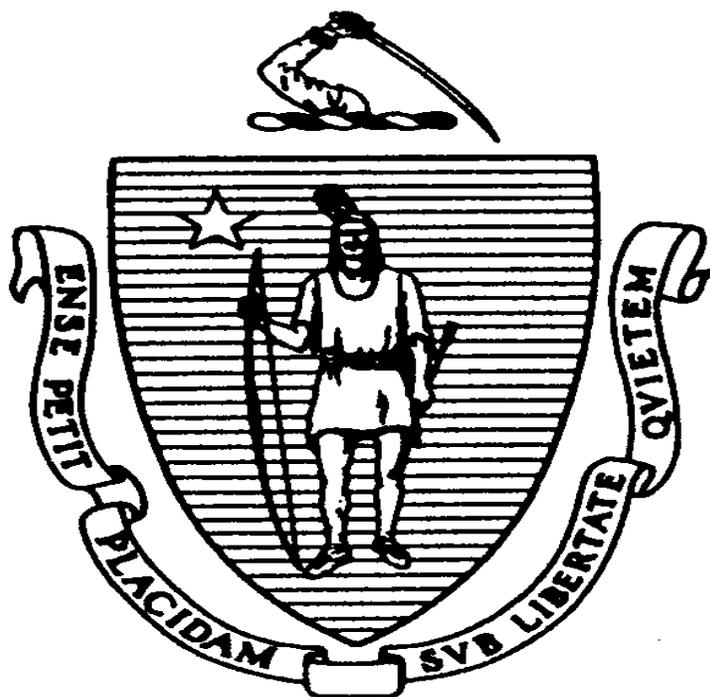


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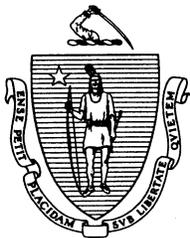
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The Massachusetts Department of Correction **Jurisdiction Population**

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 2002 are also included in the population. The population described in this report includes the following:

- **Individuals released via parole or good conduct discharge 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**
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Executive Summary

MA DOC 2002 Jurisdiction Release Population

- The total number of criminally sentenced individuals released from the jurisdiction of the Department of Correction in 2002 was 3,239, a decrease of 122 total releases (4%) from 2001. The breakdown by gender was 2,304 males (71%) and 935 females (29%). The number of males released in 2002 decreased by 193 (8%) from the previous year while the number of females released increased by 71 (8%) during the same time period.
- The largest racial/ethnic group represented was White (72%), followed by Black (27%). These groups include individuals with Hispanic ethnicity. Of the 3,361 inmates released from the MA DOC in 2002, 774 (24%) reported having Hispanic ethnicity. Of those who reported Hispanic ethnicity 85% were White and 14% were Black.
- The mean (average) age of an inmate released in 2002 was 34.7 years, ranging from 17 to 77 years of age. The mean (average) age at incarceration was 30.9 years, ranging from 15 to 75 years of age.
- The majority of the 2002 release population, 51%, reported American culture followed by 14% Puerto Rican.
- Inmates reporting Catholic religion comprised 52% of the population. Protestants represented 8% of the jurisdiction population followed by 7% Agnostic.
- The primary language of 85% of the 2002 release population was English, followed by 13% reporting Spanish as their primary language.
- Sixty-two percent of the 2002 release population was reportedly single (67% males, 51% females). Fourteen percent were married (15% males, 9% females) and 13% were divorced (14% males, 12% females).
- Nineteen percent of the release population for 2002 reported a last known address located in Suffolk County (with 16% listing the city of Boston as their prior residence), followed by 16% from Worcester County, 14% from Middlesex County, and 12% from Essex County.
- Forty-two percent of 2002 releases were serving a sentence for a Violent offense, 33% of which was for a Person Offense and 9% for a Sex Offense. Non-violent offenders made up the remaining 58% of the release population. Of these offenders 27% were incarcerated for a Drug offense, 19% for Property offenses and 12% for Other offenses.
- The majority of males released in 2002 were serving a sentence for a Person offense (39%) followed by 28% serving a sentence for a Drug offense, 14% for a Property offense, 12% for a Sex offense, and 6% for Other offenses. Of the females released from the MA DOC in 2002, 30% were serving a sentence for a Property offense, 27% for Other offenses, 26% for Drug offenses, 16% for Person offenses, and 1% for Sex Offenses.

- Of the 886 inmates released from the MA DOC in 2002 serving a governing sentence for a Drug offense, 410 (46%) were serving mandatory sentences. Over half of the males (58%) and 14% of females sentenced for Drug offenses were serving sentences for offenses carrying mandatory sentence terms.
- The majority of women (86%) released in 2002 were committed from district courts while most males (90%) were sentenced out of a superior court. Twenty percent of males were committed from Suffolk Superior Court followed by 14% from Middlesex Superior Court, 13% from Worcester Superior Court, and 12% from Hampden Superior Court.
- Eighty-four percent of males released in 2002 were serving state sentences while the majority of women (90%) were serving county sentences.
- Sixty-seven percent of females released in 2002 were serving sentences with a maximum term of less than 1 year. Seventeen percent of males had maximum sentence lengths of 5 to less than 6 years, followed by 15% with 3 to less than 4 years, and 13% with 2 to less than 3 years. Eight percent of males were serving sentences with maximum lengths of 20 years or more and 2% had Second Degree Life sentences.
- Of the 3,239 releases in 2002, 2,630 (81%) were **releases to the street** leaving 19% released to other jurisdictions (i.e. state, federal, county, immigration), civil commitment, or warrants. Eighty percent of females and 82% percent of males were released to the street. Of those released to the street, 67% were released through good conduct discharge or expiration of sentence and the remaining 33% were released via parole.
- Excluding inmates with complex sentences, the average time served for females serving state sentences was 3.2 years (38.8 months), and 5.2 years (62.4 months) for males. Again, excluding those serving complex sentences, the majority of females (79%) serving county sentences served less than 6 months.
- The average time served for state sentences (excluding probation/parole violators and those serving complex, county, federal, or out-of-state sentences) for a Person offense was 3.4 years for females, 6.1 years for males. On average, females serving a state sentence for a Sex offense served 5.5 years while males served an average of 7 years. Of those included in the calculation, females served an average of 2 years for a Property offense, 3 years for a Drug offense, and 5.6 years for Other offenses. Males serving a state sentence served an average of 4.3 years for a Property offense, 3.8 years for a Drug offense, and 3.9 years for Other offenses.
- Seventy-five percent of releases in 2002 were from secure facilities¹, while the remaining 21% were from lower security facilities² and 4% from county facilities and other state/federal facilities. Eighty-eight percent of all females were released from a secure facility (MCI-Framingham). Seventy percent of all males were released from a secure facility¹, 11% from a maximum security facility and 59% from a medium security facility. The highest percentage of males (12%) were released from MCI-Shirley (Medium), followed by 11% released from MCI-Concord, and 10% from MCI-Norfolk.

¹ Secure facilities include maximum and medium security facilities.

² Lower security facilities include minimum/pre-release facilities.

