



1 in 31: The Long Reach of American Corrections Delaware

POPULATION

1 in 26 adults^{1,2}

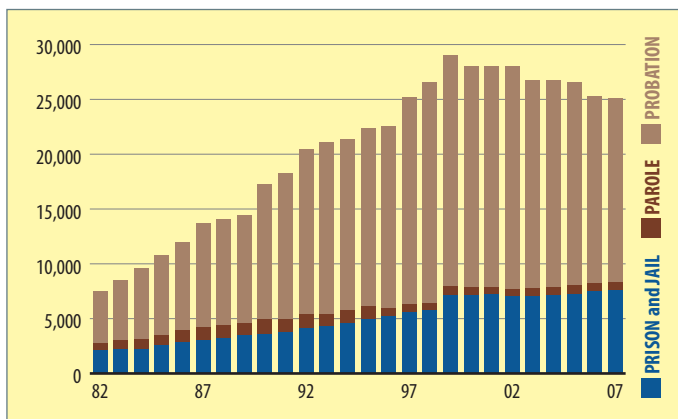
is under correctional control

- **Growth over time:** in 1982, the figure was 1 in 59 adults^{1,2}
- **Percent behind bars:** at year end 2007, 30 percent of the correctional population was in prison or jail (national rank: 32); the figure for 1982 was 28 percent (national rank: 28)¹

POPULATION, RATES AND RANKS (YEAR END 2007)

	Population		Combined Population	Share of adults	National rank
	State	Federal			
Probation	16,696 ¹	84 ³	17,498	1 in 38	14
Parole	535 ¹	183 ³			
Prison	7,276 ¹	308 ⁴	7,584	1 in 88	11
Jail	0 ⁵				
Total	25,082			1 in 26	11

TOTAL CORRECTIONAL POPULATION



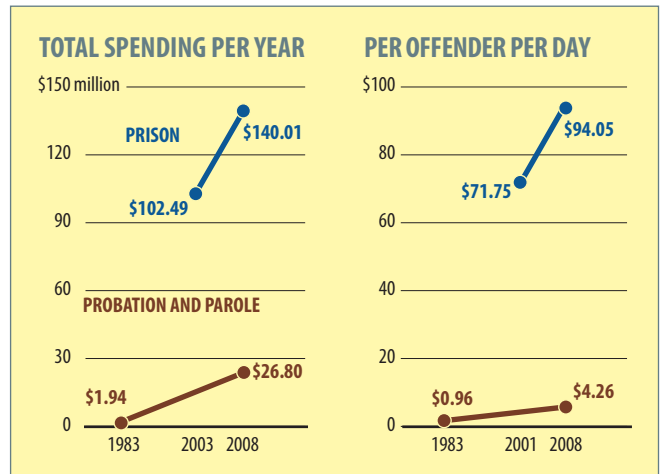
COSTS

\$200 million⁶

spent on corrections

- **Share of general fund:** 6.1 percent in fiscal year 2008⁶
- **Ratio of spending:** For every dollar Delaware spent on prisons in 2008, it spent 19 cents on probation and parole⁵
- **Ratio of costs:** 1 day of prison (\$94.05) = 22 days of probation and parole⁵

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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