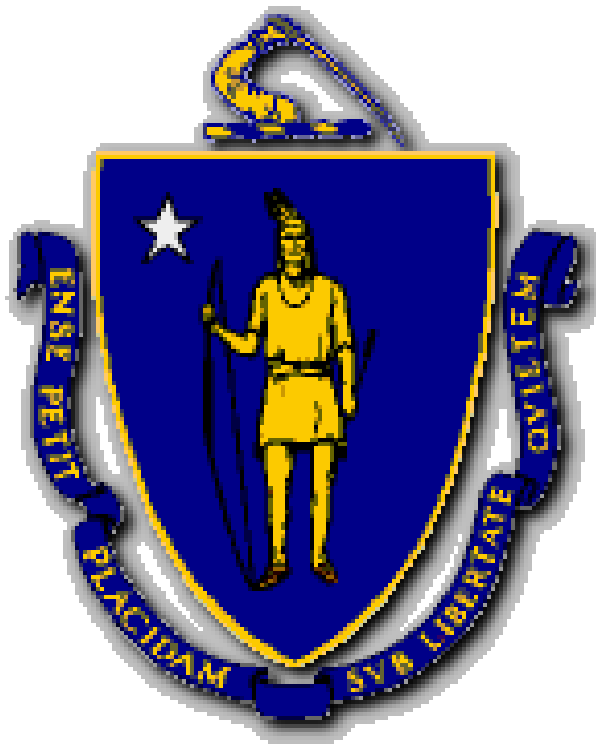


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**S**ection Twenty-one of Chapter 799 of the Acts of 1985 directs the Commissioner of Correction to report quarterly on the status of overcrowding in state and county facilities. This statute calls for the following information:

**Such report shall include, by facility, the average daily census for the period of the report and the actual census on the first and last days of the report period. Said report shall also contain such information for the previous twelve months and a comparison to the rated capacity of such facility.**

This report presents the required statistics for the first quarter of 2011.

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## Technical Notes, 2000 to 2003<sup>1</sup>

- The official capacity or custody level designation for each facility can change for a number of reasons, e.g. expansion of facility beds, decrease of facility beds due to fire, or changes in contracts with vendors. In all tables the capacity and custody level reflects the status at the end of the reporting period. The design capacity is reported for correctional facilities in Tables 1 through 6.
- State inmates housed in the Hampshire County contract program are included in the county population tables, as are all other state inmates housed in county facilities.
- On May 18, 2000, the Braintree Alternative Center was closed for renovations by the Norfolk County Sheriff's Office. All inmates were transferred to the minimum security Pre-Release Center in Dedham.
- As of September 15, 2000, Longwood Treatment Center, male population, was moved to the Massachusetts Boot Camp and the women were transferred to facilities housing female populations.
- As of September 22, 2000, Massachusetts Boot Camp ceased to hold medium security inmates.
- Due to DOC policy modification, the security level of Boston State Pre-Release was changed from Security Level 2 to Security Level 3/2 during the fourth quarter of 2001.
- P.P.R.E.P was closed effective July 6, 2001.
- Charlotte House was closed effective November 9, 2001.
- Effective November 16, 2001, NCCI-Gardner added 30 beds to Security Level 3, per policy 101.
- As of April 5, 2002, Norfolk County no longer has any contract beds, all inmates are now held at the Norfolk County House of Correction.
- May 20, 2002, NECC changed from a Security Level 3 to Level 3/2. The design capacity for Security Level 3 is 62, and for Security Level 2 the design capacity is 88.
- May 20, 2002, Pondville changed from a Security Level 3 to Level 3/2 with a design capacity of 100.
- June 10, 2002, South Middlesex Correctional Center changed to a facility for female offenders.
- June 22, 2002, Old Colony Correctional Center added a Level 3 housing unit. The design capacity for Security Level 5 is 480 and for Security Level 3 the design capacity is 100.
- On June 30, 2002, the following facilities were closed; SECC (Medium), Hodder House @ Framingham, MCI-Lancaster, the Massachusetts Boot Camp, and the Addiction Center @ SECC
- As of July 1, 2002, the Massachusetts Boot Camp was renamed the Massachusetts Alcohol and Substance Abuse Center (MASAC). Within MASAC is the Longwood Treatment Center Program, relocated on September 15, 2000. This program served individuals incarcerated for operating under the influence of alcohol. Because the inmates were predominantly county sentenced inmates, the inmate count and bed capacity were also included in Tables 3 and 4.
- The Massachusetts Treatment Center (MTC) houses both civil and criminal populations.
- As of July 1, 2002, two housing units remain open at MCI-Shirley Minimum with a design capacity of 92.
- In August 2002, the David R. Nelson Correctional Addiction Center (DRNCAC) was closed and all inmates were integrated into Bristol Dartmouth House of Correction.
- Within MASAC, The Longwood Treatment Center Program was terminated on July 1, 2003. The last inmate to leave the facility was on September 8, 2003.
- Prior to the 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter 2003, NCCI-Gardner (Minimum) was inadvertently shown as Security Level 3/2 instead of Security Level 3.

<sup>1</sup> For Technical notes prior to 2000, please refer to previous quarterly reports. Refer to abbreviations on page vi.

