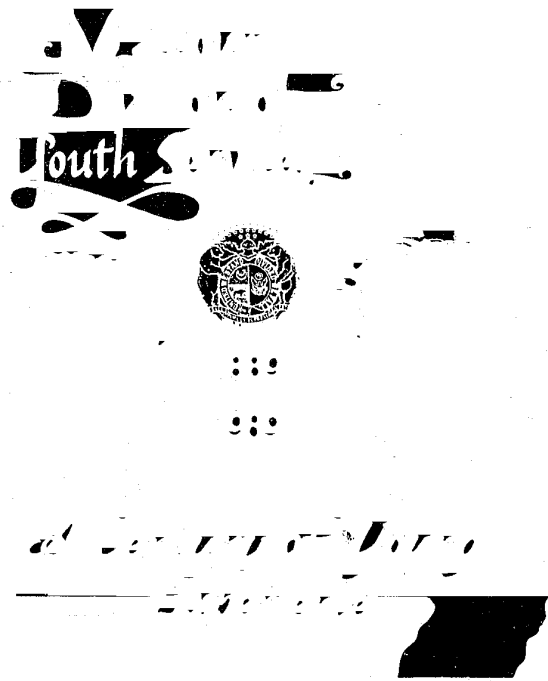
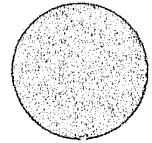


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Dear Mr. Stangler:

The Division of Youth Services is pleased to submit to you a copy of our annual report-statistical supplement. Statistical information found in this report reviews fiscal year 1989, July 1, 1988 through June 30, 1989. This report provides pertinent statistics regarding all characteristics of the youth we serve.

During FY-89, the division experienced a 30 percent increase in commitments, receiving 917 youth as compared to 704 the previous year. In an effort to adequately deal with the population crisis, the division has requested additional residential beds and, equally important, the expansion of community-based programming which will allow youth to receive intensive treatment services in or close to their home community.

We extend our appreciation to the Governor, the Missouri Legislature, the Department of Social Services, our Advisory Board, and the many volunteers and friends of the division. Through their support, the division has worked toward enhancing and extending the division's treatment services while also making physical improvements to the division's facilities throughout the state. We look forward to working toward continued improvements in the Missouri juvenile justice system.

Very truly yours,

Mark D. Steward
Director

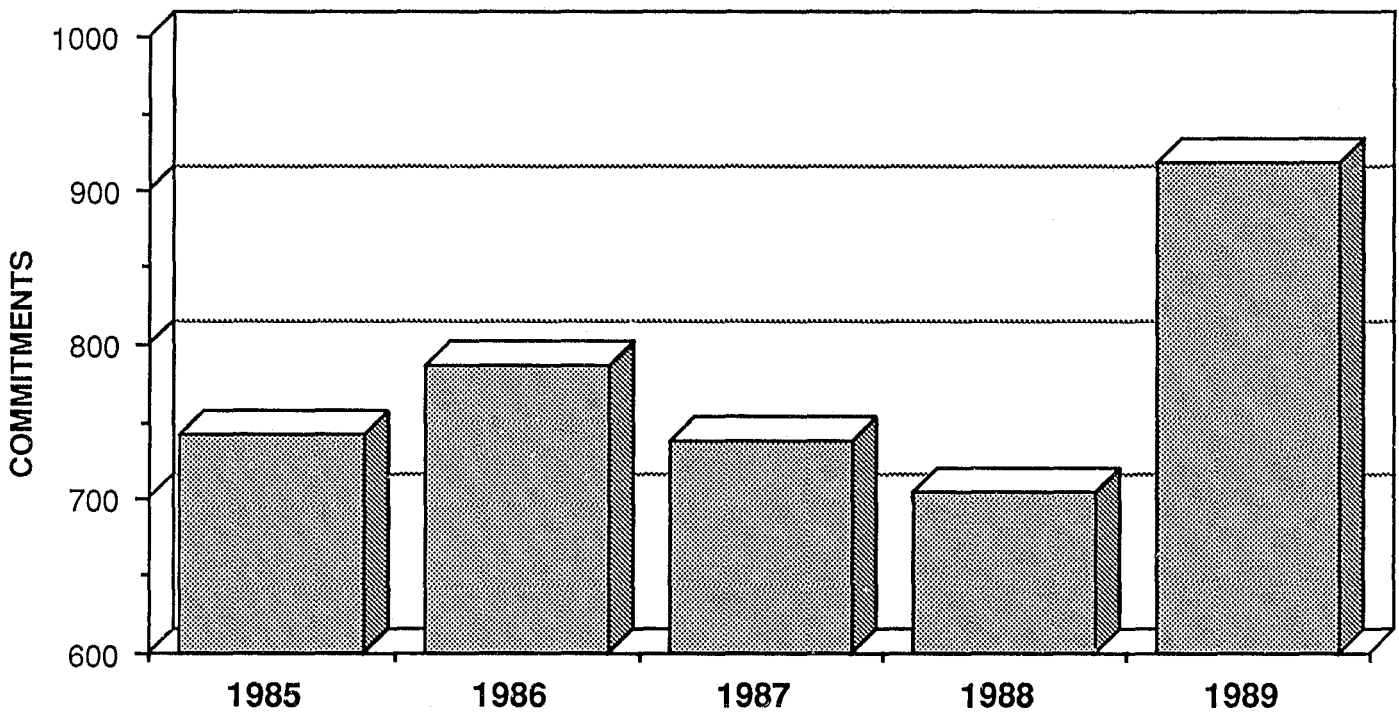
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FIVE YEAR COMMITMENT RATE

Commitments and Recommitments Fiscal Year 1989

COMMITMENTS TO THE DIVISION OF YOUTH SERVICES Fiscal Year 1985 - 1989

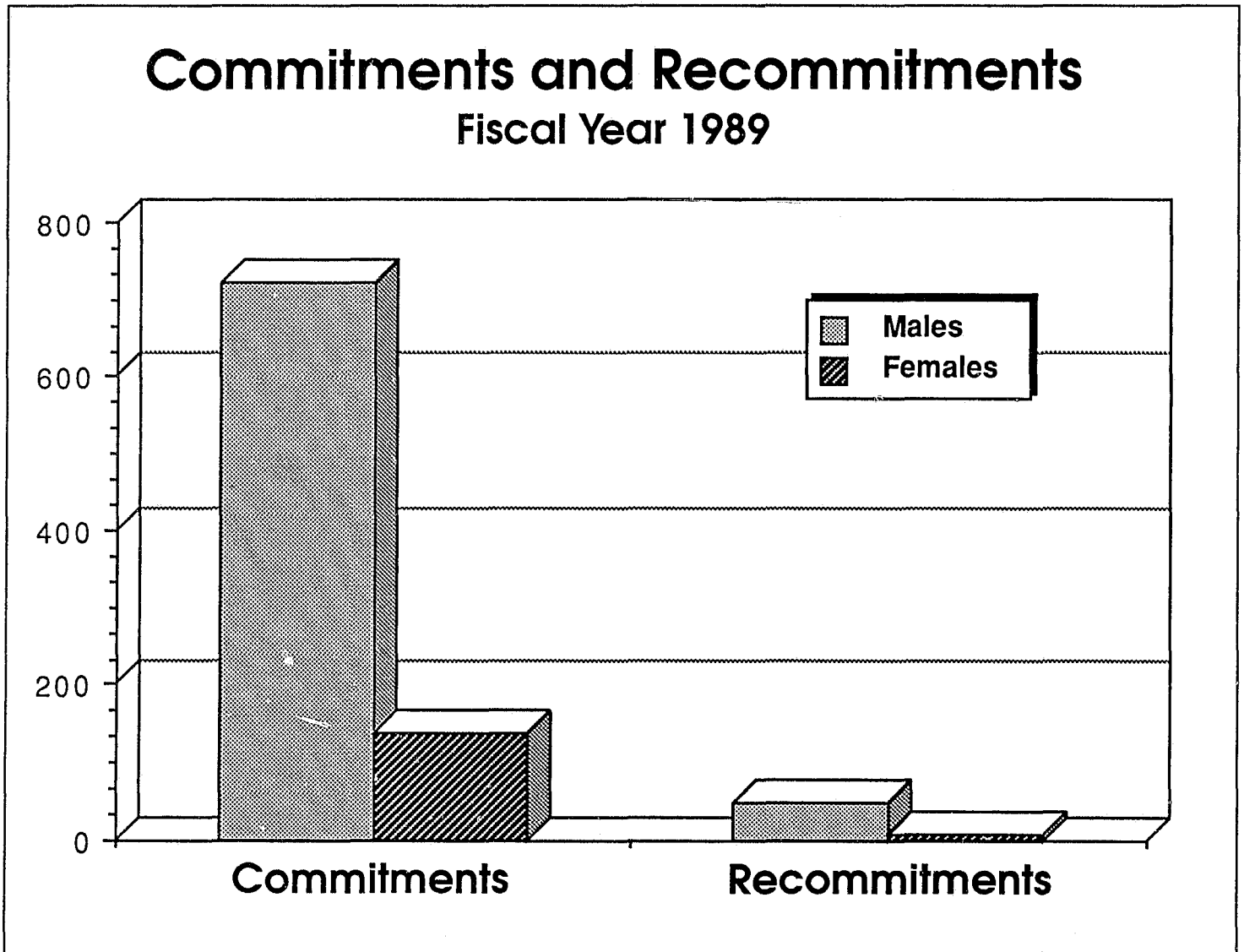


The chart indicates the number of commitments to the Division of Youth Services for each of the last five years. During the fiscal year 1989 (July 1, 1988-June 30, 1989) commitments increased 30% from the previous fiscal year.

In fiscal year 1989 the division received 917 total commitments as compared to 704 total commitments in fiscal year 1988.

