

COUNTY OF BERKS

JUVENILE COURT
JUVENILE PROBATION OFFICE

2008 ANNUAL REPORT

We are Committed to Public Safety, Justice for Victims, the Reparation of the Community and Accountability and Personal Development of Offenders, with Respectful Treatment for All Involved.



Scott E. Lash- Juvenile Court Administrative Judge

Robert N. Williams- Chief Juvenile Probation Officer

BERKS COUNTY JUVENILE PROBATION

- 2008 At a Glance -

Staff

Number of Probation Officers

- Supervisory 6
- Intake 6
- Drug and Alcohol 3
- Community Youth Aid Panel 3
- School-Based 4
- Victim Witness 2
- Sex Offender 2
- Job Readiness 1
- Community Supervision 21

Total 48

As of December 31, 2008

Number of youth under Juvenile Court supervision: **1282**

Race/Ethnicity of youth under supervision:

- Latino (of any race) **43.45 %**
- White **38.92 %**
- African American **17.08 %**
- Other **0.55 %**

Number of youth in residential placement:

- Private facilities **104**
- State facilities **1**

Berks County

Berks County Total Population **401,149**
Berks County Juvenile Population (ages 10 to 17 years) **43,844**

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2006 American Community Survey estimate

2008 IN REVIEW

The Juvenile Probation Office has been a participant in the MacArthur Foundation's Models for Change initiative focused on disproportionate minority contact since November 2005. The goal is to reduce racial and ethnic disparities and guarantee fair and unbiased treatment in the juvenile justice system. The Juvenile Probation Office is one of three Pennsylvania probation departments participating in this initiative. Substantial progress toward making Berks a model county was made during 2008.

On December 15, 2008 using startup funds provided by the Foundation, an Evening Reporting Center (ERC) was opened in Reading. The ERC, operated by the Children's Home of Reading, is the cornerstone of the efforts to reduce the overrepresentation of youth of color in secure detention and residential placement. It is designed to serve as an alternative to secure detention and is the first of its kind in the Commonwealth. Youth who would otherwise be held in secure detention due to a lack of alternative resources can now be diverted to the ERC. Participants report to the ERC immediately after school and remain there until transported home at 9:00 PM. A typical evening includes time set aside for homework, dinner, guided group activities and recreation. Participants are put through a battery of screenings and assessments in order to assist the Juvenile Court in making appropriate dispositions. When indicated, youth are linked to community-based services prior to their release. While the ERC is used solely as an alternative to detention for youth awaiting Juvenile Court hearings, plans are underway to develop programming that will allow it to be used as a short-term accountability sanction.

The department has laid out an aggressive agenda in the proposed 2009-2010 Models for Change budget. In addition to asking the MacArthur Foundation to continue funding of the ERC through June 30, 2009, several other strategic initiatives have been targeted. They include the development of a graduated sanctions/responses grid and the establishment of a YouthBuild program in Berks County. The graduated sanctions/responses grid is an attempt to address probation violations in a fair and structured manner. YouthBuild targets low-income young people ages 16-24 and focuses on education, employment, crime prevention and leadership development. Participants work toward their high school diploma or GED and develop job skills while building affordable housing for the community.

In addition to the leadership from the Juvenile Court Judges and conscientious work from probation staff, many others have contributed to the initial success of the Models for Change initiative. More than 50 community members have served on the steering committee over the past three years. Dana Shoenberg, Senior Staff Attorney for the Children's Center for Law and Policy, has provided valuable leadership and counsel since the initiative began. Since 2006, Attorney Joseph Guillama has served as the local site coordinator and has demonstrated a passion and commitment to the youth of Berks County.

The juvenile justice system in Berks and the County as a whole have benefitted greatly from our participation in the Models for Change initiative. We anticipate great things during the final two years of the project.

