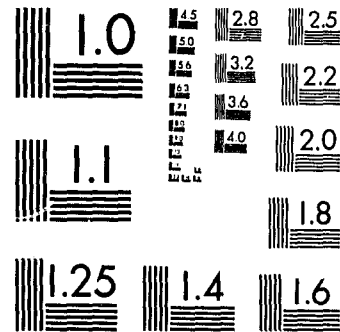


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INTRODUCTION

The charts and discussion materials presented herein do not reflect information concerning those New Jersey cases supervised by out-of-state agencies. As explained in the past two reports, the Bureau of Interstate Services no longer provides the Bureau of Parole with data on the aforementioned cases for inclusion in this study. As a result, valid five year comparison of various statistics, traditionally reflected in Table No. 5, cannot be generated. Instead, meaningful comparisons can only be made between statistics dealing with the last three years, or the former two. In future reports, statistical data will present a four year comparison, and then, once again legitimate five year figures can be presented by information collected by Parole Bureau components alone.

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ANNUAL ARRESTS AND DISPOSITIONS REPORT

The statistical information presented in this report is intended to serve as a factual indicator of the number, types, and dispositions of arrests of all parolees in New Jersey. We have so similar data on New Jersey parolees in other states who are no longer the responsibility of the New Jersey Bureau of Parole.

It is beyond the scope of this survey to answer questions about the reasons underlying the results.

Although all of the recorded arrests occurred during the period of July 1, 1979 through June 30, 1980, many were not completely adjudicated until after the close of the fiscal year. Accordingly, the report is prepared one year thereafter in order to record as many dispositions as possible.

These arrests, as reported solely by the nine district parole offices of the Bureau of Parole, resulted from violations of the conditions of parole (Technical Violations) and/or Municipal Ordinances, State or Federal Statutes (New Offenses).

The criterion for recording the data is similar to the Uniform Crime Reporting procedure, i.e. one person, one arrest, regardless of the number of charges lodged.

Specifically, the data in addition to identifying information includes:

- (1) Number of parolees arrested and the number of arrests.
- (2) Disposition of recorded arrests for new offenses.
- (3) Disposition of arrests for technical parole violations.
- (4) Age at time of arrest and length of time on parole when arrested.
- (5) Types of arrests.

As shown in Table No. 5 the Bureau was responsible for the supervision of 12,746 parolees in the fiscal year 1979-80. There was an average of 8,652 on parole at any given time during the year. (See Table No. 1)

Some conclusions derived from this report may be stated as follows:

- (1) The number of total arrests for juvenile delinquency rose 20.3% in fiscal 1980 over those arrested for the same offense in fiscal 1978. (Table No. 5)
- (2) When compared with fiscal '78, the number of arrests for parole violation decreased by 30 or 10.5%. (Table No. 5)
- (3) During the same period of time there has been a significant change in the numbers of arrests for violation of local ordinances, motor vehicle laws or as material witnesses. (Table No. 5)
- (4) Disorderly persons arrests have shown a significant decrease (32.2%) during the period of study. (Table No. 5)
- (5) In the three years compared herein (fiscal '78, '79 and fiscal '80, approximately 1/4 of individuals supervised were arrested notwithstanding some change in caseload size or in total number of arrests. (Table No. 5)
- (6) Approximately three quarters (75%) of the individuals arrested were 21 years of age and over. (Table No. 4)
- (7) Sixty per cent (60%) of all arrests occurred within the first year on parole, 75% within 18 months and 93% within three years on parole. (Table No. 4)
- (8) Thirty-seven per cent (37%) of all recorded arrests for New Offenses were disposed of as guilty by court action as compared to the dismissal rate of 14%; the remaining 49% of arrests were not processed for inclusion in the above figures because:
 - a) the disposition was still pending in court.
 - b) maximum sentence expired while awaiting disposition.
 - c) returned as parole violator before disposition was rendered. (Table No. 2)

- (9) A total of 2,828 individuals accounted for all of the 4,201 arrests. (Table No. 1)
- (10) Sixty-three per cent (161) of the 255 arrests for Technical Parole Violations resulted in return to the institution as parole violators. (Table No. 3)
- (11) Only 3.8% (161) of the total number of arrests (4,201) were returned to the institution for violating technical conditions of parole not requiring court action. (See note and Table No. 3)
- (12) Of the 3,946 arrests for New Offenses requiring court action 11.5% (456) resulted in a court commitment to a penal or correctional institution. (See note and Table No. 2)

It must be remembered that factors which influence the number of violators that are returned to institutions vary. Therefore, statistical comparisons between institutions should be made with caution.

