



MAINE COMMISSION ON INDIGENT LEGAL SERVICES

June 3, 2022

Nathan L. Libby, Senate Chair
Holly Stover, House Chair
Government Oversight Committee
82 State House Station
Room 104 Cross Building
Augusta, ME 04333-0082

Via e-mail only to: scott.farwell@legislature.maine.gov

Re: **Maine Commission on Indigent Legal Services**
Fourth Quarterly Report

Dear Senator Libby and Representative Stover:

On behalf of the Maine Commission on Indigent Legal Services, (“MCILS”), I respectfully submit the following in preparation for our fourth report to the Government Oversight Committee on Wednesday, July 20, 2022. In framing this report, I have been guided by your letter of March 10, 2021, directing that each report address the following four areas:

- I. Budget and Finances
- II. Auditing and Accountability
- III. Quality Control; and,
- IV. Determination of Indigency

I. Budget and Finances

For FY22, MCILS had a working budget of \$27,467,561.30, of which \$8,495,321 was unobligated as of May 1, 2022. The working budget consisted of \$17,549,392 appropriated through the biennial budget; \$9,918,169.30 appropriated through the supplemental budget, and \$844,522.69 carried forward.

In addition, MCILS has been awarded \$4 million in COVID relief funds to help ensure that counsel fees generated because of pandemic related delays may be timely paid. MCILS continues to wait to learn when and how those funds will be available. They are earmarked for attorney fees.

MCILS also holds \$16,232.70 in unobligated cash in an account dedicated to paying the costs associated with presenting training for rostered counsel.

The MCILS budget was encumbered in the amount of \$128,745 to protect two outstanding contracts. The first contract is for the outside development and implementation of a week-long training program for counsel. The second is for a specialist immigration attorney to provide immigration law support to MCILS clients.

Between July 1, 2021 and June 3, 2022, MCILS paid 30,172 vouchers totaling \$16,838,231. Much of the time recorded on the vouchers paid since July 1st still reflects work performed under the \$60 / hour rate. We project that as vouchers evolve to reflect the rate of \$80 / hour for work performed after July 1st, the cost of attorney fees will be approximately \$20 million at the current work tempo.

Non-counsel costs have been below the historical average for the past year. We attribute this to the lull in courthouse activity, which has meant that trial related costs have been avoided. We project that non-counsel costs will return to approximately \$1 million for FY22.

Based on the foregoing, MCILS will be able to meet its fiscal obligations. As always, MCILS cannot control the number of cases it is called on to staff because every case that MCILS becomes responsible for was initiated by the State.

II. Auditing and Accountability

In February, MCILS reported that it has continued to work to improve its ability to provide accountability. An explanation of the audit process developed by staff was appended to the last report. The process was submitted for external review before implementation. That review is pending. We expect to engage in formal rulemaking once that review is complete.

III. Quality Control

The most serious issue impacting the Commission's ability to provide appropriate, quality representation to its indigent client base remains attorney attrition. As of June 2, 2022, 234 attorneys remained willing to accept assignments to represent consumers of indigent legal services through the MCILS system. This represents a decrease of 43% from the 410 attorneys willing to accept assignments in May 2019, seriously depleting system capacity. In January 2022, 280 attorneys accepted cases, reflecting a loss of almost 50 attorneys in just the last five months.

At the same time, MCILS continues to see the number of new matters in which it is required to provide counsel increase. As of May 31, 2022, attorneys had opened 29,057 assigned matters. This means that MCILS has reached a new absolute high number of case openings with a full month remaining in the fiscal year. At the current rate of openings, MCILS anticipates that counsel will have opened 31,700 cases this fiscal year. In fiscal year 2019, MCILS saw 27,374 cases opened. MCILS is thus attempting to staff 116% of the 2019 new caseload with only 57% of the available counsel.

Meanwhile, the backlog of cases in the Unified Criminal Docket persists. As of May 20, 2022, the last date for which data was available to MCILS, there were 83.3% more felony cases pending in the UCD than had been pending on the same date in 2019.¹

The increase in caseload per attorney has created an untenable position for counsel, and thus for MCILS. Counsel have so far stepped up to serve every case in which we have asked, but there is no question that MCILS will fail to staff cases in the imminent future. A memorandum on attorney demographics and costs was attached to the third MCILS report as submitted in February. Unless the Legislature and Executive address the issue of pay iniquity between the prosecution and defense functions, MCILS will be unable to attract and retain counsel to serve indigent clients.

¹ See Judicial Branch caseload reports for January 1 and May 20, 2022, attached.

IV. Determination of Indigency

MCILS has seen serious attrition among its financial screeners. Nominally, MCILS employs six full-time; two part-time; and one investigative screener, for a total of nine individuals. As of June 3, 2022, the Bangor and Houlton positions are vacant. The mid-coast position has been filled with an anticipated start date of June 13, 2022.

