

Monthly Report

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The Illinois Department of Juvenile Justice has two goals:

- Make Illinois communities safer for all residents.
- Foster better life outcomes for youth in the Department's custody by providing appropriate and effective rehabilitation.

In March 2015, the Department unveiled its comprehensive strategic plan focusing on five core principles:

- Right-Size: Reduce the use of secure custody for low-risk youth
- Rehabilitate: Improve programs to meet the needs of high-risk youth
- Reintegrate: Improve programs to ensure successful reentry
- Respect: Create a safe and respectful environment for youth and staff
- Report: Increase transparency and accountability

This monthly report is part of the Department's commitment to enhance reporting and transparency. This allows the Department to more effectively inform stakeholders and the public about operations and outcomes.

Table 1: CY 2016 Population by Facility

•	01/2016	02/2016	03/2016	04/2016	05/2016	06/2016	07/2016	08/2016
IYC Chicago	53	55	48	63	58	66	81	74
IYC Harrisburg	109	112	114	111	105	110	126	136
IYC Kewanee	104	89	69	61	47	34	0	0
IYC Pere Marquette	40	40	38	39	40	39	39	30
IYC St. Charles	127	118	120	126	116	107	110	126
IYC Warrenville	14	15	21	31	37	34	37	29
IDJJ Total	447	429	410	431	403	390	393	395

The population is measured as the number of youth in a facility on the last day of the month. During the 2016 fiscal year, the Department experienced a 44% decrease in population. This decrease continues the downward trend in populations that has been occurring since 2000.

Table 2: CY 2016 Security Staff Headcount by Facility

	01/2016	02/2016	03/2016	04/2016	05/2016	06/2016	07/2016	08/2016
IYC Chicago	61	66	67	67	77	76	80	80
IYC Harrisburg	133	135	137	134	145	143	143	140
IYC Kewanee	117	124	120	118	110	104	99	81
IYC Pere Marquette	37	40	40	40	39	38	38	41
IYC St. Charles	162	172	169	168	178	172	171	168
IYC Warrenville	69	73	73	72	77	77	74	69
IDJJ Total	579	610	604	599	626	610	605	579

The headcount of security staff is obtained by examining the number of security staff on active payroll for each facility. As facilities must be staffed 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, it takes 3 or 4 staff to fill one post, full time. The number of security staff includes security supervisors and interns.

^{*} FY refers to the fiscal year.

Table 3: Percent of Youth on Psychotropic Medication

	FY2016	FY 2017
July	27.34%	42.30%
August	31.02%	42.80%
September	31.83%	
October	32.12%	
November	35.86%	
December	37.57%	
January	39.25%	
February	40.86%	
March	36.25%	
April	38.43%	
May	44.14%	
June	42.80%	
IDJJ Average	36.46%	42.55%
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Nationally, the rates of incarcerated youth on psychotropic medication tend to range between 20 and 40%. Additionally, greater numbers of incarcerated females utilize psychotropic medications than males and have higher rates of diagnosis for mental disorders.

Table 4: CY 2016 Rate of Self-Harm Attempts by Severity per 100 Youth

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January	7.38	1.08	0.00	8.46	
February	3.02	0.50	0.00	3.52	
March	2.86	0.95	0.00	3.81	
April	1.68	0.72	0.00	2.40	
May	0.48	0.24	0.00	0.72	
June	1.01	0.25	0.25	1.51	
July	1.78	0.25	0.00	2.03	
Augusi	4.79	0.50	0.00	5.29	
IDJJ Average	2.88	0.56	0.03	3.47	

Self-harm rates are measured by the total number of incidents and do not reflect the number of youth who have attempted self-harm. A mild attempt is when a youth verbalizes, threatens, or gestures self-injurious behavior. A moderately severe attempt is when a youth attempts self-harm and appears to be motivated by suicidal intent and as such inflicts superficial harm to self that may require minor medical attention. A serious attempt is when a youth self-harms and as such inflicts harm to self that requires medical attention or whose attempt is believed to be potentially lethal and is scheduled for medical observation.