Trend Highlights
Releases from the MA DOC 1997-2002

- The overall release population decreased by 16% from 1997 to 2002. Compared to 2001 releases, the overall population decreased by only 4% but the male release population decreased by 8% while the female release population increased by 8% from the previous year. In 2002 females represented 29% of all releases from the MA DOC whereas in 1997-1999 females comprised 26% of the total release population. The total release population has been on the decline since 1999.
- There was a 34% decrease in the percentage of males ages 20 to 29 released from the MA DOC since 1997 and an 8% decrease in the same category for females. There was also a decrease in the percentage of inmates ages 30 to 39 released between 1997 and 2002, a 23% decrease for males in this age category and 19% for females. Subsequently, during this same time period the number of inmates released between the ages of 40 and 49 increased, 14% amongst males and 30% for females.
- The percentage of Caucasians in the release population has dropped from 46% in 1997 to 42% in 2002 among male releases while the percentage increased from 65% to 73% among females during the same time period. The percentage of African Americans released from the MA DOC in 2002 decreased from 30% to 27% among males and 17% to 15% for females compared to 1997 releases. The Hispanic release population has increased over the past 6 years for males; 23% to 29% while there has been a decrease from 17% to 12% for female releases. The Asian release population has remained relatively constant between 1997 and 2002 representing 1% of the total release population.
- During the 6-year span from 1997 to 2002 the percentage of the male release population released from a maximum security facility increased from 5% to 11% and the percentage released from a medium security facility increased from 50% to 59%. In turn with these increases there was a drop in the percentage of males released from lower security facilities dropping from 38% in 1997 to 25% in 2002. A similar trend was seen in the female release population from 1997 to 2001 with the percentage released from a medium security facility increasing from 82% to 91% and the percentage released from a lower security facility dropping from 16% to 8%. A shift was seen from 2001 to 2002 with the female release population. There was an increase in the percentage of females released from lower security facilities jumping from 8% in 2001 to 11% in 2002. In turn, 88% of the females released in 2002 were released from medium security facilities, a decrease from the 91% released in 2001.
- There have not been any significant increases or decreases in the type of release to the street between 1997 and 2002. Of those **released to the street**, the percentage of the male population released via GCD/Expiration of Sentence increased slightly from 65% to 66% over the past 6 years, while males paroled to the street decreased from 35% in 1997 to 34% in 2002. Similarly, the female release population released to the street via GCD/Expiration of Sentence increased from 66% to 70% while females paroled to the street decreased from 34% to 30% during the same time period.

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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 2002 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, by expiration of sentence, or by a certificate of discharge.**

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

- ⇒ **Individuals released via parole or good conduct discharge 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**
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Excluded from this report are Bridgewater State Hospital and Massachusetts' Alcohol & Substance Abuse Center civil commitments and detainees who were released during the year. This population was excluded for the following reasons:

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.

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 2002 are counted as separate cases.

This report presents tables that contain information on all release types listed above with respect to personal background characteristics, the nature of the current offense, and release characteristics for these individuals. All tables are broken down by gender. The fourth section of this report displays trend information within the MA DOC jurisdiction population over a six-year span from 1997 to 2002.

The data contained in this report was derived from the inmate database maintained by the Department of Correction. Please note that much of the personal background data of the offenders was **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. Also note that due to rounding some percentages may not add up to 100%. Please refer to the Glossary in the back of the report for the definition of terms and offenses used throughout the report.

Demographic Characteristics
of the MA DOC 2002
Release Population

Table 1

MA DOC Releases in 2002 by Gender

	Number of Releases (%)	
Male	2,304	71%
Female	935	29%
Total	3,239	100%

Table 2

MA DOC Releases in 2002: Race/Ethnicity by Gender (Self-Reported)

	Female (%)		Male (%)		Total (%)	
Asian	1	0	27	1	28	1
Black	155	17	717	31	872	27
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	2	0	1	0	3	0
American Indian/Alaska Native	2	0	16	1	18	1
White	775	83	1543	67	2,318	72
Not Reported	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	935	100	2,304	100	3,239	100

All race categories in the above table **include** inmates with hispanic ethnic indicators. Statistics regarding hispanic ethnic status are reported separately in the following table. Please note this is the second year the expanded race definition implemented by the U.S Office of Management and Budget Statistical Policy is demonstrated in this report.

Table 3

MA DOC Releases in 2002: Hispanic Ethnicity by Gender (Self-Reported)

	Female (%)		Male (%)		Total (%)	
Asian	0	0	0	0	0	0
Black	11	10	101	15	112	14
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	1	1	0	0	1	0
American Indian/Alaska Native	0	0	0	0	0	0
White	96	89	565	85	661	85
Not Reported	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Hispanic*	108	100	666	100	774	100

The above table includes **only** inmates who specify hispanic ethnicity. All inmates in the above table are also included in Table 2: Race/Ethnicity.

*The total number of inmates reporting Hispanic ethnicity (N=774) accounts for 24% of the total population (N=3239).

Table 4

**MA DOC Releases in 2002: Age at Incarceration
by Gender**

	Female	(%)	Male	(%)	Total	(%)
15 Years	0	0	2	0	2	0
16 Years	0	0	4	0	4	0
17 Years	2	0	26	1	28	1
18 Years	12	1	69	3	81	3
19 Years	20	2	112	5	132	4
20 Years	35	4	105	5	140	4
21 Years	28	3	128	6	156	5
22 Years	33	4	91	4	124	4
23 Years	28	3	104	5	132	4
24 Years	23	2	122	5	145	4
25 to 29 Years	150	16	492	21	642	20
30 to 34 Years	190	20	417	18	607	19
35 to 39 Years	196	21	290	13	486	15
40 to 44 Years	130	14	175	8	305	9
45 to 49 Years	68	7	85	4	153	5
50 to 54 Years	14	1	43	2	57	2
55 to 59 Years	5	1	19	1	24	1
60 to 64 Years	1	0	14	1	15	0
65 to 69 Years	0	0	4	0	4	0
70 Years or Older	0	0	2	0	2	0
Total	935	100	2304	100	3239	100

Age at Incarceration Statistics (in Years)			
	Totals	Females	Males
Mean Age	30.9	33.1	30
Median Age	30.0	33.0	29.0
Minimum Age	15	17	15
Maximum Age	75	61	75

Table 5

MA DOC Releases in 2002: Age at Release by Gender

	Female (%)		Male (%)		Total (%)	
17 Years	1	0	1	0	2	0
18 Years	9	1	6	0	15	0
19 Years	15	2	10	0	25	1
20 Years	30	3	29	1	59	2
21 Years	32	3	45	2	77	2
22 Years	33	4	56	2	89	3
23 Years	27	3	74	3	101	3
24 Years	20	2	68	3	88	3
25 to 29 Years	137	15	448	19	585	18
30 to 34 Years	179	19	458	20	637	20
35 to 39 Years	207	22	442	19	649	20
40 to 44 Years	142	15	324	14	466	14
45 to 49 Years	77	8	176	8	253	8
50 to 54 Years	17	2	75	3	92	3
55 to 59 Years	7	1	48	2	55	2
60 to 64 Years	2	0	24	1	26	1
65 to 69 Years	0	0	15	1	15	0
70 Years or Older	0	0	5	0	5	0
Total	935	100	2,304	100	3,239	100

Age at Release Statistics (in Years)			
	Totals	Females	Males
Mean Age	34.7	33.8	35.0
Median Age	34.0	34.0	34.0
Minimum Age	17	17	17
Maximum Age	77	61	77

Table 6

MA DOC Releases in 2002: Culture by Gender (Self-Reported)						
	Female (%)		Male (%)		Total (%)	
American	207	22	1451	63	1658	51
Puerto Rican	113	12	346	15	459	14
Irish	248	27	57	2	305	9
*Other	82	9	130	6	212	7
French	120	13	18	1	138	4
African	18	2	109	5	127	4
Italian	86	9	22	1	108	3
Dominican	5	1	63	3	68	2
Spanish	11	1	30	1	41	1
English	27	3	13	1	40	1
Portuguese	14	1	23	1	37	1
Not Reported	4	0	42	2	46	1
Total	935	100	2304	100	3239	100

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

Table 7

MA DOC Releases in 2002: Religion by Gender (Self-Reported)						
	Female (%)		Male (%)		Total (%)	
Catholic	560	60	1131	49	1691	52
Protestant	76	8	180	8	256	8
Agnostic	0	0	233	10	233	7
None	119	13	85	4	204	6
Baptist	55	6	142	6	197	6
Christian	6	1	173	8	179	6
Islam	3	0	112	5	115	4
*Other Christian	40	4	64	3	104	3
**Other	16	2	51	2	67	2
Pentecostal	13	1	54	2	67	2
Atheist	1	0	42	2	43	1
Christian Scientist	15	2	13	1	28	1
Not Reported	31	3	24	1	55	2
Total	935	100	2304	100	3239	100

*Other Christian includes non-specified Christian religions.

