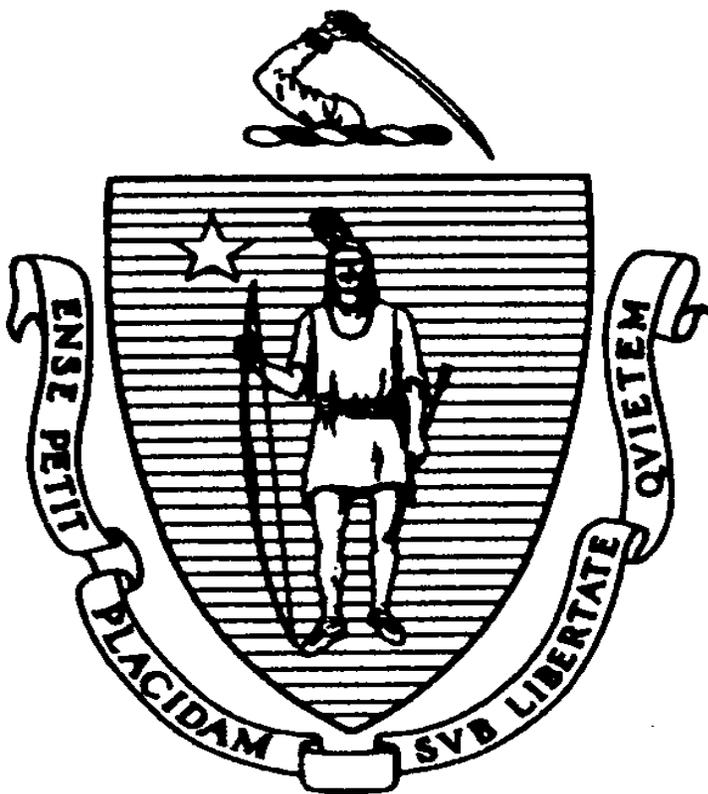


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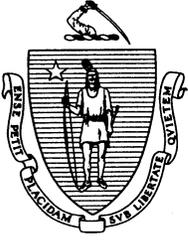
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## **Executive Summary**

The total number of criminally sentenced individuals released to the street in 1996 was 3,047. The breakdown by gender was 2,232 males (73%) and 815 females (27%). The largest racial/ethnic group represented was Caucasian (56%), followed by African American (26%) and Hispanics (18%). The average age of an inmate released to the street in 1996 was 33 years old, and ranged from 17 to 79 years of age. The average age at incarceration was 30 years.

### **Highlights**

- The total number of 1996 releases to the street represents the smallest number of total releases to the street since 1986.
- The total releases to the street in 1996 represents a 17 percent decrease from the previous year.
- In 1996, the number of inmates paroled represented 37 percent of all releases to the street, a decline from the 57 percent recorded in 1990. Also in 1996, 63 percent of those inmates released to the street were by expiration of sentence or good conduct discharge as compared with 43 percent in 1990.
- In 1996, 48 percent of the releases to the street were between the age of 25 and 34. Thirty-seven percent of the releases to the street were inmates 35 years old and older. Only 15 percent of the releases to the street were under 25 years old.
- The largest number of releases to the street (40%) were serving a sentence for a violent crime. Twenty four percent of the releases to the street were serving a sentence for drug offenses, 19 percent were for property offenses, and 17 percent for other offenses.
- Fifty-four percent of the males released to the street in 1996 were from lower security and contract institutions and 81 percent of the females were released to the street from medium security institutions.
- The average time served for an inmate released to the street in 1996 was 54 months for those serving a Cedar Junction sentence, 40 months for those serving a Concord sentence and 9 months for those serving a Framingham sentence.

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## **Introduction**

This report is a statistical description of releases to the street (herein referred to as ‘releases’) from facilities of the Massachusetts Department of Correction during 1996. The report 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.** Individuals transferred from other authorities who were subsequently released to the street from a DOC facility are also included in the report. Excluded from this report are individuals who were released to another correctional authority or to another sentence, offenders who were released by any means other than parole, discharge or expiration (such as releases by court order, death, or escape), and individuals transferred to other correctional authorities to serve their sentences who were subsequently released. Individuals who were released more than once during 1996 are counted as separate cases.

The tables which follow contain information on personal background characteristics, the nature of the current offense, and release characteristics for these individuals. Information is also reported on trends in the release population over the last five years, 1992 to 1996.

The data contained in these tables were derived from the inmate database maintained by the Department of Correction. Please note that much of the personal background data of the offenders are 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.

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Demographic Characteristics  
of the 1996 Release Population

