

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, 1998, the following information was gathered from 137 reporting agencies.

Sworn Personnel

- There were 1,495 full-time municipal law enforcement officers, representing 1.83 officers per 1,000 population for urban population areas.
- There were 253 full-time sworn law enforcement officers employed by Maine's 16 Sheriff's Departments. There were 344 sworn officers employed by the Maine State Police. The ratio of officers per 1,000 population in rural areas is 1.41.
- Statewide, there were 2,131 full-time sworn law enforcement officers. The total complement of officers represents a rate of 1.72 officers per 1,000 population.
- Nationally, the average rate per 1,000 is 2.5. The average rate for the New England states is 2.8.

Civilian Personnel

- The number of full-time civilian support personnel employed by the municipal departments in Maine was 440.
- There were 72 civilians employed full-time by the county Sheriff's Departments. The Maine State Police employed 146 full-time civilians.
- The total number of full-time civilian support personnel employed statewide was 658.

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 1998 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 1998

Agency	Population	Sworn Law Enforcement			Civilian Personnel		Total		
		Officers	Officers/ 1,000	Officers/ 1,000	M	F	M	F	Total
Androscoggin SO	23,400	13	—	0.6	3	2	16	2	18
Auburn PD	23,400	45	1	2.0	3	3	48	4	52
Lewiston PD	37,445	72	4	2.0	4	11	76	15	91
Livermore Falls PD	3,422	5	1	1.8	3	2	8	3	11
Lisbon PD	9,373	13	—	1.4	4	1	17	1	18
Mechanic Falls PD	2,890	5	—	1.7	—	—	5	—	5
Sabattus PD	3,660	5	1	1.6	—	1	5	2	7
Total Androscoggin	103,590	158	7	1.6	17	20	175	27	202
Aroostook SO	29,084	9	1	0.3	—	4	9	5	14
Caribou PD	8,957	13	1	1.6	—	2	13	3	16
Ft. Fairfield PD	4,023	4	—	1.0	—	—	4	—	4
Ft. Kent PD	4,294	4	—	0.9	1	3	5	3	8
Houlton PD	6,657	13	1	2.1	3	2	16	3	19
Madawaska PD	4,832	6	—	1.2	—	1	6	1	7
Presque Isle PD	10,049	15	1	1.6	3	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	76	5	1.0	7	14	83	19	102
Cumberland SO	47,300	37	1	0.8	—	1	37	2	39
Brunswick PD	21,109	31	2	1.6	5	5	36	7	43
Cape Elizabeth PD	8,937	13	—	1.5	5	—	18	—	18
Falmouth PD	7,681	15	—	2.0	1	5	16	5	21
Gorham PD	11,961	17	1	1.5	2	4	19	5	24
Portland PD	61,979	138	11	2.4	18	40	156	51	207
South Portland PD	22,631	46	4	2.2	5	5	51	9	60
Scarborough PD	12,638	24	3	2.1	7	3	31	6	37
Westbrook PD	15,761	32	2	2.2	1	2	33	4	37

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Bridgton PD	4,345	8	—	1.8	2	2	10	2	12
Cumberland PD	5,890	9	1	1.7	1	4	10	5	15
Freeport PD	6,969	11	1	1.7	1	4	12	5	17
Yarmouth PD	7,936	10	—	1.3	2	3	12	3	15
Windham PD	13,144	18	2	1.5	5	2	23	4	27
U.S.M. Campus PD	—	13	3	—	4	2	17	5	22
Total Cumberland	248,281	422	31	1.8	59	82	481	113	594
Franklin SO	11,200	12	2	1.3	5	5	17	7	24
Farmington PD	7,581	11	1	1.6	—	1	11	2	13
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	—	—	2	—	2
U.M.F. Campus PD	—	4	—	—	—	—	4	—	4
Carrabassett Valley PD	328	2	—	6.1	3	1	5	1	6
Total Franklin	29,685	44	5	1.7	8	8	52	13	65
Hancock SO	25,963	12	—	0.5	—	—	12	—	12
Bar Harbor PD	4,556	8	1	2.0	3	1	11	2	13
Ellsworth PD	6,263	11	1	1.9	1	3	12	4	16
Bucksport PD	4,951	7	—	1.4	2	—	9	—	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	2	—	5.4	—	—	2	—	2
Winter Harbor PD	1,245	1	—	0.8	—	—	1	—	1
Total Hancock	50,519	51	3	1.1	10	8	61	11	72
Kennebec SO	45,754	23	1	0.5	4	4	27	5	32
Augusta PD	19,801	38	2	2.0	6	10	44	12	56
Gardiner PD	6,648	9	—	1.4	—	—	9	—	9
Hallowell PD	2,333	5	—	2.1	—	—	5	—	5
Waterville PD	16,258	29	1	1.8	—	2	29	3	32
Oakland PD	5,680	7	—	1.2	—	1	7	1	8
Monmouth PD	3,403	1	1	0.6	—	—	1	1	2
Winslow PD	8,120	5	1	0.7	—	1	5	2	7
Winthrop PD	6,058	9	—	1.5	4	—	13	—	13
Total Kennebec	114,055	126	6	1.2	14	18	140	24	164
Knox SO	18,347	15	1	0.9	3	3	18	4	22
Camden PD	5,146	10	—	1.9	3	2	13	2	15
Rockland PD	7,371	19	—	2.6	6	2	25	2	27
Thomaston PD	3,361	5	—	1.5	4	—	9	—	9
Rockport PD	2,901	5	—	1.7	1	—	6	—	6
Total Knox	37,126	54	1	1.5	17	7	71	8	79
Lincoln SO	18,516	19	1	1.1	—	3	19	4	23
Boothbay Harbor PD	2,680	7	—	2.6	1	3	8	3	11
Damariscotta PD	1,831	3	—	1.6	—	—	3	—	3
Waldoboro PD	4,658	3	1	0.9	—	1	3	2	5
Wiscasset PD	3,380	4	1	1.5	—	1	4	2	6
Total Lincoln	31,065	36	3	1.3	1	8	37	11	48
Oxford SO	21,721	12	—	0.6	2	5	14	5	19
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	5	—	1.0	—	1	5	1	6
Paris PD	4,511	7	—	1.6	—	1	7	1	8
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	57	2	1.1	2	8	59	10	69
Penobscot SO	54,895	20	—	0.4	—	3	20	3	23
Bangor PD	32,054	67	1	2.1	6	7	73	8	81
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	14	1	1.8	3	2	17	3	20
Orono PD	10,606	13	—	1.2	4	1	17	1	18