Note: The percentage of those committed by the court as compared to those returned exclusively for technical reasons differs substantially, mainly because the screening process employed by the Bureau of Parole eliminates many cases that would otherwise be included as statistical arrests. Not all cases that were reviewed for parole violations resulted in an arrest as is the case with those brought before the court. The Bureau does not keep separate statistics for this, but a conservative estimate would be a figure as high if not higher than the number of cases that are brought to the attention of the court.

Parole violators are arrested only after a thorough review of the case is made by supervisory personnel. All of the cases so reviewed do not result in return. The probable cause hearing process cuts down the figure more and after the hearing the figure is reduced again by the action of the paroling authority who elect not to revoke.

When the overall violation rate is compared to the total number of cases under supervision by the Bureau, the percentage of return is substantially less. As an example, of all the individuals arrested 27% were returned to various institutions by order of a court commitment or as a result of technical violation of parole as compared to 8.7% of the average number on parole or 6% of the total supervised. Stated conversely, 94% of the total number of cases under supervision were "successful," i.e. were not returned to an institution. Consequently, the recidivism rate becomes more meaningful when the basis used is clearly defined.

The statistics compare favorably with those issued by the National Uniform Parole Reports.

TABLE NO. 1

CASELOAD – ARRESTS AND RETURNED VIOLATORS
(By Institutions*)

7-1-79 thru 6-30-80

INSTITUTIONS*	UNDER SUPER-VISION 7/1/79	UNDER SUPER-VISION 7/1/80	TOTAL NO. SUPER-VISED 1979-80	AVERAGE NUMBER ON PAROLE	NO. PAROLEES ARRESTED			NO. OF ARRESTS			COMMITTED TO INSTITUTION***		
					NEW OFFENSES	TECHNICAL VIOLATIONS	TOTAL	NEW OFFENSES	TECHNICAL VIOLATIONS	TOTAL	BY COURT	BY PAROLING AUTHORITY	TOTAL
TSG	25	21	34	26	6	0	6	12	0	12	0	0	0
CIW	328	307	456	314	78	12	90	121	12	133	1	15	16
OS/F	20	32	46	26	1	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	0
TSB	200	216	364	219	137	9	146	242	9	251	55	17	72
YCIA	1,540	1,367	2,255	1,502	621	54	675	957	55	1,012	122	59	181
YCIB	1,733	1,546	2,354	1,615	542	59	601	850	59	909	92	75	267
YRCC	1,342	1,341	2,051	1,323	519	47	566	804	49	853	83	54	137
SP	3,081	3,202	4,298	3,046	577	63	640	829	64	893	96	70	166
ADTC	57	60	80	60	7	0	7	11	0	11	2	3	5
OS/M	452	526	807	521	89	7	96	119	7	126	5	8	13
TOTALS	8,778	8,619**	12,746	8,652	2,577	251	2,828	3,946	255	4,201	456	301	757

*Legend

- TSG – Training School for Girls
- CIW – Correctional Institution for Women
- OS/F – Female Parolees Supervised for Other States
- TSB – Training School for Boys
- YCIA – Youth Correctional Institution, Annandale
- YCIB – Youth Correctional Institution, Bordentown
- YRCC – Youth Reception and Correction Center
- SP – State Prison
- ADTC – Adult Diagnostic and Treatment Center
- OS/M – Male Parolees Supervised for Other States
- **CO – Includes One County Case

***Based on No. of Arrests:
Figure does not include all those individuals
revoked by the State Parole Board but not
as yet returned to Prison Complex, rather
remaining in county facilities.

TABLE NO. 2

DISPOSITION OF RECORDED ARRESTS FOR NEW OFFENSES
(By Institutions*)

7-1-79 thru 6-30-80

		TSG	CIW	TSB	YCIA	YCIB	YRCC	SP	ADTC	O/S MALE	O/S FEMALE	TOTAL
<i>Adjudged guilty or delinquent by court action — 36%</i>	Committed to penal or correctional institution	0	1	55	122	92	83	97	2	5	0	455
	Suspended sentence or fined, and returned as parole violator	0	3	1	14	10	7	8	0	1	0	44
	Suspended sentence or fined, and continued under supervision	2	18	29	122	96	114	110	1	20	0	511
	Served county jail sentence, and returned as parole violator	0	3	0	10	11	8	17	0	3	0	52
	Served county jail sentence, and continued under supervision	0	24	1	80	66	44	53	0	9	0	277
	Placed on probation, and returned as parole violator	0	0	1	1	2	0	1	0	1	0	6
	Placed on probation, and continued under supervision	1	0	12	25	17	18	12	0	3	0	88
	Returned for adjustment	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	3
	Maximum expired while serving county jail sentence	0	0	0	1	0	0	3	1	1	0	5
	TOTAL	3	49	99	376	295	274	302	4	43	0	1,445
<i>Dismissed by court action 14%</i>	Continued under supervision	4	12	26	89	115	119	108	0	28	0	501
	Returned as parole violator	0	1	7	4	11	6	9	2	1	0	39
	TOTAL	4	13	33	93	126	125	117	2	29	0	542
<i>Miscel- lanecous — 50%</i>	Disposition still pending	3	12	28	116	138	115	152	0	26	0	584
	Maximum expired while awaiting disposition	0	10	17	69	27	33	48	2	18	1	223
	Returned as parole violator awaiting disposition	2	37	65	303	264	257	210	3	9	0	1,147
	TOTAL	5	59	110	488	429	405	410	5	47	1	1,959
	GRAND TOTAL	12	121	242	957	850	804	829	11	119	1	3,946