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Figure 1

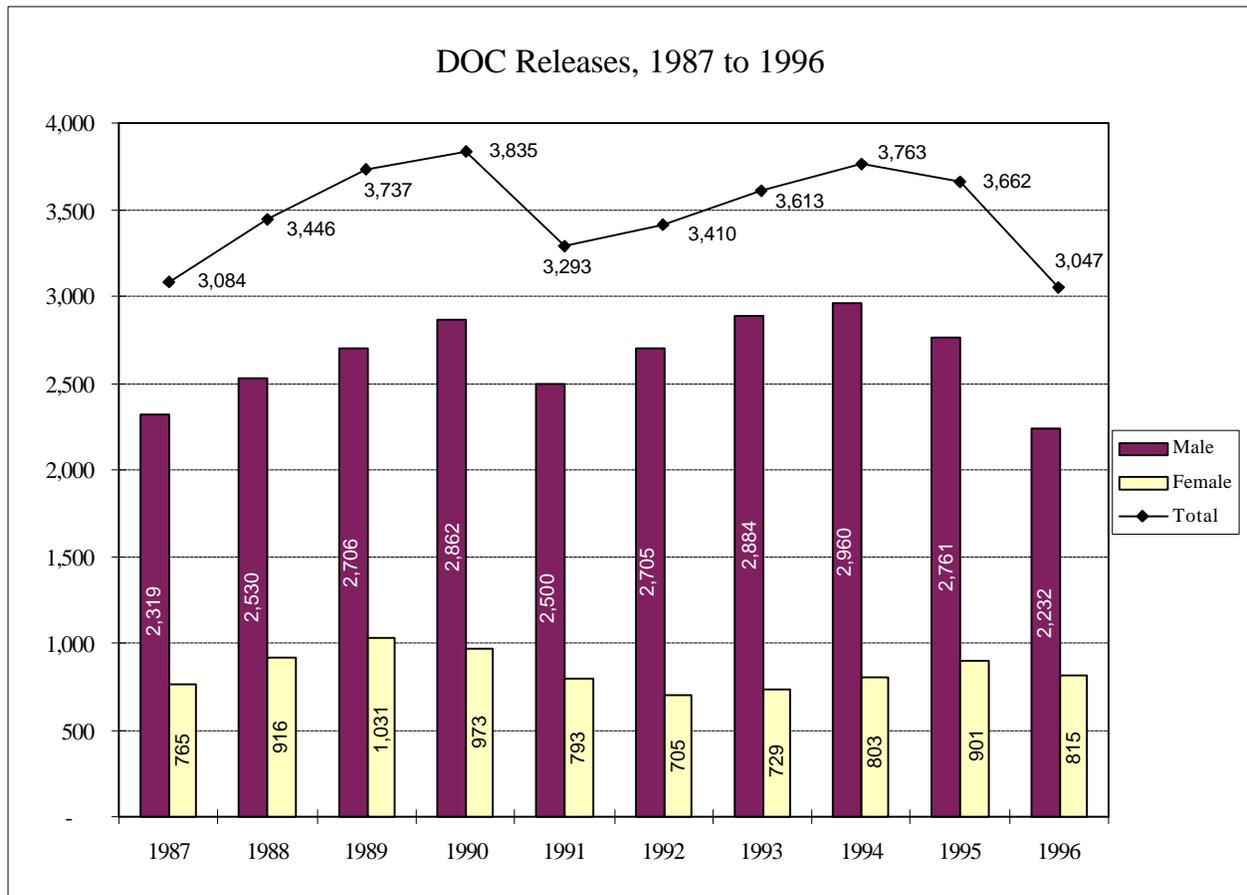
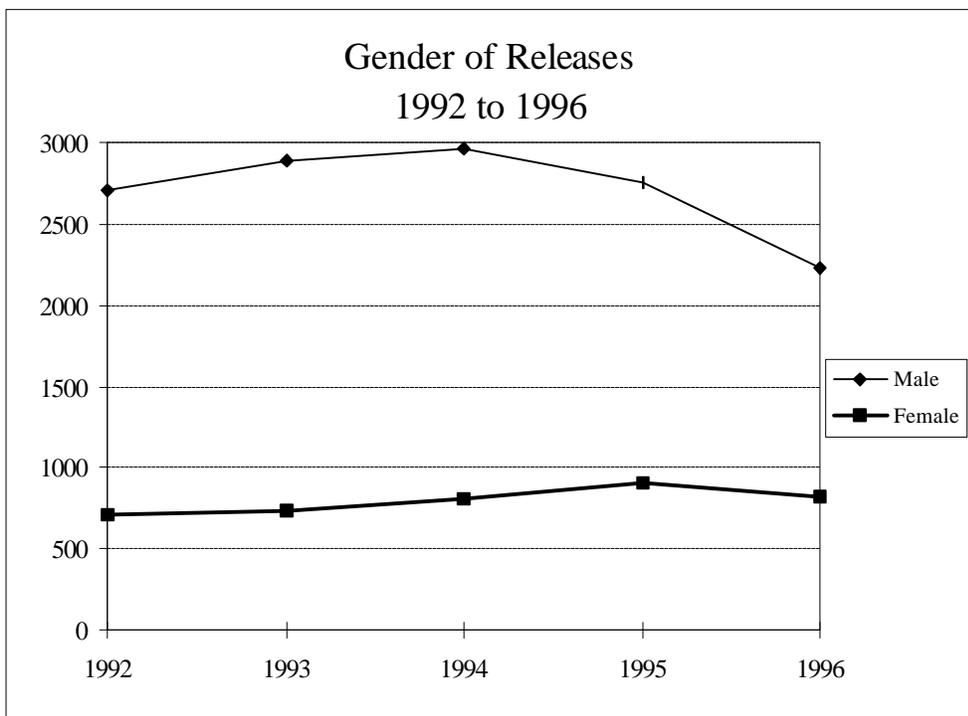


Table 1

**Gender: 1992 to 1996**

	1992		1993		1994		1995		1996		% Change '95 vs '96	
	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%		%
Male	2,705	79	2,884	80	2,960	79	2,761	75	2,232	73		-19
Female	705	21	729	20	803	21	901	25	815	27		-10
<b>Total</b>	<b>3,410</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>3,613</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>3,763</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>3,662</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>3,047</b>	<b>100</b>		<b>-17</b>

Figure 2



**Table 2**

**Race/Ethnic Origin**

	Number of Releases (%)	
Caucasian	1,706	56
African American	780	26
Hispanic	542	18
American Indian	4	0
Asian	15	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>3,047</b>	<b>100</b>

**Table 3**

**Age at Incarceration**

	Number of Releases (%)	
16 yrs	1	0
17 yrs	32	1
18 yrs	100	3
19 yrs	144	5
20 yrs	145	5
21 yrs	147	5
22 yrs	140	5
23 yrs	146	5
24 yrs	131	4
25-29 yrs	687	23
30-34 yrs	618	20
35-39 yrs	388	13
40-44 yrs	185	6
45-49 yrs	89	3
50-54 yrs	62	2
55-59 yrs	19	1
60-64 yrs	9	0
65-69 yrs	3	0
70 yrs or Older	1	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>3,047</b>	<b>100</b>

Age at Incarceration:

The median age was 28 years

The average age was 29.6 years

The age range was 16 to 78 years

**Table 4**

**Age at Release**

	<b>Number of Releases (%)</b>	
17 yrs	5	0
18 yrs	14	0
19 yrs	35	1
20 yrs	47	2
21 yrs	71	2
22 yrs	90	3
23 yrs	101	3
24 yrs	112	4
25-29 yrs	696	23
30-34 yrs	751	25
35-39 yrs	563	18
40-44 yrs	278	9
45-49 yrs	138	5
50-54 yrs	82	3
55-59 yrs	34	1
60-64 yrs	18	1
65-69 yrs	10	0
70 yrs or Older	2	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>3,047</b>	<b>100</b>

Age at Release:

The median age was 32 years

The average age was 32.8 years

The age range was 17 to 79 years

**Table 5**

**Last Grade Completed  
(Self Reported)**

	<b>Number of Releases (%)</b>	
3rd or Less	7	0
4th	15	0
5th	16	1
6th	24	1
7th	48	2
8th	105	3
9th	201	7
10th	298	10
11th	298	10
H.S. Graduate/GED	825	27
13 to 15 Years	187	6
16 Years	29	1
17 or More Years	11	0
Unknown	983	32
<b>Total</b>	<b>3,047</b>	<b>100</b>

Last Grade Completed:

The median grade was 12 years

The grade range was 1 to 20 years

**Table 6**

**Citizenship (Self Reported)**

	<b>Number of Releases (%)</b>	
US Citizen - MASS Born	1,985	65
US Citizen - Other State	625	21
US Citizen - US Territory	324	11
US Citizen - Foreign Born	75	2
Non Citizen	38	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>3,047</b>	<b>100</b>

**Table 7**

**Marital Status (Self Reported)**

	<b>Number of Releases (%)</b>	
Married	441	14
Single	2,222	73
Divorced	259	9
Widowed	19	1
Common Law	2	0
Separated	104	3
<b>Total</b>	<b>3,047</b>	<b>100</b>

**Table 8**

**Prior Address: Selected Cities/Towns (Self Reported)**

	<b>Number of Releases (%)</b>	
Boston	609	20
Brockton	130	4
Cambridge	29	1
Fall River	54	2
Fitchburg	46	2
Framingham	37	1
Holyoke	40	1
Lawrence	99	3
Lowell	126	4
Lynn	125	4
New Bedford	72	2
Somerville	40	1
Springfield	176	6
Worcester	267	9
Other Mass	1,055	35
Out of State	142	5
<b>Total</b>	<b>3,047</b>	<b>100</b>

**Table 9**

**Prior Address: County (Self Reported)**

	<b>Number of Releases (%)</b>	
Worcester	466	15
Franklin	18	1
Middlesex	498	16
Suffolk	672	22
Norfolk	112	4
Bristol	178	6
Plymouth	195	6
Essex	399	13
Hampshire	13	0
Hampden	251	8
Berkshire	33	1
Barnstable	68	2
Nantucket	2	0
Out of State	142	5
<b>Total</b>	<b>3,047</b>	<b>100</b>