At the last report, MCILS was in discussion with the Judiciary Committee about the benefits of transitioning the screener function to the Judicial Branch because the best practices for an indigent defense system supports that transition. The Judicial Branch had indicated that it opposes that transition. The Legislature did not pursue that transition during its last session.

Although not strictly related to indigency determination, collection of attorney fees from indigent clients is preformed largely through the screener function, and warrants discussion here. On March 29, 2022, the Judicial Branch implemented an Order Regarding Setoff of Cash Bail.² That Order has the effect of limiting the collection of cash bail to pay attorney fees in the specific case in which the bail was posted, in turn effectively terminating collection for repayment of prior cases.

I am looking forward to addressing the Committee on July 20th, and to providing details where requested.

Sincerely,

/s/ Justin W. Andrus

Justin W. Andrus
Executive Director
MCILS

Enc: Judicial Branch Caseload Reports for January 6 and May 20, 2022
Order Regarding Setoff of Cash Bail

² Attached

STATE OF MAINE
SUPREME JUDICIAL COURT
ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER JB-22-04

ORDER REGARDING SETOFF OF CASH BAIL

Effective: March 29, 2022

I. PURPOSE

This administrative order is issued to govern the setoff of cash bail against any restitution, attorney fees, fine, forfeiture, penalty, fee, or government operations surcharge under 4 M.R.S. § 1057 owed by the person who deposited the cash as bail, consistent with 15 M.R.S. § 1074(3) and (3-A).

II. ORDER REGARDING SETOFF

- A. Restitution, Fines, Forfeitures, Penalties, Fees, and Surcharges.** Unless the court provides otherwise, when a defendant or third-party bail provider has been ordered to pay restitution or a fine, forfeiture, penalty, fee, or government operations surcharge, either in the proceeding for which the bail has been collected or in any other proceeding, the court will pay and apply the bail funds toward those obligations consistent with the order of priorities established in 15 M.R.S. § 1074(3) and (3-A).
- B. Attorney Fees.** Unless the court provides otherwise, bail funds will be paid and applied toward attorney fees only if the court has ordered the defendant to reimburse the State for State-paid counsel in the case for which cash bail has been deposited. Such attorney fees will be paid consistent with the order of priorities established in 15 M.R.S. § 1074(3). Bail funds will not be used to pay attorney fees owed in unrelated cases unless (1) the presiding court requires it and (2) the court in the unrelated proceeding ordered the defendant or the third-party bail provider to reimburse the State for State-paid counsel.

III. PROCESS FOR SETOFF AND DISBURSEMENT

Absent court direction to the contrary in a particular case, at the completion of a case where cash bail is to be disbursed, the clerk of court will take the following steps:

- A. **Restitution.** Contact the district attorney's office prosecuting the case to determine whether any restitution is owed in either the case at hand or any other case. If restitution is owed, the proper amount will be delivered to that district attorney's office in payment of the identified restitution.
- B. **Attorney fees.** Contact the Maine Commission on Indigent Legal Services (MCILS) to determine the amount of any attorney fees for State-paid counsel owed in the case at hand. If such attorney fees are owed, the proper amount will be delivered to MCILS in payment of those fees. The court will hold deposited bail funds for no more than 60 days after the completion of a case to allow for MCILS to advise the court as to attorney fees that qualify for an offset.
- C. **Fines, penalties, fees, or government operations surcharges imposed as part of a sentence.** Check Judicial Branch records for any fines, penalties, fees, or government operations surcharges owed in the case at hand or any other case. If fines, penalties, fees, or government operations surcharges are owed, the cash bail will be used to satisfy those obligations.
- D. **Return of bail.** Any funds remaining after the above setoffs have been processed will be returned to the person who deposited the bail.

Promulgation Date: March 28, 2022

For the Court:



