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## **SECTION I**

### **INTRODUCTION**

## **INTRODUCTION**

Public awareness and concern about the physical and emotional damage sexual offenses have had on our society dramatically increased during the 1990's. The Colorado Department of Corrections (CDOC) has experienced a steady increase in the sex offender population. Public officials have enacted legislation that requires these offenders to submit blood and saliva samples for DNA testing, to register with local law enforcement, and to be placed under lifetime supervision. All treatment and monitoring practices have been standardized statewide and a set of minimum qualifications implemented for all professionals working with this population. Therefore, it is incumbent on CDOC to continue to develop systems for tracking these offenders under its jurisdiction in order to measure the impact of these changes. This report provides general statistics on sex offenders in CDOC and facility based treatment. All reported data is compiled by fiscal year.

## **IDENTIFICATION**

During the intake process at the Denver Reception and Diagnostic Center (DRDC), inmates are evaluated on a sexual violence coding system (S-code). The S-codes range from S1 to S5 as shown in Table 1. All offenders coded S3, S4, and S5 are recommended for sex offender treatment.

**TABLE 1**  
**S-CODES AND DESCRIPTIONS**

<b>SEX OFFENDER CODES</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION</b>
<b>S1</b>	No history or indication of sexual offending behavior.
<b>S2</b>	Arrested or investigated for a sexual offense where charges were dismissed and the factual basis suggests a sexual offense did not occur. Previous S3, S4, or S5, where 10 years from his/her “current” date of incarceration has elapsed and he/she has remained in the community for at least 5 consecutive years without any known sexual offending behavior.
<b>S3</b>	Conviction of an active or discharged COPD related sexual offense or factual basis of a non-sexual offense that suggests a sexual offense did occur against staff or inmate(s) while in prison.
<b>S4</b>	Factual basis of an active or discharged felony or misdemeanor non-sexual offense that suggests a sexual offense did occur; conviction of a juvenile sexual offense or factual basis of a juvenile non-sexual offense that suggests a sexual offense did occur; conviction of a misdemeanor sexual offense.
<b>S5</b>	Conviction of an active or discharged felony sexual offense.

**SECTION II**

**INCARCERATED  
POPULATION**

## **INCARCERATED POPULATION**

The incarcerated population includes offenders in state facilities, contract facilities, community corrections, intensive supervision program (ISP), awaiting transfers, jail backlog, county jail contracts, parolee revocations in jail, technical violation parolees awaiting transfer, fugitives, and fugitives in custody. Sex offenders accounted for 22.0% (3,006) of the total inmate population (13,663) as of June 30, 1998, slightly higher than 21.8% (2,744) of the total population (12,590) as of June 30, 1997. Although the change in proportion of these offenders to total population was minimal, there was a 9.5% (262) increase in the population of sex offenders. The total incarcerated population increased only 8.5% (1,073) over the same period of time. A comprehensive breakdown of the inmate sex offender population is shown in Tables 2 – 4.

**TABLE 2  
INCARCERATED SEX OFFENDER POPULATION  
FOR JUNE 30, 1998**

	INCARCERATED POPULATION	SEXOFFENDER				
		S3	S4	S5	S3-S5 TOTAL	Population Percentage
<b>FACILITIES (SECURITY LEVEL):</b>						
CO STATE PENITENTIARY (MAX-AD SEG)	761	31	45	98	174	22.86%
CENTENNIAL CORR. FAC. (CLOSE)	233	5	14	40	59	25.32%
ARK. VALLEY CORR. FAC. (MED)	1,009	10	86	268	364	36.08%
BUENA VISTA CORR. FAC. (MED/MIN-R)	974	2	55	100	157	16.12%
COLO.TERRITORIAL CORR. FAC. (MED)	696	4	56	187	247	35.49%
FREMONT CORR. FAC. (MED)	1,174	8	113	558	679	57.84%
LIMON CORR. FAC. (MED)	949	13	62	195	270	28.45%
ARROWHEAD CORR. CENTER (MIN-R)	480	0	7	73	80	16.67%
FOUR-MILE CORR. CENTER (MIN-R)	594	0	0	1	1	0.17%
PRE-RELEASE CORR. CENTER (MIN-R)	164	0	7	16	23	14.02%
PUEBLO MINIMUM CENTER (MIN-R)	238	0	0	0	0	0.00%
COLORADO CORR. CENTER (MIN)	150	0	0	0	0	0.00%
COLO. CORRECTION ALT. PROG. (MIN)	113	0	5	4	9	7.96%
DELTA CORRECTIONAL CENTER (MIN)	482	0	0	0	0	0.00%
RIFLE CORRECTIONAL CENTER (MIN)	192	0	0	0	0	0.00%
SKYLINE CORRECTIONAL CENTER (MIN)	201	0	0	0	0	0.00%
COLO. WOMEN'S CORR. FAC. (MIXED)	290	3	6	15	24	8.28%
DENVER REC. AND DIAG. CTR. (MIXED)	398	2	14	26	42	10.55%
SAN CARLOS CORR. FACILITY (MIXED)	254	7	28	60	95	37.40%
<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>9,352</b>	<b>85</b>	<b>498</b>	<b>1,641</b>	<b>2,224</b>	<b>23.78%</b>
<b>CONTRACT FACILITIES:</b>						
BENT COUNTY CORR.L FACILITY	704	4	57	115	176	25.00%
HUERFANO COUNTY CORR. FACILITY	755	3	61	166	230	30.46%
MINNESOTA PRAIRIE CORR. FACILITY	1,044	6	78	258	342	32.76%
<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>2,503</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>196</b>	<b>539</b>	<b>748</b>	<b>29.88%</b>
COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS	804	1	4	6	11	1.37%
ISP-INMATE	366	2	3	2	7	1.91%
OTHER <sup>1</sup>	638	3	7	6	16	2.51%
<b>TOTAL INMATES</b>	<b>13,663</b>	<b>104</b>	<b>708</b>	<b>2,194</b>	<b>3,006</b>	<b>22.00%</b>

<sup>1</sup>Other: Awaiting transfer, jail backlog, county jail contract, parole revocation-jail, technical parole return, fugitive inmate & in-custody.

