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## Executive Summary

At the end of each year, a descriptive overview is prepared of those offenders released during the year. This allows us to monitor any changes in the population and track trends from year to year. Data is used for population management and program development.

Sentenced offenders released to the street will be tracked for three years post release as part of our ongoing recidivism study. Recidivism rates are reported at one and three-year intervals.

There were 6442 total releases from the facilities operated by the Hampden County Sheriff's Department in 2018 (1972 females, 4470 males). This represents an overall increase of 346 (5.8%) from 2017. All of the increase can be attributed to the 362 civilly committed males released from the Stonybrook Stabilization and Treatment Center.

A total of 1459 sentenced offenders were released (364 females, 1095 males), an decrease of 170 (10.4%) from 2017. 1234 sentenced offenders (335 females, 899 males) were *released to the street* via parole or expiration of sentence, a decrease of 231 from the previous year. 82 sentenced offenders were released to other authorities. There were 89 releases from Foundation House (5 women, 84 men) and 2 HOPE parole releases. One sentenced male died in custody of natural causes. 85 sentenced offenders (22 women, 63 men) were released back to the jail to address open charges.

A detailed analysis of sentenced offenders released to the street can be found in **Section I.**

There were 3667 pretrial releases (1407 females, 2260 males), a decrease of 11% from 2017. 3263 pretrial detainees were *released to the street* via bail, release at court or sentence to time served (1353 females, 1910 males). 369 detainees were released to other authorities and 34 probates purged or paid their debt and were released. One female pretrial detainee died in custody.

A detailed analysis of the pretrial release cohort can be found in **Section II**.

146 individuals (9 females, 137 males) received a sentence to Mass DOC and were transported to MCI Framingham or MCI Cedar Junction. 2 males and 4 females were transferred to a DOC facility for a reason other than a new sentence or parole violation. These reasons included commitment to Bridgewater State Hospital, DOC Reentry Program failure or court appearance on existing case.

A detailed analysis of offenders sentenced to DOC can be found in **Section III**.

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## **SECTION I SENTENCED RELEASES TO THE STREET**

### **Summary**

#### Number and Gender

The breakdown by gender was 899 males and 335 females, representing 73% and 27% of the total population, respectively.

The 899 sentenced males released to the street in 2018 represented a decrease of 170 (16%) from 2017.

The 335 sentenced females released to the street in 2018 represented a decrease of 61 (15%) from 2017.

The release cohort represented 1190 unique individuals (865 males, 325 females). 30 males and 10 females were released twice during 2018, 2 males were released three times.

#### Race and Ethnicity

The racial and ethnic breakdown is different for males and females. 77% of women identify themselves as Caucasian, 15% as Hispanic and 6% as African American.

In contrast, 34% of men identify themselves as Caucasian, 47% as Hispanic and 19% as African American.

#### Age

The mean age of the female population is 35 years, 95 days; the mean of the male population is 36 years, 296 days.

8% of females and 9% of males are under age 25. 26% of females and 33% of males are over age 40.

Most common age for women is 27, for men 29.

### Criminogenic Factors

45% of females and 55% of males lacked a high school diploma or equivalent at intake.

72% of females and 64% of males were unemployed at time of incarceration.

67% of females and 76% of males admit having criminal associates.

87% of women and 90% of men were identified as having a substance use problem.

### Residence

85% of males and 33% of females provided a Hampden County address at intake. 55% of Hampden County offenders gave a residential address in Springfield, 17% Holyoke and 10% Chicopee.

Neighborhoods accounting for the largest number of offenders from Springfield were Mason Square (01109) 24%, Forest Park (01108) 22%, and Central (01105) 19%.

60 offenders (17 females, 43 males) failed to provide an address at release.

### Governing Offense

24% of women and 30% of men were serving sentences for violent offense(s). 42 offenders were serving a sentence for a technical violation of parole. 83% of technical violators were nonviolent offenders.

### Sentence

Mean sentence for women was 219 days (7 months, 9 days), for men 331 days (11 months, 1 day). Most common sentence for both genders was 180 days.

Females served a mean of 140 days (64% of sentence). Men served 223 days (67% of sentence).

78 women (23%) were sentenced to 60 days or less. 65 (19%) were sentenced to a year or more. For men, 98 (11%) had sentences of 60 days or less, and 361 (40%) were sentenced to a year or more.

Mandatory sentences totaled 23,385 days, a decrease of 35% from 2017. Much of the reduction was the result of the virtual disappearance of the 2-year school zone sentence.

### Classification

The female release cohort included 323 county inmates, 11 DOC, and 1 Bureau of Prisons. 39% of county releases were from Worcester County, 36% from Hampden County.

The male release cohort consisted of 821 county inmates, 60 DOC, 14 Bureau of Prisons and 4 US Probation.

38% of women and 52% of men were released from lower security. 114 men attained minimum status in the Community Reentry Unit.

### Release Type

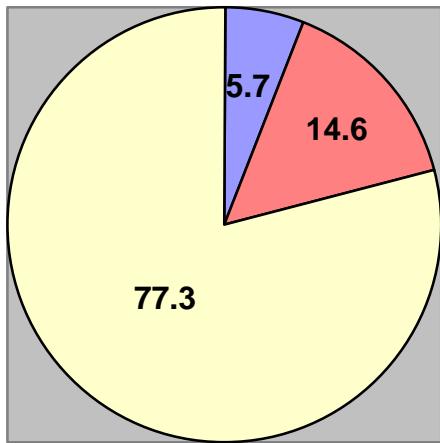
Paroles accounted for 17.3% of releases in 2018, up from 14.1% in 2017

Parolees served approximately 50% of their original sentence compared to 73% for those who completed their sentence.

