

# Quarterly Report on the Status of Prison Capacity, Fourth Quarter 2015

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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 fourth quarter of 2015.

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**Technical Notes: 2010 – Present** (for previous years, please refer to reports prior to 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter 2015)

- MCI-Cedar Junction began double-bunking maximum security housing units 2 and 3 on March 17, 2011, and the Orientation Unit on March 29, 2011.
- Average Daily Population for the previous year was calculated by using the last day of each month.
- The ATU (Awaiting Trial Unit) houses both pre-trial and civilly committed females. The facility population count provided includes all pre-trial and civil females, some of whom might be housed elsewhere within MCI-Framingham other than the actual ATU.
- Average Daily Population for county facilities was calculated by using the last week of every month (based on the day of the week in which it was provided).
- Custody snapshot data is based on an end of the month count. Prior to 4<sup>th</sup> quarter 2011, custody snapshot data was taken based on the first of the month.
- A new county facility for females was opened in Hampden County in November 2011, now taking most females from the western half of the state.
- On July 1, 2012, the maximum number of days an individual civilly committed as a Section 35 at MASAC or MCI-Framingham was increased from 30 days to 90 days.
- On June 24, 2012 six pre-release beds were added to MCI-Plymouth. An additional four pre-release beds were added by the end of 2012.
- Chapter 192 of the Acts of 2012, known as the Crime Bill, was enacted on August 2, 2012 and resulted in an immediate change to sentence structure for dozens of inmates.
- Primarily during the months of September to December 2012, issues regarding accuracy of testing at the Hinton Drug Lab resulted in several hundred releases “from court”.
- Effective April 1, 2013, Brooke House has three types of bed categories; DOC Reentry, Parole Transitional and Parole Halfway. Historically, Brooke House beds were only DOC Reentry.
- As of May 2013, 6 medium security beds were added to MCI-Cedar Junction.
- In May 2013, inmates housed at the Cambridge Jail in Middlesex County were temporarily housed elsewhere due to issues with the water system for a short period of time.
- On October 15, 2013, MCI-Plymouth increased its pre-release capacity to 15 beds while decreasing its minimum capacity to 212 beds. The overall operational capacity remained the same.
- In June 2014, Shirley Minimum reduced their capacity by 4 beds.
- On June 28, 2014 the Middlesex County Jail in Cambridge was officially closed.
- Inmates housed at NCCI Gardner Minimum were temporarily moved in October 2014 due to an energy conservation project.
- Throughout 2015, there were various changes reported for design capacity for numerous county facilities. All design capacities and occupancy data for Massachusetts Houses of Correction and jails reported herein is provided by the County, Federal, and Interstate Unit.
- Effective May 28, 2015, the DOC terminated their contract with Brooke House which included 20 beds for male inmates.
- Inmates are no longer housed at Bay State Correctional Center as of June 30, 2015. The transfer of inmates housed at BSCC to other facilities began in April 2015.

- Effective June 30, 2015, a unit of 48 beds was reallocated at Pondville Correctional Center to house those who have been granted parole and are currently in the Transitional Treatment Program (TTP). They are not considered part of the DOC's custody or jurisdiction populations.
- Due to the closing of facilities, the design capacity for the DOC decreased from 8,029 to 7,728 (301 beds). This change is reflected beginning in the third quarter 2015.
- During the fourth quarter of 2015, numerous units were inactivated within MCI Concord resulting in the transferring of inmates to other facilities. This reduced the operational capacity of the facility.
- The capacity rate is not provided in Table 2 due to a change in design capacity during the time period reflected in the table.

## **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.

## **Security Levels:**

In May 2012, new security level designations were established according to **103 DOC 101 Correctional Institutions/Security Levels** policy which states:

**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. At the superintendent's discretion, contact visits may be allowed at Souza Baranowski Correctional Center

and MCI Cedar Junction's reception beds (which are considered maximum security). Personal clothing is generally not allowed.