Valerie Stanfill
Chief Justice, Supreme Judicial Court

Pending UCD Cases as of January 7, 2022

UCD	FELONY				MISDEMEANOR				CIVIL VIOLATION			ALL CASES			
	Pending	On DD	No IA	% No IA	Pending	On DD	No IA	% No IA	Pending	No IA	% No IA	Pending	On DD	No IA	% No IA
Androscoggin	631	80	49	7.8%	2,033	274	430	21.2%	20	9	45.0%	2,684	354	488	18.2%
Aroostook	720	84	74	10.3%	1,098	208	215	19.6%	20	9	45.0%	1,838	292	298	16.2%
Caribou	183	19	19	10.4%	258	68	25	9.7%	3	0	0.0%	444	87	44	9.9%
Fort Kent	89	7	10	11.2%	185	54	38	20.5%	1	1	100.0%	275	61	49	17.8%
Houlton	206	18	12	5.8%	321	41	69	21.5%	11	5	45.5%	538	59	86	16.0%
Presque Isle	242	40	33	13.6%	334	45	83	24.9%	5	3	60.0%	581	85	119	20.5%
Cumberland	1,315	137	93	7.1%	3,866	370	771	19.9%	114	43	37.7%	5,295	507	907	17.1%
Bridgton	20	1	3	15.0%	338	35	65	19.2%	37	23	62.2%	395	36	91	23.0%
Portland	1,271	130	88	6.9%	3,112	301	562	18.1%	61	19	31.1%	4,444	431	669	15.1%
West Bath	24	6	2	8.3%	416	34	144	34.6%	16	1	6.3%	456	40	147	32.2%
Franklin	91	22	6	6.6%	281	84	54	19.2%	6	1	16.7%	378	106	61	16.1%
Hancock	306	33	18	5.9%	591	96	118	20.0%	43	7	16.3%	940	129	143	15.2%
Kennebec	615	69	53	8.6%	1,660	268	326	19.6%	39	13	33.3%	2,314	337	392	16.9%
Augusta	593	66	50	8.4%	1,071	167	180	16.8%	23	9	39.1%	1,687	233	239	14.2%
Waterville	22	3	3	13.6%	589	101	146	24.8%	16	4	25.0%	627	104	153	24.4%
Knox	196	40	18	9.2%	444	151	71	16.0%	16	2	12.5%	656	191	91	13.9%
Lincoln	133	45	18	13.5%	304	112	50	16.4%	8	1	12.5%	445	157	69	15.5%
Oxford	392	45	51	13.0%	900	144	178	19.8%	21	8	38.1%	1,313	189	237	18.1%
Bridgton	38	6	3	7.9%	125	28	12	9.6%	2	0	0.0%	165	34	15	9.1%
Rumford	153	13	22	14.4%	356	50	93	26.1%	10	4	40.0%	519	63	119	22.9%
South Paris	201	26	26	12.9%	419	66	73	17.4%	9	4	44.4%	629	92	103	16.4%
Penobscot	1,082	21	176	16.3%	2,244	56	815	36.3%	82	45	54.9%	3,408	77	1,036	30.4%
Bangor	1,047	20	166	15.9%	1,764	41	581	32.9%	33	18	54.5%	2,844	61	765	26.9%
Lincoln	10	0	3	30.0%	257	4	153	59.5%	30	24	80.0%	297	4	180	60.6%
Newport	25	1	7	28.0%	223	11	81	36.3%	19	3	15.8%	267	12	91	34.1%
Piscataquis	40	1	5	12.5%	94	1	42	44.7%	14	13	92.9%	148	2	60	40.5%
Sagadahoc	153	31	24	15.7%	440	95	145	33.0%	24	7	29.2%	617	126	176	28.5%
Somerset	178	46	11	6.2%	497	91	144	29.0%	12	1	8.3%	687	137	156	22.7%
Waldo	208	47	14	6.7%	359	136	62	17.3%	15	4	26.7%	582	183	80	13.7%
Washington	160	10	9	5.6%	296	31	75	25.3%	25	15	60.0%	481	41	99	20.6%
Calais	72	6	5	6.9%	115	11	33	28.7%	7	5	71.4%	194	17	43	22.2%
Machias	88	4	4	4.5%	181	20	42	23.2%	18	10	55.6%	287	24	56	19.5%
York	1,164	113	207	17.8%	4,206	685	1,219	29.0%	143	70	49.0%	5,513	798	1,496	27.1%
Alfred	1,112	109	186	16.7%	94	17	18	19.1%	0	0	--	1,206	126	204	16.9%
Biddeford	24	1	14	58.3%	2,315	356	669	28.9%	106	56	52.8%	2,445	357	739	30.2%
Springvale	16	3	3	18.8%	1,190	197	400	33.6%	24	10	41.7%	1,230	200	413	33.6%
York	12	0	4	33.3%	607	115	132	21.7%	13	4	30.8%	632	115	140	22.2%
TOTAL	7,384	824	826	11.2%	19,313	2,802	4,715	24.4%	602	248	41.2%	27,299	3,626	5,789	21.2%

Columns

- Pending** Number of cases having at least one charge without a disposition, and without a currently active warrant.
- On DD** Number of pending cases with an Order of Deferred Disposition entered.
- No IA** Number of pending cases with a complaint filed, but not having an initial appearance or arraignment held or waived.
- % No IA** Percent of pending cases without an initial appearance/arraignment.

Cases are categorized based on the most serious offense charged. Local ordinance violations filed with the court are not included in the reported counts.