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Hampden PD	5,991	10	—	1.7	—	1	10	1	11
Millinocket PD	6,977	9	—	1.3	4	—	13	—	13
E. Millinocket PD	2,170	5	—	2.3	—	—	5	—	5
Newport PD	3,043	5	—	1.6	—	—	5	—	5
Eddington PD	2,000	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Veazie PD	1,635	4	1	3.1	—	—	4	1	5
U.M.O. Campus PD	—	18	4	—	7	3	25	7	32
Penobscot Nation	473	5	—	10.6	4	—	9	—	9
Total Penobscot	146,791	195	8	1.4	28	22	223	30	253
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	16	—	1.5	7	2	23	2	25
Bath PD	9,332	15	1	1.7	5	3	20	4	24
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	14	7	61	8	69
Somerset SO	26,336	13	—	0.5	3	3	16	3	19
Fairfield PD	6,884	8	2	1.5	—	1	8	3	11
Skowhegan PD	8,942	11	1	1.3	3	3	14	4	18
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	42	4	0.9	7	12	49	16	65
Waldo SO	26,007	10	—	0.4	—	1	10	1	11
Belfast PD	6,346	12	—	1.9	3	2	15	2	17
Searsport PD	2,702	3	—	1.1	—	—	3	—	3
Total Waldo	35,055	25	—	0.7	3	3	28	3	31
Washington SO	21,274	10	—	0.5	6	1	16	1	17
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	4	—	1.5	—	—	4	—	4
Jonesport PD	1,555	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Baileyville PD	2,072	5	—	2.4	—	—	5	—	5
Pleasant Point PD	578	4	—	6.9	2	2	6	2	8
Indian Twp.	625	6	—	9.6	—	1	6	1	7
Milbridge PD	1,331	1	—	0.8	—	—	1	—	1
Total Washington	35,928	42	—	1.2	10	6	52	6	58
York County SO	34,724	17	1	0.5	—	2	17	3	20
Biddeford PD	20,447	42	2	2.2	5	16	47	18	65
Kittery PD	9,530	18	—	1.9	2	4	20	4	24
Old Orchard PD	7,920	14	2	2.0	3	2	17	4	21
Saco PD	15,409	27	2	1.9	1	5	28	7	35
Sanford PD	20,812	33	3	1.7	6	9	39	12	51
Berwick PD	6,094	10	—	1.6	—	—	10	—	10
Eliot PD	5,418	6	2	1.5	—	—	6	2	8
Kennebunk	8,139	16	1	2.1	1	4	17	5	22
Kennebunkport PD	3,411	11	—	3.2	3	2	14	2	16
North Berwick PD	3,856	7	—	1.8	1	—	8	—	8
Ogunquit PD	987	6	1	7.1	—	1	6	2	8
South Berwick PD	5,974	8	—	1.3	5	2	13	2	15
Wells PD	7,909	19	2	2.7	2	3	21	5	26
York PD	11,597	21	—	1.8	2	7	23	7	30
Buxton PD	6,602	5	2	1.1	1	3	6	5	11
Total York	168,829	260	18	1.6	32	60	292	78	370
All Other State	—	36	3	—	44	46	80	49	129
Maine State Police	—	322	22	—	78	68	400	90	490
Totals	1,239,846	2,012	119	1.7	351	397	2,363	516	2,879