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Admission and Release Trends

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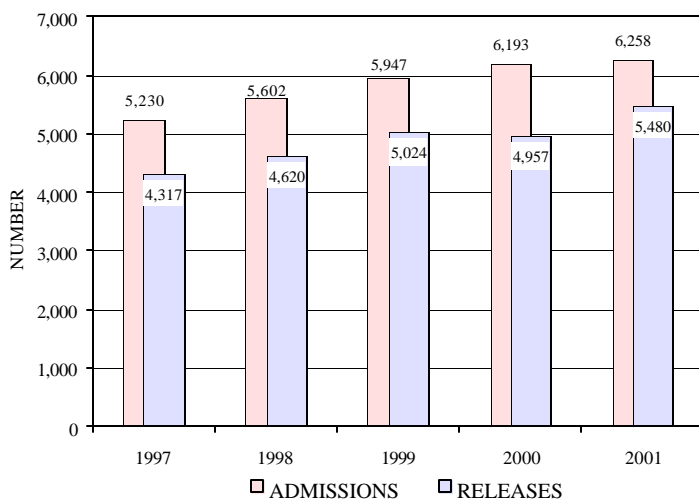
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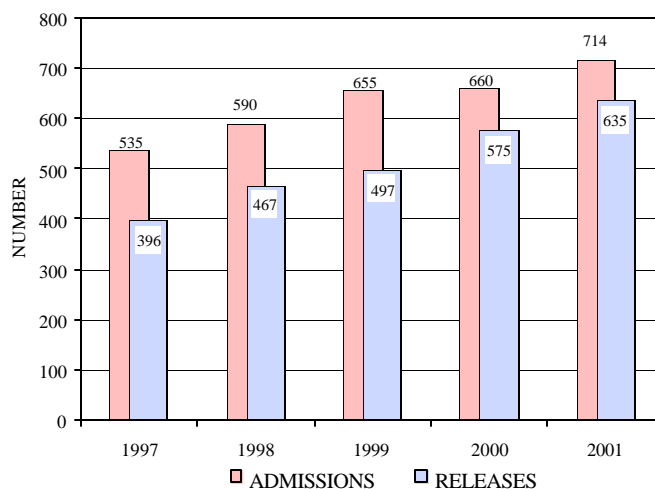
Recent trends on the number of admissions and releases for the adult prison system and the Youthful Offender System (Y.O.S.) are reported in this bulletin. Fiscal year 2001 figures are preliminary and reflect admission data, which differs slightly from sentencing data reported later in the annual statistical report.

ADULT PRISON ADMISSIONS AND RELEASES BY FISCAL YEAR*

MALES



FEMALES



*Fiscal year 2001 figures are preliminary and reflect admissions data compared to sentence data for prior years.

ANNUAL COMPOUND GROWTH RATE FOR 1997 TO 2001

Adult Males: Admissions 4.6%
Releases 6.1%

Adult Females: Admissions 7.5%
Releases 12.5%

>> Total Admissions 4.9% <<<

>> Total Releases 6.7% <<<

**ADMISSIONS AND RELEASES BY TYPE
FISCAL YEAR 2000 AND FISCAL YEAR 2001(1)**

| | FISCAL YEAR 2000 | | FISCAL YEAR 2001 | | | | TOTAL | Percentage Change |
|-------------------------|------------------|--------------|------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|-------------------|
| | TOTAL | Qtrly. Ave. | First Qtr. | Second Qtr. | Third Qtr. | Fourth Qtr. | | |
| ADULT | | | | | | | | |
| ADMISSIONS: | | | | | | | | |
| New Court Commitments | 4,212 | 1,053 | 1,135 | 1,108 | 1,085 | 1,164 | 4,492 | 6.6% |
| Parole Returns (2): | | | | | | | | |
| Technical | 2,059 | 515 | 486 | 471 | 447 | 488 | 1,892 | -8.1% |
| New Felony | 413 | 103 | 106 | 111 | 110 | 80 | 407 | -1.5% |
| Subtotal | 2,472 | 618 | 592 | 582 | 557 | 568 | 2,299 | -7.0% |
| Other (3) | 169 | 42 | 50 | 42 | 50 | 39 | 181 | 7.1% |
| TOTAL ADMISSIONS | 6,853 | 1,713 | 1,777 | 1,732 | 1,692 | 1,771 | 6,972 | 1.7% |
| RELEASES: | | | | | | | | |
| Parole: | | | | | | | | |
| Discretionary | 2,091 | 523 | 621 | 479 | 482 | 636 | 2,218 | 6.1% |
| Mandatory | 1,824 | 456 | 474 | 542 | 536 | 575 | 2,127 | 16.6% |
| Total Parole | 3,915 | 979 | 1,095 | 1,021 | 1,018 | 1,211 | 4,345 | 11.0% |
| Discharges | 1,279 | 320 | 327 | 344 | 350 | 357 | 1,378 | 7.7% |
| Other (4) | 338 | 85 | 80 | 98 | 110 | 104 | 392 | 16.0% |
| TOTAL RELEASES | 5,532 | 1,383 | 1,502 | 1,463 | 1,478 | 1,672 | 6,115 | 10.5% |
| Y.O.S. | | | | | | | | |
| ADMISSIONS | 99 | 25 | 21 | 23 | 12 | 22 | 78 | -21.2% |
| RELEASES | 102 | 26 | 28 | 24 | 27 | 17 | 96 | -5.9% |

(1) FY01 admission numbers are based on the date added to the backlog, which may differ from sentencing numbers, which reflect the date sentenced by the courts. FY00 admission numbers reflect sentencing data.