Table 5: CY 2016 Distribution of DSM-5 Diagnoses of Youth in Facilities

	Youth with No Diagnosis	Youth with One Diagnosis	Youth with Two Diagnoses	Youth with Three Diagnoses	Youth with Four or More Diagnoses
January	1.54%	17.74%	39.07%	22.88%	18.77%
February	5.00%	16.58%	36.05%	24.74%	17.63%
March	4.50%	21.43%	29.10%	23.28%	21.69%
April	4.13%	21.36%	28.88%	21.60%	24.03%
May	3.72%	17.87%	30.27%	21.34%	26.80%
June	4.31%	15.23%	28.68%	23.35%	28.43%
July	2.80%	12.21%	27.23%	26.72%	31.04%
Augus	3.19%	11.30%	28.50%	28.26%	28.75%
IDJJ Average	3.65%	16.72%	30.97%	24.02%	24.64%

The Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders, 5th Edition, is a commonly used tool in the psychology field to provide standard criteria and descriptions of mental disorders. It contains a variety of mental disorders including depression and bipolar disorder and also includes diagnoses of conduct disorder and substance abuse disorders. Nearly all youth in IDJJ facilities have a minimum of one diagnosis according to DSM-5 definitions. Nationally, research estimates that between 40 and 60% of incarcerated juveniles have a diagnosable mental disorder. These estimates tend to exclude substance abuse and conduct disorders.

Table 6: CY 2016 Number of Substance Abuse Treatment Participants

	01/2016	02/2016	03/2016	04/2016	05/2016	06/2016	07/2016	08/2016
IYC Chicago	24	22	22	25	29	20	21	25
IYC Harrisburg	37	36	31	33	33	33	30	35
IYC Kewanee	23	25	27	25	20	16	9	-
IYC Pere Marquette	50	53	52	47	49	52	51	49
IYC St. Charles	34	28	29	23	21	17	12	11
IYC Warrenville	4	8	6	18	19	19	15	13
IDJJ Total	172	172	167	171	171	157	138	133

Table 7: CY 2016 Primary Substance Abused by Youth in Treatment

	01/2016	02/2016	03/2016	04/2106	05/2016	06/2016	07/2016	08/2016	Average
Marijuana	72.3%	69.7%	74.0%	74.8%	75.9%	77.3%	75.0%	75.0%	74.3%
Alcohol	16.8%	16.6%	14.7%	14.3%	13.1%	15.2%	11.6%	9.8%	14.0%
Other Drugs	8.0%	10.3%	11.3%	7.5%	6.2%	3.8%	6.3%	9.8%	7.9%
No Diagnosis	1.4%	3.4%	0.0%	3.4%	4.8%	3.8%	7.1%	5.4%	3.7%

Each of the six IDJJ facilities have an in-house substance abuse treatment program. Treatment at the facilities utilize education and group therapy to help decrease future substance use. The number of treatment participants is the total number of youth enrolled in a substance abuse program during the month of interest. Due to treatment failure, drop out, and rolling acceptance into the programs, the number of youth reported in a program tends to be greater than the actual number of youth enrolled at one time. Primary substance abused is the primary drug of choice for a youth in treatment. Many youth enrolled in treatment are polysubstance users and are treated accordingly.

Table 8: CY 2016 Students Enrolled in School

	01/2016	02/2016	03/2016	04/2016	05/2016	06/2016	07/2016	08/2016
IYC Chicago	50	48	45	53	52	64	71	69
IYC Harrisburg	80	75	86	74	68	68	93	103
IYC Kewanee	61	46	31	29	22	18	-	-
IYC Pere Marquette	25	26	29	28	34	30	29	19
IYC St. Charles	102	100	102	94	94	92	90	90
IYC Warrenville	10	13	21	33	36	33	37	29
IDJJ Total	328	308	314	311	306	305	320	310

Table 9: CY 2016 Teachers Employed

	01/2016	02/2016	03/2016	04/2016	05/2016	06/2016	07/2016	08/2016
IYC Chicago	8	9	9	9	10	10	10	9
IYC Harrisburg	17	18	17	16	18	17	18	19
IYC Kewanee	17	17	16	16	15	14	-	-
IYC Pere Marquette	4	4	5	6	6	6	6	5
IYC St. Charles	18	20	20	19	17	15	13	10
IYC Warrenville	7	7	8	8	8	8	8	8
IDJJ Total	71	75	75	74	74	70	55	51

