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The Massachusetts Department of Correction Jurisdiction Population

The population covered in this report, termed the 'jurisdiction population', includes any criminally sentenced inmate released from a Massachusetts Department of Correction facility as well as DOC inmates released from other correctional facilities. Under this definition, DOC inmates released from Massachusetts' Houses of Correction, other states' correctional facilities and the Federal Bureau of Prisons during 2006 are also included in the population. The population described in this report includes the following:

- **Individuals released via parole or expiration of sentence to the street**
- **Individuals released via parole or expiration of sentence to other jurisdictions including another state, federal authority, or immigration**
- **Individuals released to another sentence at the Department of Correction or a Massachusetts House of Correction**
- **Individuals released to a civil commitment at the Department of Correction**
- **Individuals released to a warrant**
- **Individuals sentenced to the Department of Correction, subsequently transferred to another correctional authority, and thereafter released**
- **Individuals transferred from another state, Federal authority, or county correctional facility and subsequently released from a DOC facility**

Executive Summary

MA DOC 2006 Jurisdiction Release Population

- During 2006, there were 3,012 criminally sentenced inmates released from the jurisdiction of the Massachusetts Department of Correction, a decrease of 29 (1%) total releases from 2005.

- Of the 3,012 total releases, 2,391 (79%) were released to the street, with 27% paroled to the street and 52% released via expiration of sentence. The remaining 621 inmates were released to other jurisdictions.

- Seventy percent of the 3,012 inmates released during 2006 were White, followed by 27% being Black. White inmates made up 83% of the female release population, with Black inmates accounting for 13% of the females released. For the male releases, the percentage of White inmates (63%) was almost twice the proportion of Black inmates (35%).

- Of those reporting a marital status, eighty-seven percent of the total releases reported that they were not married: of those, 71% reported being never married, 14% reported a marital status of divorced and 1% reported being widowed. Thirteen percent reported being married. Three percent of the release population did not report a marital status.

- The average age of inmates released during 2006 was 35.7 years, ranging from 17 to 82 years of age.

- Inmates reporting a release address of Worcester decreased by 9% from 2005 to 2006, with more males reporting a release address of Worcester than females, the opposite from last year.

- Twenty-two percent of the release population reported a release address in Suffolk County. A larger amount of the female release population reported Worcester County and Middlesex County as a release address than the males.

- Violent offenders (inmates serving a governing Person or Sex offense) accounted for 40% of the 2006 releases. The remaining 60% of the releases were non-violent offenders: 28% were incarcerated for a Drug offense, 17% for a Property offense and 14% were for "Other" offenses.

- There were significant gender differences in current offenses of the MA DOC release population in 2006. Fifty-four percent of males released in 2006 served a sentence for a Violent (Person or Sex) governing offense, whereas sixteen percent of females released in 2006 served a sentence for a Violent (Person or Sex) governing offense.

- Crimes Against the Person offenders accounted for 42% of the male releases and 15% of female releases. Of the 823 males serving a governing person offense, 34% (n=282) were serving a sentence for Armed Robbery. Forty-one percent of the 165 females serving a governing person offense were sentenced for Assault/Assault and Battery.

- Eight percent (n=228) of the total number of releases in 2006 had a governing sentence for a Sex offense, and nearly all were male.

- Drug offenders accounted for 30% of male releases and 26% of female releases. Sixty-seven percent of the male releases whose governing sentence was a drug offense were serving a mandatory drug sentence, whereas, only 12% of the females released had been serving a drug offense with a mandatory term.

- Of the 122 male inmates released with a governing offense in the "Other" offense category, 71% were for a weapons offense. Twenty-eight percent of females releases had been incarcerated for an "Other" governing offense, the majority which were Motor Vehicle Offenses (24%), followed by OUI/Alcohol or Drugs (23%) and Prostitution (21%).

- Of the males released in 2006, 97% were released from a Massachusetts state prison sentence, while only 10% of the female releases were serving a state prison sentence and 90% of the females were serving county sentences.

- *Excluding* inmates serving complex sentences or parole/probation violations, on average, females released from a *state prison sentence* served 3.5 years, while male inmates released from a *state prison sentenced* served an average of 5.0 years.

- The average time served[1] for inmates serving a sentence for a governing **violent** offense was 5.4 years. Female violent offenders served an average of 1.5 years, compared to male violent offenders who served 6.0 years on average.

- **Non-violent** offenders released in 2006 had an average time served[1] of 2.4 years. Females who had a governing non-violent offense served an average of 6.7 months, male non-violent offenders served an average of 4.0 years (48.6 months).

- Of the 3,012 total inmates released during 2006, 65% were released from a medium security facility. In addition, 5% were released from a maximum security facility, 27% were released from a minimum or pre-release facility, and 3% were released from county and other state/federal facilities.

- Between 1997 and 2004 the number of male inmates released from a maximum security facility increased 63%. Compared to 2004, this number <u>dropped by 30%</u> in 2006, from 231 to 162. Medium security facilities released 14% fewer inmates in 2006 than in 1997. Minimum security facilities witnessed a 35% decrease in the number of releases between 1997 and 2006.

- Females released from a minimum security facility <u>increased six percent</u> from 2005 to 2006; in the same time period males released from a minimum security <u>facility increased 8%</u>.

[1] The time served calculations are based on inmates who served state, county, reformatory, or out-of-state/federal sentences released in 2006 (excluding those who served complex sentences or parole/probation violations). Time Served calculations include jail credits earned for time awaiting trial.

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Introduction

This report is a statistical description of releases from the jurisdiction of the Massachusetts Department of Correction (DOC) during the 2006 calendar year. This report, in conformity with past release reports, includes **those individuals who were released to the street by the authority of the Parole Board or by expiration of sentence.**

However, commencing with the 1997 report, the DOC release report also includes:

- **Individuals released via parole or expiration of sentence *to other jurisdictions* including another state, federal authority, or immigration**
- **Individuals released *to another sentence* at the Department of Correction or a Massachusetts House of Correction**
- **Individuals released *to a civil commitment* at the Department of Correction**
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- **Individuals *transferred from another* state, Federal authority, or county correctional facility and subsequently released from a DOC facility**

Excluded from this report are **detainees** and Bridgewater State Hospital and Massachusetts Alcohol & Substance Abuse Center **civil commitments** who were released during the year. (Criminally sentenced inmates released from Bridgewater State Hospital are **included**.) Civil commitments and detainees were excluded for the following reasons: 1) the reporting system for civilly committed inmates is not as extensive as that for the criminally sentenced population; therefore the majority of the data would fall into the "not reported" category in the tables, 2) individuals who are awaiting trial or are pre-trial detainees have not been sentenced. They can not be considered jurisdiction population for this report. Also, because they are not sentenced, limited information is available about this population.

Also excluded from this report are individuals who were released by a court order, those who may have escaped from a DOC facility or inmates who died in custody. Individuals who were released more than once during 2006 are counted as separate cases.

This report presents tables that contain information on all release types listed above in four major categories: 1) personal background characteristics, 2) the nature of the current offense, 3) release characteristics for these individuals, and 4) trends 1997 – 2006. All tables are broken down by gender.

Other important information to note about this report:
Beginning with the 2005 Release Report, the Release Address is reported instead of the Last Known Address. See associated tables and glossary for definition.
The data contained in this report is derived from the inmate database maintained by the Department of Correction. Please note that much of the personal background data of the offenders is **self-reported**. Also, individuals may be incarcerated for multiple offenses. **The offense reported is that which is associated with the sentence that governs the inmate's maximum discharge date.** Note that due to rounding, some percentages may not add up to 100%. Please refer to the Glossary defines terms and offenses used throughout the report.

Demographic Characteristics of the MA DOC 2006 Release Population

Table 1

MA DOC Releases in 2006 by Gender

	Number of Releases	(%)
Male	1,947	65%
Female	1,065	35%
Total	**3,012**	**100%**

The total number of criminally sentenced individuals released from the jurisdiction of the Department of Correction in 2006 was 3,012, an increase of 29 (1%) total releases from 2005. The breakdown by gender was 1,947 males (65%) and 1,065 females (35%). The number of males released in 2006 increased by 44 (2%) from the previous year and the number of females released decreased by 15 (1%).

Table 2

MA DOC Releases in 2006: Race by Gender (Self-Reported)

	Female	(%)	Male	(%)	Total	(%)
White	885	83	1,233	63	2,118	70
Black	143	13	676	35	819	27
Asian	2	0	19	1	21	1
American Indian/Alaska Native	1	0	9	0	10	0
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other	34	3	10	1	44	1
Total	**1,065**	**100**	**1,947**	**100**	**3,012**	**100**

Of the 3,012 inmates released in 2006, 70% were White. Black inmates made up another 27% of the release population. The majority of the female release population was White (83%) compared to the male population that was comprised of 63% White and 35% Black inmates.

Table 3

MA DOC Releases in 2006: Ethnicity by Gender (Self-Reported)

	Female	(%)	Male	(%)	Total	(%)
Hispanic	132	12%	617	32%	749	25%
Not Hispanic	933	88%	1330	68%	2,263	75%
Total	**1,065**	**100%**	**1,947**	**100%**	**3,012**	**100%**

Twenty-five percent (N = 749) of the 3,012 inmates released during 2006 reported that they were Hispanic. Non-Hispanic inmates accounted for 75% of the release population. A larger percentage of male releases reported an Hispanic Ethnicity (32%) than female releases (12%).

Table 4

MA DOC Releases in 2006: Age at Incarceration by Gender

	Female	(%)	Male	(%)	Total	(%)
15 Years	0	0	1	0	1	0
16 Years	0	0	0	0	0	0
17 Years	1	0	10	1	11	0
18 Years	10	1	50	3	60	2
19 Years	35	3	54	3	89	3
20 Years	27	3	75	4	102	3
21 Years	36	3	85	4	121	4
22 Years	26	2	88	5	114	4
23 Years	63	6	80	4	143	5
24 Years	39	4	90	5	129	4
25 to 29 Years	180	17	430	22	610	20
30 to 34 Years	163	15	324	17	487	16
35 to 39 Years	190	18	264	14	454	15
40 to 44 Years	166	16	190	10	356	12
45 to 49 Years	85	8	110	6	195	6
50 to 54 Years	31	3	62	3	93	3
55 to 59 Years	11	1	24	1	35	1
60 to 64 Years	2	0	6	0	8	0
65 to 69 Years	0	0	2	0	2	0
70 Years or Older	0	0	2	0	2	0
Total	**1,065**	**100**	**1,947**	**100**	**3,012**	**100**

Age at Incarceration Statistics			
	Totals	Females	Males
Mean	**32.1**	33.3	31.5
Median	**31.0**	33.0	30.0
Minimum	**15**	17	15
Maximum	**81**	61	81

The mean (average) age at incarceration was 32.1 years, ranging from 15 to 81 years of age. The mean (average) age of an inmate released in 2005 was 35.7 years, ranging from 17 to 82 years of age. On average, female inmates were older than males at the time of incarceration: 33.3 years versus 31.5 years; females were younger at the time of release than males with females averaging 34.0 years and males 36.6 years (see page 4).

Table 5

MA DOC Releases in 2006: Age at Release by Gender

	Female	(%)	Male	(%)	Total	(%)
17 Years	1	0	0	0	1	0
18 Years	5	0	1	0	6	0
19 Years	24	2	6	0	30	1
20 Years	25	2	19	1	44	1
21 Years	29	3	29	1	58	2
22 Years	30	3	37	2	67	2
23 Years	50	5	41	2	91	3
24 Years	53	5	59	3	112	4
25 to 29 Years	170	16	395	20	565	19
30 to 34 Years	165	15	331	17	496	16
35 to 39 Years	186	17	338	17	524	17
40 to 44 Years	182	17	285	15	467	16
45 to 49 Years	96	9	177	9	273	9
50 to 54 Years	33	3	111	6	144	5
55 to 59 Years	13	1	57	3	70	2
60 to 64 Years	3	0	38	2	41	1
65 to 69 Years	0	0	16	1	16	1
70 Years or Older	0	0	7	0	7	0
Total	**1065**	**100**	**1,947**	**100**	**3,012**	**100**

Age at Release Statistics			
	Totals	Females	Males
Mean	**35.7**	34.0	36.6
Median	**35.0**	34.0	35.0
Minimum	**17**	17	18
Maximum	**82**	61	82

Table 6

MA DOC Releases in 2006: Marital Status by Gender (Self-Reported)

	Female	(%)	Male	(%)	Total	(%)
Never Married	708	66	1,369	70	2,077	69
Divorced	125	12	286	15	411	14
Married	126	12	256	13	382	13
Widow/Widower	14	1	15	1	29	1
Separated	0	0	1	0	1	0
Partner/Live-In	6	1	3	0	9	0
Not Reported	86	8	17	1	103	3
Total	**1065**	**100**	**1,947**	**100**	**3,012**	**100**

Excluding cases not reported, seventy-one percent of the 2006 release population were never married (71% males, 72% females). Fourteen percent were divorced (15% males, 13% females) and 13% were married (13% males, 13% females).