**Table 10**

**Prior Address: MSA (Self Reported)**

	<b>Number of Releases (%)</b>	
Boston	1,278	42
Brockton	157	5
Fall River	64	2
Fitchburg-Leominster	79	3
Lawrence-Haverhill	170	6
Lowell	152	5
New Bedford	80	3
Pittsfield	25	1
Providence Area	26	1
Springfield	259	9
Worcester	320	11
Other Mass	295	10
Out of State	142	5
<b>Total</b>	<b>3,047</b>	<b>100</b>

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## Current Offense Categories

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**Table 11**

**Current Offense: General Categories by Gender**

	<b>Female</b>	<b>(%)</b>	<b>Male</b>	<b>(%)</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>(%)</b>
Person	116	14	908	41	1,024	34
Sex	8	1	190	9	198	6
Property	191	12	403	18	594	19
Drug	227	28	496	22	723	24
Other	273	34	235	11	508	17
<b>Total</b>	<b>815</b>	<b>89</b>	<b>2,232</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>3,047</b>	<b>100</b>

**Table 12**

**Person Offenses**

	<b>Number of Releases (%)</b>	
Not a Person Offense	2,023	66
Armed Robbery	383	13
Unarmed Robbery	135	4
A&B Dangerous Weapon	116	4
Armed Asslt W/Intent to Rob/Murder	73	2
Manslaughter	70	2
Assault/A&B	61	2
Assault Dangerous Weapon	31	1
Assault With Intent to Murder	22	1
Unarmed Robbery, Victim 60+	21	1
Armed Assault in Dwelling	19	1
Vehicular Homicide	16	1
Unarmed Assault to Rob	12	0
Murder 2	10	0
Accessory Before/After the Fact	9	0
Kidnapping	9	0
Mayhem	8	0
Other Person Offense	8	0
Intimidate to Steal From Depository	5	0
Conspiracy	5	0
Carjacking	3	0
Armed Asslt W/Intent to Rob/Murder, Victim 60+	2	0
A&B Dangerous Weapon, Victim 60+	2	0
Civil Rights Violation	2	0
Murder 1	1	0
Attempted Murder	1	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>3,047</b>	<b>100</b>

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

**Table 13**

**Sex Offenses**

	<b>Number of Releases (%)</b>	
Not a Sex Offense	2,849	94
Rape of Child <16, Statutory	59	2
Rape	31	1
Aggravated Rape	30	1
Rape of Child <16, With Force	26	1
Assault W/ Intent to Rape	21	1
Indecent A&B on Child <14	18	1
Assault W/Intent to Rape, Child <16	3	0
Indecent A&B on Victim 14+	3	0
Other Sex Offense	2	0
Child Pornography	2	0
Indecent A&B, Mentally Retarded Victim	1	0
Unnatural Act, Child <16	1	0
Other Pornography or Obscenities	1	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>3,047</b>	<b>100</b>

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

**Table 14**

**Property Offenses**

	<b>Number of Releases (%)</b>	
Not a Property Offense	2,453	81
Unarmed Burglary/Breaking & Entering	271	9
Larceny	102	3
Shoplifting	42	1
Vehicle Theft	36	1
Arson	33	1
Receiving Stolen Goods	27	1
Armed Burglary	24	1
Forgery and Uttering	14	0
Possession of Burglary Tools	10	0
Destruction of Property	10	0
Larceny From Person	7	0
Larceny From Person Over 64	6	0
Fraud	6	0
Unauthorized Use MV (Inactive Code)	3	0
Common and Notorious Thief	3	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>3,047</b>	<b>100</b>

Please note: the offenses are arranged in descending order by offense total. Codes denoted as inactive were active at the time of offender commitment.

**Table 15**

**Drug Offenses**

	<b>Number of Releases (%)</b>	
Not A Drug Offense	2,324	76
Possession Of Narcotics (Inactive Code)	1	0
Being Present Where Heroin Is Kept	2	0
Possession Of Hypodermic Instrument	19	1
Inducing To Violate CSA (Inactive Code)	1	0
OUI -Narcotics (Inactive Code)	1	0
Conspiracy To Violate Drug Law	15	0
Controlled Substance - No Class Specified	19	1
Controlled Substance - Class A	53	2
Controlled Substance - Class B	55	2
Controlled Substance - Class C	2	0
Controlled Substance - Class D	9	0
Fraudulent Prescriptions	2	0
CL A - Poss W/Int To Dist	106	3
*CL A - Poss W/Int To Dist, Subsequent	3	0
CL B - Poss W/Int To Dist	174	6
*CL B - Poss W/Int To Dist, Subsequent	14	0
*Specific CL B - Poss W/Int To Dist	70	2
*Specific CL B - Poss W/Int To Dist, Subsequent	2	0
*Marijuana - Trafficking 50-100 Lbs	2	0
*Specific CL B - Trafficking 14-28 Grams	57	2
*Specific CL B - Trafficking 28-100 Grams	56	2
*Specific CL B - Trafficking 100-200 Grams	6	0
*Specific CL B - Trafficking 200+ Grams	11	0
*CL A - Trafficking 28-100 Grams	3	0
*CL A - Trafficking 200+ Grams	1	0
CL D - Poss W/Int To Dist	2	0
*Drug Violation, School/Park	36	1
Theft Of Drugs	1	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>3,047</b>	<b>100</b>

\* Denotes an offense which carries a mandatory sentence.  
 Codes denoted as inactive were active at the time of offender commitment.

**Table 16**

**Other Offenses**

	<b>Number of Releases</b>	<b>(%)</b>
Not An Other Offense	2,539	83
OUI, Alcohol Or Drugs	258	8
Prostitution	94	3
Common Nightwalker (Inactive Code)	35	1
Other Motor Vehicle Offenses	35	1
Carry A Firearm W/Out License	30	1
Escape	13	0
Decency/Public Peace Crimes	12	0
Violation Of Court Order	10	0
Attempt To Commit Crime	8	0
Other Weapons Offense	4	0
Trespassing	4	0
Violation Of Restraining Order	3	0
Poss Firearm, ID Removed (Inactive Code)	1	0
Miscellaneous Other Offense	1	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>3,047</b>	<b>100</b>

Please note: the offenses are arranged in descending order by offense total.  
 Codes denoted as inactive were active at the time of offender commitment.

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Sentencing, Release Characteristics,  
and Security Levels

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**Table 17**

**Minimum Sentence**

	<b>Number of Releases (%)</b>	
Less Than 1 Year	1	0
1 Year	64	2
2 Years	46	2
3 Years	325	11
4 Years	188	6
5 Years	236	8
6 Years	216	7
7 Years	125	4
8 Years	76	2
9 Years	117	4
10 Years	84	3
11 To 12 Years	51	2
13 To 15 Years	58	2
16 To 19 Years	22	1
20 To 24 Years	2	0
25 Or More Years	6	0
Life	9	0
No Minimum	1,421	47
<b>Total</b>	<b>3,047</b>	<b>100</b>

**Table 18**

**Maximum Sentence**

	<b>Number of Releases (%)</b>	
Fine	37	1
Less Than 1 Month	31	1
Less Than 1 Year	548	18
1 Year	250	8
2 Years	253	8
3 Years	73	2
4 Years	21	1
5 Years	378	12
6 Years	96	3
7 Years	185	6
8 Years	92	3
9 Years	49	2
10 Years	550	18
11 To 12 Years	123	4
13 To 15 Years	143	5
16 To 19 Years	16	1
20 To 24 Years	166	5
25 Or More Years	25	1
Life*	11	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>3,047</b>	<b>100</b>

\* Two individuals released were serving a minimum term of years and a maximum term of life.