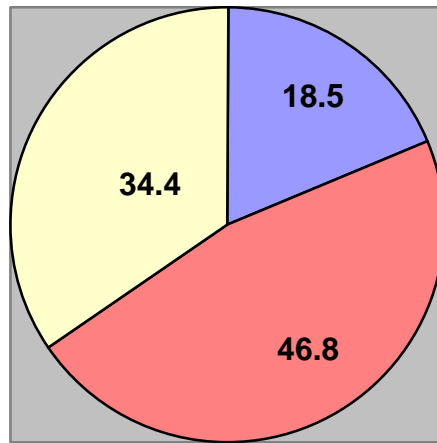
**2018 SENTENCED RELEASES TO THE STREET  
Statistical Data**

<b>Gender</b>	<b>N</b>	<b>%</b>
Females	335	27.0
Males	899	73.0

**Racial Breakdown-Females  
%**



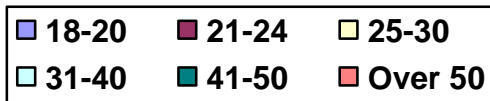
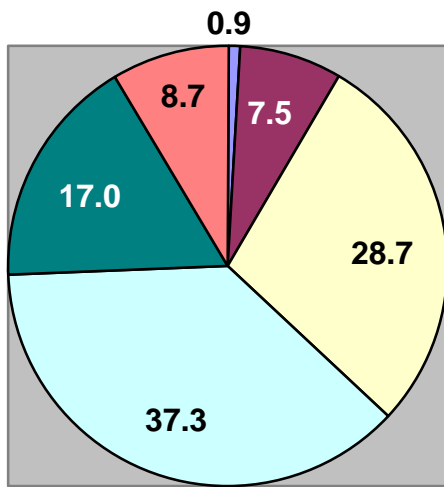
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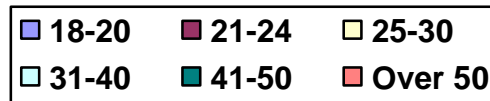
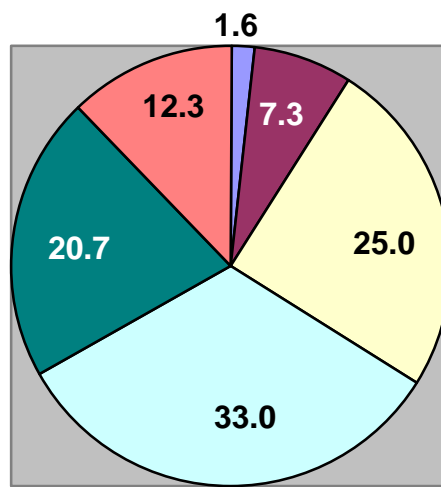
<b>Race</b>	<b>Females</b>		<b>Males</b>	
	<b>N</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>N</b>	<b>%</b>
Black	19	5.7	166	18.5
Hispanic	49	14.6	421	46.8
Caucasian	259	77.3	309	34.4
Others	8	2.4	3	0.3



**Age Breakdown-Females (%)**



**Age Breakdown-Males (%)**

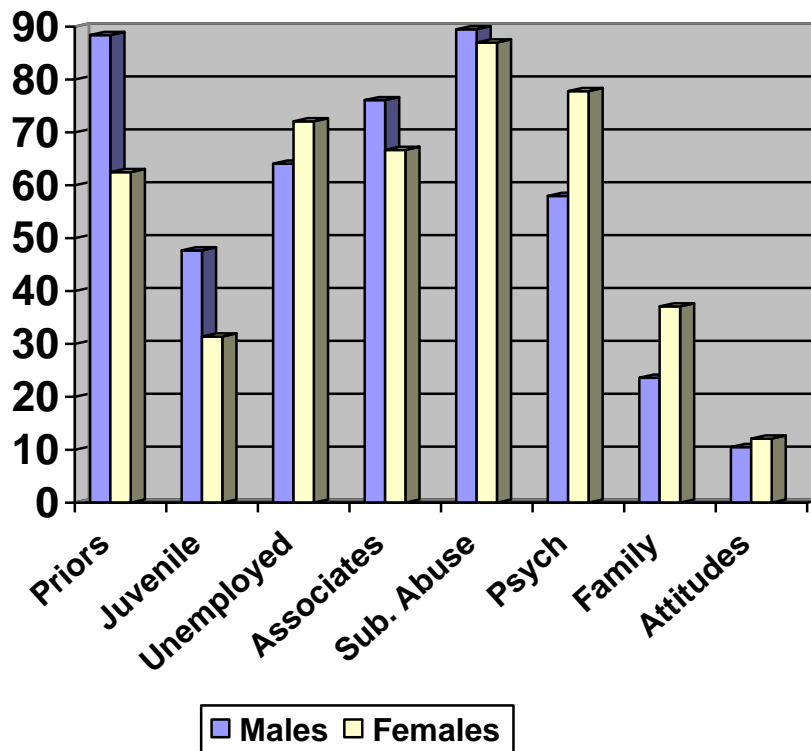


Age	Females		Males	
	N	%	N	%
18-20	3	0.9	14	1.6
21-24	25	7.5	66	7.3
25-30	96	28.7	225	25.0
31-40	125	37.3	297	33.0
41-50	57	17.0	186	20.7
Over 50	29	8.7	117	12.3

	Females	Males
Mean Age	35.26	36.81
Minimum Age	20.00	19.00
Maximum Age	67.00	79.00
<b>Mode (most common)</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>29</b>

<b>Criminogenic Factors</b>	<b>Females</b>		<b>Males</b>	
	<b>N</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>N</b>	<b>%</b>
Adult History	197	62.5	780	88.4
Juvenile History	99	31.4	421	47.7
Unemployed	227	72.1	565	64.1
Criminal Associates	210	66.7	671	76.1
Substance Abuse	274	87.0	789	89.5
Personal/Emotional	245	77.8	512	58.0
Family Relationships	117	37.1	208	23.6
Antisocial Attitudes	38	12.1	93	10.5
No HS Diploma/GED	152	45.2	496	55.2