Table 7

MA DOC Releases in 2006: Culture by Gender (Self-Reported)

	Female	(%)	Male	(%)	Total	(%)
American	268	25	1,372	70	1,640	54
Puerto Rican	105	10	242	12	347	12
Irish	231	22	11	1	242	8
*Other	131	12	99	5	230	8
Italian	145	14	8	0	153	5
Hispanic	20	2	86	4	106	4
French	91	9	1	0	92	3
Dominican	11	1	62	3	73	2
African	25	2	22	1	47	2
Cape Verdean	15	1	24	1	39	1
Portuguese	23	2	14	1	37	1
Not Reported	0	0	6	0	6	0
Total	**1,065**	**100**	**1,947**	**100**	**3,012**	**100**

*Other category includes reported cultures not listed separately in the above table.

Table 8

MA DOC Releases in 2006: Religion by Gender (Self-Reported)

		Female	(%)	Male	(%)	Total	(%)
Christian	Baptist	60	6	118	6	178	6
	Catholic	644	60	854	44	1,498	50
	Christian	5	0	221	11	226	8
	Pentecostal	12	1	64	3	76	3
	Protestant	63	6	107	5	170	6
	Other Christian*	74	7	70	4	144	5
	Sub-Total	**858**	**81**	**1,434**	**74**	**2,292**	**76**
	Agnostic	3	0	86	4	89	3
	Atheist	1	0	10	1	11	0
	Buddhist	5	0	27	1	32	1
	Islam	4	0	107	5	111	4
	Jewish	0	0	14	1	14	0
	Other**	14	1	29	1	43	1
	None	172	16	233	12	405	13
	Not Reported	8	1	7	0	15	0
	Total	**1,065**	**100**	**1,947**	**100**	**3,012**	**100**

**Other includes reported religions not listed separately in the above table.
See Religion for further detail.

Table 9

MA DOC Releases in 2006: Primary Language by Gender
(Self-Reported)

	Female	(%)	Male	(%)	Total	(%)
English	988	93	1,672	86	2,660	88
Spanish	73	7	258	13	331	11
Portuguese	1	0	6	0	7	0
Khmer	1	0	4	0	5	0
Arabic	1	0	2	0	3	0
Vietnamese	0	0	3	0	3	0
French Canadian	0	0	1	0	1	0
German	1	0	0	0	1	0
Korean	0	0	1	0	1	0
Total	**1,065**	**100**	**1,947**	**100**	**3,012**	**100**

Table 10

MA DOC Releases in 2006: Release Addresses: (Self-Reported) Top Ten Cities for Females			MA DOC Releases in 2006: Release Addresses: (Self-Reported) Top Ten Cities for Males		
	Female	**(%)**		**Male**	**(%)**
Boston	137	13	Boston	472	24
Worcester	99	9	Springfield	175	9
Brockton	46	4	Worcester	123	6
Lowell	46	4	New Bedford	62	3
Framingham	42	4	Bridgewater	50	3
Lynn	36	3	Framingham	48	2
Lawrence	30	3	Lowell	48	2
Ashland	25	2	Brockton	44	2
Fitchburg	24	2	Lawrence	41	2
Cambridge	21	2	Lynn	41	2
Sub-Total	**506**	48	**Sub-Total**	**1,104**	57
Other MA Cities/Towns	503	47	Other MA Cities/Towns*	702	36
Outside Massachusetts	56	5	Outside Massachusetts	141	7
Total	**1,065**	**100**	**Total**	**1,947**	**100**

Twenty percent of the total release population reported the city of Boston as their intended release address. While 24% of males listed Boston as their release address, only 13% of females reported Boston as their release address. The second most commonly reported place of residence for males was Springfield (9%), while females reported Worcester (9%) as their second most commonly reported release address. More than half of the male release population (57%) reported a release address in one of the top 10 cities while less than half of the females (48%) reported a release address in one of the top 10 cities.

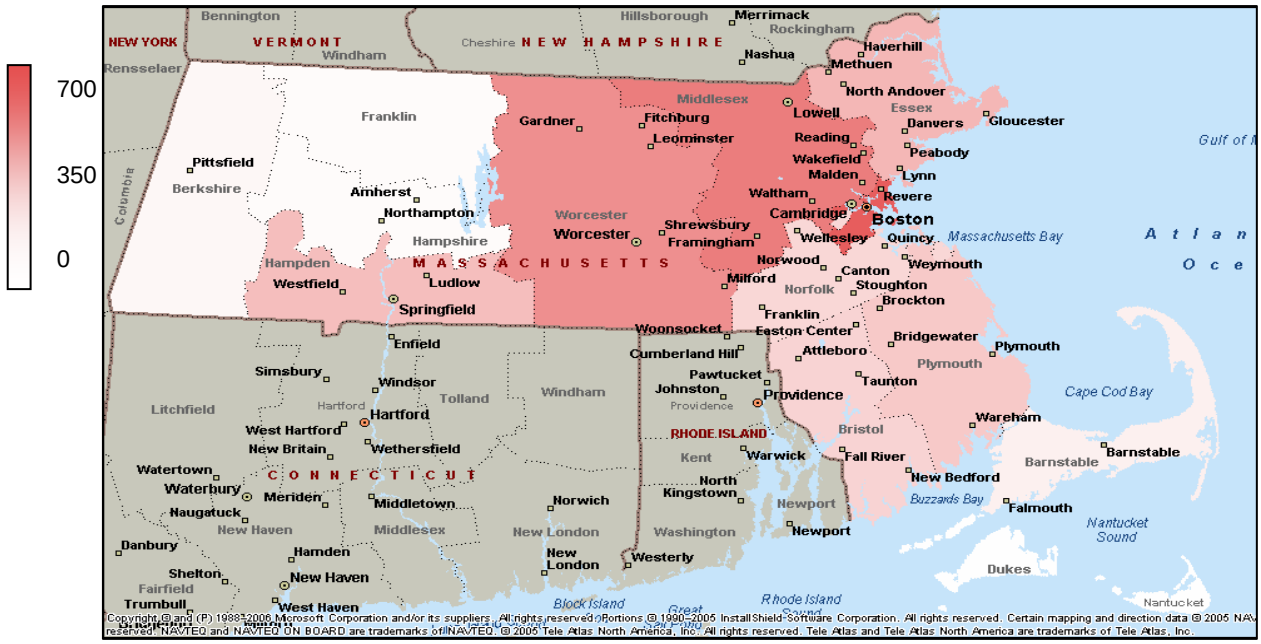
Table 11

MA DOC Releases in 2006: Release Address by MA Counties by Gender
(Self-Reported)

	Female	(%)	Male	(%)	Total	(%)
Suffolk County	142	13	506	26	648	22
Middlesex County	283	27	232	12	515	17
Worcester County	233	22	207	11	440	15
Essex County	132	12	151	8	283	9
Hampden County	14	1	250	13	264	9
Plymouth County	83	8	137	7	220	7
Bristol County	28	3	149	8	177	6
Norfolk County	77	7	74	4	151	5
Barnstable County	11	1	41	2	52	2
Berkshire County	1	0	31	2	32	1
Hampshire County	1	0	19	1	20	1
Franklin County	3	0	7	0	10	0
Dukes County	0	0	2	0	2	0
Nantucket County	1	0	0	0	1	0
Out of State	56	5	141	7	197	7
Total	**1,065**	**100**	**1,947**	**100**	**3,012**	**100**

Twenty-two percent of the total population reported an address upon release located in Suffolk County. Female releases were concentrated in Middlesex County (27%), Worcester County (22%), Suffolk County (13%), and Essex County (12%). Males were concentrated in Suffolk County (26%), followed by Hampden County (13%), Middlesex County (12%) and Worcester County (11%).

Map 1



Current Offense Categories of the MA DOC 2006 Release Population

Table 12

MA DOC Releases in 2006:
Current Offense by Gender: General Categories

	Female	(%)	Male	(%)	Total	(%)
Person	165	15	823	42	988	33
Sex	8	1	220	11	228	8
Property	316	30	203	10	519	17
Drug	274	26	579	30	853	28
Other	302	28	122	6	424	14
Total	**1,065**	**100**	**1,947**	**100**	**3,012**	**100**

- There were significant gender differences in the current offenses of the MA DOC released population in 2006. Forty percent of the 2006 release population served a sentence for a Violent (Person or Sex) offense; representing a six percent increase from the previous year. Non-violent offenders made up the remaining 60% of the release population: approximately 28% were incarcerated for a Drug offense, 17% for a Property offense and 14% for an "Other" offense.

- Fifty-four percent of the males released in 2006 served a sentence for a Violent (Person or Sex) offense, whereas, 16% of the females served a sentence for a Violent offense.

- For the males released in 2006, 42% percent served a sentence for a Crime Against the Person offense, followed by 30% serving a sentence for a Drug offense, 11% for a Sex offense, 10% for a Property offense, and six percent for an "Other" offense.

- Of the females released in 2006, 30% served a sentence for a Property offense, 28% for an "Other" offense, 26% for a Drug offense, 15% for a Person offense, and one percent for a Sex offense.

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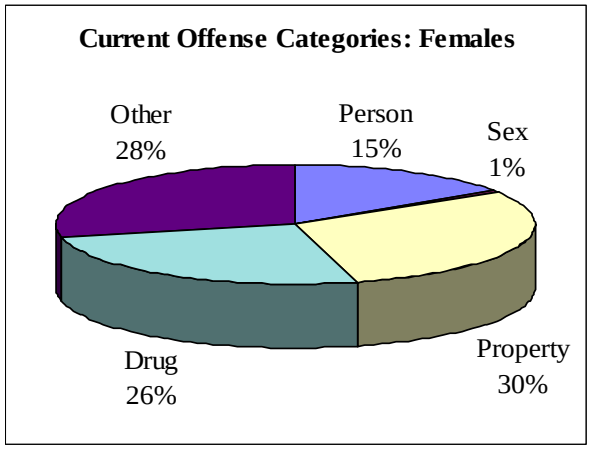

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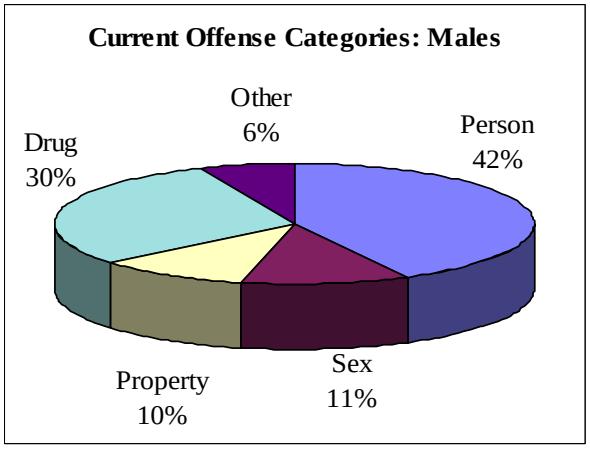

Table 13

MA DOC Releases in 2006: Crimes Against the Person by Gender

	Female	(%)	Male	(%)	Total	(%)
Armed Robbery	14	8	282	34	296	30
Asslt/A&B Dangerous Weapon	40	24	140	17	180	18
Unarmed Robbery	6	4	103	13	109	11
Armed Asslt W/Int to Rob/Murder	6	4	86	10	92	9
Assault/ A&B	68	41	11	1	79	8
Manslaughter	7	4	37	4	44	4
Murder 2nd Degree	0	0	42	5	42	4
Vehicular Homicide	7	4	9	1	16	2
Kidnapping	2	1	14	2	16	2
Unarmed Robbery, Victim 60+	1	1	14	2	15	2
Assault to Rob Not Being Armed	1	1	14	2	15	2
Carjacking	0	0	13	2	13	1
Armed Assault in Dwelling Houses	0	0	13	2	13	1
Assault w/Intent to Commit Murder	1	1	8	1	9	1
Mayhem	0	0	8	1	8	1
Attempted Murder	2	1	4	0	6	1
Accessory After the Fact	1	1	5	1	6	1
A&B Upon Elderly/Disabled	2	1	4	0	6	1
Murder 2nd- Juvenile Offender Law	0	0	4	0	4	0
Accessory Before the Fact	1	1	3	0	4	0
Assault w/Intent to Commit Felony	0	0	4	0	4	0
Confine/Put in Fear for Purpose of Stealing	0	0	3	0	3	0
Armed Assault w/Int. to Rob/Murder, Victim 60+	2	1	0	0	2	0
Stalking	1	1	1	0	2	0
Conspiracy	2	1	0	0	2	0
A&B Upon a Child	0	0	1	0	1	0
Violation of Civil Rights	1	1	0	0	1	0
Total	**165**	**100**	**823**	**100**	**988**	**100**

Please Note: Offenses are arranged in descending order by offense total.

The most common offense of females released in 2006 was Larceny/Stealing (12%) followed by Possession of a Controlled Substance (10%), and Assault/A&B and OUI each with six percent.

Fourteen percent of all males released in 2006 served sentences for Armed Robbery, followed by Assault/A&B with a Dangerous Weapon (7%), Unarmed Burglary/B&E (5%), and Unarmed Robbery (5%).