COMMITMENTS AND RECOMMITMENTS

Fiscal Year 1988 - 1989

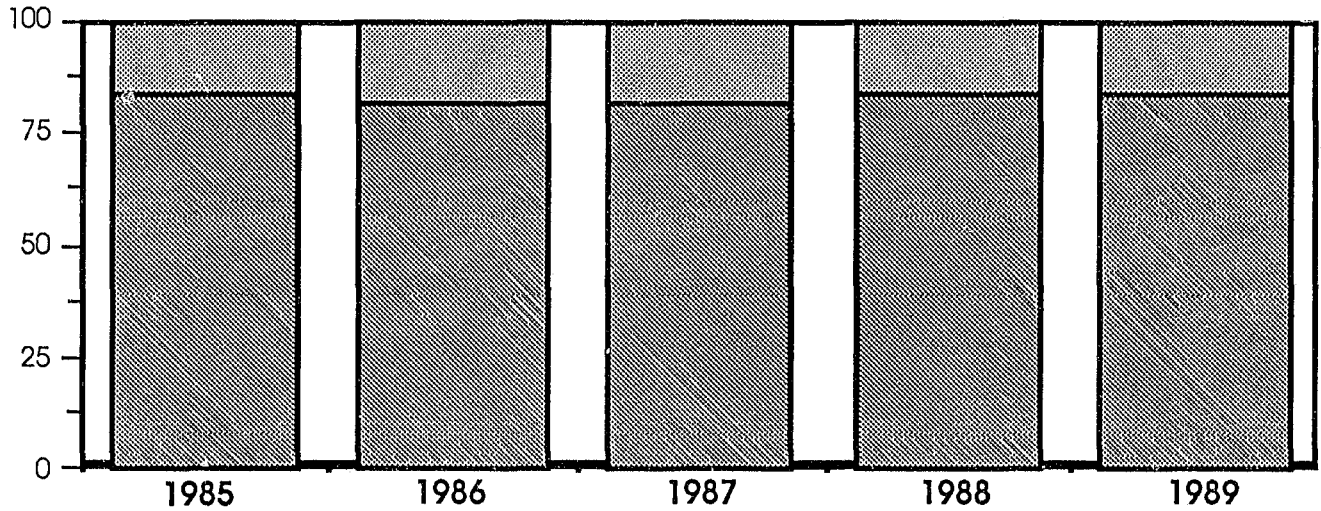
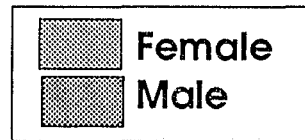


A total of 917 Missouri youth (771 males and 146 females) were committed to the Division of Youth Services during the fiscal year 1989. Of the 917, 94% were first time commitments and 6% were returned to the system after a previous discharge.

When the male and female commitment populations are analyzed separately, slightly more than 6% of the males but only 4% of the females were recommitments.

FIRST TIME COMMITMENTS

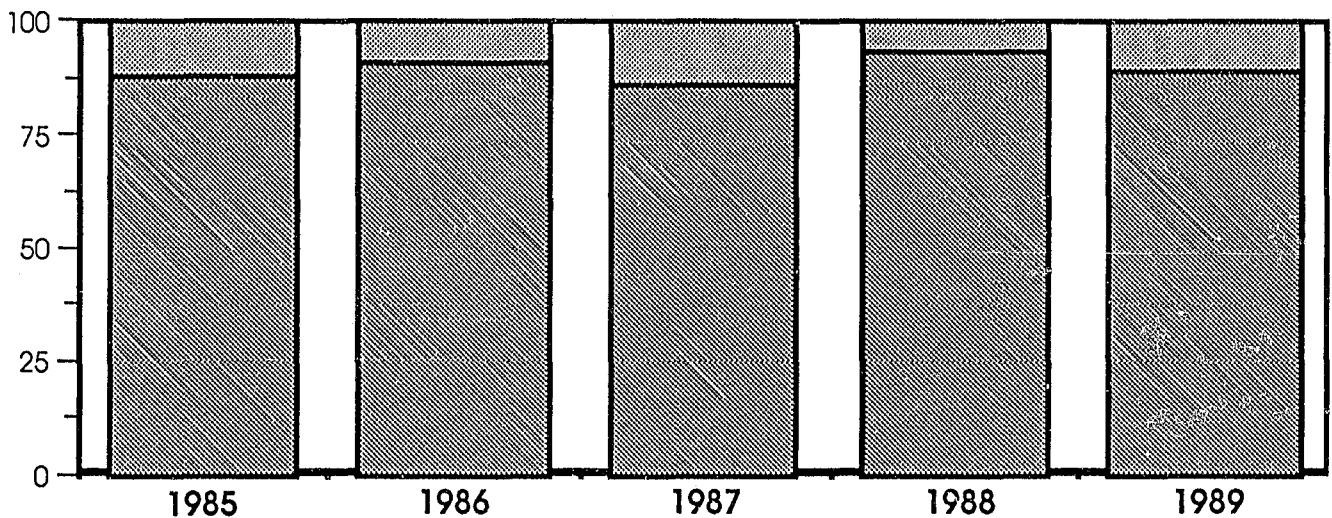
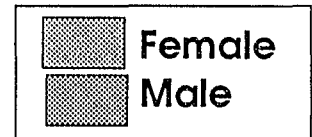
Male / Female Percentages



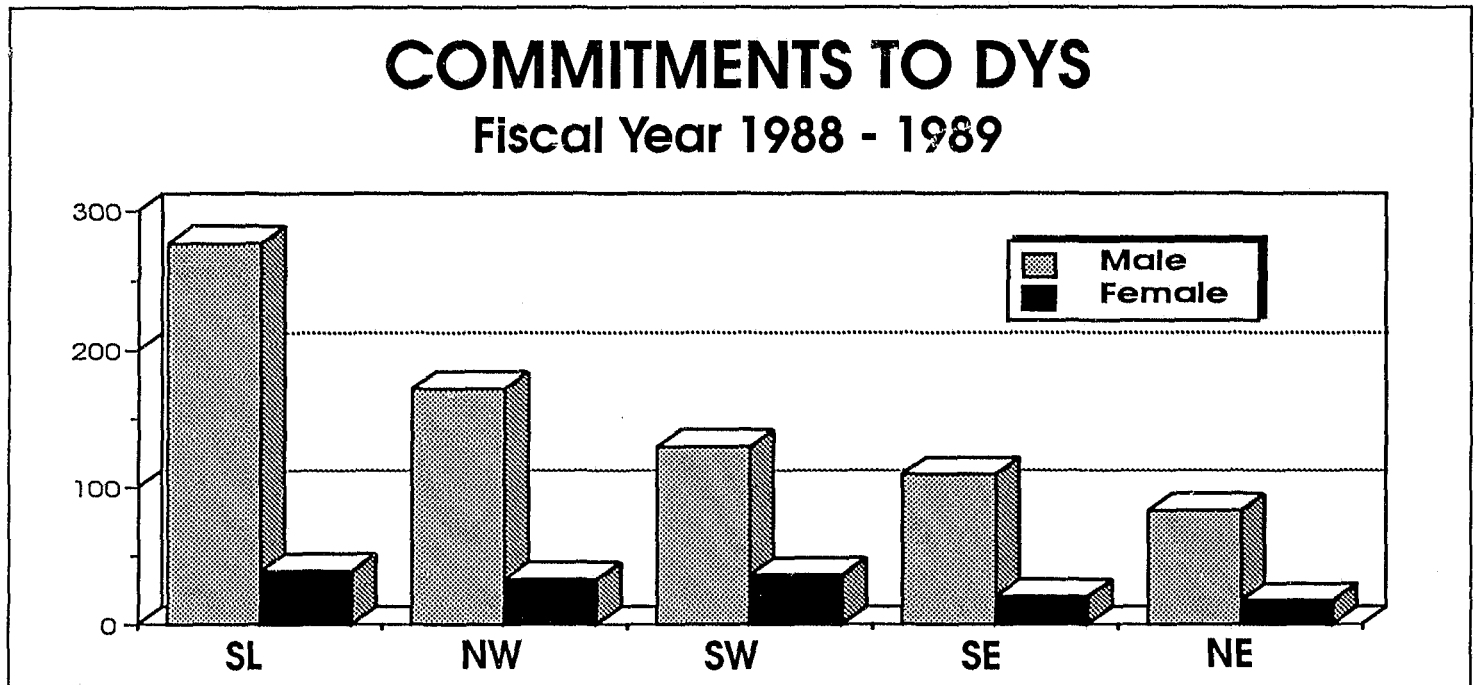
Over the last five years, the male/female ratio of first time commitments has been relatively stable. However, the rate of recommitment varies considerably from year to year.

