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BIENNIAL REPORT

TO

THE GOVERNOR

BY

THE JUDICIAL COUNCIL OF MAINE

FOR THE YEARS 1969 and 1970

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April 18, 1970

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Judge, District Court
Penobscot County
Bangor, Maine 04401

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The Honorable F. Davis Clark
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Clerk of Courts
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Appointment expired on
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The Honorable Thomas E. Delahanty
Judge, Androscoggin County
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The Honorable Armand A. Dufresne, Jr.
Chief Justice, Supreme Judicial Court
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The Honorable James S. Erwin
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Appointed on January 1,
1970

COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS

(as of December 31, 1970)

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Miss Edith Hary, Chairman
The Honorable Robert L. Browne
The Honorable F. Davis Clark
The Honorable Thomas E. Delahanty
Dean Edward S. Godfrey

Supreme Judicial Court and Superior Court

Professor Eugene Mawhinney, Chairman
The Honorable Thomas E. Delahanty
Dean Edward S. Godfrey
Miss Edith Hary
The Honorable James S. Erwin
The Honorable David G. Roberts

Probate Court

The Honorable F. Davis Clark, Chairman
Mrs. Hugh Connor
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District Court

The Honorable Richard S. Chapman, Chairman
The Honorable Robert L. Browne
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Criminal Law and Procedures

The Honorable Robert L. Browne
The Honorable Richard S. Chapman
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The Honorable James S. Erwin
Professor Eugene Mawhinney

Liaison with Maine Law Enforcement Planning
and Assistance Agency

Miss Edith Hary, Chairman
The Honorable Robert L. Browne
The Honorable Thomas E. Delahanty

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BIENNIAL REPORT TO THE GOVERNOR
BY THE JUDICIAL COUNCIL OF MAINE
FOR THE YEARS 1969-1970

Publication Date - April, 1971

INTRODUCTION

Pursuant to the mandate set forth in 4 M.R.S.A. § 452, the Judicial Council reports to the Governor upon the work of the various branches of the Judicial system. The major portion of this report will be concerned with the monumental survey of the Superior and Supreme Judicial Courts undertaken by the Institute of Judicial Administration under the direction of the Council. Because submission of the report of the Institute of Judicial Administration to the Council was slightly delayed, submission of this report had to be postponed until the present date.

The report of the Institute of Judicial Administration contains a very detailed and accurate description of the operations of the Superior and Supreme Judicial Courts during the period of 1969-1970. A copy of that report is submitted herewith. Substantial statistical background for the material set forth in the report is contained in the Statistical Appendix which is also submitted herewith. The Judicial Council has not yet formally adopted all or any of the recommendations of the Institute as its own.

The work of the District Court was not studied by the Institute in the current study. The work of that Court is summarized statistically in Section 2 of this report. There is presently existing no system for obtaining statistics on a statewide basis concerning the work of the various Probate Courts.

The work of the Council other than the conduct and direction of the Superior and Supreme Judicial Court study is summarized briefly in Section 3 of this report.

The Judicial Council welcomes comments from any persons interested in the work of the Courts or the Council with respect to any of the matters set forth herein or in the attached report of the Institute of Judicial Administration.

Section 1. Background of the Superior and Supreme Judicial Court Study

As a result of discussion within the Council and suggestions from several interested persons and agencies, in 1968 the Judicial Council resolved that a comprehensive study should be undertaken of the operational aspects of the Maine Superior and Supreme Judicial Courts. During the summer and fall of 1968, the Council attempted to undertake such a study on its own. Various efforts were made to compile statistics, to survey judges and otherwise to gather the data necessary to complete a worthwhile study. Not long after the inception of the effort, it was realized by the Council that the magnitude and importance of the task justified and required an independent study of greater scope than that which could be undertaken by the Council members themselves and that such a study should be conducted by a professional outside organization. A request was made to the 104th Legislature for funds for such a study. The Legislature responded by appropriating the sum of \$20,000 to be expended "on a study of the operational aspects of the Supreme Judicial and Superior Courts". Resolves, 1969, Ch. 71. Using the funds appropriated by the 104th Legislature as "matching funds", the Council applied to the Maine Law Enforcement Planning and Assistance Agency for a grant of an additional \$30,000 under the "Safe Streets" Act to fully fund

the study. The grant was approved in January, 1970, and the Council contracted with the Institute of Judicial Administration to perform such an operational study with a final report to be submitted on or prior to the 15th of December, 1970.