Table 19

**Type of Sentence: 1992 to 1996**

	1992		1993		1994		1995		1996		% Change
	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	'95 vs '96
<b>Males</b>											
State Prison	1,593	59	1,714	59	1,796	61	1,796	65	1,543	69	-14
Reformatory	809	30	797	28	742	25	562	20	396	18	-30
County	303	11	373	13	422	14	403	15	293	13	-27
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,705</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>2,884</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>2,960</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>2,761</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>2,232</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>-19</b>
<b>Females</b>											
State Prison	107	15	113	16	100	12	106	12	83	10	-22
Reformatory	69	10	78	11	50	6	56	6	40	5	-29
County	529	75	538	74	653	81	739	82	692	85	-6
<b>Total</b>	<b>705</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>729</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>803</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>901</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>815</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>-10</b>

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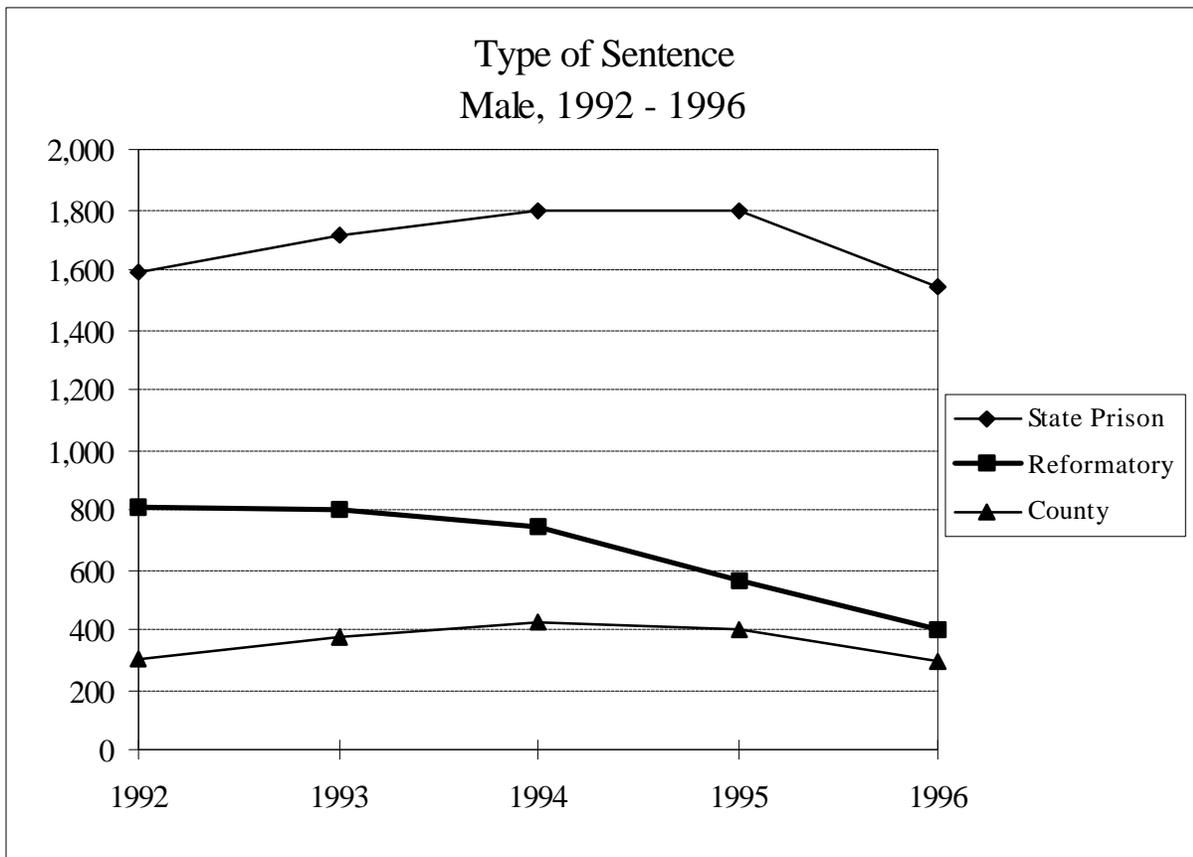


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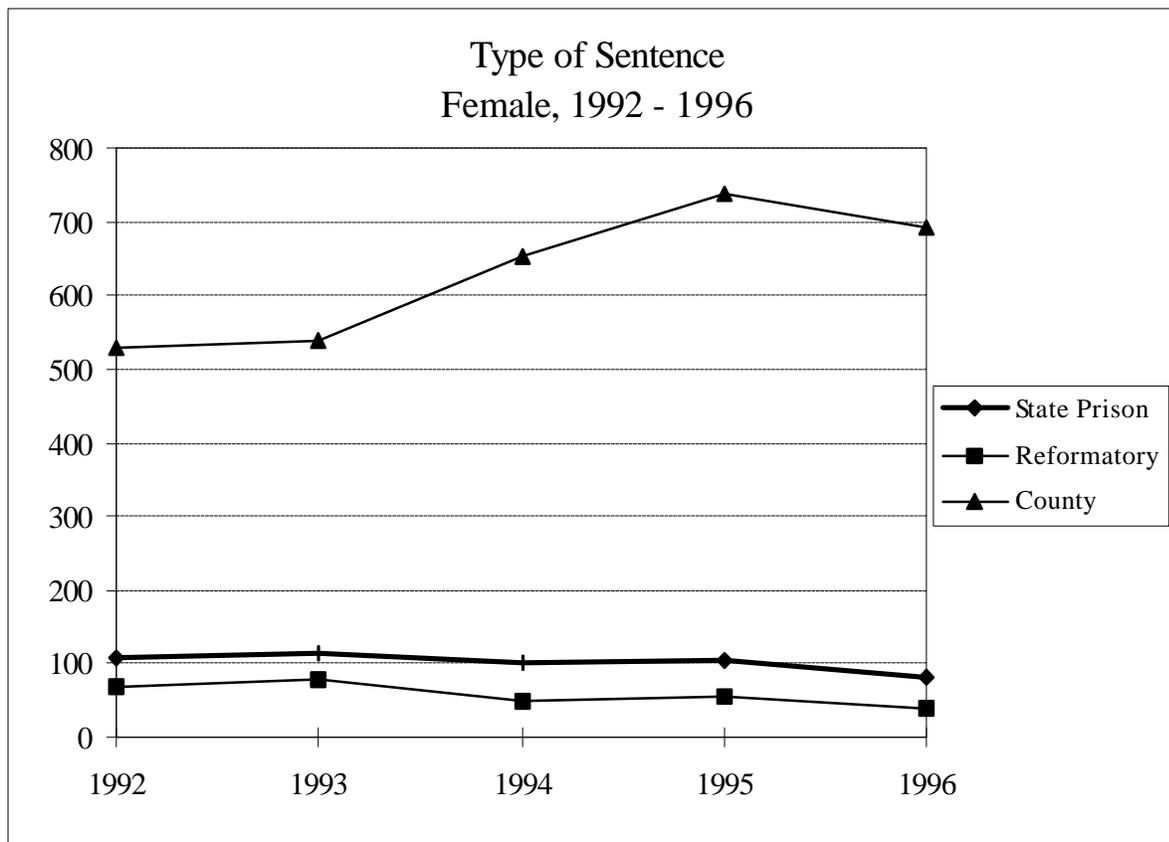


