



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

## POPULATION

**1 in 36 adults<sup>1,2</sup>**

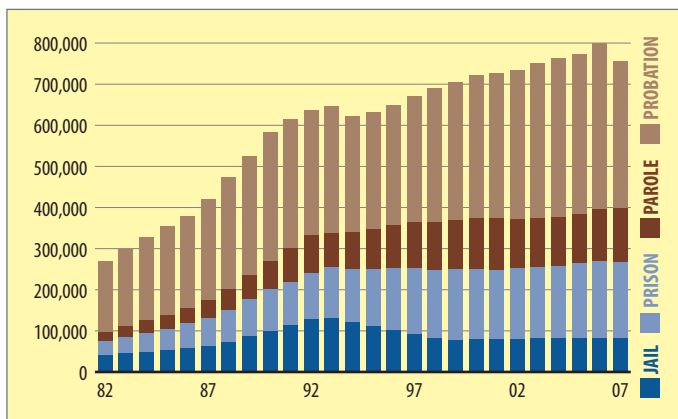
is under correctional control

- **Growth over time:** in 1982, the figure was 1 in 69 adults<sup>1,2</sup>
- **Percent behind bars:** at year end 2007, 35 percent of the correctional population was in prison or jail (national rank: 26); the figure for 1982 was 28 percent (national rank: 27)<sup>1</sup>

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

	Population		Combined Population	Share of adults	National rank
	State	Federal			
Probation	353,969 <sup>1</sup>	2,084 <sup>3</sup>	488,264	1 in 56	25
Parole	123,764 <sup>1</sup>	8,447 <sup>3</sup>			
Prison	171,500 <sup>1</sup>	12,830 <sup>4</sup>	266,992	1 in 102	23
Jail	82,662 <sup>5</sup>				
<b>Total</b>	<b>755,256</b>			<b>1 in 36</b>	<b>29</b>

### TOTAL CORRECTIONAL POPULATION



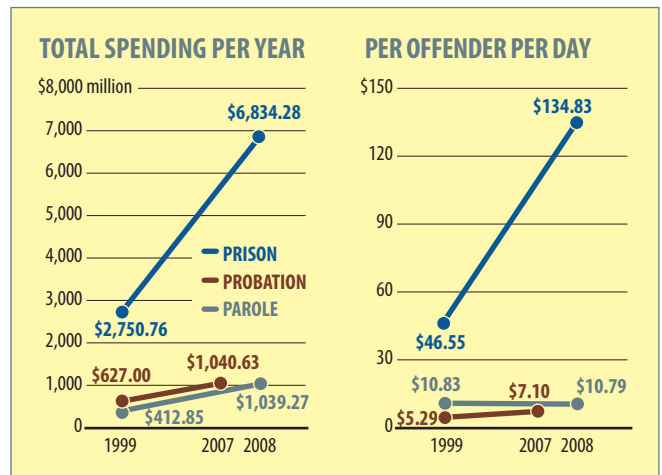
## COSTS

**\$9.66 billion<sup>6</sup>**

spent on corrections

- **Share of general fund:** 9.3 percent in fiscal year 2008<sup>6</sup>
- **Ratio of spending:** For every dollar California spent on prisons in 2008, it spent 15 cents on parole<sup>5</sup>
- **Ratio of costs:** 1 day of prison (\$134.83) = 12 days of 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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