Rhode Island Department of Corrections

Planning & Research Unit



Annual Commitment & Release Report CY 2010

Commitments 2010

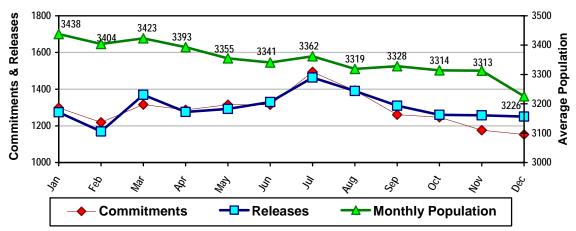
		Male	Female	Total
Awaiting Trial Population Sentenced Population		9,698	1,691	11,389
		3,477	434	3,911
Sentenced from Court		3,218	411	3,629
Parole Violators		225	22	247
Other	(Out of State return, transfer from other states or IMH, etc.)	34	1	35
	Total	13,175	2,125	15,300

Releases 2010

		Male	Female	Total
Awaiting Trial Population		9,647	1,693	11,340
	To Sentenced Status	2,170	220	2,390
Other	(bail, discharge at court/per court order, civil purge, etc.)	7,477	1,473	8,950
Sentenced Population		3,698	426	4,124
Expiration of Sentence		3,114	370	3,484
Parole		446	43	489
Other	(death, escape, transfer out of state, and released on case)	138	13	151
	Total	13,345	2,119	15,464

Prison populations are influenced by commitments and length of stay. Commitments have primarily driven the RIDOC's population, as length of stay has remained relatively stable. When commitments exceed/fall below releases, we often see an increase/decrease in the population. The graph on the next page demonstrates how commitments are linked to changes in the population.

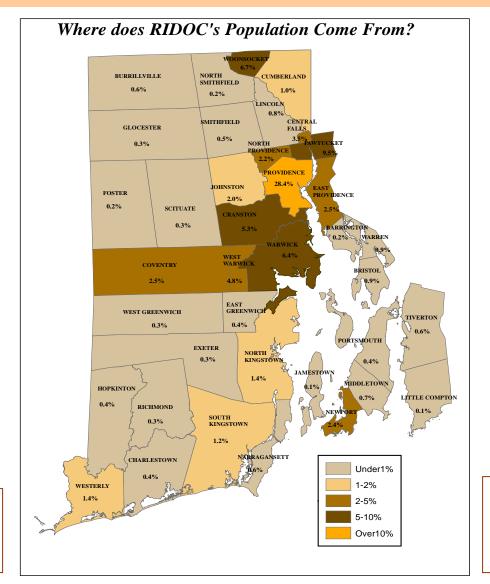
The Impact of Commitments & Releases on the Population in CY10



Interpreting the chart: The average monthly *population* is plotted on the *secondary axis* to the right, while commitments and releases are plotted on the primary axis to the left.

Interesting Statistics

- The average age of those committed and released was 33.
- 56% of those committed and released were White, 23% were Black and 18% were Hispanic.
- Only 14% of those committed and released were female.
- 39% of men and 55% of women were committed for non-violent offenses.
- Of the awaiting trial commitments, 48% were new commitments and 28% were committed for "failure to appear" (for court).
- Of the sentenced commitments, 69% were newly sentenced and 30% were committed due to a probation violation.
- Of the sentenced commitments in CY10, 61% of males and 70% of females were sentenced to 6-months or less.
- The majority of offenders came from and were released to the City of Providence (28%).
 (For additional city information, please see the back cover).



The city an offender lives prior to commitment is usually the same city which an offender returns to upon release.

Block Island 0.0% Out-of-State 5.4% Missing 0.6% No Permanent 2.9% Address

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