Table 20

Type of Sentence

	Number of Releases (%)	
Simple	815	27
Concurrent	1,298	43
Aggregate	113	4
Forthwith	86	3
Forthwith - HOC	91	3
From and After	40	1
From and After - HOC	12	0
Split	555	18
Fine	37	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>3,047</b>	<b>100</b>

**Table 21**

**Court From Which Committed by Gender**

	<b>Female</b>	<b>(%)</b>	<b>Male</b>	<b>(%)</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>(%)</b>
Barnstable	3	0	51	2	54	2
Berkshire	2	0	44	2	46	2
Bristol	5	1	142	6	147	5
Essex	211	26	156	7	367	12
Franklin	1	0	20	1	21	1
Hampden	14	2	235	11	249	8
Hampshire	0	0	19	1	19	1
Middlesex	170	21	294	13	464	15
Nantucket	1	0	1	0	2	0
Norfolk	38	5	89	4	127	4
Plymouth	95	12	74	3	169	6
Suffolk	23	3	491	22	514	17
Worcester	227	28	242	11	469	15
Other Jurisdictions	9	1	343	15	352	12
From and After Sentence	16	2	31	1	47	2
<b>Total</b>	<b>815</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>2,232</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>3,047</b>	<b>100</b>

**Table 22**

**Jail Credit Days by Gender**

	<b>Female (%)</b>		<b>Male (%)</b>		<b>Total (%)</b>	
None	451	55	695	31	1,146	38
1 to 10	79	10	158	7	237	8
11 to 50	187	23	269	12	456	15
51 to 100	52	6	238	11	290	10
101 to 150	11	1	248	11	259	9
151 to 200	12	2	191	9	203	7
Over 200	23	3	433	19	456	15
<b>Total</b>	<b>815</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>2,232</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>3,047</b>	<b>100</b>

**Table 23**

**Committing Institution by Gender**

	<b>Female (%)</b>		<b>Male (%)</b>		<b>Total (%)</b>	
Concord	0	0	343	15	343	11
Framingham	806	99	0	0	806	26
Walpole	0	0	1,542	69	1,542	51
Other Jurisdiction	9	1	347	16	356	12
<b>Total</b>	<b>815</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>2,232</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>3,047</b>	<b>100</b>

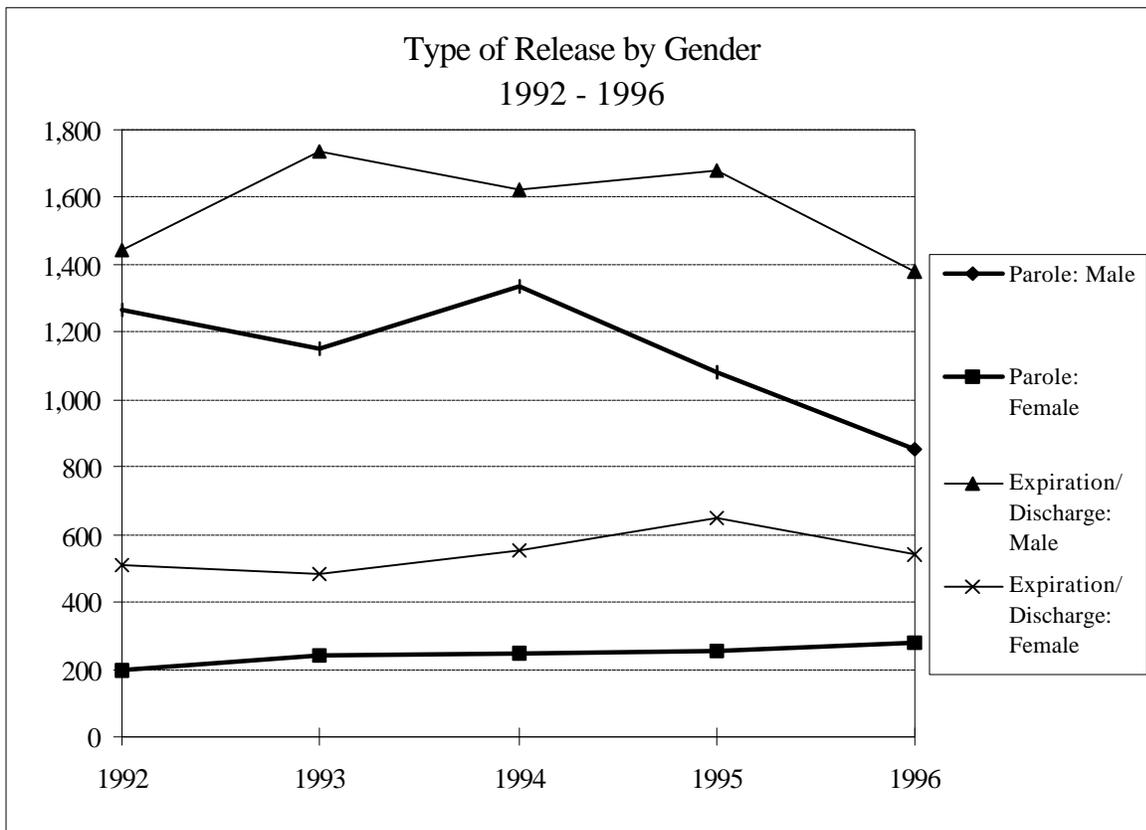
Table 24

**Type of Release: 1992 to 1996**

	1992		1993		1994		1995		1996		% Change '95 vs '96
	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	%
<b>Males</b>											
Parole	1,263	47	1,149	40	1,337	45	1,079	39	854	38	-21
Expiration/Discharge	1,442	53	1,735	60	1,623	55	1,682	61	1,378	62	-18
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,705</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>2,884</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>2,960</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>2,761</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>2,232</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>-19</b>

	1992		1993		1994		1995		1996		% Change '95 vs '96
	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	%
<b>Females</b>											
Parole	196	28	244	33	251	31	253	28	277	34	9
Expiration/Discharge	509	72	485	67	552	69	648	72	538	66	-17
<b>Total</b>	<b>705</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>729</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>803</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>901</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>815</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>-10</b>

Figure 5



**Table 25**

**Type of Release**

	Number of Releases (%)	
Expiration of Sentence	442	15
Parole	1,131	37
Good Conduct Discharge	1,474	48
<b>Total</b>	<b>3,047</b>	<b>100</b>

**Table 26**

**Time Served With Jail Credits**

	Number of Releases (%)	
Less Than 6 Months	331	11
6 to 11 Months	133	4
1 to 2 Years	177	6
2 to 3 Years	224	7
3 to 5 Years	259	9
5 to 10 Years	204	7
10 to 15 Years	39	1
15 or More Years	11	0
Complex Sentence	1,669	55
<b>Total</b>	<b>3,047</b>	<b>100</b>

**Table 27**

**Average Time Served in Months, Until First Release,  
By Committing Institution: 1992 to 1996**

	1992		1993		1994		1995		1996	
	Average	(N)								
Cedar Junction	59	977	51	903	53	945	54	958	54	783
Concord	33	384	38	380	43	330	51	210	40	77
Framingham	9	426	11	460	9	517	9	624	9	518