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

Table 8

MA DOC Releases in 2002: Primary Language by Gender (Self-Reported)

	Female	(%)	Male	(%)	Total	(%)
English	849	91	1913	83	2762	85
Spanish	70	7	353	15	423	13
Vietnamese	0	0	8	0	8	0
Cape Verdean	1	0	4	0	5	0
Portuguese	1	0	3	0	4	0
French	3	0	0	0	3	0
Khmer	0	0	3	0	3	0
Russian	1	0	1	0	2	0
Serb	1	0	1	0	2	0
Italian	0	0	1	0	1	0
Polish	0	0	1	0	1	0
Not Reported	9	1	16	1	25	1
Total	935	100	2304	100	3239	100

Table 9

MA DOC Releases in 2002: Marital Status by Gender (Self-Reported)

	Female	(%)	Male	(%)	Total	(%)
Single	473	51	1539	67	2012	62
Married	88	9	357	15	445	14
Divorced	114	12	312	14	426	13
Widow-Widower	32	3	23	1	55	2
Separated	2	0	23	1	25	1
Partner-Livein	5	1	1	0	6	0
Not Reported	221	24	49	2	270	8
Total	935	100	2304	100	3239	100

Table 10

**MA DOC Releases in 2002: Last Known Address:
Top 10 Cities by Gender (Self-Reported)**

	Female	(%)	Male	(%)	Total	(%)
Boston	77	8	452	20	529	16
Worcester	108	12	146	6	254	8
Springfield	16	2	196	9	212	7
Lawrence	44	5	82	4	126	4
Brockton	56	6	64	3	120	4
Lynn	43	5	57	2	100	3
Lowell	28	3	70	3	98	3
Fall River	5	1	80	3	85	3
New Bedford	12	1	65	3	77	2
Framingham	21	2	32	1	53	2
Other MA	463	50	918	40	1381	43
*Out-of-State	36	4	127	6	163	5
Not Reported	26	3	15	1	41	1
Total	935	100	2304	100	3239	100

Table 11

**MA DOC Releases in 2002: Last Known Address
by MA Counties by Gender (Self-Reported)**

	Female	(%)	Male	(%)	Total	(%)
Suffolk County	99	11	506	22	605	19
Worcester County	236	25	293	13	529	16
Middlesex County	171	18	283	12	454	14
Essex County	157	17	242	11	399	12
Hampden County	22	2	271	12	293	9
Bristol County	28	3	199	9	227	7
Plymouth County	95	10	115	5	210	6
Norfolk County	51	5	98	4	149	5
Barnstable County	7	1	59	3	66	2
Berkshire County	7	1	49	2	56	2
Franklin County	0	0	25	1	25	1
Hampshire County	0	0	20	1	20	1
Dukes County	0	0	1	0	1	0
Nantucket County	0	0	1	0	1	0
Out of State	36	4	127	6	163	5
Not Reported	26	3	15	1	41	1
Total	935	100	2,304	100	3,239	100

Current Offense Categories
of the MA DOC 2002 Release Population

Table 12

**MA DOC Releases in 2002:
Current Offense by Gender: General Categories**

	Female (%)		Male (%)		Total (%)	
Person	149	16	906	39	1,055	33
Sex	9	1	280	12	289	9
Property	283	30	330	14	613	19
Drug	239	26	647	28	886	27
Other	255	27	141	6	396	12
Total	935	100	2,304	100	3,239	100

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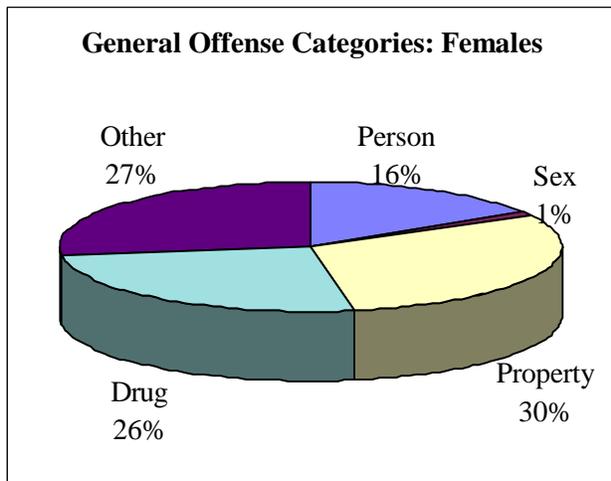


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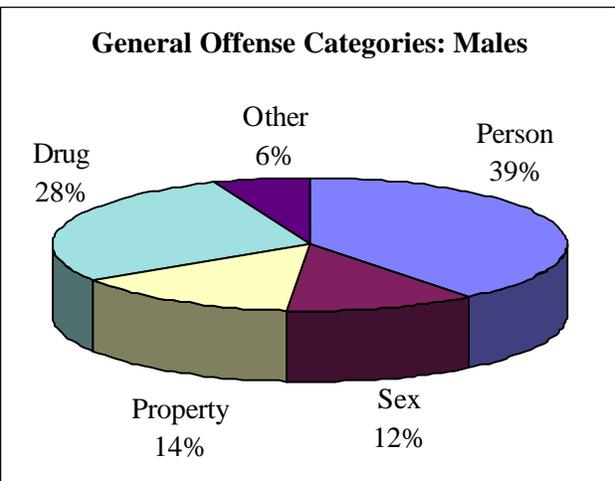


Table 13

MA DOC Releases in 2001: Person Offenses by Gender

	Female (%)		Male (%)		Total (%)	
Armed Robbery	7	5	280	31	287	27
Asslt/A&B Dangerous Weapon	40	27	156	17	196	19
Assault and A&B	69	46	46	5	115	11
Unarmed Robbery	7	5	83	9	90	9
Armed Asslt W/Int to Rob/Murder	2	1	78	9	80	8
Manslaughter	4	3	74	8	78	7
Murder 2nd Degree	0	0	41	5	41	4
Unarmed Robbery, Victim 60+	4	3	19	2	23	2
Vehicular Homicide	3	2	16	2	19	2
Mayhem	4	3	13	1	17	2
A&B Upon a Child	3	2	10	1	13	1
Carjacking	0	0	12	1	12	1
Kidnapping	1	1	10	1	11	1
Armed Assault in Dwelling	0	0	10	1	10	1
Accessory After the Fact	2	1	8	1	10	1
Unarmed Assault to Rob	0	0	8	1	8	1
Conspiracy	1	1	6	1	7	1
Assault w/Intent to Commit Felony	1	1	6	1	7	1
Assault w/Intent to Murder	0	0	5	1	5	0
Stealing by Confining or Putting in Fear	0	0	5	1	5	0
Attempted Murder	0	0	5	1	5	0
Stalking	0	0	3	0	3	0
Accessory Before the Fact	1	1	2	0	3	0
A&B Upon Elderly	0	0	2	0	2	0
Armed Asslt W/Int to Rob/Murder Victim 60+	0	0	2	0	2	0
Civil Rights Violation	0	0	2	0	2	0
Armed Asslt W/Int to Rob/Murder, Victim 60+	0	0	2	0	2	0
Extortion	0	0	1	0	1	0
A&B W/Dangerous Weapon, Victim 60+	0	0	1	0	1	0
Murder 2nd Degree - Juvenile Offender Law	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	149	100	906	100	1,055	100

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

Table 14

MA DOC Releases in 2002: Sex Offenses by Gender

	Female	(%)	Male	(%)	Total	(%)
Rape and Abuse of Child (Statutory)	3	33	74	26	77	27
Rape of Child <16, W/Force	1	11	56	20	57	20
Rape	0	0	55	20	55	19
Aggravated Rape	0	0	31	11	31	11
Indecent A&B on Child <14	4	44	26	9	30	10
Indecent A&B, Victim 14+	0	0	19	7	19	7
Assault W/Intent to Rape	0	0	10	4	10	3
Other Sex Offenses	0	0	4	1	4	1
Assault W/Intent to Rape, Child <16	0	0	2	1	2	1
Indecent A&B on Mentally Retarded	0	0	2	1	2	1
Sex Offenses Involving a Minor	0	0	1	0	1	0
Unnatural Act	1	11	0	0	1	0
Total	9	100	280	100	289	100