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TABLE NO. 3

DISPOSITION OF ARRESTS FOR TECHNICAL PAROLE VIOLATIONS
(By Institutions*)

7-1-79 thru 6-30-80

	TSG	CIW	TSB	YCIA	YCIB	YRCC	SP	ADTC	O/S MALE	O/S FEMALE	TOTAL
Returned as parole violator	0	8	8	31	43	34	35	0	2	0	161
Returned for adjustment	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
Released and continued under supervision	0	4	1	16	12	11	25	0	5	0	74
Turned over to police for new offense	0	0	0	5	3	4	3	0	0	0	15
Disposition pending	0	0	0	3	0	0	1	0	0	0	4
TOTAL	0	12	9	55	59	49	64	0	7	0	255

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 O/S FEMALE — Female Parolees supervised for other states

TABLE NO. 4	AGE AT TIME OF ARREST AND LENGTH OF TIME ON PAROLE WHEN ARRESTED	7-1-79 thru 6-30-80
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TABLE NO. 5

5 YEAR COMPARISON (1979 - 80)

7-1-79 thru 6-30-80

FISCAL YEAR	CASELOAD		INDIVIDUALS ARRESTED			TOTAL ARRESTS		RECOMMITMENTS OR RETURNS RESULTING FROM ARRESTS	
	NUMBER OF INDIVIDUALS SUPERVISED	% OF INCREASE	NUMBER	% OF NUMBER SUPERVISED	% OF INCREASE	NUMBER	% OF INCREASE	NUMBER	% OF INCREASE
1979 - 80	12,746	+2.0	2,828	22.1	-13.6	4,201	-16.0	757	-60.3
1978 - 79	12,489	-2.1	3,275	26.2	+8.6	5,004	-2.1	1,896	+3.3
1977 - 78	12,753	*	3,015	23.6	*	5,112	*	1,835	*
1976 - 77	12,489	+0.5	4,422	35.4	+12.6	6,298	-14.8	2,179	-17.6
1975 - 76	12,421	-4.9	3,927	31.6	-10.2	7,298	-10.0	2,646	-13.9

FISCAL YEAR	ARRESTS FOR INDICTABLE OFFENSES		ARRESTS FOR JUV. DELINQUENCY		ARRESTS UNDER DIS. PERSONS STATUTE		ARRESTS FOR MOTOR VEHICLE VIOLATIONS		ARRESTS UNDER LOCAL ORDINANCES		ARRESTS AS MATERIAL WITNESSES		ARRESTS FOR TECH. VIOLATIONS	
	NUMBER OF ARRESTS	% OF TOTAL ARRESTS	NUMBER OF ARRESTS	% OF TOTAL ARRESTS	NUMBER OF ARRESTS	% OF TOTAL ARRESTS	NUMBER OF ARRESTS	% OF TOTAL ARRESTS	NUMBER OF ARRESTS	% OF TOTAL ARRESTS	NUMBER OF ARRESTS	% OF TOTAL ARRESTS	NUMBER OF ARRESTS	% OF TOTAL ARRESTS
1979 - 80	2,443	58.1	313	1.4	1,063	25.3	104	2.4	19	.45	4	.09	255	6.0
1978 - 79	2,786	55.7	327	6.5	1,366	27.2	154	3.0	80	1.5	4	.4	287	5.7
1977 - 78	2,755	53.8	260	5.1	1,568	30.7	156	3.1	82	1.6	6	.1	285	5.6
1976 - 77	3,385	54.4	328	5.2	1,852	29.7	205	3.3	118	1.8	4	.06	329	5.2
1975 - 76	3,901	53.6	367	5.0	2,200	30.1	261	3.6	145	1.9	9	.1	415	5.6
3 Year Differential	-11.6%		+20.3%		-32.2%		-33.9%		-76.8%		-33.3%		-10.5%	

* Although 5 year figures are presented, no attempt should be made to compare the 1979-1980 figures with other than the 1978-1979 and 1977-1978 figures - (See Introduction).

The comparisons of the '79-'80 figures with the '78-'79 and '77-'78 figures are made above and recorded in the block labeled "3 Year Differential".

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