### **Abbreviations**

ADP	Average Daily Population
ATU	Awaiting Trial Unit
BSCC	Bay State Correctional Center
BOS	Boston Pre-Release
BSH	Bridgewater State Hospital
CFI	County, Federal and Interstate
CJ	MCI-Cedar Junction
CON	MCI-Concord
DOC	Department of Correction
DYS	Department of Youth Services
FRA	MCI Framingham
HOC	House of Correction
LEM	Lemuel Shattuck Hospital
MASAC	Massachusetts Alcohol and Substance Abuse Center
MTC	Massachusetts Treatment Center
NCCI	NCCI-Gardner
NECC	Northeastern Correctional Center
NOR	MCI-Norfolk
OSCC	Old Colony Correctional Center
PCC	Pondville Correctional Center
PLY	MCI-Plymouth
SBCC	Souza Baranowski Correctional Center
SHI	MCI-Shirley
SMCC	South Middlesex Correctional Center

**Table 1 provides the DOC figures for the fourth quarter of 2015.** The DOC custody population has decreased by 514 inmates, or five percent in this time period, largely due to a decrease in male criminally sentenced inmates and male pre-trial inmates. Operating with 9,493 inmates in the system, the average daily population was 9,774 with a design capacity of 7,728. Thus, the DOC operated at 126% of design capacity during the fourth quarter of 2015. It is important to note that the design capacity decreased during the third quarter 2015 due to the closing of a facility and the termination of contract facilities. This will affect the percentage of capacity, particularly when comparing to previous quarters.

DOC inmates housed in non-DOC facilities had an average daily population of 479 inmates. The majority of these inmates were in Massachusetts Houses of Correction.

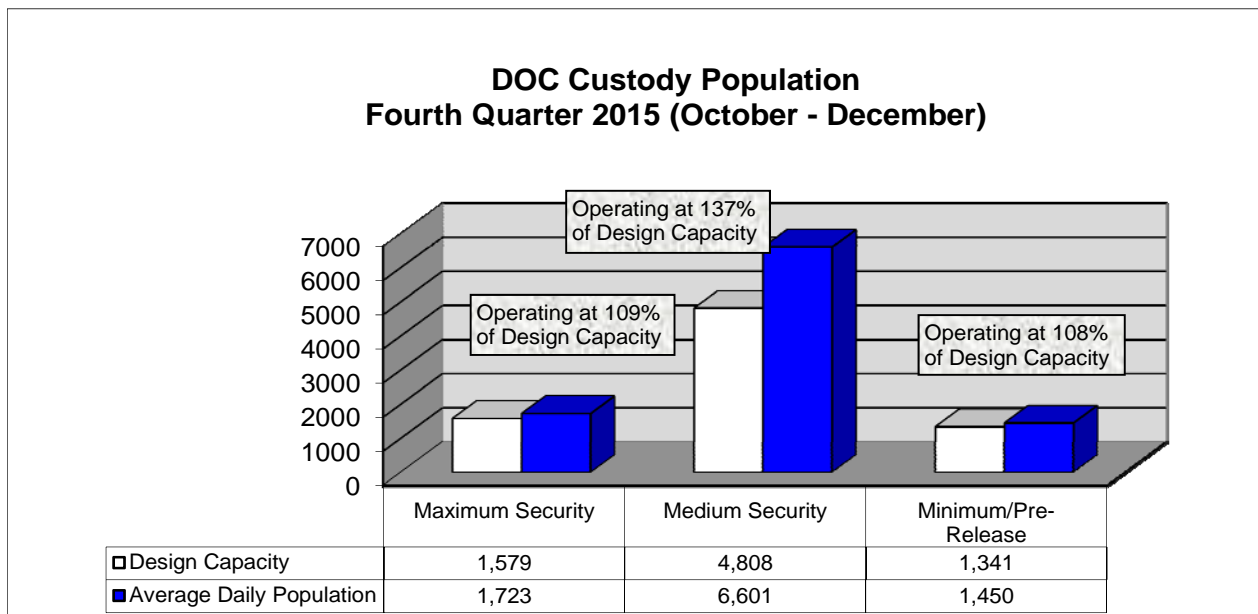
Overall, the average daily total DOC jurisdiction population for the fourth quarter 2015 was 10,253. There was a decrease of 427 inmates, or four percent, over the quarter from 10,441 to 10,014.

