

MURDER/NON-NEGLIGENT MANSLAUGHTER SUMMARY, 2016

Date and Location of Incident	Victim		Assailant		Weapon Used	Relationship of Victim to Offender	Circumstances
	Age	Sex	Age	Sex			
1/12/2016 Fairfield	NB	M	20	F	Hands, fists, feet	Son	Newborn remains found in garage of residence. Mother arrested and charged with manslaughter.
1/14/2016 Windham	34	F	34	M	Gun	Wife	Victim shot to death in her home. Husband charged with her murder.
3/05/2016 Sebago	66	M	67	M	Gun	Friend	Victim shot and killed in the driveway of his home. Victim's friend charged with murder.
3/15/2016 Portland	36	M	Unk.	Unk.	Gun	Unknown	Unknown suspect shot and killed victim inside an apartment in Portland. Police still investigating.
4/8/2016 St. Albans	53	M	24	M	Gun	Uncle	Victim shot to death at his home by his nephew. Nephew charged with murder.
5/20/2016 Portland	31	M	Unk.	Unk.	Knife	Unknown	Victim stabbed, later died from his injuries. Suspects being sought. Still under investigation.
6/01/2016 Wilton	24	M	24	M	Gun	Stranger	Victim shot to death outside offender's residence. Homeowner charged with murder.
6/10/2016 Limington	55	M	57	M	Knife	Neighbor	Victim killed at his home. Neighbor charged with his murder.
7/21/2016 Presque Isle	86	M	80	M	Hands, fists, feet	Friend	Victim strangled by a neighbor who came to Maine with him from Florida. Suspect stole victim's vehicle. He was arrested, brought back to Maine and charged with murder.
7/28/2016 Rangeley	29	M	Unk.	Unk.	Gun	Unknown	Victim shot and killed during home invasion. No arrests have been made. Still under investigation.
8/17/2016 Falmouth	67	M	27	M	Knife	Acquaintance	Victim died from stab wounds. Long-time roommate charged with his murder.
8/25/2016 Fairfield	34	F	32	M	Gun	Wife	Victim reported missing by husband. Her body found buried in the couple's yard. Husband charged with murder.
9/26/2016 Biddeford	30	M	20	M	Gun	Unknown	Victim shot and killed in his home. Suspect charged with murder. Drug related.
10/15/2016 Sherman	31	M	20 27 23	M M F	Gun	Stranger Stranger Other family member	Victim shot and killed by suspects. All 3 charged with murder. Drug related.

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10/31/2016 Winthrop	47 47	M F	17	M	Knife	Father Mother	Parents stabbed to death in their home. Their 17-year-old son charged with 2 counts of murder.
11/27/2016 Naples	55	M	59	M	Gun	Acquaintance	Victim shot and killed in his home by suspect. Suspect then shot and killed by police in a confrontation. The suspect had wounded another man inside his home in Casco earlier that day.
12/8/2016 Hebron	27	F	56	M	Gun	Daughter	Victim shot and killed by her father in their family home. Father then shot and killed himself.
The following incident, classified as manslaughter by negligence, is not discussed elsewhere in this report. Added to the 18 murders and non-negligent manslaughters, it makes a total of 19 homicides for 2016.							
10/27/2017 Greenville	30	M	60	M	Hands, fists, feet	Stranger	Victim died as a result of an altercation at a camp. Suspect not charged.

MURDER AND NON-NEGLIGENT MANSLAUGHTER

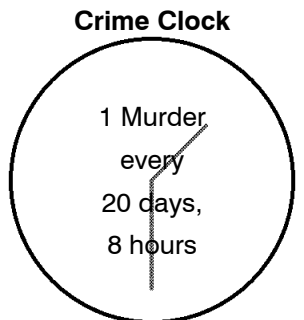
Murder and non-negligent manslaughter are described by UCR as the willful (non-negligent) killing of one human being by another — or a death that results from the commission of another criminal act.

Murder — “1. A person is guilty of murder if: A. He intentionally or knowingly causes the death of another human being; B. He engages in conduct which manifests a depraved indifference to the value of human life ...; or C. ... causes another human being to commit suicide by the use of force, duress or deception.” M.R.S.A. Title 17-A, § 201

Felony Murder — “1. A person is guilty of felony murder if acting alone or with one or more other persons in the commission or attempt to commit immediate flight after committing or attempting to commit ... [another felony offense], he or another participant in fact causes the death of another human being ...” M.R.S.A. Title 17-A, § 202

Manslaughter — “1. A person is guilty of manslaughter if he: B. ... causes the death of another human being ... while under the influence of extreme anger or extreme fear ...” M.R.S.A. Title 17-A, § 203

Not included in the count for this offense classification are deaths caused by negligence, suicide, or accident. Although manslaughter by negligence is recorded on the “offenses known to police” form along with murder, it is not considered an index offense and is not discussed in this report. Attempts to murder or assaults to murder are scored as aggravated assaults and not murder.



Year	Trend					2012–2016
	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	
Number reported	24	24	22	23	18	
% change from previous year	-4.0%	—	-8.3%	4.5%	-21.7%	% change -25.0%
Rate per 1,000	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.01	
% change from previous year	—	—	—	-13.5%	-21.9%	% change -32.4%