For the past several years the department has worked to provide the Juvenile Court with a continuum of community-based services, none more important than the introduction of Multisystemic Therapy (MST) in August 2007. MST is an intensive family- and community-based treatment program that has proven successful in reducing delinquent and antisocial behavior among juvenile offenders. A major goal of the program is to strengthen and empower families with the skills they need in order to independently address issues with their children. During 2008 Community Solutions, Inc., the MST provider for the County, doubled its complement of therapists in order to meet the demand of the Juvenile Court. The outcomes thus far have been encouraging. Of those offenders successfully completing the program during 2008, 83% remained in their home thus avoiding a commitment to a residential facility. The outcomes of this evidence-based Blueprint for Violence Prevention Program mirror those observed nationally. In addition to strengthening families and reducing delinquent behavior, successful outcomes like these ultimately translate into taxpayer savings through a reduction in placement spending. As noted in Juvenile Court Statistical Table VII, the Juvenile Court made 29 fewer placement commitments in 2008 than the previous year. What is not reflected in that figure is the fact that in addition to making fewer commitments, the Court increased the number of short-term accountability commitments as well as those to the residential program at the Berks County Youth Center. The net result was 59 fewer long-term residential commitments out of the County.

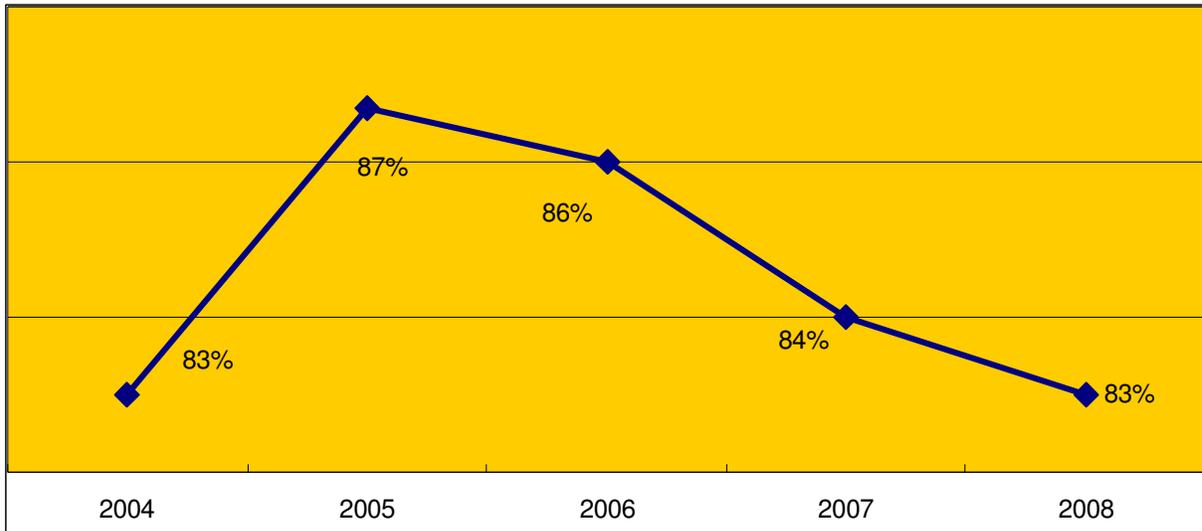
The collaboration between the department and the Berks County Youth Center continued during 2008. Since 2004 the Juvenile Court has committed youth to the Priorities Responsibility Enhancement Program (PREP) operated out of the Youth Center. It has served as an alternative to an out-of-county residential placement for older delinquent youth. In response to declining admissions to secure detention, Juvenile Probation Office and Youth Center staff worked diligently to expand the PREP program, not only in size but in programming as well. A job readiness component was added in late 2008 and plans are underway to institute an evidence-based cognitive restructuring curriculum in 2009.

Finally, it was gratifying to see one of our probation officers receive acknowledgment for twenty years of hard work and dedication. On November 6, 2008 Keith Wetzel was recognized by the Juvenile Court Judges' Commission as the Juvenile Probation Officer of the Year. Keith joins Bruce Grim (Chief of the Year), Russell Adams (Supervisor of the Year) and Earthrise Enterprises (Court-Operated Program of the Year) as previous winners from Berks. While Keith's accomplishments are too many to detail here, two are worthy of mention. In order to address competency development with those under his supervision, Keith created the Personal Responsibility Program. The program centers on the concept that behavior is a result of choice and everyone is individually responsible for his or her own behavior. The program was so successful that it became a staple for first-time offenders referred to the department. In fact, Keith has been asked by several western Berks Magisterial District Judges and school superintendents to replicate the program as an alternative sanction for youth who commit summary offenses in school. Keith was also instrumental in developing an orientation for new probation officers that focused on ethics and professionalism. Keith worked with the administrative staff to create a series of roundtable discussions involving senior staff and new officers where office norms and expectations can be established early on. Keith's award is a reflection on the entire staff of the Berks County Juvenile Probation Office. His recognition culminated another year where the staff once again demonstrated their commitment to offenders, victims and the Berks County community.