**TABLE 3  
INCARCERATED SEX OFFENDER POPULATION  
COMPARISON FOR 1997-1998**

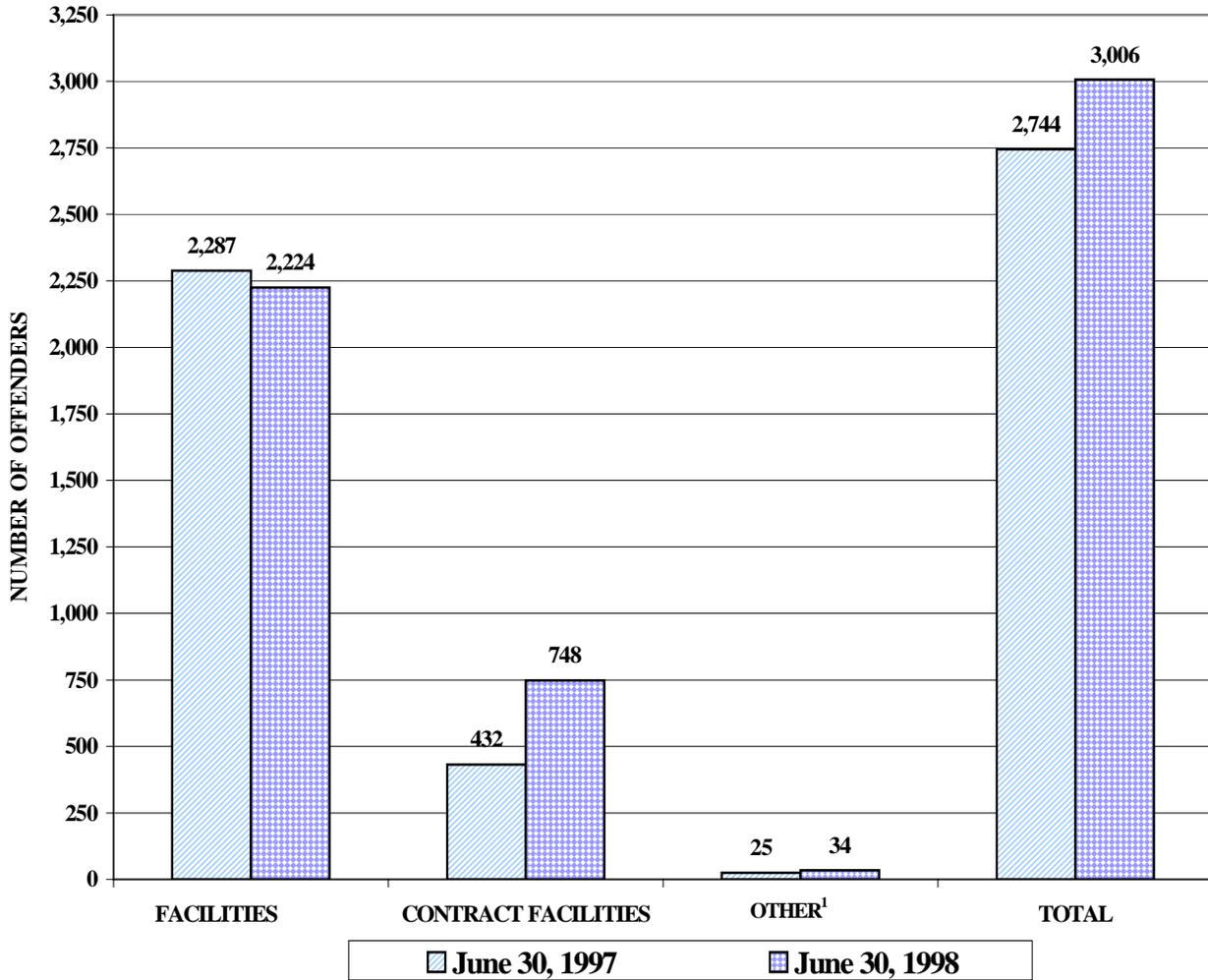
	<b>JUNE 30, 1997</b>	<b>JUNE 30, 1998</b>	<b>PERCENT CHANGE</b>
<b>FACILITIES:</b>			
CO. ST. PENITENTIARY (MAX-AD SEG)	134	174	29.85%
CENTENNIAL CORR. FACILITY (CLOSE)	87	59	-32.18%
ARKANSAS VALLEY CORR. FACILITY (MED)	391	364	-6.91%
BUENA VISTA CORR. FACILITY (MED/MIN-R)	177	157	-11.30%
COLO.TERRITORIAL CORR. FACILITY (MED)	254	247	-2.76%
FREMONT CORRECTIONAL FACILITY (MED)	694	679	-2.16%
LIMON CORRECTIONAL FACILITY (MED)	273	270	-1.10%
ARROWHEAD CORR. CENTER (MIN-R)	95	80	-15.79%
FOUR-MILE CORR. CENTER (MIN-R)	1	1	0.00%
PRE-RELEASE CORR. CENTER (MIN-R)	20	23	15.00%
PUEBLO MINIMUM CENTER (MIN-R)	0	0	0.00%
COLORADO CORRECTIONAL CENTER (MIN)	0	0	0.00%
COLO. CORRECTIONS ALT. PROGRAM (MIN)	4	9	125.00%
DELTA CORRECTIONAL CENTER (MIN)	0	0	0.00%
RIFLE CORRECTIONAL CENTER (MIN)	0	0	0.00%
SKYLINE CORRECTIONAL CENTER (MIN)	0	0	0.00%
COLO. WOMEN'S CORR. FACILITY (MIXED)	20	24	20.00%
DENVER REC. AND DIAG. CTR. (MIXED)	38	42	10.53%
SAN CARLOS CORR. FACILITY (MIXED)	99	95	-4.04%
<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>2,287</b>	<b>2,224</b>	<b>-2.75%</b>
<b>CONTRACT FACILITIES:</b>			
BENT COUNTY CORRECTIONAL FACILITY <sup>1</sup>	0	176	N/A
HUERFANO CNTY CORR. FACILITY <sup>1</sup>	0	230	N/A
MINNESOTA PRAIRIE CORR. FACILITY	70	342	388.57%
TX. BEXAR CNTY ADULT DETENTION CTR <sup>2</sup>	53	0	N/A
TX DICKENS COUNTY CORR. CENTER <sup>2</sup>	57	0	N/A
TEXAS HUTTO CORRECTIONAL FACILITY <sup>2</sup>	53	0	N/A
TEXAS KARNES JAIL CORRECTIONAL CENTER <sup>2</sup>	199	0	N/A
<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>432</b>	<b>748</b>	<b>73.15%</b>
COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS/ISP-INMATE	12	18	50.00%
OTHER <sup>3</sup>	13	16	23.08%
<b>TOTAL INMATES</b>	<b>2,744</b>	<b>3,006</b>	<b>9.55%</b>

<sup>1</sup>Contract facility services employed during FY 1998

<sup>2</sup>Contract facility services terminated during FY 1998

<sup>3</sup>Other: Awaiting transfer, jail backlog, county jail contract, parole revocation-jail, technical parole return, fugitive inmate & in-custody.

**TABLE 4  
INMATE SEX OFFENDER POPULATION  
COMPARISON FOR 1997-1998**



<sup>1</sup>OTHER INCLUDES COMMUNITY/ISP, AWAITING TRANSFER, JAIL BACKLOG, COUNTY JAIL CONTRACT, PAROLE REVOCATION- JAIL, TECHNICAL PAROLE RETURN, FUGITIVE INMATE & IN-CUSTODY.

**SECTION III**

**PAROLE  
POPULATION**

## PAROLE POPULATION

The parole population includes offenders under regular parole supervision, intensive supervision (ISP), out of state supervision, and absconders. Out of state parolee sex offenders are also included in this report. Sex offenders accounted for 7.7% (335) of the total parole population (4,336) as of June 30, 1998, compared to 6.1% (214) of the total parole population (3,526) as of June 30, 1997. The number of sex offenders on parole increased 56.5% (121) during this time period, while the total parole population increased only 22.9% (810). A more comprehensive breakdown of the parole sex offender population is shown in Tables 5 – 7.

