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This report is one of a series to make data available on the inmate population of the facilities of the New York State Department of Correctional Services. The data in this report cover characteristics of males and females admitted to Department facilities on direct court commitments, transfers from institutions outside the Department and affirmations of sentence, during the five year period 1971-1975. These characteristics include: Reason for Commitment; County of Commitment; Prior Adult Criminal Record; Maximum Sentence; Minimum Sentence; Ethnic Group; Age; Dangerous Drug Status; Education and Occupation on Commitment. For the calendar year 1975, the above data are shown distributed by age and with ethnic breakdowns provided for occupation and education. The last section provides a breakdown of the reason for commitment of the 1975 new commitments by various characteristics including: Maximum Sentence; Education; Ethnic Group; Prior Adult Criminal Record; and Marital Status for males and females. A brief commentary and analysis also accompany the tables.

H I G H L I G H T S

1. While the number of male new commitments increased 43.3 percent from 1971 through 1975 and female new commitments increased 32.2 percent, male felony commitments increased 59.2 percent in the same period and female felony commitments increased 82.2 percent.
2. Male felony commitments which increased at a greater rate than total felonies include commitments for rape, which rose 275.0 percent from 1971 to 1975; dangerous weapons crimes, which increased 159.6 percent; murder, which rose 120.4 percent and burglary, which increased 106.8 percent. Female felony commitments which increased at a greater rate than the felony group as a whole include robbery, which rose 100.0 percent and dangerous drug crimes, which rose 173.7 percent. Felonious assault rose from 7 to 20 commitments, an increase of 185.7 percent.
3. Highest percentages of male new commitments in 1975 were committed for the following felonies: 36.0 percent for robbery; 12.2 percent for burglary; 11.5 percent for dangerous drugs and 8.0 percent for homicide. Highest percentages of female new commitments were committed for these felonies: 38.4 percent for dangerous drugs; 17.0 percent for homicide; 15.5 percent for robbery and 9.2 percent for grand larceny (not auto).

4. New York City male commitments increased 54.9 percent from 1971 through 1975, while upstate male commitments increase 23.2 percent. New York City female commitments increased 54.3 percent in the same period while upstate female commitments increased only 3.4 percent.
5. The number of male new commitments who received maximum sentences of five years or more has increased from 30.5 percent in 1971 to 47.3 percent in 1975, while female commitments with maximum sentences of five years or more have risen from 21.5 percent to 56.1 percent in the same period.
6. Specified minimum sentences for male new commitments have increased from 5.8 percent in 1971 to 49.8 percent in 1975. During the same period, specified minimum sentences received by females rose from 4.0 percent to 50.6 percent.
7. The number of male drug users has increased from 48.7 percent of total male commitments in 1971 to 62.7 percent in 1975. Female drug users have declined slightly from 47.3 percent to 46.9 percent in the same period.
8. White male commitments have declined from 29.7 percent of total male commitments in 1971 to 27.7 percent in 1975, while white female commitments have declined from 33.7 percent to 26.2 percent in the same period.
9. In 1975, New York City white male commitments comprised 16.5 percent of total New York City male commitments while 52.2 percent of total upstate male commitments were white. In New York City, 17.9 percent of total female commitments were white while white female commitments comprised 42.4 percent of total upstate female commitments.
10. New York City male commitments under 21 years of age have increased from 19.7 percent of total New York City male commitments in 1971 to 23.6 percent in 1975, but upstate male commitments under 21 fell from 35.2 percent to 29.7 percent in the same period.
11. Total female commitments under 21 have declined from 32.2 percent in 1971 to 12.6 percent in 1975. New York City female commitments under 21 fell from 25.0 percent to 11.2 percent in the same period, and upstate female commitments under 21 fell from 41.6 percent in 1971 to 15.2 percent in 1975.

