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TO: The Reader

FROM: Ronald R. Vail, Coordinator
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RE: ^XAn Analysis of Time Served by Sentence Length at the
Indiana State Prison

You will find attached two recently completed studies of time served by sentence length at the Indiana State Prison. These studies are of the sentences of 2-14 years and 2-21 years.

Similar studies have previously been conducted, and the results disseminated, for sentence lengths at the Indiana State Prison of: (1) Life, (2) 1-5 years, (3) 2-5 years, (4) 1-10 years, and (5) 2-10 years.

Please feel free to direct any questions or comments you may have in regard to these studies to my office.

Sincerely,



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AN ANALYSIS OF INSTITUTIONAL TIME SERVED IN THE
INDIANA DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTION BY INMATES
WITH A SENTENCE LENGTH OF 2-14 YEARS

-INDIANA STATE PRISON-

The primary goal of this study was to determine the average length of institutional time served in the Indiana Department of Correction by inmates at the Indiana State Prison who had a sentence length of 2-14 years and who received parole authorization.

There were fifteen (15) inmates with a singular sentence of 2-14 years authorized for parole from the Indiana State Prison from January, 1975 through October, 1975. All fifteen (15) inmates served as subjects in this study. The data for this study was obtained from the "minutes" of the Indiana Parole Board and from the Central Office packets of the subjects. The following information was collected; (1) the inmate's file number, (2) the inmate's month and year of admission into the Indiana Department of Correction, (3) the month and year the inmate was authorized for parole, (4) the inmate's ethnic group, and (5) the most serious committing offense of the inmate.

This information was analyzed to determine; (1) the average length of institutional time served in the Indiana Department of Correction by Inmates authorized for parole from the Indiana State Prison who had a sentence length of 2-14 years, (2) the range of time served by all subjects in this study, (3) the ethnic breakdown of the subjects in this study, (4) the average (mean) length of time served by the White inmates in this study, (5) the range of time served by the White inmates in this study, (6) the average (mean) length of time served by the Black inmates in this study, and (7) the range of time served by the Black inmates in this study.

In this study (sentence length of 2-14 years) the following results were obtained:

Average Length of Time Served by All Subjects

1 year and 9.1 months
(standard deviation of 2 years and 7.5 months)

Range of Time Served by All Subjects

Shortest - 3 months
Longest - 11 years and 2 months

Ethnic Breakdown of Subjects

White = 73%
Black = 27%

Average Length of Time Served by White Subjects

2 years and 1 month
(standard deviation of 3 years and .3 months)

Range of Length of Time Served by White Subjects

Shortest - 1 year
Longest - 11 years and 2 months

Average Length of Time Served by Black Subjects

10.5 months
(standard deviation of 5.4 months)

Range of Length of Time Served by Black Subjects

Shortest - 3 months
Longest - 1 year and 4 months

Appendix A contains a listing of the data collected (minus inmate file number) for this study.

APPENDIX A

INDIANA STATE PRISON
SENTENCE LENGTH OF 2-14 YEARS

<u>Month/Year Admitted to Indiana Department of Correction</u>	<u>Month/Year Authorized for Parole</u>	<u>Ethnic Group</u>	<u>Committing Offense</u>
March, 1974	February, 1975	Black	Forgery
October, 1973	February, 1975	Black	Assault and Battery with Intent to Kill
April, 1974	April, 1975	White	Conspiracy to Commit Theft
April, 1974	April, 1975	White	Conspiracy to Commit a Forgery
February, 1964	April, 1975	White	Sodomy
March, 1973	April, 1975	White	Forgery
February, 1974	April, 1975	White	Assault and Battery with Intent to Kill
May, 1974	June, 1975	White	Possession of Burglary Tools
July, 1974	July, 1975	White	Forgery
July, 1974	August, 1975	White	Forgery
September, 1974	September, 1975	White	Forgery
September, 1974	September, 1975	Black	Conspiracy to Commit a Forgery
July, 1974	October, 1975	White	Forgery
October, 1974	January, 1975	Black	Forgery
March, 1974	April, 1975	White	Assault and Battery with Intent to Kill

AN ANALYSIS OF INSTITUTIONAL TIME SERVED IN THE
INDIANA DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTION BY INMATES
WITH A SENTENCE LENGTH OF 2-21 YEARS

-INDIANA STATE PRISON-

The primary goal of this study was to determine the average length of institutional time served in the Indiana Department of Correction by inmates at the Indiana State Prison who had a sentence length of 2-21 years and who received parole authorization.

