Colorado Department of Corrections



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STATE CRIMINAL ALIEN ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

(SCAAP)

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STATISTICAL BULLETIN

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The General Statistics, Reporting and Evaluation Unit within the Office of Planning and Analysis analyzes data, evaluates programs and conducts research for internal management and external criminal justice use. This unit gathers, compiles and analyzes data for a multitude of agencies and purposes.

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About this Bulletin

This publication is intended to provide an overview of statistical information and findings generated by this unit. Dissemination of this information to staff and other interested individuals will be provided through this periodical publication.

* THE COLORADO DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS RECEIVES * \$3,982,699 FOR FISCAL YEAR 2001 SCAAP PAYMENT

The Colorado Department of Corrections received notification on October 26, 2001 that the department was awarded \$3.9 million for the fiscal year 2001 SCAAP payment. The State Criminal Alien Assistance Program (SCAAP) is a payment program designed to provide federal assistance to states and localities for the costs of incarcerating certain criminal aliens who are being held as a result of state and/or local charges or convictions. The Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA) distributes payments to many jurisdictions including county jails, city jails and state prisons. BJA recently automated their processing of applications for SCAAP due to the increase of applications. In fiscal year 2001, more than 100 new jurisdictions applied for payments. The new applications represent an increase of more than 25% of applications from fiscal year 2000. BJA stated that a total of 517 applicants are eligible for payments during the current fiscal year with a total expenditure of \$536,809,841. The available funding for fiscal year 2001 was decreased by 6.4% from fiscal year 2000. The Colorado Department of Corrections has participated and benefited from the SCAAP since 1995 and has received a total of \$27,191,758 in funds over this seven year period.

*** GENERAL RESEARCH AND STATISTICS ***

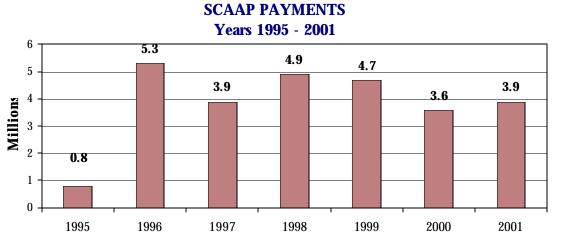
In order to participate in the SCAAP Program, the Office of Planning and Analysis has established databases and criteria needed to submit all required information to BJA for payment. Each month the General Statistics and Research Evaluation Office (GSRE) reviews, updates and corrects information such as inmate birthplace, citizenship, aliases and birth dates. In addition, the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) numbers and Immigration and Naturalization (INS) detainer numbers are updated; by working with INS and NCIC (National Crime Information Center) to ensure the Colorado inmates have current INS detainer numbers and FBI numbers. This allows BJA to match federal databases for accuracy and verification of foreign-born inmate payments. The Office of Planning and Analysis also reports aggregate correctional salary and employment numbers obtained from the business and budgeting offices and calculated incarceration statistics. The following graph and chart show how many inmates were submitted by the Department of Corrections by year and the total SCAAP payment awarded.

Fiscal Year*	# of Inmates Submitted**	Total Awarded		
1995	423	\$ 773,343		
1996	618	\$ 5,293,314		
1997	1,022	\$ 3,871,426		
1998	1,082	\$ 4,910,998		
1999	1,082	\$ 4,745,028		
2000	1,150	\$ 3,614,980		
2001	1,218	\$ 3,982,669		

* Colorado Department of Corrections * SCAAP 1995 - 2001

* The Department receives the payments in the following fiscal year.

**Reporting periods and procedures have been revised over the years varying from one-day counts to fiscal year inmate data.



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* STATE PAYMENT COMPARISONS *

BJA is continually enhancing and updating their review and verification process. When comparing the SCAAP payments to other states, the Colorado Department of Corrections ranks in the top 10. Due to the decrease in payments for fiscal year 2001, a total of 27 states had a decrease in payments from the previous fiscal year; however, Colorado received a 10.2% increase of payment from fiscal year 2000 to fiscal year 2001. The following chart shows the top 10 state jurisdictions ranked by SCAAP payment, and prison population.

	FY2001 SCAAP Payment			FY2000 SCAAP Payment		% Increase/ Decrease	Total Prison		
State		Amount	Rank		Amount	Rank	from FY 2000 Payment	Population Jan. 1, 2000*	
California	\$1	58,326,999	1	\$1	95,851,999	1	-19.2%	162,427	
New York	\$	55,738,099	2	\$	66,385,899	2	-16.0%	73,826	
Texas	\$	31,773,699	3	\$	38,981,799	3	-18.5%	148,457	
Florida	\$	23,090,599	4	\$	26,664,699	4	-13.4%	69,596	
Arizona	\$	18,464,899	5	\$	12,013,299	6	53.7%	26,003	
New Jersey	\$	9,448,349	6	\$	12,932,399	5	-26.9%	31,497	
Illinois	\$	7,356,179	7	\$	1,503,260	22	389.3%	44,652	
Massachusetts	\$	6,496,319	8	\$	9,455,789	7	-31.3%	10,632	
Oregon	\$	4,879,919	9	\$	3,429,070	10	42.3%	9,809	
Colorado	\$	3,982,669	10	\$	3,614,980	9	10.2%	15,651	

Top 10 State Jurisdictions SCAAP Payment and Prison Population

* The total prison population as reported (page 2) in the 2000 Corrections Yearbook issued by the Criminal Justice Institute, Inc.