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TABLE IA

MOVEMENT OF POPULATION IN THE FACILITIES OF THE  
NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONAL SERVICES  
ADMISSIONS DURING 1975

| Facility and Sex           | Under<br>Custody<br>1/1/75 | New<br>Committ-<br>ments<br>1/ | Re-<br>turned<br>Parole<br>Viola-<br>tors<br>2/ | Returned<br>Condi-<br>tional<br>Release<br>Viola-<br>tor | Trans.<br>From<br>Dep't.<br>Inst. | Total<br>Handled<br>During<br>Year |
|----------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------------|---|--|-----------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| <b>Total</b>               | 14,386                     | 7,482                          | 1,252   | 359  | 21,113                            | 44,592                             |
| Males                      | 14,008                     | 7,211                          | 1,222   | 357  | 20,990                            | 43,786                             |
| Females                    | 380                        | 271                            | 30  | 2  | 123                               | 806                                |
| General Confinement        | 11,397                     | 294                            | 989   | 359  | 10,944                            | 23,983                             |
| Attica                     | 1,549                      | 8                              | 173   | 36   | 1,572                             | 3,338                              |
| Auburn                     | 1,530                      | 5                              | 63  | 23   | 1,273                             | 2,894                              |
| Clinton                    | 1,758                      | 6                              | 15  | 6  | 1,426                             | 3,211                              |
| Clinton Annex              | -                          | -                              | 2   | -  | 540                               | 542                                |
| Coxsackie                  | 634                        | -                              | 39  | -  | 729                               | 1,402                              |
| Eastern                    | 677                        | -                              | 16  | -  | 516                               | 1,209                              |
| Elmira                     | 1,153                      | -                              | 36  | 5  | 1,239                             | 2,433                              |
| Great Meadow               | 1,365                      | -                              | 36  | 10   | 1,303                             | 2,714                              |
| Green Haven                | 1,658                      | 4                              | 337   | 155  | 1,365                             | 3,519                              |
| Ossining Maint. Cadre      | 83                         | -                              | 233   | 122  | 99                                | 537                                |
| Tappan                     | 147                        | -                              | 10  | -  | 330                               | 487                                |
| Wallkill                   | 483                        | 2                              | 4   | -  | 525                               | 1,014                              |
| Bedford Hills (F)          | 360                        | 269                            | 25  | 2  | 27                                | 683                                |
| Reception & Classification | 891                        | 7,161                          | -   | -  | 4,894                             | 12,946                             |
| Attica Recep.-Class.       | 105                        | 672                            | -   | -  | 107                               | 884                                |
| Clinton Recep.-Class.      | 142                        | 231                            | -   | -  | 3,571                             | 3,944                              |
| Elmira Recep.              | 323                        | 1,850                          | -   | -  | 46                                | 2,219                              |
| Green Haven Recep.         | 147                        | 2,579                          | -   | -  | 14                                | 2,740                              |
| Ossining Recep.-Class.     | 174                        | 1,829                          | -   | -  | 1,156                             | 3,159                              |
| Camps                      | 404                        | -                              | 20  | -  | 724                               | 1,148                              |
| Adirondack                 | 86                         | -                              | 1   | -  | 140                               | 227                                |
| Georgetown                 | 90                         | -                              | 3   | -  | 164                               | 257                                |
| Monterey                   | 75                         | -                              | 7   | -  | 137                               | 219                                |
| Pharsalia                  | 66                         | -                              | 7   | -  | 120                               | 193                                |
| Summit                     | 87                         | -                              | 2   | -  | 163                               | 252                                |
| Specialized                | 1,694                      | 27                             | 243   | -  | 4,551                             | 6,515                              |
| ACTEC                      | 263                        | -                              | 3   | -  | 200                               | 466                                |
| Albion                     | 261                        | -                              | 38  | -  | 355                               | 654                                |
| Bayview                    | 104                        | -                              | 101   | -  | 463                               | 668                                |
| Edgecombe                  | 116                        | -                              | 58  | -  | 358                               | 532                                |
| Green Haven I & II         | -                          | -                              | 1   | -  | 106                               | 107                                |
| Green Haven V              | -                          | -                              | -   | -  | 75                                | 75                                 |
| Parkside (F)               | -                          | -                              | 5   | -  | 90                                | 95                                 |
| Rochester                  | 25                         | -                              | 4   | -  | 107                               | 136                                |
| Taconic                    | 142                        | -                              | 8   | -  | 358                               | 508                                |
| Woodbourne                 | -                          | -                              | 2   | -  | 591                               | 593                                |
| Fishkill:                  |                            |                                |   |  |                                   |                                    |
| Beacon                     | 7                          | -                              | -   | -  | -                                 | 7                                  |
| Borderline (Glanham)       | 54                         | -                              | -   | -  | 7                                 | 61                                 |
| Cadre                      | 110                        | -                              | 1   | -  | 15                                | 126                                |
| Diagnostic & Evaluation    | 32                         | -                              | -   | -  | 269                               | 301                                |
| Elderly & Handicapped      | 108                        | 1                              | 2   | -  | 54                                | 165                                |
| General Confinement        | -                          | -                              | 4   | -  | 851                               | 855                                |
| Incentive Program          | -                          | -                              | 1   | -  | 71                                | 72                                 |
| Spec. Treat. Program       | -                          | -                              | -   | -  | 39                                | 39                                 |
| Work Release               | 92                         | -                              | 11  | -  | 151                               | 254                                |
| Female                     | 20                         | -                              | -   | -  | -                                 | 20                                 |
| Matteawan State Hospital   | 360 a/                     | 26                             | 4   | -  | 391                               | 781                                |
| Males                      | (360) a/                   | (24)                           | (4)   | -  | (385)                             | (773)                              |
| Females                    | ( - )                      | ( 2 )                          | -   | -  | ( 6 )                             | ( 8 )                              |

