



BURGLARY

Burglary, also known as breaking and entering, is “the unlawful entry or attempted forcible entry of any structure to commit a felony or larceny.”

“A person is guilty of burglary if he enters or surreptitiously remains in a structure, knowing that he is not licensed or privileged to do so, with the intent to commit a crime therein.” M.R.S.A. Title 17-A, § 401

Crime Clock



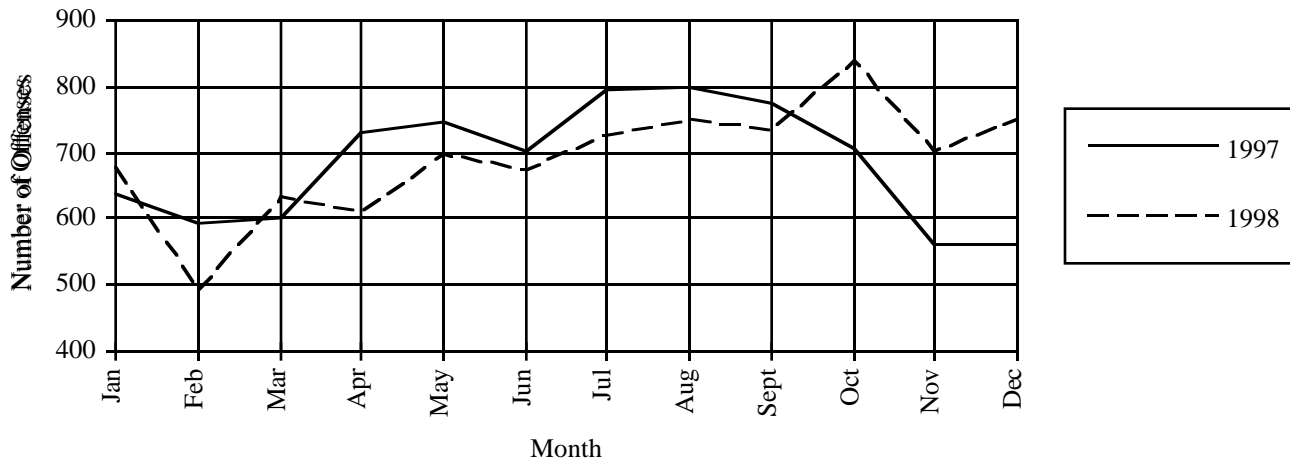
<i>Trend</i>						
Year	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1994-1998
Number reported	8,915	9,218	9,230	8,218	8,300	
% change from previous year	—	3.4%	0.1%	-11.0%	1.0%	
						% change -6.9%
Rate per 1,000	7.22	7.46	7.47	6.65	6.72	
% change from previous year	—	3.3%	0.1%	-11.0%	1.1%	
						% change -6.9%

<i>Characteristics — 1998</i>	
Place of Occurrence	Months of Highest Occurrence
Residence64.3%	October10.1%
Non-Residence35.7%	August9.1%
Type of Entry	December9.1%
Forcible Entry54.2%	Value of Property Stolen during Offense
Unlawful Entry — No Force37.7%	Total\$6,325,360.00
Attempted Forcible Entry8.1%	Per Incident Average\$762.09
Time of Day	Clearance Rate
Night — 6 p.m.–6 a.m.33.5%	1,610 Offenses Cleared19.4%
Unknown37.1%	Arrests/Crime Ratio0.20
Day — 6 a.m.–6 p.m.29.4%	

<i>Profile of Persons Arrested 1,682 Arrests</i>	
Age	
17 and under51.0%	
18-2430.1%	
25-295.8%	
30-345.6%	
35-393.7%	
40 and over3.8%	
Sex	
Male89.4%	
Female10.6%	

<i>Type of Entry, 1997-1998</i>			
	1997	1998	% change
Forcible Entry	4,743	4,501	-5.1%
Unlawful Entry, no force	2,789	3,129	12.2%
Attempted Forcible Entry	686	670	-2.3%
Totals	8,218	8,300	1.0%