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

Table 15

MA DOC Releases in 2002: Property Offenses by Gender

	Female	(%)	Male	(%)	Total	(%)
Unarmed Burglary/Breaking & Entering	21	7	179	54	200	33
Larceny/Stealing	133	47	33	10	166	27
Vehicle Theft	11	4	52	16	63	10
Shoplifting	34	12	1	0	35	6
Forgery & Uttering	21	7	13	4	34	6
Receiving Stolen Goods	19	7	7	2	26	4
Arson/Attempted Arson	4	1	19	6	23	4
Destruction of Property	14	5	4	1	18	3
Larceny From Person	8	3	8	2	16	3
Fraud	10	4	1	0	11	2
Armed Burglary	0	0	9	3	9	1
Larceny From Elder or Disabled Person	6	2	0	0	6	1
Common & Notorious Thief	2	1	1	0	3	0
Possession of Burglary Tools	0	0	3	1	3	0
Total	283	100	330	100	613	100

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

Table 16

MA DOC Releases in 2002: Drug Offenses by Gender

	Female (%)		Male (%)		Total (%)	
Being Present Where Heroin Is Kept	3	1	0	0	3	0
Possession Of Hypodermic Instrument	24	10	2	0	26	3
Conspiracy to Violate Controlled Substance Act	5	2	15	2	20	2
Distribute/Sell Drug Paraphernalia	0	0	0	0	0	0
Fraudulent Prescriptions	7	3	0	0	7	1
Possession of Controlled Substance - No Class Specified	96	40	9	1	105	12
Possession of Controlled Substance - Class A	1	0	4	1	5	1
Possession of Controlled Substance - Class B	1	0	0	0	1	0
Possession of Controlled Substance - Class D	0	0	1	0	1	0
Possession of Controlled Substance - Class E	2	1	0	0	2	0
Class A - Poss W/Int To Distribute	30	13	129	20	159	18
*Class A - Poss W/Int To Distribute, Subsequent	0	0	21	3	21	2
Class B - Poss W/Int To Distribute	32	13	105	16	137	15
*Class B - Poss W/Int To Distribute, Subsequent	4	2	37	6	41	5
*Specific Class B - Poss W/Int To Distribute	11	5	60	9	71	8
*Specific Class B - Poss W/Int To Distribute, Subsequent	3	1	17	3	20	2
Class C - Poss W/Int to Distribute	0	0	0	0	0	0
*Specific Class B - Trafficking 14-28 Grams	5	2	95	15	100	11
*Specific Class B - Trafficking 28-100 Grams	2	1	55	9	57	6
*Specific Class B - Trafficking 100-200 Grams	0	0	25	4	25	3
*Specific Class B - Trafficking 200+ Grams	0	0	0	0	0	0
*Class A - Trafficking 14-28 Grams	0	0	2	0	2	0
*Class A - Trafficking 28-100 Grams	0	0	2	0	2	0
*Class A - Trafficking 100-200 Grams	0	0	0	0	0	0
Class D - Poss W/Int To Distribute	5	2	2	0	7	1
Class D - Poss W/Int To Distribute, Subsequent	0	0	0	0	0	0
*Marijuana - Trafficking 50-100lbs	1	0	1	0	2	0
*Marijuana - Trafficking 100-2,000lbs	0	0	1	0	1	0
*Drug Violation, School/Park	7	3	61	9	68	8
Induce Minors in Sale & Distribution of Drugs	0	0	3	0	3	0
Counterfeit Drugs, Poss W/Int To Distribute	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	239	100	647	100	886	100

Please note: Offenses are arranged in order by drug violation category.

Subtotals – *Mandatory Drug Offenses:
 Females: 33 (14%)
 Males: 377 (58%)
Total Mandatory Drug Offenses: 410 (46%)

*** Denotes an offense which carries a mandatory minimum sentence.**

Table 17

MA DOC Releases in 2002: Other Offenses by Gender

	Female (%)		Male (%)		Total (%)	
OUI, Alcohol or Drugs	67	26	54	38	121	31
Prostitution	57	22	0	0	57	14
Other Motor Vehicle Offenses	45	18	5	4	50	13
Decency/Public Peace Crimes	34	13	3	2	37	9
Other Weapons Offense	2	1	31	22	33	8
*Carry a Firearm W/Out License (Bartley-Fox Gun Law)	1	0	15	11	16	4
Domestic Abuse Prevention Act	8	3	8	6	16	4
Attempt to Commit Crime	7	3	8	6	15	4
Leave Scene of Vehicular Accident	11	4	1	1	12	3
Intimidation of a Witness/Juror	1	0	9	6	10	3
Resisting Arrest	5	2	3	2	8	2
Trespassing	7	3	0	0	7	2
Escape	2	1	3	2	5	1
Deriving Support from Prostitution	1	0	1	1	2	1
Obstruction of Justice	2	1	0	0	2	1
Cruelty to Animals	1	0	0	0	1	0
Delivering/Receiving Articles to Inmates	1	0	0	0	1	0
Miscellaneous Other Offense	1	0	0	0	1	0
Perjury/Contempt of Court	1	0	0	0	1	0
Sale/Poss of Alcohol to Minor <21 yrs.	1	0	0	0	1	0
Habitual Criminal	0	0	0	0	0	0
Violation of Labor Laws	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	255	100	141	100	396	100

***Carries a mandatory sentence of 1 year.**

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

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Table 18

MA DOC Releases in 2002: Minimum Sentence by Gender

	Female	(%)	Male	(%)	Total	(%)
Less Than 1 Year	0	0	0	0	0	0
1 to Less Than 2 Years	15	2	110	5	125	4
2 to Less Than 3 Years	21	2	319	14	340	10
3 to Less Than 4 Years	29	3	473	21	502	15
4 to Less Than 5 Years	4	0	252	11	256	8
5 to Less Than 6 Years	7	1	293	13	300	9
6 to Less Than 7 Years	2	0	81	4	83	3
7 to Less Than 8 Years	1	0	58	3	59	2
8 to Less Than 9 Years	1	0	37	2	38	1
9 to Less Than 10 Years	2	0	55	2	57	2
10 to Less Than 11 Years	1	0	61	3	62	2
11 to Less Than 12 Years	0	0	3	0	3	0
12 to Less Than 13 Years	0	0	57	2	57	2
13 to Less Than 14 Years	0	0	3	0	3	0
14 to Less Than 15 Years	0	0	4	0	4	0
15 to Less Than 16 Years	2	0	43	2	45	1
16 to Less Than 17 Years	0	0	4	0	4	0
17 to Less Than 18 Years	0	0	3	0	3	0
18 to Less Than 19 Years	1	0	32	1	33	1
19 to Less Than 20 Years	0	0	3	0	3	0
20 Years or More	0	0	13	1	13	0
2nd Degree Life*	0	0	41	2	41	1
No Minimum	849	91	359	16	1,208	37
Total	935	100	2,304	100	3,239	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.

Table 19

MA DOC Releases in 2002: Maximum Sentence by Gender

	Female (%)		Male (%)		Total (%)	
Less Than 1 Year	623	67	45	2	668	21
1 to Less Than 2 Years	147	16	130	6	277	9
2 to Less Than 3 Years	98	10	293	13	391	12
3 to Less Than 4 Years	24	3	357	15	381	12
4 to Less Than 5 Years	7	1	175	8	182	6
5 to Less Than 6 Years	16	2	388	17	404	12
6 to Less Than 7 Years	3	0	122	5	125	4
7 to Less Than 8 Years	3	0	147	6	150	5
8 to Less Than 9 Years	1	0	58	3	59	2
9 to Less Than 10 Years	0	0	19	1	19	1
10 to Less Than 11 Years	7	1	165	7	172	5
11 to Less Than 12 Years	0	0	5	0	5	0
12 to Less Than 13 Years	3	0	49	2	52	2
13 to Less Than 14 Years	0	0	3	0	3	0
14 to Less Than 15 Years	0	0	3	0	3	0
15 to Less Than 16 Years	0	0	104	5	104	3
16 to Less Than 17 Years	0	0	2	0	2	0
17 to Less Than 18 Years	0	0	3	0	3	0
18 to Less Than 19 Years	0	0	9	0	9	0
19 to Less Than 20 Years	0	0	1	0	1	0
20 Years or More	3	0	183	8	186	6
Second Degree Life*	0	0	43	2	43	1
Total	935	100	2,304	100	3,239	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.