There were twenty-two (22) inmates with a singular sentence of 2-21 years authorized for parole from the Indiana State Prison from January, 1975 through October, 1975. All twenty-two (22) inmates served as subjects in this study. The data for this study was obtained from the "minutes" of the Indiana Parole Board and from the Central Office packets of the subjects. The following information was collected; (1) the inmate's file number, (2) the inmate's month and year of admission into the Indiana Department of Correction, (3) the month and year the inmate was authorized for parole, (4) the inmate's ethnic group, and (5) the most serious committing offense of the inmate.

This information was analyzed to determine; (1) the average length of institutional time served in the Indiana Department of Correction by inmates authorized for parole from the Indiana State Prison who had a sentence length of 2-21 years, (2) the range of time served by all subjects in this study, (3) the ethnic breakdown of the subjects in this study, (4) the average (mean) length of time served by the White inmates in this study, (5) the range of time served by the White inmates in this study, (6) the average (mean) length of time served by the Black inmates in this study, and (7) the range of time served by the Black inmates in this study.

In this study (sentence length of 2-21 years) the following results were obtained:

Average Length of Time Served by All Subjects

5 years and 1.7 months
(standard deviation of 2 years and 6.8 months)

Range of Time Served by All Subjects

Shortest - 1 year and 4 months
Longest - 10 years and 1 month

Ethnic Breakdown of Subjects

White = 59%
Black = 41%

Average Length of Time Served by White Subjects

5 years and .2 months
(standard deviation of 2 years and 9 months)

Range of Length of Time Served by White Subjects.

Shortest - 1 year and 4 months
Longest - 10 years and 1 month

Average Length of Time Served by Black Subjects

5 years and 4 months
(standard deviation of 2 years and 5.1 months)

Range of Length of Time Served by Black Subjects

Shortest - 1 year and 8 months
Longest - 9 years and 7 months

Appendix A contains a listing of the data collected (minus inmate file number) for this study.

APPENDIX A

INDIANA STATE PRISON
SENTENCE LENGTH OF 2-21 YEARS

<u>Month/Year Admitted to Indiana Department of Correction</u>	<u>Month/Year Authorized for Parole</u>	<u>Ethnic Group</u>	<u>Committing Offenses</u>
August, 1965	February, 1975	White	Incest
July, 1969	February, 1975	White	Manslaughter
October, 1973	February, 1975	White	Incest
September, 1971	March, 1975	White	Incest
February, 1972	April, 1975	White	Assault & Battery with the intent to satisfy sexual desires
February, 1972	April, 1975	Black	Voluntary Manslaughter
August, 1971	May, 1975	White	Voluntary Manslaughter
September, 1967	June, 1975	Black	Rape
December, 1970	June, 1975	White	Assault & Battery with the intent to gratify sexual desires
December, 1970	July, 1975	Black	Voluntary Manslaughter
July, 1968	July, 1975	White	Manslaughter
January, 1970	August, 1975	Black	Rape
September, 1968	August, 1975	Black	Manslaughter
April, 1973	August, 1975	White	Assault & Battery on a Child Under twelve
February, 1966	September, 1975	Black	Manslaughter
February, 1969	September, 1975	White	Manslaughter
February, 1971	September, 1975	Black	Voluntary Manslaughter
July, 1971	September, 1975	Black	Voluntary Manslaughter
December, 1969	October, 1975	White	Voluntary Manslaughter
October, 1973	October, 1975	White	Voluntary Manslaughter
June, 1965,	July, 1975	White	Manslaughter
August, 1973	April, 1975	Black	Voluntary Manslaughter

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