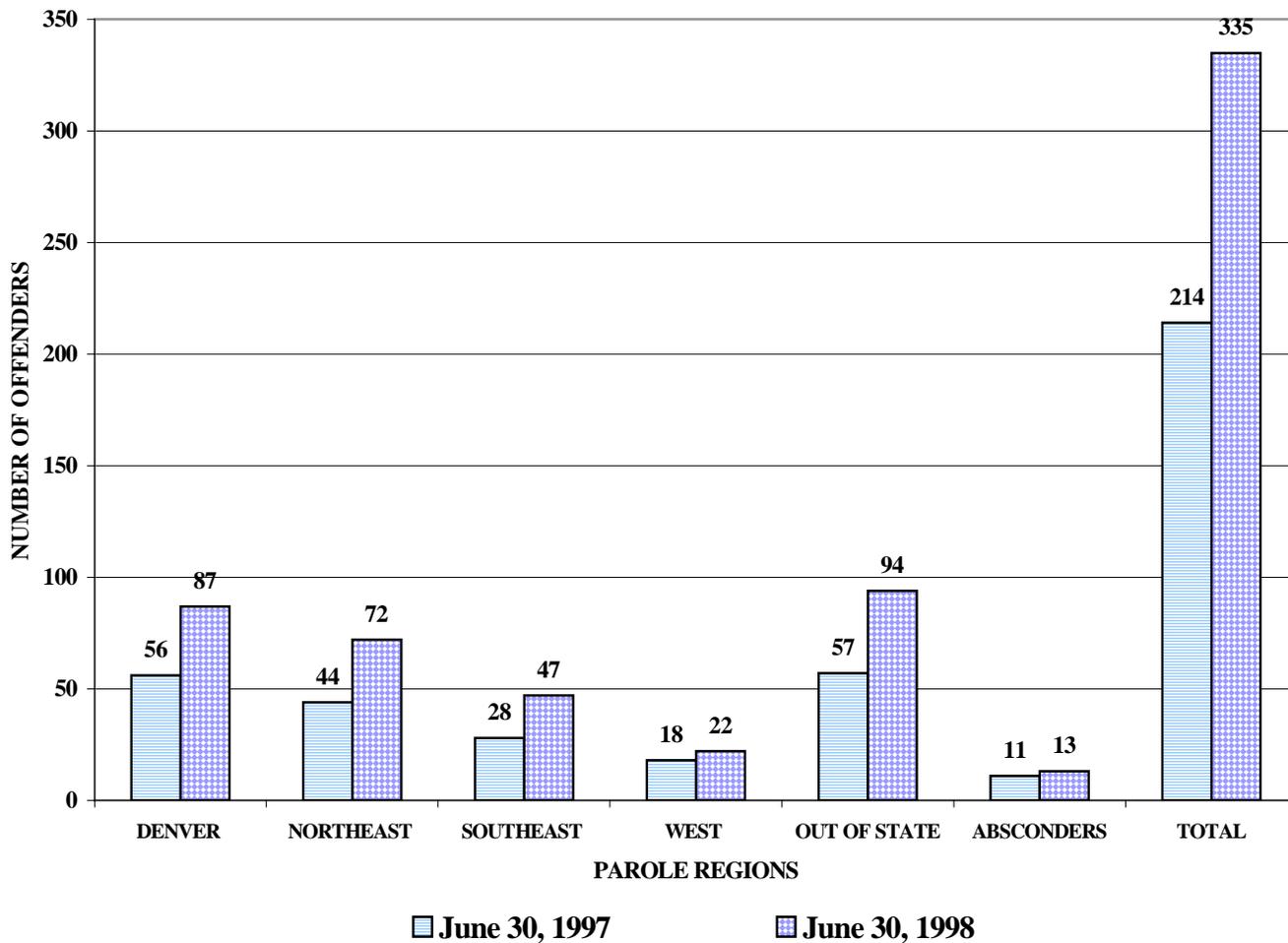
**TABLE 5  
PAROLE SEX OFFENDER POPULATION  
FOR JUNE 30, 1998**

<b>PAROLE REGIONS:</b>	<b>PAROLE POPULATION</b>	<b>S3</b>	<b>S4</b>	<b>S5</b>	<b>S3-S5 TOTAL</b>	<b>% of Population</b>
<u>DENVER REGION</u>						
REGULAR PAROLE	933	7	21	34	62	6.65%
ISP	241	2	8	15	25	10.37%
<u>NORTHEAST REGION</u>						
REGULAR PAROLE	848	1	29	25	55	6.49%
ISP	102	0	2	15	17	16.67%
<u>SOUTHEAST REGION</u>						
REGULAR PAROLE	435	1	11	24	36	8.28%
ISP	105	0	5	6	11	10.48%
<u>WEST REGION</u>						
REGULAR PAROLE	195	0	5	10	15	7.69%
ISP PAROLE	44	0	4	3	7	15.91%
<b>TOTAL CASELOAD</b>						
REGULAR PAROLE	2,411	9	66	93	168	6.97%
ISP PAROLE	492	2	19	39	60	12.20%
<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>2,903</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>85</b>	<b>132</b>	<b>228</b>	<b>7.85%</b>
COLORADO PAROLEES OUT OF COLORADO	1,200	1	34	59	94	7.83%
PAROLEE ABSCONDERS	233	0	6	7	13	5.58%
<b>TOTAL PAROLEES</b>	<b>4,336</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>125</b>	<b>198</b>	<b>335</b>	<b>7.73%</b>

**TABLE 6  
PAROLE SEX OFFENDER POPULATION  
COMPARISON FOR 1997 - 1998**

<b>PAROLE REGIONS:</b>	<b>JUNE 30, 1997</b>	<b>JUNE 30, 1998</b>	<b>%CHANGE</b>
<u>DENVER REGION</u>			
REGULAR PAROLE	31	62	100.00%
ISP	25	25	0.00%
<u>NORTHEAST REGION</u>			
REGULAR PAROLE	32	55	71.88%
ISP	12	17	41.67%
<u>SOUTHEAST REGION</u>			
REGULAR PAROLE	17	36	111.76%
ISP	11	11	0.00%
<u>WEST REGION</u>			
REGULAR PAROLE	13	15	15.38%
ISP PAROLE	5	7	40.00%
<b>TOTAL CASELOAD</b>			
REGULAR PAROLE	93	168	80.65%
ISP PAROLE	53	60	13.21%
<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>146</b>	<b>228</b>	<b>56.16%</b>
COLORADO PAROLEES OUT OF COLORADO	57	94	64.91%
PAROLEE ABSCONDERS	11	13	18.18%
<b>TOTAL PAROLEES</b>	<b>214</b>	<b>335</b>	<b>56.54%</b>

**Table 7**  
**PAROLE SEX OFFENDER POPULATION**  
**COMPARISON 1997-1998**



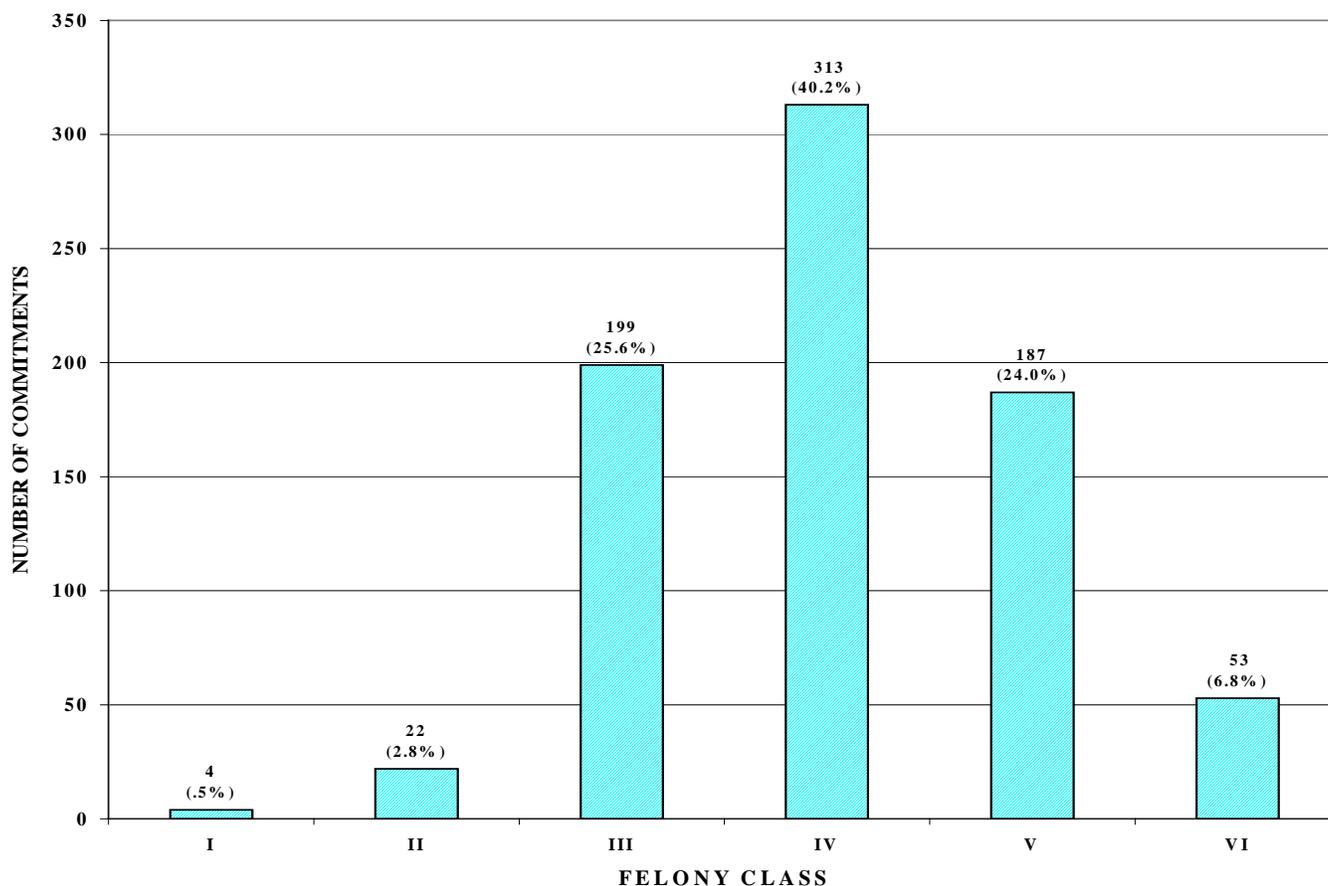
**SECTION IV**

**COURT COMMITMENTS**

## COURT COMMITMENTS

Court commitments to prison for 1998 totaled 4,820 offenders. The total includes all offenders sentenced for a new felony conviction, but excludes technical returns from parole, probation, or court order discharges previously released from CDOC. A total of 778 (16.1%) were identified as sex offenders with 21 offenders coded S3; 312 offenders coded S4; and 445 offenders coded S5. Class 4 felony convictions ranked the highest among these offenders at 313 (40.2%) – as shown in Table 8.