Table 20

MA DOC Releases in 2002: Type of Sentence by Gender

	Female	(%)	Male	(%)	Total	(%)
State Prison	86	9	1,946	84	2,032	63
County	846	90	239	10	1,085	33
Reformatory	3	0	115	5	118	4
Other State, Federal	0	0	4	0	4	0
Total	935	100	2,304	100	3,239	100

Table 21

MA DOC Releases in 2002: Court From Which Committed by Gender

Name	Female	(%)	Male	(%)	Total	(%)
Suffolk Superior	27	3	461	20	488	15
Middlesex Superior	25	3	316	14	341	11
Hampden Superior	17	2	287	12	304	9
Worcester Superior	14	1	288	13	302	9
Essex Superior	16	2	198	9	214	7
Bristol Superior	7	1	170	7	177	5
Plymouth Superior	5	1	109	5	114	4
Norfolk Superior	9	1	88	4	97	3
Berkshire Superior	4	0	60	3	64	2
Barnstable Superior	2	0	44	2	46	1
Hampshire Superior	1	0	33	1	34	1
Franklin Superior	1	0	27	1	28	1
Dukes Superior	0	0	2	0	2	0
Nantucket Superior	0	0	1	0	1	0
District Courts	807	86	211	9	1,018	31
Probate & Family Courts	0	0	0	0	0	0
Juvenile Courts	0	0	6	0	6	0
Other Jurisdiction	0	0	3	0	3	0
Total	935	100	2,304	100	3,239	100

Table 22

MA DOC Releases in 2002: Jail Credit Days by Gender

	Female (%)		Male (%)		Total (%)	
None	350	37	448	19	798	25
1 to 10 Days	102	11	138	6	240	7
11 to 50 Days	314	34	286	12	600	19
51 to 100 Days	96	10	221	10	317	10
101 to 150 Days	29	3	218	9	247	8
151 to 200 Days	15	2	211	9	226	7
201 to 250 Days	12	1	204	9	216	7
251 to 300 Days	3	0	156	7	159	5
301 or More	14	1	422	18	436	13
Total	935	100	2,304	100	3,239	100

Table 23

MA DOC Releases in 2002: Type of Release by Gender

	Female (%)		Male (%)		Total (%)	
GCD/Release to Street	519	56	1,240	54	1,759	54
Parole to Street	226	24	645	28	871	27
GCD/Release to Warrant	141	15	58	3	199	6
GCD/Release to Immigration	11	1	79	3	90	3
GCD/Release to F&A at DOC	18	2	58	3	76	2
GCD/Release to Civil Commit	0	0	51	2	51	2
Parole to Immigration	2	0	58	3	60	2
GCD/Release to F&A at HOC	14	1	82	4	96	3
GCD/Release to Other State	0	0	3	0	3	0
Parole to Warrant	3	0	8	0	11	0
GCD/Release to Federal Authority	0	0	11	0	11	0
Parole to Federal Authority	0	0	8	0	8	0
Parole to Out of State	1	0	3	0	4	0
Parole to Civil Commit	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	935	100	2,304	100	3,239	100

Subtotals – Releases to the Street:

Females: 745 (80%)

Males: 1,885 (82%)

Total Releases to the Street: 2,630 (81%)

Table 24

MA DOC Releases in 2002: Time Served With Jail Credits by Gender and Sentence Type

COUNTY SENTENCES		Female	(%)	Male	(%)	Total	(%)
	Less Than 6 Months	668	79	107	45	775	71
6 Months to Less Than 1 Year	98	12	83	35	181	17	
1 to Less Than 2 Years	33	4	45	19	78	7	
2 to Less Than 3 Years	2	0	4	2	6	1	
3 to Less Than 5 Years	1	0	0	0	1	0	
5 to Less Than 10 Years	0	0	0	0	0	0	
10 to Less Than 15 Years	0	0	0	0	0	0	
15 or More Years	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Subtotal	802	95	239	100	1,041	96	
Complex Sentence	44	5	0	0	44	4	
Total	846	100	239	100	1,085	100	

STATE SENTENCES*		Female	(%)	Male	(%)	Total	(%)
	Less Than 6 Months	0	0	4	0	4	0
6 Months to Less Than 1 Year	7	8	28	1	35	2	
1 to Less Than 2 Years	15	17	158	8	173	8	
2 to Less Than 3 Years	18	20	359	17	377	18	
3 to Less Than 5 Years	23	26	512	25	535	25	
5 to Less Than 10 Years	10	11	399	19	409	19	
10 to Less Than 15 Years	1	1	117	6	118	5	
15 or More Years	0	0	57	3	57	3	
Subtotal	74	83	1,634	79	1,708	79	
Complex Sentence	15	17	431	21	446	21	
Total	89	100	2,065	100	2,154	100	

*INCLUDES 122 INMATES SERVING REFORMATORY AND OUT-OF-STATE/FEDERAL TYPE SENTENCES

Table 25

MA DOC Releases in 2002: Mean Time Served in Months for State Sentences*, Until First Release, With Jail Credits, by Present Offense and Gender

Offense	Females		Males	
	Mean (Months)	N	Mean (Months)	N
Person	40.4	26	73.6	647
Sex	65.6	4	84.1	207
Property	25.1	8	51.6	183
Drug	36.0	34	45.8	527
Other	67.0	2	47.1	70
ALL OFFENSES	38.8	74	62.4	1634

*THIS TABLE EXCLUDES INMATES SERVING COUNTY, FEDERAL, OR OUT-OF-STATE SENTENCES AS WELL AS PAROLE/PROBATION VIOLATORS AND THOSE WITH COMPLEX SENTENCES. IT INCLUDES 19 MALES SERVING REFORMATORY SENTENCES

Table 26

**MA DOC Releases in 2002: Releasing Institution and Security Level
by Gender**

		Female (%)		Male (%)		Total (%)	
Level 6	MCI-Cedar Junction	-	-	123	5	123	4
	Souza-Baranowski Correctional Center	-	-	136	6	136	4
	Subtotal	-	-	259	11	259	8
Level 5	*Old Colony Correctional Center	-	-	134	6	134	4
	Subtotal	-	-	134	6	134	4
Level 4	MCI-Concord	-	-	254	11	254	8
	MCI-Framingham	824	88	-	-	835	26
	MCI-Norfolk	-	-	225	10	225	7
	*North Central Correctional Institution	-	-	203	9	203	6
	*Southeastern Correctional Center (Medium)	-	-	98	4	98	3
	Bay State Correctional Center	-	-	33	1	33	1
	MCI-Shirley (Medium)	-	-	274	12	274	8
	Massachusetts Treatment Center	-	-	113	5	113	3
	Bridgewater State Hospital	-	-	11	0	11	0
	Lemuel Shattuck	0	0	3	0	3	0
Subtotal	824	88	1,214	53	2,038	63	
Level 3	MCI-Plymouth	-	-	52	2	52	2
	MCI-Shirley (Minimum)	-	-	36	2	36	1
	*Pondville Correctional Center	-	-	81	4	81	3
	*Mass Boot Camp	-	-	68	3	68	2
	*MASAC/Longwood TC	-	-	43	2	43	1
	Subtotal	0	0	280	12	280	9
Level 3/2	Boston Pre-Release	-	-	107	5	107	3
	*MCI-Lancaster	27	3	27	1	54	2
	Northeastern Correctional Center	-	-	91	4	91	3
	*South Middlesex Correctional Center	70	7	66	-	136	4
	*Hodder Cottage	0	0	-	-	0	0
	Subtotal	97	10	291	13	388	12
Level 1	Houston House	5	1	-	-	5	0
	Subtotal	5	1	-	-	5	0
Maximum/Medium Security Subtotal (levels 4, 5, 6)		824	88	1,607	70	2,431	75
Minimum/Pre-Release Subtotal (levels 3, 3/2, 1)		102	11	571	25	673	21
County/Out-of-State/Federal Facilities		9	1	126	5	135	4
Total		935	100	2,304	100	3,239	100

*** Notes:**

Effective May 20, 2002 **Northeastern Correctional Center** and **Pondville Correctional Center** changed from Security Level 3 to Security Level 3/2 facilities

South Middlesex Correctional Center changed from a male facility to a female facility on June 10, 2002

Old Colony Correctional Center added a Level 3 housing unit on June 22, 2002.