## Technical Notes 2004 to Present

- Effective February 5, 2004, Boston State Pre-Release Center had a change in design capacity. The new capacity is 150. One hundred beds are Pre-Release and 50 beds are Minimum.
- Houston House program will be known as Women and Children's Program (WCP), effective July 12, 2004.
- Within MCI-Shirley is a 13 bed unit called the Assisted Daily Living Unit, this unit opened on February 22, 2005. The unit houses inmates who require assistance with activities of daily living (e.g., hygiene, eating, ambulating, etc.), but whose regular medical needs are treated on an outpatient basis.
- On September 12, 2005 OCCC designated a Special Housing Unit (SHU) to hold Security Level 4 inmates.
- Barnstable County House of Correction design capacity has changed. The new design capacity is 300, effective as of March 13, 2006.
- The Lemuel Shattuck Correctional (LEM) unit census was added to the first quarter 2006 report.
- Effective October 19, 2006 the count sheet was changed to reflect the Institution Security Level changes per the CMR 103 DOC 101 Policy.
- Memorandum of Agreement for 380 beds at Plymouth County Correctional Facility including, 52A's, Non-52A's, DYS, and other county.
- September 24, 2007 - To reflect recent information that has come to light, Bristol County Dartmouth and Essex County Middleton facilities each include a pre-release women's facility which will be reported separately in future reports.
- On October 1, 2007 the Western MA Regional Women's Correctional Center opened in Chicopee MA (Hampden County). The design capacity is 228.
- The design capacity for Shirley Minimum has changed due to the reopening of additional housing units:  
Effective October 15, 2007 - 92 to 165  
Effective February 27, 2008 - 165 to 161, due to the reassessment of space  
Effective June 19, 2008 - 161 to 193  
Effective November 5, 2008 - 193 to 249.  
Effective May 6, 2010 - a new modular unit at Shirley Minimum opened with a rated capacity of 50, changing design/rated capacity from 249 to 299.
- On June 13, 2008 South Middlesex Correctional Center began housing awaiting trial inmates.
- On January 13, 2009, the DOC began the process of double-bunking inmates in some cells at SBCC, with two inmates instead of the previous one inmate per cell.
- Effective February 2, 2009 the DOC added 20 "Community Beds" at Brooke House, contracted with Community Resources for Justice.
- In February 2009, the Assisted Daily Living Unit at MCI-Norfolk opened. The unit houses inmates who require assistance with activities of daily living (e.g., hygiene, eating, ambulating, etc.), but whose regular medical needs are treated on an outpatient basis.
- The data now identifies that the DOC is reporting design/rated capacity. The MGL statute requires that the DOC report on rated capacity. While there is no numerical difference between design capacity and rated capacity, the DOC wanted to make sure the data is accurately and appropriately labeled.
- Effective April 13, 2009, the security level for the MASAC facility has changed from a Medium to Minimum security. In addition to continuing to house 30-day substance abuse civil commitments under MGL Ch.123 s.35, the facility will house inmates serving criminal sentences.

- On June 1, 2009 MCI-Cedar Junction @ Walpole became the reception center, designating one unit as medium security. This unit was designed to hold 72 inmates. All other units remain at maximum security.
- On August 13, 2010 the design capacity for the Hampden County women's facility was reviewed for discrepancies. The design capacity has been changed for accuracy from 228 to 189. The operational capacity for this facility is 240.
- Due to overcrowding, MCI-Cedar Junction began double-bunking maximum security housing units 2 and 3 on 3/17/2011, and the Orientation Unit on 3/29/2011.

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### **Definitions**

Custody Population: Custody population refers to all offenders held in DOC facilities only, and does not include DOC inmates serving time in correctional facilities outside of the DOC (e.g., Massachusetts county Houses of Correction, other states' correctional facilities, and the Federal Bureau of Prisons).

Jurisdiction Population: Jurisdiction population refers to all offenders incarcerated in DOC facilities as well as DOC inmates serving time in correctional facilities outside of the DOC (e.g., Massachusetts county Houses of Correction, other states' correctional facilities, and the Federal Bureau of Prisons).

Design/Rated Capacity: The number of inmates that planners or architects intended for the institution [as defined by the U.S. Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Statistics (BJS)]. Rated capacity is the number of beds or inmates assigned by a rating official to institutions within the jurisdiction, essentially formally updated from the original design capacity.

In November 2009, new security level designations were established according to **103 DOC 101 Correctional Institutions/Security Levels** policy which states:

**Security Levels:**

- **Pre-Release/Contracted Residential Placement** – The perimeter is marked by non-secure boundaries. Physical barriers to inmate movement and interaction are either non-secure or non-existent. Inmate movements and interactions are controlled by rules and regulations only. Inmates may leave the institution daily for work and/or education in the community. Supervision while on the grounds of the facility is intermittent. While in the community, supervision is occasional, although indirect supervision (e.g. contact with employer) may be more frequent. Inmates must be within eighteen (18) months of parole eligibility or release and not barred by sentencing restrictions for either placement in a pre release facility or participation in work, education or program related activities (PRA) release programs.

- **Minimum** - The perimeter is marked by non-secure boundaries. Physical barriers to movement and interaction are either non-secure or non-existent. Inmates may be housed in single, double or multiple occupancy areas. Inmate movements and interactions are controlled by rules and regulations only. Supervision is intermittent. Inmates may leave the perimeter under supervision. Contact visits and personal clothing are allowed.