Both prior to and during the course of the study which commenced immediately upon the execution of the contract with the Institute, the Council has met frequently in formal session, informally, and by committee with the staff of the Institute and those persons conducting the study. While the integrity of the Institute as an independent professional body has been scrupulously maintained, the Council has carefully controlled the scope and purpose of the study so as to conform to the mandate of the 104th Legislature and to needs as seen by the Council.

As a result of its thorough and painstaking study throughout the spring, summer and fall of 1970, the Institute of Judicial Administration has submitted a comprehensive report making recommendations for change in the present court structure and operation in several respects. These are set forth in detail in the report itself and are summarized in Section 2 below. It should be emphasized, however, that as of the present time, none of these recommendations have been formally adopted as the recommendations of the Judicial Council. They are the results and recommendations of a study by a highly

qualified independent organization, but they have not been fully discussed or adopted by the Council. While the Council is not prepared to make its own concrete recommendations at this time, it expects that it will make recommendations for those changes which it considers necessary or advisable during the course of the year 1971.

The Judicial Council is also presently beginning to initiate a study of the practical problems in implementing any or all of the changes and improvements suggested by the Institute of Judicial Administration. Obviously, the results of this survey will be influential in determining whether some of the changes should be adopted and if so, upon what sort of a time schedule.

Section 2. Work of the District Court, 1969-1970.

As stated before, the work of the District Court was not studied in the comprehensive survey by the Institute of Judicial Administration on the Superior and Supreme Judicial Courts. Statistical information relating to that Court is, therefore, presented in Appendix A to this Report. The source of this statistical information are the Annual Reports of the Chief Judge of the District Court to the Chief Justice of the Supreme Judicial Court of Maine. Inasmuch as the District Court is operated on a fiscal year basis, statistics are likewise compiled on a fiscal rather than a calendar year basis. The statistics included in the Appendix, therefore, cover the periods from June 30, 1968 through June 30, 1969, and June 30, 1969 through June 30, 1970. Included in the statistical information is a tabular comparison of case loads showing the substantial increase in the case load in most of the districts from 1969 to 1970.

Section 3. The Work of the Judicial Council, 1969-1970

The Judicial Council has been extremely active during the years 1969 and 1970. The full membership of the Council met on February 21, March 28, May 26, September 12, October 31, 1969, and January 16, April 17, June 26, September 11, October 23, and November 20, 1970. In addition, there were various meetings of committees and smaller groups.

The great bulk of the effort of the Council during this period was concerned with first the initiation and then the conduct of the recently completed Comprehensive Study of the Superior and Supreme Judicial Courts. The background of that study has been set forth in Section 1 of this Report. Suffice to say at this point that the printed Study and Statistical Appendix are but the pinnacle of an iceberg of effort by the membership of the Judicial Council as well as by the Institute of Judicial Administration. In the forthcoming months, the Judicial Council will be analyzing in detail the report and recommendations of the Institute with a view toward adoption of some or all of the recommendations as those of the Judicial Council and eventual implementation of such recommendations as may be adopted by the Council by appropriate legislative or rule-making action.

Other work of the Council during 1969-1970 included review and sponsorship or opposition to various items of

legislation pending before the 104th Legislature relating to the courts and their work. The problem of the provision of counsel to indigent criminal defendants in both District and Superior Courts was studied and given detailed Council consideration. At the request of the Council, the Executive Secretary updated the work that the Council had done in reporting to the 103rd Legislature on this subject. The report of the Executive Secretary focused upon the aggravated nature of the problem and the present lack of any appropriate lasting solution. Following lengthy discussions of the indigent defense problem, the matter was temporarily laid aside pending receipt by the Council of the recommendations of the Institute of Judicial Administration.

The Council drafted for presentation to the 105th Legislature a bill designed to transfer the responsibility for maintaining a central register of attorneys from the office of the Secretary of State to the office of the Administrative Assistant to the Chief Justice.

