

ASSAULTS ON LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS

The following information is based on a detailed monthly collection of data in the Uniform Crime Reporting system regarding the problem of assaults on municipal, county and state law enforcement officers.

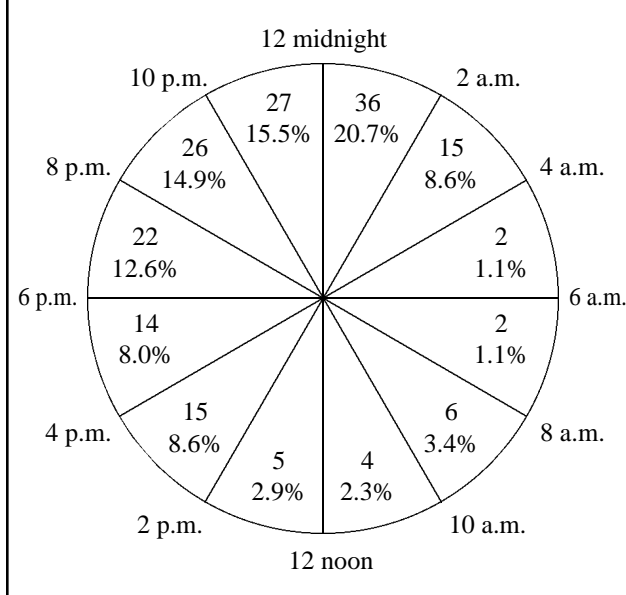
During 2014:

- There were 174 assaults on law enforcement officers, a decrease from the 2013 figure of 187.
- The ratio of assaults per 100 officers during 2014 was 7.6, compared to 8.2 assaults per 100 officers during 2013.
- The greatest number of officer assaults occurred while the officer was responding to disturbance calls — 67, or 38.5% of the total.
- Personal weapons (hands, fists, feet, etc.) were used in 90.2% or 157 of the assaults.
- Of the 174 assaults, 18.4% (32) resulted in personal injury to the officer, while 81.6% (142) produced no injury.
- 39.7% of assaults were aimed at officers who were alone (69), 60.3% were directed at assisted officers (105).
- The most common time period of assaults was 8 p.m. to 2 a.m. (51.1%), with 20.7% occurring from 12 a.m. to 2 a.m.
- Law enforcement cleared 98.3% (171) of all assaults on officers.
- Of the 174 reported assaults on officers, 23 were on sheriff's deputies, 16 were on state police officers, and 135 were on municipal officers.

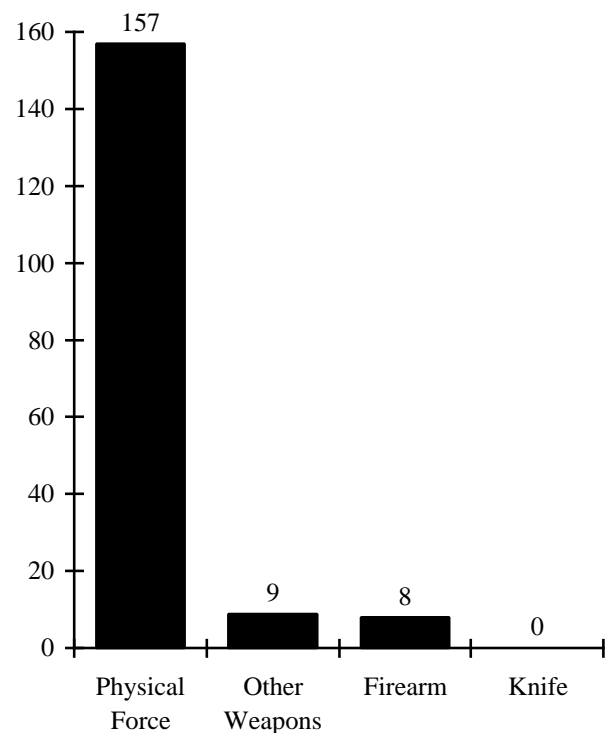
Assaults on Officers by County

County	Assaults on Officers			2014 Rate Per 100 Officers
	2013	2014	% Change	
Androscoggin	15	19	26.7%	10.4
Aroostook	6	7	16.7%	9.0
Cumberland	31	33	6.5%	6.3
Franklin	3	2	-33.3%	3.6
Hancock	1	3	200.0%	4.4
Kennebec	27	31	14.8%	20.8
Knox	—	—	—	—
Lincoln	—	4	100.0%	9.3
Oxford	8	6	-25.0%	7.8
Penobscot	13	18	38.5%	8.2
Piscataquis	2	—	-100.0%	—
Sagadahoc	2	4	100.0%	7.0
Somerset	11	7	-36.4%	13.5
Waldo	4	4	—	10.8
Washington	6	6	—	22.2
York	58	30	-48.3%	9.4
Totals	187	174	-7.0%	7.6

Officer Assaults by Time of Day



Officer Assaults by Type of Weapon



Officer Assaults by Circumstances — 2014

Type of Activity	Total Assaults (A)	Type of Weapon				Type of Assignment						Police Assault Cleared (M)	
		Firearm (B)	Knife or Other Cutting Instrument (C)	Other Dangerous Weapon (D)	Hands, Fists, Feet, etc. (E)	Two-Officer Vehicle (F)	One-Officer Vehicle		Detective or Spec. Assign.		Other		
							Alone (G)	Assisted (H)	Alone (I)	Assisted (J)	Alone (K)		Assisted (L)
1a. Responding to disturbance calls, domestic	67	2	—	4	61	1	26	32	—	—	3	5	67
1b. Responding to disturbance calls, all other	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
2. Burglaries in progress or pursuing burglary suspects	8	—	—	1	7	—	5	3	—	—	—	—	7
3. Robberies in progress or pursuing robbery suspects	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
4. Attempting other arrests	22	1	—	—	21	—	6	5	1	—	4	6	21
5. Civil disorder (riot, mass disobedience)	6	—	—	—	6	2	1	2	—	—	—	1	6
6. Handling, transporting, custody of prisoners	23	—	—	—	23	2	5	16	—	—	—	—	23
7. Investigating suspicious persons or circumstances	5	—	—	1	4	1	2	1	—	—	—	1	4
8. Ambush — no warning	1	—	—	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
9. Mentally deranged	5	2	—	—	3	—	—	3	—	—	—	2	5
10. Traffic pursuits and stops	16	3	—	—	13	—	6	10	—	—	—	—	16
11. All other	21	—	—	3	18	1	6	6	—	—	4	4	21
12. Totals (1–11)	174	8	—	9	157	8	57	78	1	—	11	19	171
13. Number with personal injury	32	—	—	3	29								
14. Number without personal injury	142	8	—	6	128								
15. Time of assaults													
A.M.	36	15	2	2	6	4							
P.M.	5	15	14	22	26	27							
	12:01	2:00	4:00	6:00	8:00	10:00	12:00						