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Department of Correction

Quarterly Report on the Status of Prison Overcrowding, Fourth Quarter of 1994

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1994 Fourth 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 the state and county 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 second 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 such facility.

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

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

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.
- In previous quarterly reports, the population figures for PPREP were included with the Park Drive population. The PPREP population is reported independently starting this quarter.
- 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.
- Longwood Treatment Center is a specialized DOC facility for individuals incarcerated for O.U.I. Because the inmates are primarily county sentenced inmates, the inmate count and bed capacity are also 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.
- 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 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.
- On June, 1993, Plymouth House of Correction added 833 beds making a total of 1,140 beds.

Abbreviations

AC	- Addiction Center	NCCI	- North Central Correctional Institution at Gardner
ADP	- Average Daily Population	OCCC	- Old Colony Correctional Center
ATU	- Awaiting Trial Unit	OUI	- Operating Under the Influence
CRS	- Contract Residential Services Includes Charlotte House, and Houston House	PPREP	- Pre-Parole Residential Environmental Phase Program
DDU	- Departmental Disciplinary Unit	PRC	- Pre-Release Center
DSU	- Departmental Segregation Unit	SECC	- Southeastern Correctional Center
DRC	- Day Reporting Center	SDPTC	- Sexually Dangerous Person Treatment Center
Drug Rehab	Includes Meridian House, Treatment Ctr and Spectrum House	SMCC	- South Middlesex Correctional Center (formerly SMPRC)
LCAC	- Lawrence Correctional Alternative Ctr	SH	- State Hospital
MIIII	- Massachusetts Halfway Houses Inc includes Temporary Housing Project, McGrath and Brooke House	TC	- Treatment Center
NECC	- Northeastern Correctional Center	WSATP	- Women's Substance Abuse Treatment Program Includes Faith House and Griffin House

Table 1 provides the DOC figures for the fourth quarter of 1994. As this table indicates, the DOC population (excluding Bridgewater SH, SDPTC, AC, Longwood TC, Mass. Boot Camp) decreased by 52 inmates during the fourth quarter. At the end of the quarter, the DOC operated with 9,627 inmates in the system, and the average daily population was 9,658 with a design capacity of 6,528. Thus, the DOC operated at 148 percent of design capacity.

**Population in Department of Correction Facilities,
October 3, 1994 to December 30, 1994**

Facility	Average Daily Population	Beginning Population	Ending Population	Design Capacity	% ADP Capacity
Cedar Junction	822	829	828	693	119%
Concord	1,315	1,286	1,297	514	256%
Framingham - ATU	89	79	86	64	139%
Framingham	451	475	440	388	116%
Norfolk	1,309	1,307	1,317	1,019	128%
Bay State	265	265	266	266	100%
NCCI	1,002	1,007	1,002	568	176%
OCCC	716	714	717	488	147%
SECC	719	713	720	356	202%
Shirley-Medium	1,093	1,097	1,077	720	152%
Sub-Total	7,781	7,772	7,750	5,076	153%
NCC	258	249	261	150	172%
SECC-Minimum	185	191	186	200	93%
Lancaster-Male	202	205	203	94	215%
Lancaster-Female	73	69	78	59	121%
Plymouth	194	201	192	151	128%
Pondville	196	182	201	100	196%
Shirley-Lower	401	423	407	403	100%
SMCC	168	175	152	125	134%
Hodder House	27	26	24	35	77%
Boston State	85	89	91	55	155%
Park Drive	39	44	41	50	78%
Charlotte	14	15	14	15	93%
Houston House	11	12	11	15	73%
PPREP	22	26	16	n.a	n.a
Sub-Total	1,877	1,907	1,877	1,452	129%
Total	9,658	9,679	9,627	6,528	148%
Bridgewater SH	307	311	300	337	91%
Bridgewater TC	212	212	213	216	98%
Bridgewater AC	181	192	182	430	42%
Longwood TC	146	158	130	125	117%
Mass Boot Camp	106	112	94	256	41%
Sub-Total	952	985	919	1,348	71%
Grand Total	10,610	10,664	10,546	7,876	135%
Houses of Correction	929	798	949	n.a	n.a
Federal Prisons	27	30	28	n.a	n.a
Inter-State Contract	65	65	69	n.a	n.a

Table 2 provides the DOC figures for the previous twelve months - i.e., for the period October 1, 1993 to September 30, 1994. These figures indicate that the DOC population increased by 18 over this twelve-month period (excluding Bridgewater SH, SDPTC, AC, Longwood TC, Mass. Boot Camp), from 9,633 in October, 1993 to 9,651 in September, 1994.