Change in Pending UCD Cases, January 2021 to January 2022

Pending cases as of January 7 of each year

UCD	FELONY			MISDEMEANOR			CIVIL VIOLATION			ALL CASES		
	2021	2022	% Diff	2021	2022	% Diff	2021	2022	% Diff	2021	2022	% Diff
Androscoggin	555	631	13.7%	1,812	2,033	12.2%	35	20	-42.9%	2,402	2,684	11.7%
Aroostook	626	720	15.0%	1,102	1,098	-0.4%	52	20	-61.5%	1,780	1,838	3.3%
Caribou	145	183	26.2%	269	258	-4.1%	16	3	-81.3%	430	444	3.3%
Fort Kent	73	89	21.9%	207	185	-10.6%	10	1	-90.0%	290	275	-5.2%
Houlton	198	206	4.0%	314	321	2.2%	12	11	-8.3%	524	538	2.7%
Presque Isle	210	242	15.2%	312	334	7.1%	14	5	-64.3%	536	581	8.4%
Cumberland	1,281	1,315	2.7%	3,873	3,866	-0.2%	130	114	-12.3%	5,284	5,295	0.2%
Bridgton	16	20	25.0%	359	338	-5.8%	30	37	23.3%	405	395	-2.5%
Portland	1,239	1,271	2.6%	3,131	3,112	-0.6%	83	61	-26.5%	4,453	4,444	-0.2%
West Bath	26	24	-7.7%	383	416	8.6%	17	16	-5.9%	426	456	7.0%
Franklin	102	91	-10.8%	291	281	-3.4%	23	6	-73.9%	416	378	-9.1%
Hancock	244	306	25.4%	627	591	-5.7%	56	43	-23.2%	927	940	1.4%
Kennebec	574	615	7.1%	1,684	1,660	-1.4%	43	39	-9.3%	2,301	2,314	0.6%
Augusta	552	593	7.4%	1,117	1,071	-4.1%	31	23	-25.8%	1,700	1,687	-0.8%
Waterville	22	22	0.0%	567	589	3.9%	12	16	33.3%	601	627	4.3%
Knox	250	196	-21.6%	474	444	-6.3%	12	16	33.3%	736	656	-10.9%
Lincoln	137	133	-2.9%	267	304	13.9%	16	8	-50.0%	420	445	6.0%
Oxford	317	392	23.7%	828	900	8.7%	40	21	-47.5%	1,185	1,313	10.8%
Bridgton	27	38	40.7%	98	125	27.6%	2	2	0.0%	127	165	29.9%
Rumford	116	153	31.9%	340	356	4.7%	29	10	-65.5%	485	519	7.0%
South Paris	174	201	15.5%	390	419	7.4%	9	9	0.0%	573	629	9.8%
Penobscot	771	1,082	40.3%	2,170	2,244	3.4%	84	82	-2.4%	3,025	3,408	12.7%
Bangor	750	1,047	39.6%	1,690	1,764	4.4%	43	33	-23.3%	2,483	2,844	14.5%
Lincoln	9	10	11.1%	232	257	10.8%	16	30	87.5%	257	297	15.6%
Newport	12	25	108.3%	248	223	-10.1%	25	19	-24.0%	285	267	-6.3%
Piscataquis	51	40	-21.6%	98	94	-4.1%	12	14	16.7%	161	148	-8.1%
Sagadahoc	121	153	26.4%	316	440	39.2%	12	24	100.0%	449	617	37.4%
Somerset	194	178	-8.2%	487	497	2.1%	10	12	20.0%	691	687	-0.6%
Waldo	159	208	30.8%	386	359	-7.0%	10	15	50.0%	555	582	4.9%
Washington	124	160	29.0%	311	296	-4.8%	29	25	-13.8%	464	481	3.7%
Calais	63	72	14.3%	139	115	-17.3%	12	7	-41.7%	214	194	-9.3%
Machias	61	88	44.3%	172	181	5.2%	17	18	5.9%	250	287	14.8%
York	1,047	1,164	11.2%	4,947	4,206	-15.0%	257	143	-44.4%	6,251	5,513	-11.8%
Alfred	995	1,112	11.8%	95	94	-1.1%	0	0	0.0%	1,090	1,206	10.6%
Biddeford	23	24	4.3%	2,738	2,315	-15.4%	179	106	-40.8%	2,940	2,445	-16.8%
Springvale	19	16	-15.8%	1,390	1,190	-14.4%	56	24	-57.1%	1,465	1,230	-16.0%
York	10	12	20.0%	724	607	-16.2%	22	13	-40.9%	756	632	-16.4%
TOTAL	6,553	7,384	12.7%	19,673	19,313	-1.8%	821	602	-26.7%	27,047	27,299	0.9%

Columns

2021	Number of cases having at least one charge without a disposition, and without a currently active warrant as of January 7, 2021
2022	Number of cases having at least one charge without a disposition, and without a currently active warrant as of January 7, 2022
% Diff	Percent change in pending cases from 2021 to 2022. Red percentages represent an increase, green percentages a decrease.

Cases are categorized based on the most serious offense charged. Local ordinance violations filed with the courts are not included in the reported counts.

