

# Iowa Board of Parole

## Joint Meeting of the Justice System Appropriations Subcommittee

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# Iowa Board of Parole Mission

**To enhance overall public safety by making evidence-based and informed parole decisions for the successful reentry of offenders back into the community to become productive and responsible citizens.**

# IBOP Workload Summary

Release Deliberations	FY 14	FY 15*
Case Reviews	11,128	6,363
Interviews	322	205
<b>Total Release Deliberations</b>	<b>11,450</b>	<b>6,568</b>

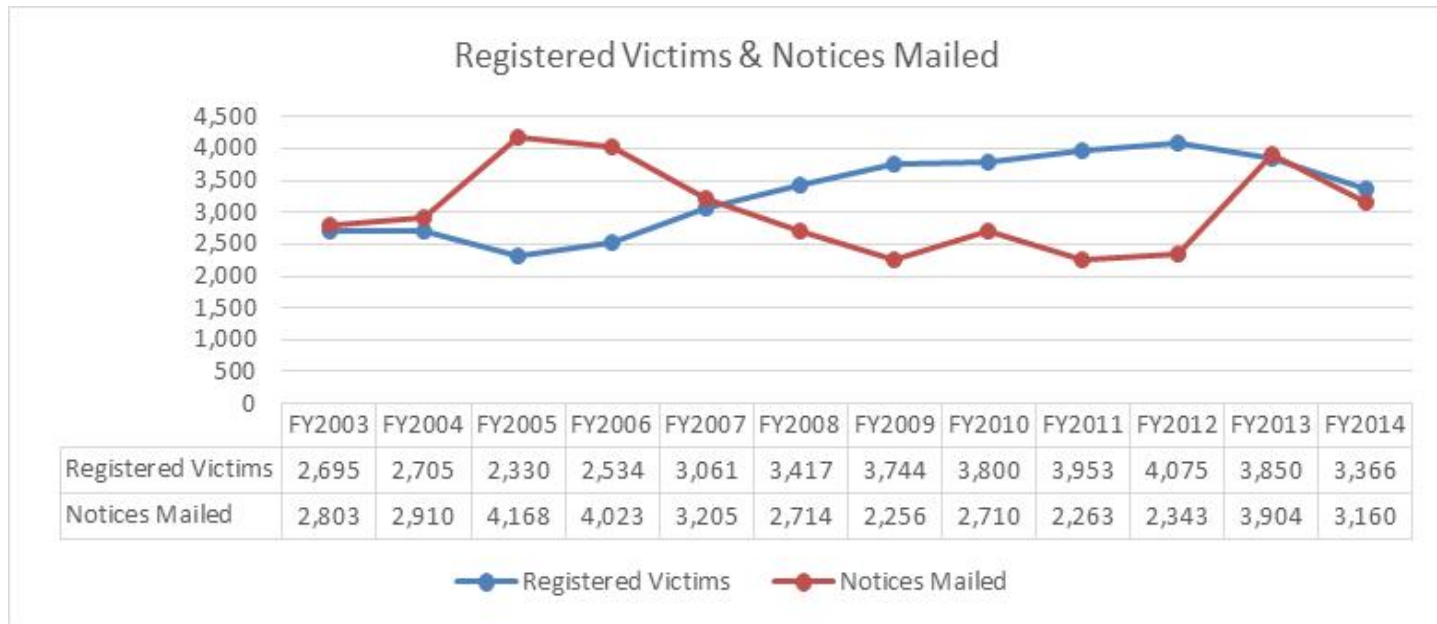
Release Decisions+	FY 14	FY 15*
Paroles Granted	4,037	2,089
Work Releases Granted	1,349	811
Special Sentences Granted (903B)	471	262
Deny Release	4,277	2,637

\* *Through January 31, 2015*

+ *Does not include Special Review or Appeal Decisions, complete data can be found in the Board of Parole's Annual Report*

# IBOP Victim Services

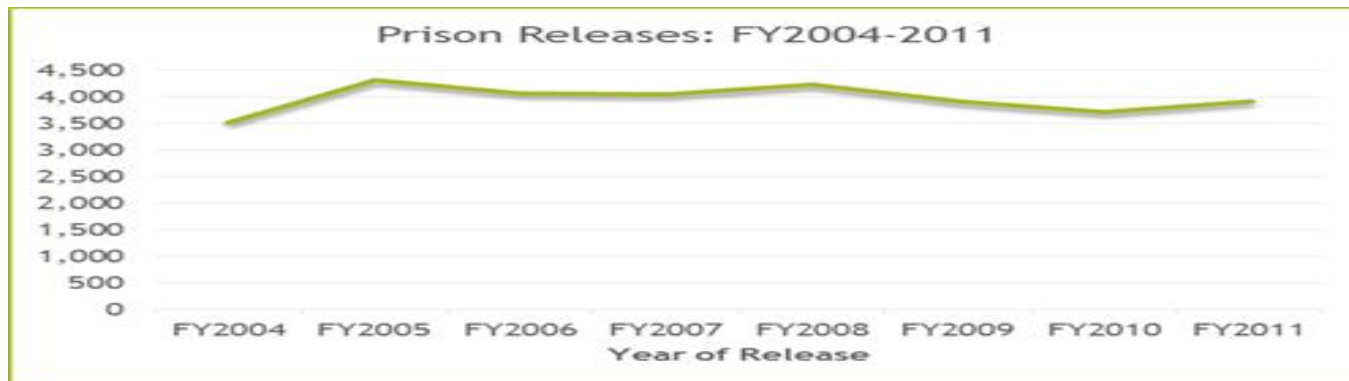
Victim Registration Statistics	FY 14	FY 15*
Registered Victims at Yearend	3,366	N/A
Registration Letters	807	463
Interview Letters	436	223
Decision Letters	1,917	1,173