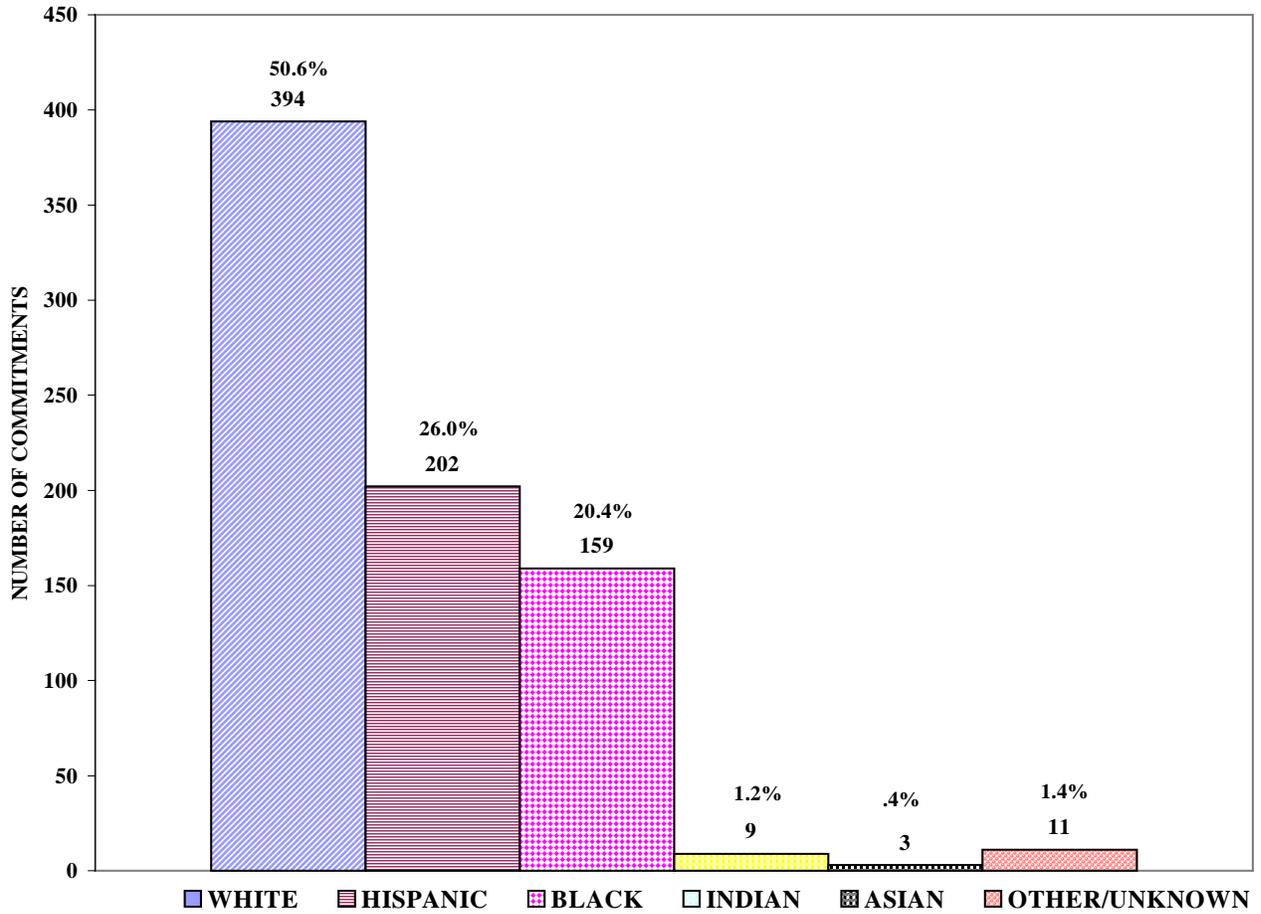
**TABLE 8**  
**SEX OFFENDER COURT COMMITMENTS**  
**FOR 1998**  
**FELONY CLASS DISTRIBUTION**



## ETHNICITY

Of the 778 commitments, 394 (50.6%) of the sex offenders self-reported their ethnicity as white. The second largest ethnic group was Hispanics at 202 (26%) as shown in Table 9.

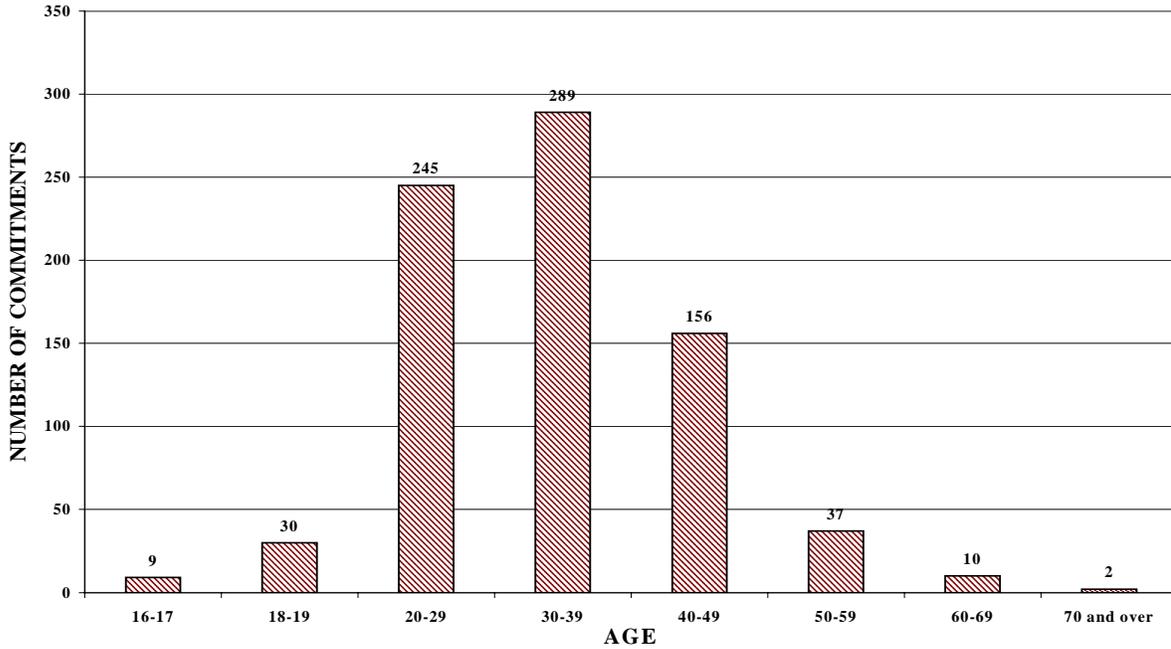
**TABLE 9**  
**SEX OFFENDER COURT COMMITMENTS**  
**FOR 1998**  
**ETHNICITY DISTRIBUTION**



## GENDER AND AGE

Of the 778 commitments, 765 (98.3%) were male and 13 (1.7%) were female sex offenders. Ages for the population range from 16 to 73 years. The mean age was 33.6 years with the largest age group being 30-39 years of age (289). The median was similar at 33 years of age. Table 10 shows the age distribution of commitments for 1998.

TABLE 10  
SEX OFFENDER COURT COMMITMENTS  
FOR 1998  
AGE DISTRIBUTION



## MOST SERIOUS CONVICTION

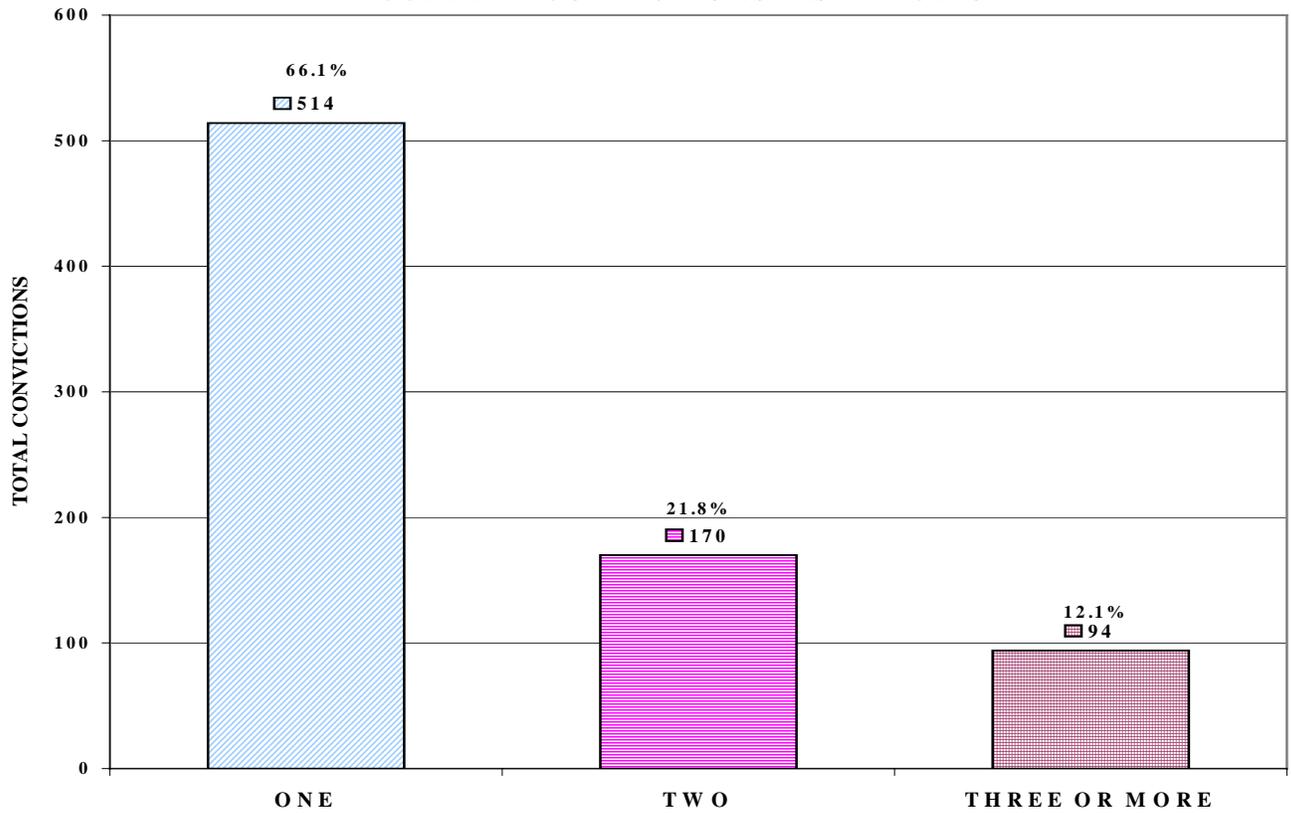
Of the 778 commitments, 348 (44.7%) had a conviction for a sexual offense. The highest category of conviction for this group was sexual assault on a child at 153 (19.7%) as shown in Table 11.