Change in Pending UCD Cases, January 2019 to January 2022

Pending cases as of January 7 of each year

UCD	FELONY			MISDEMEANOR			CIVIL VIOLATION			ALL CASES		
	2019	2022	% Diff	2019	2022	% Diff	2019	2022	% Diff	2019	2022	% Diff
Androscoggin	371	631	70.1%	1,313	2,033	54.8%	19	20	5.3%	1,703	2,684	57.6%
Aroostook	320	720	125.0%	586	1,098	87.4%	24	20	-16.7%	930	1,838	97.6%
Caribou	60	183	205.0%	144	258	79.2%	9	3	-66.7%	213	444	108.5%
Fort Kent	31	89	187.1%	122	185	51.6%	6	1	-83.3%	159	275	73.0%
Houlton	113	206	82.3%	140	321	129.3%	3	11	266.7%	256	538	110.2%
Presque Isle	116	242	108.6%	180	334	85.6%	6	5	-16.7%	302	581	92.4%
Cumberland	766	1,315	71.7%	2,446	3,866	58.1%	120	114	-5.0%	3,332	5,295	58.9%
Bridgton	7	20	185.7%	197	338	71.6%	13	37	184.6%	217	395	82.0%
Portland	741	1,271	71.5%	1,897	3,112	64.0%	90	61	-32.2%	2,728	4,444	62.9%
West Bath	18	24	33.3%	352	416	18.2%	17	16	-5.9%	387	456	17.8%
Franklin	83	91	9.6%	272	281	3.3%	15	6	-60.0%	370	378	2.2%
Hancock	207	306	47.8%	476	591	24.2%	30	43	43.3%	713	940	31.8%
Kennebec	337	615	82.5%	1,145	1,660	45.0%	46	39	-15.2%	1,528	2,314	51.4%
Augusta	322	593	84.2%	645	1,071	66.0%	29	23	-20.7%	996	1,687	69.4%
Waterville	15	22	46.7%	500	589	17.8%	17	16	-5.9%	532	627	17.9%
Knox	135	196	45.2%	288	444	54.2%	2	16	700.0%	425	656	54.4%
Lincoln	98	133	35.7%	203	304	49.8%	7	8	14.3%	308	445	44.5%
Oxford	208	392	88.5%	522	900	72.4%	23	21	-8.7%	753	1,313	74.4%
Bridgton	25	38	52.0%	94	125	33.0%	4	2	-50.0%	123	165	34.1%
Rumford	96	153	59.4%	189	356	88.4%	6	10	66.7%	291	519	78.4%
South Paris	87	201	131.0%	239	419	75.3%	13	9	-30.8%	339	629	85.5%
Penobscot	380	1,082	184.7%	1,168	2,244	92.1%	135	82	-39.3%	1,683	3,408	102.5%
Bangor	370	1,047	183.0%	918	1,764	92.2%	104	33	-68.3%	1,392	2,844	104.3%
Lincoln	5	10	100.0%	101	257	154.5%	22	30	36.4%	128	297	132.0%
Newport	5	25	400.0%	149	223	49.7%	9	19	111.1%	163	267	63.8%
Piscataquis	17	40	135.3%	55	94	70.9%	12	14	16.7%	84	148	76.2%
Sagadahoc	74	153	106.8%	263	440	67.3%	33	24	-27.3%	370	617	66.8%
Somerset	148	178	20.3%	555	497	-10.5%	49	12	-75.5%	752	687	-8.6%
Waldo	113	208	84.1%	237	359	51.5%	9	15	66.7%	359	582	62.1%
Washington	109	160	46.8%	190	296	55.8%	34	25	-26.5%	333	481	44.4%
Calais	33	72	118.2%	71	115	62.0%	13	7	-46.2%	117	194	65.8%
Machias	76	88	15.8%	119	181	52.1%	21	18	-14.3%	216	287	32.9%
York	756	1,164	54.0%	2,677	4,206	57.1%	111	143	28.8%	3,544	5,513	55.6%
Alfred	700	1,112	58.9%	75	94	25.3%	0	0	0.0%	775	1,206	55.6%
Biddeford	26	24	-7.7%	1,195	2,315	93.7%	41	106	158.5%	1,262	2,445	93.7%
Springvale	22	16	-27.3%	932	1,190	27.7%	48	24	-50.0%	1,002	1,230	22.8%
York	8	12	50.0%	475	607	27.8%	22	13	-40.9%	505	632	25.1%
TOTAL	4,122	7,384	79.1%	12,396	19,313	55.8%	669	602	-10.0%	17,187	27,299	58.8%

Columns

2019	Number of cases having at least one charge without a disposition, and without a currently active warrant as of January 7, 2019
2022	Number of cases having at least one charge without a disposition, and without a currently active warrant as of January 7, 2022
% Diff	Percent change in pending cases from 2019 to 2022. Red percentages represent an increase, green percentages a decrease.

