



Massachusetts  
Department of Correction

# **Quarterly Report on the Status of Prison Overcrowding, First Quarter of 1994**

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Section 21 of the Acts of 1985

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# 1994 First Quarter Report

Section twenty-one of Chapter 799 of the Acts of 1985 directs the Commissioner of Correction to report quarterly on the status of overcrowding in state and county correctional facilities. This statute calls for the following information:

*Such report shall include, by facility, the average daily census for the period of the report and the actual census on the first and last days of the report period. Said report shall also contain such information for the previous twelve months and a comparison to the rated capacity of each such facility.*

This report presents the required statistics for the first quarter of 1994.

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*This report was prepared by Ramon V. Raagas of the Research Division and is based on daily count sheets prepared by the Classification Division. Table 5 is based on Admission and Release rosters submitted by the institutions.*

**Table 1 provides the DOC figures for the first quarter of 1994.** As this table indicates, the DOC population (excluding Bridgewater SH, SDPTC, AC, TC, Longwood TC and Mass. Boot Camp) increased by 26 inmates during the first quarter. At the end of the quarter, the DOC operated with 9,683 inmates in the system, and the average daily population was 9,643 with a design capacity of 6,528. Thus, the DOC operated at 148 percent of design capacity.

**Population in Department of Correction Facilities  
January 3, 1994 to March 31, 1994**

Facility	Average Daily Population	Beginning Population	Ending Population	Design Capacity	%ADP Capacity
Cedar Junction	829	833	832	693	120%
Concord	1269	1288	1254	514	247%
Framingham-ATU	81	82	85	64	127%
Framingham	387	371	384	388	100%
Norfolk	1286	1280	1304	1019	125%
Bay State	265	266	265	266	100%
NCCI	1006	1008	1006	568	177%
OCCC	711	718	718	488	146%
SECC	724	730	721	356	203%
Shirley-Medium	1086	1084	1084	720	151%
<b>Sub-Total</b>	<b>7644</b>	<b>7660</b>	<b>7653</b>	<b>5076</b>	<b>151%</b>
NCC	260	249	262	150	173%
SECC-Minimum	202	200	208	200	101%
Lancaster-Male	204	200	209	94	217%
Lancaster-Female	78	79	81	59	132%
Plymouth	218	212	226	151	144%
Pondville	198	202	197	100	198%
Shirley-Lower	415	415	423	403	103%
SMCC	194	195	197	125	155%
Hodder	24	26	26	35	69%
Boston State	96	101	99	55	174%
Park Drive	88	92	81	50	176%
Charlotte	11	13	14	15	73%
Houston House	11	13	7	15	73%
<b>Sub-Total</b>	<b>1999</b>	<b>1997</b>	<b>2030</b>	<b>1452</b>	<b>138%</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>9643</b>	<b>9657</b>	<b>9683</b>	<b>6528</b>	<b>148%</b>
Bridgewater SH	298	295	308	337	88%
Bridgewater TC	215	217	216	216	100%
Bridgewater AC	168	171	204	430	39%
Longwood TC	148	142	161	109	136%
Mass. Boot Camp	135	162	144	256	52%
<b>Sub-Total</b>	<b>964</b>	<b>987</b>	<b>1033</b>	<b>1348</b>	<b>72%</b>
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	<b>10607</b>	<b>10644</b>	<b>10716</b>	<b>7876</b>	<b>135%</b>
Houses of Correction	831	871	820	n a	n a.
Federal Prisons	30	30	30	n.a	n a
Inter-State Contract	62	65	65	n.a	n a

Table 2 provides the DOC figures for the previous twelve months - i.e., for the period January 5, 1993 to December 30, 1993. These figures indicate that the DOC population increased by 164 or 2 percent over this twelve-month period, from 9,516 in January, 1993 to 9,680 in December, 1993.