**TABLE 11  
SEX OFFENDER COURT COMMITMENTS  
FOR 1998  
MOST SERIOUS CRIME DISTRIBUTION**

MOST SERIOUS CRIME	NUMBER OF OFFENSES	PERCENT
Murder	9	1.2%
Vehicular Homicide	2	.3%
Manslaughter	1	.1%
Kidnapping	12	1.5%
Child Enticement	3	.4%
First Degree Sex Assault	35	4.5%
Sex Assault-Child/Pos. Trust	90	11.6%
Sex Assault-Child	153	19.7%
Second Degree Sex Assault	46	5.9%
Third Degree Sex Assault	7	.9%
Sex Assault – Client	2	.3%
Child Exploit/Inducement	6	.8%
Incest	6	.8%
Child Abuse	3	.4%
Assault	37	4.8%
Menacing	24	3.1%
Burglary	50	6.4%
Theft	45	5.8%
Criminal Trespass/Mischief	39	5.0%
Drug Abuse	91	11.7%
Forgery/Fraud	21	2.7%
Other	96	12.3%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>778</b>	<b>100%</b>

In addition, 94 (12.1%) of the commitments had 3 or more current convictions as shown in Table 12.

**TABLE 12**  
**SEX OFFENDER COURT COMMITMENTS**  
**FOR 1998**  
**CURRENT CONVICTIONS DISTRIBUTION**



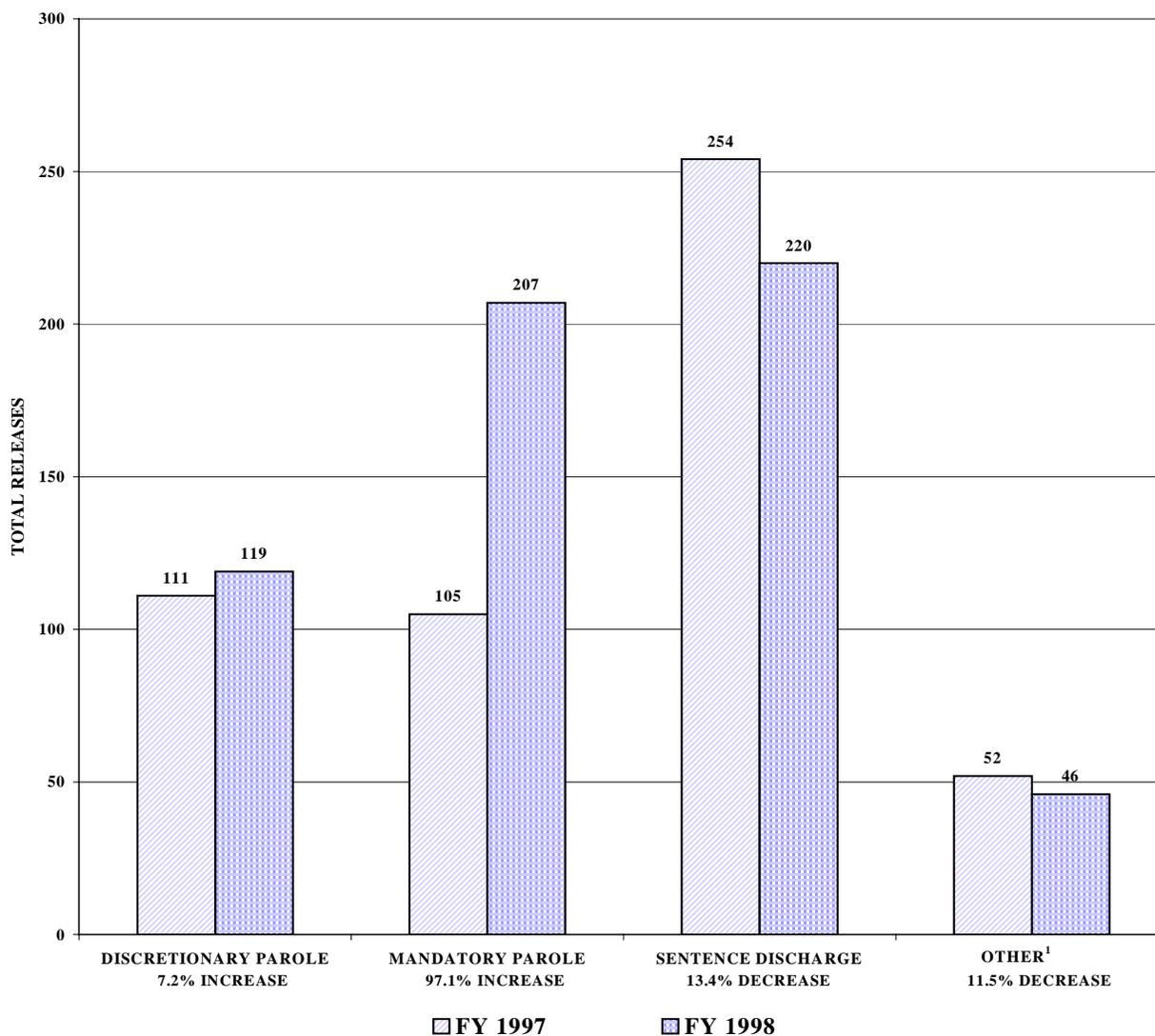
**SECTION V**

**RELEASES**

## RELEASES

Five hundred ninety-two (592) sex offenders were released from inmate status in 1998. Sex offenders comprised 11.6% of the 5,087 total releases in 1998. This represented an increase of 13.4% (70) from the 522 offenders released in 1997. Included in these numbers are 6 sex offenders who were paroled from community corrections.

**TABLE 13  
SEX OFFENDER RELEASE  
COMPARISONS FOR 1997-1998**



<sup>1</sup>Other: Probation, Court Order Discharge, Deceased, Appeal bond, and Execution

The number of mandatory parole releases rose 97.1% in 1998. This increase is primarily due to the effects of H.B. 93-1302 that established a mandatory parole sentence for all offenders to be completed after release from prison. While discretionary parole releases remained stable, sentence discharges decreased by 13.4% (220) as shown in Table 13.

**SEX OFFENDERS RELEASED WHILE IN TREATMENT**

Thirty-six offenders (6.1%) released were actively participating in treatment. Sixteen offenders were paroled, 18 offenders discharged, and 2 released to probation as shown in Table 14. The 16 offenders paroled included 11 discretionary and 5 mandatory releases.