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Pending UCD Cases as of May 20, 2022

UCD	FELONY				MISDEMEANOR				CIVIL VIOLATION			ALL CASES			
	Pending	On DD	No IA	% No IA	Pending	On DD	No IA	% No IA	Pending	No IA	% No IA	Pending	On DD	No IA	% No IA
Androscoggin	647	72	31	4.8%	2,166	249	305	14.1%	14	2	14.3%	2,827	321	338	12.0%
Aroostook	708	96	65	9.2%	1,153	238	331	28.7%	32	22	68.8%	1,893	334	418	22.1%
Caribou	163	20	14	8.6%	228	60	49	21.5%	4	1	25.0%	395	80	64	16.2%
Fort Kent	86	10	4	4.7%	224	74	45	20.1%	4	2	50.0%	314	84	51	16.2%
Houlton	229	24	26	11.4%	398	47	134	33.7%	12	9	75.0%	639	71	169	26.4%
Presque Isle	230	42	21	9.1%	303	57	103	34.0%	12	10	83.3%	545	99	134	24.6%
Cumberland	1,305	168	116	8.9%	3,730	394	782	21.0%	84	33	39.3%	5,119	562	931	18.2%
Bridgton	21	4	2	9.5%	301	40	33	11.0%	28	15	53.6%	350	44	50	14.3%
Portland	1,259	157	112	8.9%	3,027	310	647	21.4%	33	10	30.3%	4,319	467	769	17.8%
West Bath	25	7	2	8.0%	402	44	102	25.4%	23	8	34.8%	450	51	112	24.9%
Franklin	106	29	13	12.3%	306	93	74	24.2%	17	11	64.7%	429	122	98	22.8%
Hancock	296	33	18	6.1%	512	97	103	20.1%	32	8	25.0%	840	130	129	15.4%
Kennebec	621	72	51	8.2%	1,774	313	355	20.0%	51	14	27.5%	2,446	385	420	17.2%
Augusta	603	69	48	8.0%	1,145	186	221	19.3%	38	11	28.9%	1,786	255	280	15.7%
Waterville	18	3	3	16.7%	629	127	134	21.3%	13	3	23.1%	660	130	140	21.2%
Knox	208	44	17	8.2%	468	162	73	15.6%	18	3	16.7%	694	206	93	13.4%
Lincoln	134	44	9	6.7%	265	111	41	15.5%	9	1	11.1%	408	155	51	12.5%
Oxford	405	43	47	11.6%	939	136	194	20.7%	18	11	61.1%	1,362	179	252	18.5%
Bridgton	37	9	4	10.8%	114	30	18	15.8%	3	2	66.7%	154	39	24	15.6%
Rumford	160	15	19	11.9%	402	49	99	24.6%	4	2	50.0%	566	64	120	21.2%
South Paris	208	19	24	11.5%	423	57	77	18.2%	11	7	63.6%	642	76	108	16.8%
Penobscot	986	14	129	13.1%	2,099	40	654	31.2%	73	30	41.1%	3,158	54	813	25.7%
Bangor	955	14	122	12.8%	1,602	29	434	27.1%	32	14	43.8%	2,589	43	570	22.0%
Lincoln	8	0	5	62.5%	278	1	153	55.0%	16	15	93.8%	302	1	173	57.3%
Newport	23	0	2	8.7%	219	10	67	30.6%	25	1	4.0%	267	10	70	26.2%
Piscataquis	55	2	9	16.4%	117	5	54	46.2%	16	13	81.3%	188	7	76	40.4%
Sagadahoc	154	41	28	18.2%	451	158	85	18.8%	13	5	38.5%	618	199	118	19.1%
Somerset	227	46	17	7.5%	430	108	78	18.1%	9	0	0.0%	666	154	95	14.3%
Waldo	202	38	17	8.4%	327	114	77	23.5%	35	12	34.3%	564	152	106	18.8%
Washington	188	10	14	7.4%	305	25	64	21.0%	37	22	59.5%	530	35	100	18.9%
Calais	86	6	8	9.3%	108	12	24	22.2%	13	5	38.5%	207	18	37	17.9%
Machias	102	4	6	5.9%	197	13	40	20.3%	24	17	70.8%	323	17	63	19.5%
York	1,196	118	265	22.2%	4,273	734	1,084	25.4%	166	81	48.8%	5,635	852	1,430	25.4%
Alfred	1,133	115	247	21.8%	84	21	18	21.4%	0	0	--	1,217	136	265	21.8%
Biddeford	34	0	11	32.4%	2,381	368	628	26.4%	119	51	42.9%	2,534	368	690	27.2%
Springvale	14	2	4	28.6%	1,214	213	335	27.6%	40	28	70.0%	1,268	215	367	28.9%
York	15	1	3	20.0%	594	132	103	17.3%	7	2	28.6%	616	133	108	17.5%
TOTAL	7,438	870	846	11.4%	19,315	2,977	4,354	22.5%	624	268	42.9%	27,377	3,847	5,468	20.0%

Columns

- Pending** Number of cases having at least one charge without a disposition, and without a currently active warrant.
- On DD** Number of pending cases with an Order of Deferred Disposition entered.
- No IA** Number of pending cases with a complaint filed, but not having an initial appearance or arraignment held or waived.
- % No IA** Percent of pending cases without an initial appearance/arraignment.

