1 in 31: The Long Reach of American Corrections

Maryland

1 in 27 adults is under correctional control

- **Growth over time:** in 1982, the figure was 1 in 41 adults.1,2
- **Percent behind bars:** at year end 2007, 27 percent of the correctional population was in prison or jail (national rank: 38); the figure for 1982 was 22 percent (national rank: 41).1

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

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<th>State</th>
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<th>Combined Population</th>
<th>Share of adults</th>
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<td>8391</td>
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<td>Parole</td>
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### TOTAL CORRECTIONAL POPULATION

- **TOTAL SPENDING PER YEAR**
  - **PRISON:** $868.71
  - **PROBATION AND PAROLE:** $45.07
  - **JAIL:** $4.79
  - **TOTAL:** $1.19 billion

### CORRECTIONS COSTS

- **Share of general fund:** 8.2 percent in fiscal year 20086
- **Ratio of spending:** For every dollar Maryland spent on prisons in 2008, it spent 14 cents on probation and parole5
- **Ratio of costs:** 1 day of prison ($86.01) = 18 days of probation and parole5

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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