RECOMMITMENTS

Male / Female Percentage



COMMITMENTS BY REGION

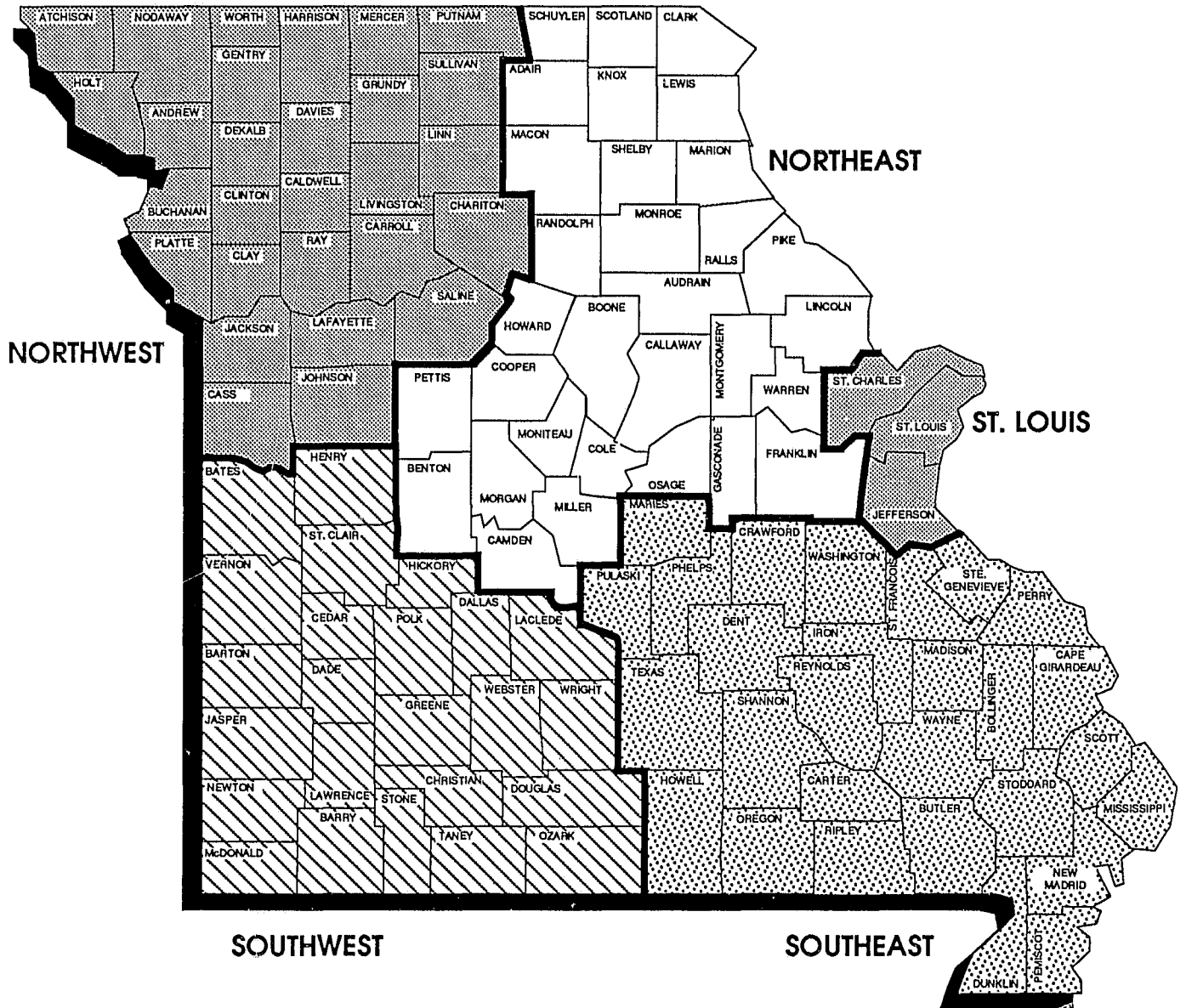


Region	Percent of Total Commitments	Percent of Male Commitments	Percent of Female Commitments
St. Louis Region	34.3	35.8	26.7
Northwest Region	22.4	22.3	22.6
Southwest Region	18.1	16.8	24.7
Southeast Region	14.3	14.3	14.4
Northeast Region	10.9	10.8	11.6

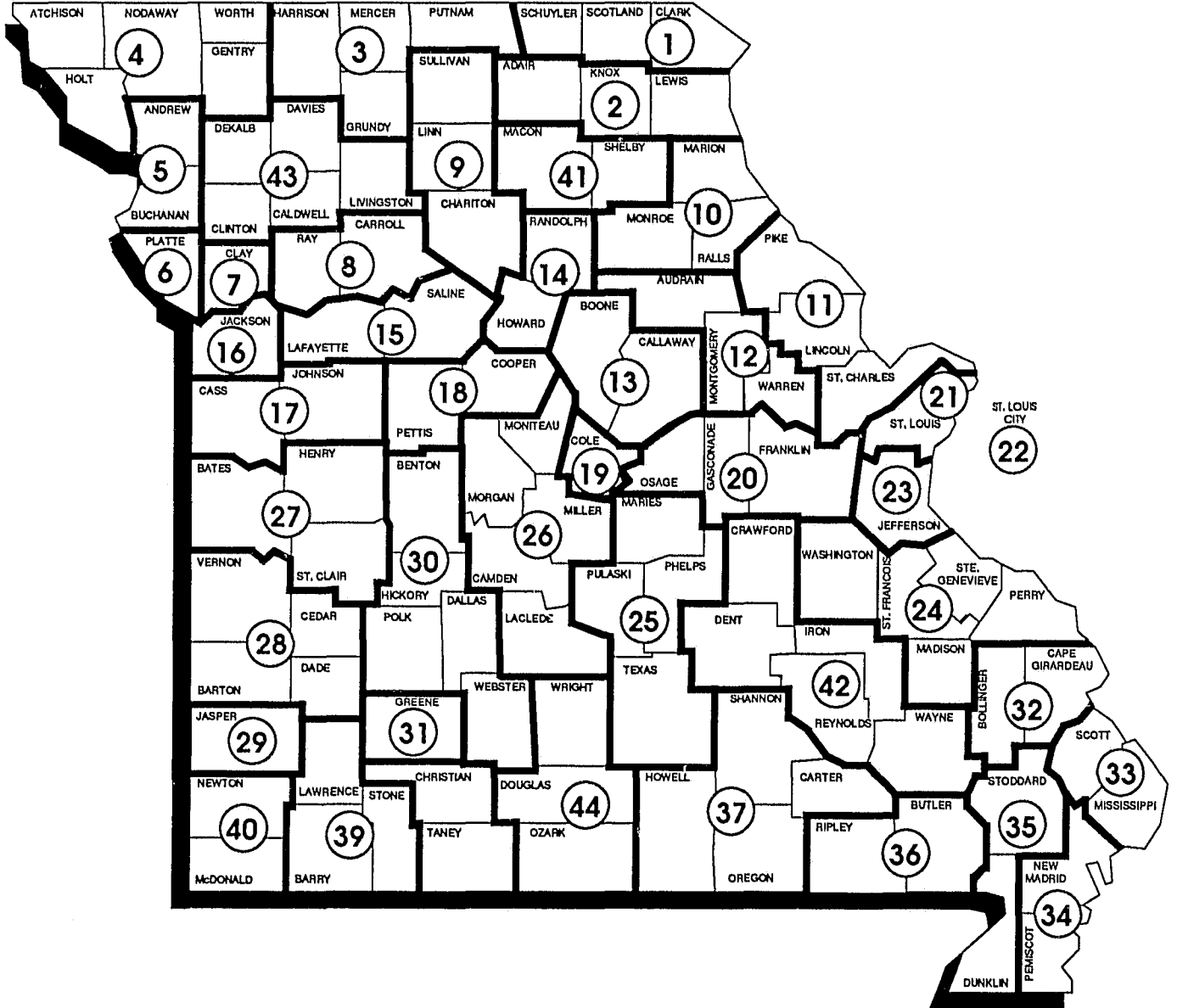
More than one-third of the total commitments for this fiscal year came from the St. Louis Region. Males and females were committed with approximately the same relative frequency in the Northwest, Southeast and Northeast Regions, but significant differences exist in the St. Louis and Southwest Regions.

The St. Louis Region committed a relatively higher percentage of males and the Southwest Region committed a relatively higher percentage of females.

Division of Youth Services Regions



Commitments by Judicial Circuit Fiscal Year 1989



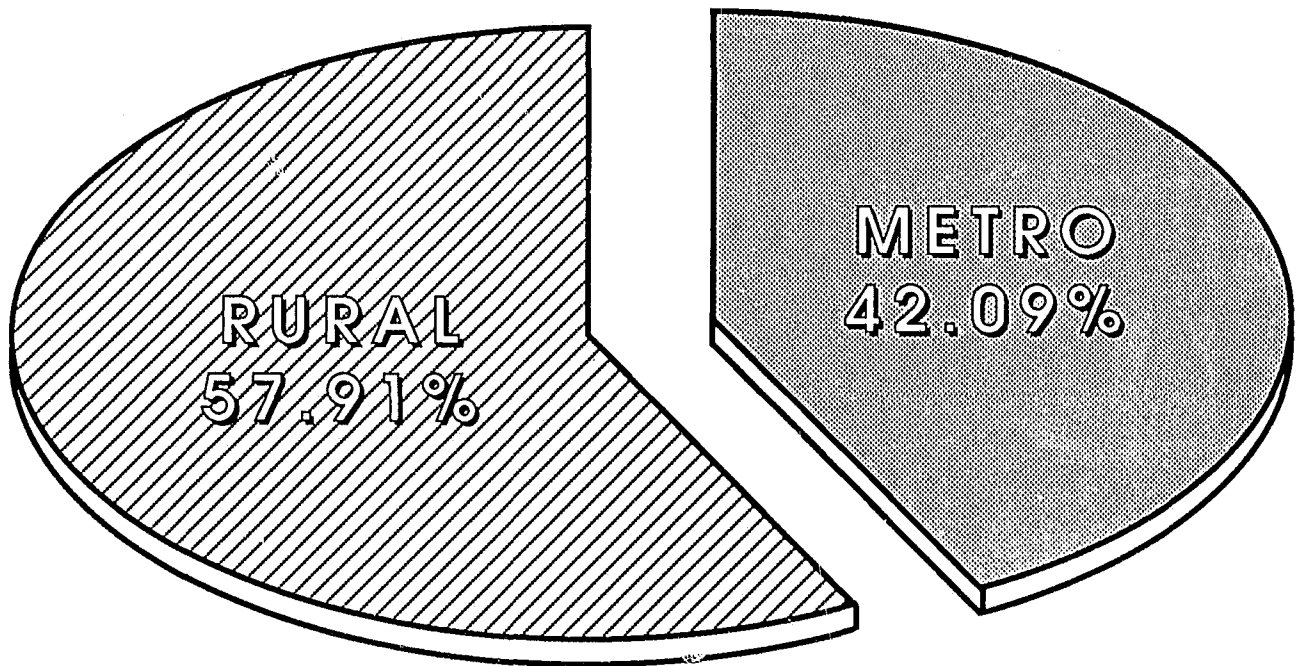
Judicial Circuit	No. of Commlts				
Circuit #1	3	Circuit #11	47	Circuit #23	25
Circuit #2	3	Circuit #12	5	Circuit #24	22
Circuit #3	0	Circuit #13	28	Circuit #25	9
Circuit #4	0	Circuit #14	7	Circuit #26	10
Circuit #5	9	Circuit #15	13	Circuit #27	6
Circuit #6	1	Circuit #16	129	Circuit #28	0
Circuit #7	24	Circuit #17	6	Circuit #29	38
Circuit #8	17	Circuit #18	11	Circuit #30	4
Circuit #9	0	Circuit #19	4	Circuit #31	73
Circuit #10	0	Circuit #20	10	Circuit #32	16
		Circuit #21	108	Circuit #33	27
		Circuit #22	149	Circuit #34	16
				Circuit #35	21
				Circuit #36	10
				Circuit #37	2
				Circuit #38	7
				Circuit #39	17
				Circuit #40	9
				Circuit #41	9
				Circuit #42	8
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				Circuit #44	8
				Total Stats	917