Burglaries — Comparative Data 1997–1998



Burglary by Time of Day, 1997–1998

	Number of Offenses			Estimated Value of Property Loss		
	1997	1998	% change	1997	1998	% change
Residence						
6 p.m.–6 a.m.	1,555	1,391	-10.5%	\$1,042,553	\$803,168	-23.0%
6 a.m.–6 p.m.	1,907	1,934	+1.4%	\$1,880,797	\$1,669,164	-11.3%
Unknown	1,904	2,013	+5.7%	\$1,394,402	\$1,725,099	+23.7%
Subtotals	5,366	5,338	-0.5%	\$4,317,752	\$4,197,431	-2.8%
Non-Residence						
6 p.m.–6 a.m.	1,593	1,387	-12.9%	\$1,341,448	\$1,171,712	-12.7%
6 a.m.–6 p.m.	431	508	+17.9%	\$194,592	\$287,549	+47.8%
Unknown	828	1,067	+28.9%	\$589,870	\$668,668	+13.4%
Subtotal	2,852	2,962	+3.9%	\$2,125,910	\$2,127,929	+0.1%
Grand Totals	8,218	8,300	+1.0%	\$6,443,662	\$6,325,360	-1.8%

LARCENY-THEFT

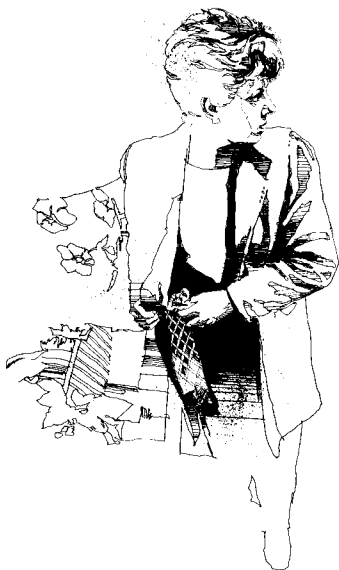
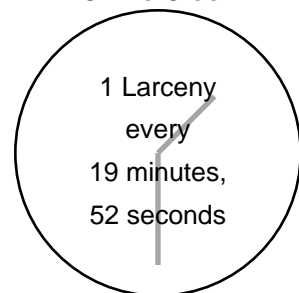
Larceny is the unlawful taking of the property of another with the intent to deprive him of ownership.

Maine has consolidated conduct denoted as Theft under Title 17-A, Chapter 15, § 351, Consolidation, embracing numerous separate crimes previously known as larceny, embezzlement, false pretenses, extortion, blackmail, shoplifting, and receiving stolen property. In properly classifying/scoring these offenses under UCR guidelines, certain offenses fall under Larceny-Theft, while others more appropriately fit under Part II offense definitions such as Fraud, Embezzlement, Stolen Property or All Other Offenses.

Theft by unauthorized taking or transfer — “1. A person is guilty of theft if he obtains or exercises unauthorized control over the property of another with intent to deprive him thereof.” M.R.S.A. Title 17-A, § 353

Burglary of a motor vehicle — “A person is guilty of theft if the actor enters a motor vehicle knowing the actor is not licensed or privileged to do so, with the intent to commit a crime therein (and that crime is theft).” M.R.S.A. Title 17-A, § 405

Crime Clock



<i>Trend</i>						
Year	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1994-1998
Number reported	28,138	28,504	29,193	27,449	26,464	
% change from previous year	5.1%	1.3%	2.4%	-6.0%	-3.6%	% change -5.9%
Rate per 1,000	22.78	23.08	23.64	22.23	21.43	
% change from previous year	5.1%	1.3%	2.4%	-6.0%	-3.6%	% change -5.9%