- **Medium** - The perimeter and physical barriers to control inmate movement and interaction are present. Inmates may be housed in single, double or multiple occupancy areas. Inmate movement and interaction are generally controlled by rules and regulations, as well as with physical barriers. Inmates are subject to direct supervision by staff. Work and program opportunities are available. Contact visits and personal clothing may be allowed. Inmates assigned to medium custody designation at MCI-Cedar Junction will receive contact visits.

- **Maximum** – The perimeter is designed and staffed to prevent escapes and the introduction of contraband. Inmate movement and interaction are controlled by physical barriers. Inmates are housed in single and double cells. The design of the facility offers an ability to house some offenders separate from others without a limitation of work and/or program opportunities. Inmates are subject to direct supervision by staff. Contact visits may be allowed at Souza Baranowski. Personal clothing is generally not allowed. MCI-Cedar Junction reception beds are considered maximum security and inmates residing in reception beds will receive non-contact visits.

**Abbreviations**

AC	Addiction Center	NECC	Northeastern Correctional Center
ADP	Average Daily Population	NCCI	North Central Correctional Institution at Gardner
ATU	Awaiting Trial Unit	OCCC	Old Colony Correctional Center
BSH	Bridgewater State Hospital	OUI	Operating Under the Influence
CRS	Contract Residential Services Includes Women and Children's Program	PPREP	Pre-Parole Residential Environmental Phase Program
DDU	Departmental Disciplinary Unit	PRC	Pre-Release Center
DOC	Massachusetts Department of Correction	SBCC	Souza-Baranowski Correctional Center
DSU	Departmental Segregation Unit	SECC	Southeastern Correctional Center
HOC	House Of Correction	SDPTC	Sexually Dangerous Person Treatment Center
LEM	Lemuel Shattuck Correctional Unit	SMCC	South Middlesex Correctional Center
LCAC	Lawrence Correctional Alternative Center		
MASAC	Massachusetts Alcohol and Substance Abuse Center		
MTC	Massachusetts Treatment Center		

**Table 1 provides the DOC figures for the first quarter of 2011.** The DOC Custody population has increased by 225 inmates, or two percent in this time period. Operating with 11,388 inmates in the system, the average daily population was 11,285 with a design/rated capacity of 8,029. Thus, the DOC operated at 141% of design/rated capacity.

DOC inmates housed in non-DOC Facilities had an average daily population of 248 inmates. The majority of these inmates were in Massachusetts Houses of Correction.

Overall, the average daily total DOC Jurisdiction population for the first quarter 2011 was 11,533. There was an increase of 222 inmates, or two percent over the quarter from 11,410 to 11,632.