**Table 1**

<b>Fourth Quarter 2015</b>					
<b>Population in DOC Facilities, October 31, 2015 to December 31, 2015</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	691	687	691	555	125%
SBCC	1,032	1,023	1,034	1,024	101%
<b>Sub-Total, Maximum</b>	<b>1,723</b>	<b>1,710</b>	<b>1,725</b>	<b>1,579</b>	<b>109%</b>
<b>Medium</b>					
Massachusetts Treatment Center	524	522	529	561	93%
MCI-Cedar Junction	70	70	72	78	90%
MCI-Concord	802	1,006	580	614	131%
MCI-Framingham (Female)	328	335	324	388	85%
MCI-Framingham: ATU (Female)	222	255	191	64	347%
MCI-Norfolk	1,446	1,435	1,450	1,084	133%
MCI-Shirley	1,168	1,171	1,161	720	162%
NCCI-Gardner	955	954	960	568	168%
OCCC	750	738	766	480	156%
Shattuck Correctional Unit	24	26	18	24	100%
State Hospital @ Bridgewater	312	314	310	227	137%
<b>Sub-Total, Medium</b>	<b>6,601</b>	<b>6,826</b>	<b>6,361</b>	<b>4,808</b>	<b>137%</b>
<b>Minimum</b>					
MA Alcohol and Substance Abuse Center	179	181	158	236	76%
MCI-Shirley	323	322	324	299	108%
NCCI-Gardner	21	22	20	30	70%
OCCC	102	106	96	100	102%
<b>Minimum/Pre-Release</b>					
Boston Pre-Release Center	140	149	132	150	93%
MCI-Plymouth	177	177	178	151	117%
NECC	254	254	253	150	169%
Pondville Correctional Center	132	131	131	100	132%
SMCC	122	129	115	125	98%
<b>Sub-Total, Minimum/Pre-Release</b>	<b>1,450</b>	<b>1,471</b>	<b>1,407</b>	<b>1,341</b>	<b>108%</b>
<b>Custody Total</b>	<b>9,774</b>	<b>10,007</b>	<b>9,493</b>	<b>7,728</b>	<b>126%</b>
<b>DOC Inmates in Non-DOC Facilities</b>					
Houses of Correction	387	343	429	n.a.	n.a.
Department of Youth Services	2	2	2	n.a.	n.a.
Federal Prisons	3	3	3	n.a.	n.a.
Inter-State Compact	87	86	87	n.a.	n.a.
<b>Sub-Total</b>	<b>479</b>	<b>434</b>	<b>521</b>	<b>n.a.</b>	<b>n.a.</b>
<b>Jurisdiction Total</b>	<b>10,253</b>	<b>10,441</b>	<b>10,014</b>	<b>7,728</b>	<b>133%</b>

See Technical Notes, p. 4-6, for information regarding design capacity, custody level designations, facility closings or name changes relevant to this time period.

Figure 1



- ◆ Maximum security facilities operated above capacity during the fourth quarter 2015 at 109%. Souza Baranowski Correctional Center operated just above design capacity at 101%, while MCI-Cedar Junction operated at 125%.
- ◆ Medium security facilities had the highest capacity rate during this quarter, operating overall at 137% of design capacity compared to 144% in the last quarter. This notable drop is in large part due to the transfer of nearly half of MCI-Concord's population to various other facilities, both in and out of DOC custody. Nearly all of those transferred to facilities outside the DOC are being housed in a House of Correction.
- ◆ Minimum/Pre-Release security facilities operated at an average of 108% of design capacity. Though not affected as greatly as medium security facilities, the termination of contract facilities decreased the design capacity for these levels by 35 beds.
- ◆ Operating within MCI-Cedar Junction is a medium security unit designed to house 78 inmates. During the quarter the average daily population was 70, operating at 90% of design capacity.
- ◆ NCCI-Gardner, a medium security facility, had the second highest capacity rate during the fourth quarter of 2015, averaging 955 inmates and operating at 168%.
- ◆ Boston Pre-Release, a minimum/pre-release facility, operated at 93% with an average daily population of 140 inmates.
- ◆ NECC, also a minimum/pre-release facility, operated at 169% of design capacity with an average daily population of 254 inmates.
- ◆ The Massachusetts Department of Correction operated at an average of 126% of design capacity during this quarter.

**Table 2 provides the DOC figures for the previous twelve months (October 31, 2014 to September 30, 2015).** These figures indicate that the DOC custody population decreased by 377 inmates, or four percent, over the twelve-month period from 10,466 in October 2014 to 10,089 in December 2015.

DOC inmates housed in non-DOC facilities had an average daily population of 399 inmates: 310 inmates in Houses of Correction, 83 inmates in Interstate Compact, 5 inmates in a Federal Prison and 1 in a Department of Youth Services facility.

