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

#### Tennessee

**1 in 40 adults** \(^1\)**
is under correctional control

- **Growth over time**: in 1982, the figure was 1 in 124 adults\(^1,2\)
- **Percent behind bars**: at year end 2007, 41 percent of the correctional population was in prison or jail (national rank: 14); the figure for 1982 was 46 percent (national rank: 1)\(^1\)

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

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<td>10,496(^1)</td>
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#### TOTAL CORRECTIONAL POPULATION

![Graph showing total correctional population over time](image)

#### COSTS

**$675 million** \(^6\)
spent on corrections

- **Share of general fund**: 5.5 percent in fiscal year 2008\(^6\)
- **Ratio of spending**: For every dollar Tennessee spent on prisons in 2008, it spent 13 cents on probation and parole\(^5\)
- **Ratio of costs**: 1 day of prison ($63.90) = 22 days of probation and parole\(^5\)

#### 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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