

Quarterly Snapshot of the Prison Population *Massachusetts Department of Correction*

On any given day, nearly 6,800 inmates are housed in Department of Correction (DOC) facilities with even more inmates, who are under the jurisdiction of the DOC, located in non-DOC facilities elsewhere. The attached table provides detailed statistics on the DOC prison population by type of commitment (criminally sentenced, civil commitments and pre-trial detainees), original jurisdiction (county, state, federal or out-of-state) and institution. Below is a summary of the overall and various sub-populations based on **Dec. 31, 2020**:

- 6,848 = DOC Jurisdiction Population¹:** An individual is under the Massachusetts (MA) DOC jurisdiction when the Commonwealth has legal authority over the individual regardless of where the inmate is being held to include those incarcerated in MA DOC facilities as well as those in correctional facilities outside of the MA DOC (County Houses of Correction, other state's correctional facilities and the Federal Bureau of Prisons).
- 6,568 = DOC Custody Population²:** An individual incarcerated in a MA DOC facility.
- 6,033 = State Criminally Sentenced Population:** Includes all criminally sentenced state inmates located in DOC facilities.
- 14 = County Criminally Sentenced Population:** Includes only those criminally sentenced inmates to respective counties being housed at the MA DOC. The vast majority are female inmates whose county of jurisdiction do not house sentenced females.
- 79 = Out-of-State and Federal Criminally Sentenced Population:** The majority of these inmates housed at the MA DOC from federal and other states' prisons are part of the Interstate Compact, whereby we have a fairly even exchange of DOC inmates in correctional facilities out-of-state.
- 74 = Pre-Trial Detainee Population:** Individuals in MA DOC custody detained prior to a trial and not yet convicted of a crime. Detainees are also held by the DOC from federal, out-of-state and parole's jurisdiction.
- 368 = Civil Commitments:** A civil commitment includes a male who has been committed by a court to Bridgewater State Hospital pursuant to G.L. c. 123, section 7 and 8, 15, 16 or 18; or to the Massachusetts Alcohol and Substance Abuse Center pursuant to G.L. c. 123, § 35; or to the Massachusetts Treatment Center pursuant to G.L. c. 123A; a female who, prior to April 24, 2016, was committed to MCI-Framingham pursuant to G.L. c. 123, § 35; or a female who has been committed to MCI-Framingham, a branch of the Massachusetts Treatment Center, pursuant to G.L. c. 123A.

This data is produced by the DOC Office of Strategic Planning & Research and available on the Department's website at: www.mass.gov/doc

¹ The data herein does not include Massachusetts inmates serving concurrent sentences in non-Massachusetts state or county facilities (MASSCC).

² As of July 7, 2015, a unit within Pondville Correctional Center had been allocated for inmates who have been granted parole and are in the Transitional Treatment Program. The unit was relocated to Boston Pre-Release as of December 7, 2016. They are considered parolees and are not part of our active count. On Dec. 31, 2020, no parolees were housed in this program.

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		6/30/2020			9/30/2020			12/31/2020			
Total MA DOC Custody Population		Female	Male	Total	Female	Male	Total	Female	Male	Total	
		N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	
MADOC Custody	Criminally Sentenced										
	Type of Sentence	State Criminally Sentenced	180	6,305	6,485	162	6,110	6,272	154	5,879	6,033
		County Criminally Sentenced	10	9	19	11	5	16	7	7	14
		Federal Criminally Sentenced	0	4	4	0	4	4	0	4	4
		Out of State Criminally Sentenced	3	72	75	3	74	77	2	73	75
		Sub-Total	193	6,390	6,583	176	6,193	6,369	163	5,963	6,126
	Pre-Trial										
	Jurisdiction of Origin	County	25	8	33	30	10	40	25	8	33
		Federal	4	23	27	4	24	28	6	31	37
		Out of State	0	5	5	0	6	6	0	4	4
		Sub-Total	29	36	65	34	40	74	31	43	74
	Civil Commitments										
	Institution	Framingham	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
		MASAC/MASAC@PLYMOUTH	0	62	62	0	94	94	0	21	21
		BSH	0	200	200	0	198	198	0	195	195
		MTC	0	140	140	0	151	151	0	149	149
		Other Facility	0	4	4	0	4	4	0	2	2
Sub-Total		0	406	406	0	447	447	1	367	368	
Total Custody Population		222	6,832	7,054	210	6,680	6,890	195	6,373	6,568	
CFI Facility Housing Inmate											
Criminally Sentenced											
Institution	¹ Plymouth County	0	39	39	0	24	24	0	17	17	
	Other County Facilities	7	71	78	9	60	69	5	47	52	
	Out of State	0	79	79	0	78	78	0	77	77	
	Federal	0	11	11	0	11	11	0	10	10	
	Department of Youth Services	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	
	Sub-Total	7	201	208	9	173	182	5	151	156	
Pre-Trial											
Institution	¹ Plymouth County	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
	Other County Facilities	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
	Sub-Total	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Civil Commitments											
Institution	² Plymouth County	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
	Other County Facilities	0	50	50	0	95	95	0	124	124	
	Sub-Total	0	50	50	0	95	95	0	124	124	
Total Non-Custody Inmates		7	251	258	9	268	277	5	275	280	
Total MA DOC Jurisdiction Population		229	7,083	7,312	219	6,948	7,167	200	6,648	6,848	

¹Per Memorandum of Agreement among the DOC, the Executive Office of Public Safety & Security, and the Plymouth County Sheriff, beds are set aside for DOC inmates at the Plymouth County Correctional Facility.

[*] MA DOC inmates housed in a county/federal/interstate facility.