**TABLE 14  
TREATMENT PHASE  
RELEASES FOR 1998**

	<b>I</b>	<b>IB</b>	<b>IC</b>	<b>II</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>
<b>PAROLE:</b>					
Discretionary	2	0	0	9	11
Mandatory	1	1	0	3	5
<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>16</b>
Sentence Discharge	1	2	3	12	18
Other	1	1	0	0	2
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>36</b>

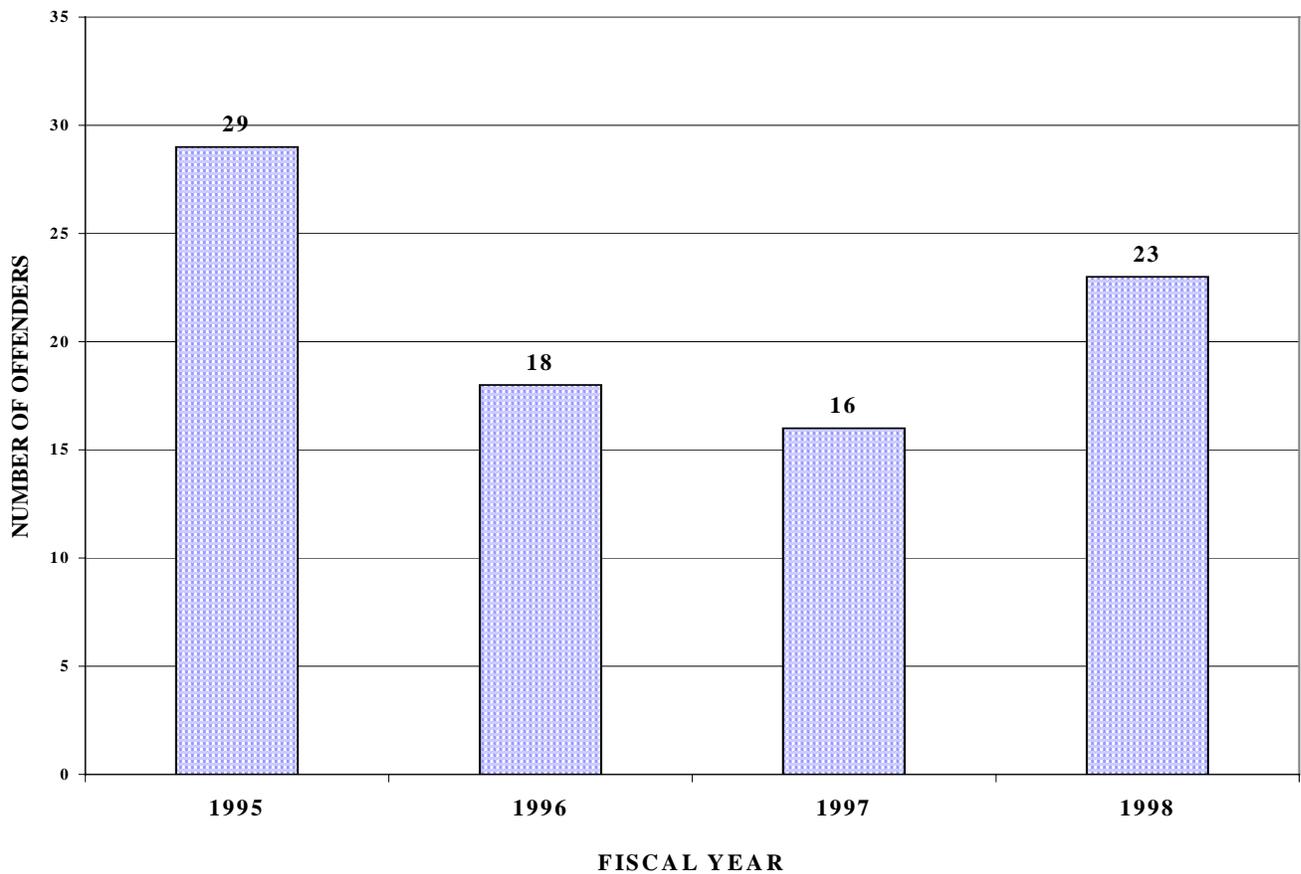
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**COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS**

## PLACEMENT IN COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS

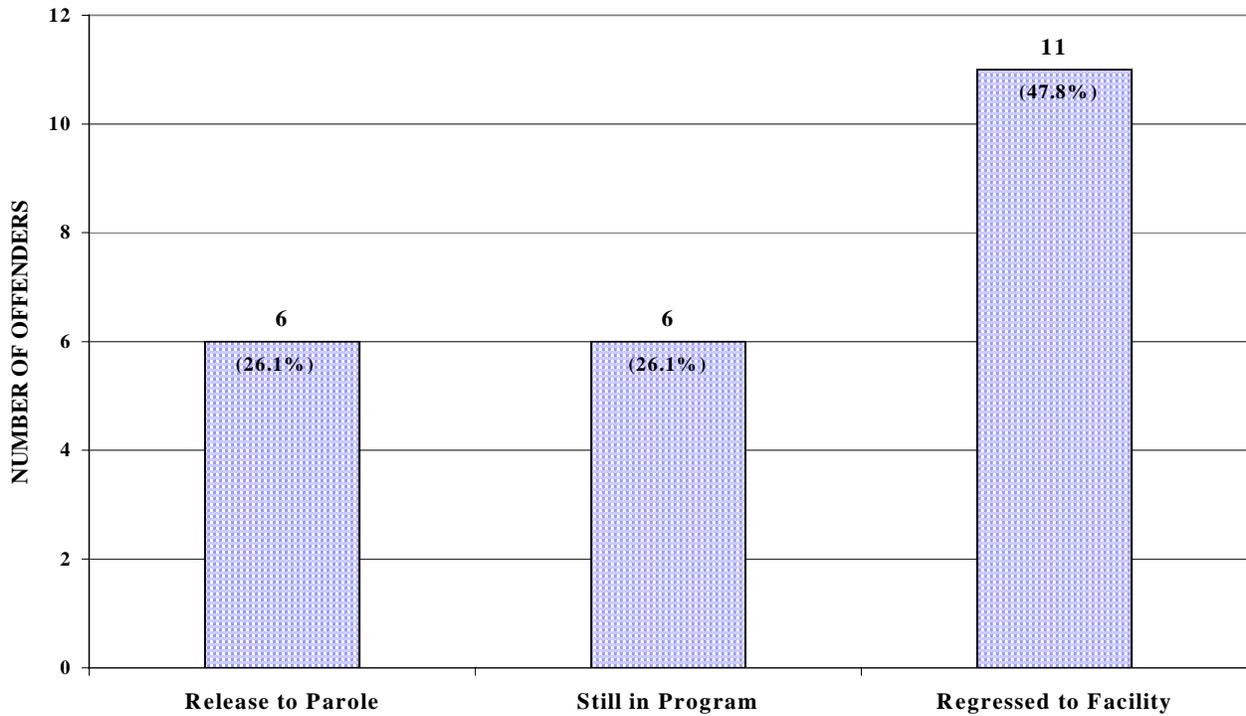
Sex offenders are referred for acceptance to community corrections programs at 16 months prior to the parole eligibility date (PED) for nonviolent offenses and at 6 months prior to PED for violent offenses. Twenty-three (23) sex offenders were placed in community corrections contract centers in 1998. Table 15 shows the number of sex offenders placed in community corrections since 1995.

**TABLE 15**  
**SEX OFFENDER COMMUNITY PLACEMENTS**  
**1995-1998**



The status of the 23 community correction placements as of January 1999 is illustrated in Table 16. Nearly half (47.8%) of the offenders have been regressed, while 26.1% paroled and 26.1% remained in the community correction program. Only one of the twenty-three offenders placed in these programs in 1998 was actively participating in sex offender treatment in CDOC. This offender was placed in community corrections after completing a total of 14 months of treatment. As of January, 1999, this offender was still in the community corrections program.

**TABLE 16  
SEX OFFENDER COMMUNITY PLACEMENTS  
FOR 1998  
STATUS AS OF JANUARY 1999**



**SECTION VII**

**SEX OFFENDER TREATMENT**

## **SEX OFFENDER TREATMENT AND MONITORING PROGRAM**

The Sex Offender Treatment and Monitoring Program (SOTMP) is structured in two tiers (Phase I and Phase II), differentiated by degree of programming intensity. The program is designed primarily for normal intellectual and socially functioning offenders; however, as resources permit services are available for the developmentally disabled (IB), chronically mentally ill (IC), Spanish speaking (IE), adult female (I), and sexual offenders transitioning to Phase II (IIR). The program is offered at Fremont Correctional Facility (FCF), Colorado Territorial Correctional Facility (CTCF), Colorado Women's Correctional Facility (CWCF) and Arrowhead Correctional Center (ACC). Phase II has been designed specifically for the therapeutic community (TC) operated at ACC. The therapeutic approach of the program is a cognitive behavioral based system. Phase I at FCF takes approximately 6 months to complete, where as the other Phase I, IB, IC, IE, IIR, and II are designed to be open-ended. The statistics for this section were reported to track offender movement through the program's screens, wait lists, and treatment groups. Table 17 provides the descriptions and locations of each phase of treatment.