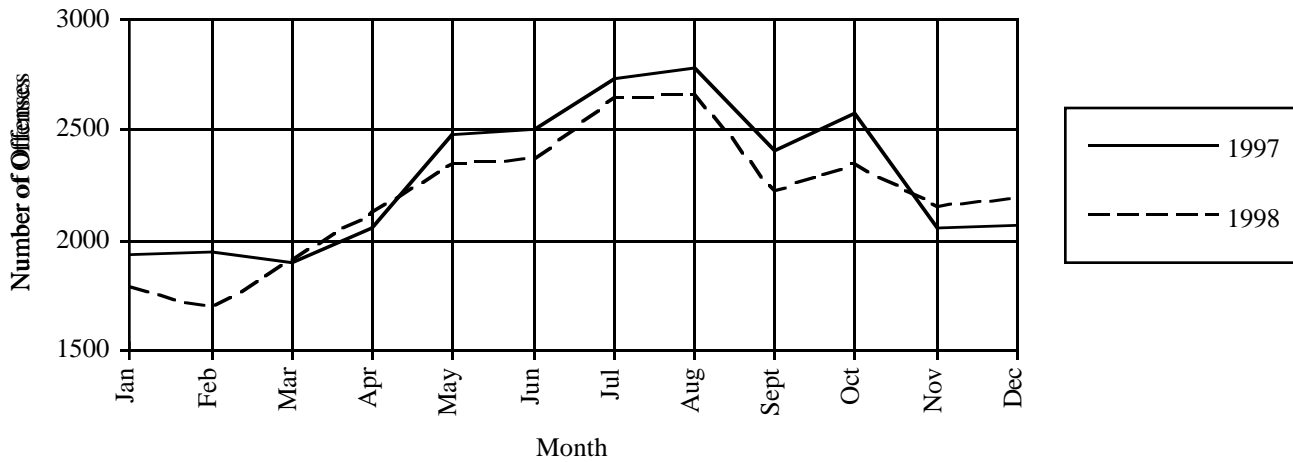
<i>Characteristics — 1998</i>	
Type of Criminal Activity	
All Other	33.9%
From Motor Vehicles	20.9%
From Buildings	17.0%
Shoplifting	16.6%
Bicycles	6.6%
Motor Vehicles Parts & Accessories	3.7%
From Coin-Op Machines	0.6%
Purse-Snatching	0.6%
Pocket-Picking	0.2%
Value per Incident	
Under \$50	40.8%
Over \$200	32.9%
\$50 to \$200	26.3%
Months of Highest Occurrence	
August	10.1%
July	10.0%
June	9.0%
Value of Property Stolen during Offense	
Total	\$9,222,757.00
Per Incident Average	\$348.50
Clearance Rate	
7,477 Offenses Cleared	28.3%
Arrests/Crime Ratio	0.24

**Profile of Persons Arrested
6,436 Arrests**

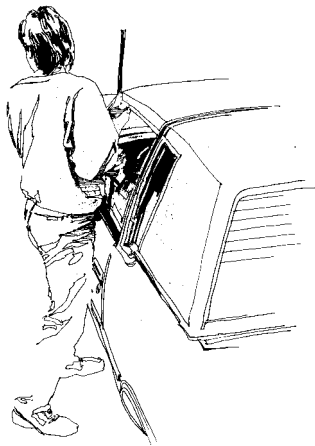
Age	
17 and under	46.1%
18-24	27.0%
25-29	6.8%
30-34	6.2%
35-39	4.7%
40 and over	9.2%
Sex	
Male	67.5%
Female	32.5%

<i>Larceny by Classification, 1997-1998</i>						
	Number of Offenses			Value Stolen		
	1997	1998	% change	1997	1998	% change
Pocket-Picking	56	43	-23.2%	\$6,304	\$24,503	+288.7%
Purse-Snatching	90	149	+65.6%	\$10,503	\$27,313	+160.0%
Shoplifting	4,937	4,380	-11.3%	\$325,606	\$467,322	+43.5%
From Motor Vehicles	5,965	5,537	-7.2%	\$1,856,245	\$1,739,777	-6.3%
M/V Parts & Accessories	1,091	968	-11.3%	\$317,117	\$331,465	+4.5%
Bicycles	1,747	1,759	+0.7%	\$508,883	\$427,781	-15.9%
From Buildings	4,949	4,510	-8.9%	\$2,853,946	\$2,422,794	-15.1%
From Coin-Op Machines	91	147	+61.5%	\$221,548	\$46,738	-78.9%
All Other	8,523	8,971	+5.3%	\$4,409,019	\$3,735,064	-15.3%
Totals	27,449	26,464	-3.6%	\$10,509,171	\$9,222,757	-12.2%

Larceny-Theft — Comparative Data 1997-1998



MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT

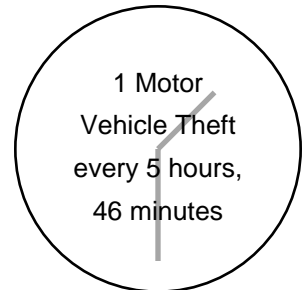


Uniform Crime Reporting defines Motor Vehicle Theft as the larceny or attempted larceny of a motor vehicle, including “joy riding.” Excluded from this class is a reported offense where there is lawful access to the vehicle, such as a family situation, or unauthorized use by others with lawful access, such as with employees.

