

## Quarterly Snapshot of the Prison Population *Massachusetts Department of Correction*

On any given day, over 11,000 offenders reside in Department of Correction (DOC) facilities with even more offenders, who are the responsibility of the DOC, located in non-DOC facilities elsewhere. The attached table provides detailed statistics on the DOC prison population by type of commitment (criminal or civil sentence and awaiting trial detainees), original jurisdiction (county, state, federal or out-of-state) and the institutional location of those civilly committed. Below is a summary of the overall and various sub-populations based on **December 27, 2010**:

- 11,381 = DOC Jurisdiction Population<sup>1</sup>:** an individual is under the Massachusetts (MA) DOC jurisdiction when the Commonwealth has legal authority over the individual regardless of where the inmate is being held to include those incarcerated in MA DOC facilities as well as those in correctional facilities outside of the MA DOC (County Houses of Corrections, other state's correctional facilities and the Federal Bureau of Prisons). This includes inmates held under Section 52A awaiting trial, but located in contracted beds at the Plymouth House of Correction.
- 11,135 = DOC Custody Population:** an individual incarcerated in a MA DOC facility.
- 9,600 = State Criminally Sentenced Population:** All criminally sentenced state inmates located in DOC facilities or correctional facilities outside of the MA DOC.
- 297 = County Criminally Sentenced Population:** Includes only those criminally sentenced inmates to respective counties being housed at the MA DOC. The vast majority are female offenders whose county of jurisdiction do not house sentenced females.
- 69 = Out-of-State and Federal Criminally Sentenced Population:** The majority of these offenders housed at the MA DOC from federal and other state prisons are part of the Interstate Compact, whereby we have a fairly even exchange of DOC inmates in correctional facilities out-of-state.
- 544 = Awaiting Trial Detainee Population:** Individuals detained prior to a trial and not yet convicted of a crime include mostly female county detainees and male county detainees transferred to state facilities under Massachusetts General Law Ch. 276, Sec. 52A. Detainees are also held by the DOC from federal, out-of-state and parole's jurisdiction.
- 625 = Civil Commitments:** The involuntary commitment of an individual via legal means to incarcerate an individual against their will. Generally, these break down to three overarching categories. Female civil commitments in the DOC are held at MCI-Framingham. Males are held in the facilities indicated corresponding to the civil commitment type: 1) "alcohol & substance abuse" or "Section 35's" (Massachusetts Alcohol & Substance Abuse Center; 2) "mental health" court ordered evaluations of competency (Bridgewater State Hospital for males); and 3) "sexually dangerous persons" (Massachusetts Treatment Center).

*This data is produced by the DOC Office of Strategic Planning & Research and available on the Department's website at: [www.mass.gov/doc](http://www.mass.gov/doc)*

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<sup>1</sup> The data herein does not include Massachusetts inmates serving concurrent sentences in non-Massachusetts state or county facilities (MASSCC).

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Total MADOC Jurisdiction Population			3/29/2010			6/28/2010			9/27/2010			12/27/2010		
			Female	Male	Total	Female	Male	Total	Female	Male	Total	Female	Male	Total
			N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	
<b>MADOC Custody</b>	<b>Criminal Sentence</b>													
	<b>Type of Sentence</b>	State Criminally Sentenced	299	9,403	9,702	301	9,362	9,663	307	9,285	9,592	319	9,281	9,600
		County Criminally Sentenced	276	32	308	283	33	316	295	24	319	272	25	297
		Federal Criminal Sentenced	0	5	5	0	5	5	0	4	4	0	4	4
		Out of State Criminal Sentenced	6	56	62	6	60	66	2	54	56	6	59	65
		<b>Sub-Total</b>	<b>581</b>	<b>9,496</b>	<b>10,077</b>	<b>590</b>	<b>9,460</b>	<b>10,050</b>	<b>604</b>	<b>9,367</b>	<b>9,971</b>	<b>597</b>	<b>9,369</b>	<b>9,966</b>
	<b>Awaiting Trial</b>													
	<b>Jurisdiction of Origin</b>	County	172	296	468	178	324	502	200	369	569	153	348	501
		Federal	2	28	30	3	26	29	4	22	26	0	29	29
		Out of State	0	6	6	0	9	9	2	8	10	4	8	12
		MA Parole	1	2	3	3	2	5	0	0	0	0	2	2
		<b>Sub-Total</b>	<b>175</b>	<b>332</b>	<b>507</b>	<b>184</b>	<b>361</b>	<b>545</b>	<b>206</b>	<b>399</b>	<b>605</b>	<b>157</b>	<b>387</b>	<b>544</b>
	<b>Civil Commitments</b>													
	<b>Institution</b>	Framingham	19	0	19	13	0	13	14	0	14	7	0	7
		MASAC	0	99	99	0	78	78	0	97	97	0	73	73
		1BSH	0	259	259	0	246	246	0	251	251	0	243	243
		MTC	0	289	289	0	297	297	0	298	298	0	299	299
Other Facility		0	8	8	0	4	4	0	6	6	0	3	3	
<b>Subtotal</b>		<b>19</b>	<b>655</b>	<b>674</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>625</b>	<b>638</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>652</b>	<b>666</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>618</b>	<b>625</b>	
<b>Total Custody Population</b>		<b>775</b>	<b>10,483</b>	<b>11,258</b>	<b>787</b>	<b>10,446</b>	<b>11,233</b>	<b>824</b>	<b>10,418</b>	<b>11,242</b>	<b>761</b>	<b>10,374</b>	<b>11,135</b>	
<b>Non-Custody[*]</b>	<b>GFI Facility Housing Inmate</b>													
	<b>Criminal Sentence</b>	2Plymouth County	0	68	68	0	81	81	0	84	84	0	94	94
		Other County Facilities	6	52	58	11	47	58	10	53	63	7	60	67
		Out of State	0	63	63	0	66	66	0	67	67	0	66	66
		Federal	0	8	8	0	8	8	0	9	9	0	9	9
		<b>Sub-total</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>191</b>	<b>197</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>202</b>	<b>213</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>213</b>	<b>223</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>229</b>	<b>236</b>
	<b>Awaiting Trial</b>	2Plymouth County (52A inmates)	0	23	23	0	25	25	0	15	15	0	10	10
Other County Facilities		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
<b>Total Non-Custody Inmates</b>		<b>6</b>	<b>214</b>	<b>220</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>227</b>	<b>238</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>228</b>	<b>238</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>239</b>	<b>246</b>	
<b>Total MADOC Jurisdiction Population</b>			<b>781</b>	<b>10,697</b>	<b>11,478</b>	<b>798</b>	<b>10,673</b>	<b>11,471</b>	<b>834</b>	<b>10,646</b>	<b>11,480</b>	<b>768</b>	<b>10,613</b>	<b>11,381</b>

<sup>1</sup>The numbers provided for BSH represent only civil commitments, excluded are the cadre of criminally sentenced inmate work crew housed at BSH (n= 53), as well as those being treated in the BSH infirmary (n=7). Additionally, there many criminally sentenced inmates temporarily civilly committed for mental health evaluations (MGL C.123, Sec.18A) at BSH (n=328). All of these inmates are counted among those criminally sentenced

<sup>2</sup>Per Memorandum of Agreement among the DOC, the Executive Office of Public Safety & Security, and the Plymouth County Sheriff, beds are set aside for DOC inmates at the Plymouth County Correctional Facility.

[\*] MADOC inmates serving their sentence in a county/federal/interstate facility.