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Change in Pending UCD Cases, May 2021 to May 2022

Pending cases as of May 20 of each year

UCD	FELONY			MISDEMEANOR			CIVIL VIOLATION			ALL CASES		
	2021	2022	% Diff	2021	2022	% Diff	2021	2022	% Diff	2021	2022	% Diff
Androscoggin	562	647	15.1%	1,889	2,166	14.7%	29	14	-51.7%	2,480	2,827	14.0%
Aroostook	700	708	1.1%	1,156	1,153	-0.3%	46	32	-30.4%	1,902	1,893	-0.5%
Caribou	179	163	-8.9%	316	228	-27.8%	15	4	-73.3%	510	395	-22.5%
Fort Kent	83	86	3.6%	208	224	7.7%	8	4	-50.0%	299	314	5.0%
Houlton	211	229	8.5%	301	398	32.2%	10	12	20.0%	522	639	22.4%
Presque Isle	227	230	1.3%	331	303	-8.5%	13	12	-7.7%	571	545	-4.6%
Cumberland	1,295	1,305	0.8%	3,979	3,730	-6.3%	128	84	-34.4%	5,402	5,119	-5.2%
Bridgton	15	21	40.0%	366	301	-17.8%	24	28	16.7%	405	350	-13.6%
Portland	1,248	1,259	0.9%	3,220	3,027	-6.0%	77	33	-57.1%	4,545	4,319	-5.0%
West Bath	32	25	-21.9%	393	402	2.3%	27	23	-14.8%	452	450	-0.4%
Franklin	99	106	7.1%	295	306	3.7%	10	17	70.0%	404	429	6.2%
Hancock	253	296	17.0%	612	512	-16.3%	48	32	-33.3%	913	840	-8.0%
Kennebec	559	621	11.1%	1,532	1,774	15.8%	39	51	30.8%	2,130	2,446	14.8%
Augusta	541	603	11.5%	960	1,145	19.3%	20	38	90.0%	1,521	1,786	17.4%
Waterville	18	18	0.0%	572	629	10.0%	19	13	-31.6%	609	660	8.4%
Knox	241	208	-13.7%	444	468	5.4%	15	18	20.0%	700	694	-0.9%
Lincoln	121	134	10.7%	247	265	7.3%	6	9	50.0%	374	408	9.1%
Oxford	317	405	27.8%	817	939	14.9%	31	18	-41.9%	1,165	1,362	16.9%
Bridgton	39	37	-5.1%	116	114	-1.7%	3	3	0.0%	158	154	-2.5%
Rumford	109	160	46.8%	317	402	26.8%	21	4	-81.0%	447	566	26.6%
South Paris	169	208	23.1%	384	423	10.2%	7	11	57.1%	560	642	14.6%
Penobscot	926	986	6.5%	2,423	2,099	-13.4%	87	73	-16.1%	3,436	3,158	-8.1%
Bangor	906	955	5.4%	1,976	1,602	-18.9%	61	32	-47.5%	2,943	2,589	-12.0%
Lincoln	7	8	14.3%	209	278	33.0%	15	16	6.7%	231	302	30.7%
Newport	13	23	76.9%	238	219	-8.0%	11	25	127.3%	262	267	1.9%
Piscataquis	60	55	-8.3%	94	117	24.5%	20	16	-20.0%	174	188	8.0%
Sagadahoc	124	154	24.2%	346	451	30.3%	8	13	62.5%	478	618	29.3%
Somerset	217	227	4.6%	507	430	-15.2%	13	9	-30.8%	737	666	-9.6%
Waldo	175	202	15.4%	347	327	-5.8%	8	35	337.5%	530	564	6.4%
Washington	128	188	46.9%	315	305	-3.2%	31	37	19.4%	474	530	11.8%
Calais	66	86	30.3%	135	108	-20.0%	7	13	85.7%	208	207	-0.5%
Machias	62	102	64.5%	180	197	9.4%	24	24	0.0%	266	323	21.4%
York	1,059	1,196	12.9%	4,848	4,273	-11.9%	252	166	-34.1%	6,159	5,635	-8.5%
Alfred	1,010	1,133	12.2%	91	84	-7.7%	0	0	0.0%	1,101	1,217	10.5%
Biddeford	21	34	61.9%	2,653	2,381	-10.3%	163	119	-27.0%	2,837	2,534	-10.7%
Springvale	19	14	-26.3%	1,464	1,214	-17.1%	71	40	-43.7%	1,554	1,268	-18.4%
York	9	15	66.7%	640	594	-7.2%	18	7	-61.1%	667	616	-7.6%
TOTAL	6,836	7,438	8.8%	19,851	19,315	-2.7%	771	624	-19.1%	27,458	27,377	-0.3%

Columns

2021	Number of cases having at least one charge without a disposition, and without a currently active warrant as of May 20, 2021
2022	Number of cases having at least one charge without a disposition, and without a currently active warrant as of May 20, 2022
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Change in Pending UCD Cases, May 2019 to May 2022

