

Iowa Department of Corrections

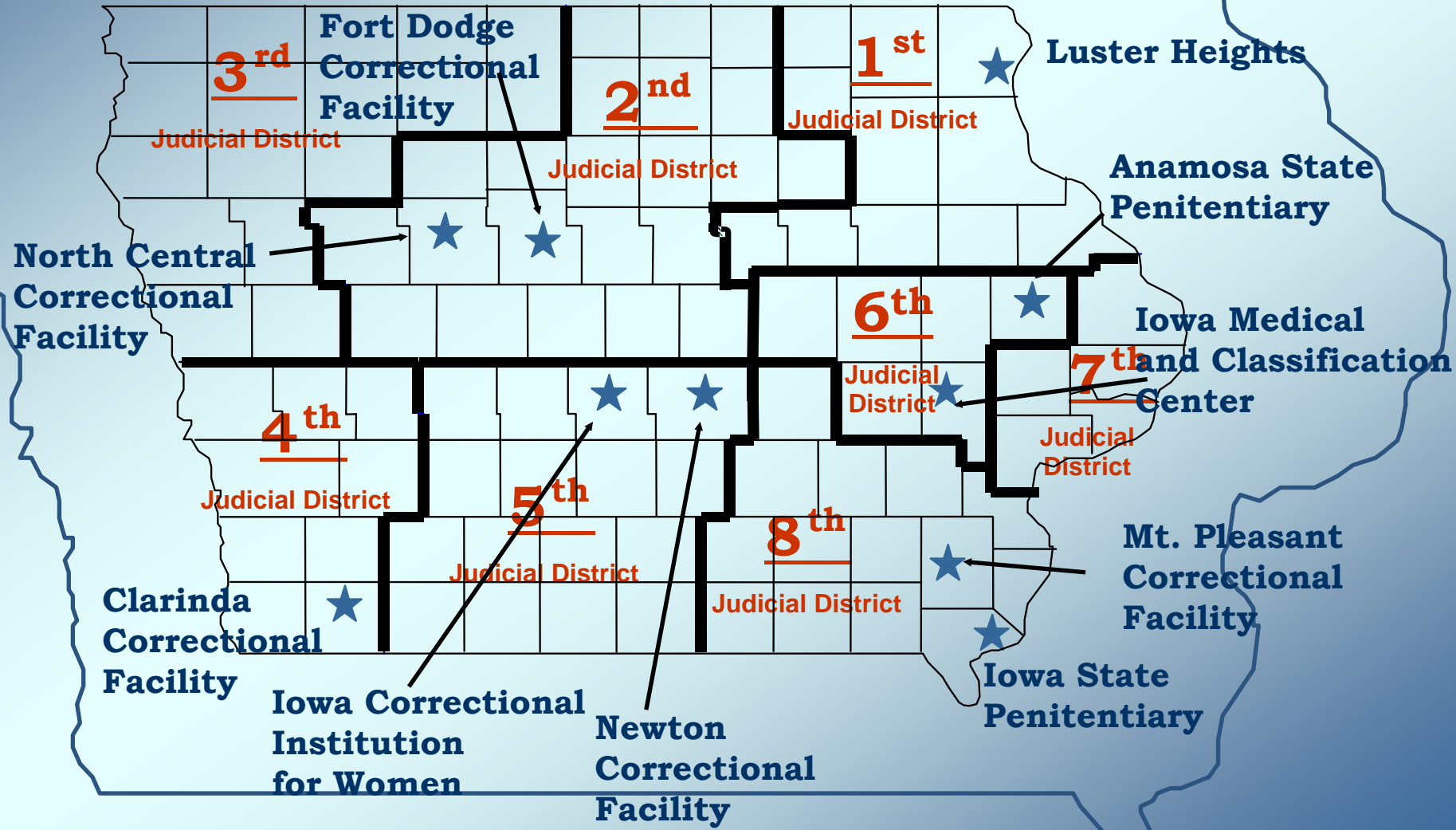
Corrections Today

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**Justice Appropriations