2008 DEPARTMENTAL OUTCOME MEASURES

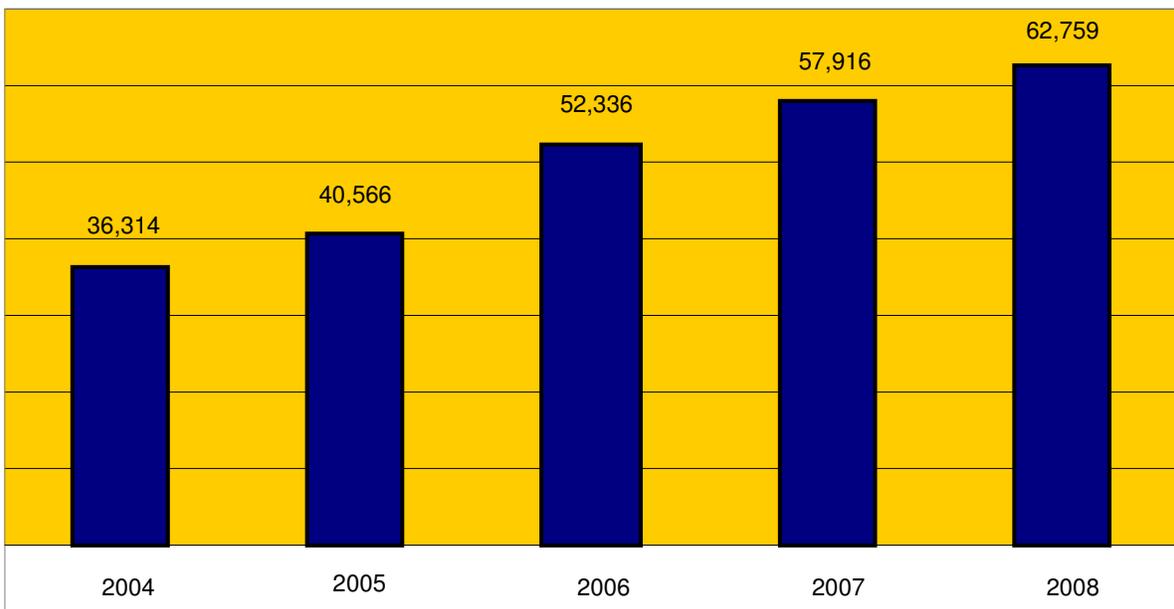
The department has compiled statistical information relative to significant outcome measures for youth exiting the system since 2002. Outcome or performance measures more accurately reflect how well we are performing as a system. The charts that follow reflect data from 766 cases that were closed throughout 2008.