Table 10: CY 2016 Percent of Special Education Students

	01/2016	02/2016	03/2016	04/2016	05/2016	06/2016	07/2016	08/2016
IYC Chicago	30.0%	37.5%	33.3%	30.2%	30.8%	39.1%	36.6%	33.3%
IYC Harrisburg	43.8%	48.0%	45.3%	43.2%	42.6%	42.6%	44.1%	51.5%
IYC Kewanee	62.3%	67.3%	48.4%	44.8%	50.0%	38.9%	-	-
IYC Pere Marquette	52.0%	42.3%	51.7%	50.0%	41.2%	30.0%	48.3%	31.6%
IYC St. Charles	19.6%	39.0%	39.2%	31.9%	41.9%	28.3%	24.4%	21.1%
IYC Warrenville	30.0%	38.5%	33.3%	27.3%	25.0%	21.2%	29.7%	31.0%
IDJJ Average	37.8%	45.5%	41.7%	36.7%	35.6%	33.8%	35.6%	35.5%

Table 11: CY 2016 Overall Diplomas Awarded

	01/2016	02/2016	03/2016	04/2016	05/2016	06/2016	07/2016	08/2016	Totals
IYC Chicago	1	1	0	2	0	4	6	0	14
IYC Harrisburg	6	5	11	12	8	8	6	1	57
IYC Kewanee	5	11	11	4	3	0	-	-	34
IYC Pere Marquette	3	0	4	1	3	2	6	2	21
IYC St. Charles	2	1	3	4	7	9	3	3	32
IYC Warrenville	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	1	4
IDJJ Total	17	18	29	23	21	24	23	7	162

School District 428 offers three types of diplomas for students: 8th grade, high school, and general equivalency. The District offers blended learning, utilizing both online and in-person instruction. An estimated 10% of youth admitted to the Department receive some sort of diploma during their stay. Nationally, it is estimated that about 40% of youth held in juvenile facilities have a need for special education services. School district data is collected on the final day of the month. Due to the removal of all youth from the facility during July, Kewanee data is not included.

Table 12: CY 2016 Rate of Reportable Incidents per 100 Youth

	01/2016	2/2016	03/2016	04/2016	05/2016	06/2016	07/2016	08/2016
Youth on Youth Assaults	3.7	5.3	7.1	9.6	8.1	7.6	7.9	7.6
Youth Fights	11.3	14.2	12.4	13.0	18.4	16.7	13.7	14.1
Youth on Staff Assaults	4.3	3.5	5.7	6.0	6.7	7.8	7.1	1.5
Overall Reportable Incidents	19.3	23.0	25.2	28.6	33.2	32.1	28.7	23.2

Reportable incidents measure incidents of disruption in a correctional facility. The numbers provided are rates per 100 youth in IDJJ custody. Youth on youth assaults are when one or more youth strikes another youth or youths. Youth fights are when two or more youth mutually engage in a fight. Youth on staff assaults are when one or more youth commit physical violence against one or more staff members.

Table 13: CY 2016 Uses of Chemical Restraints

		01/2016	2/2016	03/2016	04/2016	05/2016	06/2016	07/2016	08/2016
	IYC Chicago	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	IYC Harrisburg	1	0	2	0	0	2	2	0
	IYC Kewanee	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	-
	IYC Pere Marquette	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	IYC St. Charles	1	0	4	11	6	9	8	3
	IYC Warrenville	0	0	0	0	1	0	2	1
IDJJ Total		2	0	6	11	7	11	12	4

Uses of chemical restraints are instances of the use of pepper spray as a use of force. The table provides a total number of uses at each facility per month. After any use, youth are checked by a medical professional and have an opportunity to shower.

