	—	17	—	17
Falmouth PD	7,681	15	—	2.0	1	4	16	4	20
Gorham PD	11,961	15	1	1.3	2	4	17	5	22
Portland PD	61,979	134	12	2.4	18	40	152	52	204
South Portland PD	22,631	47	3	2.2	3	2	50	5	55
Scarborough PD	12,638	23	3	2.1	7	3	30	6	36
Westbrook PD	15,761	30	2	2.0	2	5	32	7	39

Agency	Population	Sworn Law Enforcement			Civilian Personnel		Total		Total
		Officers	Officers/ 1,000	Officers/ 1,000	M	F	M	F	
Bridgton PD	4,345	8	—	1.8	1	3	9	3	12
Cumberland PD	5,890	9	1	1.7	—	5	9	6	15
Freeport PD	6,969	12	1	1.9	1	4	13	5	18
Yarmouth PD	7,936	10	—	1.3	1	4	11	4	15
Windham PD	13,144	18	1	1.4	4	2	22	3	25
U.S.M. Campus PD	—	12	2	—	4	2	16	4	20
Total Cumberland	248,281	410	30	1.8	54	83	464	113	577
Franklin SO	11,200	12	2	1.3	5	5	17	7	24
Farmington PD	7,581	10	1	1.5	—	1	10	2	12
Jay PD	5,178	8	2	1.9	—	1	8	3	11
Wilton PD	4,323	5	—	1.2	—	—	5	—	5
Rangeley PD	1,075	2	—	1.9	—	1	2	1	3
U.M.F. Campus PD	—	4	—	—	—	—	4	—	4
Carrabassett Valley PD	328	2	—	6.1	4	—	6	—	6
Total Franklin	29,685	43	5	1.6	9	8	52	13	65
Hancock SO	25,963	14	—	0.5	—	1	14	1	15
Bar Harbor PD	4,556	8	1	2.0	3	1	11	2	13
Ellsworth PD	6,263	10	1	1.8	2	2	12	3	15
Bucksport PD	4,951	7	—	1.4	1	1	8	1	9
Mt. Desert PD	1,946	4	1	2.6	2	2	6	3	9
So. West Harbor PD	2,001	5	—	2.5	2	2	7	2	9
Gouldsboro PD	3,224	1	—	0.3	—	—	1	—	1
Swan's Island PD	370	1	—	2.7	—	—	1	—	1
Winter Harbor PD	1,245	1	—	0.8	—	1	1	1	2
Total Hancock	50,519	51	3	1.1	10	10	61	13	74
Kennebec SO	45,754	21	2	0.5	4	3	25	5	30
Augusta PD	19,801	38	1	2.0	6	9	44	10	54
Gardiner PD	6,648	9	—	1.4	3	1	12	1	13
Hallowell PD	2,333	5	—	2.1	—	—	5	—	5
Waterville PD	16,258	28	2	1.8	—	2	28	4	32
Oakland PD	5,680	7	—	1.2	—	1	7	1	8
Monmouth PD	3,403	3	—	0.9	—	—	3	—	3
Winslow PD	8,120	5	1	0.7	1	1	6	2	8
Winthrop PD	6,058	9	—	1.5	4	—	13	—	13
Clinton PD	3,382	6	—	1.8	—	—	6	—	6
Total Kennebec	117,437	131	6	1.2	18	17	149	23	172
Knox SO	18,347	13	1	0.8	4	2	17	3	20
Camden PD	5,146	10	—	1.9	2	2	12	2	14
Rockland PD	7,371	19	—	2.6	5	2	24	2	26
Thomaston PD	3,361	4	—	1.2	—	—	4	—	4
Rockport PD	2,901	5	—	1.7	1	—	6	—	6
Total Knox	37,126	51	1	1.4	12	6	63	7	70
Lincoln SO	18,516	16	1	0.9	—	3	16	4	20
Boothbay Harbor PD	2,680	7	—	2.6	—	4	7	4	11
Damariscotta PD	1,831	3	—	1.6	—	—	3	—	3
Waldoboro PD	4,658	4	—	0.9	—	1	4	1	5
Wiscasset PD	3,380	6	1	2.1	—	1	6	2	8
Total Lincoln	31,065	36	2	1.2	—	9	36	11	47
Oxford SO	21,721	12	—	0.6	3	5	15	5	20
Rumford PD	7,111	15	1	2.3	—	—	15	1	16
Dixfield PD	2,585	3	1	1.5	—	—	3	1	4
Mexico PD	3,359	4	—	1.2	—	—	4	—	4
Norway PD	4,775	7	—	1.5	—	1	7	1	8
Paris PD	4,511	6	—	1.3	—	1	6	1	7
Bethel PD	2,337	3	—	1.3	—	—	3	—	3
Fryeburg PD	2,981	4	—	1.3	—	—	4	—	4
Oxford PD	3,723	4	—	1.1	—	1	4	1	5
Total Oxford	53,103	58	2	1.1	3	8	61	10	71
Penobscot SO	54,895	18	—	0.3	—	3	18	3	21
Bangor PD	32,054	65	1	2.1	5	8	70	9	79
Brewer PD	8,748	15	1	1.8	—	3	15	4	19