Table 28

**Average Time Served in Months, Until First Release, by Present Offense  
And Committing Institution, 1996 Releases**

Offense	Cedar Junction		Concord		Framingham	
	Mean	N	Mean	N	Mean	N
All Offenses	53.7	783	40.3	77	8.5	518
Person	56.4	365	47.4	37	14.5	79
Sex	88.2	74	44.3	11	29.6	7
Property	43.3	114	30.8	18	6.0	114
Drug	44.0	215	28.1	11	11.3	146
Other	35.1	15	-	-	4.0	172
<b>Selected Offenses</b>						
Armed Robbery	50.4	139	43.2	10	26.2	10
Unarmed Robbery	46.8	52	45.0	6	30.6	2
A&B Dangerous Weapon	48.0	41	35.1	4	11.1	10
Assault/A&B	22.7	5	24.1	1	6.1	35
Unarmed Burglary/ Breaking & Entering	39.6	66	25.9	9	8.0	15
Larceny	25.4	9	29.9	1	6.3	45
Shoplifting	33.5	1	-	-	3.0	20
Vehicle Theft	42.3	11	26.4	1	6.7	8
CL B - Poss W/Int to Dist	33.0	29	29.4	8	9.9	30
*Specific CL B - Trafficking 28-100 Grams	62.5	43	-	-	60.0	5
*Specific CL B - Trafficking 14-28 Grams	38.7	43	35.9	1	36.0	2
CL A - Poss W/Int to Dist	29.3	23	19.3	2	9.4	19
Prostitution	-	-	-	-	4.5	71
OUI, Alcohol or Drugs	34.1	2	-	-	3.7	36
Common Night Walker (Inactive Code)	-	-	-	-	3.1	29
Other Motor Vehicle Offenses	-	-	-	-	2.3	19
Rape of Child <16, Statutory	74.6	21	61.3	3	54.8	1
Aggravated Rape	124.1	15	-	-	-	-
Rape of Child <16, W/Force	59.5	9	52.0	4	-	-
Rape	116.5	10	12.1	1	-	-

**Selected Offenses:** indicate four offenses in each category with the most releases.

**Note: Time served analysis does not include all releases.** Individuals who were parole violators, were originally committed to another authority or serving complex sentences (forthwith, split, fines, or from and after sentences) were excluded from the analysis. Therefore, the number of releases in this table will be smaller than the total number of releases shown in other tables in this report.

\* Denotes an offense which carries a mandatory sentence.

Table 29

**Security Level of Releasing Institution: 1992 to 1996**

	1992		1993		1994		1995		1996		% Change '95 vs '96
	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	%
<b>Males</b>											
Maximum	86	3	110	4	94	3	87	3	77	3	-11
Medium	1,218	45	1,221	42	1,239	42	1,201	43	945	42	-21
Lower	1,142	42	1,480	51	1,627	55	1,359	49	1,127	50	-17
Contract	259	10	73	3	0	0	114	4	83	4	-27
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,705</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>2,884</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>2,960</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>2,761</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>2,232</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>-19</b>
<b>Females</b>											
Maximum	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	-
Medium	551	78	568	78	627	78	729	81	664	81	-9
Lower	108	15	127	17	129	16	129	14	111	14	-14
Contract	46	7	34	5	47	6	43	5	40	5	-7
<b>Total</b>	<b>705</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>729</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>803</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>901</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>815</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>-10</b>

