



1 in 31: The Long Reach of American Corrections Arkansas

POPULATION

1 in 29 adults^{1,2}

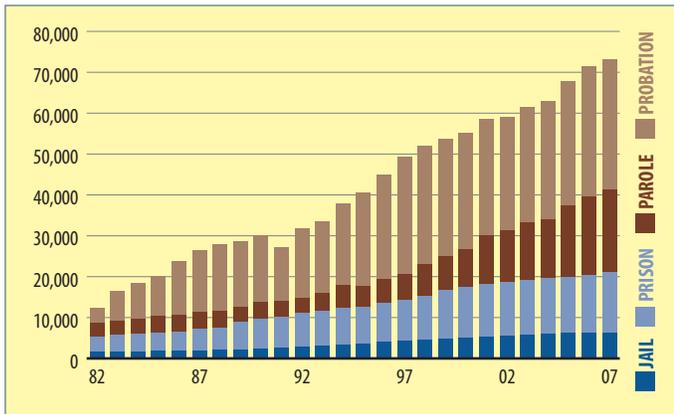
is under correctional control

- **Growth over time:** in 1982, the figure was 1 in 134 adults^{1,2}
- **Percent behind bars:** at year end 2007, 29 percent of the correctional population was in prison or jail (national rank: 36); the figure for 1982 was 43 percent (national rank: 2)¹

POPULATION, RATES AND RANKS (YEAR END 2007)

	Population		Combined Population	Share of adults	National rank
	State	Federal			
Probation	31,676 ¹	287 ³	52,113	1 in 41	15
Parole	19,388 ¹	762 ³			
Prison	13,307 ¹	1,544 ⁴	21,080	1 in 102	22
Jail	6,229 ⁵				
Total	73,193			1 in 29	16

TOTAL CORRECTIONAL POPULATION



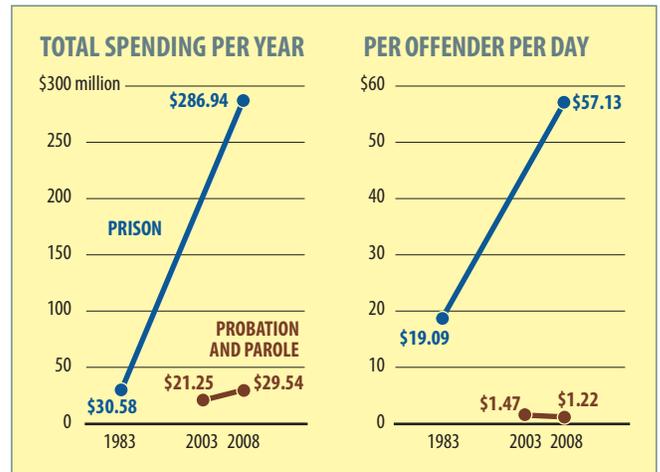
COSTS

\$348 million⁶

spent on corrections

- **Share of general fund:** 8 percent in fiscal year 2008⁶
- **Ratio of spending:** For every dollar Arkansas spent on prisons in 2008, it spent 10 cents on probation and parole⁵
- **Ratio of costs:** 1 day of prison (\$57.13) = 47 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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