PREVIOUS RATE OF COMMITMENT BY POPULATION AREA

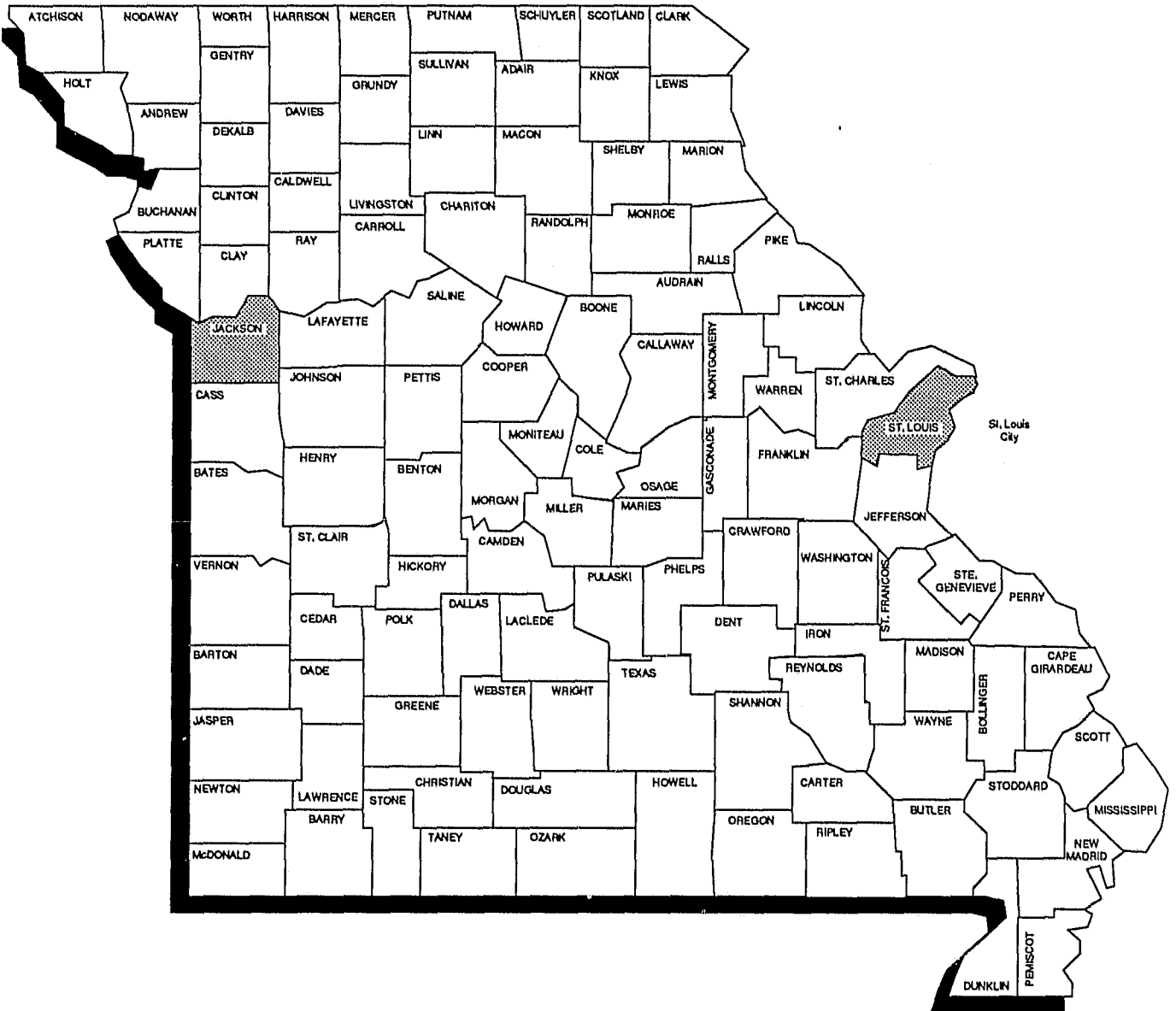
In prior years, the rate of commitment has been presented in a metropolitan area versus rural area form. Those areas designated as metropolitan were limited to Jackson County, St. Louis County and St. Louis City.

Using this premise, the commitment population for fiscal year 1989 (58% rural and 42% metro) is consistent with previous years' rates of approximately 60% rural and 40% metropolitan.

