

INTRODUCTION

This report has been developed to provide information regarding offender characteristics in each correctional complex, major institution and satellite housing-unit under the jurisdiction of the New Jersey Department of Corrections on January 1, 2009. The selected characteristics compiled in this report are Base Offense at Admission, Total Term at Admission, Ethnicity, Age, County of Commitment and Mandatory Minimum Term.

The Prison Complex includes, New Jersey State Prison, Central Reception and Assignment Facility, East Jersey State Prison, Bayside State Prison, Riverfront State Prison, Midstate, Southern State, Northern State Prison, South Woods, Edna Mahan Correctional Facility for Women and the Adult Diagnostic and Treatment Center (ADTC), a facility for adult male sex offenders.

NOTE: In our data tables we provide separate subtotals for ADTC and Edna Mahan Correctional Facility for Women due to the interest in these unique populations. The remainder of the Prison Complex is labeled "Prison Males."

The Youth Correctional Complex consists of Garden State Youth Correctional Facility, Albert C. Wagner Youth Correctional Facility and Mountainview Youth Correctional Facility.

"Offenders in Other Facilities" include state-sentenced inmates housed in county jails, Halfway Houses, and Central Medical Unit (St. Francis Hospital).

"Not Coded" are records for offenders in the correctional system for whom admission characteristics data had not been entered into the computerized information system as of January 1, 2009.

HIGHLIGHTS

- *Fifty percent (50%) of all New Jersey Department of Corrections residents were committed for crimes against persons which include Homicide, Sexual Assault, Aggravated/Simple Assault, Robbery, Kidnapping, Other Sex Offenses and Other Person Offenses.*
- *Twenty-nine percent (29%) of all Department of Corrections residents have been committed for narcotics law violations, including possession, sale and distribution. Eighty percent (80%) of all narcotics law violations are sale/distribution offenses.*
- *The median total term for Department of Corrections residents is five years.*
- *Thirty-three percent (33%) of all New Jersey Department of Corrections residents were committed with total terms of 10 years or more. Of the total, five percent (5%) are serving Life Sentences with parole eligibility, and 53 offenders are serving Life Sentences without parole.*
- *Sixty-nine percent (69%) of New Jersey Department of Corrections residents housed in the State System have sentences that include mandatory minimum terms.*
- *Forty-one percent (41%) of all residents in the New Jersey Department of Corrections are 30 years of age or younger. The median age for inmates in our adult facilities is 33.*
- *Sixty-one percent (61%) of New Jersey Department of Corrections residents are Black, while 20% are White and 18% are Hispanic.*
- *Of the 21 New Jersey counties, ten (Atlantic, Bergen, Camden, Essex, Hudson, Mercer, Middlesex, Monmouth, Passaic and Union) account for 83% of Total Department of Corrections Residents. Essex County is the highest contributor with 16%.*

NOTES

DUE TO SOFTWARE AND ROUNDING:

- **WORKSHEET ROW AND COLUMN TOTALS DO NOT ALWAYS EQUAL 100 PERCENT.**
- **PIE CHART PERCENTAGES DO NOT ALWAYS EQUAL 100%.**
- **PIE CHART PERCENTAGES MAY DIFFER SLIGHTLY FROM WORKSHEET PERCENTAGES.**
- **ACCOMPANYING NARRATIVES REFLECT PIE CHART PERCENTAGES.**

TOTAL RESIDENTS IN NEW JERSEY STATE CORRECTIONAL INSTITUTIONS AND SATELLITES

TOTAL RESIDENTS				25,436
PRISON COMPLEX		18,167	YOUTH COMPLEX	4,235
ADTC		678	GARDEN STATE TOTAL	1,833
Bayside – Main		1,305	MOUNTAINVIEW TOTAL	1,158
Bayside – Farm		645	Wagner – Main	856
Bayside – Ancora		343	Wagner – Ad Seg	236
BAYSIDE TOTAL		2,293	Wagner – Minimum Units	152
CRAF – Jones Farm		212	WAGNER TOTAL	1,244
CRAF – Reception		628	OTHER FACILITIES	3,034
CRAF TOTAL		840	Central Medical	13
East Jersey – Main		1,346	County Jail	442
East Jersey – Camp		115	Halfway Houses	2,579
East Jersey – Ad Seg		421		
EAST JERSEY TOTAL		1,882		
EDNA MAHAN TOTAL		929		
MIDSTATE TOTAL		639		
NJ State Prison – Ad Seg Female		27		
NJ State Prison – Main		1,792		
NJ STATE PRISON TOTAL		1,819		
Northern State – Main		2,260		
Northern State – Ad Seg Male		500		
NORTHERN STATE TOTAL		2,760		
RIVERFRONT TOTAL		900		
SOUTHERN STATE TOTAL		2,089		
SOUTH WOODS TOTAL		3,338		

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**OFFENDERS IN NEW JERSEY CORRECTIONAL INSTITUTIONS
ON JANUARY 1, 2009, BY BASE OFFENSE**

In these tabulations, the base offense is that which is the most serious offense at the time of admission. These figures reflect base or controlling offenses at admission only, and do not include any offenses in addition to the base offense in the case of multiple sentences at admission. Additional sentences imposed following initial admission to the state correctional system are not included in these data.