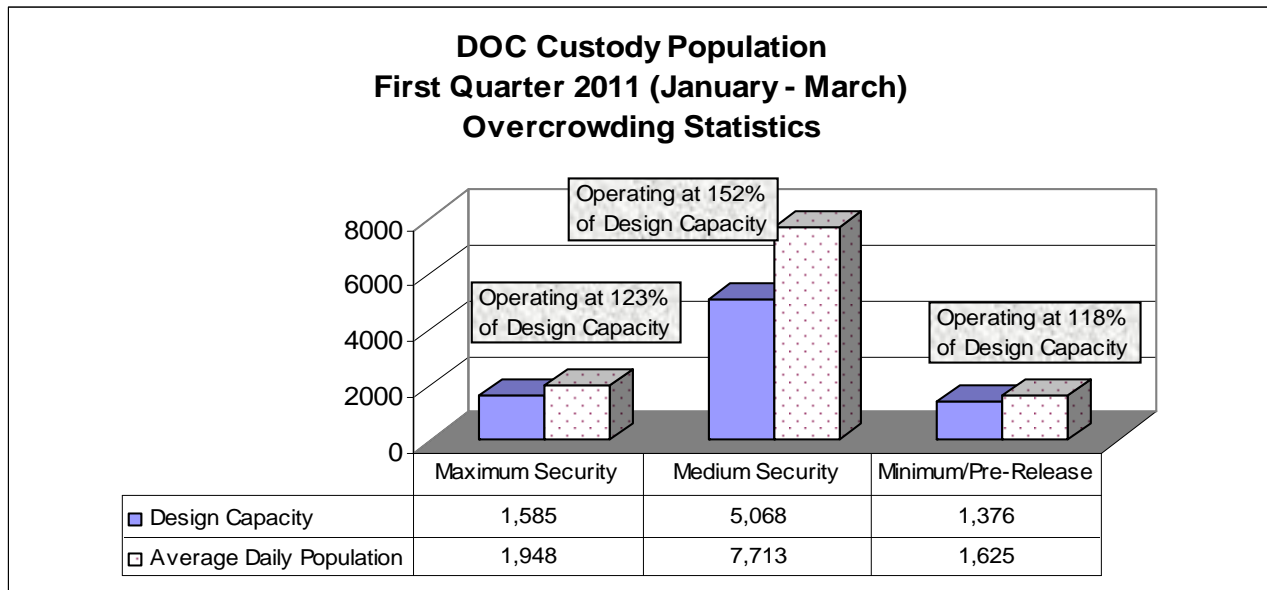
**Table 1**

<b>First Quarter 2011</b>					
<b>Population in DOC Facilities, January 3, 2011 to March 28, 2011</b>					
<b>Security Level/Facility</b>	<b>Avg. Daily Population</b>	<b>Beginning Population</b>	<b>Ending Population</b>	<b>Design/Rated Capacity</b>	<b>% ADP Capacity</b>
<b>Maximum</b>					
MCI Cedar Junction	683	655	725	561	122%
SBCC	1,265	1,252	1,265	1,024	124%
<b>Sub-Total, Maximum</b>	<b>1,948</b>	<b>1,907</b>	<b>1,990</b>	<b>1,585</b>	<b>123%</b>
<b>Medium</b>					
Bay State Correctional Center	311	313	307	266	117%
Massachusetts Treatment Center	616	622	616	561	110%
MCI Cedar Junction	71	72	71	72	99%
MCI Concord	1,302	1,307	1,299	614	212%
MCI Framingham (Female)	472	468	464	388	122%
MCI Framingham: ATU (Female)	180	167	179	64	281%
MCI Norfolk	1,518	1,500	1,526	1,084	140%
MCI Shirley	1,170	1,154	1,192	720	163%
NCCI Gardner	911	912	909	568	160%
OCCC @ Bridgewater	746	704	775	480	155%
Shattuck Correctional Unit	24	28	21	24	100%
State Hospital @ Bridgewater	392	389	394	227	173%
<b>Sub-Total, Medium</b>	<b>7,713</b>	<b>7,636</b>	<b>7,753</b>	<b>5,068</b>	<b>152%</b>
<b>Minimum</b>					
MA Alcohol and Substance Abuse Center	143	135	148	236	61%
MCI Plymouth	186	200	167	151	123%
MCI Shirley	316	319	325	299	106%
NCCI Gardner	28	27	27	30	93%
OCCC	151	144	157	100	151%
<b>Min/Pre</b>					
Boston Pre-Release Center	192	193	195	150	128%
NECC	268	269	270	150	179%
Pondville Correctional Center	187	186	191	100	187%
SMCC	133	126	147	125	106%
<b>Contract Pre-Release</b>					
Brooke House	16	17	12	20	80%
Women and Children's Program	5	4	6	15	33%
<b>Sub-Total: Contract, Minimum/Pre-Release</b>	<b>1,625</b>	<b>1,620</b>	<b>1,645</b>	<b>1,376</b>	<b>118%</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>11,285</b>	<b>11,163</b>	<b>11,388</b>	<b>8,029</b>	<b>141%</b>
<b>DOC Inmates in Non-DOC Facilities</b>					
Houses of Correction	173	172	170	n.a.	n.a.
Federal Prisons	9	9	8	n.a.	n.a.
Inter-State Contract	66	66	66	n.a.	n.a.
<b>Sub-Total</b>	<b>248</b>	<b>247</b>	<b>244</b>	<b>n.a.</b>	<b>n.a.</b>
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>11,533</b>	<b>11,410</b>	<b>11,632</b>	<b>8,029</b>	<b>144%</b>

See Technical Notes, pp. iii-v, for information regarding design capacity, custody level designations, facility closings or name changes relevant to this time period.



Figure 1



- Medium security facilities were the most overcrowded state prison facilities during this quarter, operating overall at 152% of design/rated capacity.
- Minimum/Pre-Release security facilities operated at an average of 118% of design/rated capacity.
- Our maximum security facilities operated above capacity during the first quarter 2011 at 123%. Souza-Baranowski Correctional Center operated at 124% of design/rated capacity and MCI Cedar Junction operated 122%.
- Operating within MCI Cedar Junction is a medium security unit designed to house 72 inmates. During the quarter the average daily population was 71, giving it a 99% design/rated capacity.
- The Awaiting Trial units at MCI-Framingham were the most overcrowded in the DOC, operating at 281% of design/rated capacity. On average, 180 awaiting trial detainees were held in two units designed to hold 32 women each.
- MCI-Concord, a medium security facility, was the second most overcrowded during the first quarter of 2011, averaging 1,302 inmates and operating over twice its design/rated capacity, at 212%.
- Pondville Correctional Center, a minimum/pre-Release facility, operated at 187%, with an average daily population of 187 inmates.
- NECC, a minimum/pre-Release facility, operated at 179% of design/rated capacity with an average daily population of 268 inmates.
- The Massachusetts Department of Correction (including treatment and support facilities) operated at an average of 141% of design/rated capacity during the first quarter of 2011.

**Table 2 provides the DOC figures for the previous twelve months (January 4, 2010 to December 27, 2010.)** These figures indicate that the DOC custody population decreased by 14 inmates over the twelve-month period from 11,149 in January 2010 to 11,135 in December 2010.

DOC inmates housed in non-DOC Facilities had an average daily population of 229 inmates: 155 inmates in Houses of Correction, 66 inmates in Interstate Contract and eight inmates in a Federal Prison.

The total average daily DOC jurisdiction population for the previous twelve months was 11,475. There was an increase of 27 inmates over the twelve-month period.