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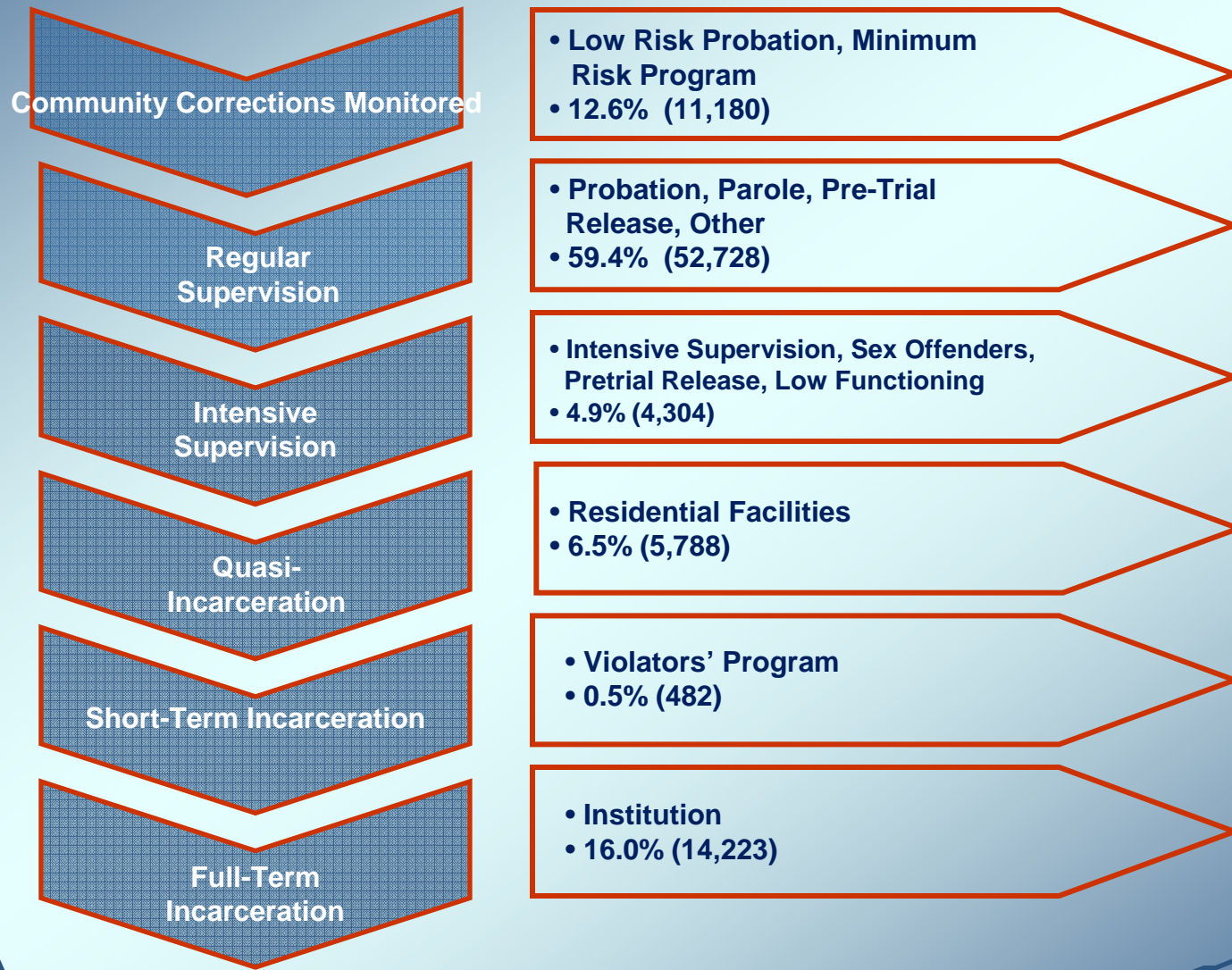


Iowa Department of Corrections' Institutions and Community-Based Corrections Districts



