

JUVENILE PROBATION ADMISSIONS
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H I G H L I G H T S

1. State supervised juvenile probation admissions (267 cases) increased for the first time in three years. (See Table 1.)
2. Forty-two counties placed juveniles under Wisconsin Division of Corrections probation supervision during calendar year 1973. (See Table 2.)
3. Three-fifths of the boys and girls placed under state juvenile probation supervision were 16 or 17 years of age. (See Table 4.)
4. Reports indicated that 4 out of 10 boys and girls placed on supervision had completed the tenth eleventh grade. (See Table 5.)
5. Almost one-half (47 percent) of the boys and over three-fourths (78 percent) of the girls were reported as attending school at the time of placement on supervision. (See Table 7.)
6. Three-fifths of the girls and about one-half (48 percent) of the boys recorded as attending school during the six months prior to reception on probation were reported as having made less than satisfactory school adjustments. (See Table 6.)
7. Nine out of 10 juveniles placed on state probation supervision during 1973 were white. (See Table 16.)

The Administration of juvenile probation services in Wisconsin is, for the most part, a function of juvenile courts and county departments of social services. The Division of Corrections provides juvenile probation services if: (1) courts request such services for youths whose needs cannot be adequately met on a county level (juvenile regular probation) and (2) legal custody of the child is transferred to the Department of Health and Social Services (juvenile "c" probation).

Forty-two of the state's 72 counties requested Division of Corrections Juvenile probation supervision during calendar year 1973. Milwaukee County (41 cases) led the way, followed by Kenosha County (32 cases) and Eau Claire and Price Counties (20 cases each). Eight out of 10 youths placed under juvenile probation supervision in 1973 were males. Tables 3 through 16 are arranged so that comparisons may be made between juvenile "c" and juvenile regular probation admissions in terms of age at admission, length of probation term, school adjustment, etc.

Period of Probation

County courts determine the duration of a juvenile regular probation term. A juvenile "c" probation term, however, extends from the date of placement to attainment of the age of majority (18 years). Youths under either type of supervision may be discharged at an earlier time if it is believed that supervision is no longer necessary. Six out of 10 boys and 5 out of 10 girls placed on juvenile "c" probation in 1973 had less than two years remaining before reaching age of majority. Only two persons (one boy and one girl) placed on juvenile regular probation received terms of more than two years. (See Table 3.)

Age on Admission

Three-fifths of the boys and one-half of the girls placed on juvenile probation in 1973 were 16 or 17 years of age. The median age for boys was 16.3 years. Girls placed on supervision had a median age of 15.5 years. (See Table 4.)

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Table 1
 Admissions to Juvenile Probation by Sex
 Calendar Years 1950-1973

Calendar Year	Total	Male	Female
1950	25	25	-
1951	60	57	3
1952	77	74	3
1953	47	44	3
1954	36	34	2
1955	108	92	16
1956	156	129	27
1957	127	99	28
1958	216	166	50
1959	182	136	46
1960	199	161	38
1961	152	119	33
1962	213	154	59
1963	165	121	44
1964	198	131	67
1965	224	168	56
1966	322	243	79
1967	240	173	67
1968	368	273	95
1969	327	236	91
1970	419	297	122
1971	326	236	90
1972	218	185	33
1973	267	217	50

Table 2

Admissions to Probation by County of Commitment
January 1-December 31, 1973

County of Commitment	Juvenile		
	Total	Male	Female
<u>Total</u>	<u>267</u>	<u>217</u>	<u>50</u>
Adams	-	-	-
Ashland	2	2	-
Barron	3	2	1
Bayfield	1	1	-
Brown	1	1	-
Buffalo	-	-	-
Burnett	1	1	-
Calumet	-	-	-
Chippewa	-	-	-
Clark	3	3	-
Columbia	4	4	-
Crawford	-	-	-
Dane	1	-	1
Dodge	-	-	-
Door	-	-	-
Douglas	5	1	4
Dunn	-	-	-
Eau Claire	20	19	1
Florence	-	-	-
Fond du Lac	7	7	-
Forest	-	-	-
Grant	1	1	-
Green	-	-	-
Green Lake	-	-	-
Iowa	-	-	-
Iron	1	-	1
Jackson	1	1	-
Jefferson	5	-	5
Juneau	-	-	-
Kenosha	32	30	2
Kewaunee	-	-	-
LaCrosse	3	1	2
Lafayette	-	-	-
Langlade	-	-	-
Lincoln	1	1	-
Manitowoc	3	3	-
Marathon	1	-	1
Marinette	-	-	-
Marquette	-	-	-
Menominee	-	-	-

Table 2 (Concluded)