Effective June 30, 2002 the following institutions were closed: **Southeastern Correctional Center (Med)**, **Hodder Cottage @ Framingham**, **MCI-Lancaster**, **Massachusetts Boot Camp**, and the **Addiction Center @ SECC**. Inmates were released from these facilities up until this date

As of July 1, 2002 the Mass Boot Camp is known as the **Massachusetts Alcohol and Substance Abuse Center (MASAC)** which houses the **Longwood Treatment Center Program** which relocated on Sept 15, 2000.

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

Trends in the
MA DOC Release Population
1997-2002

Table 27

MA DOC Releases by Gender 1997 to 2002								
							% Chng	
		1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	'01 vs '02
Male	N	2,879	2,664	2,768	2,498	2,497	2,304	-8%
	%	74%	74%	74%	72%	74%	71%	
Female	N	990	929	958	989	864	935	8%
	%	26%	26%	26%	28%	26%	29%	
Total		3,869	3,593	3,726	3,487	3,361	3,239	-4%

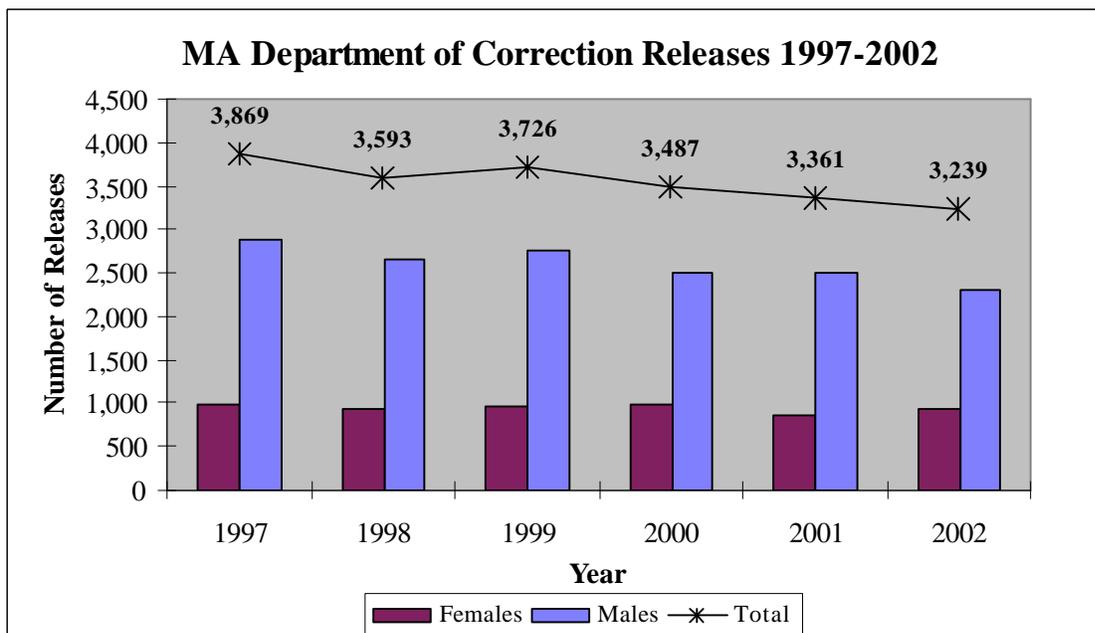


Table 28

MA DOC Releases: Age at Release by Gender 1997 to 2002

Males		1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	% Chng '01 vs '02
19 Yrs and Younger	N	35	33	31	28	31	17	-45%
	%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	
20 to 29 Yrs	N	1,090	954	954	855	802	720	-10%
	%	38%	36%	34%	34%	32%	31%	
30 to 39 Yrs	N	1,169	1,044	1,127	949	990	900	-9%
	%	41%	39%	41%	38%	40%	39%	
40 to 49	N	438	463	484	511	519	500	-4%
	%	15%	17%	17%	20%	21%	22%	
50 to 59	N	120	134	149	126	117	123	5%
	%	4%	5%	5%	5%	5%	5%	
60 to 69	N	22	31	15	23	27	39	44%
	%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	2%	
70 and older	N	5	5	8	6	11	5	-55%
	%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	
Total		2,879	2,664	2,768	2,498	2,497	2,304	-8%

Females		1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	% Chng '01 vs '02
19 Yrs and Younger	N	16	17	35	39	27	25	-7%
	%	2%	2%	4%	4%	3%	3%	
20 to 29 Yrs	N	304	254	261	299	265	279	5%
	%	31%	27%	27%	30%	31%	30%	
30 to 39 Yrs	N	477	446	473	447	360	386	7%
	%	48%	48%	49%	45%	42%	41%	
40 to 49 Yrs	N	168	186	161	176	190	219	15%
	%	17%	20%	17%	18%	22%	23%	
50 to 59	N	25	24	27	24	19	24	26%
	%	3%	3%	3%	2%	2%	3%	
60 to 69	N	0	2	1	3	3	2	-33%
	%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	
70 and older	N	0	0	0	1	0	0	0%
	%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	
Total		990	929	958	989	864	935	8%

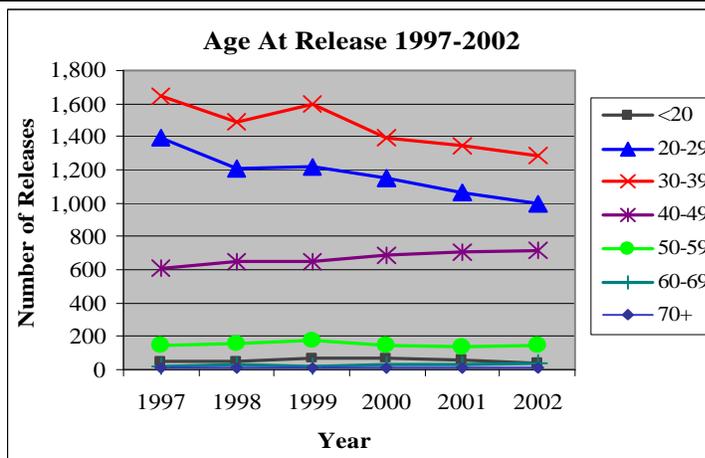
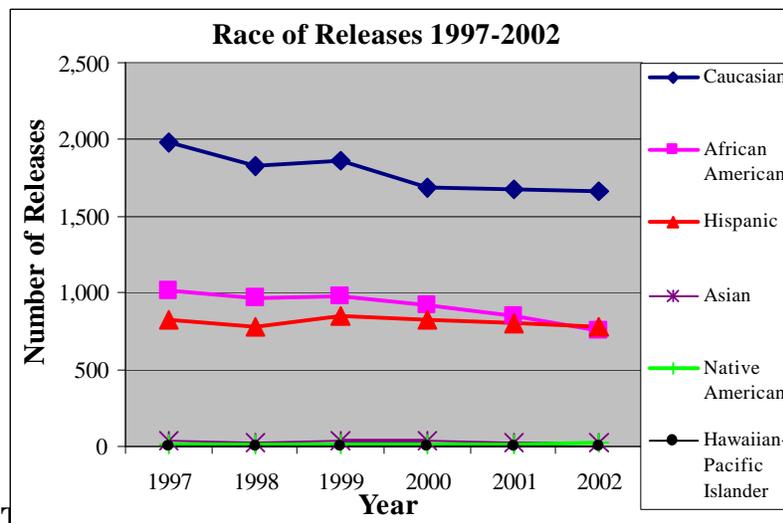