Pending cases as of May 20 of each year

UCD	FELONY			MISDEMEANOR			CIVIL VIOLATION			ALL CASES		
	2019	2022	% Diff	2019	2022	% Diff	2019	2022	% Diff	2019	2022	% Diff
Androscoggin	367	647	76.3%	1,276	2,166	69.7%	20	14	-30.0%	1,663	2,827	70.0%
Aroostook	350	708	102.3%	638	1,153	80.7%	31	32	3.2%	1,019	1,893	85.8%
Caribou	66	163	147.0%	137	228	66.4%	6	4	-33.3%	209	395	89.0%
Fort Kent	33	86	160.6%	108	224	107.4%	7	4	-42.9%	148	314	112.2%
Houlton	115	229	99.1%	141	398	182.3%	8	12	50.0%	264	639	142.0%
Presque Isle	136	230	69.1%	252	303	20.2%	10	12	20.0%	398	545	36.9%
Cumberland	821	1,305	59.0%	2,554	3,730	46.0%	130	84	-35.4%	3,505	5,119	46.0%
Bridgton	9	21	133.3%	203	301	48.3%	29	28	-3.4%	241	350	45.2%
Portland	794	1,259	58.6%	1,975	3,027	53.3%	80	33	-58.8%	2,849	4,319	51.6%
West Bath	18	25	38.9%	376	402	6.9%	21	23	9.5%	415	450	8.4%
Franklin	86	106	23.3%	278	306	10.1%	13	17	30.8%	377	429	13.8%
Hancock	182	296	62.6%	480	512	6.7%	51	32	-37.3%	713	840	17.8%
Kennebec	300	621	107.0%	1,070	1,774	65.8%	53	51	-3.8%	1,423	2,446	71.9%
Augusta	290	603	107.9%	605	1,145	89.3%	28	38	35.7%	923	1,786	93.5%
Waterville	10	18	80.0%	465	629	35.3%	25	13	-48.0%	500	660	32.0%
Knox	145	208	43.4%	279	468	67.7%	5	18	260.0%	429	694	61.8%
Lincoln	88	134	52.3%	204	265	29.9%	3	9	200.0%	295	408	38.3%
Oxford	201	405	101.5%	465	939	101.9%	15	18	20.0%	681	1,362	100.0%
Bridgton	21	37	76.2%	61	114	86.9%	3	3	0.0%	85	154	81.2%
Rumford	87	160	83.9%	194	402	107.2%	4	4	0.0%	285	566	98.6%
South Paris	93	208	123.7%	210	423	101.4%	8	11	37.5%	311	642	106.4%
Penobscot	333	986	196.1%	1,064	2,099	97.3%	91	73	-19.8%	1,488	3,158	112.2%
Bangor	325	955	193.8%	803	1,602	99.5%	75	32	-57.3%	1,203	2,589	115.2%
Lincoln	6	8	33.3%	85	278	227.1%	8	16	100.0%	99	302	205.1%
Newport	2	23	1050.0%	176	219	24.4%	8	25	212.5%	186	267	43.5%
Piscataquis	18	55	205.6%	47	117	148.9%	16	16	0.0%	81	188	132.1%
Sagadahoc	90	154	71.1%	246	451	83.3%	24	13	-45.8%	360	618	71.7%
Somerset	141	227	61.0%	452	430	-4.9%	17	9	-47.1%	610	666	9.2%
Waldo	93	202	117.2%	253	327	29.2%	5	35	600.0%	351	564	60.7%
Washington	119	188	58.0%	203	305	50.2%	44	37	-15.9%	366	530	44.8%
Calais	43	86	100.0%	102	108	5.9%	10	13	30.0%	155	207	33.5%
Machias	76	102	34.2%	101	197	95.0%	34	24	-29.4%	211	323	53.1%
York	723	1,196	65.4%	2,483	4,273	72.1%	89	166	86.5%	3,295	5,635	71.0%
Alfred	670	1,133	69.1%	84	84	0.0%	0	0	0.0%	754	1,217	61.4%
Biddeford	28	34	21.4%	1,170	2,381	103.5%	37	119	221.6%	1,235	2,534	105.2%
Springvale	16	14	-12.5%	757	1,214	60.4%	31	40	29.0%	804	1,268	57.7%
York	9	15	66.7%	472	594	25.8%	21	7	-66.7%	502	616	22.7%
TOTAL	4,057	7,438	83.3%	11,992	19,315	61.1%	607	624	2.8%	16,656	27,377	64.4%

Columns

- 2019** Number of cases having at least one charge without a disposition, and without a currently active warrant as of May 20, 2019
- 2022** Number of cases having at least one charge without a disposition, and without a currently active warrant as of May 20, 2022
- % Diff** Percent change in pending cases from 2019 to 2022. Red percentages represent an increase, green percentages a decrease.

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