Motor vehicles are defined by UCR as self-propelled vehicles that run on the surface of the land and not on rails, such as automobiles, trucks, buses, motorcycles, motor scooters, snowmobiles, ATVs, etc. Not included are farm equipment, construction equipment, airplanes, motorboats.

Unauthorized use of property — “1. A person is guilty of theft if: A. Knowing that he does not have the consent of the owner, he takes, operates or exercises control over a vehicle, or knowing that the vehicle has been wrongfully obtained, he rides in such vehicle.” M.R.S.A. Title 17-A § 360

Crime Clock



Trend

Year	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1994-1998
Number reported	1,756	1,720	1,766	1,642	1,517	
% change from previous year	5.5%	-2.1%	2.7%	-7.0%	-7.6%	
						% change -13.6%
Rate per 1,000	1.42	1.39	1.43	1.33	1.23	
% change from previous year	5.2%	-2.1%	2.9%	-7.0%	-7.6%	
						% change -13.5%

Type of Vehicle 1997-1998

	Auto- mobiles	Trucks/ Buses	Other Vehicles	Totals
1997	1,098	220	324	1,642
1998	1,011	199	307	1,517
% change	-7.9%	-9.5%	-5.2%	-7.6%

Locally Stolen M/Vs Recovered 1998

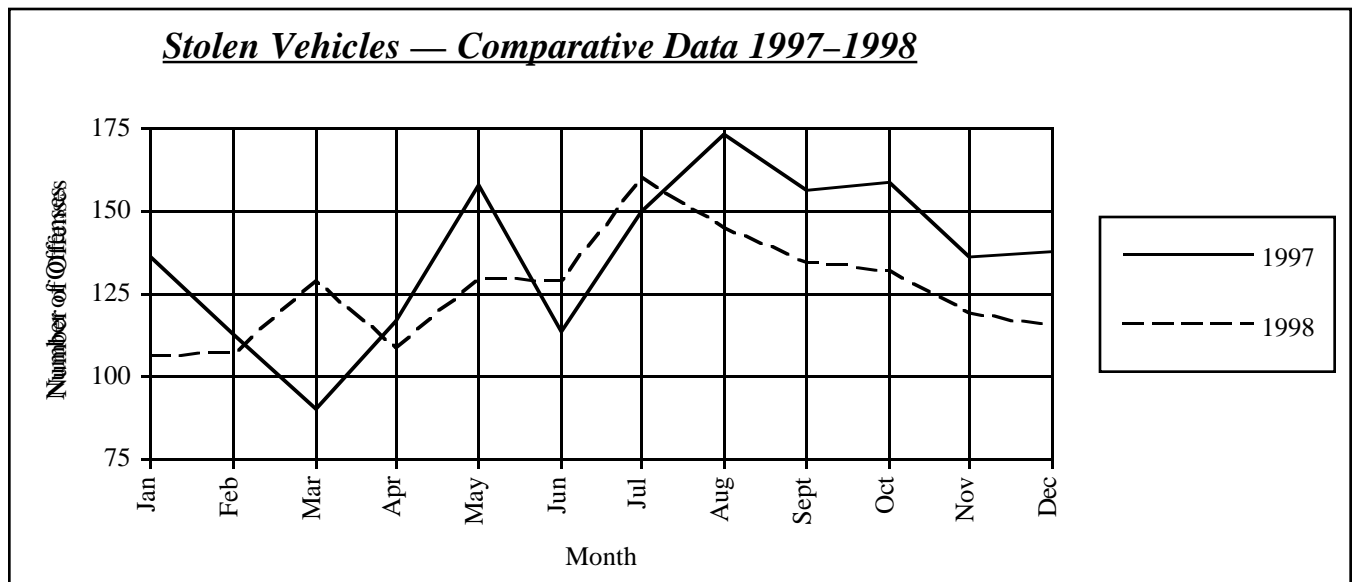
	No. Recovered	% Recovered
Recovered Locally	689	45.4%
Recovered — Other Jurisdictions	279	18.4%
Total Recovered	968	63.8%
Not Recovered	549	36.2%