- Violent offenses include homicide, sexual assault, aggravated and simple assault, robbery, kidnapping, other sex offenses and other person offenses (i.e. terroristic threats, coercion, larceny from a person, death by auto and negligent manslaughter).
- Property offenses include burglary, arson, theft, forgery, embezzlement, and receiving / possessing stolen property.
- Public policy offenses include racketeering, gambling, corruption, perjury, escape, bail jumping, juvenile and family related offenses, and conspiracy.
- Weapons offenses include weapon possession and operation.
- Drug violations include distribution, manufacture, possession, and use of drugs. Virtually all drug offenses are for sale and distribution rather than for mere possession.

OFFENDERS IN CORRECTIONAL INSTITUTIONS BY BASE OFFENSE

Base Offense	Total		Prison Males		Youth Complex		ADTC		Edna Mahan		Other Facilities	
	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%
TOTAL OFFENDERS	25,436	100%	16,560	100%	4,235	100%	678	100%	929	100%	3,034	100%
Violent Offenses	12,602	50%	9,048	55%	1,906	45%	667	98%	442	48%	539	18%
Property Offenses	2,832	11%	1,826	11%	394	9%	0	0%	128	14%	484	16%
Public Policy	1,225	5%	737	4%	237	6%	7	1%	90	10%	154	5%
Weapons	1,199	5%	664	4%	347	8%	1	0%	9	1%	178	6%
Drugs	7,377	29%	4,256	26%	1,351	32%	2	0%	254	27%	1,514	50%
Not Coded	201	1%	29	0%	0	0%	1	0%	6	1%	165	5%

- Inmates with violent offenses comprise 55% of the prison complex, 45% of the youth complex, 98% of ADTC, 48% of Edna Mahan, and 18% of other adult facilities.

**OFFENDERS IN NEW JERSEY CORRECTIONAL INSTITUTIONS
ON JANUARY 1, 2009, BY TOTAL TERM AT ADMISSION**

Total term at admission is the total maximum term imposed for each offender at the time of commitment from the community or from parole. This includes the aggregate term for those admitted with multiple sentences. Additional sentences received following initial admission are not reflected or included in the data.

OFFENDERS IN NEW JERSEY CORRECTIONAL INSTITUTIONS BY TOTAL TERM AT ADMISSION

Total Term	Total		Prison Males		Youth Complex		ADTC		Edna Mahan		Other Facilities	
	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%
TOTAL OFFENDERS	25,436	100%	16,560	100%	4,235	100%	678	100%	929	100%	3,034	100%
1-2 Years	969	4%	629	4%	169	4%	4	1%	52	6%	115	4%
3 Years	3,725	15%	1,924	12%	967	23%	14	2%	211	23%	609	20%
4 Years	3,182	13%	1,728	10%	673	16%	28	4%	128	14%	625	21%
5 Years	4,085	16%	2,262	14%	923	22%	59	9%	133	14%	708	23%
6 Years	1,341	5%	765	5%	304	7%	34	5%	43	5%	195	6%
7 Years	1,720	7%	1,053	6%	319	8%	88	13%	47	5%	213	7%
8-9 Years	1,499	6%	997	6%	260	6%	50	7%	47	5%	145	5%
10 Years	1,531	6%	1,057	6%	205	5%	92	14%	54	6%	123	4%
11-14 Years	1,357	5%	1033	6%	158	4%	75	11%	36	4%	55	2%
15 Years	692	3%	534	3%	65	2%	48	7%	25	3%	20	1%
16-20 Years	1,172	5%	959	6%	87	2%	67	10%	36	4%	23	1%
20+ Years	2,413	9%	2,170	13%	29	1%	115	17%	62	7%	37	1%
Life With Parole	1,167	5%	1,139	7%	0	0%	3	0%	22	2%	3	0%
Life Without Parole	53	0%	53	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
Not Coded	530	2%	257	2%	76	2%	1	0%	33	4%	163	5%

Among New Jersey Adult Correctional Offenders:

- The median term for adult offenders is 5 years.
- Forty-eight percent (48%) are serving terms of 1 -5 years.
- Eighteen percent (18%) are serving terms of 6-9 years.
- Thirty-three percent (33%) are serving terms of 10 years or more, which includes 1,167 offenders serving life and 53 life without parole sentences.
- Two percent (2%) were not coded.