Table 14

MA DOC Releases in 2006: Sex Offenses by Gender

	Female	(%)	Male	(%)	Total	(%)
Rape and Abuse of Child (Statutory)	1	13	88	40	89	39
Rape of Child <16, W/Force	0	0	38	17	38	17
Indecent A&B on Child <14	3	38	24	11	27	12
Aggravated Rape	0	0	24	11	24	11
Rape	0	0	23	10	23	10
Other Sex Offenses	0	0	5	2	5	2
Assault W/Intent to Commit Rape	0	0	4	2	4	2
Indecent A&B on Victim 14+	0	0	4	2	4	2
Sex Offenses Involving a Minor	1	13	3	1	4	2
Assault W/Intent to Rape, Child <16	0	0	3	1	3	1
Indecent A&B on Mentally Retarded Victim	0	0	3	1	3	1
Unnatural Acts	3	38	0	0	3	1
Incest	0	0	1	0	1	0
Total	**8**	**100**	**220**	**100**	**228**	**100**

Please Note: Offenses are arranged in descending order by offense total.

Of the 220 males released from a governing sex offense, 73% were for an offense with a child victim, and 27% involving an adult victim.

Table 15

MA DOC Releases in 2006: Property Offenses by Gender

	Female	(%)	Male	(%)	Total	(%)
Larceny/Stealing	129	41	24	12	153	29
Unarmed Burglary/Breaking & Entering	31	10	107	53	138	27
Shoplifting	48	15	0	0	48	9
Forgery & Uttering	36	11	3	1	39	8
Theft of Vehicle	14	4	21	10	35	7
Receiving Stolen Goods	18	6	10	5	28	5
Arson/Attempted Arson	3	1	15	7	18	3
Larceny From the Person	11	3	7	3	18	3
Destruction of Property	10	3	2	1	12	2
Fraud	8	3	1	0	9	2
Larceny From Elder or Disabled Person	5	2	2	1	7	1
Burglary, Armed or an Assault	0	0	5	2	5	1
Possession of Burglary Tools	0	0	5	2	5	1
Common & Notorious Thief	1	0	1	0	2	0
Illegal Duplication of Records	1	0	0	0	1	0
Embezzlement	1	0	0	0	1	0
Total	**316**	**100**	**203**	**100**	**519**	**100**

Please Note: Offenses are arranged in descending order by offense total.

Table 16

MA DOC Releases in 2006: Drug Offenses by Gender

	Female	(%)	Male	(%)	Total	(%)
Being Present Where Heroin Is Kept	5	2	0	0	5	1
Possession Of Hypodermic Instrument	39	14	0	0	39	5
Conspiracy to Violate Controlled Substance Act	8	3	6	1	14	2
Fraudulent Prescriptions	5	2	0	0	5	1
Possession of Controlled Substance - No Class Specified	111	41	1	0	112	13
Possession of Controlled Substance - Class A	4	1	1	0	5	1
Possession of Controlled Substance - Class B	1	0	1	0	2	0
Possession of Controlled Substance - Class C	0	0	0	0	0	0
Possession of Controlled Substance - Class D	1	0	0	0	1	0
Class A - Poss W/Int To Distribute	24	9	95	16	119	14
*Class A - Poss W/Int To Distribute, Subsequent	0	0	20	3	20	2
Class B - Poss W/Int To Distribute	37	14	87	15	124	15
*Class B - Poss W/Int To Distribute, Subsequent	2	1	28	5	30	4
*Specific Class B - Poss W/Int To Distribute	7	3	55	9	62	7
*Specific Class B - Poss W/Int To Distribute, Subsequent	1	0	16	3	17	2
*Specific Class B - Trafficking 14-28 Grams	13	5	93	16	106	12
*Specific Class B - Trafficking 28-100 Grams	3	1	59	10	62	7
*Specific Class B - Trafficking 100-200 Grams	2	1	13	2	15	2
*Specific Class B - Trafficking 200+ Grams	1	0	31	5	32	4
*Class C - Poss W/Int to Distribute, Subsequent	0	0	1	0	1	0
*Class A - Trafficking 14-28 Grams	1	0	8	1	9	1
*Class A - Trafficking 28-100 Grams	1	0	7	1	8	1
*Class A - Trafficking 100-200 Grams	0	0	2	0	2	0
Class D - Poss W/Int To Distribute	5	2	0	0	5	1
*Marijuana - Trafficking 50-100lbs	0	0	1	0	1	0
*Drug Violation, School/Park	3	1	54	9	57	7
Total	**274**	**100**	**579**	**100**	**853**	**100**

Please Note: Offenses are arranged in order by drug offense category.
***Denotes an offense which carries a mandatory minimum sentence.**

Subtotals –Mandatory* Drug Offenses:

Females: 34 (12%)
Males: 388 (67%)
Total Mandatory Drug Offenses: 422 (49%)

Note: Percents represent the percentage of total DRUG offenses that are mandatory.

Of the 853 inmates released from the MA DOC in 2006 that served a governing sentence for a Drug offense, 422 (49%) served a sentence with a mandatory term. Approximately 67% of male releases and 12% of females sentenced for Drug offenses served sentences for offenses carrying mandatory sentence terms. The percentage of total mandatory drug offenses increased six percent from 2005.

Table 17

MA DOC Releases in 2006: Other Offenses by Gender

	Female	(%)	Male	(%)	Total	(%)
OUI, Alcohol or Drugs	68	23	12	10	80	19
Other Motor Vehicle Offenses	71	24	1	1	72	17
Prostitution	62	21	0	0	62	15
Weapons Violation (Bartley-Fox Gun Law)	2	1	47	39	49	12
Other Weapon Offenses	4	1	40	33	44	10
Decency/Public Peace Crimes	40	13	0	0	40	9
Leave Scene of Vehicular Accident	14	5	0	0	14	3
Attempt to Commit Crime	5	2	6	5	11	3
Domestic Abuse Prevention Act (209A Violation)	9	3	0	0	9	2
Trespassing	9	3	0	0	9	2
Escape	1	0	6	5	7	2
Obstruction of Justice	7	2	0	0	7	2
Resisting Arrest	5	2	2	2	7	2
Perjury/Contempt of Court	4	1	1	1	5	1
Intimidation of Witness/Juror	0	0	4	3	4	1
Sale/Poss of Alcohol to Minor <21 yrs.	1	0	0	0	1	0
Delivering/Receiving Articles to Inmates	0	0	1	1	1	0
Habitual Criminal	0	0	1	1	1	0
Violation of Labor Laws	0	0	1	1	1	0
Total	**302**	**100**	**122**	**100**	**424**	**100**

Please Note: Offenses are arranged in descending order by offense total.

A small percentage of male releases were for an “Other” offense (6%) when compared with female releases (28%).

While the majority of male releases incarcerated for an “Other” offense were for Weapons offenses (77%), females had been incarcerated for Other Motor Vehicle offenses (24%), OUI, Alcohol or Drugs (23%), or Prostitution (21%).

Sentencing, Release Characteristics, and Security Levels of the MA DOC 2006 Release Population

Table 18

MA DOC Releases in 2006: Minimum Sentence by Gender

	Female	(%)	Male	(%)	Total	(%)
Less Than 1 Year	1	0	0	0	1	0
1 to Less Than 2 Years	25	2	141	7	166	6
2 to Less Than 3 Years	17	2	343	18	360	12
3 to Less Than 4 Years	29	3	471	24	500	17
4 to Less Than 5 Years	7	1	206	11	213	7
5 to Less Than 6 Years	10	1	247	13	257	9
6 to Less Than 7 Years	1	0	80	4	81	3
7 to Less Than 8 Years	2	0	83	4	85	3
8 to Less Than 9 Years	1	0	40	2	41	1
9 to Less Than 10 Years	0	0	38	2	38	1
10 to Less Than 11 Years	4	0	76	4	80	3
11 to Less Than 12 Years	0	0	6	0	6	0
12 to Less Than 13 Years	1	0	25	1	26	1
13 to Less Than 14 Years	0	0	2	0	2	0
14 to Less Than 15 Years	0	0	0	0	0	0
15 to Less Than 16 Years	3	0	51	3	54	2
16 to Less Than 17 Years	0	0	3	0	3	0
17 to Less Than 18 Years	0	0	1	0	1	0
18 to Less Than 19 Years	0	0	14	1	14	0
19 to Less Than 20 Years	1	0	3	0	4	0
20 Years or More	0	0	18	1	18	1
*2nd Degree Life	0	0	44	2	44	1
No Minimum Term	963	90	55	3	1,018	34
Total	**1065**	**100**	**1,947**	**100**	**3,012**	**100**

* Massachusetts Department of Correction inmates serving a Second Degree Life sentence must serve a minimum of 15 years before they are eligible for parole.

Please note: Of the 1,065 female inmates, 961 were released from county sentences at the MADOC, one from a Reformatory sentence, and one from an Other Jurisdiction, all of which carry no minimum term.

Table 19

MA DOC Releases in 2006: Maximum Sentence by Gender

	Female	(%)	Male	(%)	Total	(%)
Less Than 1 Year	699	66	2	0	701	23
1 to Less Than 2 Years	195	18	77	4	272	9
2 to Less Than 3 Years	96	9	184	9	280	9
3 to Less Than 4 Years	28	3	436	22	464	15
4 to Less Than 5 Years	10	1	214	11	224	7
5 to Less Than 6 Years	16	2	342	18	358	12
6 to Less Than 7 Years	1	0	98	5	99	3
7 to Less Than 8 Years	5	0	100	5	105	3
8 to Less Than 9 Years	4	0	52	3	56	2
9 to Less Than 10 Years	0	0	37	2	37	1
10 to Less Than 11 Years	1	0	107	5	108	4
11 to Less Than 12 Years	0	0	7	0	7	0
12 to Less Than 13 Years	2	0	54	3	56	2
13 to Less Than 14 Years	0	0	2	0	2	0
14 to Less Than 15 Years	0	0	1	0	1	0
15 to Less Than 16 Years	3	0	65	3	68	2
16 to Less Than 17 Years	0	0	3	0	3	0
17 to Less Than 18 Years	0	0	5	0	5	0
18 to Less Than 19 Years	0	0	9	0	9	0
19 to Less Than 20 Years	0	0	0	0	0	0
20 Years or More	5	0	108	6	113	4
*2nd Degree Life	0	0	44	2	44	1
Total	**1065**	**100**	**1,947**	**100**	**3,012**	**100**

*Please Note: Massachusetts Department of Correction inmates serving a Second Degree Life sentence must serve a minimum of 15 years before they are eligible for parole.

Sixty-six percent of females were released from sentences with a maximum term of less than one year.

More than half of the males (51%) were released from sentences between 3 and 6 years. Six percent of males were released from sentences with maximum terms of 20 years or more and an additional two percent served Second-Degree Life sentences.

Table 20

MA DOC Releases in 2006: Type of Sentence by Gender

	Female	(%)	Male	(%)	Total	(%)
State Prison	102	10	1,895	97	1,997	66
County	962	90	17	1	979	33
Reformatory	1	0	35	2	36	1
Other State, Federal	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	**1,065**	**100**	**1,947**	**100**	**3,012**	**100**

Almost all of the males (97%) released in 2006 served state prison sentences while the majority of women (90%) served county sentences.

Table 21

MA DOC Releases in 2006: Sentence Count* by Gender

	Female	(%)	Male	(%)	Total	(%)
One	442	42	786	40	1,228	41
Two	243	23	410	21	653	22
Three	150	14	252	13	402	13
Four	87	8	166	9	253	8
Five to Nine	123	12	251	13	374	12
Ten to Nineteen	16	2	70	4	86	3
Twenty or More	4	0	12	1	16	1
Total	**1065**	**100**	**1,947**	**100**	**3,012**	**100**

*Number of sentences imposed for which an inmate is serving time. Please see glossary definition for more detail.

Forty-one percent of all inmates released in 2006 served time for one offense, 22% served two sentences, 13% served three sentences, and 24% served more than three sentences. *(Please see glossary definition of Sentence Count for more detail)*

Table 22

MA DOC Releases in 2006: Court From Which Committed by Gender

Name	Female	(%)	Male	(%)	Total	(%)
District Courts	922	87	14	1	936	31
Suffolk Superior	19	2	416	21	435	14
Hampden Superior	15	1	325	17	340	11
Worcester Superior	21	2	252	13	273	9
Middlesex Superior	30	3	239	12	269	9
Bristol Superior	18	2	195	10	213	7
Essex Superior	9	1	188	10	197	7
Plymouth Superior	14	1	92	5	106	4
Norfolk Superior	9	1	74	4	83	3
Berkshire Superior	3	0	56	3	59	2
Barnstable Superior	3	0	53	3	56	2
Hampshire Superior	2	0	19	1	21	1
Franklin Superior	0	0	17	1	17	1
Dukes Superior	0	0	3	0	3	0
Nantucket Superior	0	0	0	0	0	0
Juvenile Courts	0	0	4	0	4	0
Probate and Family Courts	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other Jurisdiction	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	**1,065**	**100**	**1,947**	**100**	**3,012**	**100**

The majority of women (87%) released in 2006 were committed from district courts while nearly all males (99%) were sentenced out of a superior court.