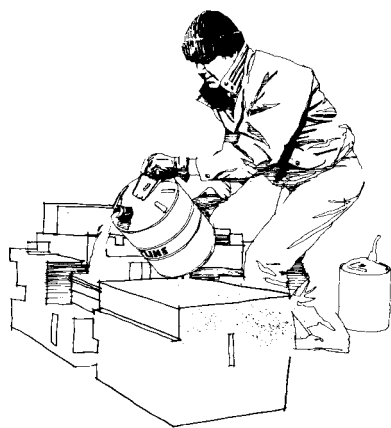
Characteristics — 1998

Type of Vehicle	Value of Property Stolen during Offense
Automobiles66.6%	Total.....\$8,132,984.00
Other Vehicles20.2%	Per Incident Average\$5,361.23
Trucks/Buses13.1%	Number of Locally Stolen M/Vs Recovered968
Months of Highest Occurrence	Value of Property Recovered
July10.6%	Total\$5,502,833.00
August9.6%	Clearance Rate
September8.9%	594 Offenses Cleared39.2%
	Arrests/Crime Ratio.....0.30

**Profile of Persons Arrested
462 Arrests**

Age	
17 and under.....	47.0%
18-24.....	32.5%
25-29.....	7.4%
30-34.....	6.1%
35-39.....	1.9%
40 and over.....	5.2%
Sex	
Male.....	86.4%
Female.....	13.6%



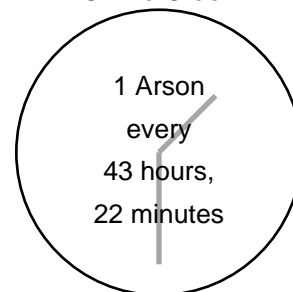


ARSON

Arson is defined by the Uniform Crime Reporting program as any willful or malicious burning or attempt to burn, with or without intent to defraud, a dwelling house, public building, motor vehicle or aircraft, personal property of another, etc. Only fires determined through investigation to have been willfully or maliciously set are classified as arson. Fires of suspicious or unknown origins are excluded.

"1. A person is guilty of arson if he starts, causes, or maintains a fire or explosion; A. On the property of another with the intent to damage or destroy property thereon; or B. On his own property or the property of another (1) with the intent to enable any person to collect insurance proceeds for the loss caused by the fire or explosion; or (2) which recklessly endangers any person or the property of another." M.R.S.A. Title 17-A, § 802.

Crime Clock



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Trend

Year	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1994-1998
Number reported	281	251	288	253	202	
% change from previous year	-13.8%	-10.7%	14.7%	-12.2%	-20.2%	
						% change -28.1%
Rate per 1,000 population	0.23	0.20	0.23	0.20	0.16	
% change from previous year	-11.5%	-13.0%	15.0%	-13.0%	-20.0%	
						% change -30.4%

Characteristics — 1998

Type of Property	
Structural	58.9%
Mobile	15.8%
Other	25.2%
Months of Highest Occurrence	
August	14.4%
April	11.4%
May	9.9%
Value of Property Damaged	
Total	\$2,269,086.00
Per Incident Average	\$11,233.10
Clearance Rate	
63 Offenses Cleared	31.2%
Arrests/Crime Ratio	0.38