The DOC jurisdiction population decreased from 10,846 to 10,497 over the twelve month period, a decrease of 349 inmates, or three percent. The average daily population during this time period was 10,691 inmates.

**Table 2**

<b>Previous Twelve Months</b>				
<b>Population in DOC Facilities, October 31, 2014 to September 30, 2015</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>Maximum</b>				
MCI-Cedar Junction	697	660	690	555
SBCC	1,003	990	1,038	1,024
<b>Sub-Total, Maximum</b>	<b>1,700</b>	<b>1,650</b>	<b>1,728</b>	<b>1,579</b>
<b>Medium</b>				
Bay State Correctional Center	140	253	-	-
Massachusetts Treatment Center	543	546	525	561
MCI-Cedar Junction	70	71	69	78
MCI-Concord	1,131	1,198	1,100	614
MCI-Framingham (Female)	337	331	351	388
MCI-Framingham: ATU (Female)	237	247	238	64
MCI-Norfolk	1,443	1,442	1,446	1,084
MCI-Shirley	1,149	1,151	1,149	720
NCCI-Gardner	917	850	960	568
OCCC	716	757	714	480
Shattuck Correctional Unit	25	25	27	24
State Hospital @ Bridgewater	305	313	291	227
<b>Sub-Total, Medium</b>	<b>7,013</b>	<b>7,184</b>	<b>6,870</b>	<b>4,808</b>
<b>Minimum</b>				
MA Alcohol and Substance Abuse Center	179	174	201	236
MCI-Shirley	323	324	323	299
NCCI-Gardner	21	0	24	30
OCCC	104	119	98	100
<b>Minimum/Pre-Release</b>				
Boston Pre-Release Center	169	191	142	150
MCI-Plymouth	198	204	189	151
NECC	266	271	255	150
Pondville Correctional Center	172	183	140	100
SMCC	140	158	119	125
<b>Contract Pre-Release</b>				
Brooke House	7	8	0	-
Women and Children's Program	0	0	0	-
<b>Sub-Total: Contract, Minimum/Pre-Release</b>	<b>1,579</b>	<b>1,632</b>	<b>1,491</b>	<b>1,341</b>
<b>Custody Total</b>	<b>10,292</b>	<b>10,466</b>	<b>10,089</b>	<b>7,728</b>
<b>DOC Inmates in Non-DOC Facilities</b>				
Houses of Correction	310	295	318	n.a.
Department of Youth Services	1	0	2	n.a.
Federal Prisons	5	6	4	n.a.
Inter-State Compact	83	79	84	n.a.
<b>Sub-Total</b>	<b>399</b>	<b>380</b>	<b>408</b>	<b>n.a.</b>
<b>Jurisdiction Total</b>	<b>10,691</b>	<b>10,846</b>	<b>10,497</b>	<b>7,728</b>

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**Table 3 presents the county figures for the fourth quarter of 2015.** During the fourth quarter, the county population decreased by 234 inmates, or two percent, beginning the quarter with 10,615 inmates and ending with 10,381. The average daily population was 10,565 with a design capacity of 11,226. On average, the county facilities operated at 94% of design capacity.

**Table 3**

<b>Fourth Quarter 2015 Population in County Correctional Facilities by County, October 26, 2015 to December 28, 2015</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	391	404	372	300	130%
Berkshire	230	251	213	292	79%
Bristol	1,183	1,172	1,178	566	209%
Dukes	17	17	18	19	89%
Essex	1,532	1,583	1,475	1,654	93%
Franklin	262	277	251	144	182%
Hampden	1,436	1,460	1,382	1,632	88%
Hampshire	242	244	237	287	84%
Middlesex	1,035	1,053	1,037	1,501	69%
Norfolk	493	514	477	620	80%
Plymouth	1,114	1,047	1,120	1,140	98%
Suffolk	1,555	1,505	1,571	2,249	69%
Worcester	1,075	1,088	1,050	822	131%
<b>Total</b>	<b>10,565</b>	<b>10,615</b>	<b>10,381</b>	<b>11,226</b>	<b>94%</b>

\* Design capacity is provided by the County, Federal, and Interstate Unit.