Corrections Continuum

FY 2008 Served



Institution Capacity

	<u>Current Capacity</u>
Iowa State Penitentiary (John Bennett) (Farms 1 & 3)	1,081
Anamosa State Penitentiary (Luster Heights)	1,001
Iowa Medical and Classification Center	688
Mt. Pleasant Correctional Facility	875
Newton Correctional Facility (CRC)	944
North Central Correctional Facility	245
Clarinda Correctional Facility (Clarinda Lodge)	975
Iowa Correctional Inst. for Women	443
<u>Fort Dodge Correctional Facility</u>	<u>1,162</u>
Total Capacity	7,414

Iowa DOC Employees

In FY2001 the Institutions and Central Office employed 3,074 staff

- In FY2003 we added **106 staff** for the Clinical Care Unit at Fort Madison
- In FY2005 we added **45 staff** for new minimum beds at Clarinda
- In FY2007 we added **300 staff** for the Special Needs Unit at Oakdale

In FY2008 the Institutions and Central Office employed 3,151 staff

What are the characteristics of an “average” institution offender?

Race Breakdown

White	5,684	65.29%
African American	2,228	25.59%
Native American	146	1.68%
Asian	73	0.84%
Hispanic	572	6.57%
Unknown	3	0.03%

Education Level –

Average Education is 11.6

Sentences (Years)

< 1 year	1
1 to < 3 yrs.	350
3 to < 5 years	117
5 to < 10 years	1,694
10 to < 20 years	2,958
20 to < 40 years	1,993
40+ years	679
Life	624
Unknown	278

Iowa Adult Commitments

1 –	5,711
2 –	1,628
3 –	662
4 –	306
5 –	109
6 –	37
7 –	12
8 –	12
9 + –	02

Average Age is 35

Offenders with...

Life Sentences	624
Mandatory Minimum	1,546

No. of Sentences Per Offender

1 -	3,235	6 -	207
2 -	2,502	7 -	107
3 -	1,270	8 -	66
4 -	727	9+ -	127
5 -	363		

Dependents

Average Dependents per offender who have visited – 2.2

Average Reading Level – 9.4

Crime Types

Violent	3,791	44.7%
Drug	1,931	22.7%
Property	1,624	19.1%
Public Order	580	6.8%
Other	563	6.6%

Data as of 2/2/09

Advancing Successful Offender Reentry

Our focus must not waver from expanding our efforts to identify criminal justice partners that share our goal of advancing successful reentry. We must not waver in our efforts to increase successful reentry for offenders.

