ANALYSIS OF REENTERING POPULATION
AND INCARCERATION COST, 2008

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R.I Reentry Population

• 3,559 offenders returned to Rhode Island in 2008. (3 people could not be matched to a specific city)

• 886 were violent offenders (25%).
• 81 were sexual offenders (2%).
• 867 were convicted of a drug-related offense (24%).

• 3,962 children had a parent released in 2008.

• 34% (1200) of Rhode Island's reentry population returned to Providence.

Data Source: RI Department of Corrections, 2008 Sentenced Releases
1,200 offenders returned to Providence in 2008.

40% of the offenders returning to Providence were from 4 neighborhoods:
- Upper South Providence
- West End
- Elmwood
- Wanskuck

270 were violent offenders (23%).
38 were sexual offenders (3%).
390 were convicted of a drug related offense (33%).

13% were female.

1,385 children had a parent released in 2008.
Distribution of Rhode Island's Sentenced Offenders
By Municipality, 2008

There were 3,373 Rhode Island residents sentenced to prison in 2008.

Data Source: RI Department of Corrections, 2008 Sentenced Commitments
Cost to Incarcerate Rhode Island's Sentenced Offenders
By Municipality, 2008

It will cost over $156,000,000 to incarcerate 3,373 sentenced offenders for two-thirds of their sentenced length.

Top Four Cities & Towns by Incarceration costs:

- Providence: $58.2 Million
- Pawtucket: $15.6 Million
- Woonsocket: $12.3 Million
- Cranston: $10.7 Million

Incarceration Cost

- Less Than $1.0M
- $1.0M - $2.9M
- $3.0M - $13.9M
- $14.0M - $60.0M

Cost does not include administrative and capital costs.
Data Source: RI Department of Corrections, 2008 Sentenced Commitments
Cost to Incarcerate Rhode Island's Awaiting Trial Population
By Municipality, 2008

There were 8,393 Rhode Island residents involved in awaiting trials in 2008. It cost over $25,000,000 to incarcerate this population.

Cost does not include administrative and capital costs
Data Source: RI Department of Corrections, 2008 Awaiting Trial Releases
Distribution of Providence's Sentenced Offenders
By Neighborhood, 2008

There were 1,137 Providence residents sentenced to prison in 2008.

Data Source: RI Department of Corrections, 2008 Sentenced Commitments

9% (106) could not be matched to a specific neighborhood
Cost to Incarcerate Providence's Sentenced Offenders
By Neighborhood, 2008

It will cost over $58,000,000 to incarcerate 1,137 sentenced offenders for two thirds of their sentenced length.

9% (106) could not be matched to a specific neighborhood.

Incarceration Cost

- $149,790 - $999,999
- $1,000,000 - $1,999,999
- $2,000,000 - $3,999,999
- $4,000,000 - $9,999,999

Cost does not include administrative and capital costs
Data Source: RI Department of Corrections, 2008 Sentenced Commitments
There were 1,137 Providence residents sentenced to prison in 2007. 288 were violent and sexual offenders. 849 were non violent and non sexual offenders.

Cost does not include administrative and capital costs
Data Source: RI Department of Corrections, 2008 Sentenced Commitments
There were 849 Providence residents sentenced to prison in 2007 for non-violent and non-sexual offenses.

It will cost over $27,000,000 to incarcerate this population for two-thirds of their sentence length.

9% (106) offenders could not be matched to a specific neighborhood.

### Incarceration Cost

- $113,835 - $499,999
- $500,000 - $1,999,999
- $2,000,000 - $2,999,999
- $3,000,000 - $5,000,000

Cost does not include administrative and capital costs

Data Source: RI Department of Corrections, 2008 Sentenced Commitments
Cost to Incarcerate Providence's Awaiting Trial Population
By Neighborhood, 2008

There were 2,743 Providence residents involved in awaiting trials in 2008. It cost over $9,500,000 to incarcerate this population.

5% (141) people involved in awaiting trials could not be matched to a specific neighborhood.

Incarceration Cost

- $11,181 - $199,999
- $200,000 - $499,999
- $500,000 - $999,999
- $1,000,000 - $1,999,999

Cost does not include administrative and capital costs
Data Source: RI Department of Corrections, 2008 Awaiting Trial Releases
There were 1,316 children in Providence who had a parent sentenced to the ACI in 2008.

9% (106) offenders could not be matched to a specific neighborhood.
Notes and Assumptions
Rhode Island Department of Corrections 2008 Analysis

General Notes
Address and child data was self-reported by the incarcerated offender.

The analysis focused on people, not releases/commitments, thus if a person was released/committed twice in 2008, they were counted as 1 person, not 2 releases/commitments.

2008 Sentenced Release Data
This data set included all incarcerated sentenced offenders who were released during the 2008 calendar year. There were 387 multiple sentenced releases in calendar year 2008.

This analysis only included people claiming to have a Rhode Island address (3,559), 92% of all 2008 sentenced releases. All 3,559 offenders could be matched to a specific city in Rhode Island. All Providence addresses were geocoded, with a match rate of 92%.

2008 Sentenced Commitment Data
This data set included all people who were sentenced to incarceration during the 2008 calendar year. There were 442 multiple sentenced commitments in calendar year 2008.

This analysis only included people claiming Rhode Island addresses (3,373), 89% of all 2008 sentenced commitments. All 3,373 offenders could be matched to a specific city in Rhode Island. All Providence addresses were geocoded, with a match rate of 91%.

All life sentences were originally coded as '9999999' and were recoded to 30 years (10,957 days).

In calculating the cost of incarceration, a weighted daily average was used; one for males, and one for females. Time-served was assumed to be two-thirds of the total sentence as this is the typical amount of time an offenders serves prior to release. As mentioned above, this report focused on people, therefore, if a person was sentenced more than once during 2008, all sentences were included when calculating the cost of incarceration, however they were only counted once, as one person. Thus, cost was calculated as two-thirds of their total sentence length, multiplied by the appropriate daily rate. The costs excluded administrative and capital costs.

For those sentenced commitments that could not be geocoded to a city (neighborhood), their incarceration costs were matched proportionally to each city (neighborhood) based on the incarceration costs each city (neighborhood) already had.

2008 Awaiting Trial Release Data
This data set included all incarcerated awaiting trial offenders who were released during the 2008 calendar year. There were 2,969 multiple awaiting trial releases in calendar year 2008.

This analysis only included people claiming to have a Rhode Island address (8,393), 88% of all 2008 awaiting trial releases. All 8,393 offenders could be matched to a specific city to Rhode Island. All Providence addresses were geocoded, with a match rate of 95%.
In calculating the cost of incarceration, a weighted daily average was used; one for males, and one for females. As mentioned above, this report focused on people, therefore, if a person was awaiting trial multiple times during 2008, all length of stays were including when calculating the cost of incarceration, however they were only counted once, as one person. Thus, cost was calculated as their total length of stay multiplied by the appropriate daily rate. The costs excluded administrative and capital costs.

For those awaiting trial commitments that could not be geocoded to a city (neighborhood), their incarceration costs were matched proportionally to each city (neighborhood) based on the incarceration costs each city (neighborhood) already had.

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