The problem of the "public relations of the courts" and accurate reporting by the news media of the work of the courts and court activities also received the Council's attention. It was decided that it would be appropriate that the "fair trial free press" committee originally chaired by Justice Archibald should be reactivated to attempt to maintain a liaison

between the judiciary and the press to foster accurate reporting of trials and other court business and to improve public relations between the judiciary and the media.

The Council also worked closely with the Maine Law Enforcement Planning and Assistance Agency in formulating an over-all plan for the improvement of the courts under the "Safe Streets" Act. The Secretary of the Council coordinated with the office of the Administrative Assistant to the Chief Justice in preparing a preliminary draft of the over-all plan which was submitted and approved by the Council at its November 20, 1970, meeting after some alterations. Many projects mentioned in this over-all plan will be carried out by the Council or under its direct auspices.

The Council is acutely aware of its unique role as the public service agency concerned with improvement of justice in the courts and with the relationship of the courts to the people of the State of Maine. The Council continues to stand ready to undertake new projects that may be suggested to it by the Legislature, the Governor, or any other responsible agency or by its own membership for the purposes of improving the administration of justice in Maine.

Respectfully submitted,

Armand A. Dufresne, Jr.

Chairman

DATED: April 2, 1971

DISTRICT COURT --- REPORT OF TOTAL CASES --- YEAR ENDING, June 30, 1969

	TRAFFIC	OTHER	JUVENILE	TOTAL CRIMINAL	CIVIL	DIVORCE (PENDING)	SMALL CLAIMS	TOTAL CIVIL	TOTAL CASES	DIVORCE PENDING
DISTRICT 1										
Caribou	868	434	86	1388	239	79	138	456	1844	68
Fort Kent	517	209	68	794	---	--	---	---	794	--
Madawaska	397	366	21	784	292	12	411	715	1499	15
Van Buren	358	159	22	539	---	--	---	---	539	--
	<u>2140</u>	<u>1168</u>	<u>197</u>	<u>3505</u>	<u>531</u>	<u>91</u> (83)	<u>549</u>	<u>1171</u>	<u>4676</u>	<u>83</u>
DISTRICT 2										
Presque Isle	1752	898	153	2803	697	73	246	1016	3819	58
Houlton	1927	570	56	2553	229	27	114	370	2923	38
	<u>3679</u>	<u>1468</u>	<u>209</u>	<u>5356</u>	<u>926</u>	<u>100</u> (96)	<u>360</u>	<u>1386</u>	<u>6742</u>	<u>96</u>
DISTRICT 3										
Bangor	4655	1149	229	6033	1260	279	606	2145	8178	146
Newport	759	243	24	1026	111	42	295	448	1474	37
	<u>5414</u>	<u>1392</u>	<u>253</u>	<u>7059</u>	<u>1371</u>	<u>321</u> (183)	<u>901</u>	<u>2593</u>	<u>9652</u>	<u>183</u>
D DISTRICT 4										
Machias	518	362	16	896	86	29	187	302	1198	29
Calais	773	465	44	1282	70	38	148	256	1538	35
	<u>1291</u>	<u>827</u>	<u>60</u>	<u>2178</u>	<u>156</u>	<u>67</u> (64)	<u>335</u>	<u>558</u>	<u>2736</u>	<u>64</u>