County of Commitment	Juvenile		
	Total	Male	Female
Milwaukee	41	37	4
Monroe	-	-	-
Oconto	-	-	-
Oneida	-	-	-
Outagamie	-	-	-
Ozaukee	8	8	-
Pepin	1	1	-
Pierce	1	-	1
Polk	18	6	12
Portage	6	5	1
Price	20	20	-
Racine	2	2	-
Richland	2	2	-
Rock	-	-	-
Rusk	1	1	-
St. Croix	2	2	-
Sauk	9	5	4
Sawyer	10	10	-
Shawano	4	2	2
Sheboygan	3	2	1
Taylor	16	16	-
Trempealeau	1	1	-
Vernon	6	5	1
Vilas	12	9	3
Walworth	-	-	-
Washburn	-	-	-
Washington	-	-	-
Waukesha	6	3	3
Waupaca	1	1	-
Waushara	-	-	-
Winnebago	-	-	-
Wood	1	1	-

Table 5
Admissions to Juvenile Probation by Type of Disposition and
Grade Completed
January 1-December 31, 1973

Grade Completed	Boys						Girls					
	Total Probation		Juvenile "C" Probation		Juvenile Regular Probation		Total Probation		Juvenile "C" Probation		Juvenile Regular Probation	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
<u>Total</u>	<u>217</u>	<u>100.0</u>	<u>170</u>	<u>100.0</u>	<u>47</u>	<u>100.0</u>	<u>50</u>	<u>100.0</u>	<u>43</u>	<u>100.0</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>100.0</u>
First through sixth	9	4.2	4	2.3	5	10.6	-	-	-	-	-	-
Seventh through ninth	115	53.0	92	54.1	23	49.0	29	58.0	26	60.5	3	42.9
Tenth through eleventh	88	40.5	71	41.8	17	36.2	20	40.0	16	37.2	4	57.1
High school graduate	2	0.9	1	0.6	1	2.1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Unknown	3	1.4	2	1.2	1	2.1	1	2.0	1	2.3	-	-

Table 6
Admissions to Juvenile Probation by Type of Disposition and
School Adjustment Prior to Admission
January 1-December 31, 1973

School Social Adjustment During Six Months Prior to Admission	Boys						Girls					
	Total Probation		Juvenile "C" Probation		Juvenile Regular Probation		Total Probation		Juvenile "C" Probation		Juvenile Regular Probation	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
<u>Total</u>	<u>217</u>	<u>100.0</u>	<u>170</u>	<u>100.0</u>	<u>47</u>	<u>100.0</u>	<u>50</u>	<u>100.0</u>	<u>43</u>	<u>100.0</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>100.0</u>
Satisfactory	79	36.4	53	31.2	26	55.3	17	34.0	13	30.2	4	57.1
Not satisfactory	104	47.9	90	52.9	14	29.8	30	60.0	27	62.8	3	42.9
Not in school	32	14.8	26	15.3	6	12.8	2	4.0	2	4.7	-	-
Not reported	2	0.9	1	0.6	1	2.1	1	2.0	1	2.3	-	-

Table 7

Admissions to Juvenile Probation by Type of Disposition and
Time Employed Prior to Admission
January 1-December 31, 1973

Six Months Prior to Admission	Boys						Girls					
	Total Probation		Juvenile "C" Probation		Juvenile Regular Probation		Total Probation		Juvenile "C" Probation		Juvenile Regular Probation	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
<u>Total</u>	<u>217</u>	<u>100.0</u>	<u>170</u>	<u>100.0</u>	<u>47</u>	<u>100.0</u>	<u>50</u>	<u>100.0</u>	<u>43</u>	<u>100.0</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>100.0</u>
75 percent or more	15	6.9	11	6.5	4	8.5	-	-	-	-	-	-
50-74 percent	7	3.2	5	2.9	2	4.3	-	-	-	-	-	-
25-49 percent	17	7.8	14	8.2	3	6.4	-	-	-	-	-	-
0-24 percent	74	34.2	53	31.2	21	44.7	10	20.0	10	23.3	-	-
Incapacitated	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
In school	102	47.0	86	50.6	16	34.0	39	78.0	32	74.4	7	100.0
Homemaker	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	2.0	1	2.3	-	-
Not reported	2	0.9	1	0.6	1	2.1	-	-	-	-	-	-

Table 8

Admissions to Juvenile Probation by Type of Disposition and
Average Gross Monthly Income Prior to Admission
January 1-December 31, 1973