Compared to 2005 releases, there was a 12% increase in the number of males released in 2006 that were sentenced out of Middlesex Superior Court an eight percent increase in those sentenced out of Hampden Superior Court and the number of males sentenced out of Suffolk Superior Court decreased by four percent from the previous year. Essex Superior Court showed a nine percent increase from the previous year.

Table 23

MA DOC Releases in 2006: Jail Credit Days by Gender

	Female	(%)	Male	(%)	Total	(%)
None	340	32	267	14	607	20
1 to 10 Days	112	11	100	5	212	7
11 to 50 Days	346	32	157	8	503	17
51 to 100 Days	158	15	170	9	328	11
101 to 150 Days	42	4	154	8	196	7
151 to 200 Days	23	2	193	10	216	7
201 to 250 Days	5	0	163	8	168	6
251 to 300 Days	15	1	125	6	140	5
301 or More	24	2	618	32	642	21
Total	**1,065**	**100**	**1,947**	**100**	**3,012**	**100**

Table 24

MA DOC Releases in 2006: Type of Release by Gender

	Female	(%)	Male	(%)	Total	(%)
Release to Street via exp. of sent.	558	52	1,012	52	1,570	52
Parole to Street	304	29	517	27	821	27
Release to Warrant via exp. of sent.	144	14	76	4	220	7
Release to Immigration via exp. of sent.	8	1	86	4	94	3
Release to F&A at HOC via exp. of sent.	19	2	67	3	86	3
Release to F&A at DOC via exp. of sent.	15	1	59	3	74	2
Release to Civil Commit via exp. of sent.	0	0	60	3	60	2
Parole to Immigration	5	0	42	2	47	2
Parole to Warrant	9	1	6	0	15	0
Release to Federal Authority via exp. of sent.	1	0	13	1	14	0
Release to Other State via exp. of sent.	0	0	5	0	5	0
Parole to Federal Authority	1	0	2	0	3	0
Parole to F&A at DOC	1	0	1	0	2	0
Parole to F&A at HOC	0	0	1	0	1	0
Total	**1,065**	**100**	**1,947**	**100**	**3,012**	**100**

Subtotals –Releases to the Street*:

Females: 862 (81%)

Males: 1,529 (79%)

Total Releases to the Street: 2,391 (79%)

**Inmates can be released to the street via parole or expiration of sentence.*

- Fifty-two percent of **all releases** were released to the street via expiration of sentence and 27% were paroled to the street. The remaining 21% were released to other jurisdictions (i.e. state, federal, county, immigration, civil commitment, or warrants).

- Of the 3,012 releases in 2006, 2,391(79%) were released to the street**.**

- Of the 2,391 **releases to the street**, 66% were released via expiration of sentence and 34% were paroled. Eighty-one percent of all females and 79% percent of males were released to the street in 2006.

Table 25

MA DOC Releases in 2006: Time Served by Gender and Sentence Type

		Female	(%)	Male	(%)	Total	(%)
COUNTY SENTENCES	Less Than 6 Months	594	62	5	29	599	61
	6 Months to Less Than 1 Year	101	11	3	18	104	11
	1 to Less Than 2 Years	39	4	7	41	46	5
	2 to Less Than 3 Years	3	0	2	12	5	1
	3 to Less Than 5 Years	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Subtotal	**737**	**77**	**17**	**100**	**754**	**77**
	Complex Sentence	98	10	0	0	98	10
	Parole/Probation Violator	126	13	0	0	126	13
	Total	**961**	**100**	**17**	**100**	**978**	**100**

		Female	(%)	Male	(%)	Total	(%)
STATE SENTENCES*	Less Than 6 Months	1	1	6	0	7	0
	6 Months to Less Than 1 Year	14	14	45	2	59	3
	1 to Less Than 2 Years	19	19	205	11	224	11
	2 to Less Than 3 Years	19	19	399	21	418	21
	3 to Less Than 5 Years	22	22	469	25	491	25
	5 to Less Than 10 Years	12	12	300	16	312	16
	10 to Less Than 15 Years	2	2	93	5	95	5
	15 or More Years	2	2	94	5	96	5
	Subtotal	**91**	**89**	**1,611**	**85**	**1,702**	**85**
	Complex Sentence	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Parole/Probation Violator	11	11	284	15	295	15
	Total	**102**	**100**	**1,895**	**100**	**1,997**	**100**

Please Note: The above table **excludes** 36 inmates serving reformatory sentences.

Excluding inmates with complex sentences[2] and parole/probation violators, the average time served for females with state sentences was 3.5 years (or 41.6 months), and 5.0 years (60.7 months) for males. Again, excluding those with complex sentences and parole/probation violators, 81% of females that served county sentences served less than 6 months. Time served calculations include jail credit days earned for time held while awaiting trial. Seventy-five percent of females released in 2006 earned 50 days or less credit while 32% of males earned more than 300 days.

Table 26

MA DOC Releases in 2006: Mean Time Served in Months for State Prison Sentences*, Until First Release by Present Offense and Gender

	Females		Males	
Offense	Mean (Months)	N	Mean (Months)	N
Person	47.5	40	64.0	641
Sex	0.0	0	98.6	188
Property	15.5	5	43.3	153
Drug	39.9	43	52.7	521
Other	31.0	3	38.3	108
ALL OFFENSES	**41.6**	**91**	**60.7**	**1611**

Please Note: This table **excludes** inmates serving county, reformatory, federal, or out-of-state sentences as well as parole and probation violators and those with complex sentences.

[2] For the 'time served' variable, a Complex Sentence includes parole and probation violators, offenders who were originally committed to another authority, and offenders serving a forthwith, split, fine, or from and after sentence.

Table 27

MA DOC Releases in 2006: Time Served for a Violent Offense by Gender

		Female	(%)	Male	(%)	Total	(%)
Time Served	Less Than 6 Months	72	42	1	0	73	6
	6 Months to Less Than 1 Year	20	12	24	2	44	4
	1 to Less Than 2 Years	15	9	105	10	120	10
	2 to Less Than 3 Years	7	4	163	16	170	14
	3 to Less Than 5 Years	9	5	220	21	229	19
	5 to Less Than 10 Years	7	4	185	18	192	16
	10 to Less Than 15 Years	1	1	72	7	73	6
	15 or More Years	1	1	67	6	68	6
	Subtotal	**132**	**76**	**837**	**80**	**969**	**80**
	Complex Sentence	16	9	0	0	16	1
	Parole/Probation Violator	25	14	206	20	231	19
	Total	**173**	**100**	**1,043**	**100**	**1,216**	**100**

Please Note: This table **includes** inmates serving state, county, reformatory, out-of-state, and federal sentences.

Average Time Served for Violent Offenses:

Females: 18.1 months

Males: 71.7 months

Overall Average: 64.4 months

The average time served[3] by inmates released in 2006 who served a governing sentence for a **violent** offense was 5.4 years (or 64.4 months), nearly 2 months longer than inmates released for similar offenses in 2005. On average, females served 1.5 years (or 18.1 months) for a violent offense while males served 6.0 years (or 71.7 months).

The average time served by inmates sentenced for a governing violent offense (person or sex) in 2006 was 64.4 months. Males released from a governing sex offense in 2006 served an average of 5.8 months longer than sex offenders released in 2005. On average, males released in 2006 served about the same time for a person offense than those released from a person offense the previous year.

[3] *These calculations are based on all inmates that served state, county, reformatory, or out-of-state/federal sentences released in 2006 (excluding those that served complex sentences and probation/parole violators). These statistics were not formally reported prior to 2003 thus no comparison can be made to earlier years at this time.*

Table 28

MA DOC Releases in 2006: Time Served for a Non-Violent Offense by Gender

		Female	(%)	Male	(%)	Total	(%)
Time Served	Less Than 6 Months	524	59	10	1	534	30
	6 Months to Less Than 1 Year	95	11	24	3	119	7
	1 to Less Than 2 Years	43	5	107	12	150	8
	2 to Less Than 3 Years	15	2	238	26	253	14
	3 to Less Than 5 Years	13	1	249	28	262	15
	5 to Less Than 10 Years	5	1	115	13	120	7
	10 to Less Than 15 Years	1	0	22	2	23	1
	15 or More Years	1	0	29	3	30	2
	Subtotal	**697**	**78**	**794**	**88**	**1,491**	**83**
	Complex Sentence	82	9	0	0	82	5
	Parole/Probation Violator	113	13	110	12	223	12
	Total	**892**	**100**	**904**	**100**	**1,796**	**100**

Please Note: This table **includes** inmates serving state, county, reformatory, out-of-state, and federal sentences.

Average Time Served for Non-Violent Offenses:

Females: 6.7 months

Males: 48.6 months

Overall Average: 29.0 months

The average time served[4] by inmates released in 2006 who served a governing sentence for a **non-violent** offense was 2.4 years (or 29.0 months); 6.7 months for females, 4.1 years (or 48.6 months) for males.

[4] *These calculations are based on all inmates that served state, county, reformatory, or out-of-state/federal sentences released in 2006 (excluding those that served complex sentences and probation/parole violators).*

Table 29

MA DOC Releases in 2006: Security Level of Releasing Institution by Gender

		Female	(%)	Male	(%)	Total	(%)
Maximum (Formerly Level 6)	MCI-Cedar Junction	-	-	75	4	75	2
	Souza-Baranowski Correctional Center	-	-	87	4	87	3
	Subtotal	**-**	**-**	**162**	**8**	**162**	**5**
Medium (Formerly Level 5/4)	*Old Colony Correctional Center	-	-	92	5	92	3
	MCI-Concord	-	-	320	16	320	11
	MCI-Framingham	802	75	-	-	802	27
	MCI-Norfolk	-	-	160	8	160	5
	*North Central Correctional Institution	-	-	157	8	157	5
	Bay State Correctional Center	-	-	31	2	31	1
	MCI-Shirley (Medium)	-	-	251	13	251	8
	Massachusetts Treatment Center	-	-	120	6	120	4
	Bridgewater State Hospital	-	-	14	1	14	0
	Lemuel Shattuck	-	-	0	0	0	0
	Subtotal	**802**	**75**	**1,145**	**59**	**1,947**	**65**
Minimum (Formerly Level 3)	MCI-Plymouth	-	-	54	3	54	2
	MCI-Shirley (Minimum)	-	-	29	1	29	1
	*North Central Correctional Institution	-	-	5	0	5	0
	*Old Colony Correctional Center	-	-	37	2	37	1
	*Boston Pre-Release	-	-	21	1	21	1
	*Northeastern Correctional Center	-	-	88	5	88	3
	Pondville Correctional Center	-	-	66	3	66	2
	Subtotal	**0**	**0**	**300**	**15**	**300**	**10**
Min/Pre (Formerly Level 3/2)	*Boston Pre-Release	-	-	126	6	126	4
	*Northeastern Correctional Center	-	-	54	3	54	2
	*Pondville Correctional Center	-	-	80	4	80	3
	*South Middlesex Correctional Center	246	23	-	-	246	8
	Subtotal	**246**	**23**	**260**	**13**	**506**	**17**
Contract Pre-Release (Formerly Level 1)	Women & Children's Program	9	1	-	-	9	0
	Subtotal	**9**	**1**	**-**	**-**	**9**	**0**
Maximum Security Subtotal (level 6)		**0**	**0**	**162**	**8**	**162**	**5**
Medium Security Subtotal (levels 4 & 5)		**802**	**75**	**1,145**	**59**	**1,947**	**65**
Minimum/Pre-Release Subtotal (levels 3, 2, & 1)		**255**	**24**	**560**	**29**	**815**	**27**
County/Out-of-State/Federal Facilities		**8**	**1**	**80**	**4**	**88**	**3**
Total		**1,065**	**100**	**1,947**	**100**	**3,012**	**100**

NOTES:** **:Security level reflects the level of the unit where the inmate was housed prior to release as some facilities have housing units in multiple security levels.

On October 19,2006, new security level designations were established according to **103 DOC 101 Correctional Institutions/Security Levels policy.**

Please Note: A hyphen (-) means that either males or females are not housed in that particular institution, therefore the information is "Not Applicable".

Sixty-five percent of the releases in 2006 were from a medium security facility. For males, MCI-Concord had the highest percentage of male releases (16%), followed by MCI-Shirley (Medium) (13%), and MCI-Norfolk (8%). Fifty-nine percent of the males were released from medium security facilities; 29% of the males were released from minimum or a minimum pre-release facility. Eight percent of the males released during 2006 were from a maximum security facility. Seventy-five percent of the females released during 2006 were from MCI-Framingham and 24% of the females were released from a minimum/pre-release or a contract pre-release facility.

Trends in the MA DOC Release Population 1997-2006

Table 30

MA DOC Releases by Gender 1997 to 2006

		1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	% Change '05 vs '06
Male	N	2879	2,664	2,768	2,498	2,497	2,304	2,039	2,151	1,903	1,947	2%
	%	74%	74%	74%	72%	74%	71%	69%	70%	64%	65%	
Female	N	990	929	958	989	864	935	935	942	1,080	1,065	-1%
	%	26%	26%	26%	28%	26%	29%	31%	30%	36%	35%	
Total		**3,869**	**3,593**	**3,726**	**3,487**	**3,361**	**3,239**	**2,974**	**3,093**	**2,983**	**3,012**	**1%**

Please Note: N/A appears in the percent change column in cases where numbers are too small (or nonexistent) and displaying a percentage change would be misleading.