FISCAL YEAR 1989 COMMITMENTS - METRO VS. RURAL



Metropolitan Areas Previous Definition

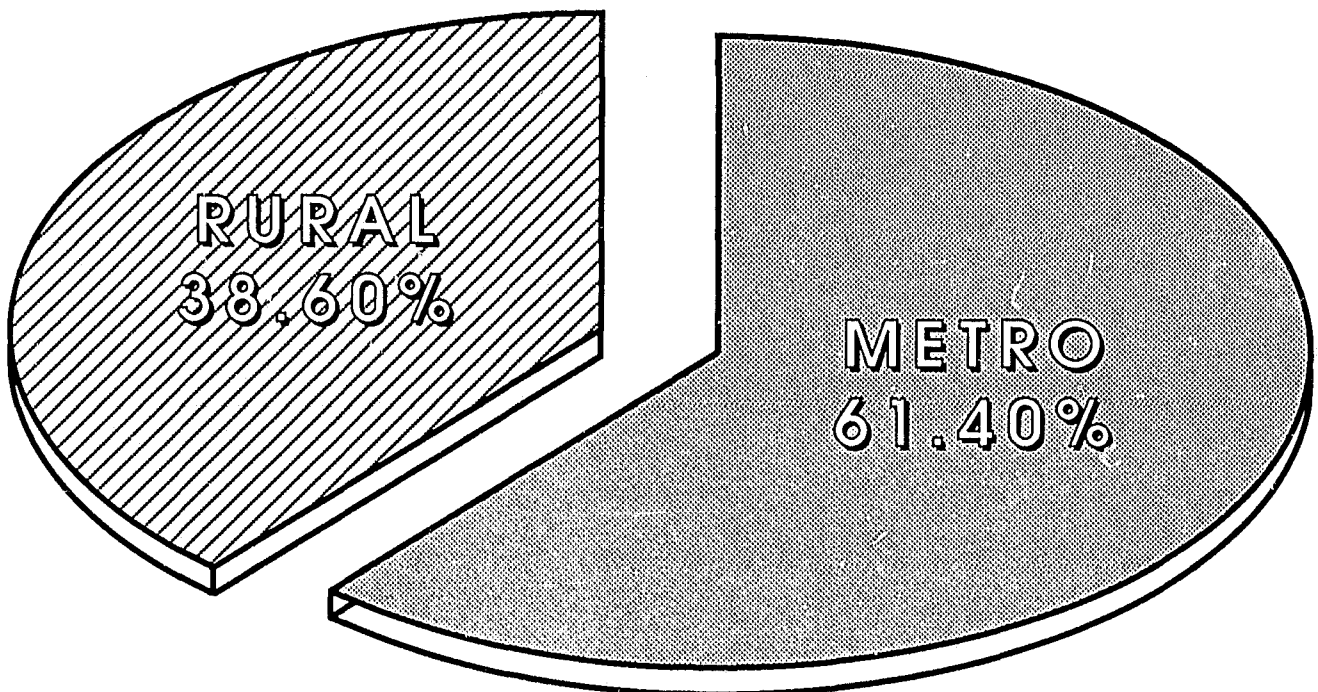


CURRENT RATE OF COMMITMENT BY POPULATION AREA

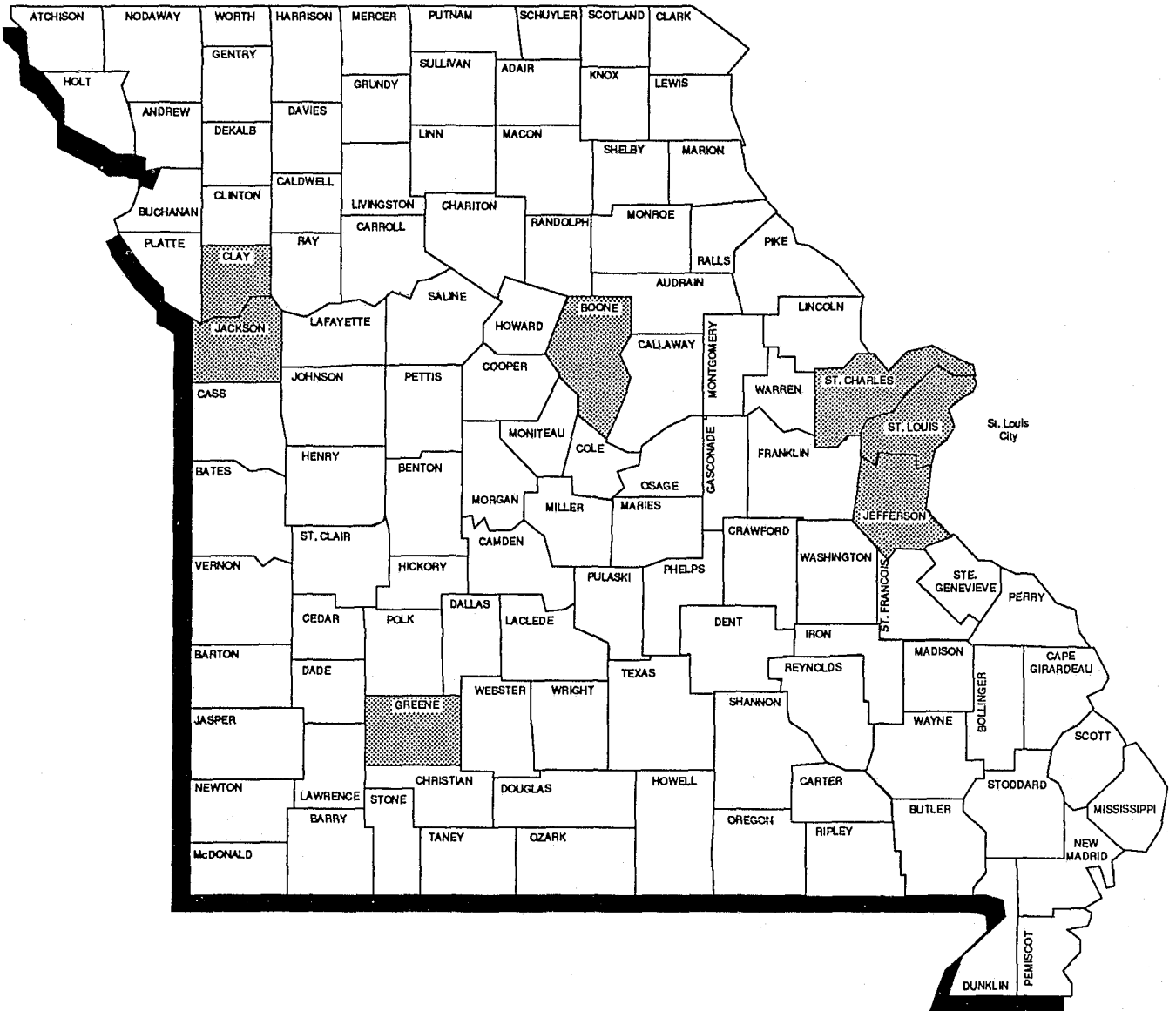
However, if we modify our definition of metropolitan area to include all counties with a population greater than 100,000, this group expands to include the counties of Boone, Clay, Greene, Jackson, Jefferson, St. Charles, St. Louis and St. Louis City.

Using this definition, a major shift is obvious. Again we have an approximate 60%/40% split, but now 60% of the commitments are from these seven counties, and only 40% from the remaining 108 "rural" counties.

FISCAL YEAR 1989 COMMITMENTS - METRO VS. RURAL

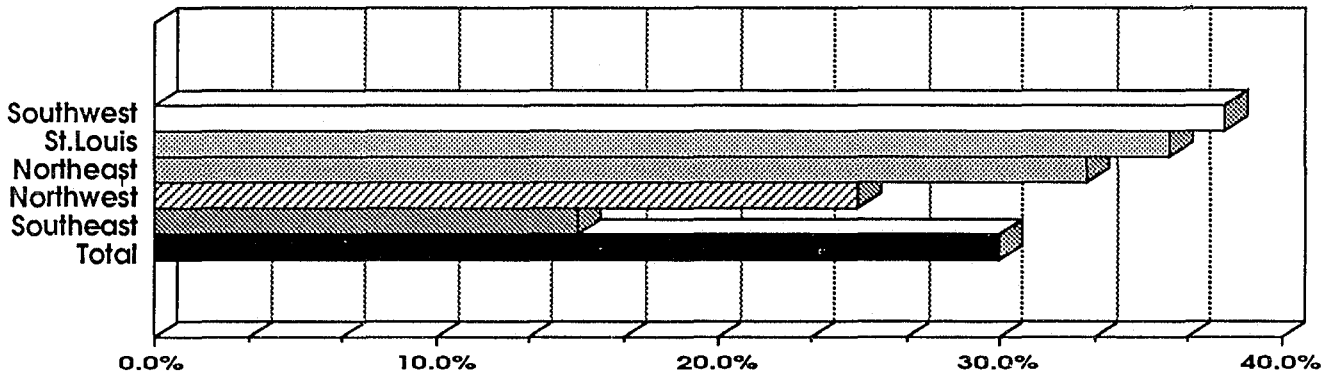


METROPOLITAN AREAS REVISED DEFINITION



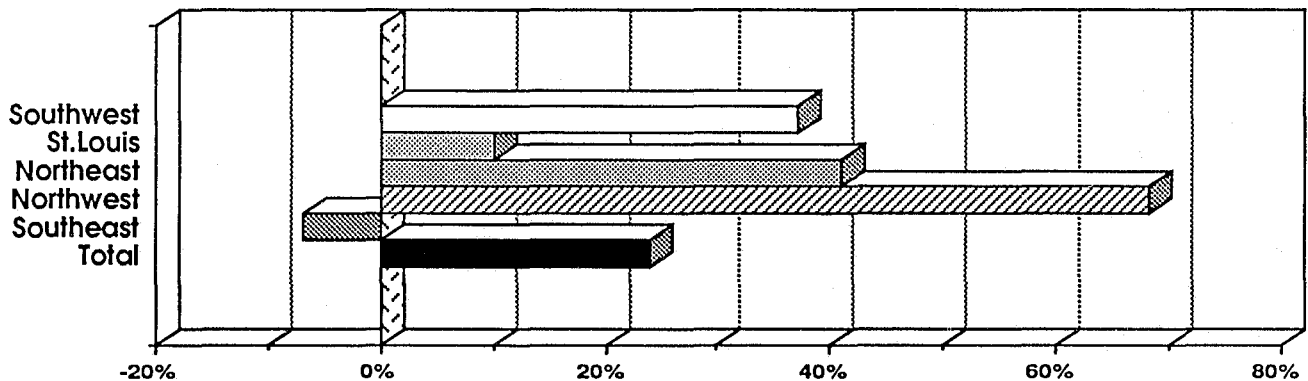
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Fiscal Year 1988 to Fiscal Year 1989



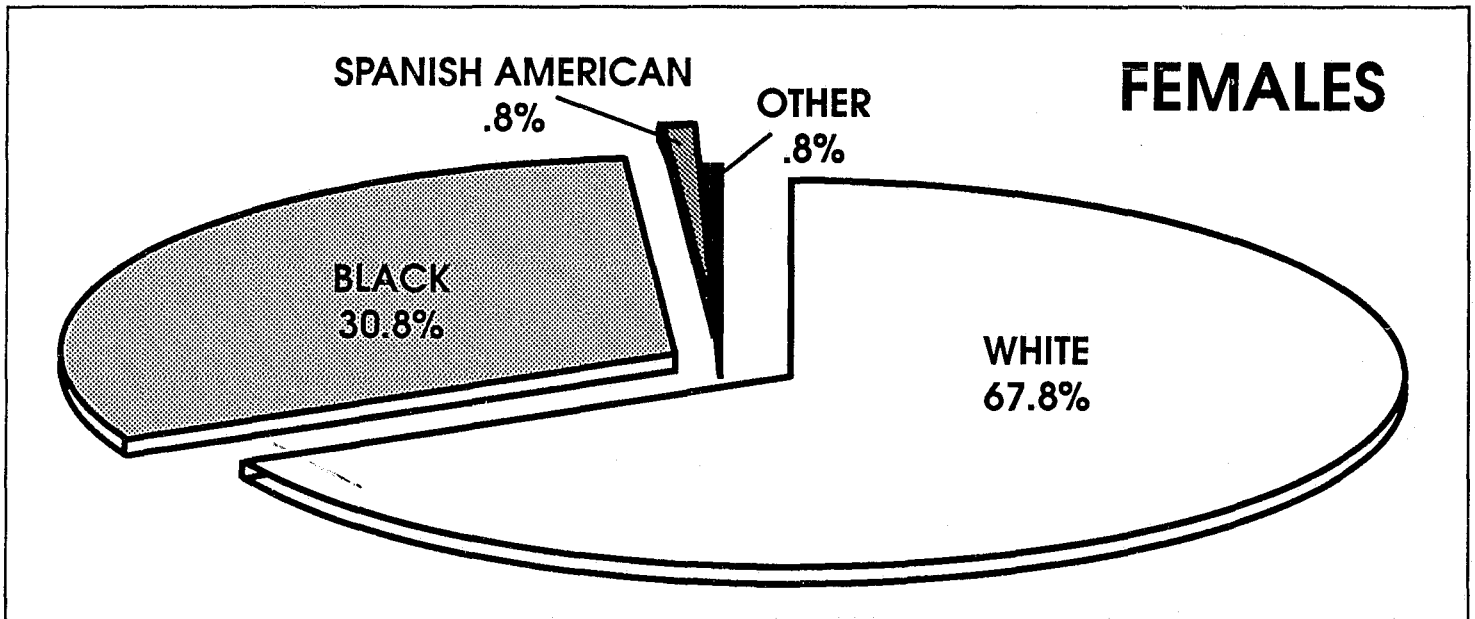
The number of youth committed to DYS increased a dramatic 30% in fiscal year 1989 after steadily declining the three previous fiscal years. This increase in the commitment rate affected all regions but was least pronounced in the Southeast.