COMPLETED SUPERVISION WITHOUT RE-OFFENDING



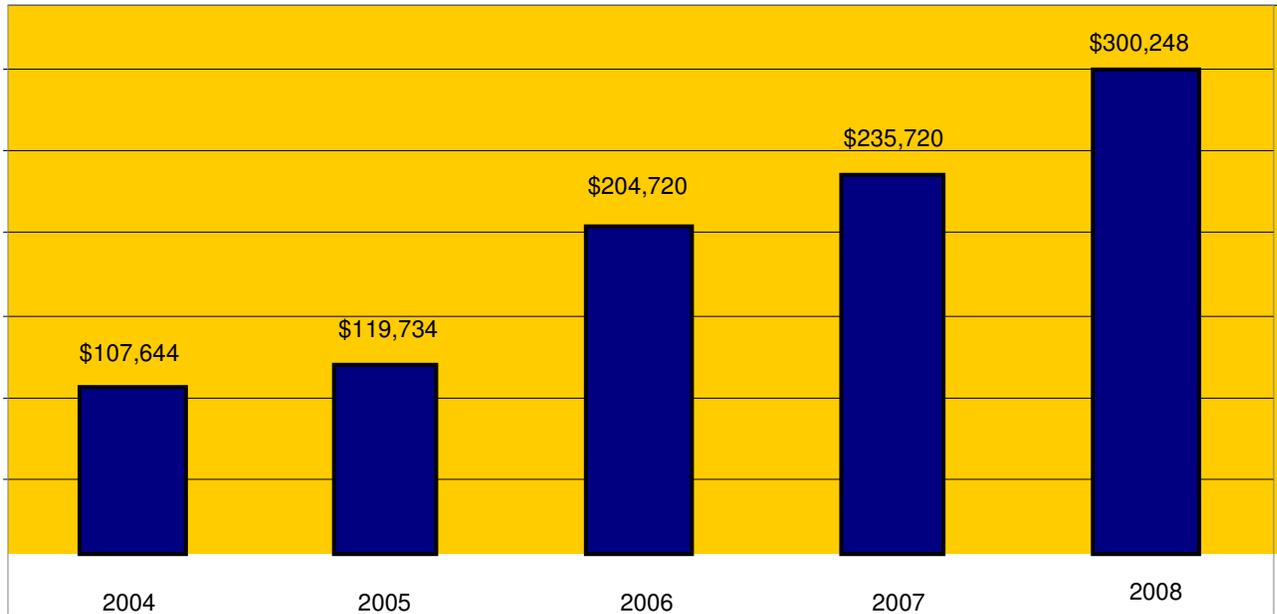
One measure of success is to track the number of youth who re-offend during their period of supervision. In 2008, 83% of those whose case was closed successfully completed their supervision without committing a new offense. While this number compares favorably to the statewide average of 85.30%, it is hoped that an increase in programming for youth earlier on in their supervision period may reap benefits.

NUMBER OF COMMUNITY SERVICE HOURS COMPLETED



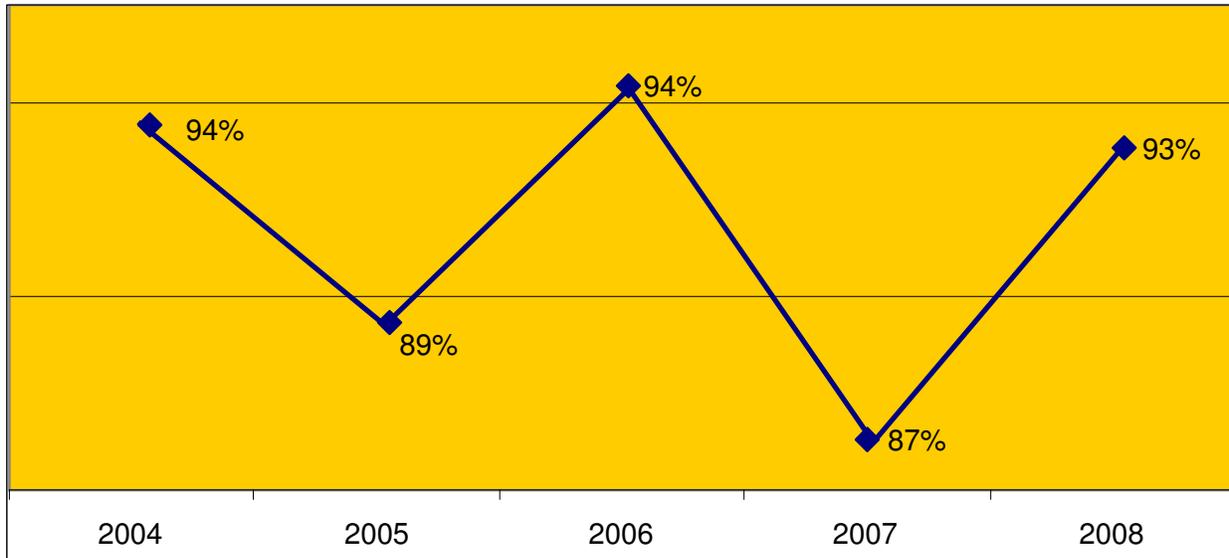
622 of the 766 youth whose cases were closed during 2008 were ordered to perform community service. These youth completed a total of 62,759 hours. 94.9% of the youth ordered to perform community service completed their assigned hours in full.

AMOUNT OF RESTITUTION PAID



Of the 766 cases closed in 2008, 293 offenders were ordered to pay restitution to their victims. These youth paid a total of \$300,248 while under supervision.