DISTRICT COURT --- REPORT OF TOTAL CASES --- YEAR ENDING, June 30, 1969

	TRAFFIC	OTHER	JUVENILE	TOTAL CRIMINAL	CIVIL	DIVORCE (PENDING)	SMALL CLAIMS	TOTAL CIVIL	TOTAL CASES	DIVORCE PENDING
DISTRICT 5										
Belfast	684	394	25	1103	106	65	441	612	1715	85
Bar Harbor	313	223	31	567	92	26	268	386	953	29
Ellsworth	<u>606</u>	<u>494</u>	<u>49</u>	<u>1149</u>	<u>137</u>	<u>66</u>	<u>175</u>	<u>378</u>	<u>1527</u>	<u>78</u>
	1603	1111	105	2819	335	157 (192)	884	1376	4195	192
DISTRICT 6										
Rockland	812	399	107	1318	231	106	451	788	2106	104
Wiscasset	891	256	30	1177	118	66	214	398	1575	56
Bath	<u>1045</u>	<u>385</u>	<u>37</u>	<u>1467</u>	<u>306</u>	<u>71</u>	<u>144</u>	<u>521</u>	<u>1988</u>	<u>227</u>
	2748	1040	174	3962	655	243 (387)	809	1707	5669	387
DISTRICT 7										
Waterville	1694	598	90	2382	674	129	238	1041	3423	164
Augusta	<u>2742</u>	<u>1098</u>	<u>91</u>	<u>3931</u>	<u>655</u>	<u>137</u>	<u>748</u>	<u>1540</u>	<u>5471</u>	<u>163</u>
	4436	1696	181	6313	1329	266 (327)	986	2581	8894	327
DISTRICT 8										
Brunswick	1432	411	95	1938	248	94	74	416	2354	88
Lewiston	<u>5296</u>	<u>1952</u>	<u>77</u>	<u>7325</u>	<u>933</u>	<u>257</u>	<u>560</u>	<u>1750</u>	<u>9075</u>	<u>18</u>
	6728	2363	172	9263	1181	351 (106)	634	2166	11429	106
DISTRICT 9										
Portland	6252	2596	109	8957	2234	565	540	3339	12296	940
Bridgton	<u>391</u>	<u>287</u>	<u>17</u>	<u>695</u>	<u>35</u>	<u>23</u>	<u>132</u>	<u>190</u>	<u>885</u>	<u>22</u>
	6643	2883	126	9652	2269	588 (962)	672	3529	13181	962

DISTRICT COURT --- REPORT OF TOTAL CASES --- YEAR ENDING, June 30, 1969

	TRAFFIC	OTHER	JUVENILE	TOTAL CRIMINAL	CIVIL	DIVORCE (PENDING)	SMALL CLAIMS	TOTAL CIVIL	TOTAL CASES	DIVORCE PENDING
DISTRICT 10										
Saco	3994	1119	62	5175	557	142	407	1106	6281	200
Sanford	1860	699	53	2612	170	87	147	404	3016	88
Kittery	<u>4299</u>	<u>448</u>	<u>43</u>	<u>4790</u>	<u>57</u>	<u>82</u>	<u>176</u>	<u>315</u>	<u>5105</u>	<u>61</u>
	10153	2266	158	12577	784	311 (349)	730	1825	14402	349
DISTRICT 11										
Rumford	1147	441	61	1649	90	48	243	381	2030	33
So. Paris	1126	458	42	1626	322	64	182	568	2194	36
Livermore Falls	<u>528</u>	<u>83</u>	<u>17</u>	<u>628</u>	<u>40</u>	<u>17</u>	<u>178</u>	<u>235</u>	<u>863</u>	<u>19</u>
	2801	982	120	3903	452	129 (88)	603	1184	5087	88
DISTRICT 12										
Farmington	2414	448	28	2890	244	59	654	957	3847	95
Skowhegan	<u>2192</u>	<u>995</u>	<u>85</u>	<u>3272</u>	<u>917</u>	<u>137</u>	<u>789</u>	<u>1843</u>	<u>5115</u>	<u>114</u>
	4606	1443	113	6162	1161	196 (209)	1443	2800	8962	209
DISTRICT 13										
Dover-Foxcroft	466	599	32	1097	162	53	262	477	1574	53
Millinocket	885	304	29	1218	116	30	173	319	1537	--
Lincoln	<u>1041</u>	<u>226</u>	<u>23</u>	<u>1290</u>	<u>87</u>	<u>32</u>	<u>276</u>	<u>395</u>	<u>1685</u>	<u>22</u>
	2392	1129	84	3605	365	115 (75)	711	1191	4796	75

TOTALS	54,634	19,768	1,952	76,354	11,515	2,935	9,617	24,067	100,421	
	TRAFFIC	OTHER	JUVENILE	TOTAL CRIMINAL	CIVIL	DIVORCE	SMALL CLAIMS	TOTAL CIVIL	TOTAL CASES	