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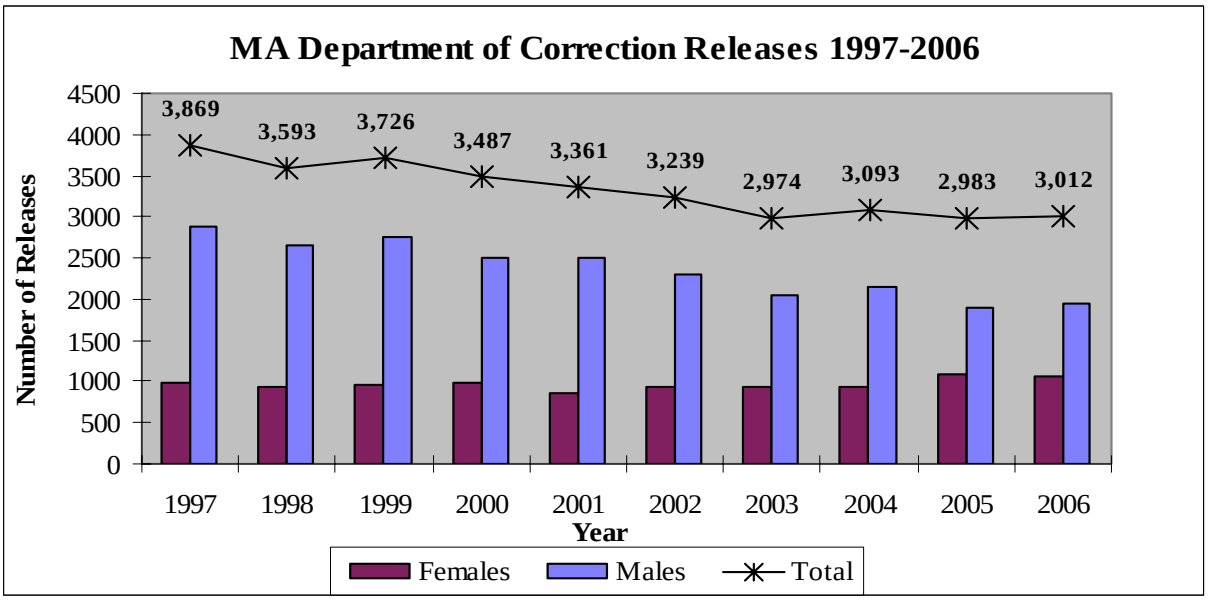

During 2006, the **overall release population** decreased by 22% from 1997 to 2006. When comparing the 2005 and 2006 releases, the number of releases increased one percent from 2,983 to 3,012.

The male release population rose from 1,903 in 2005 to 1,947 in 2006, a two percent increase. However, since 1997, the number of male releases decreased 32%.

The number of female releases decreased by one percent during the same time period from 1,080 to 1,065. The proportion of female releases of the total increased over the period from 26% to 35%, whereas for males the proportion decreased from 74% to 65%.

Table 31

MA DOC Releases: Age at Release by Gender 1997 to 2006

Males		1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	% Change '05 vs '06
19 Yrs and Younger	N	35	33	31	28	31	17	9	9	5	7	N/A
	%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	0%	0%	0%	0%	
20 to 29 Yrs	N	1090	954	954	855	802	720	639	612	575	580	1%
	%	38%	36%	34%	34%	32%	31%	31%	28%	30%	30%	
30 to 39 Yrs	N	1169	1,044	1,127	949	990	900	713	784	680	669	-2%
	%	41%	39%	41%	38%	40%	39%	35%	36%	36%	34%	
40 to 49	N	438	463	484	511	519	500	501	536	445	462	4%
	%	15%	17%	17%	20%	21%	22%	25%	25%	23%	24%	
50 to 59	N	120	134	149	126	117	123	128	152	155	168	8%
	%	4%	5%	5%	5%	5%	5%	6%	7%	8%	9%	
60 to 69	N	22	31	15	23	27	39	37	48	39	54	38%
	%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	2%	2%	2%	2%	3%	
70 and older	N	5	5	8	6	11	5	12	10	4	7	N/A
	%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%	0%	0%	0%	
Total		**2,879**	**2,664**	**2,768**	**2,498**	**2,497**	**2,304**	**2,039**	**2,151**	**1,903**	**1,947**	**2%**

Females		1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	% Change '05 vs '06
19 Yrs and Younger	N	16	17	35	39	27	25	23	26	39	30	-23%
	%	2%	2%	4%	4%	3%	3%	2%	3%	4%	3%	
20 to 29 Yrs	N	304	254	261	299	265	279	285	305	342	357	4%
	%	31%	27%	27%	30%	31%	30%	30%	32%	32%	34%	
30 to 39 Yrs	N	477	446	473	447	360	386	375	335	384	351	-9%
	%	48%	48%	49%	45%	42%	41%	40%	36%	36%	33%	
40 to 49 Yrs	N	168	186	161	176	190	219	214	226	266	278	5%
	%	17%	20%	17%	18%	22%	23%	23%	24%	25%	26%	
50 to 59	N	25	24	27	24	19	24	36	47	44	46	5%
	%	3%	3%	3%	2%	2%	3%	4%	5%	4%	4%	
60 to 69	N	0	2	1	3	3	2	2	3	5	3	N/A
	%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	
70 and older	N	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	N/A
	%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	
Total		**990**	**929**	**958**	**989**	**864**	**935**	**935**	**942**	**1,080**	**1,065**	**-1%**

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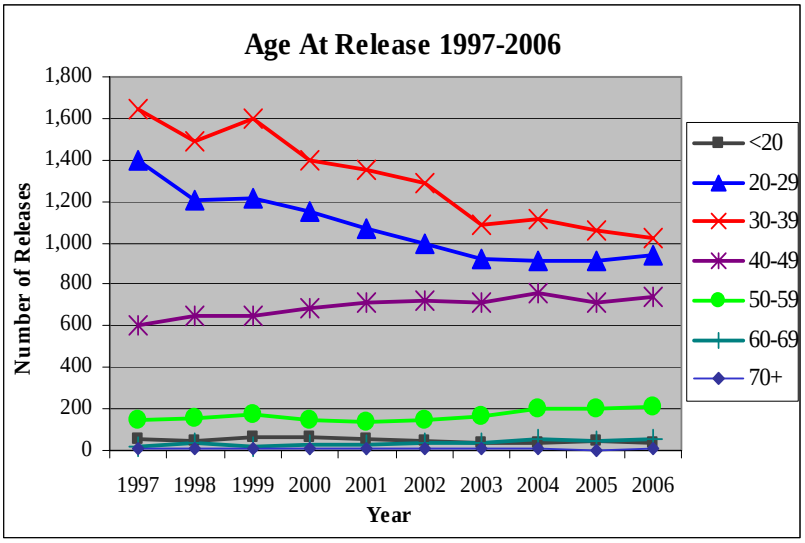

The number of inmates released in each age group under the age of 40 has drastically decreased between 1997 and 2006, even though males released between the ages 20 to 29 years old increased slightly in 2006. During this time period the number of males released under the age of 40 dropped 45% and the number of females in the same age group declined seven percent. Males age 40 and over released between 1997 and 2006 increased by 18%, while females increased by 69%. Between 1997 and 2006 there has been an 80% decrease of male releases aged 19 or under, but an 88% increase in females releases aged 19 or under.

Table 32[5]

MA DOC Releases: Race by Gender (Self-Reported) 2001 to 2006*

Males		2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	% Change '05 vs '06
White	N	1,630	1,542	1,287	1,392	1,230	1,233	0%
	%	67%	67%	63%	65%	65%	63%	
Black	N	835	717	723	719	647	676	4%
	%	33%	31%	35%	33%	34%	35%	
Asian	N	23	27	13	17	16	19	19%
	%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	
American Indian/Alaska Native	N	9	16	12	18	7	9	29%
	%	0%	1%	1%	1%	0%	0%	
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	N	0	1	0	0	0	0	N/A
	%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	
Other	N	0	1	4	5	3	10	N/A
	%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%	
Total		**2,497**	**2,304**	**2,039**	**2,151**	**1,903**	**1,947**	2%

Females		2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	% Change '05 vs '06
White	N	704	775	768	775	910	885	-3%
	%	81%	83%	82%	82%	84%	83%	
Black	N	160	155	150	159	149	143	-4%
	%	19%	17%	16%	17%	14%	13%	
Asian	N	0	1	0	3	6	2	N/A
	%	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%	0%	
American Indian/Alaska Native	N	0	2	0	4	3	1	N/A
	%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	N	0	2	0	0	1	0	N/A
	%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	
Other	N	0	0	17	1	11	34	N/A
	%	0%	0%	2%	0%	1%	3%	
Total		**864**	**935**	**935**	**942**	**1,080**	**1,065**	-1%

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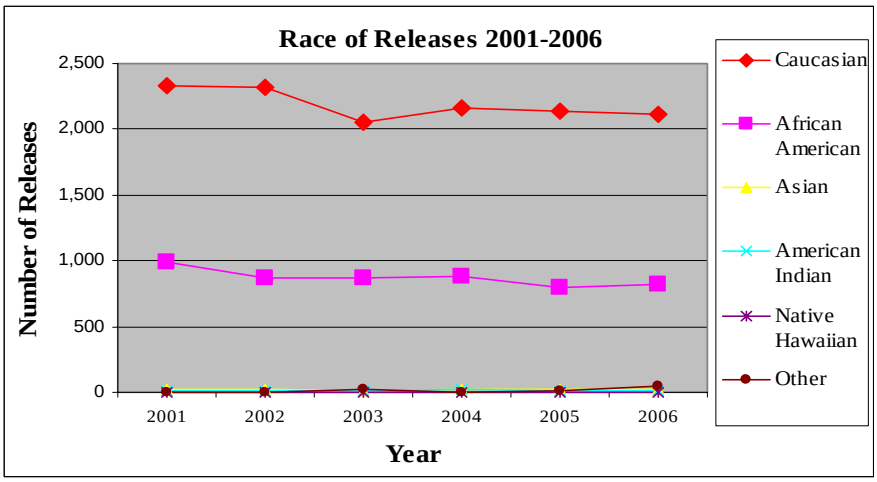

Over the trend period of 2001 to 2006, there has been a decrease in the proportion of White male inmates being released from the jurisdiction of the MA DOC, as well as a decrease in the proportion of Black female inmates. In 2001, Whites accounted for 67% of the male inmates released from the MA DOC jurisdiction. In 2006, White male releases had dropped to 63% of the male release population. The percentage of female inmates released reporting a race of Black decreased from 19% of the 2001 releases to 13% of the female inmates released in 2006.

[5] Due to a change in the Race definition in 2001, trend data can only be compiled for 2001-2006. Please see "Race/Ethnicity" in the glossary for more details.

Table 33[6]

MA DOC Releases: Hispanic Ethnicity by Gender (Self-Reported) 2001 to 2006*

Males		2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	% Change '05 vs '06
Hispanic	N	661	666	697	633	616	617	0%
	%	26%	29%	34%	29%	32%	32%	
Not Hispanic	N	1836	1638	1342	1518	1287	1330	3%
	%	74%	71%	66%	71%	68%	68%	
Total		**2,497**	**2,304**	**2,039**	**2,151**	**1,903**	**1,947**	2%

Females		2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	% Change '05 vs '06
Hispanic	N	144	108	121	103	136	132	-3%
	%	17%	12%	13%	11%	13%	12%	
Not Hispanic	N	720	827	814	839	944	933	-1%
	%	83%	88%	87%	89%	87%	88%	
Total		**864**	**935**	**935**	**942**	**1,080**	**1,065**	-1%

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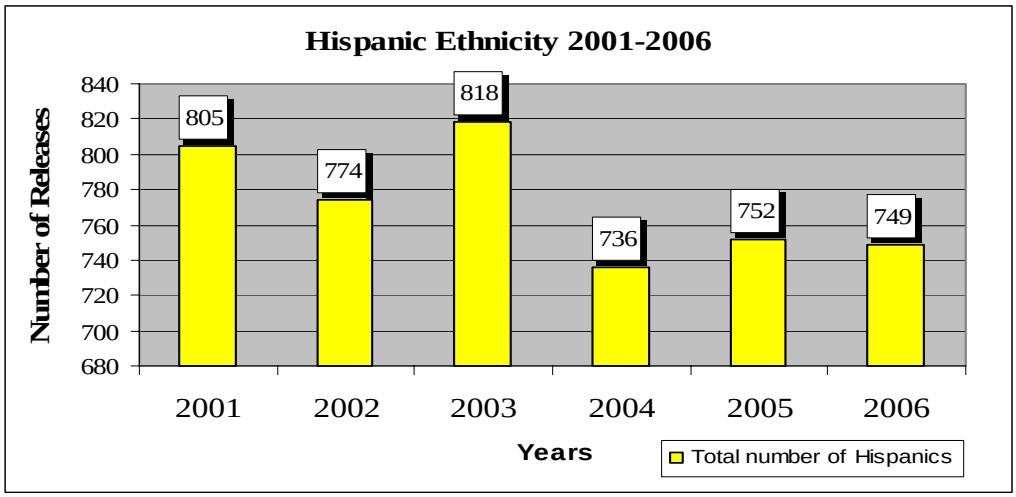

The proportion of male inmates released from 2001 to 2006 reporting an ethnicity of Hispanic has increased from 26% in 2001 to 32% in 2006 even though the actual number of Hispanic releases has decreased during the time period. For female Hispanic releases, there has been a decrease in the proportion represented in the release population, decreasing from 17% of the 2001 population to 12% of the 2006 population.