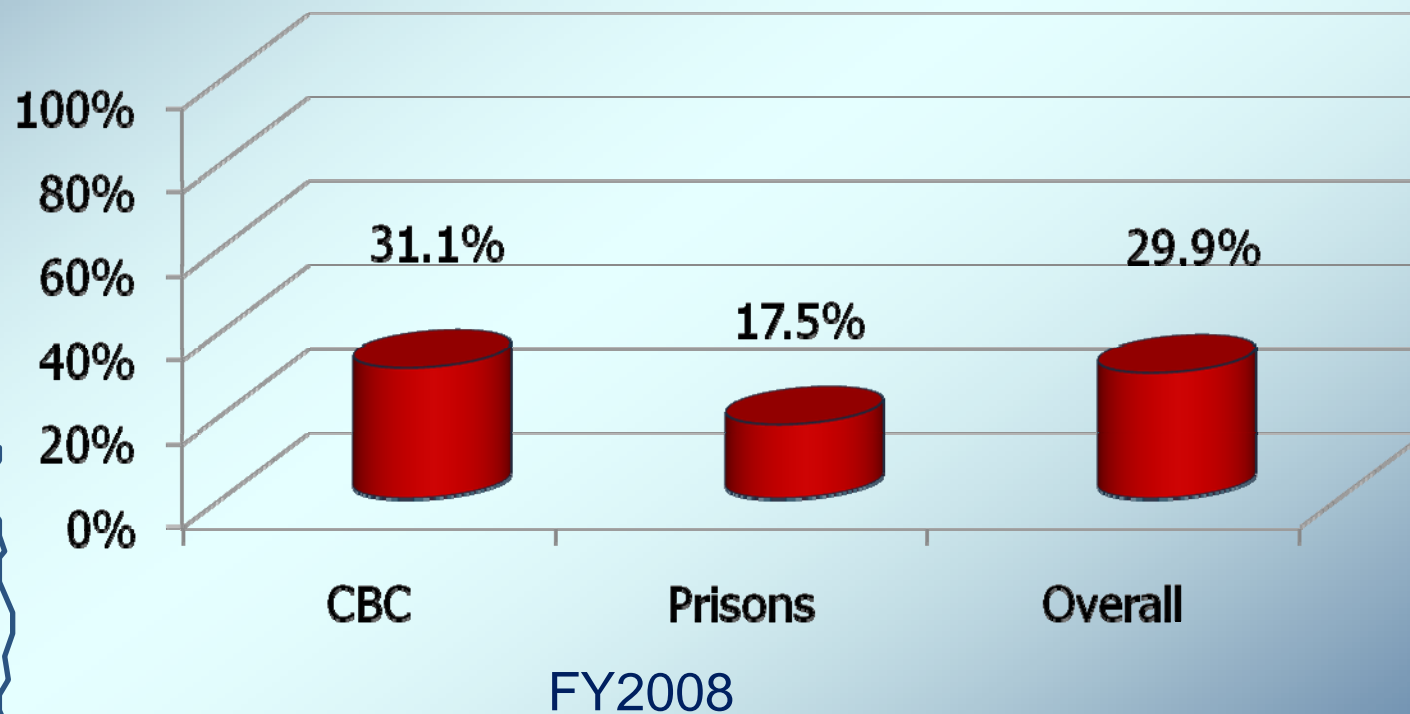


Reentry One Stop Centers in Polk and Black Hawk Counties

- One Stop Reentry Centers are an innovative approach to engaging offenders, families and neighborhoods in successful offender reintegration as well as strengthening families and the fabric of communities.
- The disproportionate incarceration rate of African-Americans is addressed by locating community-based resources in high crime rate African-American communities, increased hiring of African-American staff and effective collaboration with the African-American community and faith-based organizations.
- Primary substance abuse and mental health, education, and employment needs of offenders would be addressed through improved access to community-based resources.