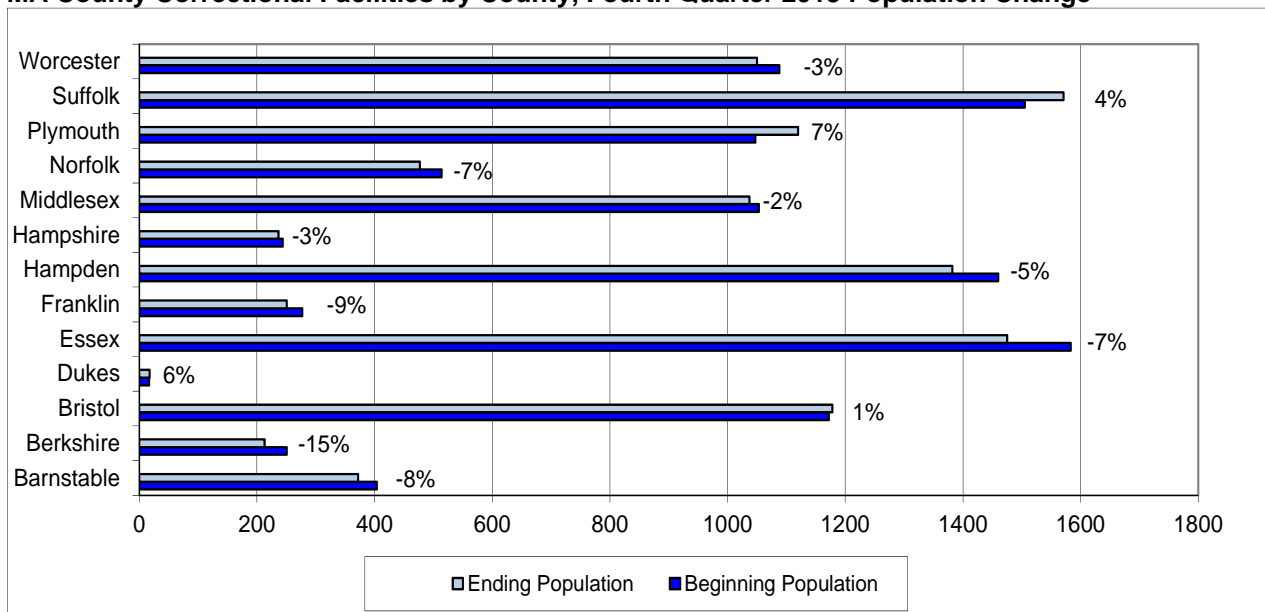
**Table 4 presents the breakdown of county figures for the fourth quarter of 2015 for the counties which operate more than one facility.**

**Table 4**

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<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	193	191	196	206	94%
Bristol Dartmouth	919	911	907	304	302%
Bristol Women's Center	71	70	75	56	127%
<b>Essex County</b>					
Essex Middleton	1,144	1,165	1,113	1,291	89%
Essex W.I.T	44	43	43	23	191%
Essex LCAC	345	375	319	340	101%
<b>Hampden County</b>					
Hampden HOC	1,042	1,067	1,001	1,178	88%
Hampden WMCAC	118	114	120	148	80%
Hampden Women's Center	276	279	261	306	90%
<b>Suffolk County</b>					
Suffolk Nashua Street	649	645	654	453	143%
Suffolk South Bay	905	860	917	1,796	50%

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**Figure 2**  
**MA County Correctional Facilities by County, Fourth Quarter 2015 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 capacities are determined within each facility and separate capacities are not designated as “jail” (detainees) or “house of correction” (county sentenced) beds.
- ◆ In the fourth quarter of 2015, the county correctional system operated at 94% of its design capacity, with an average daily population of 10,565 and a capacity designed to hold 11,226 inmates. This is a considerable drop from previous quarters, most notably due to changes in design capacity in various county facilities.
- ◆ Berkshire County reported the largest percentage decrease over the fourth quarter, 15%. Essex and Norfolk Counties reported the second largest percentage decrease, both decreasing 7% from the beginning of the fourth quarter to the end of the quarter. Essex County had the largest decrease in overall population over the trend period, a decrease of 108 inmates.
- ◆ Plymouth County had the largest percentage increase in population, 7% from the beginning of the fourth quarter to the end of the quarter. Plymouth County also reflected the largest total increase in population, an increase of 73 inmates.
- ◆ The county correctional facilities’ (jails and houses of correction) population decreased by 234 inmates, or two percent, for the fourth quarter of 2015, from 10,615 at the beginning of the quarter to 10,381 at the end of the quarter.