PERCENT OF INCREASE IN TOTAL COMMITMENTS
Fiscal Year 1985 to Fiscal Year 1989

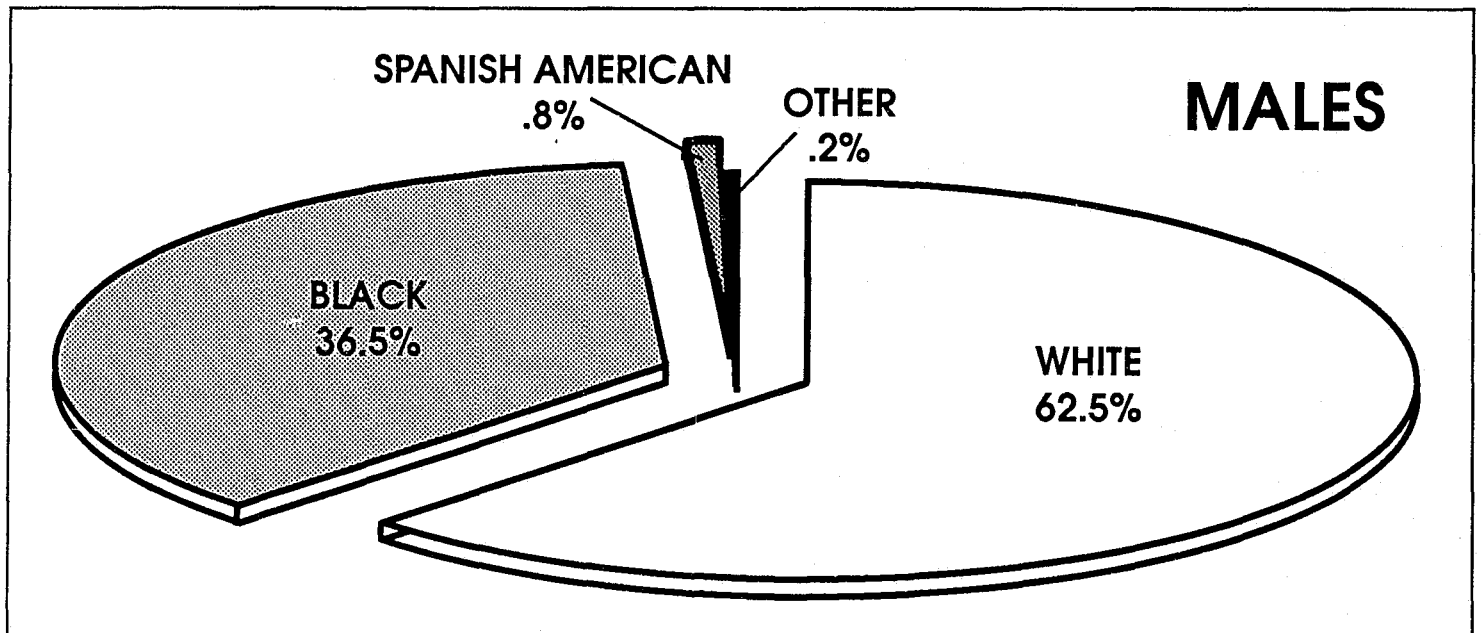


When examined over the last five years, the percentage of increase in total commitments is 24%, very close to the 30% rate for 1989. However, the variance between regions is much greater for the five year period. The Northwest Region had 68% **more** commitments in 1989 than in 1985, and the Southeast Region had 7% **fewer** commitments in 1989 than in 1985.

COMMITMENTS BY RACE

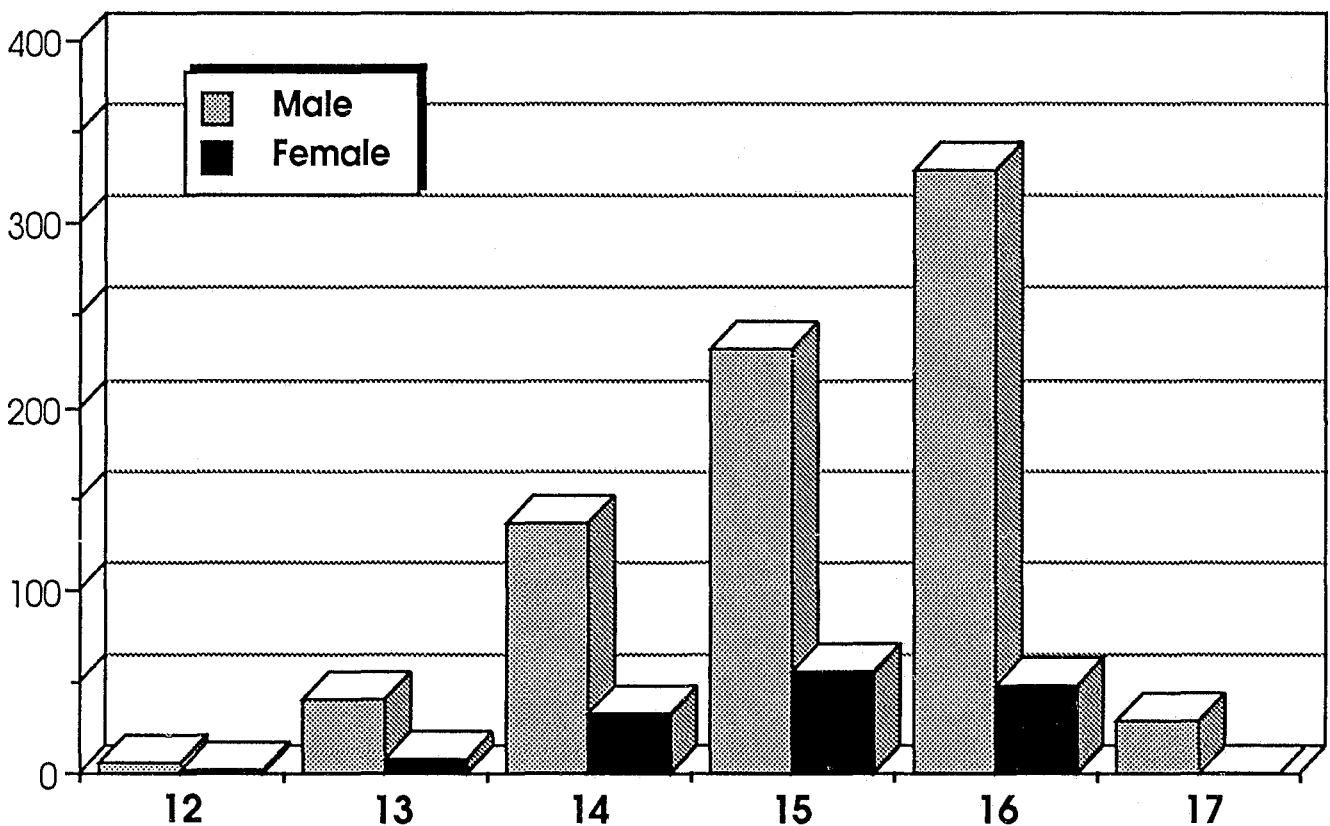


The percentage of commitments to the Division of Youth Services by race did not vary significantly between males and females during fiscal year 1989. Approximately 6% more black males were committed than were black females, and the commitments of Spanish Americans and other were less than 1% each.



COMMITMENTS BY AGE

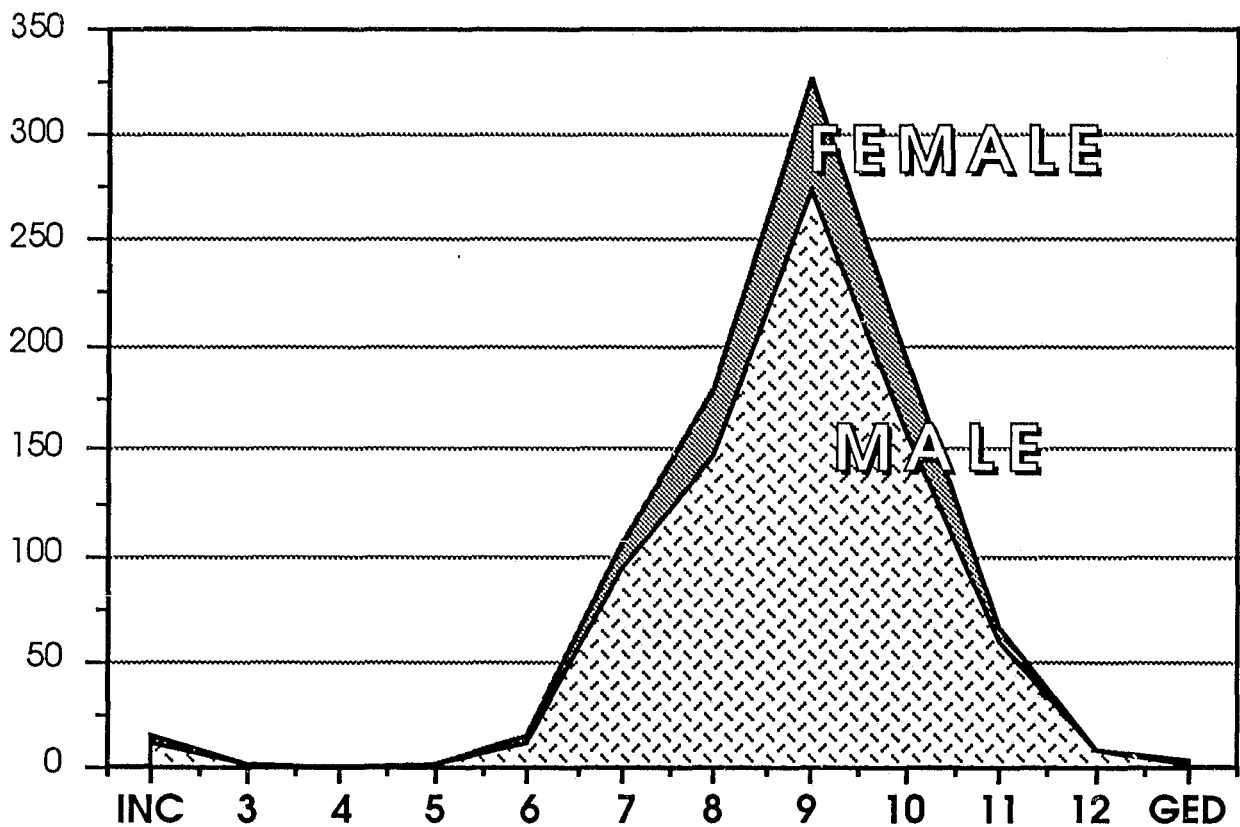
COMMITMENTS TO THE DIVISION OF YOUTH SERVICES
AGE AT COMMITMENT
FISCAL YEAR 1989



During this fiscal year, 55 youth (six percent of the total) under the age of 14 at the time of commitment were remanded to the Division of Youth Services as compared to only 29 (four percent of the total) the year before. Commitments peaked at the age of 15 for females and 16 for males this year. Although commitments always drop sharply during the 17th year (at age 18 youth become legal adults and must be discharged by DYS), no females over the age of 16 were committed during fiscal year 1989.

