

## Maine Justice Policy Center

The information contained in the county profiles is collected by the Uniform Crime Reporting Program. Law enforcement agencies count crimes as they become known and report them on a monthly basis to the Uniform Crime Reporting Division in Augusta. The crimes that comprise the “Index Crime”, “Violent Crime”, and “Property Crime” indices are serious offenses that represent the most common crime problems. Together, these indices provide an understanding of crime trends over time.

**Index Crime:** This index includes murder, forcible rape, robbery, aggravated assault, burglary, larceny-theft, motor vehicle theft, and arson. Rate is per 1,000 individuals.

**Violent Crime:** This index includes murder, forcible rape, aggravated assault, and robbery. Rate is per

**Property Crime:** This index includes burglary, larceny-theft, motor vehicle theft, and arson. Rate is per

**Adult Arrests:** This is the number of people arrested who were age 18 or over at the time of the arrest. Each arrest is counted individually. If a person was arrested more than once, each instance is counted. This category also includes citations or summonses issued in lieu of physical custody of the person.

**Juvenile Arrests:** Juveniles (under age 18) are reported as “arrested” when the circumstances of the crime are such that they would have been arrested if they were adults, even though there may not have

**Rate of Juvenile Adjudication:** The number of juvenile adjudications per 1,000 juveniles.

**Juvenile Recidivism Rate:** The percentage of juvenile offenders with prior records who re-offended in

Somerset	All Counties in Maine			
	This County	Average	Low	High
<u>All Index Crimes (per 1,000 pop.)</u>				
Index crimes 1996	29.1	34.0	15.2	44.2
Index crimes 2001	30.9	27.0	15.4	36.5
Index crimes 2002	26.4	26.6	16.6	33.9
Index crimes 2003	28.5	25.8	18.6	31.0
Index crimes 2004	30.8	25.3	15.4	32.3
Index crimes 2005	27.2	25.4	14.6	29.7
Index crimes 2006	31.8	26.5	16.0	33.2
5-year % change index crimes	2.8%	-1.8%		
10-year % change index crimes	9.5%	-22.2%		
<u>Violent Crimes (per 1,000 pop.)</u>				
Violent crimes 1996	0.8	1.3		
Violent crimes 2001	0.9	1.1	0.5	2.3
Violent crimes 2002	1.0	1.1	0.4	2.1
Violent crimes 2003	1.1	1.1	0.4	1.5
Violent crimes 2004	1.1	1.0	0.3	1.5
Violent crimes 2005	1.2	1.1	0.5	1.9
Violent crimes 2006	1.1	1.2	0.5	2.2
5-year % change violent crimes	20.1%	4.3%		
10-year % change violent crimes	40.3%	-11.3%		
<u>Property Crimes (per 1,000 pop.)</u>				
Property crimes 1996	28.3	32.8		
Property crimes 2001	30.0	25.9	14.4	34.9
Property crimes 2002	25.3	25.5	16.1	32.6
Property crimes 2003	27.4	24.7	17.6	30.3
Property crimes 2004	29.6	24.2	15.0	31.6
Property crimes 2005	26.0	24.2	14.1	28.9
Property crimes 2006	30.7	25.3	15.5	31.8
5-year % change property crimes	2.2%	-2.2%		
10-year % change property crimes	8.5%	-22.8%		
<u>Adult Arrests</u>				
Arrests 1996	1,203	2,651		
Arrests 2001	1,299	2,943	548	9,964
Arrests 2002	1,154	2,859	583	9,341
Arrests 2003	1,445	2,900	603	9,767
Arrests 2004	1,429	2,938	423	10,032
Arrests 2005	1,396	2,923	430	9,464
Arrests 2006	1,598	3,103	343	10,786
5-year % change arrests	23.0%	5.4%		
10-year % change arrests	32.8%	17.1%		
<u>Juvenile Arrests</u>				
Juvenile Arrests 1996	467	804		
Juvenile Arrests 2001	377	622	95	1,748
Juvenile Arrests 2002	294	580	85	1,732
Juvenile Arrests 2003	400	582	115	1,838
Juvenile Arrests 2004	366	534	90	1,624
Juvenile Arrests 2005	342	484	81	1,672
Juvenile Arrests 2006	309	485	72	1,570
5-year % change Juvenile arrests	-18.0%	-21.9%		
10-year % change Juvenile arrests	-33.8%	-39.6%		
<u>Rate of Juvenile Adjudication</u>				
Rate of First Time Adjudications, 1998	5	6	2	11
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Rate of First Time Adjudications, 2002	12	9	3	15
Rate of First Time Adjudications, 2003	7	7	4	11
Rate of First Time Adjudications, 2004	9	9	5	15
<u>Juvenile Recidivism Rates</u>				
1-year Recidivism Rate, 2004 cohort	17.6	17.8	9.4	34.1