**TABLE 17  
PROGRAM DESCRIPTION**

<b>TREATMENT</b>	<b>FACILITIES</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION</b>
<b>PHASE I</b>		
I	FCF <sup>1</sup> CTCF CWCF	A closed-ended group that meets 4 times a week for 2-hour sessions. <sup>1</sup> Other groups are conducted in an open-ended format. This group has been established for normal intellectual and socially functioning offenders.
IB	CTCF	An open-ended group that has been established for developmentally disabled offenders.
IC	FCF	An open-ended group that has been established for chronically mentally ill offenders.
IE	FCF	An open-ended group that has been established for Spanish speaking offenders
<b>TRANSITION</b>		
IIR	FCF	An open-ended group that has been established for medium and above custody level and identified Phase II failure to progress in treatment offenders.
<b>PHASE II</b>		
II	ACC	Operated in a therapeutic community, groups are open-ended and organized chronologically by level: orientation, commitment, senior, and maintenance.

## PROGRAM SCREENS

The program screened a total of 639 sexual offenders for program eligibility in 1998.

“Other” refers to IB, IC, IE, IIR treatment groups. The total screens resulted in 455 (71%) offenders wait listed or placed directly into a treatment group and 184 (29%) offenders denied placement on a wait list as shown in Table 18.

**TABLE 18  
PROGRAM SCREENS  
FOR 1998**

OUTCOME	I	II	OTHER	TOTAL
Placed on Wait List	286	80	45	411
Placed in Group	5	26	13	44
<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>291</b>	<b>106</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>455</b>
Treatment Prerequisites	13	6	1	20
Conditional Requirement	30	0	0	30
Refused Treatment	36	3	0	39
Denial	91	1	3	95
<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>170</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>184</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>461</b>	<b>116</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>639</b>

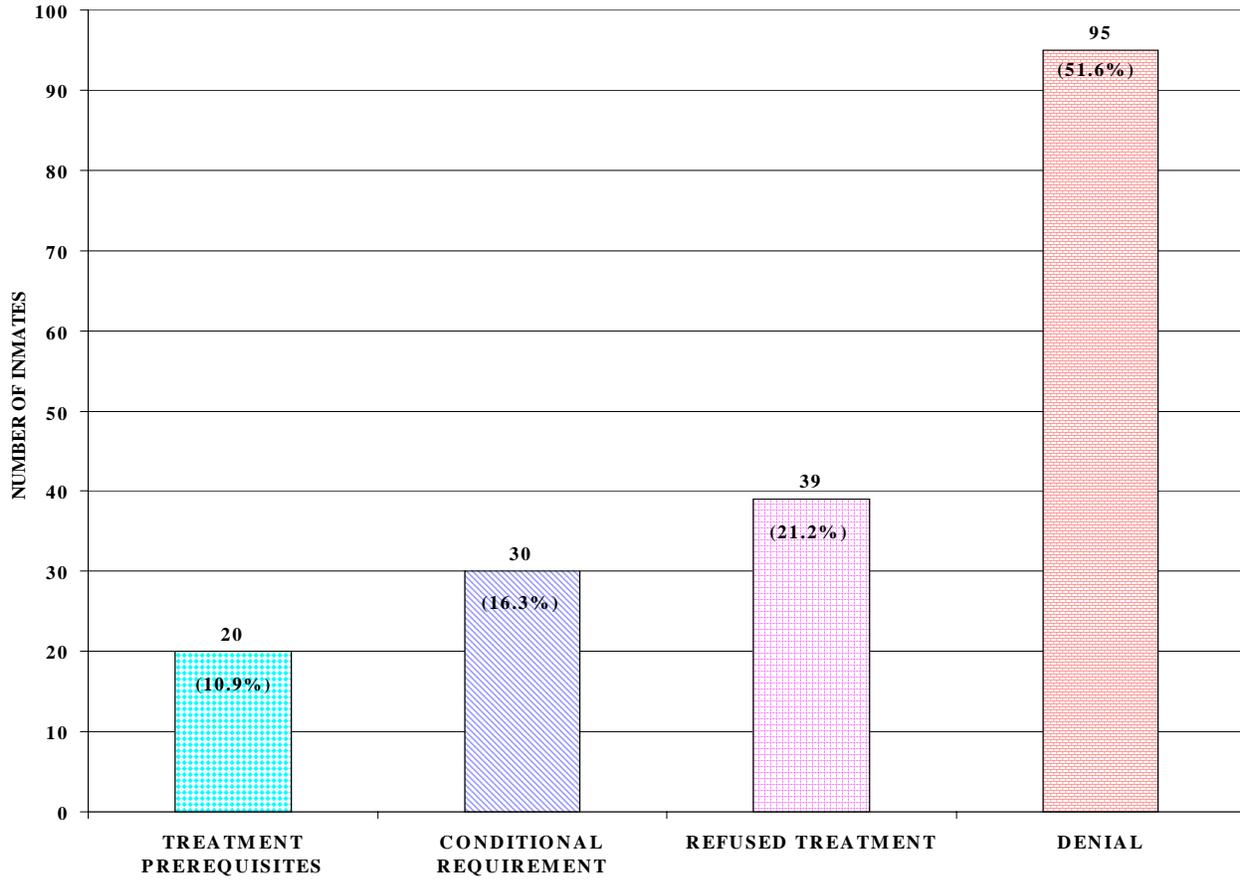
Eligibility for program services is based on the offender having completed CORE, 8 years or less remaining to PED, acknowledging a sexual offense, and demonstrating the willingness to comply with the conditions of the SOTMP during the screening process. Eligible offenders are placed on the appropriate wait list.

The four reasons for being denied placement on the wait list are as follows:

1. **TREATMENT PREREQUISITES:** An offender has a PED more than 8 years, has not completed CORE, and/or has facility placement restrictions (e.g., custody level issues).
2. **CONDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS:** An offender failed to fully demonstrate that he/she is motivated to participate in the program. The offender must complete a questionnaire that demonstrates amenability for treatment.
3. **REFUSAL OF TREATMENT:** An offender verbally states that he/she will not participate in the program, refuses to cooperate during the screening, or does not show for the screening appointment.
4. **DENIAL OF SEXUAL OFFENDING:** An offender denies committing the sexual offense, having a sexual offending problem, and/or being at risk to sexually reoffend.

The majority of failed program screens were due to denial of sexual offending behaviors as show in Table 19.

**TABLE 19  
FAILED PROGRAM SCREENS  
FOR 1998**



## PROGRAM WAIT LISTS

A total of 510 offenders were on the program wait lists in 1998. The program began the year with 99 offenders on wait lists and ended the year with 204. Overall, 454 (S5), 56 (S4), and 0 (S3) offenders were wait listed. During the year, 411 offenders were placed on the wait lists and 306 offenders were removed from the wait lists. Specifically, 77% (236) were placed in group, 12% (38) were removed from the wait list for program eligibility violations and 11% (32) were released from CDOC or progressed to community as shown in Table 20. General terminations, violations of the wait list contract, or administration policy accounted for the majority of the terminations from wait lists. Offenders wait listed for Phase I at FCF waited an average of 2 months before being placed in a treatment group. The average time was 1.5 months on the Phase II wait list before being placed in the TC.

**TABLE 20  
PROGRAM WAIT LIST OUTCOMES  
FOR 1998**

OUTCOME	I	II	OTHER	TOTAL
<b>Placed in Group:</b>	<b>147</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>236</b>
<b>Removed for Violations:</b>				
Treatment Prerequisites	2	6	1	9
General Termination	14	1	2	17
Refused Treatment	5	3	1	9
Denial	3	0	0	3
<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>38</b>
<b>Removed for Progressives/ Release Movements:</b>				
Community Corrections	1	0	0	1
Parole	18	4	0	22
Discharge Sentence	8	0	1	9
Other <sup>1</sup>	0	0	0	0
<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>32</b>
<b>TOTAL PHASE</b>	<b>198</b>	<b>77</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>306</b>

<sup>1</sup>Other: Probation, Court Order Discharge, Deceased, Appeal Bond and Execution.

## PROGRAM TREATMENT GROUPS

A total of 506 offenders participated in treatment groups in 1998. Two hundred twenty-six (226) offenders were in treatment groups at the beginning of the year and 194 offenders were in treatment groups at the end of the year. Overall, 454 (S5), 52 (S4), and 0 (S3) offenders participated in treatment during the year. During the year 280 offenders were placed in groups and 312 offenders were removed from groups. Specifically, 33% (104) attained satisfactory completion, 55% (171) were terminated, and 12% (37) were released from CDOC or progressed to parole or community corrections as show in Table 21.