**Population in Department of Correction Facilities  
January 5, 1993 to December 30, 1993**

Facility	Average Daily Population	Beginning Population	Ending Population	Design Capacity	%ADP Capacity
Cedar Junction	810	845	833	693	117%
Concord	1257	1278	1292	514	245%
Framingham-ATU	68	57	83	64	106%
Framingham	381	392	372	388	98%
Norfolk	1258	1244	1280	1019	123%
Bay State	264	265	266	266	99%
NCCI	1026	1033	1008	568	181%
OCCC	713	727	718	488	146%
SECC	682	580	732	356	192%
Shirley-Med	1072	1052	1086	720	147%
<b>Sub-Total</b>	<b>7531</b>	<b>7473</b>	<b>7670</b>	<b>5076</b>	<b>148%</b>
NCC	261	251	252	150	174%
SECC-Minimum	194	194	200	200	97%
Lancaster-Male	205	207	199	94	218%
Lancaster-Female	79	75	81	59	134%
Plymouth	261	252	211	151	173%
Pondville	195	191	202	100	195%
Shirley-Lower	413	407	419	403	103%
SMCC	193	178	200	125	154%
Hodder	30	26	27	35	86%
Boston State	98	91	101	55	178%
Park Drive	84	70	92	50	168%
MHHI (Closed 8/93)	23	41	0	50	46%
WSATP (Closed 8/93)	1	2	0	4	25%
Drug Rehab (Closed 8/93)	0	0	0	1	0%
Hillside (Closed 8/93)	17	38	0	40	43%
Charlotte	11	13	13	15	73%
Houston House	8	7	13	15	53%
DRC (Closed 8/93)	0	0	0	1	0%
<b>Sub-Total</b>	<b>2073</b>	<b>2043</b>	<b>2010</b>	<b>1548</b>	<b>134%</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>9604</b>	<b>9516</b>	<b>9680</b>	<b>6624</b>	<b>145%</b>
Bridgewater SH	309	320	295	337	92%
Bridgewater TC	216	223	217	216	100%
Bridgewater AC	200	248	182	430	47%
Longwood TC	135	114	145	109	124%
Mass. Boot Camp	122	18	183	256	48%
<b>Sub-Total</b>	<b>982</b>	<b>923</b>	<b>1022</b>	<b>1348</b>	<b>73%</b>
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	<b>10586</b>	<b>10439</b>	<b>10702</b>	<b>7972</b>	<b>133%</b>
Houses of Correction	878	929	871	n a	n a
Federal Prisons	31	32	30	n.a.	n a.
Interstate Contract	58	58	65	n a.	n a.

**Table 3 presents the county figures for the first quarter of 1994.** The county population increased by 488 inmates during this quarter, or five percent. At the end of the quarter, the county system operated with 9,794 inmates, and the average daily population was 9,534 in facilities with a total design capacity of 7,447. Thus, the county system operated at 128 percent of design capacity.

**Population in County Correctional Facilities,  
January 4, 1994 to March 30, 1994**

Facility	Average Daily Population	Beginning Population	Ending Population	Design Capacity	%ADP Capacity
Barnstable	199	201	185	110	181%
Berkshire	219	194	231	126	174%
Bristol	964	906	970	696	139%
Dukes	17	13	21	19	89%
Essex	1143	1120	1104	635	180%
Franklin	116	98	125	63	184%
Hampden	1315	1320	1325	1178	112%
Hampden-OUI	116	121	127	125	93%
Hampshire	251	242	265	263	95%
Middlesex	1105	1051	1140	792	140%
Norfolk	498	504	491	379	131%
Plymouth	519	490	552	307	169%
Suffolk-Nashua Street	445	434	474	453	98%
Suffolk-South Bay	1286	1286	1392	1146	112%
Worcester	1058	1022	1087	790	134%
Longwood TC	148	142	161	109	136%
Mass. Boot Camp	135	162	144	256	53%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>9534</b>	<b>9306</b>	<b>9794</b>	<b>7447</b>	<b>128%</b>

**Table 4 presents the county figures for the previous twelve months.** These figures indicate that the county population increased by 944 inmates or 11 percent over this twelve-month period, from 8,298 in January, 1993 to 9,242 in December, 1993.