**Table 5 presents the county figures for the previous twelve months (October 27, 2014 to September 28, 2015).** The numbers indicate that the county population decreased by 729 inmates over this twelve-month period, or six percent, from 11,448 in October 2014 to 10,719 in September 2015.

**Table 5**

<b>Previous Twelve Months</b>					
<b>Population in County Correctional Facilities by County, October 27, 2014 to September 28, 2015</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	408	424	425	300	136%
Berkshire	215	230	236	292	74%
Bristol	1,179	1,317	1,167	566	208%
Dukes	16	20	21	19	84%
Essex	1,561	1,663	1,604	1,654	94%
Franklin	252	251	275	144	175%
Hampden	1,411	1,470	1,466	1,632	86%
Hampshire	263	277	237	287	92%
Middlesex	1,120	1,218	1,078	1,501	75%
Norfolk	524	572	522	620	85%
Plymouth	1,052	1,181	1,044	1,140	92%
Suffolk	1,502	1,697	1,528	2,249	67%
Worcester	1,103	1,128	1,116	822	134%
<b>Total</b>	<b>10,606</b>	<b>11,448</b>	<b>10,719</b>	<b>11,226</b>	<b>94%</b>

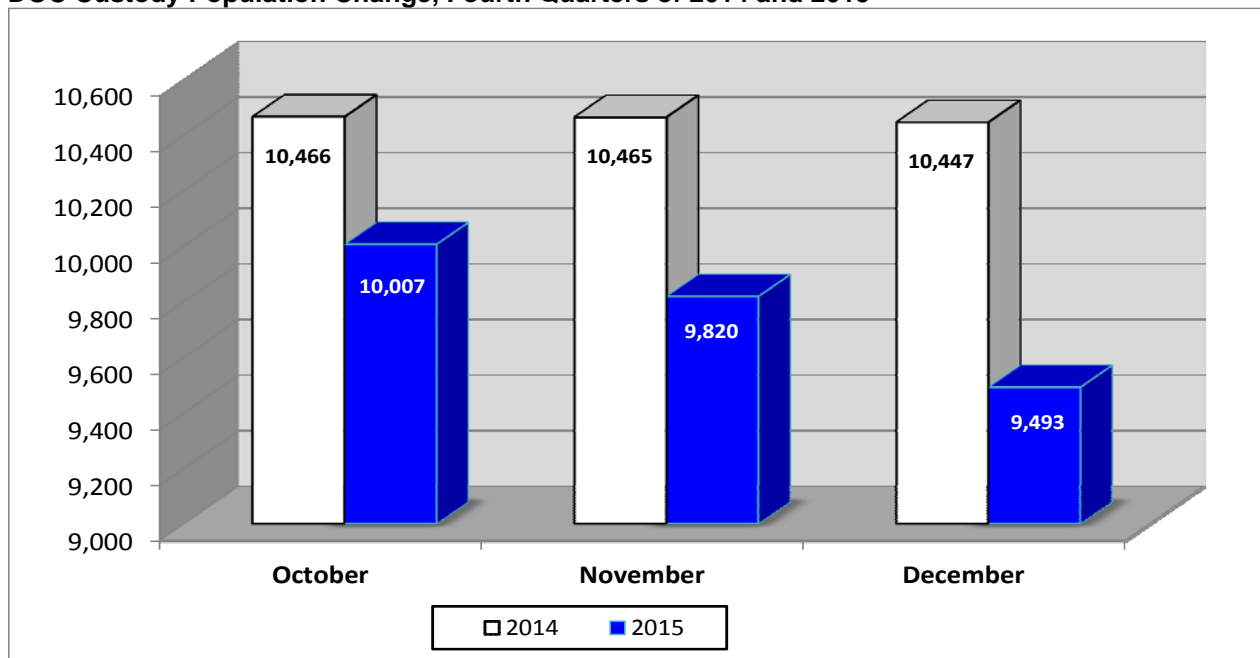
**Table 6 presents the county figures for the previous twelve months.** The following table presents a breakdown of facility population and capacity for counties that operate more than one facility.

