

*Rhode Island*  
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*Annual*  
*Commitment &*  
*Release Report*  
*CY 2007*

## Commitments 2007

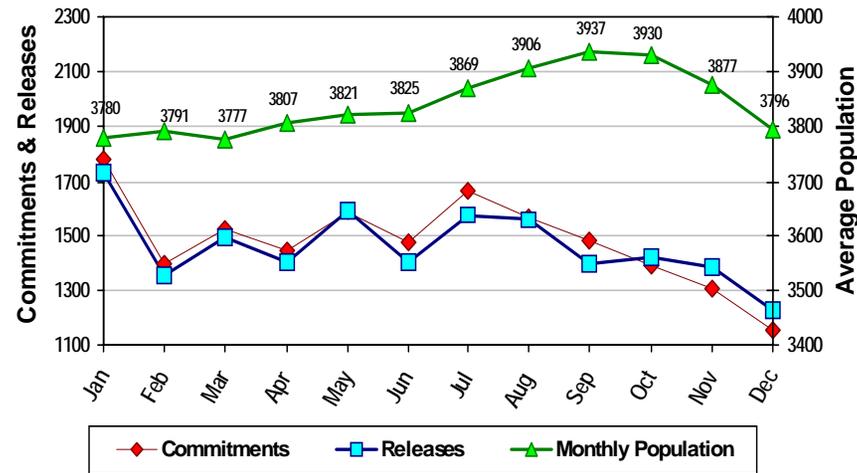
	Male	Female	Total
<b>Awaiting Trial Population</b>	<b>11,056</b>	<b>2,061</b>	<b>13,117</b>
<b>Sentenced Population</b>	<b>3,942</b>	<b>528</b>	<b>4,470</b>
<i>Sentenced from Court</i>	3,742	502	4,244
<i>Parole Violators</i>	138	13	151
<i>Other (return from OOS, transfer from other states or IMH, etc.)</i>	62	13	75
<b>Total</b>	<b>14,998</b>	<b>2,589</b>	<b>17,587</b>

## Releases 2007

	Male	Female	Total
<b>Awaiting Trial Population</b>	<b>11,220</b>	<b>2,097</b>	<b>13,317</b>
<i>To Sentenced Status</i>	2,696	317	3,013
<i>Other (bail, discharge at court/per court order, civil purge, etc.)</i>	8,524	1,780	10,304
<b>Sentenced Population</b>	<b>3,698</b>	<b>483</b>	<b>4,181</b>
<i>Expiration of Sentence</i>	3,043	391	3,434
<i>Parole</i>	476	49	525
<i>Other (death, escape, transfer OOS, and released on case)</i>	179	43	222
<b>Total</b>	<b>14,918</b>	<b>2,580</b>	<b>17,498</b>

Prison populations are influenced by commitments and length of stay. Commitments have primarily driven the RIDOC's population, as length of stay has remained relatively stable. When commitments exceed/fall below releases, we often see an increase/decrease in the population. The graph on the next page demonstrates how commitments are linked to changes in the population.

### The Impact of Commitments & Releases on the Population in CY07



Interpreting the chart: The average monthly **population** is plotted on the **secondary axis** to the right, while **commitments** and **releases** are plotted on the **primary axis** to the left.

### *Fun Facts*

- The average age of those committed and released was 33.
- 55% of those committed and released were White, 25% Black were and 18% were Hispanic.
- Only 15% of those committed and released were female.
- 43% of men and 58% of women were committed for non-violent offenses.
- Of the awaiting trial commitments, 43% were new commitments and 33% were committed for “failure to appear” (for court).
- Of the sentenced commitments, 55% were newly sentenced and 39% were committed due to a probation violation.
- Of the 4,470 sentenced commitments in CY07, 59% of males and 71% of females were sentenced to 6-months or less.
- The majority of offenders came from and were released to the City of Providence (31%).  
(For additional city information, please see the back cover).

## *Where Does RIDOC's Population Come From?*

City	%	City	%	City	%
Barrington	0.3	Jamestown	0.2	Smithfield	0.6
Block Island	0.05	Johnston	1.9	S. Kingstown	1.1
Bristol	0.7	Lincoln	0.6	Tiverton	0.4
Burrillville	0.6	Little Compton	0.04	Warren	0.8
Central Falls	3.6	Middletown	0.8	Warwick	5.2
Charlestown	0.4	Narragansett	0.5	Westerly	1.4
Coventry	1.9	Newport	2.1	W. Greenwich	0.2
Cranston	4.9	N. Kingstown	1.2	W. Warwick	3.8
Cumberland	1.1	N. Providence	1.9	Woonsocket	6.5
E. Greenwich	0.4	N. Smithfield	0.3	Out-of-State	5.7
E. Providence	2.4	Pawtucket	9.0	Missing	0.8
Exeter	0.3	Portsmouth	0.5	No Permanent Address	5.3
Foster	0.2	<b>Providence</b>	<b>31.1</b>		
Glocester	0.3	Richmond	0.3		
Hopkinton	0.5	Scituate	0.3		

The city an offender lives prior to commitment is usually the same city which an offender returns to upon release.

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