
Arrests — Drug and Liquor Violations

Due to the nature of the violations and a high interest and concern by public officials and the citizens of Maine generally, a special review is provided of drug and alcohol-related arrests. The charts displayed reveal the number and age of people arrested during 2011.

The information provided here should be of interest to social agencies involved in the study of drugs and alcohol problems in Maine. The information pinpoints the predominant drug and liquor arrests in Maine by age and identifies possible problem areas.

Facts revealed by the chart on drug violations:

- 85.0% of all juvenile drug arrests involved possession violations, while 15.0% were for sale or manufacturing of drugs.
- 77.4% of all adult drug arrests involved possession violations, while 22.6% were for sale or manufacturing of drugs.
- Of the 5,628 total drug arrests: 4,341 were male, 1,287 were female.
- Total drug arrests decreased by 4.8% from the 5,912 arrests in 2010.

Facts revealed by the chart on liquor violations:

- 95.0% of all juvenile arrests involving liquor were for violations of liquor laws, while 5.0% were for driving under the influence of liquor.
- 65.5% of all adult arrests involving liquor were for driving under the influence of liquor, while 34.5% were for violations of liquor laws.
- Arrests for driving under the influence of liquor during 2011 decreased by 6.3% from the 2010 total. There were 6,205 OUI arrests in 2010 — 5,812 in 2011. Adult OUI arrests decreased 6.5% and juvenile OUI arrests increased 17.5%.
- Of the 5,812 OUI arrests in 2011, 4,326 were male — 1,486 were female.
- Adults accounted for 99.2% of all OUI arrests for 2011.
- Juvenile liquor arrests decreased 17.9%, from 1,145 in 2010 to 940 in 2011.

Drug and Liquor Arrests by Age — 2011
(includes those released without having been formally charged)

Age	DRUG ARRESTS			LIQUOR ARRESTS			Total Drug & Liquor Arrests
	Sale or Manufacturing	Possession	Total	Operating Under Influence	Liquor Laws	Total	
Under 10	—	—	0	—	—	0	0
10–12	—	8	8	—	8	8	16
13–14	16	58	74	—	55	55	129
15	19	60	79	5	128	133	212
16	11	115	126	13	259	272	398
17	31	195	226	29	443	472	698
Total Juvenile Arrests	77	436	513	47	893	940	1,453
Percent of Total	15.0%	85.0%	100.0%	5.0%	95.0%	100.0%	
18	52	310	362	102	814	916	1,278
19	46	336	382	148	852	1,000	1,382
20	35	302	337	188	733	921	1,258
21–29	458	1,586	2,044	1,849	306	2,155	4,199
30–39	290	732	1,022	1,220	68	1,288	2,310
40–49	172	453	625	1,203	143	1,346	1,971
50–59	87	207	294	748	107	855	1,149
60 and over	18	31	49	307	20	327	376
Total Adult Arrests	1,158	3,957	5,115	5,765	3,043	8,808	13,923
Percent of Total	22.6%	77.4%	100.0%	65.5%	34.5%	100.0%	
Grand Totals	1,235	4,393	5,628	5,812	3,936	9,748	15,376
Percent of Total	21.9%	78.1%	100.0%	59.6%	40.4%	100.0%	

Drug Arrest Analysis 2011

Age	SALE/MANUFACTURING					POSSESSION					Grand Totals Drug Arrests
	Opium, cocaine and derivatives	Mari- juana	Synthetic narcotics	Other dangerous non- narcotics	Sub- totals	Opium, cocaine and derivatives	Mari- juana	Synthetic narcotics	Other dangerous non- narcotics	Sub- totals	
Under 10	—	—	—	—	0	—	—	—	—	0	0
10–12	—	—	—	—	0	—	7	—	1	8	8
13–14	—	7	—	9	16	—	45	3	10	58	74
15	—	14	—	5	19	1	50	—	9	60	79
16	—	3	—	8	11	3	104	3	5	115	126
17	2	19	1	9	31	4	169	6	16	195	226
Total < 18	2	43	1	31	77	8	375	12	41	436	513
18	4	31	4	13	52	10	255	14	31	310	362
19	6	23	4	13	46	14	274	17	31	336	382
20	8	14	2	11	35	14	236	7	45	302	337
21	9	17	5	19	50	19	131	16	35	201	251
22	9	15	7	13	44	20	143	28	43	234	278
23	10	14	11	12	47	17	127	13	39	196	243
24	14	11	17	17	59	26	112	22	41	201	260
25–29	85	58	54	61	258	117	358	96	183	754	1,012
30–34	38	61	29	52	180	65	219	61	105	450	630
35–39	21	42	13	34	110	51	117	33	81	282	392
40–44	23	28	12	21	84	51	102	31	57	241	325
45–49	23	25	20	20	88	40	104	20	48	212	300
50–54	7	28	7	15	57	27	58	29	37	151	208
55–59	6	14	4	6	30	6	30	10	10	56	86
60–64	1	7	2	2	12	—	18	2	4	24	36
Over 65	1	4	—	1	6	1	4	—	2	7	13
Total > 18	265	392	191	310	1,158	478	2,288	399	792	3,957	5,115
Grand Total	267	435	192	341	1,235	486	2,663	411	833	4,393	5,628