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STATE CRIMINAL ALIEN ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (SCAAP)

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The Office of Planning and Analysis exists within the Department of Corrections to provide research, information and data analysis services. The office also monitors population projections, analyzes legislative impact studies, oversees the administrative regulations, and conducts program and system evaluations as directed by statute or executive priority.

General Statistics Reporting and Evaluation Unit

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.

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 \$2,137,747 FOR FISCAL YEAR 2003 SCAAP PAYMENT *

The Colorado Department of Corrections received notification on October 2, 2003 that the department was awarded \$2.1 million for the fiscal year 2003 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 2003, more than 140 new jurisdictions applied for payments. The new applications represent an increase of more than 21% above the fiscal year 2002 level. A total of 805 applicants compared to 665 applicants from last year were eligible for payments during the current fiscal year with a total expenditure of \$239,999,996. The available funding for fiscal year 2003 was decreased by 56% from fiscal year 2002 due to federal funding cuts of the program. The Colorado Department of Corrections has participated and benefited from the SCAAP since 1995 and has received a total of \$33,446,564 in funds over the nine 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 office 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.

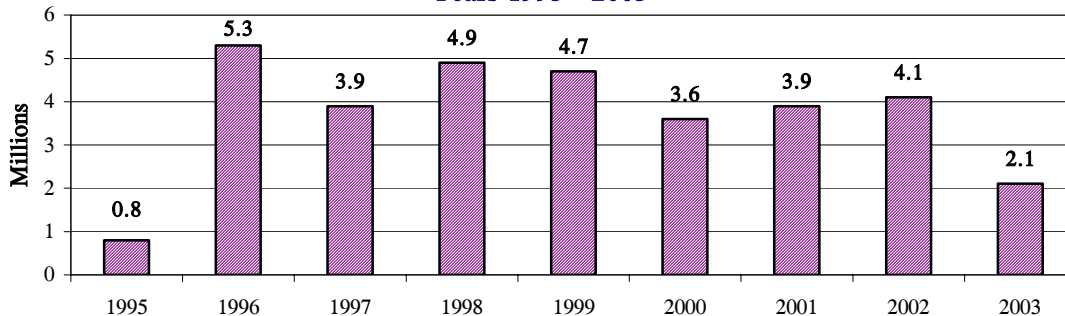
*** Colorado Department of Corrections *
SCAAP 1995 – 2003**

Fiscal Year*	# of Inmates Submitted**	Total Awarded
2003	1,406	\$ 2,137,747
2002	1,308	\$ 4,117,059
2001	1,218	\$ 3,982,669
2000	1,150	\$ 3,614,980
1999	1,082	\$ 4,745,028
1998	1,082	\$ 4,910,998
1997	1,022	\$ 3,871,426
1996	618	\$ 5,293,314
1995	423	\$ 773,343

The Department receives the payments in the following fiscal year., except the 2002 award.

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

**CDOC SCAAP PAYMENTS
Years 1995 - 2003**



*** 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 11th overall. Due to the decrease in payments for fiscal year 2003, a total of 48 states had a decrease in payments from the previous fiscal year. Two states, Wisconsin and Kentucky, did not receive funds in 2002. The following chart shows the top 12 state jurisdictions ranked by SCAAP payment, and prison population.

Top 12 State Jurisdictions SCAAP Payment and Prison Population							
State	FY2003 SCAAP Payment		FY2002 SCAAP Payment		% Increase/ Decrease from FY 2002 Payment	June 30, 2003 Prison Population	
	Amount	Rank	Amount	Rank		Population	Rank
California	\$ 66,182,010	1	\$143,000,999	1	-53.7%	164,417	1
New York	\$ 25,405,342	2	\$ 30,736,199	3	-17.3%	67,952	4
Texas	\$ 14,633,918	3	\$ 34,144,499	2	-57.1%	149,788	2
Florida	\$ 9,195,480	4	\$ 22,093,699	4	-58.4%	77,205	3
Arizona	\$ 7,229,922	5	\$ 15,919,699	5	-54.6%	30,375	14
Massachusetts	\$ 6,357,815	6	\$ 8,715,599	6	-27.1%	10,047	31
New Jersey	\$ 3,831,105	7	\$ 7,192,639	8	-46.7%	28,886	15
Illinois	\$ 3,597,653	8	\$ 7,791,079	7	-53.8%	46,891	7
Wisconsin*	\$ 2,464,276	9	NR	NR	NR	16,913	25
Oregon	\$ 2,333,122	10	\$ 4,820,639	9	-51.6%	11,927	28
Colorado	\$ 2,137,747	11	\$ 4,117,059	11	-48.1%	18,906	23
Washington	\$ 2,044,998	12	\$ 4,372,549	10	-53.2%	14,011	26

*Wisconsin did not file in 2002.

The Colorado Department of Corrections has had a 29.9% increase in foreign born inmates since Fiscal Year 1999. This increase has allowed the department to stay as one of the top eligible recipients of the SCAAP payment.