Adult Fast Facts

- Maine had the lowest violent crime rate in the country in 2012 (122.7 incidents per 100,000 people).¹

- Property crimes made up more than 95% of the UCR index crimes reported in Maine in 2012.²

- Over the last decade, arrests for drug abuse violations have increased by 8.4% (from 5,099 to 5,527). In 2012, drug abuse violations accounted for 13.2% of total non-index arrests.³

- In 2012, 26.5% of all adults arrested were female. This proportion has increased every year over the last decade from its starting point of 22.7% in 2003.³

- Maine’s had the lowest incarceration rate in the country for 2012 (145 per 100,000 residents).⁴

- Maine’s female incarceration rate was the third lowest in the country in 2012 (20 per 100,000 residents), behind Rhode Island and Massachusetts.⁴

² Maine Department of Public Safety: Crime in Maine, 2012.
⁴ U.S. Department of Justice: Prisoners in 2012.