DIVORCES PENDING -- 3121

DISTRICT COURT --- REPORT OF TOTAL CASES --- YEAR ENDING, June 30, 1970

	TRAFFIC	OTHER	JUVENILE	TOTAL CRIMINAL	CIVIL	DIVORCE (PENDING)	MOTIONS	SMALL CLAIMS	TOTAL CIVIL	TOTAL CASES
DISTRICT 1										
Caribou	1283	574	122	1979	300	88	24	250	662	2641
Fort Kent	1016	251	12	1279	---	--	--	---	---	1279
Madawaska	710	381	24	1115	237	16	48	304	605	1720
Van Buren	439	132	10	581	---	--	--	---	---	581
	<u>3448</u>	<u>1338</u>	<u>168</u>	<u>4954</u>	<u>537</u>	<u>104</u> (118)	<u>72</u>	<u>554</u>	<u>1267</u>	<u>6221</u>
DISTRICT 2										
Houlton	2214	581	58	2853	260	63	28	148	499	3352
Presque Isle	2206	1082	174	3462	536	112	58	351	1057	4519
	<u>4420</u>	<u>1663</u>	<u>232</u>	<u>6315</u>	<u>796</u>	<u>175</u> (105)	<u>86</u>	<u>499</u>	<u>1556</u>	<u>7871</u>
DISTRICT 3										
Bangor	4984	1063	357	6404	2680	308	12	1727	4727	11131
Newport	697	231	33	961	83	49	55	322	509	1470
	<u>5681</u>	<u>1294</u>	<u>390</u>	<u>7365</u>	<u>2763</u>	<u>357</u> (187)	<u>67</u>	<u>2049</u>	<u>5236</u>	<u>12601</u>
DISTRICT 4										
Calais	1067	615	47	1729	91	49	11	273	424	2153
Machias	870	365	12	1247	66	42	15	191	314	1561
	<u>1937</u>	<u>980</u>	<u>59</u>	<u>2976</u>	<u>157</u>	<u>91</u> (87)	<u>26</u>	<u>464</u>	<u>738</u>	<u>3714</u>
DISTRICT 5										
Ellsworth	892	388	47	1327	130	38	31	162	361	1688
Bar Harbor	412	184	--	596	71	29	17	109	226	822
Belfast	720	503	38	1261	233	70	6	435	744	2005
Bucksport	24	10	--	34	---	--	--	---	---	34
	<u>2048</u>	<u>1085</u>	<u>85</u>	<u>3218</u>	<u>434</u>	<u>137</u> (178)	<u>54</u>	<u>706</u>	<u>1331</u>	<u>4549</u>

DISTRICT COURT --- REPORT OF TOTAL CASES --- YEAR ENDING, June 30, 1970

	TRAFFIC	OTHER	JUVENILE	TOTAL CRIMINAL	CIVIL	DIVORCE (PENDING)	MOTIONS	SMALL CLAIMS	TOTAL CIVIL	TOTAL CASES
DISTRICT 6										
Bath	1136	382	43	1561	244	116	66	199	625	2186
Rockland	838	445	63	1346	233	125	86	497	941	2287
Wiscasset	869	264	18	1151	172	67	73	257	569	1720
	<u>2843</u>	<u>1091</u>	<u>124</u>	<u>4058</u>	<u>649</u>	<u>308</u>	<u>225</u>	<u>953</u>	<u>2135</u>	<u>6193</u>
						(453)				
DISTRICT 7										
Waterville	2455	878	112	3445	691	134	273	240	1338	4783
Augusta	3260	1181	98	4539	702	206	101	636	1645	6184
	<u>5715</u>	<u>2059</u>	<u>210</u>	<u>7984</u>	<u>1393</u>	<u>340</u>	<u>374</u>	<u>876</u>	<u>2983</u>	<u>10967</u>
						(331)				
DISTRICT 8										
Lewiston	5739	2208	166	8113	598	290	15	704	1607	9720
Brunswick	1587	410	53	2050	180	114	23	213	530	2580
	<u>7326</u>	<u>2618</u>	<u>219</u>	<u>10163</u>	<u>778</u>	<u>404</u>	<u>38</u>	<u>917</u>	<u>2137</u>	<u>12300</u>
						(269)				
DISTRICT 9										
Bridgton	673	462	14	1149	66	27	12	165	270	1419
Portland	8161	2831	156	11148	2767	846	503	1135	5251	16399
	<u>8834</u>	<u>3293</u>	<u>170</u>	<u>12297</u>	<u>2833</u>	<u>873</u>	<u>515</u>	<u>1300</u>	<u>5521</u>	<u>17818</u>
						(980)				
DISTRICT 10										
Saco	4886	1453	---	6339	579	193	184	353	1309	7648
Sanford	1547	806	70	2423	140	85	50	188	463	2886
Kittery	4737	507	34	5278	77	93	74	133	377	5655
	<u>11170</u>	<u>2766</u>	<u>104</u>	<u>14040</u>	<u>796</u>	<u>371</u>	<u>308</u>	<u>674</u>	<u>2149</u>	<u>16189</u>
						(383)				