**OFFENDERS IN NEW JERSEY CORRECTIONAL INSTITUTIONS
ON JANUARY 1, 2009, BY MANDATORY MINIMUM TERM**

In New Jersey, since 1979, the courts have utilized mandatory minimum sentences. This means that an offender must serve the entire minimum sentence before being eligible for parole consideration. Mandatory minimum terms are not reduced by earned credits (commutation, minimum security or work).

OFFENDERS IN CORRECTIONAL INSTITUTIONS BY MANDATORY MINIMUM TERM

Mandatory Minimum Term	Total		Prison Males		Youth Complex		ADTC		Edna Mahan		Other Facilities	
	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%
TOTAL OFFENDERS	17,585	100%	11,892	100%	2,841	100%	508	100%	523	100%	1,821	100%
<18 Months	873	5%	409	3%	244	9%	0	0%	22	4%	198	11%
18 Months	813	5%	412	3%	219	8%	3	1%	14	3%	165	9%
2 Years	1,297	7%	720	6%	243	9%	2	0%	27	5%	305	17%
3 Years	2,570	15%	1,366	11%	555	20%	9	2%	63	12%	577	32%
4 Years	1,145	7%	696	6%	217	8%	12	2%	42	8%	178	10%
5 Years	1,953	11%	1,173	10%	447	16%	57	11%	72	14%	204	11%
6-9 Years	3,516	20%	2,365	20%	655	23%	231	45%	119	23%	146	8%
10 Years	301	2%	237	2%	22	1%	30	6%	5	1%	7	0%
11-14 Years	1,550	9%	1,234	10%	162	6%	78	15%	55	11%	21	1%
15 Years	371	2%	307	3%	15	1%	28	6%	12	2%	9	0%
16-19 Years	778	4%	671	6%	45	2%	26	5%	31	6%	5	0%
20-24 Years	452	3%	414	3%	11	0%	13	3%	11	2%	3	0%
25-29 Years	379	2%	354	3%	4	0%	12	2%	7	1%	2	0%
30 Years	826	5%	788	7%	2	0%	3	1%	32	6%	1	0%
30+ Years	761	4%	746	6%	0	0%	4	1%	11	2%	0	0%

- Sixty-nine percent (69%) of all adult offenders have mandatory minimum terms (17,585 out of 25, 436).
- The median mandatory minimum term is 5 years.
- Twenty percent (20%) of those with mandatory minimum terms have mandatory minimum terms of 15 years or more.

**OFFENDERS IN NEW JERSEY CORRECTIONAL INSTITUTIONS
ON JANUARY 1, 2009, BY AGE**

The age of the offender is the chronological age as of January 1, 2009.

OFFENDERS IN CORRECTIONAL INSTITUTIONS BY AGE

Age	Total		Prison Males		Youth Complex		ADTC		Edna Mahan		Other Facilities	
	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%
TOTAL OFFENDERS	25,436	100%	16,560	100%	4,235	100%	678	100%	929	100%	3,034	100%
< 17 Years	4	0%	0	0%	4	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
17 Years	19	0%	0	0%	19	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
18-20 Years	801	3%	117	1%	600	14%	4	1%	17	2%	63	2%
21-22 Years	1,619	6%	381	2%	1,030	24%	15	2%	41	4%	152	5%
23-24 Years	1,988	8%	684	4%	1,038	25%	19	3%	53	6%	194	6%
25-27 Years	2,999	12%	1,413	9%	1,087	26%	21	3%	103	11%	375	12%
28-30 Years	3,110	12%	2,109	13%	434	10%	36	5%	107	12%	424	14%
31-33 Years	2,422	10%	1,944	12%	21	0%	38	6%	76	8%	343	11%
34-36 Years	2,219	9%	1,792	11%	1	0%	54	8%	81	9%	291	10%
37-39 Years	2,274	9%	1,795	11%	0	0%	57	8%	105	11%	317	10%
40-44 Years	3,149	12%	2,460	15%	1	0%	106	16%	148	16%	434	14%
45-49 Years	2,332	9%	1,858	11%	0	0%	114	17%	114	12%	246	8%
50-54 Years	1,291	5%	1,024	6%	0	0%	83	12%	50	5%	134	4%
55-59 Years	674	3%	564	3%	0	0%	54	8%	16	2%	40	1%
60-64 Years	313	1%	245	1%	0	0%	39	6%	13	1%	16	1%
65+ Years	222	1%	174	1%	0	0%	38	6%	5	1%	5	0%
Unspecified	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%

- The median age for adult residents is 33 years.
- Three percent (3%) of all adult offenders are 20 years of age or younger.
- Thirty-eight percent (38%) of all adult offenders are between the ages of 21-30.
- Twenty-eight percent (28%) of all adult offenders are 31 to 39 years of age.
- Thirty-one percent (31%) of all adult offenders are 40 years of age and older.