**Population in County Correctional Facilities,  
January 5, 1993 to December 30, 1993**

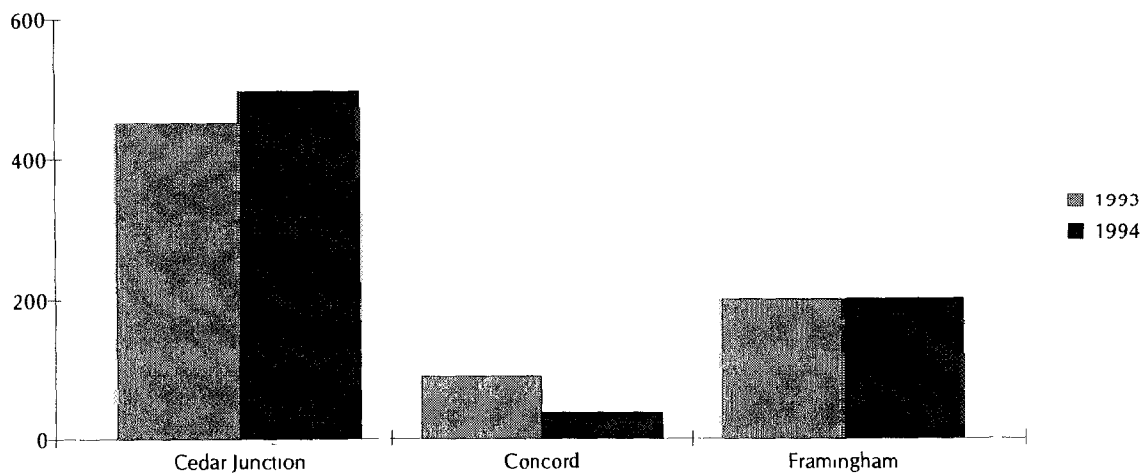
Facility	Average Daily Population	Beginning Population	Ending Population	Design Capacity	%ADP Capacity
Barnstable	178	154	196	110	162%
Berkshire	195	187	199	126	155%
Bristol	877	893	877	696	126%
Dukes	19	18	13	19	100%
Essex	1114	1076	1108	635	175%
Franklin	105	92	96	63	167%
Hampden	1255	1006	1331	1178	107%
Hampden-OUI	122	119	126	125	98%
Hampshire	263	265	240	263	100%
Middlesex	1048	983	1040	792	132%
Norfolk	497	430	492	379	131%
Plymouth	528	521	490	307	172%
Suffolk-Nashua Street	446	417	440	453	98%
Suffolk-South Bay	1246	1119	1287	1146	109%
Worcester	947	886	984	790	120%
Longwood TC	135	114	145	109	124%
Mass. Boot Camp	122	18	183	256	48%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>9097</b>	<b>8298</b>	<b>9242</b>	<b>7447</b>	<b>122%</b>

**Table 5 provides statistics on court commitments to the DOC in 1993 and 1994.** Overall, there has been a decrease of 5, or minus 1 percent, in commitments for the first quarter of 1994 in comparison with the number of commitments in 1993, from 742 to 737. Commitments to Cedar Junction for the first quarter of 1994 increased by 44, or 10 percent when compared to the same period of 1993. Commitments to Concord for the first quarter of 1994 decreased by 50, or minus 56 percent compared to the 1993 figure. Overall, male commitments for 1994 were down by 6, or minus 1 percent from 1993. Commitments to Framingham during 1994 increased by 1 compared to the number of commitments during the same period of 1992.