Table 29

MA DOC Releases: Race by Gender (Self-Reported), 1997 to 2002

Males		1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	% Chng '01 vs '02
Caucasian	N	1,336	1,191	1,242	1,023	1,097	978	-11%
	%	46%	45%	45%	41%	44%	42%	
African American	N	852	808	798	770	709	616	-13%
	%	30%	30%	29%	31%	28%	27%	
Hispanic	N	658	639	695	661	659	666	1%
	%	23%	24%	25%	26%	26%	29%	
Asian	N	27	20	29	34	23	27	17%
	%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	
Native American	N	6	6	4	9	9	16	78%
	%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%	
Hawaiian-Pacific Isl.	N	N/A	N/A	N/A	1	0	1	N/A
	%	N/A	N/A	N/A	0%	0%	0%	
Total		2,879	2,664	2,768	2,498	2,497	2,304	-8%

Females		1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	% Chng '01 vs '02
Caucasian	N	646	631	624	661	580	679	17%
	%	65%	68%	65%	67%	67%	73%	
African American	N	165	154	179	154	140	144	3%
	%	17%	17%	19%	16%	16%	15%	
Hispanic	N	171	140	149	167	144	108	-25%
	%	17%	15%	16%	17%	17%	12%	
Asian	N	6	4	3	1	0	1	N/A
	%	1%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	
Native American	N	2	0	3	6	0	2	N/A
	%	0%	0%	0%	1%	0%	0%	
Hawaiian-Pacific Isl.	N	N/A	N/A	N/A	0	0	1	N/A
	%	N/A	N/A	N/A	0%	0%	0%	
Total		990	929	958	989	864	935	8%



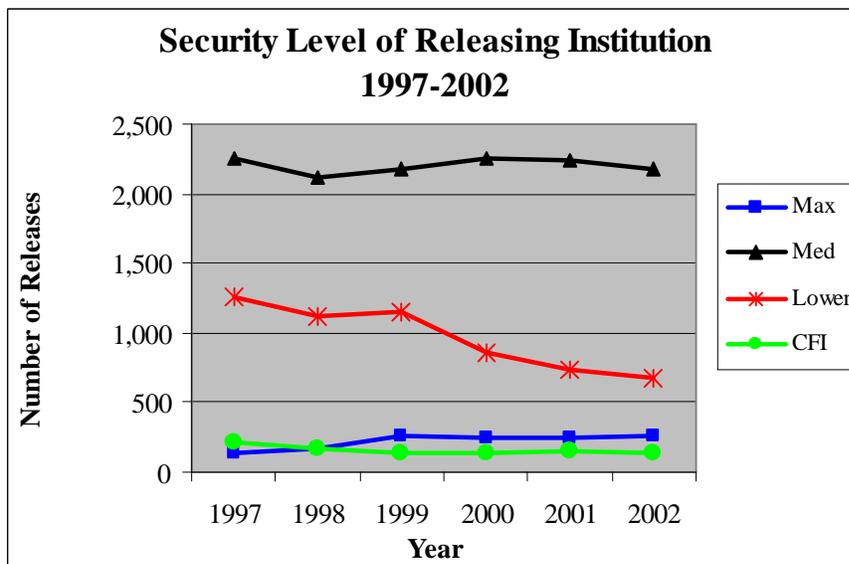
*Please Note: This is the second year the expanded Race definition is being used in the DOC Release Report and Hispanic ethnicity is represented in a separate table. For purposes of the trend section of this report, Race has been converted into the categories used in prior years in order to show continuing trends in the population.

**MA DOC Releases: Security Level of Releasing Institution by Gender
1997 to 2002**

		1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	% Change '01 vs '02
Males								
Maximum	N	142	176	261	246	241	259	7%
	%	5%	7%	9%	10%	10%	11%	
Medium	N	1,441	1,370	1,385	1,416	1,452	1,348	-7%
	%	50%	51%	50%	57%	58%	59%	
Lower	N	1,090	954	1,000	719	662	571	-14%
	%	38%	36%	36%	29%	27%	25%	
*CFI	N	206	164	122	117	142	126	-11%
	%	7%	6%	4%	5%	6%	5%	
Total		2,879	2,664	2,768	2,498	2,497	2,304	-8%

		1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	% Change '01 vs '02
Females								
Maximum	N	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Medium	N	816	753	800	835	786	824	5%
	%	82%	81%	84%	84%	91%	88%	
Lower	N	161	168	143	140	71	102	44%
	%	16%	18%	15%	14%	8%	11%	
*CFI	N	13	8	15	14	7	9	29%
	%	1%	1%	2%	1%	1%	1%	
Total		990	929	958	989	864	935	8%

*Inmates under the jurisdiction of the MA DOC released from county, federal, or out-of-state facilities.



*Please Note: As with all the tables in this report, these numbers reflect ALL types of releases (i.e. releases to other jurisdictions, civil commitments, warrants, etc.) not strictly releases to the street.

Table 31

MA DOC Releases: Type of Release by Gender 1997 to 2002

Males		1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	% Chng '01 vs '02
GCD to Street	N	1,531	1,390	1,454	1,313	1,340	1,240	-7%
	%	53%	52%	53%	53%	54%	54%	
Parole to Street	N	841	809	809	693	655	645	-2%
	%	29%	30%	29%	28%	26%	28%	
GCD to Other	N	400	357	417	418	420	342	-19%
	%	14%	13%	15%	17%	17%	15%	
Parole to Other	N	107	108	88	75	82	77	-6%
	%	4%	4%	3%	3%	3%	3%	
Total		2,879	2,664	2,768	2,499	2,497	2,304	-8%

Females		1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	% Chng '01 vs '02
GCD to Street	N	504	519	541	557	476	519	9%
	%	51%	56%	56%	56%	55%	56%	
Parole to Street	N	255	223	212	243	221	226	2%
	%	26%	24%	22%	25%	26%	24%	
GCD to Other	N	225	178	200	177	163	184	13%
	%	23%	19%	21%	18%	19%	20%	
Parole to Other	N	6	9	5	11	4	6	50%
	%	1%	1%	1%	1%	0%	1%	
Total		990	929	958	988	864	935	8%

*GCD also includes inmates released via Expiration of Sentence

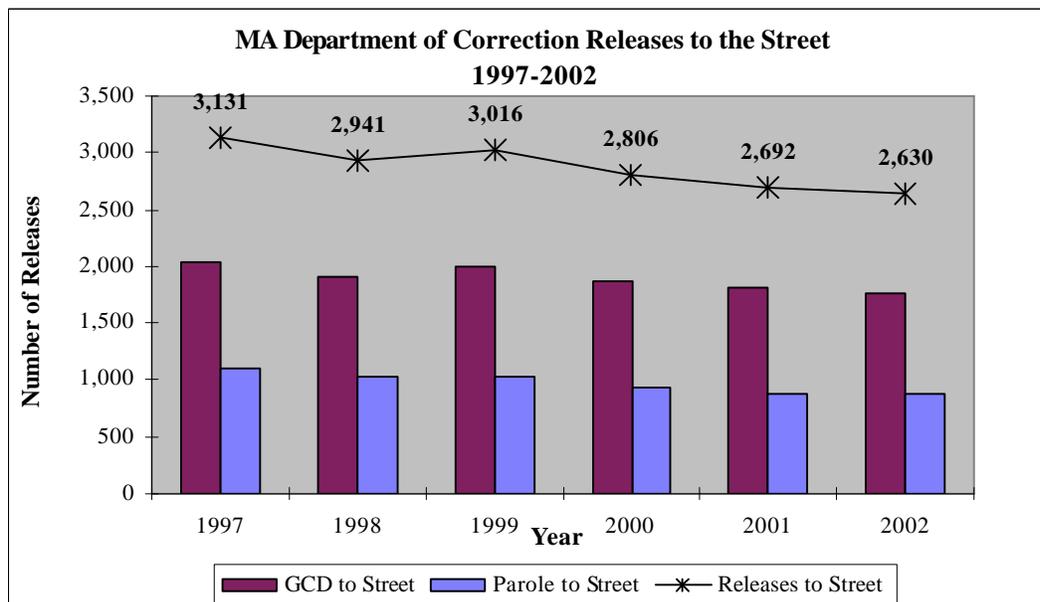
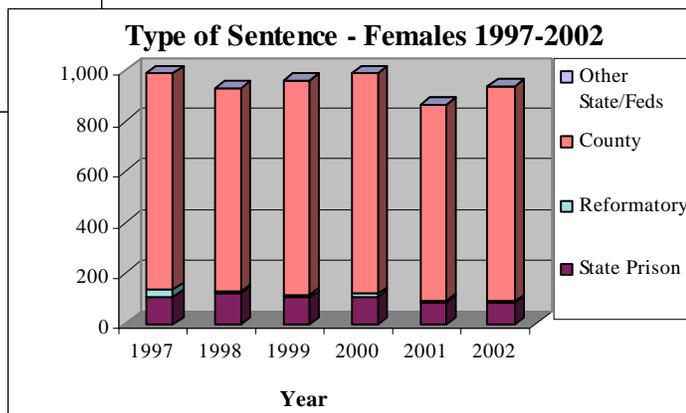
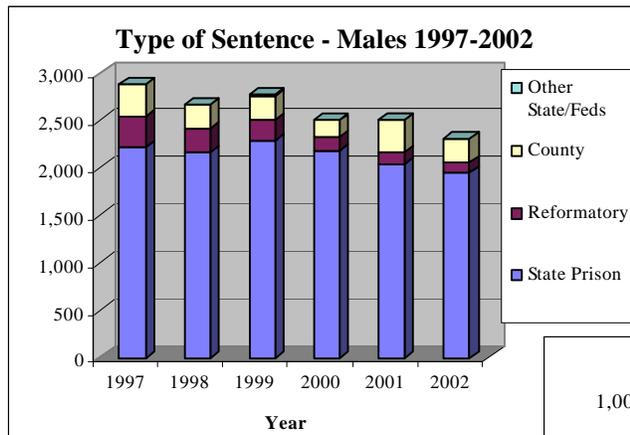


