



# 1 in 31: The Long Reach of American Corrections Montana

## POPULATION

**1 in 44 adults**<sup>1,2</sup>

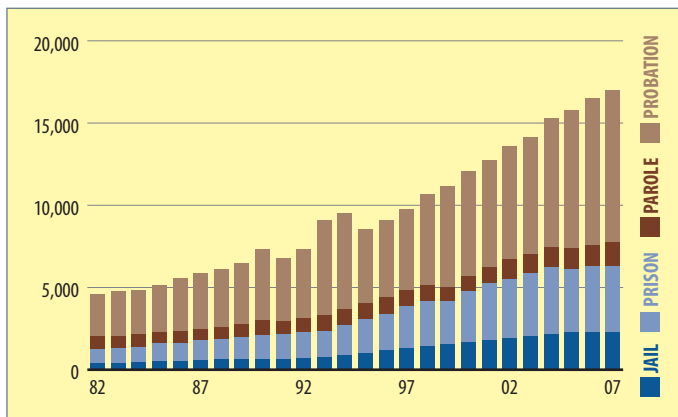
is under correctional control

- **Growth over time:** in 1982, the figure was 1 in 125 adults<sup>1,2</sup>
- **Percent behind bars:** at year end 2007, 37 percent of the correctional population was in prison or jail (national rank: 21); the figure for 1982 was 27 percent (national rank: 29)<sup>1</sup>

### POPULATION, RATES AND RANKS (YEAR END 2007)

	Population		Combined Population	Share of adults	National rank
	State	Federal			
Probation	9,106 <sup>1</sup>	152 <sup>3</sup>	10,695	1 in 70	38
Parole	966 <sup>1</sup>	471 <sup>3</sup>			
Prison	2,940 <sup>1</sup>	1,058 <sup>4</sup>	6,302	1 in 118	33
Jail	2,304 <sup>5</sup>				
<b>Total</b>	<b>16,997</b>			<b>1 in 44</b>	<b>39</b>

### TOTAL CORRECTIONAL POPULATION



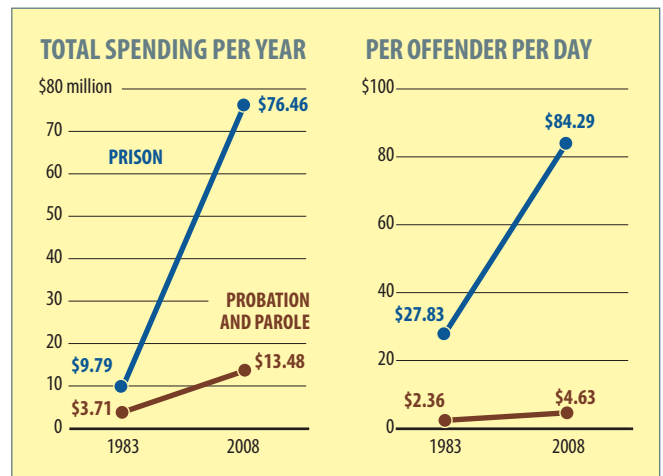
## COSTS

**\$169 million**<sup>6</sup>

spent on corrections

- **Share of general fund:** 8.6 percent in fiscal year 2008<sup>6</sup>
- **Ratio of spending:** For every dollar Montana spent on prisons in 2008, it spent 18 cents on probation and parole<sup>5</sup>
- **Ratio of costs:** 1 day of prison (\$84.29) = 18 days of probation and parole<sup>5</sup>

### 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

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