[6] Due to a change in the Race definition in 2001, trend data can only be compiled for 2001-2006. Please see "Race/Ethnicity" in the glossary for more details.

Table 34

MA DOC Releases: Security Level of Releasing Institution by Gender 1997 to 2006

Males		1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	% Change '05 vs '06
Maximum Security	N	142	176	261	246	241	259	235	231	164	162	-1%
	%	5%	7%	9%	10%	10%	11%	12%	11%	9%	8%	
Medium Security	N	1,441	1,370	1,385	1,416	1,452	1,348	1,214	1,223	1,100	1,145	4%
	%	50%	51%	50%	57%	58%	59%	60%	57%	58%	59%	
Minimum/Pre-release Security	N	1,090	954	1,000	719	662	571	462	580	520	560	8%
	%	38%	36%	36%	29%	27%	25%	23%	27%	27%	29%	
County/Fed/Interstate	N	206	164	122	117	142	126	128	117	119	80	-33%
	%	7%	6%	4%	5%	6%	5%	6%	5%	6%	4%	
Total		**2,879**	**2,664**	**2,768**	**2,498**	**2,497**	**2,304**	**2,039**	**2,151**	**1,903**	**1,947**	**2%**

Females		1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	% Change '05 vs '06
Maximum Security*	N	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Medium Security	N	816	753	800	835	786	824	771	747	836	802	-4%
	%	82%	81%	84%	84%	91%	88%	82%	79%	77%	75%	
Minimum/Pre-release Security	N	161	168	143	140	71	102	154	188	240	255	6%
	%	16%	18%	15%	14%	8%	11%	16%	20%	22%	24%	
County/Fed/Interstate	N	13	8	15	14	7	9	10	7	4	8	N/A
	%	1%	1%	2%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	0%	1%	
Total		**990**	**929**	**958**	**989**	**864**	**935**	**935**	**942**	**1,080**	**1,065**	**-1%**

Please Note: County/Fed/Interstate inmates are under the jurisdiction of the MA DOC but are released from county, federal, or out-of-state facilities where they were in custody. *There are no Maximum security level facilities for females.

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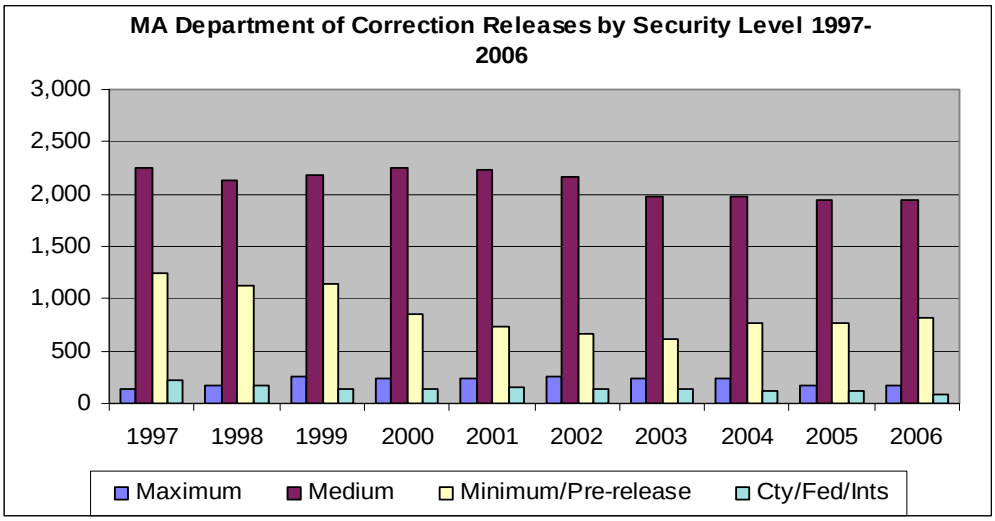

Between 1997 and 2004 the number of male inmates released from a maximum security facility increased 63%. Compared to 2004, this number dropped by 30% in 2006, from 231 to 162. Medium security facilities released 14% fewer inmates in 2006 than in 1997. Minimum/Pre-release security facilities witnessed a 35% decrease in the number of releases between 1997 and 2006. Females released from a minimum/pre-release security facility increased six percent from 2005 to 2006; in the same time period, males released from a minimum/pre-release security facility increased 8%. Between 1997 and 2006 there was a 58% increase in females release from minimum security facilities and a 49% decrease for males released from minimum/pre-release security facilities in the same time period.

Table 35

MA DOC Releases: Type of Release by Gender 1997 to 2006

Males		1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	% Change '05 vs '06
Release to Street via Exp.	N	1,531	1,390	1,454	1,313	1,340	1,240	1,086	1,028	950	1,012	7%
	%	53%	52%	53%	53%	54%	54%	53%	48%	50%	52%	
Parole to Street	N	841	809	809	693	655	645	509	642	526	517	-2%
	%	29%	30%	29%	28%	26%	28%	25%	30%	28%	27%	
Rel. to Other Authority via Exp.	N	400	357	417	418	420	342	365	390	341	366	7%
	%	14%	13%	15%	17%	17%	15%	18%	18%	18%	19%	
Parole to Other Authority	N	107	108	88	75	82	77	79	91	86	52	-40%
	%	4%	4%	3%	3%	3%	3%	4%	4%	5%	3%	
Total		**2,879**	**2,664**	**2,768**	**2,499**	**2,497**	**2,304**	**2,039**	**2,151**	**1,903**	**1,947**	**2%**

Females		1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	% Change '05 vs '06
Release to Street via Exp.	N	504	519	541	557	476	519	493	479	606	558	-8%
	%	51%	56%	56%	56%	55%	56%	53%	51%	56%	52%	
Parole to Street	N	255	223	212	243	221	226	270	285	296	304	3%
	%	26%	24%	22%	25%	26%	24%	29%	30%	27%	29%	
Rel. to Other Authority via Exp.	N	225	178	200	177	163	184	163	166	168	187	11%
	%	23%	19%	21%	18%	19%	20%	17%	18%	16%	18%	
Parole to Other Authority	N	6	9	5	11	4	6	9	12	10	16	60%
	%	1%	1%	1%	1%	0%	1%	1%	1%	1%	2%	
Total		**990**	**929**	**958**	**988**	**864**	**935**	**935**	**942**	**1,080**	**1,065**	**-1%**

Please Note: “Exp.” also includes inmates released via Expiration of Sentence or Good Conduct Discharge.

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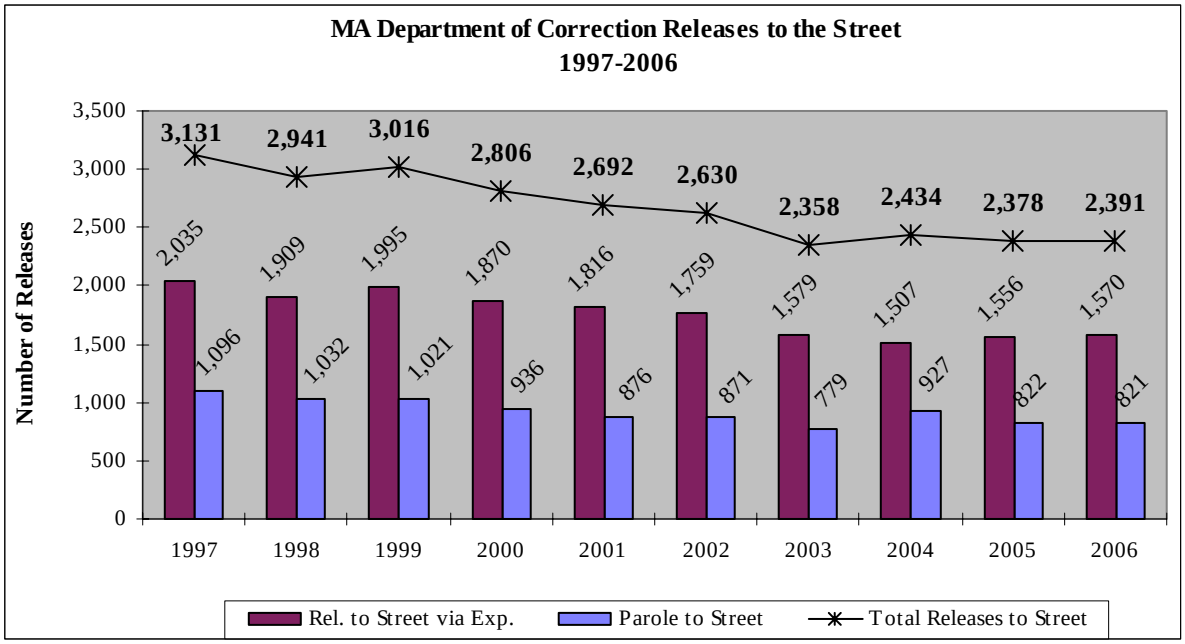

- Between 1997 and 2006, the percentage of inmates released to the street via expiration of sentence was virtually unchanged at 53% and 52% of all releases and the proportion released via parole hovered between 26% and 27% during this time frame.

- The number of females released to the street via expiration of sentence in 2006 decreased eight percent compared to 2005, while males increased seven percent during the same time frame.

- There was a 24% decrease in the number of inmates **released to the street** from 1997 to 2006. When looking exclusively at inmates released to the street, the proportion released via expiration of sentence compared to parole has remained consistent in the 65% to 35% range, varying slightly year to year from 1997 to 2006.

Table 36

MA DOC Releases: Type of Sentence by Gender 1997 to 2006

Males		**1997**	**1998**	**1999**	**2000**	**2001**	**2002**	**2003**	**2004**	**2005**	**2006**	**% Change '05 vs '06**
State Prison	N	2,225	2,159	2,286	2,175	2,038	1,946	1,877	2,038	1,858	1,895	0%
	%	77%	81%	83%	87%	82%	84%	92%	95%	98%	97%	
Reformatory	N	324	264	223	155	132	115	79	56	36	35	-3%
	%	11%	10%	8%	6%	5%	5%	4%	3%	2%	2%	
County	N	328	236	255	166	327	239	80	57	8	17	N/A
	%	11%	9%	9%	7%	13%	10%	4%	3%	0%	1%	
Other State/Feds	N	2	5	4	2	0	4	3	0	1	0	N/A
	%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	
Total		**2,879**	**2,664**	**2,768**	**2,498**	**2,497**	**2,304**	**2,039**	**2,151**	**1,903**	**1,947**	**2%**

Females		**1997**	**1998**	**1999**	**2000**	**2001**	**2002**	**2003**	**2004**	**2005**	**2006**	**% Change '05 vs '06**
State Prison	N	110	119	103	107	87	86	87	94	116	102	-12%
	%	11%	13%	11%	11%	10%	9%	9%	10%	11%	10%	
Reformatory	N	28	10	13	11	8	3	5	3	2	1	N/A
	%	3%	1%	1%	1%	1%	0%	1%	0%	0%	0%	
County	N	852	799	842	871	769	846	843	845	960	961	0%
	%	86%	86%	88%	88%	89%	90%	90%	90%	89%	90%	
Other State/Feds	N	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	1	N/A
	%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	
Total		**990**	**929**	**958**	**989**	**864**	**935**	**935**	**942**	**1,080**	**1,065**	**-1%**

The proportion, of male inmates released from reformatory sentences decreased by nine percent from 1997 to 2006. This is due to the elimination of reformatory sentences under the Truth in Sentencing reform of July 1994. The number of males released from the MA DOC serving county sentences also drastically dropped 95% from 1997 to 2006. The number of males released from state prison sentences declined 15% between 1997 and 2006. Compared to the previous year, the number of males released from state prison sentences increased two percent from 2005 to 2006.

A slightly higher percentage of the 2006 female release population were serving county sentences compared to the 1997 female release population; 90% versus 86% respectively. While the number of females released from county sentences from 1997 to 2006 has increased 13%, the number of state sentences has only increased seven percent for the same time period. Between 2005 and 2006 there was a decrease of 12% in female state sentences.

