



MALE AND FEMALE PAROLEES
ADMISSIONS TO DRUG TREATMENT PROGRAMS
IN CALIFORNIA (EXCLUDING LOS ANGELES COUNTY)
DURING FISCAL YEAR 1990/1991

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In Fiscal Year 1990/1991, there were 79,387 total admissions to California community drug treatment programs (excluding Los Angeles County). Although parolees participate in community programs, the number admitted to these programs has been unknown. To obtain these data, the California Department of Corrections began working with the California Department of Alcohol and Drug Programs (ADP) in 1989 to find a way to identify parolees entering these programs.

Over the past several years, ADP has routinely collected data for individuals entering publicly-funded community drug programs through the California Drug Abuse Data System (CAL-DADS). Since CAL-DADS has the capability of adding temporary data elements, ADP added a "Legal Status" data element effective July 1, 1990. In addition to determining the number of state parolees admitted to drug programs, statistics may be obtained on the location of the parolee, the parolee's personal characteristics, drug usage, route of drug administration and employment. The data system was replaced with the California Alcohol and Drug Data System effective July 1, 1991.

CAL-DADS from all counties except Los Angeles for the one-year time period of July 1, 1990 to June 30, 1991 indicated that of the 79,387 persons to drug treatment programs, 7,351 (9.3%) were state parolees.

Attached are statistics describing the characteristics of parolees entering community drug treatment programs. A significantly larger percentage of the parolees (77.4%) had used needles as a mode of administration during the previous year, compared to 57.3% of non-parolees. Statistics describing female parolees are of particular interest. Of total parolees admitted, 29.5% were female, compared to 39.3% for the non-parole population. Female parolees were twice as likely to be pregnant at the time of admission as non-parolees. Approximately 11.7% of the female parolees were pregnant, compared to 6.1% of the non-parole female population.

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ACQUISITIONS

ATTACHMENT: CALIFORNIA DRUG ABUSE DATA SYSTEM
 JULY 1, 1990 - JUNE 30, 1991
 STATE PAROLEES ADMITTED TO DRUG TREATMENT
 (EXCLUDES LOS ANGELES)

	<u>PAROLEES</u>	<u>OTHERS ADMITTED</u>
Total	7,351	72,036
Less youth	<u>180</u>	6,525
Total Adults	7,171	65,511
TOTAL ADMITTED		79,387
Percent state parolees		9.3% (approx. 1 out of 11)

Characteristics*

Percent female	29.5%	39.3%
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Race/Ethnicity:

White	43.7%	55.5
Black	20.2	14.2
Hispanic	33.6	26.4
Other	2.5	3.9

Primary Drug:

Heroin	74.7%	53.5
Cocaine	12.4	12.7
Amphet.	6.2	11.0
Alcohol	2.8	12.6
Marijuana	1.7	6.7
Other	2.2	3.5

Type of Treatment:

Meth. Detox (Outpat)	48.7%	40.1%
Meth. Maint. (Outpat)	12.2	8.4
Drug Free (Outpat)	19.3	28.9
Other	19.8	22.6

Employment Status:

Employed	18.8%	27.5%
Unemployed	30.6	22.5
Not seeking work	50.4	49.8
Unknown	0.2	0.3

Education:

< grade 9	5.8%	7.5%
Some high school	37.3	32.9
H.S. grad +	56.9	59.7

PAROLEES**OTHERS ADMITTED****Health Insurance:**

None	97.1%	93.8%
Has private coverage	2.0	5.7
Unknown	0.9	0.5

Needle Use:

Used needles last year	77.4%	57.3%
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Females Pregnant At Time of Admission:

	11.7%	6.1%
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* Percentages based on total admissions which may include some persons paroled from the Youth Authority.