(2) The number of technical parole returns is overstated and the number of returns with a new felony is understated for FY 2001 as the new felony conviction may be delayed. The admission type is changed to parole return-new felony when the conviction is received.

(3) Other admissions include returns from a prior release to probation, court order discharge or appeal bond, interstate compact, and Y.O.S. terminations.

(4) Other releases include releases to probation, court order discharge, appeal bond, and deceased.

↑ **Adult admissions increased slightly in fiscal year 2001 (1.7%).**

↑ **New court commitments increased 6.6%.**

↓ **Parole returns decreased 7.0%.**

↑ **Adult releases from incarceration were 10.5% higher in 2001.**

↑ **The number of discharging offenders increased 7.7%.**

↑ **Offenders releasing on the mandatory release date to parole rose 16.6%**

↑ **Discretionary releases to parole (prior to mandatory release date) increased 6.1%.**

↓ **Twenty-one fewer youthful offenders were admitted to Y.O.S. in 2001.**

↓ **Y.O.S. released 6 fewer youthful offenders in 2001.**

**ADMISSIONS AND RELEASES BY GENDER
FISCAL YEAR 2000 AND FISCAL YEAR 2001(1)**

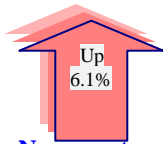
| ADULT | Male | | | Female | | | Total | | |
|-------------------------|--------------|--------------|---------------|---------------|-------------|---------------|--------------|--------------|---------------|
| | 2000 | 2001 | Change | 2000 | 2001 | Change | 2000 | 2001 | Change |
| ADMISSIONS: | | | | | | | | | |
| New Court Commitments | 3,791 | 4,022 | 6.1% | 421 | 470 | 11.6% | 4,212 | 4,492 | 6.6% |
| Parole Returns (2): | | | | | | | | | |
| Technical | 1,877 | 1,704 | -9.2% | 182 | 188 | 3.3% | 2,059 | 1,892 | -8.1% |
| New Felony | 366 | 369 | 0.8% | 47 | 38 | -19.1% | 413 | 407 | -1.5% |
| Subtotal | 2,243 | 2,073 | -7.6% | 229 | 226 | -1.3% | 2,472 | 2,299 | -7.0% |
| Other (3) | 159 | 163 | 2.5% | 10 | 18 | 80.0% | 169 | 181 | 7.1% |
| TOTAL ADMISSIONS | 6,193 | 6,258 | 1.0% | 660 | 714 | 8.2% | 6,853 | 6,972 | 1.7% |
| RELEASES: | | | | | | | | | |
| Parole: | | | | | | | | | |
| Discretionary | 1,784 | 1,933 | 8.4% | 307 | 285 | -7.2% | 2,091 | 2,218 | 6.1% |
| Mandatory | 1,673 | 1,931 | 15.4% | 151 | 196 | 29.8% | 1,824 | 2,127 | 16.6% |
| Total Parole | 3,457 | 3,864 | 11.8% | 458 | 481 | 5.0% | 3,915 | 4,345 | 11.0% |
| Discharges | 1,196 | 1,272 | 6.4% | 83 | 106 | 27.7% | 1,279 | 1,378 | 7.7% |
| Other (4) | 304 | 344 | 13.2% | 34 | 48 | 41.2% | 338 | 392 | 16.0% |
| TOTAL RELEASES | 4,957 | 5,480 | 10.6% | 575 | 635 | 10.4% | 5,532 | 6,115 | 10.5% |
| Y.O.S. | | | | | | | | | |
| ADMISSIONS | 94 | 76 | -19.1% | 5 | 2 | -60.0% | 99 | 78 | -21.2% |
| RELEASES | 101 | 90 | -10.9% | 1 | 6 | 500.0% | 102 | 96 | -5.9% |

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ADULT MALE

Admissions

→ Admissions increased 1.0% in 2001.



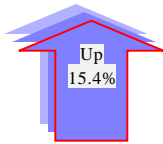
New court commits



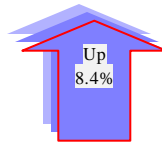
Technical parole returns

Releases

↑ Releases rose 10.6% in 2001.



Mandatory paroles

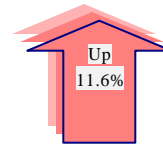


Discretionary paroles

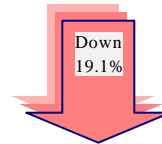
ADULT FEMALE

Admissions

↑ Admissions increased 8.2% in 2001.



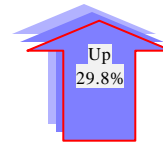
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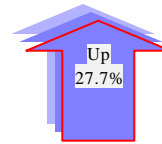
New felony returns

Releases

↑ Releases rose 10.4% in 2001.



Mandatory paroles



Discharges

Y.O.S.

↓ Admissions decreased 21.2%

↓ Releases decreased 5.9%