Figure 6

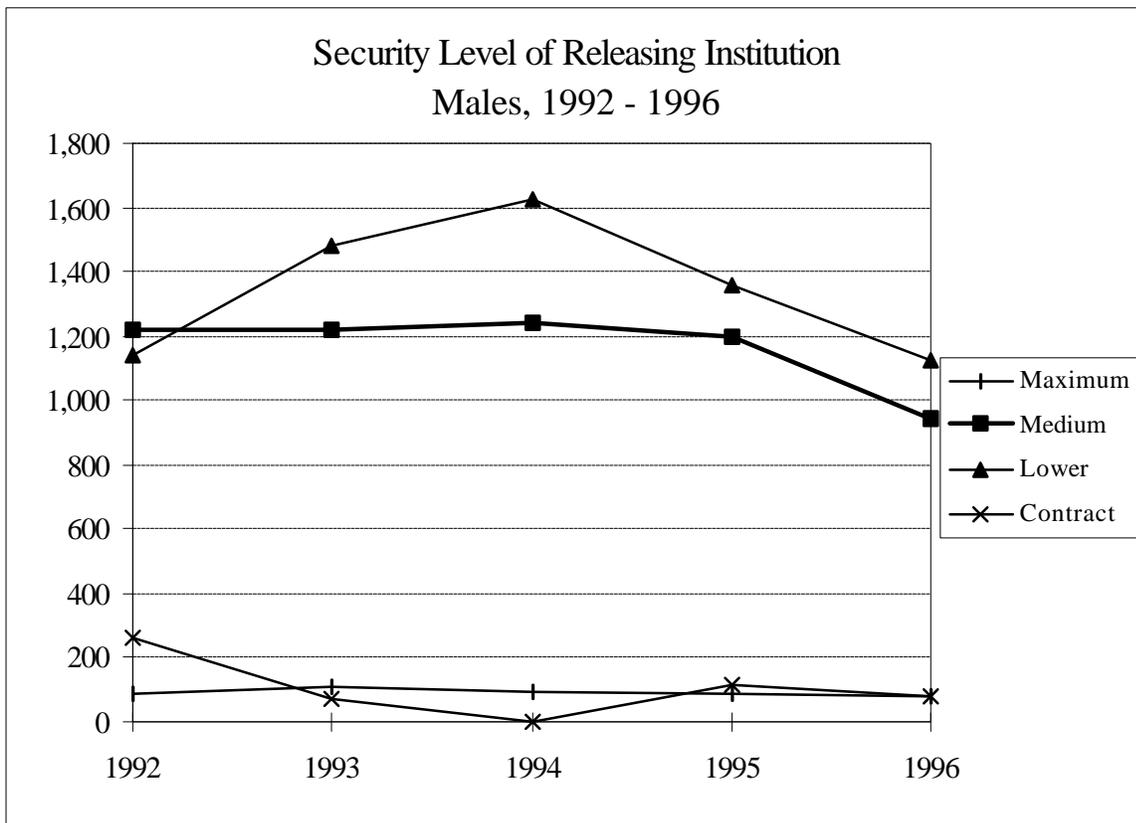


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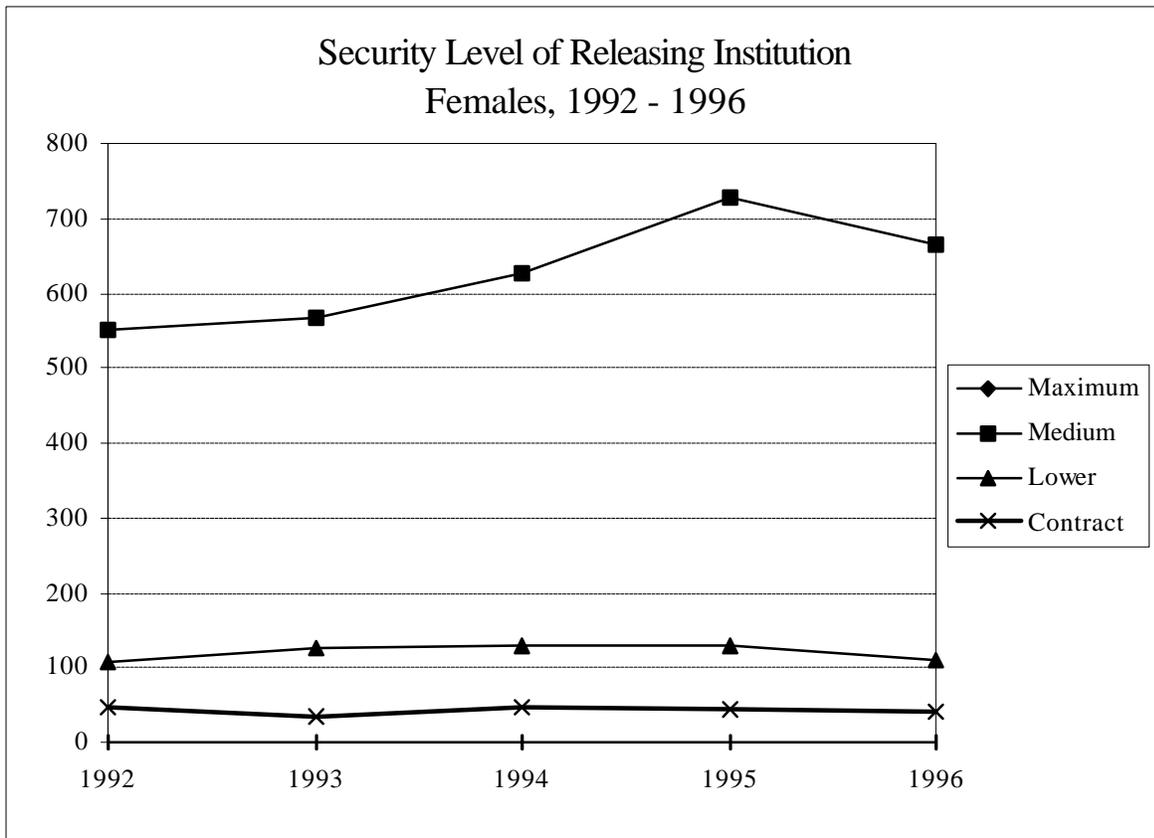


Table 30

Releases from DOC Facilities by Institution and Security Level

		Female (%)	Male (%)	Total (%)
Level 6	MCI-Cedar Junction	-	77	77
	<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>NA</b>	<b>77</b>	<b>77</b>
Level 5	Old Colony Correctional Center	-	101	101
	<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>NA</b>	<b>101</b>	<b>101</b>
Level 4	MCI-Concord	-	147	147
	MCI-Framingham	664	-	664
	MCI-Norfolk	-	101	101
	North Central Correctional Institution	-	117	117
	Southeastern Correctional Center (Medium)	-	213	213
	Bay State Correctional Center	-	8	8
	Massachusetts Boot Camp	-	51	51
	MCI-Shirley (Medium)	-	200	200
	Massachusetts Treatment Center	-	1	1
	Bridgewater State Hospital	-	3	3
	Shattuck Hospital Correctional Unit	-	3	3
	<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>664</b>	<b>81</b>	<b>844</b>
Level 3	MCI-Plymouth	-	91	91
	Northeastern Correctional Center	-	115	115
	*Southeastern Correctional Center (Minimum)	-	-	0
	MCI-Shirley (Minimum)	-	168	168
	Pondville Correctional Center	-	73	73
	Longwood Treatment Center	36	195	231
	Massachusetts Boot Camp	-	74	74
	<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>716</b>
Level 3/2	MCI-Lancaster	75	121	196
	South Middlesex Correctional Center	-	142	142
	<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>263</b>
Level 2	Boston Pre-Release Center	-	99	99
	Park Drive Pre-Release Center	-	49	49
	Hodder House	-	-	0
	<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>148</b>
Level 1	Charlotte House	26	-	26
	Houston House	8	-	8
	Pre-Parole Residential Environment Phase	6	83	89
	<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>83</b>
Maximum/Medium Security Subtotal (levels 4, 5, 6)		<b>664</b>	<b>81</b>	<b>1,022</b>
Minimum/Pre-Release Subtotal (levels 3, 3/2, 2, 1)		<b>151</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>1,210</b>
<b>Total</b>		<b>815</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>2,232</b>

\* Southeastern Correctional Center (Minimum) inmates are released from Southeastern Correctional Center (Medium)

## Glossary

Age At Incarceration	Jail credits are not included in the calculation of age at incarceration.
Court from Which Committed	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.
CRS	Correctional Residential Services.
DOC	Massachusetts Department of Correction.
Expiration	Expiration of sentence.
GCD	Good conduct discharge.
HOC	House of Correction - Massachusetts.
Minimum Sentence	Cases with no minimum term are county or reformatory sentences; and in a small number of cases may be out of state or federal sentences.
MSA	Metropolitan Statistical Area as defined by the Federal Bureau of Census.
Offense	Inmates may be incarcerated for multiple offenses. The offense reported is that associated with the sentence which governs the inmate's maximum discharge date.  Offense labels can be found in the Appendix and are listed in alphabetical order by offense category.
PV	Parole violation
PPREP	Pre-Parole Residential Environment Program
<b>Sentence</b>	
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 maximum term (other than life sentences) are eligible to have a maximum term reduced by statutory good time,

except for sex offenses and crimes committed while confined.

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. Under the “old” system, 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.

#### 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 District Court cannot impose a sentence in either Framingham/Concord if the defendant has been previously sentenced for a felony more than three times. The “new” law eliminates “Concord” (or Framingham) sentences to the state reformatory.

#### House of Correction Sentences

Prior to the “truth in sentencing” law, if an offender is sentenced to the House of Correction, the term shall be less than two and a half years. 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.

### Sentence Type

Aggregate

Multiple sentences received for more than one offense. These sentences will be served consecutively. The sentence length reported reflects the total of all sentences.

Concurrent

Multiple sentences received for more than one offense. These sentences will be served simultaneously.

Fine

Offender was given a fine, but because he or she was unwilling or unable to pay the fine, is serving time in prison.

Forthwith

A sentence that is to be served effective immediately, regardless of other sentences for which the individual is currently incarcerated.

From & After

A sentence which the offender must begin serving upon completion of his/her existing sentence.

Simple

One sentence received for a single offense.

Split

A sentence that is divided between a specified period of incarceration followed by probation supervision. Split sentences to the State Prison have been eliminated due to the “truth in sentencing” law for offenses committed after June 30, 1994.

Violent Offense

Any offense that falls under the Person or Sex Offense categories.

## Appendix

Offenses are listed if they combine more than one offense into the same label. Bolded labels represent an offense name which has been shortened to fit in the report table. Arithmetic signs have been used to abbreviate where relevant and represent the following: > (greater than), < (less than), + (and over).

### Drug Offense

Massachusetts General Law Chapter 94C  
Offenses.

Class A - Poss W/Int to Dist

**Class A: Distribution or Possession with Intent to Distribute** (no mandatory minimum term).

Class A - Poss W/Int to Dist, Subsequent

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

Class B - Poss W/Int to Dist

**Class B: Distribution or Possession with Intent to Distribute** (no mandatory minimum term).

Class B - Poss W/Int to Dist, Subsequent

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

Class B - Poss W/Int to Dist to Minor

**Class B: Distribution or Possession with Intent to Distribute to a Minor** (mandatory minimum term specified).

Class C - Poss W/Int to Dist

**Class C: Distribution or Possession with Intent to Distribute** (no mandatory minimum term).

Class C- Poss W/Int to Dist, Subsequent

**Class D: Subsequent Offense, Distribution or Possession with Intent to Distribute** (mandatory minimum term specified).