# Recidivism Rate

**“Recidivism Rate” is defined as the percent of offenders released from prison or work release who returned to prison within three years. The releases tracked are paroles, discharges due to end of sentence and sex offender releases to special sentence supervision.**

# Recidivism Rate (Cont.)

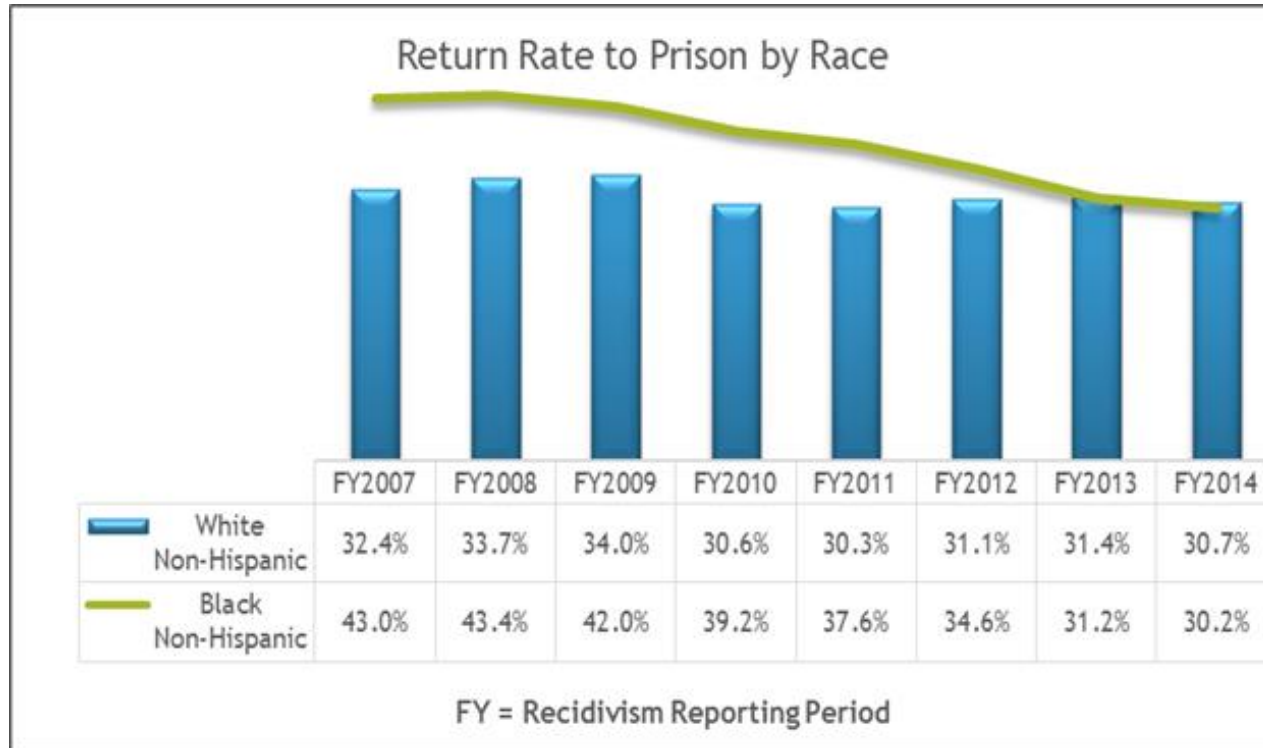


# Recidivism Rate (Cont.)



While analysis is not available for every reporting year, available data shows the *type* of recidivism that appears to have declined is the return to prison due to new conviction. The rate of return to prison for technical reasons appears to have remained stable.

# Recidivism Rate (Cont.)



Over the past two recidivism reporting periods, there has been no statistically significant difference in recidivism rates between Non-Hispanic/White and Non-Hispanic/Black offenders.

# What the Future Holds

## ▶ **ICON**

- The Board will continue to utilize technology in order to increase accuracy and reduce costs
- As funds permit FY 2016 & FY 2017 will see continued ICON development
  - Victim Registration and Notification Module
  - Commutation & Clemency Module
  - Statistical/Dashboard Module

# What the Future Holds

## ► ICON (cont.)

- ICON can increase efficiencies if digitization occurs with existing paper case files
- The Board is exploring ways to complete this project in the most cost effective manner utilizing existing resources to the greatest extent possible
- Current assessment projects up to 15,000 files need digital migration
- Better understanding of needs by end of FY 2015
- If funds permit – FY 2017 Capital Technology Reinvestment Fund request may be made

# Budget Requests

## Iowa Board of Parole

	FY 2015 Final Action	FY 2016 Department Request	FY 2017 Department Request
Total	\$ 1,204,583	\$ 1,204,583	\$ 1,204,583
FTEs	10.75	10.75	10.75

**Thank you for your  
continued support of the  
Iowa Board of Parole!**