DISTRICT COURT --- REPORT OF TOTAL CASES --- YEAR ENDING, June 30, 1970

	TRAFFIC	OTHER	JUVENILE	TOTAL CRIMINAL	CIVIL	DIVORCE (PENDING)	MOTIONS	SMALL CLAIMS	TOTAL CIVIL	TOTAL CASES
DISTRICT 11										
Livermore Falls	913	117	15	1045	67	22	13	238	340	1385
Rumford	1686	411	86	2183	81	50	47	428	606	2789
So. Paris	868	442	48	1358	344	58	51	217	670	2028
	<u>3467</u>	<u>970</u>	<u>149</u>	<u>4586</u>	<u>492</u>	<u>130</u>	<u>111</u>	<u>883</u>	<u>1616</u>	<u>6202</u>
						(120)				
DISTRICT 12										
Skowhegan	2640	924	99	3663	721	145	43	1362	2271	5934
Farmington	1789	488	31	2308	203	60	59	623	945	3253
	<u>4429</u>	<u>1412</u>	<u>130</u>	<u>5971</u>	<u>924</u>	<u>205</u>	<u>102</u>	<u>1985</u>	<u>3216</u>	<u>9187</u>
						(213)				
DISTRICT 13										
Millinocket	957	419	33	1409	130	26	18	248	422	1831
Dover-Foxcroft	465	603	56	1124	131	50	34	418	633	1757
Lincoln	1319	321	38	1678	95	49	7	420	571	2249
	<u>2741</u>	<u>1343</u>	<u>127</u>	<u>4211</u>	<u>356</u>	<u>125</u>	<u>59</u>	<u>1086</u>	<u>1626</u>	<u>5837</u>
						(63)				
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TOTALS	64,059	21,912	2,167	88,138	12,908	3,620	2,037	12,946	31,511	119,649
	TRAFFIC	OTHER	JUVENILE	TOTAL CRIMINAL	CIVIL	DIVORCE	MOTIONS	SMALL CLAIMS	TOTAL CIVIL	TOTAL CASES

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	TOTAL 1969 CRIMINAL	TOTAL 1970 CRIMINAL	TOTAL 1969 CIVIL	TOTAL 1970 CIVIL	TOTAL 1969 CASES	TOTAL 1970 CASES	INCREASE OR (DECREASE) 1970
DISTRICT 1							
Caribou	1388	1979	456	638	1844	2617	773
Fort Kent	794	1279	---	---	794	1279	485
Madawaska	784	1115	715	557	1499	1672	173
Van Buren	<u>539</u>	<u>581</u>	<u>---</u>	<u>---</u>	<u>539</u>	<u>581</u>	<u>42</u>
	3505	4954	1171	1195	4676	6149	1473
DISTRICT 2							
Houlton	2553	2853	370	471	2923	3324	401
Presque Isle	<u>2803</u>	<u>3462</u>	<u>1016</u>	<u>999</u>	<u>3819</u>	<u>4461</u>	<u>642</u>
	5356	6315	1386	1470	6742	7785	1043
DISTRICT 3							
Bangor	6033	6404	2145	4715	8178	11119	2941
Newport	<u>1026</u>	<u>961</u>	<u>448</u>	<u>454</u>	<u>1474</u>	<u>1415</u>	<u>(59)</u>
	7059	7365	2593	5169	9652	12534	2882
DISTRICT 4							
Calais	1282	1729	256	413	1538	2142	604
Machias	<u>896</u>	<u>1247</u>	<u>302</u>	<u>299</u>	<u>1198</u>	<u>1546</u>	<u>348</u>
	2178	2976	558	712	2736	3688	952
DISTRICT 5							
Bar Harbor	567	596	386	209	953	805	(148)
Belfast	1103	1261	612	738	1715	1999	284
Bucksport	---	34	---	---	---	34	34
Ellsworth	<u>1149</u>	<u>1327</u>	<u>378</u>	<u>330</u>	<u>1527</u>	<u>1657</u>	<u>130</u>
	2819	3218	1376	1277	4195	4495	300