Class D - Poss W/Int to Dist

**Class D: Distribution or Possession with Intent to Distribute** (no mandatory minimum term).

Specific Cl B - Poss W/Int to Dist

**Specific Class B: Distribution or Possession with Intent to** (mandatory minimum term specified).  
Specific Cl B drugs are PCP, Cocaine,  
Methamphetamine.

Specific Class B - Poss W/Int to Dist,  
Subsequent

**Specific Class B: Subsequent Offense, Distribution or Possession with Intent to Distribute** (mandatory minimum term specified).  
Specific Cl B drugs are PCP, Cocaine,  
Methamphetamine.

Specific Class B - Trafficking

Trafficking categories broken out by amount.  
Specific Cl B drugs are PCP, Cocaine,  
Methamphetamine.

Conspiracy to Violate Drug Law	<b>Conspiracy to Violate Controlled Substance Act.</b>
Controlled Substance	Includes the manufacturing, distribution, dispensing or possession with intent to manufacture, distribute or dispense a controlled substance. The following are the controlled substance categories:
Class A	Heroin and morphine;
Class B	Cocaine; opium, amphetamines, barbiturates, and PCP;
Class C	Hallucinogens (LSD, hashish);
Class D	Marijuana;
Class E	Prescription drugs;
No Class Specified	Type of drug is not indicated by the sentence.
Drug Violation, School/Park	Drug violation near a school or park.
Fraudulent Prescriptions	Includes uttering false prescriptions and subsequent offense; a drug obtained by fraud.
Induce Minor in Sale and Distribution of Drugs	Includes drug funds, induce minors to possess, and induce minors to distribute.
Possession of Hypodermic Instrument	Includes possession of hypodermic needle, or any instrument adapted for the administration of narcotic drugs, hypodermic violation.
Theft of Drugs	Includes larceny of drugs.
<u>Person Offense</u>	Crimes Against the Person (primarily Massachusetts General Law Chapter 265 offenses).
Accessory Before/After Fact	Includes accessory after the fact, accessory before the fact, conspiracy to commit murder.
Armed Assault W/Intent to Rob/Murder	Includes assault with intent to rob, murder being armed; assault with a deadly weapon with intent to rob.
Armed Assault in Dwelling	Includes armed assault in dwelling houses; act may be an actual assault or an attempt.
Assault With Intent to Murder	Includes assault with intent to murder, maim, etc.; assault to commit murder; assault with intent to kill.
A&B W/Injury, Child Under 14	<b>Assault and Battery Upon a Child.</b>

Assault/A&B	<b>Assault and Assault and Battery.</b> Includes assault, assault and battery, assault on an officer or a public employee.
Attempted Murder	Includes all attempts to commit murder, other than assaults: attempted murder, attempts to commit murder by poisoning, drowning, or strangling.
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.
Intimidate to Steal from Depository	<b>Confining or Putting in Fear a Person for the Purpose of Stealing.</b> Includes breaking, burning or blowing up a safe; intimidate to steal from a depository.
Kidnapping	Includes abduction, holding hostage, for extortion, minor by relative, person in custody.
Manslaughter	Includes negligent homicide, voluntary/involuntary manslaughter.
Other Person Offense	Includes assault to intimidate, injury to a firefighter as a result of a criminal offense, <i>assault with intent to commit manslaughter- felony</i> .
Stalking	Includes stalking in violation of a restraining order; stalking as a subsequent offense.
Unarmed Assault to Rob	Includes assault to rob, not being armed, assault to rob, assault with intent to rob, assault with intent to rob by force and violence.
Unarmed Robbery	Includes robbery, robbery not being armed, robbery by force and violence.
<u>Property Offense</u>	Crimes Against Property (primarily Massachusetts General Law Chapter 266 offenses).
Armed Burglary	<b>Burglary, Armed or an Assault.</b> Includes armed burglary, breaking and entering with intent to assault with or without dangerous weapon.
Arson	<b>Arson and Attempted Arson.</b> Includes using and or possession of explosives, obstruction of fire fighting.

Larceny	Includes stealing in a building, ship, or at a fire.
Receiving Stolen Goods	Includes the receiving and buying of stolen goods.
Shoplifting	Includes shoplifting as a third offense.
Unarmed Burglary/Breaking and Entering	Includes breaking and entering (both night and day), attempt to break and enter, breaking and entering and larceny, burglary, breaking and entering with intent to commit larceny.
Vehicle Theft	<b>Theft of a Motor Vehicle.</b> Includes larceny of a motor vehicle, boat.
<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 conflict of interest, corruption of public employee.
Carry a Firearm W/Out License	<b>Weapons Violation of Bartley-Fox Gun Law</b> (mandatory 1 year sentence for carrying a firearm without a license.
Decency/Public Peace Crimes	<b>Other Decency/Public Peace Crimes.</b> Includes idle and disorderly, affray, annoying phone calls, disturbing the peace, accosting and annoying persons of the opposite sex, lewd and lascivious, indecent exposure, threat to commit crime, common night walker.
Delivering/Receiving Articles for Inmates	Includes drugs or weapons.
Deriving Support from Prostitute	<b>Deriving Support from Prostitution (pimping).</b> Includes keeping and maintaining house of ill fame, inducing minor to prostitution, prostitutes deriving support from a child.
Escape	Includes attempts, assisting in, accessory to escape.
Leave Scene of Vehicular Accident	<b>Leaving the Scene;</b> motor vehicle accident, personal injury, damage.
Miscellaneous Other Offense	Includes jumping bail, contributing to the delinquency of a minor, threatening tax collector, tax evasion, violation of a civil ordinance, inhaling toxic vapors, home improvement contractor violation/unlicensed, promoting of anarchy, inciting a riot.

Operating Under the Influence W/Injury	<b>Operating Under the Influence with Injury Resulting;</b> liquor, drugs, negligent or recklessness all with serious injury.
Other Motor Vehicle Offenses	Includes violation of automobile law, violation of motor vehicle law, operation without authority of owner after suspension, operation without authority of owner, use without authority, leaving the scene, failure to yield right of way to emergency vehicles.
Other Weapons Offense	Includes selling a firearm without a serial number.
OUI, Alcohol or Drugs	<b>Operating a Motor Vehicle Under the Influence of Alcohol or Drugs.</b>
Prostitution	Includes sexual conduct for fee, solicit for prostitution.
Use of a Firearm for Felony	<b>Use of a Firearm to Commit a Felony.</b> Includes possession of a defaced firearm in a felony.
Violation of Restraining Order	Violation of Massachusetts General Law Chapter 209A.
<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 Rape	Includes attempts to rape.
Indecent A&B on Child < 14	<b>Indecent Assault and Battery on Child under 14.</b> Includes indecent assault and battery on a minor.
Indecent A&B, Victim 14+	<b>Indecent Assault and Battery on Victim, 14 or Older.</b>
Other Sex Offenses	Includes adultery, fornication, open and gross lewdness, drugging for sex.
Rape	Age of victim not specified, or does not fall under a rape of child category.
Unnatural Act	Includes unnatural acts, lascivious acts, assault to commit unnatural sex acts.
Unnatural Act, Child < 16	<b>Unnatural Acts with Child Under 16.</b>