Dexter PD	4,431	5	—	1.1	—	1	5	1	6
Lincoln PD	5,604	5	—	0.9	—	1	5	1	6
Old Town PD	8,164	18	1	2.3	3	1	21	2	23

Agency	Population	Sworn Law Enforcement			Civilian Personnel		Total		Total
		Officers	Officers/ 1,000	Officers/ 1,000	M	F	M	F	
Orono PD	10,606	12	1	1.2	4	1	16	2	18
Hampden PD	5,991	10	—	1.7	—	1	10	1	11
Millinocket PD	6,977	11	—	1.6	3	1	14	1	15
E. Millinocket PD	2,170	4	—	1.8	—	—	4	—	4
Newport PD	3,043	5	—	1.6	—	—	5	—	5
Eddington PD	2,000	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Veazie PD	1,635	5	—	3.1	—	—	5	—	5
U.M.O. Campus PD	—	18	5	—	10	3	28	8	36
Penobscot Nation	473	5	—	10.6	4	—	9	—	9
Total Penobscot	146,791	196	9	1.4	29	23	225	32	257
Piscataquis SO	7,847	7	—	0.9	—	—	7	—	7
Dover-Foxcroft PD	4,701	5	—	1.1	—	—	5	—	5
Milo PD	2,624	3	—	1.1	—	—	3	—	3
Brownville PD	1,510	2	—	1.3	—	—	2	—	2
Greenville PD	1,890	2	—	1.1	—	—	2	—	2
Total Piscataquis	18,572	19	—	1.0	—	—	19	—	19
Sagadahoc SO	10,719	14	—	1.3	3	2	17	2	19
Bath PD	9,332	17	1	1.9	5	4	22	5	27
Topsham PD	8,899	11	—	1.2	2	2	13	2	15
Richmond PD	3,124	4	—	1.3	—	—	4	—	4
Phippsburg PD	1,844	1	—	0.5	—	—	1	—	1
Total Sagadahoc	33,918	47	1	1.4	10	8	57	9	66
Somerset SO	26,336	12	—	0.5	3	4	15	4	19
Fairfield PD	6,884	9	1	1.5	—	1	9	2	11
Skowhegan PD	8,942	12	—	1.3	—	1	12	1	13
Madison PD	4,840	6	—	1.2	—	1	6	1	7
Pittsfield PD	4,292	4	1	1.2	1	4	5	5	10
Total Somerset	51,294	43	2	0.9	4	11	47	13	60
Waldo SO	26,007	10	—	0.4	5	1	15	1	16
Belfast PD	6,346	12	—	1.9	3	1	15	1	16
Searsport PD	2,702	3	—	1.1	—	—	3	—	3
Total Waldo	35,055	25	—	0.7	8	2	33	2	35
Washington SO	21,274	10	—	0.5	5	1	15	1	16
Calais PD	4,052	8	—	2.0	2	2	10	2	12
Eastport PD	1,819	4	—	2.2	—	—	4	—	4
Machias PD	2,622	3	—	1.1	—	—	3	—	3
Jonesport PD	1,555	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Baileyville PD	2,072	5	—	2.4	—	—	5	—	5
Pleasant Point PD	578	4	—	6.9	1	3	5	3	8
Indian Twp.	625	6	—	9.6	4	2	10	2	12
Milbridge PD	1,331	1	—	0.8	—	—	1	—	1
Total Washington	35,928	41	—	1.1	12	8	53	8	61
York County SO	34,724	16	1	0.5	—	2	16	3	19
Biddeford PD	20,447	39	3	2.1	2	16	41	19	60
Kittery PD	9,530	19	—	2.0	2	5	21	5	26
Old Orchard PD	7,920	14	2	2.0	1	4	15	6	21
Saco PD	15,409	27	2	1.9	1	5	28	7	35
Sanford PD	20,812	30	3	1.6	5	8	35	11	46
Berwick PD	6,094	10	—	1.6	—	—	10	—	10
Eliot PD	5,418	6	1	1.3	—	—	6	1	7
Kennebunk	8,139	15	2	2.1	—	5	15	7	22
Kennebunkport PD	3,411	11	—	3.2	3	2	14	2	16
North Berwick PD	3,856	7	—	1.8	—	1	7	1	8
Ogunquit PD	987	6	1	7.1	2	3	8	4	12
South Berwick PD	5,974	8	—	1.3	3	1	11	1	12
Wells PD	7,909	18	2	2.5	2	3	20	5	25
York PD	11,597	19	—	1.6	2	5	21	5	26
Buxton PD	6,602	5	2	1.1	1	3	6	5	11
Total York	168,829	250	19	1.6	24	63	274	82	356
All Other State	—	43	1	—	50	47	93	48	141
Maine State Police	—	299	20	—	69	51	368	71	439
Totals	1,243,228	1,983	112	1.7	340	383	2,323	495	2,818