Table 14: CY 2016 Uses of Mechanical Restraints

IDJJ Total		181	108	88	98	101	115	63	58
	IYC Warrenville	9	2	2	5	11	7	7	9
	IYC St. Charles	65	51	25	56	45	54	34	30
	IYC Pere Marquette	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0
	IYC Kewanee	87	42	49	25	22	8	3	-
	IYC Harrisburg	16	9	10	9	17	43	17	10
	IYC Chicago	4	4	2	3	5	3	1	9
		01/2016	2/2016	03/2016	04/2016	05/2016	06/2016	07/2016	08/2016

Uses of mechanical restraints are the temporary application of handcuffs as a use of force. The numbers provided are the total number of uses at each facility per month. If there is an incident where two youth are placed in mechanical restraints at the same time, that is counted as two uses. After any use, youth are checked by a medical professional.

Table 15: Uses of Confinement for August 2016

			Average
	Number	Rate of	Length
	of Uses	Usage	of Hold
Extended Behavioral Holds	18	4.5	311
Time Outs	162	40.9	81
Cool Downs	66	16.6	26

In summer 2015, IDJJ began piloting new policies and procedures regarding the use of confinement and removal of youth from regular programming and housing. These policies and procedures redefine "confinement" broadly and created subtypes based on the reason for its use. The Department also developed new ways of measuring the use of confinement. October 2015 was the first month using the new measurement strategy. To aid public understanding of confinement use, data is being presented on the number of uses of types of confinement, the rate of use per 100 youth in facility, and the average length of a confinement hold in minutes. The numbers represent uses of confinement and not youths confined. An extended behavioral hold is a placement of a youth in secure location used when the youth's behavior poses a serious and immediate threat to safety or security. A time out is where a youth is placed in a secure location due to behavior that is out of control, violent, or aggressive. During this time, youth are routinely de-escalated and counseled by staff. A cool down is the temporary removal of youth from programming to an unsecured location while under constant staff supervision. Cool downs are used for youth behaving disruptively and are a non-secure tactic to de-escalate behavior.

Table 16: Youth on Aftercare

	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August
Total Number of Youth Assigned to Aftercare	984	995	1003	988	977	938	917	920
Number of Youth in Community	463	442	447	467	436	406	383	370
Number of Youth in Facilities	361	371	371	396	369	354	359	384
Number of Youth Suspended or with Warrants	160	182	185	125	172	178	175	166

Table 17: Caseloads in Aftercare (Per Specialist)

	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August
Average Number of Youth on Caseload	18.3	18.1	18.2	20.1	18.7	18.1	17.7	18.4
Average Number of Youth in Community	10.3	9.8	9.9	10.9	10.1	9.7	9.1	9
Average Number of Youth in Facilities	8	8.2	8.3	9.2	8.6	8.4	8.5	9.4

There are three groups of youth served by Aftercare. Youth in facilities are currently held in an IDJJ facility, but preparing for their transition to the community. Youth in the community are currently supervised through Aftercare after release from a facility. Youth suspended or with warrants are in violation of the terms of their supervised release and are supervised in the community or being held in a facility pending a legal hearing or have a warrant issued for their arrest. The average number of youth on caseload provides the average number of all types of youth that one Aftercare Specialist will supervise.

Table 18: Aftercare Specialist Contact per Youth in August by Office

Aftercare Regional Office	Overall Contacts	Contacts per Youth	Community Contacts	Contacts per Youth in Community
Chicago	259	2.3	226	3
Chicago Heights	272	2	164	2.8
Aurora	294	2.4	136	3.5
Rockford	169	2.9	149	3.7
Peoria	229	3.9	196	5.6
East St. Louis	190	2.6	149	4
Champaign	225	3.4	193	4
Springfield	251	2	149	4.1
IDJJ Total	1887	2.5	1360	3.7

Contacts between Aftercare and a youth start to occur prior to their release from an IDJJ facility. Contacts, both overall and in the community, are face-to-face meetings that occur between Aftercare Specialists and youth, their host site, placement staff, and engaged friends and family members. Contacts per youth provides an average number of contacts an Aftercare specialists will have for each youth on their caseload. Contacts per youth in community only examines contacts regarding youth that are actively monitored in the community. Per Departmental policy, Aftercare Specialists are meant to have one to four meetings per month with each youth, depending on their level of supervision.