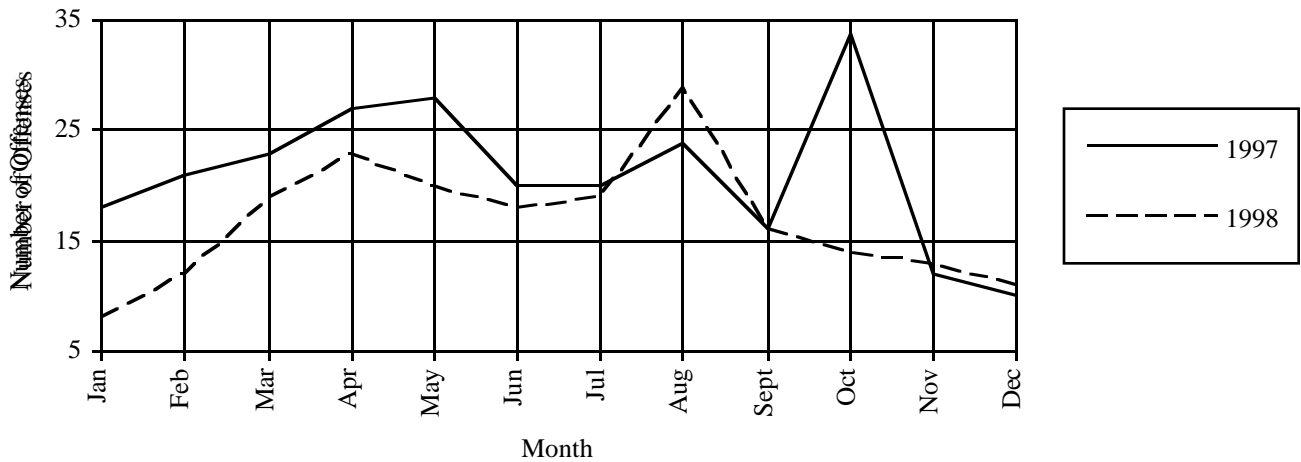
Profile of Persons Arrested 76 Arrests

Age	
17 and under	59.2%
18-24	11.8%
25-29	6.6%
30-34	9.2%
35-39	3.9%
40 and over	9.2%
Sex	
Male	89.5%
Female	10.5%

Arson by Property Type, 1997-1998

Classification	Number of Offenses			Estimated Value of Property Loss		
	1997	1998	% change	1997	1998	% change
Structural — Residential	62	68	+9.7%	\$584,213	\$636,180	+8.9%
Structural — Non-residential	105	51	-51.4%	\$329,627	\$1,532,805	+365.0%
Mobile (cars, trailers, boats, etc.)	47	32	-31.9%	\$142,175	\$91,600	-35.6%
All other (crops, fields, signs, etc.)	39	51	+30.8%	\$12,244	\$8,501	-30.6%
Totals	253	202	-20.2%	\$1,068,259	\$2,269,086	+112.4%

Arsons — Comparative Data 1997–1998



Arson Breakdown by County

County	Number of Offenses			Estimated Value of Property Loss		
	1997	1998	% change	1997	1998	% change
Androscoggin	25	4	-84.0%	\$76,255	\$4,000	-94.8%
Aroostook	3	13	+333.3%	\$16,550	\$117,250	+608.5%
Cumberland	149	67	-55.0%	\$442,460	\$1,052,255	+137.8%
Franklin	2	2	—	\$79,050	\$7,500	-90.5%
Hancock	6	3	-50.0%	\$10,210	\$18,000	+76.3%
Kennebec	7	41	+485.7%	\$70,157	\$153,160	+118.3%
Knox	9	5	-44.4%	\$3,601	\$500,575	+13,801.0%
Lincoln	—	—	—	—	—	—
Oxford	2	6	+200.0%	\$5,500	\$7,650	+39.1%
Penobscot	20	26	+30.0%	\$231,376	\$56,261	-75.7%
Piscataquis	—	4	+100.0%	—	\$68,000	+100.0%
Sagadahoc	5	1	-80.0%	\$1,500	—	-100.0%
Somerset	4	1	-75.0%	\$6,500	\$280	-95.7%
Waldo	—	2	+100.0%	—	\$2,075	+100.0%
Washington	7	—	-100.0%	\$9,550	—	-100.0%
York	14	27	+92.9%	\$115,550	\$282,080	+144.2%
Totals	253	202	-20.2%	\$1,068,259	\$2,269,086	+112.4%

Note: Arson figures shown by UCR may not agree with figures shown by the Fire Marshal's office due to local departments handling cases informally.