**Table 2**

**Previous Twelve Months  
Population in DOC Facilities, January 4, 2010 to December 27, 2010**

<b>Security Level/Facility</b>	<b>Avg. Daily Population</b>	<b>Beginning Population</b>	<b>Ending Population</b>	<b>Design/Rated Capacity</b>	<b>% ADP Capacity</b>
<b>Maximum</b>					
Cedar Junction	644	667	641	561	115%
SBCC	1,246	1,281	1,249	1,024	122%
<b>Sub-Total, Maximum</b>	<b>1,890</b>	<b>1,948</b>	<b>1,890</b>	<b>1,585</b>	<b>119%</b>
<b>Medium</b>					
Bay State	313	311	318	266	118%
Massachusetts Treatment Center	623	628	618	561	111%
Cedar Junction	71	69	71	72	99%
MCI Concord	1,323	1,217	1,302	614	215%
MCI Framingham (Female)	469	436	467	388	121%
MCI Framingham: ATU (Female)	199	148	164	64	311%
MCI Norfolk	1,492	1,482	1,498	1,084	138%
MCI Shirley	1,177	1,159	1,155	720	163%
NCCI Gardner	936	985	912	568	165%
OCCC @ Bridgewater	708	782	703	480	148%
Shattuck Correctional Unit	28	29	25	24	117%
State Hospital @ Bridgewater	388	365	388	227	171%
<b>Sub-Total, Medium</b>	<b>7,727</b>	<b>7,611</b>	<b>7,621</b>	<b>5,068</b>	<b>152%</b>
<b>Minimum</b>					
MA Alcohol and Substance Abuse Center	155	138	142	236	66%
MCI Plymouth	195	193	199	151	129%
MCI Shirley	305	271	313	299	102%
NCCI Gardner	28	29	25	30	93%
OCCC	153	152	147	100	153%
<b>Min/Pre</b>					
Boston Pre-Release Center	191	194	190	150	127%
NECC	271	270	270	150	181%
Pondville Correctional Center	193	193	191	100	193%
SMCC	122	128	126	125	98%
<b>Contract Pre-Release</b>					
Brooke House	14	20	17	20	70%
Women and Children's Program	2	2	4	15	13%
<b>Sub-Total: Contract, Minimum/Pre-Release</b>	<b>1,629</b>	<b>1,590</b>	<b>1,624</b>	<b>1,376</b>	<b>118%</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>11,246</b>	<b>11,149</b>	<b>11,135</b>	<b>8,029</b>	<b>140%</b>
<b>DOC Inmates in Non-DOC Facilities</b>					
Houses of Correction	155	134	171	n.a.	n.a.
Federal Prisons	8	8	9	n.a.	n.a.
Inter-State Contract	66	63	66	n.a.	n.a.
<b>Sub-Total</b>	<b>229</b>	<b>205</b>	<b>246</b>	<b>n.a.</b>	<b>n.a.</b>
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>11,475</b>	<b>11,354</b>	<b>11,381</b>	<b>8,029</b>	<b>143%</b>

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**Table 3 presents the county figures for the first quarter of 2011.** The county population increased by 313 inmates, or three percent. At the end of the quarter, the county system operated with 12,168 inmates. The average daily population was 12,045 with a design/rated capacity of 8,633. On average, the county facilities operated at 140% of design/rated capacity.

**Table 3**

<b>First Quarter 2011</b>					
<b>Population in County Correctional Facilities by County, January 3, 2011 to March 28, 2011</b>					
<b>Facility</b>	<b>Avg. Daily Population</b>	<b>Beginning Population</b>	<b>Ending Population</b>	<b>Design/Rated Capacity</b>	<b>% ADP Capacity</b>
Barnstable	395	390	410	300	132%
Berkshire	299	304	302	288	104%
Bristol	1,364	1,356	1,359	566	241%
Dukes	22	27	20	19	116%
Essex	1,539	1,538	1,576	658	234%
Franklin	227	220	230	144	158%
Hampden	1,483	1,497	1,486	1,492	99%
Hampshire	263	255	280	248	106%
Middlesex	1,157	1,133	1,175	1,035	112%
Norfolk	652	620	664	354	184%
Plymouth	1,444	1,408	1,432	1,140	127%
Suffolk	2,092	2,039	2,116	1,599	131%
Worcester	1,108	1,068	1,118	790	140%
<b>Total</b>	<b>12,045</b>	<b>11,855</b>	<b>12,168</b>	<b>8,633</b>	<b>140%</b>

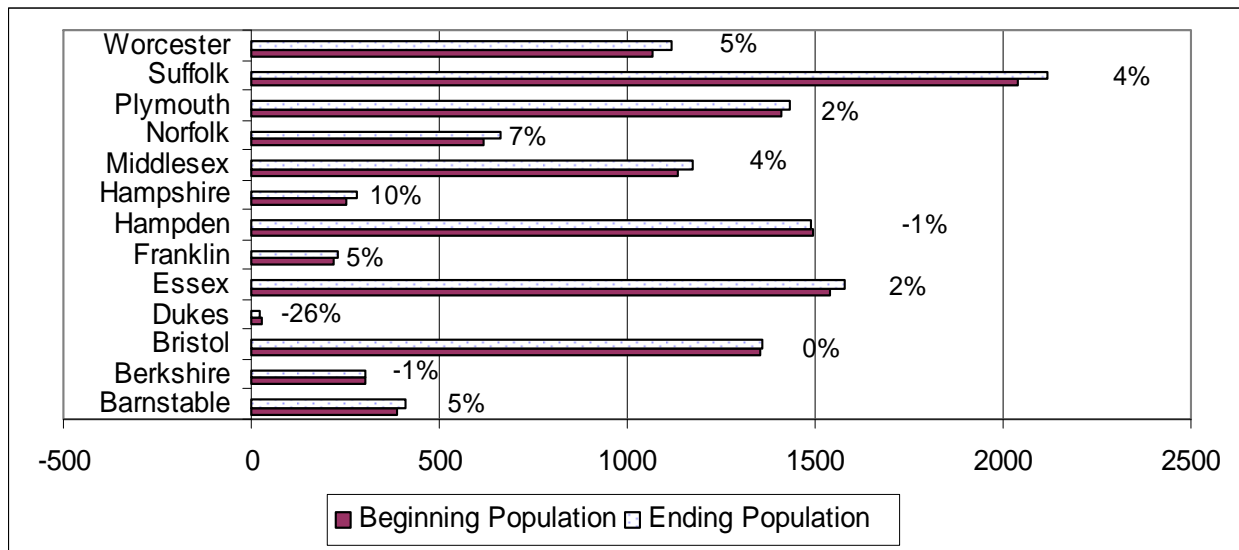
**Table 4 presents the breakdown of county figures for the first quarter of 2011 for the counties which operate more than one facility.**

