

GROTON POLICE DEPARTMENT

2024

Arrest and Citation Data

Due to the Department joining the Patriot Regional Emergency Communications Center (RECC) in June, the statistics are a combination of the Records Management Systems of both entities.

The Groton Police Department is dedicated to building trust and legitimacy in the community. In an effort to increase transparency, the department is beginning a process of sharing our citation and arrest data for each year, starting with 2021. We will be releasing it on our website and ensuring the community is aware of how to access it. This is statistical data; any identifying personal information is not subject to this report.

Motor Vehicle Charges by Race and Gender

During 2024 the Groton Police Department issued 2922 citations. It should be noted that each citation can include up to four individual charges including speeding. Officers are required to enter a race of the operator on every citation. Officers are required to enter a race of the operator on every citation. Officers are not expected to ask a motorist what racial category they fall into. Instead, officers should use their best judgement.

The options listed for race vary slightly depending on the source. The Massachusetts Uniform Citation has 6 race codes including: Asian or Pacific Islander, Black, Hispanic, American Indian or Alaskan Native, Middle Eastern or East Indian, and White. The Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) via the National Incident-Based Reporting System (NIBRS) only recognizes the following race codes: American Indian or Alaskan Native, Asian or Pacific Islander, Black, Unknown, and White. The US Census considers Hispanic to be an ethnicity.

Arrests by Race and Gender

The Groton Police Department prides itself on using alternatives to arrests. Officers utilize the summons process in lieu of arrest when appropriate and also submit request for programs involving restorative justice and diversion for incidents meeting the criteria. It should be mentioned that there are investigations where officers are mandated to arrest in situations such as domestic violence, warrants and serious felonies.

Operator Age/Sex/Race
From: 01/01/2024 Thru: 06/05/2024

<u>Race / Sex</u>	<u>< 19</u>	<u>19-21</u>	<u>22-25</u>	<u>26-35</u>	<u>36-55</u>	<u>> 55</u>	<u>Totals</u>
White							
Male	6	47	39	136	190	150	568
Female	4	23	30	88	181	115	441
Totals	10	70	69	224	371	265	1009
Black							
Male	0	2	6	9	9	2	28
Female	0	0	1	2	8	6	17
Totals	0	2	7	11	17	8	45
Asian							
Male	0	2	0	3	8	3	16
Female	0	0	0	1	9	4	14
Totals	0	2	0	4	17	7	30
Indian							
Male	0	0	1	1	1	0	3
Female	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
Totals	0	0	1	1	2	0	4
Native Hawaiian Or Other Pacific Islander							
Male	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Female	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Unknown							
Male	1	3	4	14	19	17	58
Female	2	1	2	9	15	6	35
Totals	3	4	6	23	34	23	93
All Races							
Male	7	54	50	163	227	172	673
Female	6	24	33	100	214	131	508
Totals	13	78	83	263	441	303	1181

Operator Age/Sex/Race
From: 06/05/2024 Thru: 12/31/2024

<u>Race / Sex</u>	<u>< 19</u>	<u>19-21</u>	<u>22-25</u>	<u>26-35</u>	<u>36-55</u>	<u>> 55</u>	<u>Totals</u>	<u>Hispanic</u>
White								
Male	18	48	69	131	229	132	627	48
Female	6	33	27	112	187	126	491	26
Totals	24	81	96	243	416	258	1118	74
Black								
Male	0	2	5	4	19	3	33	0
Female	0	1	0	5	5	1	12	1
Totals	0	3	5	9	24	4	45	1
Asian								
Male	1	4	2	9	14	3	33	1
Female	0	1	2	2	9	3	17	0
Totals	1	5	4	11	23	6	50	1
Indian								
Male	0	0	1	1	3	0	5	0
Female	0	0	3	0	3	0	6	0
Totals	0	0	4	1	6	0	11	0
Native Hawaiian Or Other Pacific Islander								
Male	0	0	1	0	0	1	2	0
Female	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	0	0	1	0	0	1	2	0
Unknown								
Male	3	16	18	30	45	27	139	3
Female	2	8	9	10	31	18	78	5
Totals	5	24	27	40	76	45	217	8
All Races								
Male	22	70	96	175	310	168	841	52
Female	8	43	41	129	235	148	604	32
Totals	30	113	137	304	545	316	1445	84