PERCENTAGE OF RESTITUTION PAID



Of greater importance than the amount of restitution paid is the percentage of youth who completely satisfy their restitution obligation at the time the case is closed. In 2008, 92.8% of youth with a restitution order paid in full. The department prides itself on its ability to collect and disperse restitution to victims of juvenile crime. Offenders are often kept under supervision until jurisdiction expires at age twenty one in an attempt to collect restitution.

2008 STATISTICAL HIGHLIGHTS

OFFENSES REFERRED

2008 - 2664
2007 - 2492
2006 - 2417
2005 - 2488
2004 - 2720

The Reading Bureau of Police, County Magisterial District Judges and the Muhlenberg Police Department represent the top three referring agencies. The Reading Police department accounted for nearly 44% of the total referrals received during 2007.

NUMBER OF YOUTH REFERRED

2008 - 1192
2007 - 1109
2006 - 1134
2005 - 1221
2004 - 1109

After a two year period where the number of youth referred to the department declined, 2008 saw an increase. In order to meet the demand and continue to perform quality screening and assessment at the time of referral, the number of intake officers was increased this past year.

RACE AND ETHNICITY OF YOUTH REFERRED

Hispanic - 503
White - 482
Black - 192
Other - 15

Race and ethnicity are not the same. Race is more or less defined by physical characteristics while ethnicity refers to shared social traits. The County's under age eighteen population of Hispanic youth is more than three times the statewide average.

MOST FREQUENTLY REFERRED OFFENSES (Excluding summary offenses)

Drug Offenses - 252
Simple Assault - 235
False Alarms - 212
Theft (Misdemeanor) - 147
Aggravated Assault - 126
Criminal Mischief - 120
Burglary - 92
Robbery - 77
Terroristic Threats - 64

Excluding non-payment referrals from Magisterial District Judges, misdemeanor drug offenses have been the most frequently referred offenses to the Juvenile Court since 2001. 2008 saw nearly a 28% increase in violent crimes referred (robbery and aggravated assault). Two offenders accounted for 211 of the False Alarms to Agencies of Public Safety. In 2007, only one count was referred.

**CASES DIVERTED
BY THE COMMUNITY
YOUTH AID PANELS**

2008 - 279
2007 - 231
2006 - 268
2005 - 285
2004 - 342

Begun in 2000, Community Youth Aid Panels divert a variety of misdemeanor offenses from traditional Court processing and keep offenders from becoming more deeply involved in the system. During 2008, fourteen panels comprised of nearly one hundred community volunteers were in operation throughout various locales within the County.

**REFERRALS FROM
MAGISTERIAL
DISTRICT JUDGES**

2008 - 802
2007 - 895
2006 - 885
2005 - 947
2004 - 1020

The department provides an alternative sanctioning program for County Magisterial District Judges, giving them the option of ordering community service hours in lieu of fines and costs for summary convictions.

**TOTAL COMMUNITY
SERVICE HOURS
PERFORMED**

2008 - 57,857
2007 - 60,877
2006 - 57,205
2005 - 58,384
2004 - 57,488

Over one-quarter million hours of community service have been performed by juvenile offenders in Berks County during the past five years.

**TOTAL RESTITUTION
COLLECTED**

2008 - \$111,235.42
2007 - \$117,735.29
2006 - \$148,359.23
2005 - \$ 96,644.83
2004 - \$ 67,263.69

For the third straight year, over \$100,000 in restitution was collected from offenders. Total collections were down from the previous year but still represented the third highest total in the department's history.

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TABLE I**OFFENSES BY REFERRING SOURCE**

SOURCE	MALE	FEMALE	TOTAL
MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT JUDGES	211	94	305
STATE POLICE	86	20	106
OTHER COUNTY	49	12	61
DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE	12	0	12
OTHER STATE	5	5	10
POLICE DEPARTMENTS			
READING	1042	124	1166
MUHLENBERG TOWNSHIP	109	26	135
EXETER TOWNSHIP	71	20	91
WYOMISSING BOROUGH	50	26	76
SPRING TOWNSHIP	61	8	69
CUMRU TOWNSHIP	55	5	60
WEST READING BOROUGH	53	1	54
NORTHERN BERKS REGIONAL	42	4	46
HAMBURG BOROUGH	43	2	45
BERN TOWNSHIP	21	17	38
AMITY TOWNSHIP	32	3	35
COLEBROOKDALE TOWNSHIP	25	6	31
CENTRAL BERKS	19	10	29
BIRDSBORO BOROUGH	22	2	24
LAURELDALE BOROUGH	19	5	24
OLEY TOWNSHIP	17	5	22
CAERNARVON TOWNSHIP	15	6	21
BERKS-LEHIGH REGIONAL	15	6	21
ROBESON TOWNSHIP	20	0	20
SOUTH HEIDELBERG TOWNSHIP	15	4	19