Average Gross Monthly Income During Six Months Prior to Admission	Boys						Girls					
	Total Probation		Juvenile "C" Probation		Juvenile Regular Probation		Total Probation		Juvenile "C" Probation		Juvenile Regular Probation	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
<u>Total</u>	<u>217</u>	<u>100.0</u>	<u>170</u>	<u>100.0</u>	<u>47</u>	<u>100.0</u>	<u>50</u>	<u>100.0</u>	<u>43</u>	<u>100.0</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>100.0</u>
Less than \$200.00	88	40.5	63	37.1	25	53.2	2	4.0	1	2.3	1	14.3
\$200.00, less than \$400.00	6	2.8	5	2.9	1	2.1	-	-	-	-	-	-
\$400.00 or more	1	0.5	1	0.6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
No income	102	47.0	84	49.4	18	38.3	42	84.0	36	83.7	6	85.7
Receiving public assistance	16	7.4	14	8.2	2	4.3	6	12.0	6	14.0	-	-
Not reported	4	1.8	3	1.8	1	2.1	-	-	-	-	-	-

Table 9
Admissions to Juvenile Probation by Type of Disposition and
Use of Alcohol Prior to Admission
January 1-December 31, 1973

Use of Alcohol During Six Months Prior to Admission	Boys						Girls					
	Total Probation		Juvenile "C" Probation		Juvenile Regular Probation		Total Probation		Juvenile "C" Probation		Juvenile Regular Probation	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
<u>Total</u>	<u>217</u>	<u>100.0</u>	<u>170</u>	<u>100.0</u>	<u>47</u>	<u>100.0</u>	<u>50</u>	<u>100.0</u>	<u>43</u>	<u>100.0</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>100.0</u>
Abstainer or light drinker	141	65.0	115	67.7	26	55.3	24	48.0	19	44.2	5	71.4
Heavy drinker, not disruptive	7	3.2	7	4.1	-	-	6	12.0	4	9.3	2	28.6
Disruptive use of alcohol	34	15.7	26	15.3	8	17.0	7	14.0	7	16.3	-	-
Not reported	35	16.1	22	12.9	13	27.7	13	26.0	13	30.2	-	-

Table 10
Admissions to Juvenile Probation by Type of Disposition and
Social Identifications Prior to Admission
January 1-December 31, 1973

Most Significant Persons Identified with Socially During Six Months Prior to Admission	Boys						Girls					
	Total Probation		Juvenile "C" Probation		Juvenile Regular Probation		Total Probation		Juvenile "C" Probation		Juvenile Regular Probation	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
<u>Total</u>	<u>217</u>	<u>100.0</u>	<u>170</u>	<u>100.0</u>	<u>47</u>	<u>100.0</u>	<u>50</u>	<u>100.0</u>	<u>43</u>	<u>100.0</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>100.0</u>
Reputable	32	14.8	19	11.2	13	27.6	-	-	-	-	-	-
Fringe or delinquent	175	80.6	144	84.7	31	66.0	43	86.0	37	86.0	6	85.7
Not reported	10	4.6	7	4.1	3	6.4	7	14.0	6	14.0	1	14.3

Table 11

Admissions to Juvenile Probation by Type of Disposition and
Acceptance of Responsibility Prior to Admission
January 1-December 31, 1973

Acceptance of Responsibility During Six Months Prior to Admission*	Boys						Girls					
	Total Probation		Juvenile "C" Probation		Juvenile Regular Probation		Total Probation		Juvenile "C" Probation		Juvenile Regular Probation	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
<u>Total</u>	<u>217</u>	<u>100.0</u>	<u>170</u>	<u>100.0</u>	<u>47</u>	<u>100.0</u>	<u>50</u>	<u>100.0</u>	<u>43</u>	<u>100.0</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>100.0</u>
Accepts entirely	18	8.3	14	8.2	4	8.5	4	8.0	3	7.0	1	14.3
Accepts mostly	107	49.3	83	48.8	24	51.1	15	30.0	11	25.6	4	57.1
Accepts only slightly	59	27.2	53	31.2	6	12.8	14	28.0	13	30.2	1	14.3
Does not accept	17	7.8	13	7.7	4	8.5	8	16.0	7	16.3	1	14.3
Not reported	16	7.4	7	4.1	9	19.1	9	18.0	9	20.9	-	-

* Accepts responsibility for offense as charged.

Table 12

Admissions to Juvenile Probation by Type of Disposition and
Problems with Hostility Prior to Admission
January 1-December 31, 1973

Problems with Hostility During Six Months Prior to Admission	Boys						Girls					
	Total Probation		Juvenile "C" Probation		Juvenile Regular Probation		Total Probation		Juvenile "C" Probation		Juvenile Regular Probation	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
<u>Total</u>	<u>217</u>	<u>100.0</u>	<u>170</u>	<u>100.0</u>	<u>47</u>	<u>100.0</u>	<u>50</u>	<u>100.0</u>	<u>43</u>	<u>100.0</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>100.0</u>
Few problems with hostile feelings	91	41.9	61	35.9	30	63.8	12	24.0	9	20.9	3	42.9
Moderate problem	81	37.3	73	42.9	8	17.0	17	34.0	14	32.6	3	42.9
Serious problem	32	14.8	28	16.5	4	8.5	10	20.0	9	20.9	1	14.2
Not reported	13	6.0	8	4.7	5	10.7	11	22.0	11	25.6	-	-