**Risks/Needs by Gender**

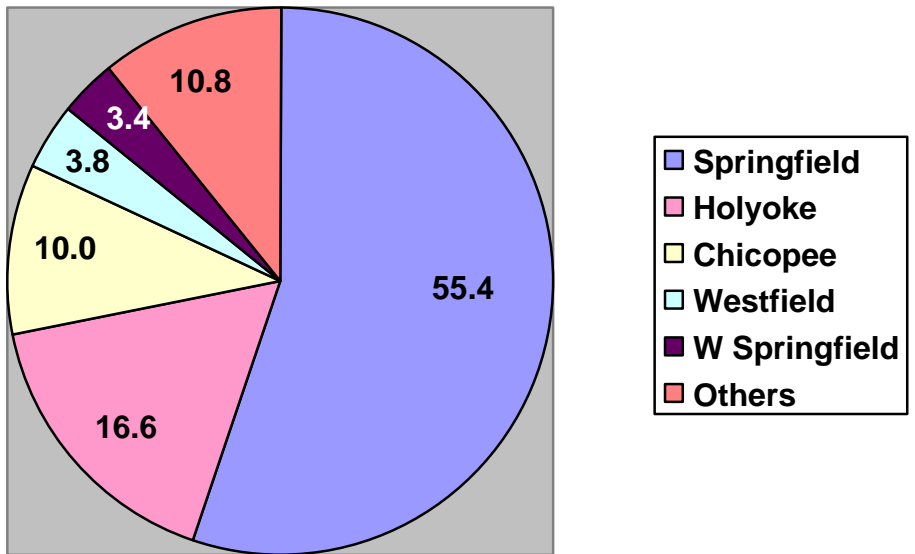


**Residence by County (Self Report at Intake)**

	Females		Males	
	N	%	N	%
Homeless	17	5.1	43	4.8
Hampden	111	33.1	768	85.4
Berkshire	42	12.5	20	2.2
Franklin	5	1.5	6	0.7
Hampshire	16	4.8	20	2.2
Worcester	112	33.4	18	2.0
Other Mass County	16	4.8	8	0.9
Out of State	16	4.8	16	1.8

**Hampden County (% of Hampden County Releases)**

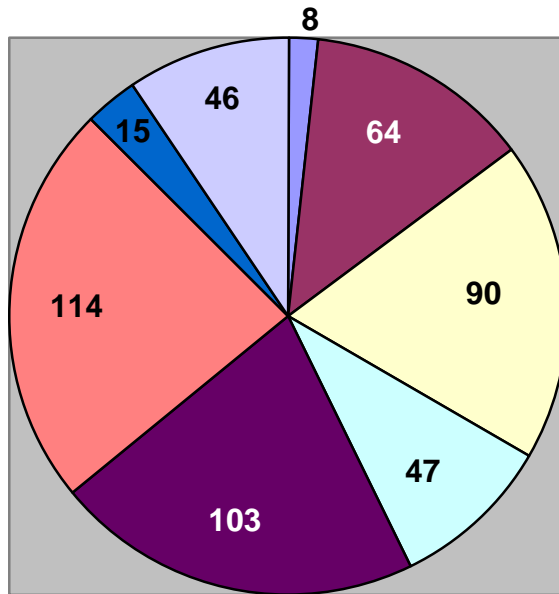
	Females		Males	
	N	%	N	%
<b>Springfield</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>42.3</b>	<b>440</b>	<b>57.3</b>
Holyoke	17	15.3	129	16.8
Chicopee	19	17.1	69	9.0
Westfield	5	4.5	28	3.6
West Springfield	6	5.4	24	3.1
Other Towns	17	15.3	78	10.2



**Springfield Neighborhoods (% of Springfield Releases)**

	Females		Males	
	N	%	N	%
01103	1	2.1	7	1.6
01104	8	17.0	56	12.7
01105	7	14.9	83	18.9
01107	5	10.6	42	9.5
01108	5	10.6	98	22.3
01109	10	21.3	104	23.6
01151	4	8.5	11	2.5
Others	7	14.9	39	8.9

**Number Released to Springfield Neighborhoods**



## CURRENT INCARCERATION

### Governing Offense

	Females		Males	
	N	%	N	%
Violent	53	15.8	120	13.3
Domestic	22	6.6	94	10.5
Sex Offense	0	0.0	10	1.1
Firearms	4	1.2	44	4.9
<b>Violent Offenses</b>	<b>79</b>	<b>23.6</b>	<b>268</b>	<b>29.8</b>
Property	109	32.5	191	21.2
Drugs	86	25.7	277	30.8
MV	34	10.1	91	10.1
Other	14	4.2	43	4.8
<b>Nonviolent Offenses</b>	<b>243</b>	<b>72.5</b>	<b>602</b>	<b>66.9</b>
<b>Parole Violations</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>3.9</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>3.2</b>