OFFENSES BY REFERRING SOURCE PAGE 2 OF TABLE I

POLICE DEPARTMENTS	MALE	FEMALE	TOTAL
KUTZTOWN BOROUGH	17	1	18
FLEETWOOD BOROUGH	17	0	17
ROBESONIA BOROUGH	14	3	17
BOYERTOWN BOROUGH	12	2	14
SHILLINGTON BOROUGH	12	2	14
HEIDELBERG TOWNSHIP	11	2	13
BRECKNOCK TOWNSHIP	10	0	10
SINKING SPRING BOROUGH	7	2	9
MOHNTON BOROUGH	7	0	7
TILDEN TOWNSHIP	5	1	6
TULPEHOCKEN TOWNSHIP	4	0	4
PENN STATE UNIVERSITY POLICE	4	0	4
KUTZTOWN UNIVERSITY POLICE	4	0	4
DOUGLASS TOWNSHIP	2	0	2
LOWER HEIDELBERG	2	0	2
BERNVILLE BOROUGH	1	1	2
WERNERSVILLE BOROUGH	1	0	1
TOTAL	2239	425	2664

TABLE II**TYPES OF OFFENSES REFERRED**

TYPE OF OFFENSE	MALE	FEMALE	TOTAL
NON-PAYMENT OF FINES AND COSTS	212	94	306
DRUGS (MISDEMEANOR)	224	28	252
SIMPLE ASSAULT	185	50	235
FALSE ALARMS TO AGENCIES OF PUBLIC SAFETY	212	0	212
THEFT (MISDEMEANOR)	112	35	147
MOTOR VEHICLE SUMMARIES	113	14	127
AGGRAVATED ASSAULT	98	28	126
CRIMINAL MISCHIEF	110	10	120
SUMMARY OFFENSES	106	12	118
BURGLARY	85	7	92
ROBBERY	67	10	77
TRANSFER OF SUPERVISION FROM OTHER JURISDICTION	54	17	71
TERRORISTIC THREATS	56	8	64
POSSESSION OF WEAPON ON SCHOOL PROPERTY	42	10	52
THEFT (FELONY)	40	4	44
DISORDERLY CONDUCT (MISDEMEANOR)	36	6	42
RETAIL THEFT	22	20	42
RECEIVING STOLEN PROPERTY (FELONY)	28	9	37
POSSESSING INSTRUMENT OF CRIME	33	3	36
INSTITUTIONAL VANDALISM	26	2	28
DRUGS (FELONY)	26	1	27
RECEIVING STOLEN PROPERTY (MISDEMEANOR)	20	7	27
CRIMINAL TRESPASS	24	2	26
THEFT FROM A MOTOR VEHICLE	24	0	24
UNLAWFUL POSSESSION OF FIREARM	23	0	23
DRIVING UNDER THE INFLUENCE	18	4	22
INDECENT ASSAULT	20	0	20
UNAUTHORIZED USE OF AUTOMOBILES/OTHER MOTOR VEHICLES	19	1	20
FALSE IDENTIFICATION TO LAW ENFORCEMENT AUTHORITIES	12	7	19
RESISTING ARREST	12	7	19
ARSON	17	1	18
HARASSMENT (MISDEMEANOR)	17	1	18
RECKLESSLY ENDANGERING ANOTHER PERSON	17	1	18
ACCESS DEVICE FRAUD	4	8	12
FLEEING OR ATTEMPTING TO ELUDE	11	0	11
RAPE	9	0	9
LOITERING AND PROWLING AT NIGHT TIME	7	1	8
OTHER MISDEMEANOR OR FELONY TRAFFIC OFFENSES	7	1	8
PROPULSION OF MISSILES	8	0	8
ESCAPE	7	0	7
FALSE REPORTS TO LAW ENFORCEMENT AUTHORITIES	3	4	7
FORGERY	6	0	6