COMMITMENTS BY SCHOOL GRADE

COMMITMENTS TO THE DIVISION OF YOUTH SERVICES
GRADES COMPLETED AT TIME OF COMMITMENT
FISCAL YEAR 1989



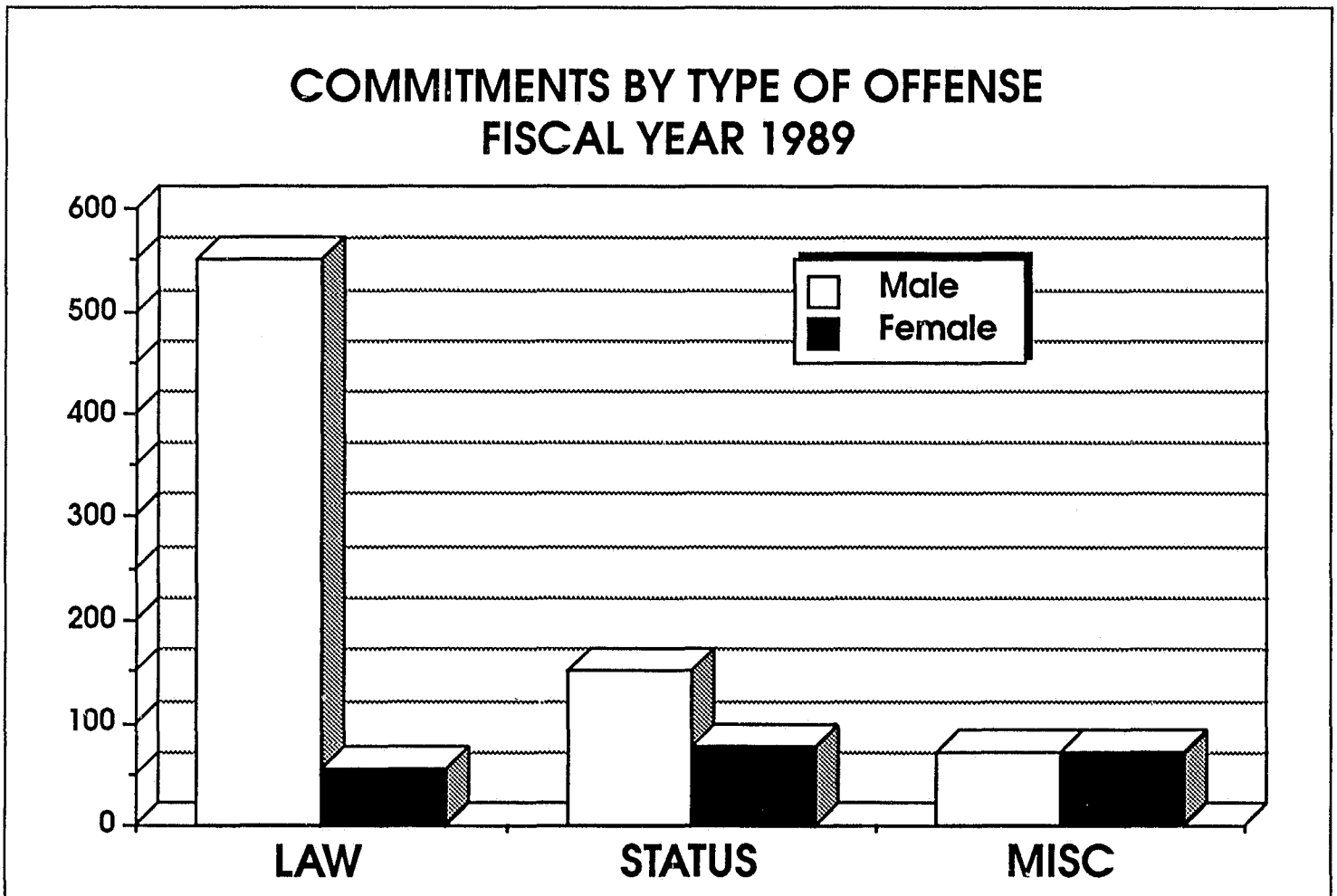
Eighteen of the youth committed this fiscal year had not yet completed grade school. At the other extreme, only 13 youth had either completed high school or received a GED. The great majority – 88% – had completed between the seventh and tenth grades. There were no commitments during this year that were listed as special education students at the time of their commitment. The remaining 16 youth initially had incomplete information on grade level at the time of their commitment.

COMMITMENTS BY TYPE OF OFFENSE

A significant difference exists between male and female commitments in the type of offense for which the youth has been committed to the Division of Youth Services.

An equal proportion of both males and females (9%) were committed for miscellaneous offenses. However, the similarity ends there. 71% of the males were committed for law offenses compared to only 38% of the females. More than half of the females (53%) were committed for status offenses (offenses that would not be considered crimes for an adult) but only 20% of the males were status offenders.

For a complete listing of offenses by type, please see Appendix B.

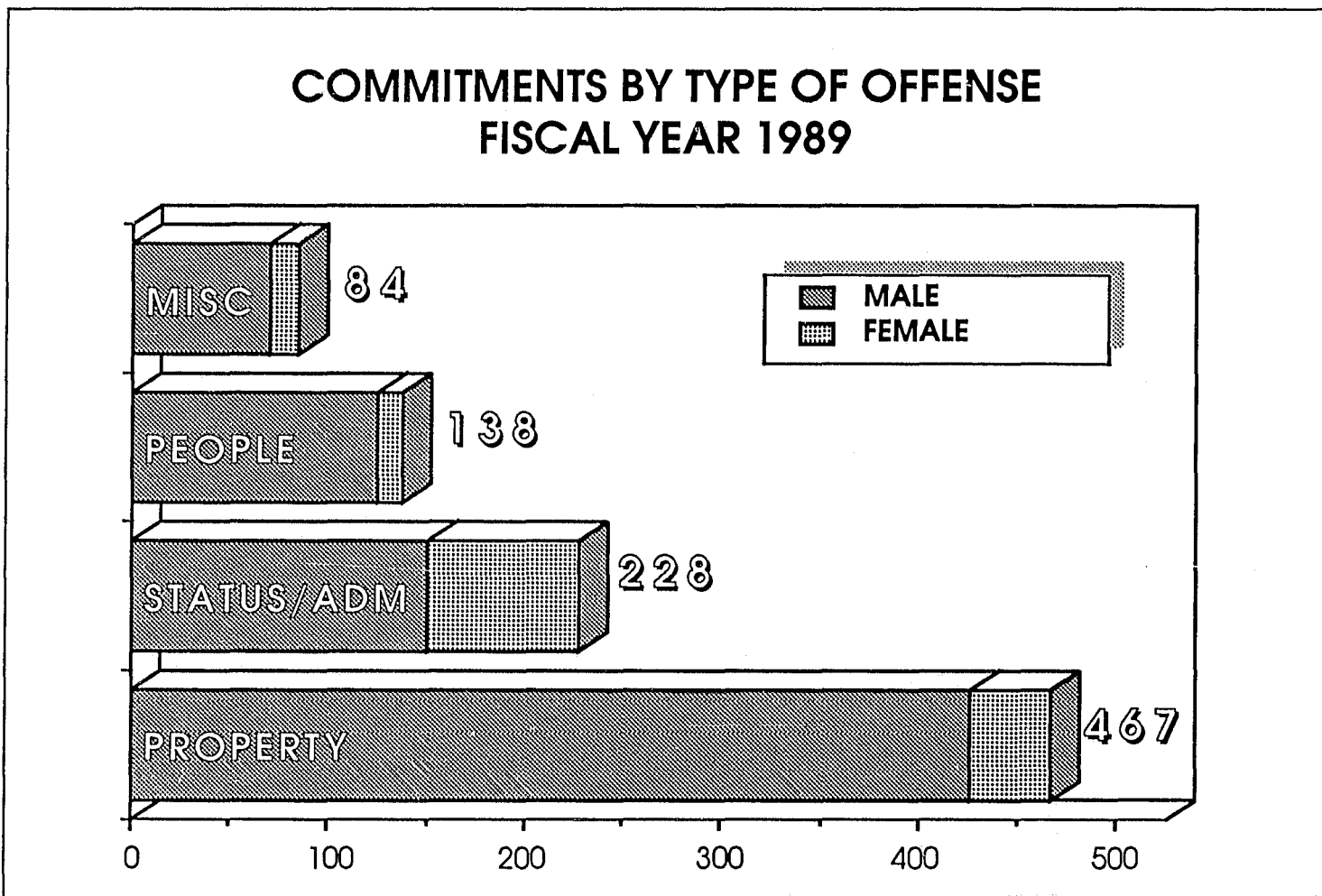


COMMITMENTS BY TYPE OF OFFENSE

When the category of law offenses is further divided into crimes committed against people and crimes committed against property, property offenses outnumber people offenses by a ratio of more than three to one.

There is only a slight difference between the types of offenses committed by males and females. Of the law offenders, 23% of the males committed offenses against people while 25% of the law offenses by females were against people.

Overall, law offenses against property constituted 51% of all commitments, status offenses were 25%, law offenses against people were 15%, and miscellaneous offenses were 9%.



AFTERCARE

AFTERCARE POPULATION MOVEMENT FISCAL YEAR 1989

	Missouri Youth	Interstate Placement Youth	Total
Youth in Aftercare 6/30/89	281	130	411
Youth Released to Aftercare Fiscal Year 1989	691	135	826
TOTAL YOUTH SERVED	972	265	1237
Youth Discharged from Aftercare	487	148	635
Youth Violations, Recommitments, or Transfers to Adult Corrections	107	0	107
Youth in Aftercare 6/30/89	378	117	495

The total number of youth in the aftercare program increased by 20% during this fiscal year. Missouri youth increased by 35% while interstate placements decreased by 10%.

Due to unavoidable time lags in processing, the beginning numbers for youth in aftercare will not necessarily match the ending numbers in last year's report. Also, youth may be released to the aftercare program more than once during the year but they are counted only once for the purpose of this report.