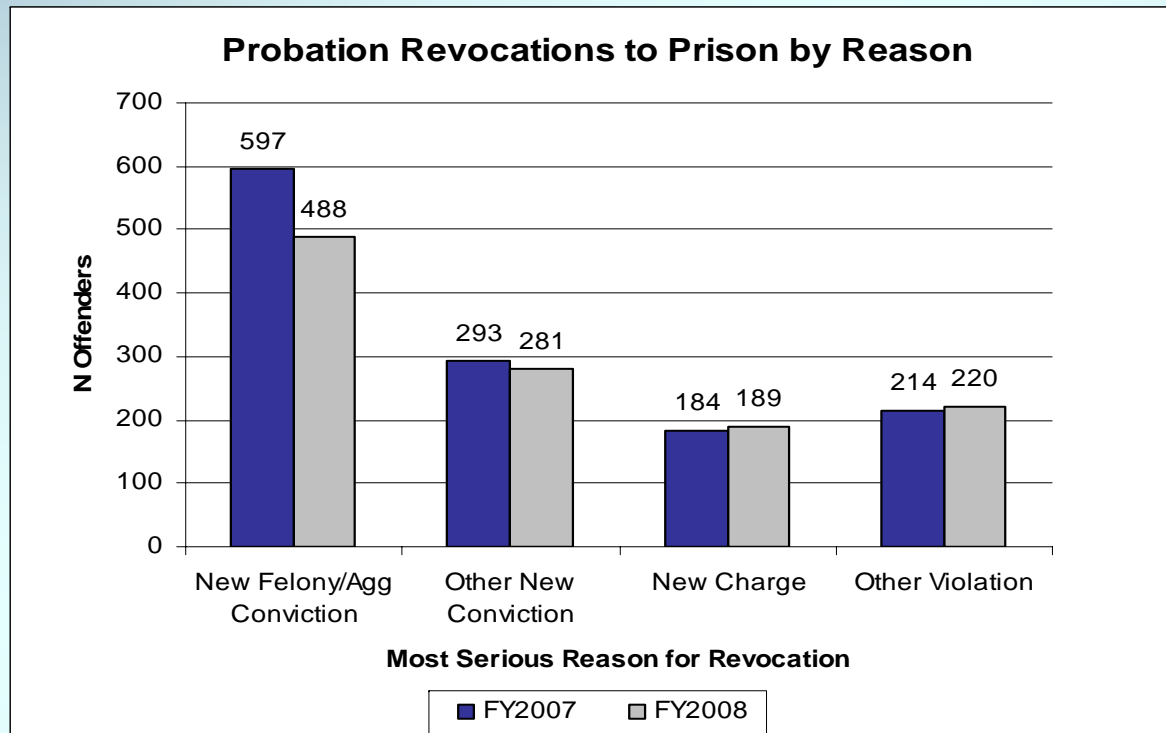
Risk Reduction

Percentage of offenders medium/high risk at time of admission whose LSI-R score shows a significant reduction at final discharge from corrections