**Population in Department of Correction Facilities,
October 1, 1993 to September 30, 1994**

Facility	Average Daily Population	Beginning Population	Ending Population	Design Capacity	% ADP Capacity
Cedar Junction	829	792	826	693	120%
Concord	1,287	1,232	1,281	514	250%
Framingham - ATU	89	83	92	64	139%
Framingham	403	381	465	388	104%
Norfolk	1,293	1,268	1,305	1,019	127%
Bay State	265	265	265	266	100%
NCCI	1,009	1,035	1,008	568	178%
OCCC	715	719	715	488	147%
SECC	724	728	715	356	203%
Shirley-Medium	1,088	1,086	1,090	720	151%
Sub-Total	7,702	7,589	7,762	5,076	152%
NCC	257	263	242	150	171%
SECC-Minimum	194	179	192	200	97%
Lancaster-Male	203	209	206	94	216%
Lancaster-Female	75	80	71	59	127%
Plymouth	222	261	201	151	147%
Pondville	197	194	184	100	197%
Shirley-Lower	419	410	407	403	104%
SMCC	190	191	172	125	152%
Hodder House	27	35	26	35	77%
Boston State	94	100	90	55	171%
Park Drive	81	105	71	50	162%
Charlotte	12	10	15	15	80%
Houston House	9	7	12	15	60%
Sub-Total	1,980	2,044	1,889	1,452	136%
Total	9,682	9,633	9,651	6,528	148%
Bridgewater SH	309	297	311	337	92%
Bridgewater TC	213	215	218	212	100%
Bridgewater AC	184	214	192	430	43%
Longwood TC	146	158	130	125	117%
Mass Boot Camp	144	176	112	256	56%
Sub-Total	996	1,060	963	1,360	73%
Grand Total	10,678	10,693	10,614	7,888	135%
Houses of Correction	862	904	949	n.a	n.a
Federal Prisons	29	32	28	n.a	n.a
Inter-State Contract	63	58	69	n.a	n.a

Table 3 presents the county figures for the fourth quarter of 1994. The county population decreased by 42 inmates during this quarter. At the end of the quarter, the county system operated with 10,164 inmates, and the average daily population was 10,243 in facilities with a total design capacity of 8,266. Thus, the county system operated at 124 percent of design capacity.

**Population in County Correctional Facilities,
October 3, 1994 to December 30, 1994**

Facility	Average Daily Population	Beginning Population	Ending Population	Design Capacity	% ADP Capacity
Barnstable	256	237	252	110	233%
Berkshire	210	214	207	126	167%
Bristol	1,025	1,017	979	666	154%
Dukes	16	15	17	19	84%
Essex	1,105	1,099	1,078	635	174%
Franklin	128	128	111	63	203%
Hampden	1,406	1,361	1,413	1,178	119%
Hampden-OUI	126	128	127	125	101%
Hampshire	252	252	251	263	96%
Middlesex	1,157	1,156	1,113	792	146%
Norfolk	506	574	496	379	134%
Plymouth	980	939	1,069	1,140	86%
Suffolk-Nashua St	493	497	512	453	109%
Suffolk-So. Bay	1,337	1,338	1,353	1,146	117%
Worcester	994	981	962	790	126%
Longwood TC	146	158	130	125	117%
Mass. Boot Camp	106	112	94	256	41%
Total	10,243	10,206	10,164	8,266	124%

Table 4 presents the county figures for the previous twelve months. These figures indicate that the county population increased by 800 inmates or 8 percent over this twelve-month period, from 9,392 in October, 1993 to 10,192 in December, 1994.

**Population in County Correctional Facilities,
October 1, 1993 to September 30, 1994**

Facility	Average Daily Population	Beginning Population	Ending Population	Design Capacity	% ADP Capacity
Barnstable	200	184	246	110	182%
Berkshire	210	210	206	126	167%
Bristol	956	894	1,030	696	137%
Dukes	17	21	18	19	89%
Essex	1,142	1,112	1,107	635	180%
Franklin	112	100	123	63	178%
Hampden	1,342	1,302	1,367	1,178	114%
Hampden-OUI	118	123	133	125	94%
Hampshire	253	277	250	263	96%
Middlesex	1,109	1,033	1,175	792	140%
Norfolk	537	485	587	379	142%
Plymouth	610	499	902	1,140	54%
Suffolk-Nashua St	459	465	497	453	101%
Suffolk-So. Bay	1,317	1,339	1,325	1,146	115%
Worcester	1,018	1,014	984	790	129%
Longwood TC	146	158	130	125	117%
Mass. Boot Camp	144	176	112	256	56%
Total	9,690	9,392	10,192	7,463	130%

Table 5 provides statistics on court commitments to the DOC in 1993 and 1994. Overall, there has been an increase of 295, or 10 percent, in commitments for the fourth quarter of 1994 in comparison with the number of commitments in 1993, from 2,977 to 3,272. Commitments to Cedar Junction for the fourth quarter of 1994 decreased by 46, or minus 7 percent when compared to the 1994 figure. Overall, male commitments for 1994 decreased by 44, or minus 2 percent from 1993. Commitments to Framingham during 1994 increased by 339, or 43 percent compared to the number of commitments during the same period of 1993.

Court Commitments to the DOC			
	1993	1994	Difference
MCI Cedar Junction			
First Quarter	453	497	10%
Second Quarter	501	570	14%
Third Quarter	362	454	25%
Fourth Quarter	535	489	-7%
MCI-Concord			
First Quarter	89	39	-56%
Second Quarter	114	42	63%
Third Quarter	74	36	-51%
Fourth Quarter	64	21	-67%
Total Males	2,192	2,148	-2%
MCI-Framingham			
First Quarter	200	201	1%
Second Quarter	215	261	21%
Third Quarter	158	317	101%
Fourth Quarter	212	345	63%
Total Females	785	1,124	43%
Grand Total	2,977	3,272	10%

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