**OFFENDERS IN NEW JERSEY CORRECTIONAL INSTITUTIONS
ON JANUARY 1, 2009, BY RACE/ETHNIC IDENTIFICATION**

In these tabulations, a Hispanic is a person of Mexican, Puerto Rican, Cuban, South American or other Spanish culture or origin (Spain or Portugal) regardless of complexion.

OFFENDERS IN CORRECTIONAL INSTITUTIONS BY RACE/ETHNIC IDENTIFICATION

Ethnic Identification	Total		Prison Males		Youth Complex		ADTC		Edna Mahan		Other Facilities	
	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%
TOTAL OFFENDERS	25,436	100%	16,560	100%	4,235	100%	678	100%	929	100%	3,034	100%
Black	15,623	61%	10,325	62%	2,629	62%	178	26%	477	51%	2,014	66%
White	5,032	20%	3,139	19%	705	17%	347	51%	321	35%	520	17%
Hispanic	4,614	18%	3,006	18%	878	21%	148	22%	122	13%	460	15%
Asian	127	0%	81	0%	20	0%	5	1%	9	1%	12	0%
American Indian	9	0%	6	0%	3	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
Other or Unspecified	31	0%	3	0%	-	0%	0	0%	0	0%	28	1%

- Sixty-one percent of all state correctional institution offenders were Black, 20% were White and 18% were Hispanic.

**OFFENDERS IN NEW JERSEY CORRECTIONAL INSTITUTIONS
ON JANUARY 1, 2009, BY COUNTY OF COMMITMENT**

OFFENDERS IN NEW JERSEY CORRECTIONAL INSTITUTIONS BY COUNTY OF COMMITMENT

County of Commitment	Total		Prison Males		Youth Complex		ADTC		Edna Mahan		Other Facilities	
	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%
TOTAL OFFENDERS	25,436	100%	16,560	100%	4,235	100%	678	100%	929	100%	3,034	100%
Atlantic	1,921	8%	1,298	8%	276	7%	33	5%	89	10%	225	7%
Bergen	947	4%	607	4%	152	4%	39	6%	46	5%	103	3%
Burlington	741	3%	469	3%	128	3%	40	6%	40	4%	64	2%
Camden	3,022	12%	1,931	12%	567	13%	62	9%	97	10%	365	12%
Cape May	458	2%	273	2%	87	2%	12	2%	22	2%	64	2%
Cumberland	605	2%	414	3%	100	2%	17	3%	16	2%	58	2%
Essex	4,012	16%	2,874	17%	585	14%	46	7%	116	12%	391	13%
Gloucester	397	2%	239	1%	71	2%	15	2%	19	2%	53	2%
Hudson	2,279	9%	1,529	9%	389	9%	31	5%	72	8%	258	9%
Hunterdon	133	1%	73	0%	26	1%	6	1%	12	1%	16	1%
Mercer	1,294	5%	880	5%	214	5%	27	4%	41	4%	132	4%
Middlesex	1,436	6%	908	5%	277	7%	52	8%	52	6%	147	5%
Monmouth	1,350	5%	883	5%	195	5%	44	6%	67	7%	161	5%
Morris	355	1%	234	1%	48	1%	26	4%	11	1%	36	1%
Ocean	825	3%	517	3%	136	3%	56	8%	37	4%	79	3%
Passaic	2,222	9%	1,368	8%	418	10%	67	10%	67	7%	302	10%
Salem	215	1%	125	1%	36	1%	12	2%	10	1%	32	1%
Somerset	428	2%	257	2%	66	2%	17	3%	20	2%	68	2%
Sussex	161	1%	89	1%	34	1%	9	1%	13	1%	16	1%
Union	2,171	9%	1,393	8%	387	9%	47	7%	64	7%	280	9%
Warren	170	1%	85	1%	41	1%	16	2%	9	1%	19	1%
Not Coded	294	1%	114	1%	2	0%	4	1%	9	1%	165	5%

- Essex County has the highest percentage of commitments at the prison complex (17%) and the youth complex (14%).
- Essex County has the highest percentage of commitments at Edna Mahan (12%).
- Passaic County has the highest percentage of commitments at ADTC (10%).
- Essex County has the highest percentage of commitments (13%) at other adult facilities.
- Two counties, Essex and Camden, combine to comprise roughly a third of total DOC commitments.