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DISTRICT 6							
Bath	1467	1561	521	559	1988	2120	132
Rockland	1318	1346	788	855	2106	2201	95
Wiscasset	<u>1177</u>	<u>1151</u>	<u>398</u>	<u>496</u>	<u>1575</u>	<u>1647</u>	<u>72</u>
	3962	4058	1707	1910	5669	5968	299
DISTRICT 7							
Waterville	2382	3445	1041	1065	3423	4510	1087
Augusta	<u>3931</u>	<u>4539</u>	<u>1540</u>	<u>1544</u>	<u>5471</u>	<u>6083</u>	<u>612</u>
	6313	7984	2581	2609	8894	10593	1699
DISTRICT 8							
Lewiston	7325	8113	1750	1592	9075	9705	630
Brunswick	<u>1938</u>	<u>2050</u>	<u>416</u>	<u>507</u>	<u>2354</u>	<u>2557</u>	<u>203</u>
	9263	10163	2166	2099	11429	12262	833
DISTRICT 9							
Portland	8957	11148	3339	4748	12296	15896	3600
Bridgton	<u>695</u>	<u>1149</u>	<u>190</u>	<u>258</u>	<u>885</u>	<u>1407</u>	<u>522</u>
	9652	12297	3529	5006	13181	17303	4122
DISTRICT 10							
Saco	5175	6339	1106	1125	6281	7464	1183
Sanford	2612	2423	404	413	3016	2836	(180)
Kittery	<u>4790</u>	<u>5278</u>	<u>315</u>	<u>303</u>	<u>5105</u>	<u>5581</u>	<u>476</u>
	12577	14040	1825	1841	14402	15881	1479

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	TOTAL 1969 CRIMINAL	TOTAL 1970 CRIMINAL	TOTAL 1969 CIVIL	TOTAL 1970 CIVIL	TOTAL 1969 CASES	TOTAL 1970 CASES	INCREASE OR (DECREASE) 1970
DISTRICT 11							
Livermore Falls	628	1045	235	327	863	1372	509
Rumford	1649	2183	381	559	2030	2742	712
So. Paris	<u>1626</u>	<u>1358</u>	<u>568</u>	<u>619</u>	<u>2194</u>	<u>1977</u>	<u>(217)</u>
	3903	4586	1184	1505	5087	6091	1004
DISTRICT 12							
Skowhegan	3272	3663	1843	2228	5115	5891	776
Farmington	<u>2890</u>	<u>2308</u>	<u>957</u>	<u>886</u>	<u>3847</u>	<u>3194</u>	<u>(653)</u>
	6162	5971	2800	3114	8962	9085	123
DISTRICT 13							
Millinocket	1218	1409	319	404	1537	1813	276
Dover-Foxcroft	1097	1124	477	599	1574	1723	149
Lincoln	<u>1290</u>	<u>1678</u>	<u>395</u>	<u>564</u>	<u>1685</u>	<u>2242</u>	<u>557</u>
	3605	4211	1191	1567	4796	5778	982
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TOTALS	76,354	88,138	24,067	29,474	100,421	117,612	17,191
	CRIMINAL 1969	CRIMINAL 1970	CIVIL 1969	CIVIL 1970	CASES 1969	CASES 1970	INCREASE 1970