

1 in 31: The Long Reach of American Corrections Alaska

POPULATION

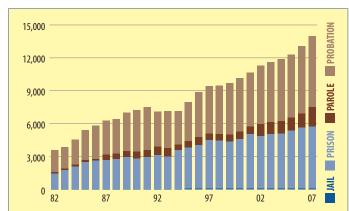
1 in 36 adults^{1,2}

is under correctional control

- **Growth over time:** in 1982, the figure was 1 in 90 adults^{1,2}
- **Percent behind bars:** at year end 2007, 41 percent of the correctional population was in prison or jail (national rank: 13); the figure for 1982 was 40 percent (national rank: 5)¹

POPULATION, RATES AND RANKS (YEAR END 2007)

	Population		Combined	Share of	National
	State	Federal	Population	adults	rank
Probation	6,416 ¹	83 ³	8,263	1 in 61	33
Parole	1,544 ¹	220 ³			
Prison	5,167 ¹	509 ⁴	5,742	1 in 88	12
Jail	66 ⁵		J,/ 42	1 111 00	12
Total	14,005			1 in 36	28



TOTAL CORRECTIONAL POPULATION

COSTS

\$240 million[°]

spent on corrections

- Share of general fund: 4.7 percent in fiscal year 2008⁶
- Ratio of spending: For every dollar Alaska spent on prisons in 2008, it spent 6 cents on probation and parole⁵
- Ratio of costs: 1 day of prison (\$128.93) = 90 days of parole or 22 days of probation⁵

CORRECTIONS COSTS



SOURCES:

 Bureau of Justice Statistics, Correctional Surveys (U.S. Department of Justice);
U.S. Census, State Population Estimates;
Administrative Office of U.S. Courts;
Bureau of Prisons (U.S. Department of Justice);
Pew, Original Data;
National Association of State Budget Officers, State Expenditure Reports

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