**TABLE 21  
PROGRAM TREATMENT PHASE OUTCOMES  
FOR 1998**

OUTCOME	I	II	OTHER	TOTAL
<b>Satisfactory Completion:</b>	<b>104</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>104</b>
<b>Terminations:</b>				
Unsatisfactory Completion	23	0	0	23
Expelled	69	37	11	117
Dropped	5	15	1	21
Administrative Termination	4	4	2	10
<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>101</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>171</b>
<b>Progressives/Release Movements:</b>				
Community Corrections	0	1	0	1
Parole	3	12	1	16
Discharge Sentence	1	12	5	18
Other <sup>1</sup>	1	0	1	2
<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>37</b>
<b>TOTAL PHASE</b>	<b>210</b>	<b>81</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>312</b>

<sup>1</sup>Other: Probation, Court Order Discharge, Deceased, Appeal Bond and Execution.

Each offender placed in a treatment group must comply with the general conditions: genuine participation in assessments and assignments, attending group sessions, maintaining group confidentiality, and not engaging in any inappropriate aggressive or sexual behavior. A violation of any of these conditions may result in termination from the program.

Offenders may attain satisfactory completion of Phase I by completing the group's time limited curriculum. However, since Phase IB, IC, IE, IIR, and II are designed to target a population with special needs, offenders will not be able to attain completion of these groups. In addition, offenders attain an unsatisfactory completion for failing to achieve the treatment goals. Offenders may also terminate from the program by involuntary expulsion, voluntarily dropping, or an administrative decision based on special needs (e.g., medical).

The completion time for Phase I at FCF averaged 7.5 months. The time to expulsion or dropping out of group averaged 4 months for Phase I and 6 months for Phase II.

### **PROGRAM COMPLIANCE**

Program compliance for Phase I is defined as the attainment of group satisfactory completion or remaining in group until released from a CDOC facility. Program compliance for Phase II is defined as remaining in group for more than one year or remaining in group until released from a CDOC facility. Due to the open-ended format program compliance was not defined for the other treatment groups.

#### **PHASE I:**

A total of 297 offenders participated in Phase I in 1998. Out of the 210 Phase I offenders that were removed from the group, 109 (52%) attained satisfactory completion or released from CDOC facilities and 101 (48%) were terminated from Phase I as shown in Table 21. A total of 109 (52%) offenders were compliant with treatment in 1998.

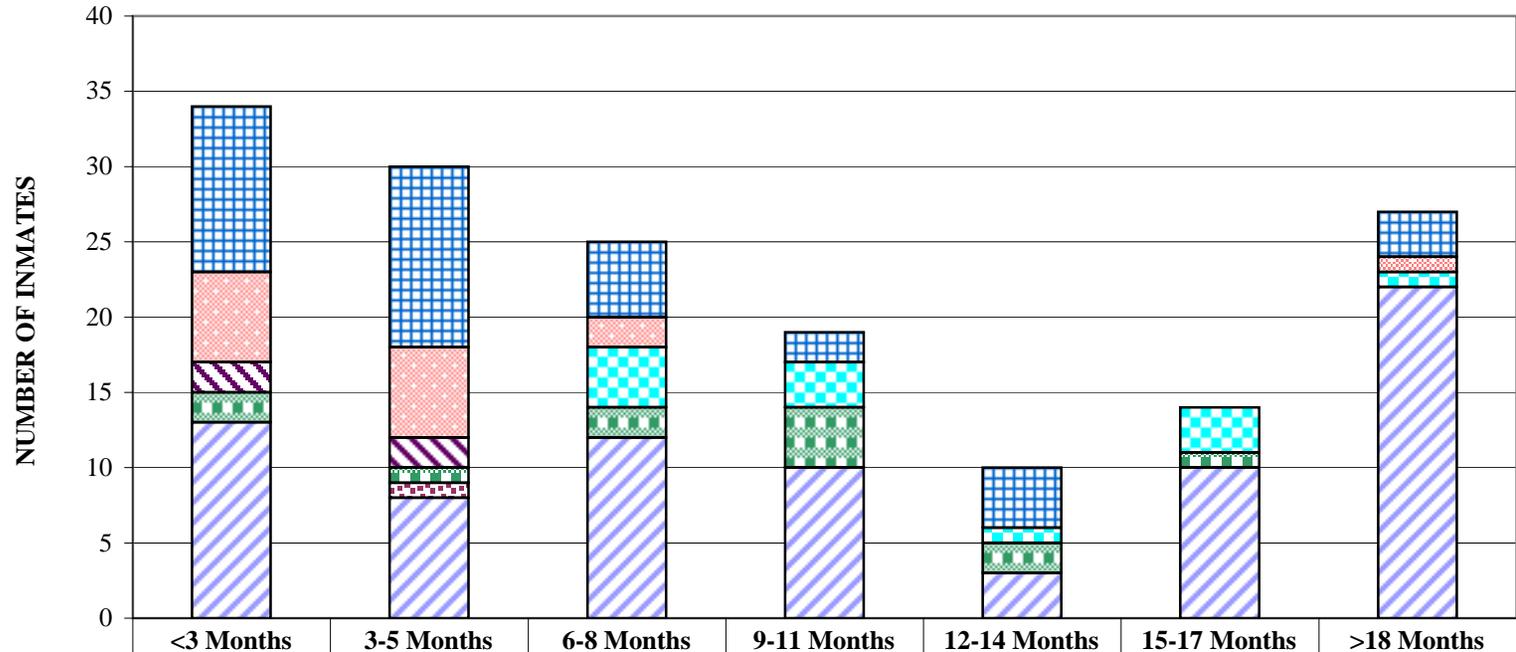
## PHASE II:

A total of 159 offenders participated in Phase II in 1998. Out of the 81 Phase II offenders that were removed from the program, 1 (1%) progressed to community corrections, 24 (30%) released from CDOC facilities and 56 (69%) were terminated from Phase II. Further, 65 of these removals had less than a year of treatment, of which 17 (26%) were released and 48 (74%) were terminated from the program. Out of the additional 16 offenders that had more than a year of treatment, 8 (50%) were released and 8 (50%) were terminated from the program as shown in Table 22. The compliance rate nearly doubles for offenders who remain in Phase II for more than a year. Overall, slightly less than half of these offenders 33 (41%) were compliant with treatment in 1998.

Six of the 9 paroled offenders were released on discretionary parole before having completed a full year of Phase II. The other 3 paroled offenders were released on mandatory parole with less than one year in Phase II. In addition, 7 of the 12 offenders that discharged their sentence had less than a year of Phase II. The one offender that progressed to community corrections had less than 6 months in Phase II as shown in Table 22.

Out of the 78 offenders that ended the year still in Phase II, 43 (55%) were in treatment for less than a year and 35 (45%) had been in treatment for more than a year. The offenders that had between 12 and 14 months of Phase II were the fewest at 3 and the offenders that had more than 18 months of Phase II were the greatest at 22 as shown in Table 22.

**Table 22  
PHASE II  
OUTCOMES BY TIME IN TREATMENT  
FOR 1998**



	<3 Months	3-5 Months	6-8 Months	9-11 Months	12-14 Months	15-17 Months	>18 Months
Expelled	11	12	5	2	4	0	3
Dropped	6	6	2	0	0	0	1
Admin. Termination	2	2	0	0	0	0	0
Discharge Sentence	0	0	4	3	1	3	1
Parole	2	1	2	4	2	1	0
Community Corrections	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Still in Program	13	8	12	10	3	10	22

## SUMMARY

- The sex offender incarcerated population increase 9.5% in 1998. Additional services and programs are necessary to meet the needs of this special population.
- The sex offender parole population increased 56.5% in 1998 primarily due to recent legislative changes. This trend is expected to continue over the next several years as mandatory parole provisions and lifetime supervision take effect.
- Even though sex offenders represented only 1.4% of the total community corrections population of June 30, 1998, placement of these offenders in community corrections programs increased 44% during the year from 16 to 23.
- Only 6.5% of incarcerated sex offenders were participating in offense specific treatment on June 30, 1998.
- Five hundred-six (506) incarcerated sex offenders participated in treatment in 1998. During the year 312 offenders were removed from group: 104 (33%) satisfactory completion of Phase I, 171 (55%) terminated, and 37 (12%) released from a CDOC facility.

- Only 11 sex offenders released on discretionary parole while in treatment in 1998. This represented only 9.2% of sex offenders released on discretionary parole. Further research is needed to evaluate the influence of treatment on the Parole Board's decisions for release.
- The program compliance rate was 52% for Phase I sex offenders and 41% for Phase II in 1998. In addition, the compliance rate nearly doubles for sex offenders who remain in the TC for more than a year.
- This initial report provides an introductory review of the CDOC sex offender tracking processes. More comprehensive reporting is necessary to fully describe this special population and the department's services and treatment for managing these offenders.