### Original Offense behind Parole Violations

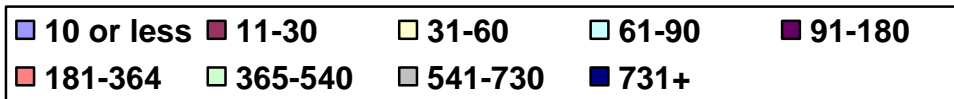
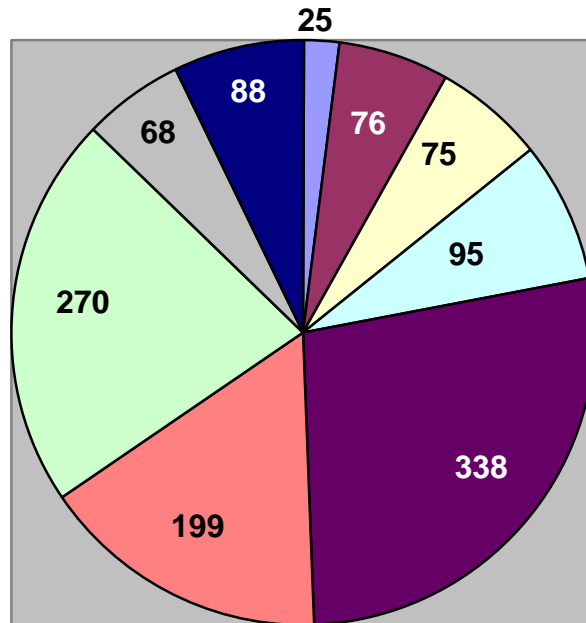
	Females		Males	
	N	%	N	%
Violent	3	23.1	4	13.8
Nonviolent	10	76.9	25	86.2

**83% of technical violators are nonviolent offenders.**

## Sentence Length

	Females		Males	
	N	%	N	%
10 days or less	10	3.0	15	1.7
11-30 days	35	10.4	41	4.6
31-60 days	33	9.9	42	4.7
61-90 days	35	10.4	60	6.7
91-180 days	108	32.2	230	25.6
181-364 days	49	14.6	150	16.7
365-540 days	42	12.5	228	25.4
541-730 days	6	1.8	62	6.9
Over 731 days	17	5.1	71	7.9

Sentence Length in Days



<b><u>Days Sentenced</u></b>	<b><u>Females</u></b>	<b><u>Males</u></b>
Mean	219	331
Mode (most common)	180	180
Maximum	1826	2100

<b><u>Days in Custody</u></b>	<b><u>Females</u></b>	<b><u>Males</u></b>
Mean	140	223
Mode	28	133
Maximum	1399	1212

<b><u>Percentage of Mean Sentence Served</u></b>	<b><u>Females</u></b>	<b><u>Males</u></b>
	63.9%	67.4%

<b><u>% of Mean Sentence Served by Release</u></b>	<b><u>Parole</u></b>	<b><u>Wrap</u></b>
	50.0 %	73.4%

**Mandatory Charges**

	<b>Females</b>	<b>Males</b>
Drugs	1	5
Firearms	0	23
MV	12	41

**Mandatory Days Sentenced by Offense**

Drugs	2,220
Firearms	12,785
Motor Vehicle	<u>8,380</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>23,385</b>

Mandatory days decreased 35% from 2017. Much of the reduction was the result of the virtual disappearance of the 2-year school zone sentence and a 38% decrease in motor vehicle mandatories.



## Classification at Release - Females

### County Inmates

	<u>N</u>	<u>%</u>
<b>Hampden (115)</b>		
Maximum	6	5.2
Medium	62	53.9
Minimum	22	19.1
Work Release	3	2.6
WMRWC	18	15.7
DRP	3	2.6
DRP-Foundation House	1	0.9
<b>Berkshire (49)</b>		
Maximum	3	6.1
Medium	23	46.9
Minimum	7	14.3
Work Release	1	2.0
WMRWC	14	28.6
DRP	1	2.0
<b>Franklin (6)</b>		
Minimum	1	16.7
Work Release	1	16.7
WMRWC	4	66.7
<b>Hampshire (24)</b>		
Maximum	1	4.2
Medium	12	50.0
Minimum	6	25.0
WMRWC	5	20.8
<b>Worcester (125)</b>		
Maximum	12	9.6
Medium	85	68.0
Minimum	13	10.4
Work Release	1	0.8
WMRWC	13	10.4
Foundation House	1	0.8

<b>Other Counties (4)</b>	<b>N</b>	<b>%</b>
Medium	2	50.0
Minimum	1	25.0
WMRWC	1	25.0

**Special Populations**

**Department of Corrections (11)**

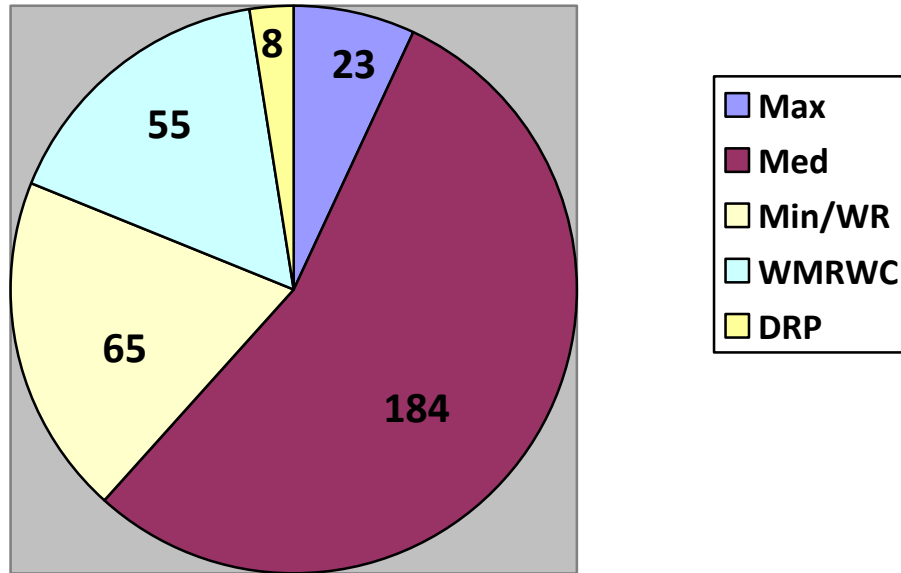
Maximum	1	9.1
Minimum	8	72.7
Work Release	1	9.1
DRP	1	9.1