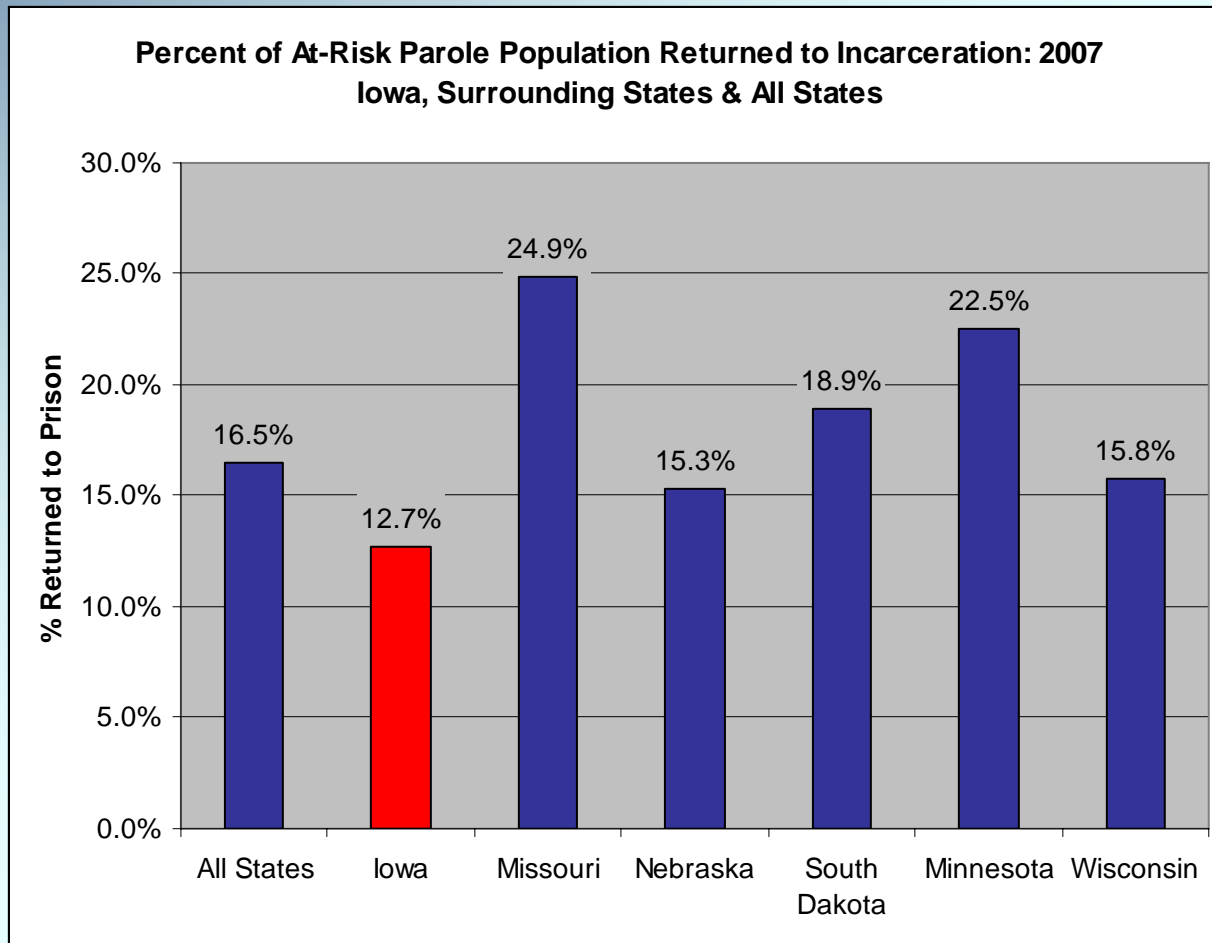


Increased Offender Success: Probation

The number of probation revocations to prison dropped during the past fiscal year – mostly due to fewer new felony/aggravated misdemeanor convictions.



Increased Offender Success: Parole

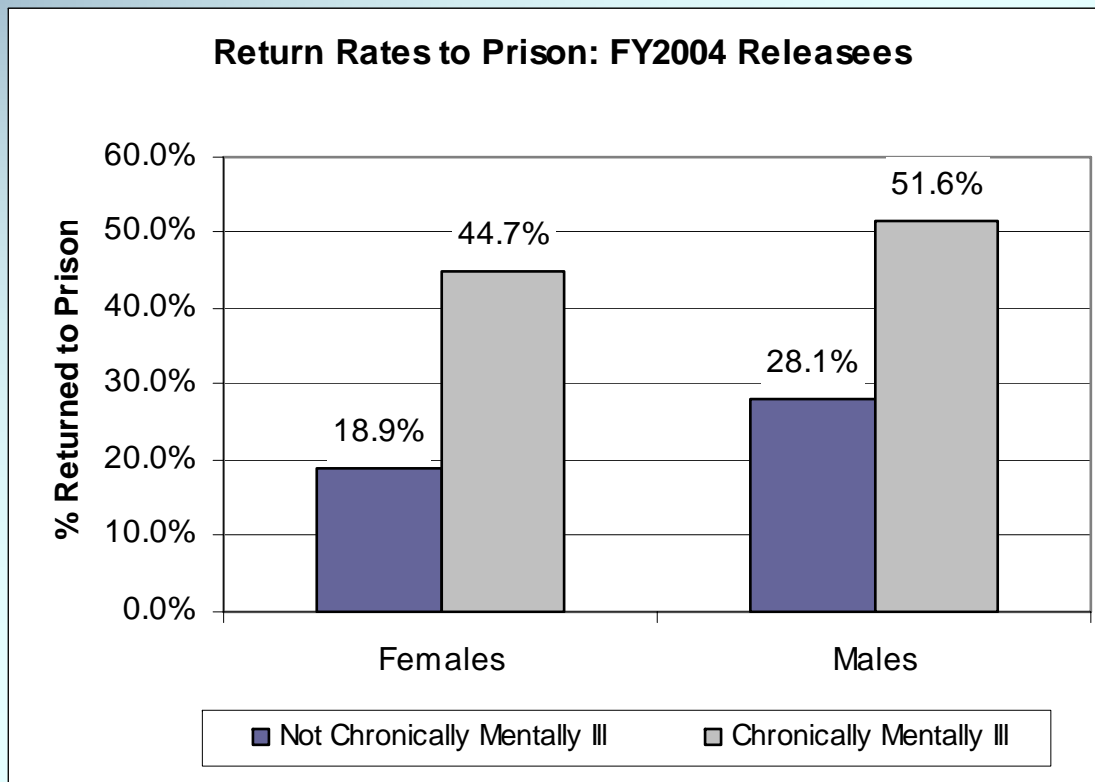


Illinois did not report.