**Table 4**

<b>First Quarter 2011</b>					
<b>Population in County Correctional Facilities by Facility, January 3, 2011 to March 28, 2011</b>					
<b>Facility</b>	<b>Avg. Daily Population</b>	<b>Beginning Population</b>	<b>Ending Population</b>	<b>Design/Rated Capacity</b>	<b>% ADP Capacity</b>
<b>Bristol County</b>					
Bristol Ash Street	190	191	195	206	92%
Bristol Dartmouth	1,075	1,072	1,064	304	354%
Bristol Women's Center	99	93	100	56	177%
<b>Essex County</b>					
Essex Middleton	1,142	1,128	1,171	500	228%
Essex W.I.T	36	40	39	23	157%
Essex LCAC	361	370	366	135	267%
<b>Hampden County</b>					
Hampden	1,229	1,252	1,210	1,178	104%
Hampden OUI	144	137	159	125	115%
Hampden Women's Center	110	108	117	189	58%
<b>Middlesex County</b>					
Middlesex Cambridge	355	331	356	161	220%
Middlesex Billerica	802	802	819	874	92%
<b>Norfolk County</b>					
Norfolk Dedham	652	620	664	302	216%
Norfolk Braintree	-	-	-	52	0%
<b>Suffolk County</b>					
Suffolk Nashua Street	688	693	688	453	152%
Suffolk South Bay	1,404	1,346	1,428	1,146	123%

See Technical Notes, pp .iii-vi, for information regarding design capacity, custody level designations, facility closings or name changes relevant to this time period.

**Figure 2**  
**MA County Correctional Facilities by County, First Quarter 2011 Population Change**



- Most county correctional institutions have jail beds (to hold prisoners awaiting trial) and house of correction beds (designated for sentenced inmates), with the exception of Suffolk County, which houses these populations in separate facilities. The design/rated capacities are determined within each facility and separate capacities are not designated as “jail” (detainees) or “house of correction” (county sentenced) beds.
- In the first quarter of 2011, the county correctional system operated at 140% of its design/rated capacity, with an average daily population of 12,045 and a capacity designed to hold 8,633 inmates.
- Dukes County reported the largest percentage decrease, 26% for the first quarter. Their population decreased by seven inmates from 27 inmates at the beginning of the quarter to 20 inmates at the end of the quarter.
- Hampshire County’s population had the largest increase by 25, or 10% over the quarter.
- Norfolk County’s population increased by seven percent.
- The county correctional facilities’ (jails and houses of correction) population increased by 313 inmates, or three percent for the first quarter of 2011, from 11,855 at the beginning of the quarter to 12,168 at the end of the quarter.

**Table 5 presents the county figures for the previous twelve months (January 4, 2010 to December 27, 2010.)** The figures indicate that the county population decreased by 132 inmates over this twelve-month period, from 12,000 in January 2010 to 11,868 in December 2010.

**Table 5**

<b>Previous Twelve Months Population in County Correctional Facilities by County, January 4, 2010 to December 27, 2010</b>					
<b>Facility</b>	<b>Avg. Daily Population</b>	<b>Beginning Population</b>	<b>Ending Population</b>	<b>Design/Rated Capacity</b>	<b>% ADP Capacity</b>
Barnstable	427	421	388	300	142%
Berkshire	333	315	301	288	116%
Bristol	1,372	1,298	1,349	566	242%
Dukes	31	28	23	19	163%
Essex	1,550	1,487	1,536	658	236%
Franklin	201	230	222	144	140%
Hampden	1,596	1,532	1,503	1,492	107%
Hampshire	281	285	247	248	113%
Middlesex	1,211	1,151	1,120	1,035	117%
Norfolk	627	589	606	354	177%
Plymouth	1,418	1,361	1,412	1,140	124%
Suffolk	2,195	2,184	2,077	1,599	137%
Worcester	1,171	1,119	1,084	790	148%
<b>Total</b>	<b>12,413</b>	<b>12,000</b>	<b>11,868</b>	<b>8,633</b>	<b>144%</b>