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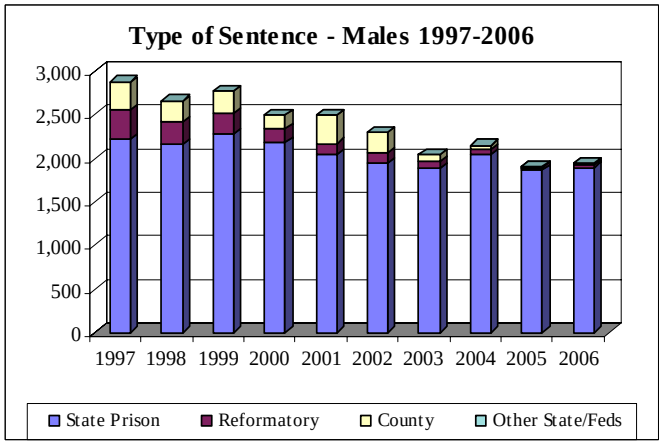

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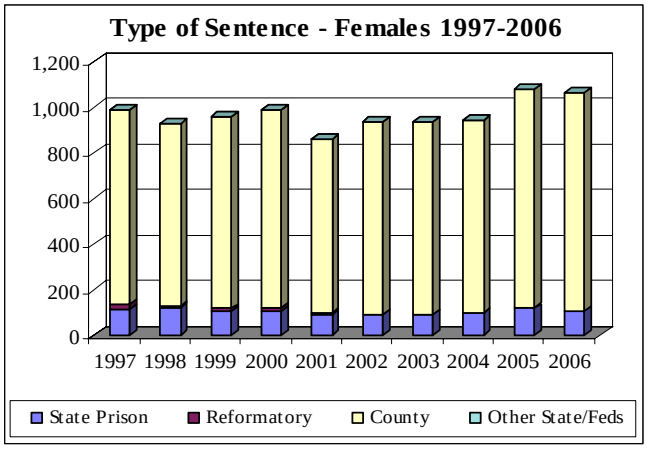

Glossary

Age At Incarceration	Age at time of incarceration for current sentence. Jail credits are not considered when calculating age at incarceration.
Complex Sentence	For the 'time served' variable, this category includes parole and probation violators, offenders who were originally committed to another authority, and offenders serving a forthwith, split, fine, or from and after sentence.
Court from Which Committed	The court listed is the court from which an inmate was originally sentenced, which is not necessarily the court associated with the sentenced served (i.e. From & After Sentences). Inmates serving county sentences are included in the appropriate court from which they were originally sentenced. Boston Municipal Court is included within the District Court category, as well as other former Municipal courts; District courts are lower courts of all counties.
Culture	The Other category includes the following cultures (each separately represent less than 1% of the population): Afghan, Native American, Armenian, Brazilian, Columbian, Cuban, Canadian, Cambodian, Dutch, El Salvadorian, French Canadian, Finnish, Greek, Guatemalan, Hausa, Honduran, Haitian, Indian, Israeli, Japanese, Jamaican, Jordanian, Korean, Lithuanian, Lebanese, Laotian, Multi-Cultural, Moroccan, Mexican, Panamanian, Polish, Peruvian, Russian, Rumanian, Samoian, Spanish, Swedish, Scottish, Thai, Trinidadian, Vietnamese, Venezuelan, & Yugoslavian.
Current Offense	Inmates may be incarcerated for multiple offenses. The offense reported is that associated with the longest maximum discharge date. Offense labels can be found in the Appendix and are listed in alphabetical order by offense category.
DOC (or MA DOC)	Massachusetts Department of Correction.
Expiration of Sentence	Inmate has served out sentence in its entirety. For this report, inmates released by GCD are combined into the Expiration of Sentence category.
F&A	From and After sentence. Inmate is committed upon release to begin serving a new sentence under a new commitment number.
GCD	Good Conduct Discharge. Inmate is released from sentence prior to serving maximum term imposed due to earned good time credit (i.e. jail credit days, program participation, etc.).
HOC	House of Correction - Massachusetts.
Jurisdiction	For the purposes of this report, refers to inmates released from DOC custody, and inmates originally sentenced to the DOC, but transferred to and subsequently released from another correctional authority.
Lower Security Facility	Minimum security and pre-release facilities (Levels 3, 2, & 1).
Marital Status	The categories "Common Law", "Cohabitant", and "Life Partner" are combined into the category labeled "Partner/Live-in" for this report.
Mean	The sum of the values of all the observations in a data set divided by the number of observations.

Median

The point in an array of data which has an equal number of observations above and below it.

Minimum Sentence

Some inmates do not have a minimum sentence, only a maximum sentence. Cases with "No Minimum" term are inmates serving House of Correction (County) or Reformatory sentences and can also be those serving out of state or federal sentences.

N/A (Not Available)

Information that is unavailable for previous years due to changes in definitions &/or reporting practices are noted as "Not Available". Also, missing information is considered "Not Available". N/A is also used in percentage columns in tables where the denominator is too small, or one does not exist, making calculations inaccurate.

Not Reported

For self-reported variables such as marital status, education, race, place of birth, and address, missing information is noted as "Not Reported".

PV

Parole violation.

Race/Ethnicity

The Race categories in Table 2 include inmates who reported their ethnicity as Hispanic. Statistics regarding Hispanic ethnic status are reported in Table 3. This is the sixth year the expanded race definition implemented by the U.S. Office of Management and Budget Statistical Policy is incorporated in the Department of Correction's annual Release report. This is the first year that the trend tables reflect Hispanic ethnicity separate from the Race categories. Due to the expanded race definition, the trend tables reflect only data from 2001-2006.

Release Address

For Release reports previous to 2005, the Last Known Address- the address reported by the inmate at time of commitment was presented in the report. For the 2005 report, Release Address is presented - the address reported by inmate at time of release. In cases where this release address is missing, the last known address is reported.

Release to the Street

Includes Parole to Street as well as GCD/Expiration of Sentence to Street.

Religion

The Other category includes the following religions (each separately represent less than 1% of the population): Buddhist, Hindu, Native American, Russian Orthodox, Rastafarian, Scientologist, Unitarian, & Wiccan. The Other Christian category includes the following religions: Born Again Christian, Episcopalian, Greek Orthodox, Jehovah Witness, Lutheran, Methodist, Mormon, Presbyterian, Roman Catholic, and Seventh Day Adventist.

Secure Facility

Maximum and medium security facilities (formerly Levels 4, 5, & 6).

Sentence Count

An inmate is often serving more than one sentence at the same time. This variable is a count of the number of sentences imposed that are entered into the database per inmate. Consecutive sentences that can be identified in the data are subtracted from the count.

Sentence/Sentence Type

State Prison Sentence	Prior to the "Truth in Sentencing" law, if an offender is sentenced to the State Prison, except for life or as an habitual criminal, the court does not fix the term of imprisonment, but fixes a maximum and minimum term for which he/she may be imprisoned. The minimum term shall not be less than two and a half years. All sentences which have a finite maximum term are eligible to have the term reduced by statutory good time, except for most sex offenses, crimes committed while confined and certain "mandatory" sentences. In the "new law", all state sentences have a minimum and a maximum term, unless an inmate is sentenced for life or as a habitual criminal. The minimum term is used to determine parole eligibility, and the maximum term is used to determine discharge. Under both the "old" and "new" sentencing systems, an inmate is discharged from his/her sentence at the expiration of his term, less any statutory or earned good time. Under the "new" system none of the reduction will be attributable to statutory good time.
Reformatory Sentence	Prior to the "Truth in Sentencing" law, males and females could be sentenced to a Reformatory sentence (an indefinite term) indicated by a maximum term. For MCI- Concord, a male not previously sentenced for a felony more than three times, convicted of a crime punishable by imprisonment in any correctional institution of the Commonwealth or by imprisonment in a jail or House of Correction may be sentenced for an indefinite term. Concord may confine misdemeanant offenders as well as those who commit felonies. A female convicted of a crime punishable by imprisonment in a House of Correction, may be sentenced to the Massachusetts Correctional Institution-Framingham. In addition to those women who commit felonies, MCI-Framingham may confine female misdemeanant offenders. The "new" law eliminates "Concord" (or Framingham) sentences to the state reformatory.
House of Correction Sentences	Also known as "County Sentences". Prior to the "Truth in Sentencing" law, if an offender is sentenced to the House of Correction, the term shall be two and a half years or less. Parole eligibility and discharge are based on the maximum term of a sentence. Under the "new" law, discharge on this sentence will change because of the elimination of statutory good time. There is no change in the parole eligibility date.
Other State, Federal	This category is used for inmates who were received by the DOC from another state correctional agency or the Federal Bureau of Prisons, whose sentences are not relevant to the Massachusetts General Laws.

Type of Sentence

In past reports, this variable represented the type of sentence received by the inmate such as Aggregate, Concurrent, Fine, Forthwith, From and After, Simple, or Split. Due to changes in the database, the Type of Sentence variable is no longer available in such detail. Consequently it is no longer reported. However, the variable sentence type (i.e. state prison, reformatory, and house of correction) is reported.

Violent Offense

Any offense that falls under the person or sex offense categories.

Appendix

Offenses are listed in alphabetical order by category. If more than one offense is combined into the same label or an offense label was shortened to fit in the report table, the offense is listed in this Appendix. Full offense labels for abbreviated offenses are printed in **bold** letters. Arithmetic signs have been used to abbreviate where relevant and represent the following: > (greater than), < (less than), + (and over).

Drug Offense	Massachusetts General Law Chapter 94C Offenses.
Class A- Poss W/Int to Distribute	**Class A: Manufacturing, Distribution, Dispensing or Possession with Intent to Manufacture, Distribute or Dispense** (no mandatory minimum term).
Class A- Poss W/Int to Distribute, Subsequent	**Class A: Subsequent Offense, Manufacturing, Distribution, Dispensing or Possession with Intent to Manufacture, Distribute or Dispense** (mandatory minimum term specified).
Class A- Poss W/Int to Distribute to Minor	**Class A: Manufacturing, Distribution, Dispensing or Possession with Intent to Manufacture, Distribute, Dispense to a Minor** (mandatory minimum term specified).
Class B- Poss W/Int to Distribute	**Class B: Manufacturing, Distribution, Dispensing or Possession with Intent to Manufacture, Distribute, Dispense** (no mandatory minimum term).
Class B- Poss W/Int to Distribute, Subsequent	**Class B: Subsequent Offense, Manufacturing, Distribution, Dispensing or Possession with Intent to Manufacture, Distribute or Dispense** (mandatory minimum term specified).
Class B- Poss W/Int to Distribute to Minor	**Class B: Manufacturing, Distribution, Dispensing or Possession with Intent to Manufacture, Distribute, Dispense to a Minor** (mandatory minimum term specified).
Class C- Poss W/Int to Distribute	**Class C: Manufacturing, Distribution, Dispensing or Possession with Intent to Manufacture, Distribute, Dispense** (no mandatory minimum term).
Class C- Poss W/Int to Distribute, Subsequent	**Class C: Subsequent Offense, Manufacturing, Distribution, Dispensing or Possession with Intent to Manufacture, Distribute or Dispense** (mandatory minimum term specified).
Class C- Poss W/Int to Distribute to Minor	**Class C: Manufacturing, Distribution, Dispensing or Possession with Intent to Manufacture, Distribute, Dispense to a Minor** (mandatory minimum term specified).
Class D- Poss W/Int to Distribute	**Class D: Manufacturing, Distribution, Dispensing or Possession with Intent to Manufacture, Distribute or Dispense** (no mandatory minimum term).
Class D- Poss W/Int to Distribute, Subsequent	**Class D: Subsequent Offense, Manufacturing, Distribution, Dispensing or Possession with Intent to Manufacture, Distribute or Dispense** (no mandatory minimum term).
Distribute/Sell Drug Paraphernalia	Distribute or possess drug paraphernalia with intent to sell; sell drug paraphernalia.

Drug Violation, School/Park	Drug violation near a school or park.
Fraudulent Prescriptions	Includes uttering false prescriptions and subsequent offenses; drugs obtained by fraud.
Induce Minors in Sale and Dist of Drugs	**Induce Minors in Sales and Distribution of Drugs.** Includes drug funds, induce minors to possess, induce minors to distribute.
Possession of Controlled Substance	**Unlawful Possession of Particular Controlled Substances Including Heroin and Marijuana.** The following are the controlled substance categories:
Class A	Heroin and morphine;
Class B	Cocaine; opium, amphetamines, barbiturates, and PCP;
Class C	Hallucinogens (LSD, hashish);
Class D	Marijuana;
Class E	Prescription drugs;
No Class Specified	Type of drug is not indicated by the sentence.
Possession of Hypodermic Instrument	Includes possession of hypodermic needle or any instrument adapted for the administration of narcotic drugs; hypodermic violation.
Possession w/Int to Distribute Cocaine to Minor	**Cocaine Distribution or Possession with Intent to Distribute to a Minor** (mandatory minimum term).
Specific Class B- Poss W/Int to Distribute	**Specific Class B: Manufacturing, Distribution, Dispensing or Possession with Intent to Manufacture, Distribute, Dispense** (mandatory minimum term specified). Specific Class B drugs are Cocaine and Phenmetrazine.
Specific Class B- Poss W/Int to Distribute, Subsequent	**Specific Class B: Subsequent Offense, Manufacturing, Distribution, Dispensing or Possession with Intent to Manufacture, Distribute, Dispense** (mandatory minimum term specified). Specific Class B drugs are Cocaine and Phenmetrazine. Methamphetamine.
Specific Class B Trafficking	Trafficking categories are broken out by amount. Specific Class B drugs are Cocaine and Phenmetrazine.
<u>Other Offense</u>	Miscellaneous offenses that are not clearly categorized into one of the other offense categories of Person, Property, Sex or Drug.
Bribery/Corruption	Includes corrupt gifts/offers to influence; bribery; corrupt gifts/offers to influence acts; solicitation of gifts; corruption; financial interest of state employees; giving or receiving gifts; fiduciary; threatening economic injury.
Cruelty to Animals	Includes rabies vaccination penalty; killing or injury to domestic animals; cruelty to animals; willfully injuring police dogs or horses.
Delivering/Receiving Articles for Inmates	Includes delivering drugs to prisoners; inmates bringing drugs/weapons into facilities.
Deriving Support from Prostitution	Includes keeping and maintaining house of prostitution or house of ill fame; deriving support from a prostitute (pimping); procuring a person to practice prostitution.