TYPES OF OFFENSES REFERRED PAGE 2 OF TABLE II

TYPE OF OFFENSE	MALE	FEMALE	TOTAL
INVOLUNTARY DEVIATE SEXUAL INTERCOURSE	6	0	6
THREAT TO USE WEAPONS OF MASS DESTRUCTION	3	2	5
OBSTRUCTING ADM. OF LAW OR GOV. FUNC.	3	2	5
PROHIBITED OFFENSIVE WEAPONS	5	0	5
INCEST	4	0	4
SEXUAL ABUSE OF CHILDREN	4	0	4
THEFT OF PROPERTY LOST, MISLAID OR DELIVERED BY MISTAKE	4	0	4
UNLAWFUL USE OF COMPUTER AND OTHER COMPUTER CRIMES	3	1	4
CRIMINAL ATTEMPT TO COMMIT MURDER	3	0	3
FAILURE OF DISORDERLY PERSON TO DISPERSE	2	1	3
INDECENT EXPOSURE	3	0	3
MANUFACTURE, DIST. OR POSS. OF MASTER KEYS FOR MV	3	0	3
SALE OR USE OF AIR RIFLE	3	0	3
UNSWORN FALSIFICATION TO AUTHORITIES	2	1	3
OWNING, OPERATING CHOP SHOP	2	0	2
AGGRAVATED INDECENT ASSAULT	2	0	2
ALTERNATING MARKS OF ID	2	0	2
ASSAULT BY PRISONER	0	2	2
CAUSING OR RISKING CATASTROPHE	1	1	2
INTIMIDATION OF A WITNESSES OR VICTIMS	2	0	2
AGGRAVATED HARASSMENT BY PRISONER	0	1	1
CRIMINAL ATTEMPT TO COMMIT CRIMINAL HOMICIDE	1	0	1
CRUELTY TO ANIMALS	1	0	1
ETHNIC INTIMIDATION	1	0	1
FALSE IMPRISONMENT	1	0	1
INDIRECT CRIMINAL CONTEMPT (PFA VIOLATION)	1	0	1
INTERCEPT, DISCLOSE OR USE OF COMMUNICATIONS	1	0	1
INTERFERENCE WITH CUSTODY OF CHILDREN	0	1	1
OPEN LEWDNESS	1	0	1
RIOT	1	0	1
SUPPLYING OR FURNISHING ALCOHOL TO MINORS	1	0	1
AGGRAVATED ASSAULT ON UNBORN CHILD	1	0	1
TOTAL	2239	425	2664

TABLE III**REFERRAL AGE AND NUMBER OF OFFENSES REFERRED**

AGES	NUMBER OF OFFENSES				NUMBER OF JUVENILES		
	MALE	FEMALE	TOTAL		MALE	FEMALE	TOTAL
10	17	0	17		7	0	7
11	23	3	26		10	3	13
12	89	11	100		40	6	46
13	112	30	142		64	21	85
14	309	53	362		98	38	136
15	302	79	381		148	54	202
16	515	98	613		208	62	270
17	783	107	890		298	60	358
18	87	41	128		46	24	70
19	0	3	3		0	3	3
20	2	0	2		2	0	2
TOTAL	2239	425	2664		921	271	1192

TABLE IV
DETENTION HEARINGS

	TOTAL
CONTINUED TO A LATER DATE	6
JUVENILES DETAINED	370
JUVENILES PLACED ON ELECTRONIC MONITORING	12
JUVENILES REFERRED TO SHELTER CARE	2
JUVENILES RELEASED TO PARENT/CUSTODIAN	26
TOTAL JUVENILES IN HEARINGS	416

TABLE V
OUT OF COURT DISPOSITIONS

	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
ACCEPTED COURTESY SUPERVISION	4	2	0	0	3
COMPLAINT WITHDRAWN	5	3	11	7	11
CONSENT DECREE	0	0	0	0	40
CONTINUANCE OF PREVIOUS DISPOSITION	33	62	59	73	36
FAST TRACKED	0	18	70	42	73
FINES AND COSTS ORDERED	1	7	3	10	31
INFORMAL ADJUSTMENT	176	265	255	238	248
OTHER	18	48	37	45	18
REFERRED TO ANOTHER AGENCY/INDIVIDUAL	0	1	0	1	0
TRANSFER TO OTHER JUVENILE COURT	1	2	0	3	3
WARNED, COUNSELED, CASE CLOSED	12	34	31	50	26
TOTAL	250	442	466	469	489