**Court Commitments to the DOC**

	<u>1993</u>	<u>1994</u>	<u>Difference</u>
<b>MCI - Cedar Junction</b>			
First Quarter	453	497	10%
<b>MCI - Concord</b>			
First Quarter	89	39	-56%
<b>Total Males</b>	<b>542</b>	<b>536</b>	<b>-1%</b>
<b>MCI - Framingham</b>			
First Quarter	200	201	1%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>742</b>	<b>737</b>	<b>-1%</b>

**Figure 1 provides a graphical representation** of the numbers of court commitments to the DOC committing institutions during the first quarter of 1993 and the first quarter of 1994.



## Technical Notes

- \* The official capacity or security level designation for each facility can change for a number of reasons, e.g. expansion of facility beds, decrease of facility beds due to fire, or changes in contracts with vendors. In all tables the capacity and security level reflects the status at the end of the reporting period. The design capacity is reported for correctional facilities in Tables 1, 2, 3, and 4. On August 10, 1993, the state terminated its contracts with Mass. Halfway House, Inc., Spectrum House, Faith House, Hillside, and Day Reporting Center. This resulted in the elimination of 96 beds.
- \* The population figures for Cedar Junction include DSU, DDU and open population.
- \* The population figures for Norfolk include both DSU and open population.
- \* The population figures for all facilities include both male and female inmates.
- \* State inmates housed in the Hampshire county contract program are included in the county population tables as are all other state inmates housed in county facilities.
- \* Norfolk includes Braintree, Dedham, and Norfolk Contract. Middlesex includes both Billerica and Cambridge. Berkshire includes the pre-release facility. Suffolk-South Bay includes the contract facility. Essex includes Middleton, and the Lawrence Alternative Center. Bristol includes Dartmouth, Eastern Mass. Alternative Center and Pre-release.
- \* Nashua Street inmates housed at other facilities are reported in the counts for the facilities in which they were in custody.
- \* The counts reported for MHFI include pre-release inmates and exclude parole inmates housed in those facilities.
- \* Longwood Treatment Center is a specialized DOC facility for individuals incarcerated for O.U.I. Because the inmates are county sentenced inmates, the inmate count and bed capacity are included in Tables 3 and 4.
- \* Pondville Correctional Center is a minimum/pre-release security facility formerly known as Norfolk Pre-Release Center.
- \* The Massachusetts Boot Camp opened on August 17, 1992, and is located at the Bridgewater Correctional complex in Bridgewater, Massachusetts. Prior to 1993, the Boot Camp had been listed as a DOC minimum security facility. Beginning with the first quarter of 1993, the Boot Camp is listed along with Bridgewater SH, AC, TC and Longwood TC in Tables 1 and 2. As with Longwood, most of the Boot Camp inmates are from the county houses of correction, so the Boot Camp is also listed with the county facilities in Tables 3 and 4.

\* Abbreviations and Definitions:

AC	- Addiction Center
ADP	- Average Daily Population
ATU	- Awaiting Trial Unit
BCC	- Boston Correctional Center
CRS	- Contract Residential Services. Includes Hodder House, Charlotte House and Houston House
DOC	- Department of Correction
DRC	- Day Reporting Center
Drug Rehab	- Includes Meridian House, Treatment Center and Spectrum House
LCAC	- Lawrence Correctional Alternative Center
n.a.	- Not Applicable
MHHI	- Massachusetts Halfway Houses Inc. includes Temporary Housing Project, McGrath and Brooke House
NCC	- Northeastern Correctional Center
NCCI	- North Central Correctional Institution at Gardner
OCCC	- Old Colony Correctional Center
OUI	- Operating Under the Influence
PRC	- Pre-Release Center
SECC	- Southeastern Correctional Center
SDPTC	- Sexually Dangerous Person Treatment Center
SMCC	- South Middlesex Correctional Center (formerly SMPRC)
SH	- State Hospital
TC	- Treatment Center
WSATP	- Women's Substance Abuse Treatment Program includes Faith House and Griffin House