Source: U.S. Bureau of Justice Statistics

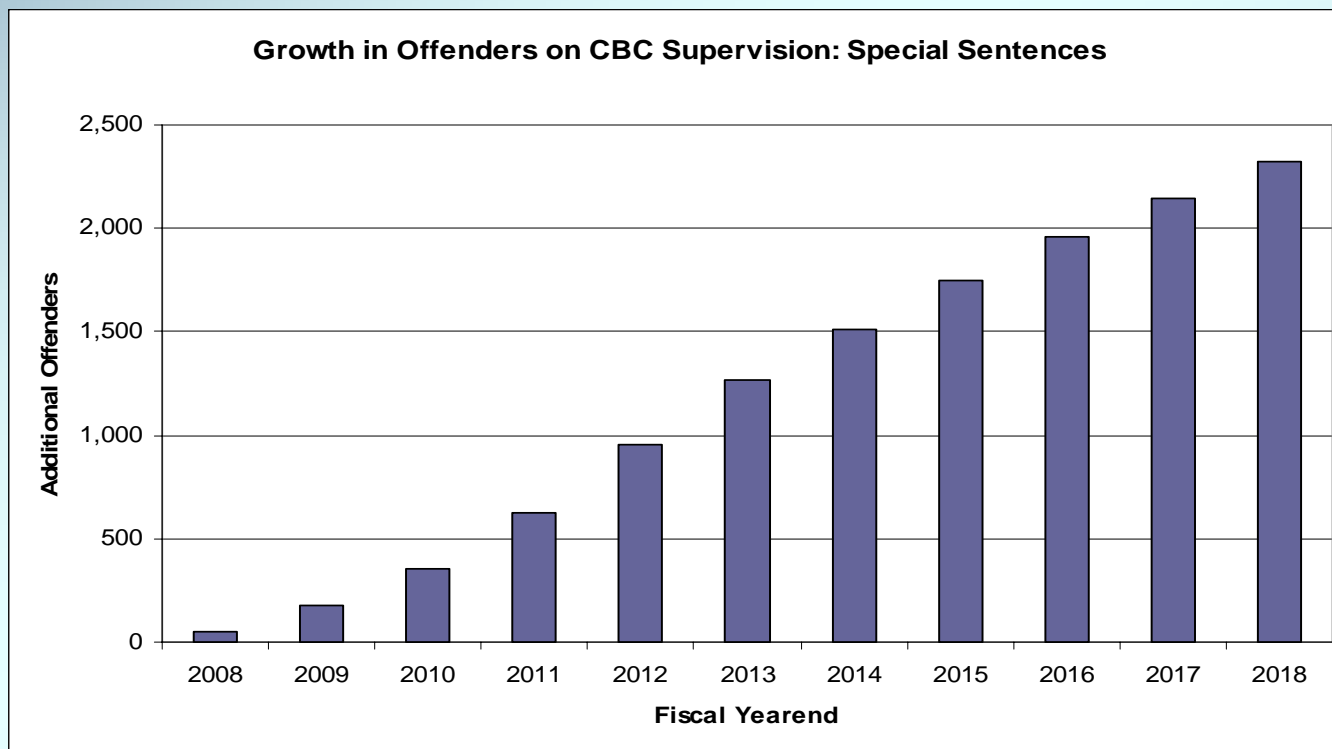
Reentry Issue: Mental Health

Offenders who are chronically mentally ill have much higher rates of return to prison than other offenders.



Major Reentry Issue: Growth of CBC Sex Offenders

Increases in specialized caseloads, electronic monitoring costs, and treatment resources are expected.



Cost Reduction Through Best Practices

Ongoing Initiatives

- e-Learning
- Jail Credit Recovery
- Central Records
- Central Banking
- Central Restitution/Child Support Recovery/Court Filing
- Elimination or Alignment of Programs Based on EBP
- Master Dietary Menu
- New Classification System
- Energy Management/Green Government

Future Initiatives

- Central Warehouse
- Central Pharmacy

Vision:
An Iowa With No Victims.



**Our mission is to
Advance Successful Offender
Reentry to Protect the Public, Staff
and Offenders from Victimization.**