**Bureau of Prisons (1)**

DRP	1	100.0
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<b>Female Releases - Total</b>	<b>N</b>	<b>%</b>
Maximum	23	6.9
Medium	184	54.9
Minimum	58	17.3
Work Release	7	2.1
WMRWC	55	16.4
DRP	6	1.8
DRP-Foundation House	2	0.6

### Female Releases



### Classification at Release - Males

#### County Inmates

#### **Hampden (762)**

	<u>N</u>	<u>%</u>
Maximum	22	2.9
Medium - General Population	90	11.8
Medium Reentry Unit	284	37.3
Community Reentry Unit	110	14.4
Minimum	63	8.3
Pre-Release	17	2.2
WMRWC	129	16.9
DRP	25	3.3
DRP-Foundation House	14	1.8
Out of County	8	1.0

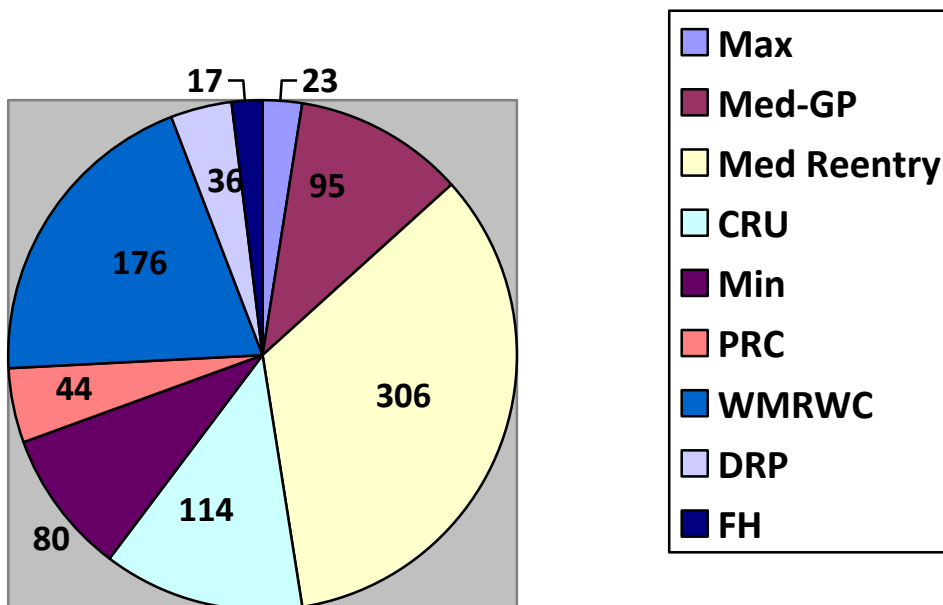
	<b>N</b>	<b>%</b>
<b>Berkshire (22)</b>		
Medium – General Population	1	4.5
Minimum	1	4.5
WMRWC	20	90.9
<b>Franklin (5)</b>		
Medium-General Population	1	20.0
Medium Reentry Unit	2	40.0
Minimum	1	20.0
WMRWC	1	20.0
<b>Hampshire (12)</b>		
Maximum	1	8.3
Medium Reentry Unit	1	8.3
WMRWC	10	83.3
<b>Worcester (16)</b>		
Medium Reentry Unit	3	18.7
WMRWC	13	81.3
<b>Other Counties (4)</b>		
Medium – General Population	1	25.0
Medium-Reentry Unit	3	75.0
<b><u>Special Populations</u></b>		
<b>Department of Corrections (60)</b>		
Medium-General Population	2	3.3
Medium Reentry Unit	11	18.3
Community Reentry Unit	4	6.7
Minimum	14	23.3
Pre-Release	21	35.0
WMRWC	3	5.0
DRP	3	5.0
Foundation House	2	3.3

<b>Bureau of Prisons (14)</b>	<b>N</b>	<b>%</b>
Medium –Reentry Unit	2	14.3
Pre-Release	3	21.4
DRP	8	57.1
Foundation House	1	7.1

<b>U S Probation (4)</b>		
Minimum	1	25.0
Pre-Release	3	75.0

<b>Males Releases - Total</b>	<b>N</b>	<b>%</b>
Maximum	23	2.6
Medium-General Population	95	10.6
Medium Reentry Unit	306	34.0
Community Reentry Unit	114	12.7
Minimum	80	8.9
Pre-Release	44	4.9
WMRWC	176	19.6
DRP	36	4.0
DRP-Foundation House	17	1.9
Out of County	8	0.9

### Male Releases



### Release Type

	Females		Males	
	N	%	N	%
Fine Paid	1	0.3	0	0.0
Revise/Revoke	0	0.0	2	0.2
Sentence Expired	277	82.7	740	82.3
Paroled	57	17.0	157	17.5

## **SECTION II PRETRIAL RELEASES TO THE STREET**

### **Summary**

#### Number and Gender

There were 3263 pretrial releases to the street in 2018, 1353 females and 1910 males.

970 (30%) were bailed, 2161(66%) were released at court and 126 (4%) were found guilty and sentenced to time served. Five women and one man were released via video court.

#### Race and Ethnicity

As with the sentenced population, the racial and ethnic breakdown is different for males and females. 10% of females and 23% of males identify themselves as African American, 17% of females and 46% of males as Hispanic, and 71% of females and 30% of males as Caucasian.

#### Age

Mean age for pretrial women was 33 years, 22 days and for men 34 years, 80 days. Most common age for women was 28, for men 24.

16% of females are under age 25 compared to 21% of males.

Overall, the pretrial population is younger than the sentenced population.

#### Residence

28% of females and 99% of males gave a Hampden County address at booking. 56% of females came from Worcester County.