Domestic Abuse Prevention (209A Violation)	Includes orders to vacate marital home and orders of restraint; domestic abuse prevention.
Environmental Offenses	Includes discharge of pollutants into waters; illegal dumping; illegal taking of shellfish; violation of wetlands protection act.
Escape	Includes attempts, aiding an escape, accessory to escape. Escapes from work, education, program release activity, prison camp, jail.
False Alarm of Fire/Removal of Fire Devices	**False Alarm of Fire/Removal of Fire Protective Devices.** Includes tampering with fire protection device; false alarm of fire.
Gaming	Includes organizing gambling syndicates; place for registering bets.
Habitual Criminal	Sentence if no punishment is provided by statute; punishment of habitual criminal.
Leave the Scene of Vehicular Accident	Motor vehicle accident, personal injury, damage.
Miscellaneous Other Offense	Includes violation of a civil ordinance, inhaling toxic vapors; tax evasion, threatening tax collector, contributing to the delinquency of a minor, home improvement contractor violation/unlicensed; procuring miscarriage, dies in consequence of miscarriage; disinterring bodies.
Non-Support or Abandonment of Child	Infant abandonment and death from abandonment; abandonment and non-support; the illegal refusal to support a child.
Obstruction of Justice	Includes obstruction of justice; compounding or concealing felonies; false report of crime to police officer.
Other Decency/Public Peace Crimes	Includes promoting of anarchy, inciting a riot; common night walker, brawlers, disorderly acts, indecent exposure, lewd, wanton and lascivious behavior, idle and disorderly; threat to commit a crime; recognizance to keep the peace; affray, threats, disturbing of peace in presence of justice.
Other Motor Vehicle Offenses	Does **not include** vehicular homicide, OUI, OUI with injury, or leaving the scene. Includes violation of Automobile Law, violation of Motor Vehicle Law; failure to yield right away to emergency vehicles; operating unregistered; operating after suspension; operating motor vehicle after suspension or revocation of license (this includes operating after revocation, habitual offender, illegally attaching plates, operating); after suspension using motor vehicle without authority, leaving scene after motor vehicle homicide; refusal to submit to police officer; leasing motor vehicle on mileage basis fraud violation; operating motor vehicle without liability policy, bond.
Other Weapons Offense	Includes shooting across highway near dwelling; firearm license violation - purchase for use of another; throwing or shooting of missiles; use of a firearm during commission of a felony; possession of infernal machine; carrying dangerous weapon first or subsequent; sale of silencers for firearms, knife, dagger, etc. with prior felony; tear gas use in commission of crime; possession of machine or shot guns; use of body armor in commission

	of crime; quantity of firearms; firearms sales, distribution or transfer; selling firearm without registering of serial number; possess firearm without ID; possession of firearm on school grounds; possession of large capacity weapon without firearm identification; possession of defaced firearm in a felony; defacing a firearm, discharge of firearm within 500 feet of a dwelling; possession of explosives or other dangerous substances; weapons violation with prior.
OUI, Alcohol or Drugs, With or Without Injury	**Operating a Motor Vehicle Under the Influence of Alcohol or Drugs With or Without Injury.** Includes operating under the influence; operating under the influence with injury resulting.
Perjury/Contempt of Court	Includes contempt; perjury; attempt to procure another to commit perjury; disruption of court proceedings; perjury, statements alleging motor vehicle thefts; penalties for violation of confidentiality and for perjury; failure to appear.
Prostitution	Includes soliciting for prostitute; prostitution; engaging in sex for a fee.
Sale/Possession of Alcohol to Minor < 21	**Sale or Possession of Alcohol to Minor Under 21.** Includes sale, delivery or furnishing alcoholic beverages to persons under 21, employment of persons under 18; persons under 21 purchase or attempt to purchase; open container.
Violation of Labor Laws	Includes illegal payment of wages; frivolous proceedings, costs; failure to provide payment/compensation.
Weapons Violation, Bartley-Fox Gun Law	Carrying a firearm without a license (mandatory 1 year sentence).
Person Offense	Crimes Against the Person (primarily Massachusetts General Law Chapter 265 offenses).
Accessory Before the Fact	Includes aiders, accessory before the fact; prosecution as accessory before the fact.
Armed Assault in Dwelling Houses	Includes armed assault in dwelling houses. The act may be an actual assault or an attempt.
Assault to Rob not Being Armed	Includes assault to rob not being armed, assault to rob, assault with intent to rob, assault with intent to rob by force and violence.
Assault with Intent to Commit Felony	Includes assault with intent to commit felony, injury to firefighter, assault with intent to intimidate, assault and battery for intimidation with bodily injury, causing injury during physical training.
Assault with Intent to Commit Murder	Includes assault with intent to murder, maim, etc.; assault to commit murder; assault with intent to kill.
Assault with Intent to Rob or Murder, Being Armed	Includes assault with intent to rob or murder being armed; assault with a deadly weapon with intent to rob.
Assault/Assault and Battery	Includes assault, assault and battery, assault and battery on an officer, E.M.T. or a public servant, assault and battery to collect loan.

Assault/A&B with a Dangerous Weapon	**Assault/assault and Battery with a Dangerous Weapon.** Includes assault and battery with a dangerous weapon; assault with a dangerous weapon.
Attempted Murder	Includes all attempts to commit murder, other than assaults: attempted murder, attempts to commit murder by poisoning, drowning, or strangling, poisoning with intent to kill/injure.
A&B Upon an Elderly or Disabled Person	**Assault and Battery on an Elderly or Disabled Person.** Includes assault and Battery upon elderly or disabled causing injury, serious injury, permanent bodily injury.
A&B with a Dangerous Weapon, Victim 60+	**Assault and Battery with a Dangerous Weapon, Victim 60 and Over.** Includes assault and battery by means of a dangerous weapon, victim 60 or older.
Conspiracy	If crime is specified, (i.e., conspiracy to commit larceny), the offense is listed under the specified crime. If crime is not specified, the offense is listed under this category.
Extortion	Includes attempts to extort money, threats, threat to commit crime.
Kidnapping	Includes abduction, holding a correction officer hostage, kidnapping with intent to extort, kidnapping of minor by relative.
Manslaughter	Includes negligent homicide, voluntary or involuntary manslaughter.
Stalking	Includes stalking in violation of a restraining order (1st offense), stalking as a subsequent offense, harassing or making threats.
Stealing by Confining or Putting in Fear	**Confining or Putting in Fear a Person for the Purpose of Stealing**. Includes breaking, burning or blowing up a safe; intimidate to steal from a depository.
Unarmed Robbery	Includes robbery, robbery not being armed, robbery by force and violence.
Violation of Civil Rights	Includes civil rights violation, civil rights violation with bodily injury, violation of civil rights with injury.
<u>Property Offense</u>	Crimes Against Property (primarily Massachusetts General Law Chapter 266 offenses).
Arson and Attempted Arson	Includes burning or aiding to burn a dwelling, other buildings, personal property; attempting to burn building; injury or destruction of woods by fire; injury due to negligent use of fire; negligent use of fire in towns; burning insured property with intent to defraud; injury to fire engines; destruction or injury by explosives; throwing explosives at property or persons; use or possession of flammable liquid in breakable container.
Burglary, Armed or an Assault	Includes armed burglary, breaking and entering with intent to assault with or without dangerous weapon.
Destruction of Property	Includes injury or destruction of electrical utility property, boundary markings, historical monuments, schoolhouse or

	church, building, personal property; defacement or injury of county building; throwing oil of vitriol; destroying timber; breaking glass or injury to fences; defacement of property with paint; injury to religious, educational, etc., institutions; destruction of property by inmate at correctional institution; destruction of property by prisoners; damaging irrigation machinery; destruction or altercation of motor vehicle identification numbers; alteration of identifying numbers.
Embezzlement	Includes bank officers, fraud or embezzlement; embezzlement by brokers/agents; fiduciaries fraud; defraud company's assets.
Forgery and Uttering	Includes forgery or alteration of lottery tickets; stealing, forging or falsifying; making false certificate of title, learning permits, licenses, registration or inspection stickers; obtaining signature under false pretenses; unlawful use of credit cards; publishing code of non-existing credit cards; false/forged records, certificates, returns; railroad tickets, passes or badges, injures, defrauds, falsely makes, alters, forges or counterfeits; uttering false records; possession of 10 or more counterfeit bills; uttering false instrument; possession of false/forged counterfeit bills, tools/materials to make counterfeit notes.
Fraud	Includes false representation; securities violations; provider making false representations; fraud of telecommunication service; fraudulent use of telecommunication; obtaining goods by fraud; stock, fraudulent issue or transfer; corporation, books false entries with intent to defraud; presentation of false claims; obtaining goods under false pretenses; false invoice of cargo, intent to defraud insurer; insurance policy, penalty/fraud claims; interception of wire and oral communications.
Larceny From Elder or Disabled Person	Includes larceny from person 65 or older; larceny from person 60 or older, or disabled.
Larceny/Stealing	Includes stealing in building, vessel or railroad car, stealing in a truck, tractor/semi-trailer or freight container; larceny - general provision and penalties; larceny by check; unlawful taking of money by transporter; larceny of bicycle; concealing leased or rented property.
Receiving Stolen Goods	Includes receiving and buying stolen goods; common receiver of stolen goods (habitual).
Shoplifting	Includes shoplifting as a third offense.
Theft of Motor Vehicle or non-Motor Vehicle	Removal of motor vehicle with intent to defraud insurer; theft of motor vehicle or trailer; concealment of motor vehicle or trailer thief; unlawful taking or use of transportation media.
Unarmed Burglary/Breaking and Entering	Includes unarmed breaking and entering in night time; breaking and entering a building, vessel or vehicle in night time with intent to commit a misdemeanor or felony, entering by daytime or breaking and entering by night time a building, vehicle or vessel with intent to commit a felony; entering dwelling in night time or breaking and entering in a building, vehicle or vessel in

	daytime with intent to commit a felony; breaking and entering or entering railroad car with intent to commit a felony; breaking and entering trucks, tractors or trailers.
Sex Offense	Sex Offenses Against the Person. Consist of Massachusetts General Law Chapter 265 (Crimes Against the Person) and Chapter 272 offenses (Crimes Against Chastity, Morality, Decency and Good Order).
Assault With Intent to Commit Rape	Includes attempts to rape.
Assault with Intent to Rape, Child < 16	**Assault with Intent to Commit Rape, Child Under 16 Years.**
Crimes Against Nature	The abominable and detestable crime against nature, either with mankind or beast.
Indecent Asslt & Battery on Child Under 14	**Indecent Assault and Battery on Child Under 14**. Includes indecent assault and battery on a minor.
Indecent A&B on Mentally Retarded Victim	**Indecent Assault and Battery on Mentally Retarded Victim**.
Indecent Asslt & Battery on Victim 14 or Older	**Indecent Assault and Battery on Victim 14 or Older.**
Other Sex Offenses	Includes adultery, fornication, open and gross lewdness and lascivious behavior, drugging persons for unlawful intercourse, dissemination of obscene matter.
Rape	Age of victim not specified, or does not fall under a rape of child category.
Rape and Abuse of a Child	Statutory rape, victim under 16 years old.
Rape of a Child with Force	Age of victim under 16 years old.
Sex Offenses Involving a Minor	Includes enticing person under 16 away for marriage, inducing person under 18 to have sexual intercourse, inducing a minor into prostitution, prostitutes deriving support from a child, distribution of obscene articles to minors, child pornography, dissemination of materials of child in state of nudity, dissemination of visual materials of child engaged in sexual conduct, knowingly purchasing or possession of visual material of child depicted in sexual conduct.
Sexual Assault - Out of State/Federal Inmates	Used for sexual assault cases for out-of-state or federally sentenced inmates whose offense does not fit in another sex offense category.
Unnatural Acts	Includes unnatural acts, lascivious acts, assault to commit unnatural sex acts.
Violation of Sex Offender Registry	Failure to register as a sex offender, misuse of sex offender registry information.