TABLE VI**JUVENILE COURT DISPOSITIONS**

	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
COMPLAINT WITHDRAWN	21	23	18	45	51
CONSENT DECREE	197	225	230	277	259
CONTINUANCE OF PREVIOUS DISPOSITION	102	110	96	99	106
CONTINUED IN INSTITUTIONAL PLACEMENT	2	0	0	0	1
DISMISSED NOT SUBSTANTIATED	80	75	64	36	29
FINES AND COSTS ORDERED	25	38	33	61	65
INFORMAL ADJUSTMENT	2	0	0	1	0
OTHER	10	10	10	13	14
PLACEMENT	217	263	274	300	215
PROBATION	401	366	358	292	240
REFERRED TO ANOTHER AGENCY/INDIVIDUAL	8	1	4	2	0
RELEASED FROM PLACEMENT	1	0	0	0	0
TRANSFER TO OTHER JUVENILE COURT	49	50	43	55	46
TRANSFERRED TO CRIMINAL COURT	1	2	0	2	1
WARNED, COUNSELED, CASE CLOSED	8	4	17	20	11
SUBTOTAL	1124	1167	1147	1203	1038
COMMITMENT REVIEW HEARINGS:					
	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
CONTINUED IN INSTITUTIONAL PLACEMENT	170	133	130	153	149
INSTITUTIONAL PLACEMENT TO ALTER. INST. PLACEMENT	16	25	11	29	32
INSTITUTIONAL PLACEMENT TO PROBATION	31	21	30	43	33
SUBTOTAL	217	179	171	225	214
PROBATION STATUS REVIEW HEARINGS:					
	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
CONSENT DECREE	0	2	4	6	22
CONTINUANCE OF PREVIOUS DISPOSITION	56	35	45	74	43
OTHER	1	2	7	7	6
PLACEMENT	12	5	15	26	22
PROBATION	0	21	16	32	32
REFERRED TO ANOTHER AGENCY/INDIVIDUAL	0	1	4	1	0
TRANSFER TO OTHER JUVENILE COURT	0	0	1	0	0
WARNED, COUNSELED, CASE CLOSED	0	0	1	2	2
SUBTOTAL	69	66	93	148	127
TOTAL	1410	1412	1411	1576	1379

TABLE VII**COMPARISON OF WORKLOAD**

YEAR	TOTAL PLACED ON PROBATION (IN COURT)	TOTAL PLACED ON SUPERVISION (OUT OF COURT)	TOTAL COMMITMENTS	JUVENILES REFERRED	TOTAL REFERRALS
1999	412	229	279	902	1,749
2000	527	238	289	958	2,374
2001	616	159	316	951	1,889
2002	595	158	354	950	1,990
2003	599	127	336	951	1,920
2004	632	176	336	1,109	2,720
2005	612	265	390	1,221	2,488
2006	618	255	374	1,134	2,417
2007	613	238	395	1,109	2,492
2008	532	288	366	1,192	2,664

TABLE VIII**COLLECTIONS**

YEAR	TOTAL RESTITUTION COLLECTED	COURT COSTS AND FINES COLLECTED	SERVICE FEES COLLECTED	RESTITUTION INCENTIVE PROGRAM	TOTAL
1999	69,199.06	36,955.24	76,462.83	33,648.57	216,265.70
2000	76,248.32	41,832.23	77,915.56	46,921.81	242,917.92
2001	90,127.83	49,777.76	66,175.55	45,586.87	251,668.01
2002	87,096.15	53,467.38	53,610.45	46,478.67	240,652.65
2003	95,836.59	61,868.23	54,784.83	40,680.66	253,170.31
2004	67,263.69	62,533.19	42,215.29	76,230.12	248,242.29
2005	96,644.83	85,875.29	36,360.13	116,701.35	335,581.60
2006	148,359.23	90,286.01	29,809.39	124,489.55	392,944.18
2007	117,735.29	80,308.80	23,805.04	125,536.40	347,385.53
2008	111,235.42	90,624.75	23,575.94	127,924.33	353,360.44

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