



1 in 31: The Long Reach of American Corrections West Virginia

POPULATION

1 in 68 adults^{1,2}

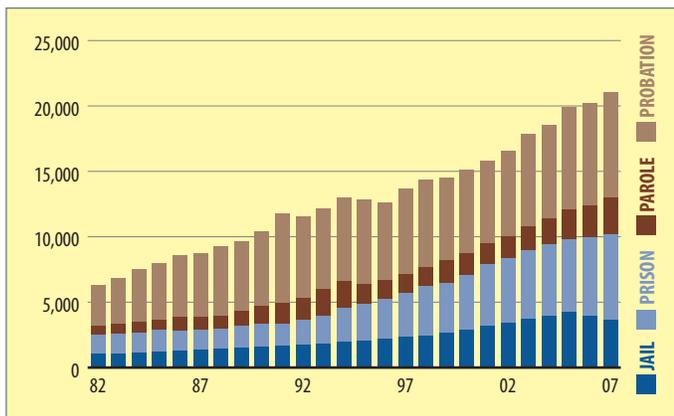
is under correctional control

- **Growth over time:** in 1982, the figure was 1 in 226 adults^{1,2}
- **Percent behind bars:** at year end 2007, 48 percent of the correctional population was in prison or jail (national rank: 5); the figure for 1982 was 40 percent (national rank: 7)¹

POPULATION, RATES AND RANKS (YEAR END 2007)

	Population		Combined Population	Share of adults	National rank
	State	Federal			
Probation	7,890 ¹	200 ³	10,881	1 in 131	50
Parole	1,830 ¹	961 ³			
Prison	4,907 ¹	1,649 ⁴	10,184	1 in 140	40
Jail	3,628 ⁵				
Total	21,065			1 in 68	49

TOTAL CORRECTIONAL POPULATION



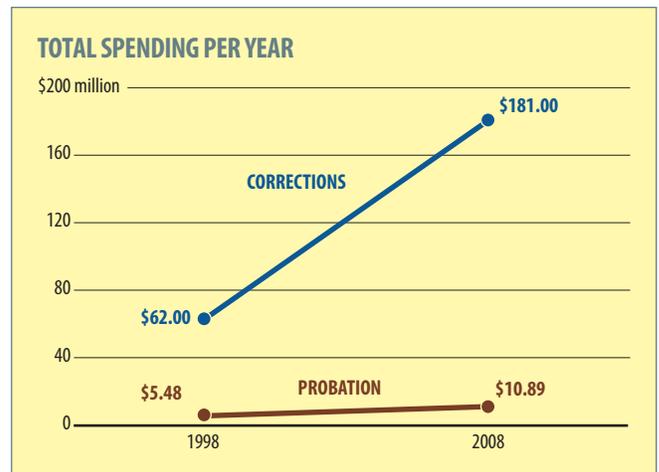
COSTS

\$181 million⁶

spent on corrections

- **Share of general fund:** 4.7 percent in fiscal year 2008⁶
- **Ratio of spending:** For every dollar West Virginia spent on corrections in 2008, 6 cents went to probation^{5,6}

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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