## Release

2198 (67%) of pretrial releases were from Hampden County courts, 1082 (33%) from Springfield District Court. 695 (21%) of releases were from Worcester County courts.

1107 (34%) were being held on bail of \$2000 or less, 37 of whom were ultimately sentenced to time served. 1718 detainees held without right to bail were released at court, and 76 were sentenced to time served.

## Governing Offense

1323 (41%) of pretrial releases were held on violent charges. 446 were bailed, 828 were released at court, and 49 were sentenced to time served.

363 detainees had outstanding warrants and detainers dismissed at court.

## Time in Custody

Mean time in custody prior to bail was 21 days. 63% were bailed in the first 10 days and an additional 18% were bailed within 30 days.

Mean time to release at court was 37 days. 43% were released in the first 10 days and an additional 27% within 30 days.

For those sentenced to "time served", the mean was 80 days. 50 (40%) served 30 days or less, 29 (23%) served 31-60 days. 15 individuals served more than 180 days prior to disposition.

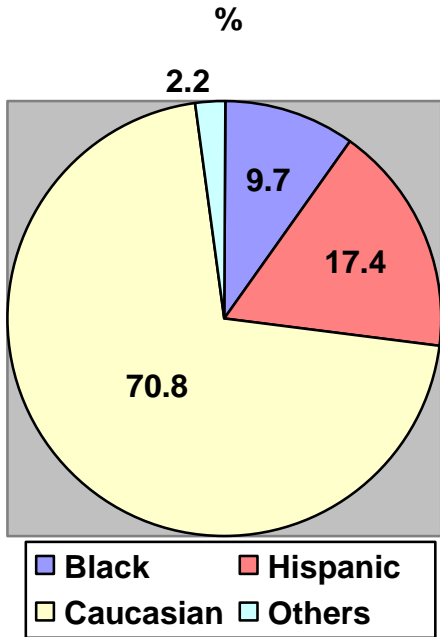


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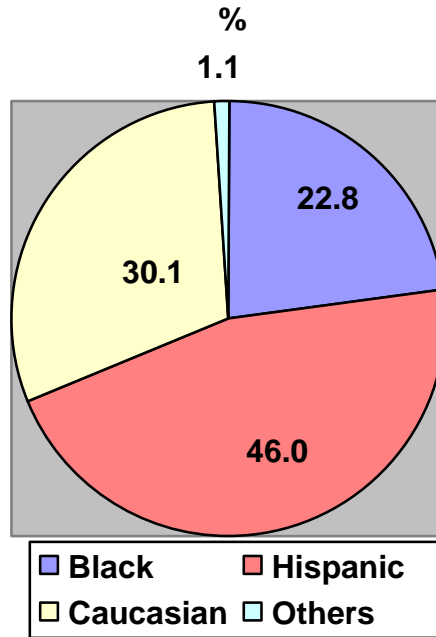
### Release Type by Gender

	Females		Males	
	N	%	N	%
Bailed	282	20.8	688	36.0
Released at Court	1025	75.8	1136	59.5
Time Served	41	3.0	85	4.5
Released-Video Court	5	0.4	1	0.0

**Racial Breakdown-Females**

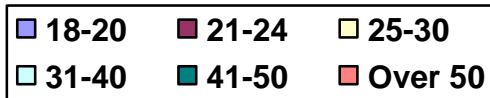
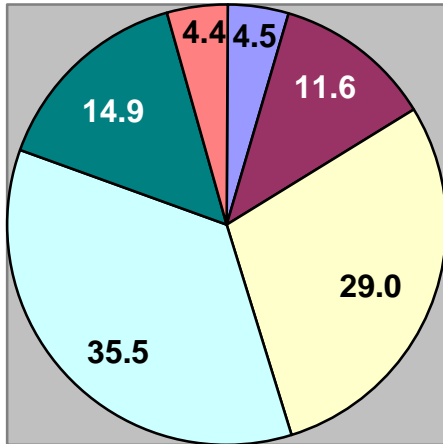


**Racial Breakdown-Males**

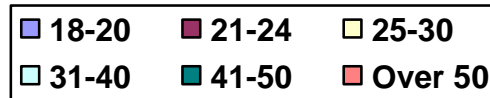
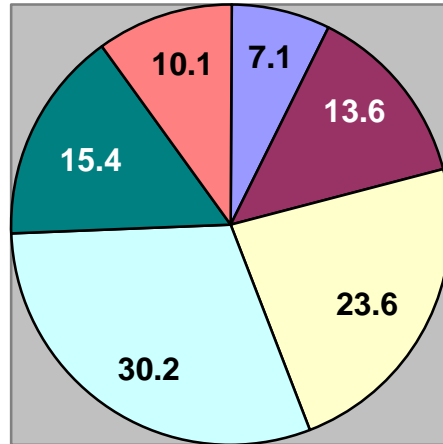


Race	Females		Males	
	N	%	N	%
Asian	8	0.6	4	0.2
Black	131	9.7	436	22.8
Hispanic	235	17.4	878	46.0
Caucasian	958	70.8	575	30.1
Other	21	1.6	17	0.9

**Age Breakdown-Females (%)**



**Age Breakdown-Males (%)**



Age	Females		Males	
	N	%	N	%
18-20	61	4.5	136	7.1
21-24	159	11.6	259	13.6
25-30	392	29.0	450	23.6
31-40	480	35.5	577	30.2
41-50	201	14.9	295	15.4
Over 50	60	4.4	193	10.1

	Females	Males
Mean Age	33.06	34.22
Minimum Age	18.00	18.00
Maximum Age	62.00	79.00
<b>Mode (most common)</b>	<b>28.00</b>	<b>24.00</b>

## Releases by County

	Females		Males	
	N	%	N	%
Hampden County	381	28.2	1890	99.0
Berkshire County	104	7.7	4	0.2
Franklin County	16	1.2	1	0.0
Hampshire County	89	6.6	4	0.2
Worcester County	760	56.2	11	0.6
Other MA Counties	3	0.2	0	0.0