**Table 6**

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<b>Bristol County</b>					
Bristol Ash Street	191	196	195	206	93%
Bristol Dartmouth	910	1,044	900	304	299%
Women's Center	78	77	72	56	139%
<b>Essex County</b>					
Essex Middleton	1,178	1,258	1,217	1,291	91%
Essex W.I.T.	36	36	38	23	157%
Essex LCAC	348	369	349	340	102%
<b>Hampden County</b>					
Hampden HOC	1,051	1,074	1,080	1,178	89%
Hampden WMCAC	99	142	99	148	67%
Hampden Women's Center	261	254	287	306	85%
<b>Suffolk County</b>					
Suffolk Nashua Street	595	623	649	453	131%
Suffolk South Bay	908	1,074	879	1,796	51%

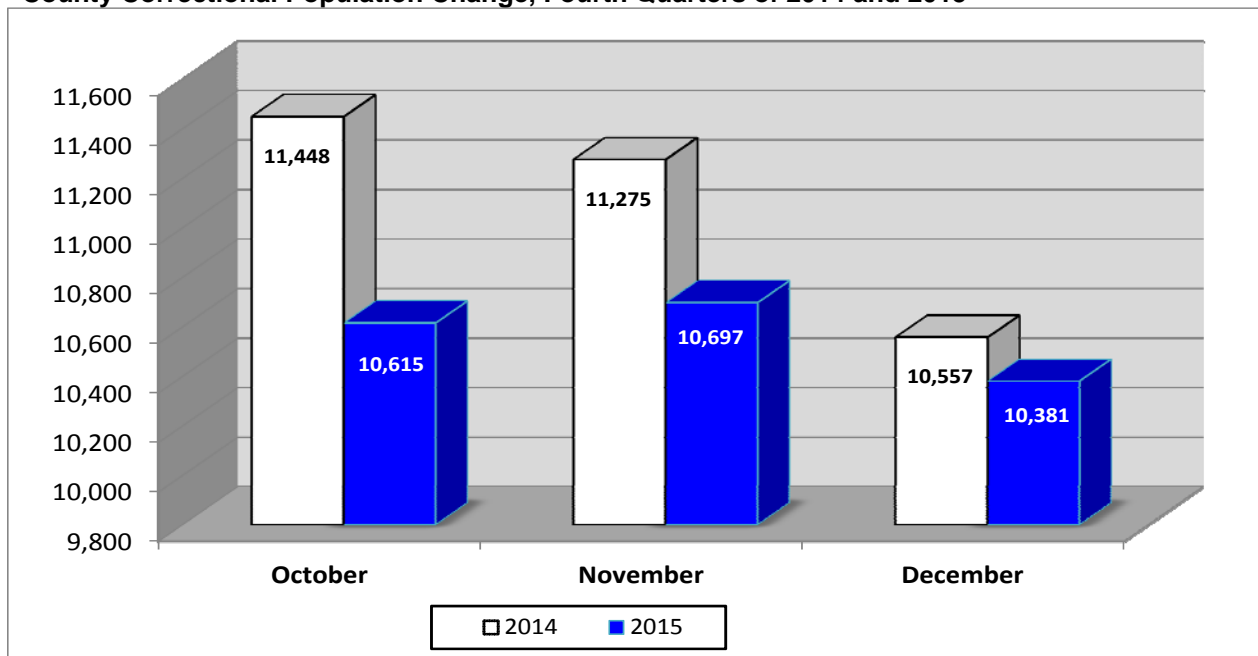
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**Figure 3**  
**DOC Custody Population Change, Fourth Quarters of 2014 and 2015**



The graph above compares the DOC custody population including treatment and support facilities for the fourth quarter in 2015 to the fourth quarter in 2014 by month. For October 2015, the DOC population decreased by 459 inmates, or four percent compared to October 2014; for November 2015 the population decreased by 645 inmates, or six percent; for December 2015 the population decreased by 954 inmates, or nine percent.

**Figure 4**  
**County Correctional Population Change, Fourth Quarters of 2014 and 2015**



The graph above compares the county correctional population for the fourth quarter in 2015 to the fourth quarter in 2014 by month. For October 2015, the population decreased by 833 inmates, or seven percent, compared to 2014; for November 2015 the population decreased by 578 inmates, or five percent; for December 2015 the population decreased by 176 inmates, or two percent.