DISCHARGES

JUVENILE DISCHARGES BY TYPE OF DISCHARGE FISCAL YEAR 1989

SATISFACTORY DISCHARGES

Satisfactory Discharge	370
Federal Service Discharge	33
Marginal Satisfactory Discharge	90
Discharge From Institution	61
Over 18 Discharge	12
Discharge Other	149
Death	2
Total Satisfactory	717

UNSATISFACTORY DISCHARGES

Unsatisfactory Discharge	38
Recommitment	21
Unsatisfactory Direct Discharge	6
Aftercare Runaway	13
Dropped From Rolls	9
Total Unsatisfactory	87

Satisfactory Discharges

Youth who successfully complete the aftercare program receive a satisfactory discharge. Federal service discharges are youth who are discharged in order to enter either the military service or the Job Corps. Marginal satisfactory discharges are youth who exhibited no major problems with DYS programs but less than adequately completed the aftercare program. Discharges other include 148 interstate placement discharges who were involved only with the division's aftercare program. Discharges from institutions and over 18 discharges are youth who have reached the mandatory discharge age of 18 and are included in the satisfactory category.

Unsatisfactory Discharges

Youth whose involvement in a law violation results in commitment to the adult correctional system receive either an unsatisfactory discharge or an unsatisfactory direct discharge. These two categories made up only 5% of all discharges for fiscal year 1989. Recommitments are those who, while under a commitment to DYS, are involved in law violations that result in a new commitment by the juvenile court to the division. Aftercare runaway and dropped from rolls are those youth who have absconded from aftercare or run away from a facility and remain unapprehended after a stated period of time.

For fiscal year 1989, 89% of the total discharges were satisfactory and 11% were unsatisfactory. These percentages show no change from fiscal year 1988.

APPENDIX A

Commitments by County – Fiscal Year 1989

County	Male	Female	Total
Adair	2	-	2
Andrew	-	-	-
Atchison	-	-	-
Audrain	3	1	4
Barry	5	4	9
Barton	-	-	-
Bates	1	-	1
Benton	-	-	-
Boilinger	1	-	1
Boone	17	5	22
Buchanan	5	4	9
Butler	7	-	7
Caldwell	-	-	-
Callaway	5	1	6
Camden	1	-	1
Cape Girardeau	13	2	15
Carroll	4	-	4
Carter	-	-	-
Cass	4	-	4
Cedar	-	-	-
Charlton	-	-	-
Christian	5	1	6
Clark	3	-	3
Clay	21	3	24
Clinton	5	1	6
Cole	2	2	4
Cooper	3	-	3
Crawford	5	-	5
Dade	-	-	-
Dallas	2	-	2
Davless	-	-	-
DeKalb	-	-	-
Dent	1	-	1
Douglas	6	-	6
Dunklin	12	1	13
Franklin	8	-	8
Gasconade	2	-	2
Gentry	-	-	-
Greene	57	16	73
Grundy	-	-	-
Harrison	-	-	-
Henry	3	-	3
Hickory	-	-	-
Holt	-	-	-
Howard	-	-	-
Howell	1	-	1
Iron	-	-	-
Jackson	109	20	129
Jasper	27	11	38
Jefferson	22	3	25
Johnson	1	1	2
Knox	-	-	-
Laclede	4	-	4
Lafayette	9	2	11
Lawrence	4	2	6
Lewis	-	1	1
Lincoln	10	-	10
Linn	-	-	-

County	Male	Female	Total
Livingston	-	-	-
Macon	5	2	7
Madison	4	1	5
Maries	2	-	2
Marion	-	-	-
McDonald	4	-	4
Mercer	-	-	-
Miller	3	-	3
Mississippi	13	2	15
Moniteau	-	-	-
Monroe	-	-	-
Montgomery	-	-	-
Morgan	-	2	2
New Madrid	3	-	3
Newton	3	2	5
Nodaway	-	-	-
Oregon	1	-	1
Osage	-	-	-
Ozark	-	-	-
Pemiscot	12	1	13
Perry	1	-	1
Pettis	7	1	8
Phelps	3	1	4
Pike	4	-	4
Platte	1	-	1
Polk	2	-	2
Pulaski	1	1	2
Putnam	-	-	-
Rails	-	-	-
Randolph	6	1	7
Ray	11	2	13
Reynolds	-	-	-
Ripley	2	1	3
Saline	2	-	2
Schuyler	-	-	-
Scotland	-	-	-
Scott	7	5	12
Shannon	-	-	-
Shelby	1	1	2
St. Charles	29	4	33
St. Clair	2	-	2
St. Francois	7	3	10
Ste. Genevieve	3	-	3
St. Louis City	126	23	149
St. Louis County	99	9	108
Stoddard	7	1	8
Stone	2	-	2
Sullivan	-	-	-
Taney	1	-	1
Texas	1	-	1
Vernon	-	-	-
Warren	1	-	1
Washington	2	1	3
Wayne	1	1	2
Webster	-	-	-
Worth	-	-	-
Wright	2	-	2
TOTAL	771	146	917

APPENDIX B

Reasons for Commitment Fiscal Year 1989

OFFENSES - PEOPLE

Manslaughter	1	Assault 2nd Degree	15
Manslaughter - Vehicular	1	Assault 3 Physical Injury	15
Rape	5	Assault 3rd Degree	39
Sexual Assault 1st Degree	1	Sexual Abuse -1- Harm or w/Weapon	1
Sexual Assault - 1	3	Sexual Abuse 1st Degree	1
Sexual Assault 2nd Degree	1	Sexual Abuse 2nd Degree	1
Sodomy	10	Sexual Abuse 3rd Degree	1
Robbery 1st Degree	9	Carrying Concealed Weapon	5
Robbery 2nd Degree	9	Weapon - Felony - Other	5
Assault - 1 with Weapon	3	Flourish Dangerous/Deadly Weapon	1
Assault 1st Degree	11	TOTAL OFFENSES - PEOPLE	138

OFFENSES - PROPERTY

Burglary 1st Degree	35	Tampering 2	1
Burglary 2nd Degree	94	Property Damage 1st Degree	4
Possession Burglary Tools	1	Property Damage 2nd Degree	5
Stealing	83	Property Damage 3rd Degree	9
Stealing Motor Vehicle	37	Trespass 1st Degree	10
Stealing - Misdemeanor	43	Trespass 2nd Degree	4
Arson 1st Degree	1	Receiving Stolen Property over \$150	3
Arson 2nd Degree	3	Receiving Stolen Property	1
Knowingly Burning or Exploding	1	Unlawful Use of Weapon - Misdemean.	1
Forgery	3	Unlawful Poss/Trpt/Mfg Illegal Weap.	1
Forgery - Instrumentality Possession	1	Violation Controlled Sub. - Felony	6
Issued False Instrument	2	Violation MO Ctrld. Sub. Law - Poss.	17
Fraudulent Use Credit Device - Felony	1	Violation Ctrld. Sub. - Poss. - Misd.	2
Tampering 1st Degree	63	Violation Ctrld. Sub. - No Labels	1
Tampering 2nd Degree	29	Minor Poss. Intoxic. Liquor	5
		TOTAL OFFENSES - PROPERTY	467

OFFENSES - MISCELLANEOUS

Prostitution	2	Failure to Appear - Misdemeanor	5
Indecent Exposure	2	Probation Violation	42
Pornography - 2 - Promoting	1	Violation of Probation/Super.	12
Resisting Arrest	3	Curfew	6
Escape Custody	4	Operating Vehicle - No Drivers License	3
Escape Confinement	2	Vehicle Law - Felony - Other	1
Disturbing a Judicial Proceeding	1	TOTAL OFFENSES - MISCELLANEOUS	84

OFFENSES - STATUS/ADMINISTRATIVE

Truant	19	Relief of Custody	6
Disobedient Child	25	Violation of Probation/Super.	58
Absent from Home w/o Justification	65	Violation of Valld Court Order	5
Behavior/Assoc. Injurious to Self	25	Motion to Modify - Other	1
Offenses Chargeable Only to Child	24	TOTAL OFFENSES - STATUS/ADMINISTRATIVE	228

APPENDIX C

Average Length of Stay

Facility	Cap.	Youth Exiting Facility Fiscal Year 1989		Avg. Length of Stay (days)		# of Youth in Facility at 06/30/89		Total Youth Served	
		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
Camp Avery	30	37	17	190	180	21	11	58	28
Babler Lodge	20	21	20	186	204	12	12	33	32
Delmina Woods	30	0	52		214	0	33	0	85
Watkins Mill	30	33	0	279	0	40	0	73	0
Group Home #1	10	29	0	148	0	15	0	44	0
Group Home #2	10	0	13	0	165	0	12	0	25
Group Home #5	10	29	0	138	0	13	0	42	0
Group Home #6	10	71	0	32	0	12	0	83	0
Group Home #7	10	29	0	97	0	14	0	43	0
Group Home #14	10	34	0	106	0	9	0	43	0
Group Home #16	10	20	0	181	0	10	0	30	0
Group Home #17	10	26	0	160	0	12	0	38	0
Northeast Com. Treatment Center	10	26	0	142	0	10	0	36	0
Northwest Regional Youth Center	30	42	17	176	168	29	12	71	29
Sears Youth Center	74	148	0	206	0	76	0	224	0
Hogan Street	30	74	0	158	0	40	0	114	0
Community Learning Center	10	12	0	251	0	7	0	19	0
St. Louis Regional Youth Center	40	77	0	164	0	41	0	118	0
Pa-He-Tsi	10	40	0	41	0	10	0	50	0
Special Treatment Unit	20	29	0	205	0	22	0	51	0
Subtotals	414	777	119	156	196	393	80	1170	199
TOTALS	414	896		161		473		1369	

NOTES:

A length of stay is calculated each time a youth is paroled, transferred, discharged, runs or furloughs out for more than 15 days. A run or furlough of 15 days or less is counted as part of a continuous stay.

DIVISION OF YOUTH SERVICES OFFICES AND FACILITIES