Table 32

MA DOC Releases: Type of Sentence by Gender 1997 to 2002

Males		1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	% Chng '01 vs '02
State Prison	N	2,225	2,159	2,286	2,175	2,038	1,946	-5%
	%	77%	81%	83%	87%	82%	84%	
Reformatory	N	324	264	223	155	132	115	-13%
	%	11%	10%	8%	6%	5%	5%	
County	N	328	236	255	166	327	239	-27%
	%	11%	9%	9%	7%	13%	10%	
Other State/Feds	N	2	5	4	2	0	4	N/A
	%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	
Total		2,879	2,664	2,768	2,498	2,497	2,304	-8%

Females		1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	% Chng '01 vs '02
State Prison	N	110	119	103	107	87	86	-1%
	%	11%	13%	11%	11%	10%	9%	
Reformatory	N	28	10	13	11	8	3	-63%
	%	3%	1%	1%	1%	1%	0%	
County	N	852	799	842	871	769	846	10%
	%	86%	86%	88%	88%	89%	90%	
Other State/Feds	N	0	1	0	0	0	0	N/A
	%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	
Total		990	929	958	989	864	935	8%



Glossary

Age At Incarceration	Age at incarceration for current sentence. Jail credits are not considered when calculating age at incarceration.
Committing Institution	For males, designates type of sentence received (i.e. state prison or reformatory) not the actual institution to which committed.
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 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 with the District Court category, as well as other former Municipal courts; District courts are lower courts of all counties.
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.
Culture	The Other category includes the following cultures (each separately represent less than 1% of the population): Afghan, Algerian, Native American, Angolan, Armenian, Barbadian, Bahamian, Belizean, Brazilian, Columbian, Cuban, Canadian, Cambodian, Chinese, Czech, Dutch, El Salvadorian, French Canadian, Finnish, German, Greek, Guatemalan, Honduran, Haitian, Indian, Iranian, Israeli, Jamaican, Kirghiz, Lithuanian, Laotian, Multi-Cultural, Mexican, Nigerian, Norwegian, Filipino, Pakistani, Polish, Peruvian, Russian, Rumanian, Swedish, Scottish, Thai, Vietnamese, Welsh, West Indian, and 3 inmates reported an unlisted culture.
DOC	Massachusetts Department of Correction.
Expiration	Expiration of Sentence.
F&A	From and After sentence.
GCD	Good Conduct Discharge.
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.
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.
Not Available/NA	Information that is unavailable for previous years due to changes to definitions/reporting are noted as “Not Available”. Also, missing information is considered “Not Available”.
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	During 2000, the Department of Correction implemented an expanded definition of race in order to comply with the new U.S. Office of Management and Budget Statistical Policy Directive No 15. This directive established five official race categories for use in official statistics. They are White, Black, American Indian or Alaska Native, Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander, and Asian. Additionally, all statistics must have a Hispanic ethnic indicator. Statistics regarding Hispanic ethnic status are reported separately.
Religion	The Other category includes the following religions (each separately represent less than 1% of the population): Buddhist, Congregationalist, Hindu, Islam, Jewish, Native American, Protestant, Quaker, Rastafarian, Wiccan, and 8 inmates reported an unlisted religion. 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.
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 <u>imposed</u> 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 shall not fix the term of imprisonment, but shall fix 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 can be sentenced to a Reformatory sentence (an indefinite term) indicated by a maximum term.

For MCI- Concord, a male not previously sentenced for 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 misdemeanor 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 misdemeanor 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. Abbreviated offense labels 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 Distribution or Possession w/Intent to Distribute

Class A: Manufacturing, Distribution, Dispensing or Possession with Intent to Manufacture, Distribute or Dispense (no mandatory minimum term).

Class A Distribution or Poss w/Int to Dist, Subsequent

Class A: Subsequent Offense, Manufacturing, Distribution, Dispensing or Possession with Intent to Manufacture, Distribute or Dispense (mandatory minimum term specified).

Class A Distribution or Poss w/Int to Dist to Minor

Class A: Manufacturing, Distribution, Dispensing or Possession with Intent to Manufacture, Distribute, Dispense to a Minor (mandatory minimum term specified).

Class B Distribution or Possession w/Intent to Distribute

Class B: Manufacturing, Distribution, Dispensing or Possession with Intent to Manufacture, Distribute, Dispense (no mandatory minimum term).

Class B - Distribution or Poss w/Int to Dist, Subsequent

Class B: Subsequent Offense, Manufacturing, Distribution, Dispensing or Possession with Intent to Manufacture, Distribute or Dispense (mandatory minimum term specified).

Class B Distribution or Poss w/Int to Dist to Minor

Class B: Manufacturing, Distribution, Dispensing or Possession with Intent to Manufacture, Distribute, Dispense to a Minor (mandatory minimum term specified).

Class C Distribution or Possession w/Int to Distribute

Class C: Manufacturing, Distribution, Dispensing or Possession with Intent to Manufacture, Distribute, Dispense (no mandatory minimum term).

Class C Distribution or Poss w/Int to Dist, Subsequent

Class C: Subsequent Offense, Manufacturing, Distribution, Dispensing or Possession with Intent to Manufacture, Distribute or Dispense (mandatory minimum term specified).

Class C Distribution or Poss w/Int to Dist to Minor

Class C: Manufacturing, Distribution, Dispensing or Possession with Intent to Manufacture, Distribute, Dispense to a Minor (mandatory minimum term specified).

Class D Distribution or Possession w/Intent to Distribute

Class D: Manufacturing, Distribution, Dispensing or Possession with Intent to Manufacture, Distribute or Dispense (no mandatory minimum term).

Class D Distribution or Poss w/Int to Dist, 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: Heroin and morphine; Cocaine; opium, amphetamines, barbiturates, and PCP; Hallucinogens (LSD, hashish); Marijuana; Prescription drugs; Type of drug is not indicated by the sentence.
Class A Class B Class C Class D Class E No Class Specified	
Possession of Hypodermic Syringe/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 Distribution or Poss w/Int to Dist	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 Distribution or Poss w/Int to Dist, 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	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).
<u>Person Offense</u>	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, civilrights 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 alteration 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.
<u>Sex Offense</u>	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.