*Note:* Data for Figure 4 was taken from the end of the month weekly 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, second, third and fourth quarters of 2014 and 2015, by gender. Overall, there was a decrease of 343 new court commitments for calendar 2015 compared to 2014, from 2,731 to 2,388. When comparing the fourth quarters only, male commitments decreased by 38, or 8%, from 463 to 425; female commitments, decreased by 39, or 20%, from 199 to 160.

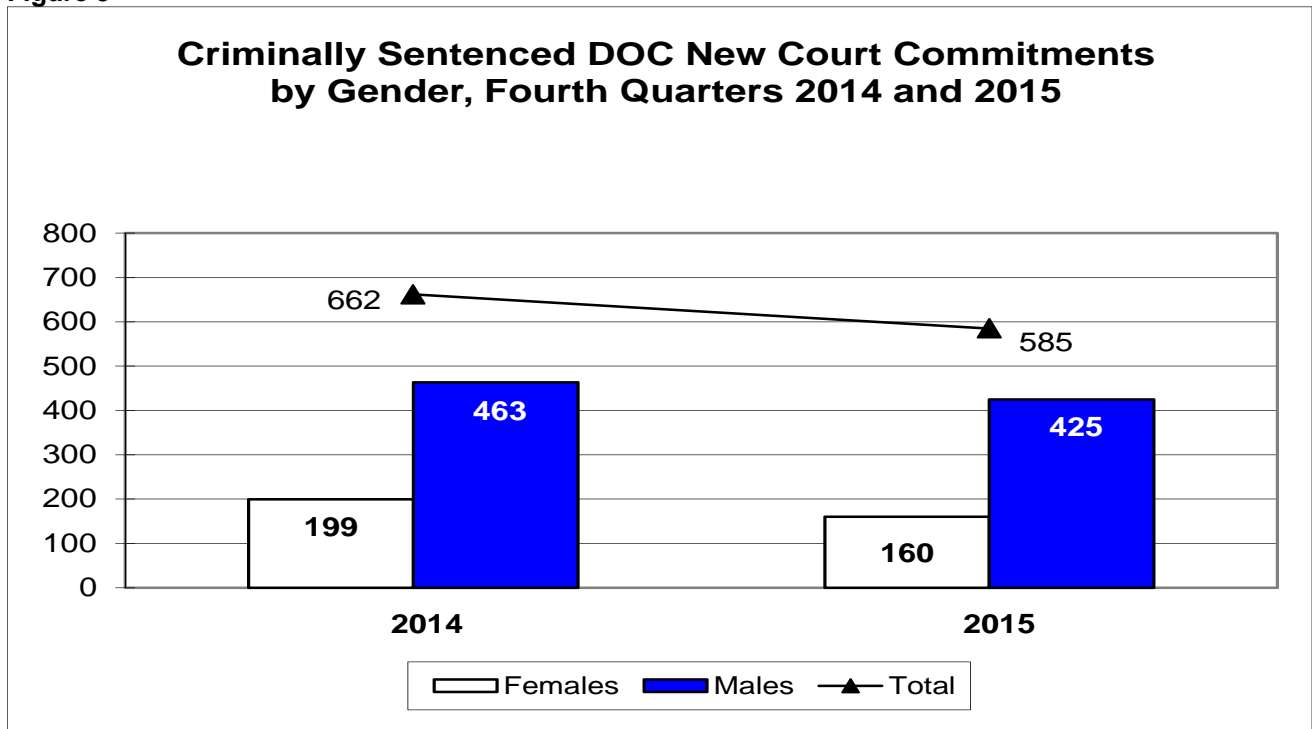
**Table 7**

**Criminally Sentenced DOC New Court Commitments  
by Gender, 2014 and 2015**

	2014	2015	Difference
<b><u>Males</u></b>			
First Quarter	554	427	-23%
Second Quarter	524	496	-5%
Third Quarter	431	375	-13%
Fourth Quarter	463	425	-8%
<b><u>Females</u></b>			
First Quarter	192	144	-25%
Second Quarter	190	175	-8%
Third Quarter	178	186	4%
Fourth Quarter	199	160	-20%
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,731</b>	<b>2,388</b>	<b>-13%</b>

**Figure 5** provides a graphical representation of the number of criminally sentenced new court commitments to the DOC during the fourth quarters of 2014 and 2015, by gender.

**Figure 5**



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