## Release Type by Court

	<u>BAILED</u>	<u>RELC</u>	<u>RELT</u>
Chicopee District	85	133	9
Holyoke District	126	221	16
Palmer District	36	161	5
Springfield District	463	564	55
Westfield District	22	125	12
Hampden Superior	54	108	3
Gr. Barrington District	0	12	0
North Adams District	2	13	1
Pittsfield District	15	53	6
Berkshire Superior	0	7	0
Greenfield District	2	15	0
Orange District	0	8	0
Franklin Superior	0	2	0
Belchertown District	6	40	2
Northampton District	8	41	2
Hampshire Superior	2	5	0

### Release Type by Court, cont'd

	<u>BAILED</u>	<u>RELC</u>	<u>RELT</u>
Clinton District	2	31	1
Dudley District	9	61	2
East Brookfield District	14	41	0
Fitchburg District	8	51	1
Leominster District	5	51	2
Uxbridge District	6	45	1
Westborough District	5	34	0
Worcester District	85	207	1
Worcester Superior	3	28	1
US District	0	5	0
Others	<u>12</u>	<u>99</u>	<u>6</u>
<b>Totals</b>	<b>970</b>	<b>2161</b>	<b>126</b>

Note: Video Court releases: 1 from Springfield District Court, 1 from Fitchburg District Court, 3 from Worcester District Court and 1 from Worcester Superior Court.

### Bail Status at Release

	<u>BAILED</u>	<u>RELC</u>	<u>RELT</u>
\$2000 or less	813	257	37
\$2001-\$5000	104	77	6
Over \$5000	53	109	7
No Bail	0	1718	76

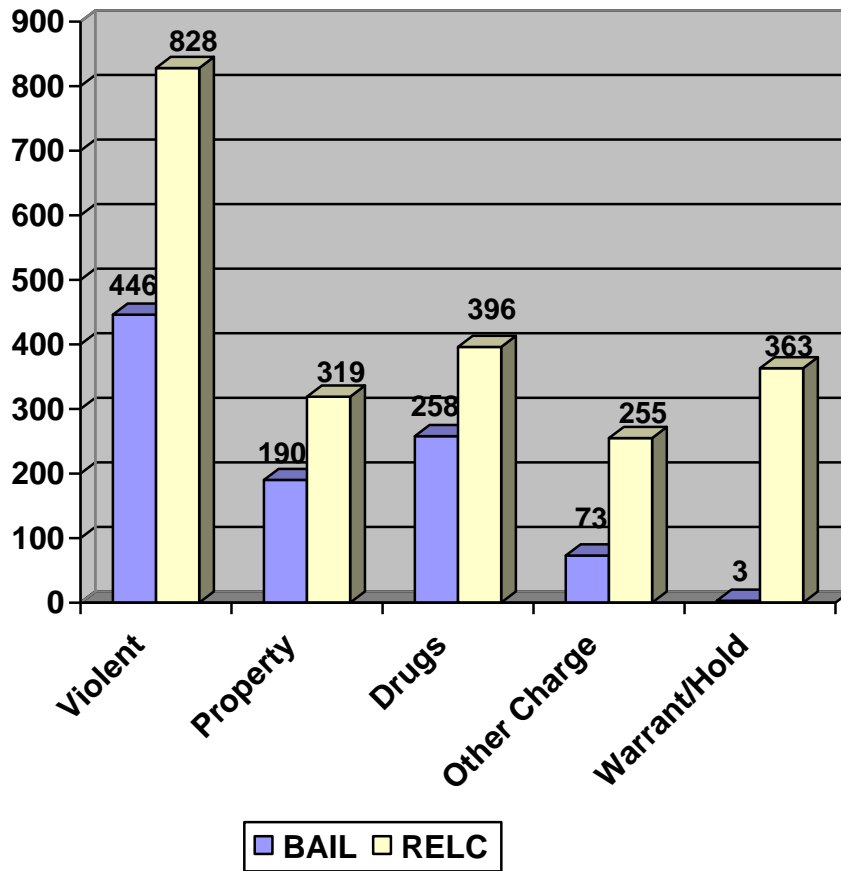
### Reason for No Bail Status (RELC & RELT Only)

	<u>RELC</u>	<u>RELT</u>
Severity of Charge(s)	118	1
Bail Revoked	475	31
Probation Violation	367	30
Warrant/Hold	638	11
Not Specified	120	3

### Days in Custody

	<u>BAIL</u>	<u>RELC</u>	<u>RELV</u>
Mean	21	37	25
Minimum	1	1	4
Maximum	471	1056	46
10 days or less	611 (63.0%)	931 (43.1%)	
11-30 days	173 (17.8%)	581 (26.9%)	