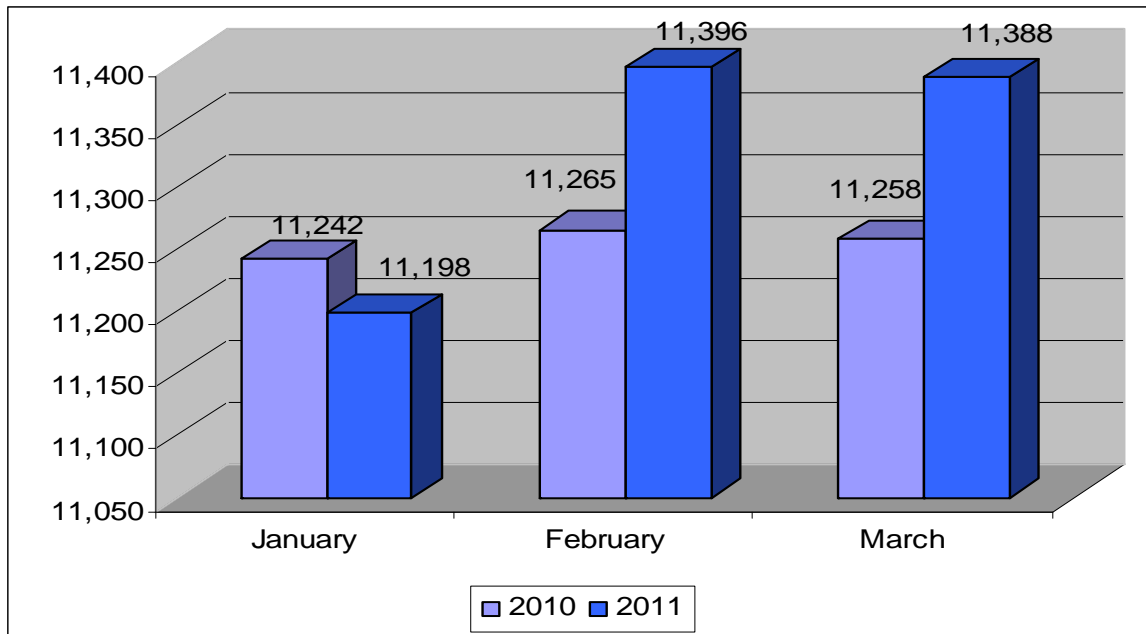
**Table 6 presents the county figures for the previous twelve months.** The following table presents a breakdown of facility population and capacity for counties that operate more than one facility.

**Table 6**

<b>Previous Twelve Months Population in County Correctional Facilities by Facility, January 4, 2010 to December 27, 2010</b>					
<b>Facility</b>	<b>Avg. Daily Population</b>	<b>Beginning Population</b>	<b>Ending Population</b>	<b>Design/Rated Capacity</b>	<b>% ADP Capacity</b>
<b>Bristol County</b>					
Bristol Ash Street	189	192	187	206	92%
Bristol Dartmouth	1,086	1,013	1,074	304	357%
Women's Center	97	93	88	56	173%
<b>Essex County</b>					
Essex Middleton	1,213	1,180	1,120	500	243%
Essex W.I.T.	41	44	41	23	178%
Essex LCAC	296	263	375	135	219%
<b>Hampden County</b>					
Hampden	1,313	1,248	1,254	1,178	111%
Hampden OUI	152	157	138	125	122%
Hampden Women's Center	131	127	111	189	69%
<b>Middlesex County</b>					
Middlesex Cambridge	374	354	320	161	232%
Middlesex Billerica	837	797	800	874	96%
<b>Norfolk County</b>					
Norfolk Dedham	627	589	606	302	208%
Norfolk Braintree	-	-	-	52	0%
<b>Suffolk County</b>					
Suffolk Nashua Street	721	704	699	453	159%
Suffolk South Bay	1,474	1,480	1,378	1,146	129%

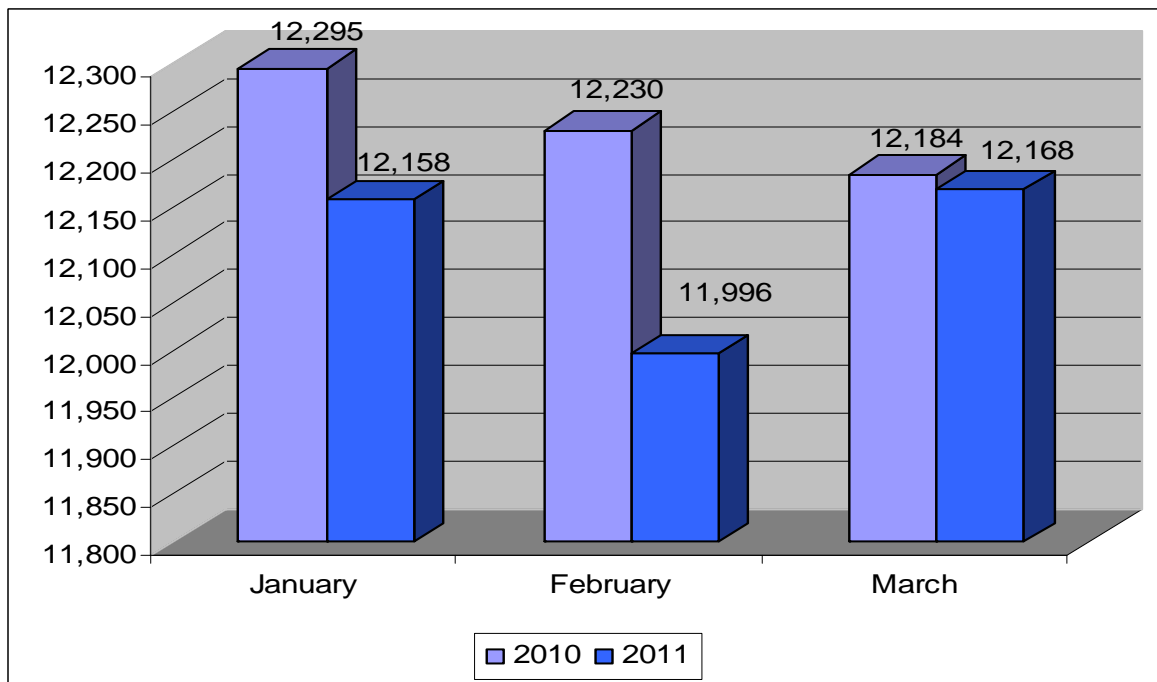
*See Technical Notes, pp. iii-vi, for information regarding design capacity, custody level designations, facility closings or name changes relevant to this time period.*