Table 13

Admissions to Juvenile Probation by Type of Disposition and
Ability to Make Judgments Prior to Admission
January 1-December 31, 1973

Ability to Make Judgments During Six Months Prior to Admission	Boys						Girls					
	Total Probation		Juvenile "C" Probation		Juvenile Regular Probation		Total Probation		Juvenile "C" Probation		Juvenile Regular Probation	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
<u>Total</u>	<u>217</u>	<u>100.0</u>	<u>170</u>	<u>100.0</u>	<u>47</u>	<u>100.0</u>	<u>50</u>	<u>100.0</u>	<u>43</u>	<u>100.0</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>100.0</u>
Good judgment	1	0.5	1	0.6	-	-	1	2.0	1	2.3	-	-
Fairly good judgment	56	25.8	38	22.3	18	38.3	10	20.0	6	13.9	4	57.1
Poor judgment	156	71.9	128	75.3	28	59.6	33	66.0	30	69.8	3	42.9
Not reported	4	1.8	3	1.8	1	2.1	6	12.0	6	14.0	-	-

Table 14

Admissions to Juvenile Probation by Type of Disposition and
Emotional Stability Prior to Admission
January 1-December 31, 1973

Emotional Stability During Six Months Prior to Admission	Boys						Girls					
	Total Probation		Juvenile "C" Probation		Juvenile Regular Probation		Total Probation		Juvenile "C" Probation		Juvenile Regular Probation	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
<u>Total</u>	<u>217</u>	<u>100.0</u>	<u>170</u>	<u>100.0</u>	<u>47</u>	<u>100.0</u>	<u>50</u>	<u>100.0</u>	<u>43</u>	<u>100.0</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>100.0</u>
Emotionally stable	37	17.0	18	10.6	19	40.4	11	22.0	7	16.3	4	57.1
Mildly unstable	136	62.7	114	67.1	22	46.8	24	48.0	21	48.8	3	42.9
Very unstable	26	12.0	25	14.7	1	2.1	7	14.0	7	16.3	-	-
Not reported	18	8.3	13	7.6	5	10.7	8	16.0	8	18.6	-	-

Table 15

Admissions to Juvenile Probation by Type of Disposition and
Ability to Plan for the Future
January 1-December 31, 1973

Ability to Plan for the Future	Boys						Girls					
	Total Probation		Juvenile "C" Probation		Juvenile Regular Probation		Total Probation		Juvenile "C" Probation		Juvenile Regular Probation	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
<u>Total</u>	<u>217</u>	<u>100.0</u>	<u>170</u>	<u>100.0</u>	<u>47</u>	<u>100.0</u>	<u>50</u>	<u>100.0</u>	<u>43</u>	<u>100.0</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>100.0</u>
Plans constructively for the future	4	1.8	2	1.2	2	4.3	2	4.0	1	2.3	1	14.3
Some planning for the future	109	50.3	80	47.1	29	61.7	15	30.0	13	30.2	2	28.6
Lives for immediate present	97	44.7	82	48.2	15	31.9	24	48.0	20	46.5	4	57.1
Not reported	7	3.2	6	3.5	1	2.1	9	18.0	9	21.0	-	-

Table 16

Admissions to Juvenile Probation by Type of Disposition and
Race
January 1-December 31, 1973

Race	Boys						Girls					
	Total Probation		Juvenile "C" Probation		Juvenile Regular Probation		Total Probation		Juvenile "C" Probation		Juvenile Regular Probation	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
<u>Total</u>	<u>217</u>	<u>100.0</u>	<u>170</u>	<u>100.0</u>	<u>47</u>	<u>100.0</u>	<u>50</u>	<u>100.0</u>	<u>43</u>	<u>100.0</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>100.0</u>
<u>White</u>	<u>188</u>	<u>86.7</u>	<u>144</u>	<u>84.7</u>	<u>44</u>	<u>93.6</u>	<u>44</u>	<u>88.0</u>	<u>37</u>	<u>86.1</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>100.0</u>
<u>White (Mexican Origin)</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>0.9</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>1.2</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
<u>Non-White</u>	<u>27</u>	<u>12.4</u>	<u>24</u>	<u>14.1</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>6.4</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>12.0</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>13.9</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Black	20	9.2	20	11.8	-	-	2	4.0	2	4.6	-	-
Native American (Indian)	7	3.2	4	2.3	3	6.4	4	8.0	4	9.3	-	-
Other	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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