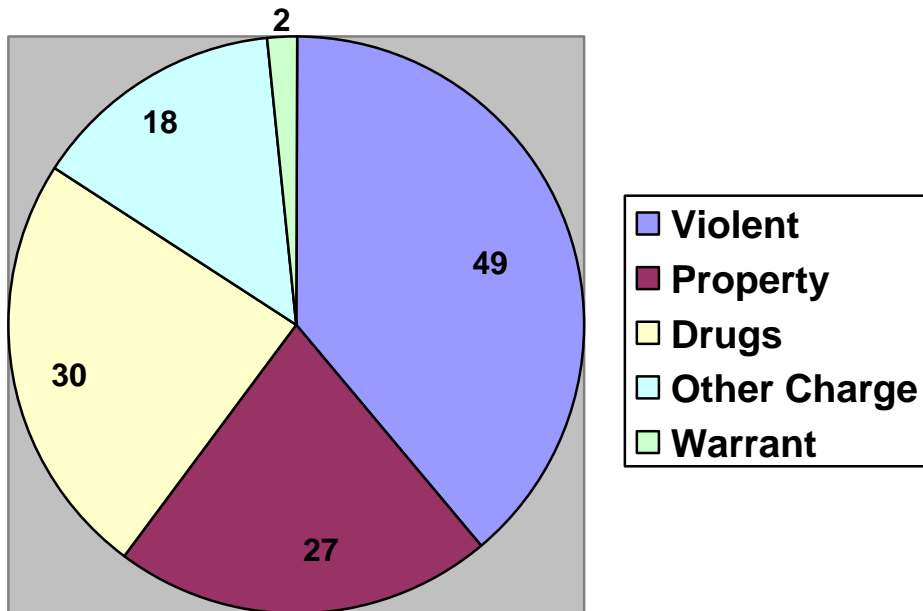
### Governing Offense by Release Type



### Sentence Length - Time Served (RELT)

Mean	80
Maximum	890
30 days or less	50 (39.7%)
31-60 days	29 (23.0%)
61-90 days	21 (16.7%)
91-180 days	11 ( 8.7%)
More than 180 days	15 (11.9%)

### Offense Type - Time Served



## **SECTION III OFFENDERS SENTENCED TO DOC**

### **Summary**

There were 146 sentences to Mass DOC in 2018, 9 females and 137 males.

These individuals were overwhelmingly minority (26% African American and 45% Hispanic).

31% were under age 30.

45 (31%) were sentenced for a nonviolent crime, 88 (60%) for a violent crime and 23 (9%) for a parole violation.

Mean time to disposition for a nonviolent case was 273 days, for a violent non-murder case, 324 days.

13 men were sentenced on charges of murder or manslaughter. Four men received a life sentence. Mean time to disposition was 388 days.

7 men were sentenced for a sex offense. Mean minimum sentence was 6 years.

The most common sentence for both a nonviolent and violent offense was 3 years to 3 years and a day.

39 offenders (27%) received a sentence with a one-day difference between the minimum and maximum, 16 for nonviolent offenses. This sentence structure eliminates the possibility of parole.

**2018 OFFENDERS SENTENCED TO DOC  
Statistical Data**

**Gender**

Females	9
Males	137

**Race by Gender**

	<b>Females</b>		<b>Males</b>	
	<b>N</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>N</b>	<b>%</b>
Black	2	22.2	36	26.3
Hispanic	0	0.0	66	48.2
Caucasian	7	77.8	35	25.5

**Age by Gender**

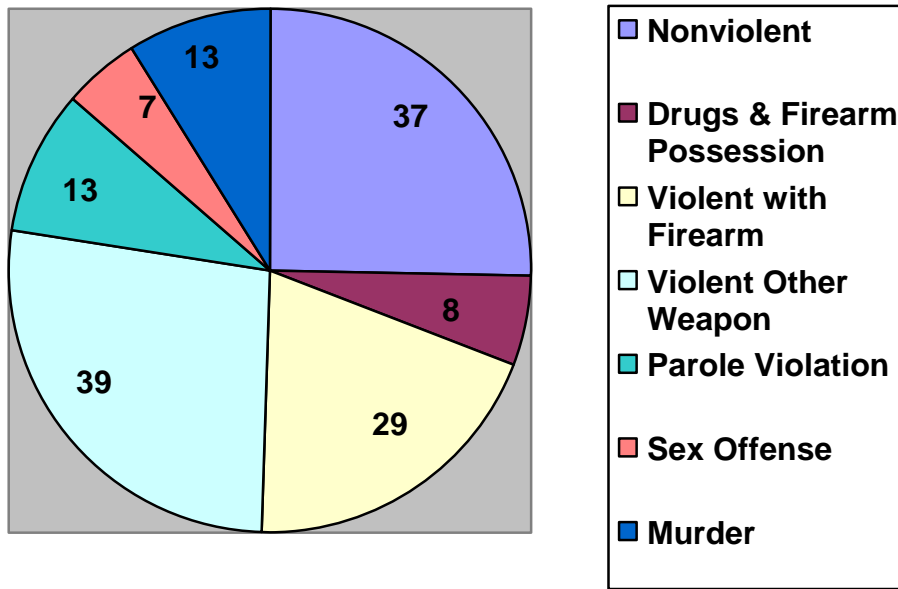
	<b>Females</b>		<b>Males</b>	
	<b>N</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>N</b>	<b>%</b>
18-24	1	11.1	17	12.4
25-30	4	44.4	33	24.1
31-40	4	44.4	51	37.2
41-50	0	0.0	22	16.1
Over 50	0	0.0	14	10.2

**Pretrial Custody (days)**

	<b><u>Females</u></b>	<b><u>Males</u></b>
Mean	253	290
Minimum	22	1
Maximum	660	1305



Offense Type



## **DOC Sentence by Offense Type**

### **Nonviolent (N=45)**

Mean Days Pretrial	273 (9 months)
Mean Minimum Sentence	1217 days (3.3 years)
Most Common Sentence	3 years – 3 years and day
One Day Difference (Min-Max)	16

### **Violent (N=68)**

Mean Days Pretrial	324 (11 months)
Mean Minimum Sentence	1820 days (5 years)
Most Common Sentence(s) (6 ea.)	3 years – 3 years and day
One Day Difference (Min-Max)	21

### **Sex Offense (N=7)**

Mean Days Pretrial	380 (12.5 months)
Mean Minimum Sentence	2242 days (6.1 years)
Most Common Sentence	None
One Day Difference (Min-Max)	1

### **Murder/Manslaughter (N=13)**

Mean Days Pretrial	388 (13 months)
Life Sentences	4

### **Parole Violation (N=13)**

Mean Days Pretrial	2 days
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