

1 in 31: The Long Reach of American Corrections Texas

POPULATION

1 in 22 adults^{1,2}

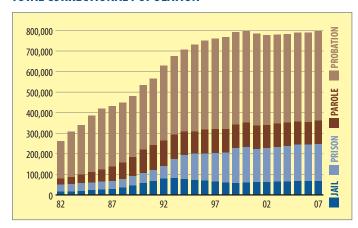
is under correctional control

- **Growth over time:** in 1982, the figure was 1 in 42 adults^{1,2}
- Percent behind bars: at year end 2007, 31 percent of the correctional population was in prison or jail (national rank: 30); the figure for 1982 was 20 percent (national rank: 45)¹

POPULATION, RATES AND RANKS (YEAR END 2007)

	Population		Combined	Share of	National
	State	Federal	Population	adults	rank
Probation	434,309 ¹	2,052 ³	549,725	1 in 32	7
Parole	101,748 ¹	11,616 ³			
Prison	159,016 ¹	20,628 ⁴	247,529	1 in 71	5
Jail	67,885 ⁵		247,329	111171	, ,
Total	797,254			1 in 22	4

TOTAL CORRECTIONAL POPULATION



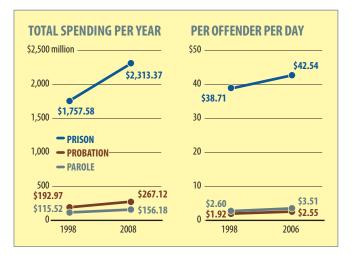
COSTS

\$2.96 billion⁶

spent on corrections

- Share of general fund: 6.8 percent in fiscal year 2008⁶
- Ratio of spending: For every dollar Texas spent on prisons in 2008, it spent 18 cents on probation and parole⁵
- Ratio of costs: 1 day of prison (\$42.54) = 12 days of parole or 17 days of probation⁵

CORRECTIONS COSTS



SOURCES:

1) Bureau of Justice Statistics, Correctional Surveys (U.S. Department of Justice); 2) U.S. Census, State Population Estimates; 3) Administrative Office of U.S. Courts; 4) Bureau of Prisons (U.S. Department of Justice); 5) Pew, Original Data; 6) National Association of State Budget Officers, State Expenditure Reports

Download the full report and explanatory notes by visiting www.pewcenteronthestates.org/publicsafety