**Figure 3**  
**DOC Custody Population Change, First Quarters of 2010 and 2011**



The graph above compares the DOC custody population including treatment and support facilities for the first quarter 2010 to the first quarter 2011 by month. For January 2011, the DOC population decreased by 44 inmates, compared to January 2010; for February 2011 the population increased by 131 inmates, or one percent; for March 2011 the population increased by 130 inmates, or one percent.

**Figure 4**  
**County Correctional Population Change, First Quarters of 2010 and 2011**



The graph above compares the County Correctional population for the first quarter in 2011 to the first quarter in 2010, by month. For January 2011, the population decreased by 137 inmates, or one percent, compared to 2010; for February 2011 the population decreased by 234 inmates, or two percent; for March 2011 the population decreased by 16 inmates.

Note: Data for Figure 4 was taken from the end of the month daily count sheet compiled by the DOC Classification Division.

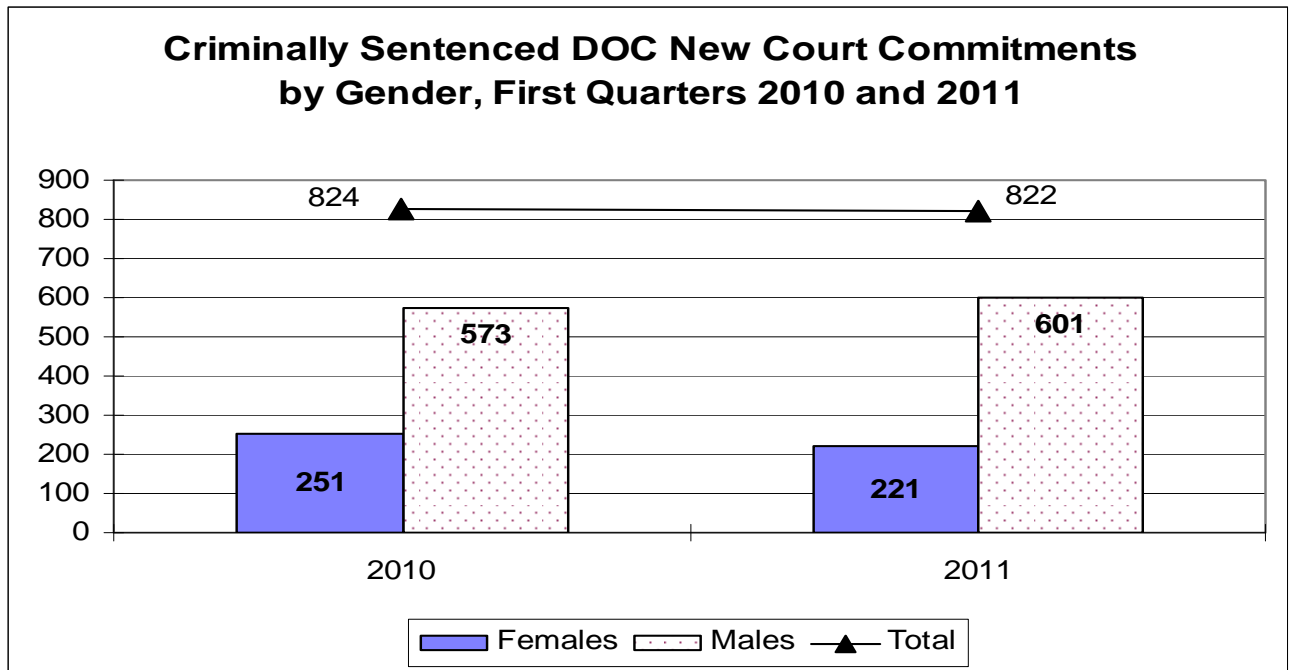
**Table 7** provides quarterly statistics on criminally sentenced, new court commitments to the DOC for the first quarters of 2010 and 2011, by gender. Overall, there was a decrease of 2 new court commitments for the first quarter 2010, in comparison to new court commitments in the first quarter 2011, from 824 to 822. During this time period, male commitments increased by 28, or five percent, from 573 to 601; female commitments decreased by 30, or 12% from 251 to 221.

**Table 7**

<b>Criminally Sentenced DOC New Court Commitments by Gender, First Quarters 2010 and 2011</b>			
	2010	2011	Difference
<u>Males</u>			
First Quarter	573	601	5%
<u>Females</u>			
First Quarter	251	221	-12%
<b>Total</b>	<b>824</b>	<b>822</b>	<b>-2%</b>

**Figure 5** provides a graphical representation of the number of criminally sentenced new court commitments to the DOC during the first quarters of 2010 and 2011, by gender.

**Figure 5**



Note: Data for Table 7 and Figure 5 were obtained from the DOC's Inmate Tracking Database and the IMS Database.