

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

POPULATION

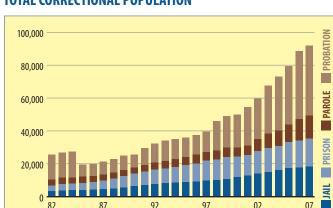
### 1 in 35 adults<sup>1,2</sup>

is under correctional control

- Growth over time: in 1982, the figure was 1 in 104 adults1,2
- Percent behind bars: at year end 2007, 38 percent of the correctional population was in prison or jail (national rank: 18); the figure for 1982 was 26 percent (national rank: 30)<sup>1</sup>

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

	Population		Combined	Share of	National
	State	Federal	Population	adults	rank
Probation	42,510 <sup>1</sup>	273 <sup>3</sup>	56,727	1 in 57	28
Parole	12,741 <sup>1</sup>	1,203 <sup>3</sup>			
Prison	14,545 <sup>1</sup>	2,384 <sup>4</sup>	35,266	1 in 92	16
Jail	18,337 <sup>5</sup>		55,200	1 111 92	10
Total	91,993			1 in 35	26



### **TOTAL CORRECTIONAL POPULATION**

COSTS

# \$521 million<sup>6</sup>

spent on corrections

- Share of general fund: 5.5 percent in fiscal year 20086
- Ratio of spending: For every dollar Kentucky spent on prisons in 2008, it spent 13 cents on probation and parole<sup>5</sup>
- **Ratio of costs:** 1 day of prison (\$52.17) = 20 days of probation and 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

Download the full report and explanatory notes by visiting www.pewcenteronthestates.org/publicsafety



The Pew Charitable Trusts applies the power of knowledge to solve today's most challenging problems. Our Pew Center on the States (PCS) identifies and advances effective policy approaches to critical issues facing states. Launched in 2006 as a project of PCS, the Public Safety Performance Project seeks to help states advance fiscally sound, data-driven policies and practices in sentencing and corrections that protect public safety, hold offenders accountable and control corrections costs.

901 E Street NW | 10th Floor | Washington, DC 20004 | www.pewcenteronthestates.org