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TABLE 1B  
MOVEMENT OF POPULATION IN THE FACILITIES OF THE  
NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONAL SERVICES  
RELEASES DURING 1975

| Facility and Sex                      | Total<br>Handled<br>During<br>Year | Paroled | Condi-<br>tional<br>Release | Restor. |                        | Other<br>Releases<br>3/ | Trans.<br>to<br>Dept.<br>Inst. | Under<br>Custody<br>12/31/75 |
|---------------------------------------|------------------------------------|---------|-----------------------------|---------|------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------------|------------------------------|
|                                       |                                    |         |                             | Parole  | to<br>Super-<br>vision |                         |                                |                              |
| <b>Total</b>                          | 44,592                             | 4,183   | 1,905 #/                    | 63      |                        | 1,254                   | 21,113                         | 16,074                       |
| Males                                 | 43,786                             | 3,983   | 1,887                       | 62      |                        | 1,219                   | 20,990                         | 15,645                       |
| Females                               | 806                                | 200     | 18                          | 1       |                        | 35                      | 123                            | 429                          |
| <b>General Confinement</b>            | 23,983                             | 3,076   | 1,567                       | 63      |                        | 718                     | 6,526                          | 12,033                       |
| Attica                                | 3,338                              | 249     | 152                         | 24      |                        | 94                      | 976                            | 1,843                        |
| Auburn                                | 2,894                              | 311     | 149                         | 3       |                        | 59                      | 786                            | 1,586                        |
| Clinton                               | 3,211                              | 174     | 183                         | -       |                        | 48                      | 1,305                          | 1,451                        |
| Clinton Annex                         | 542                                | 44      | 30                          | -       |                        | 5                       | 91                             | 372                          |
| Coxsackie                             | 1,402                              | 312     | 73                          | -       |                        | 28                      | 280                            | 709                          |
| Eastern                               | 1,209                              | 232     | 96                          | -       |                        | 39                      | 189                            | 653                          |
| Elmira                                | 2,433                              | 470     | 176                         | -       |                        | 45                      | 571                            | 1,171                        |
| Great Meadow                          | 2,714                              | 234     | 251                         | 1       |                        | 61                      | 712                            | 1,455                        |
| Green Haven                           | 3,519                              | 540     | 349                         | 31      |                        | 268                     | 705                            | 1,626                        |
| Ossining Maint. Cadre                 | 537                                | 31      | 31                          | 1       |                        | 9                       | 344                            | 121                          |
| Tappan                                | 487                                | 109     | 37                          | 1       |                        | 21                      | 162                            | 157                          |
| Wallkill                              | 1,014                              | 216     | 24                          | 1       |                        | 18                      | 262                            | 493                          |
| Bedford Hills (F)                     | 683                                | 154     | 16                          | 1       |                        | 23                      | 93                             | 396                          |
| <b>Reception &amp; Classification</b> | 12,946                             | -       | 9                           | -       |                        | 36                      | 11,726                         | 1,175                        |
| Attica Recep.-Class.                  | 884                                | -       | 1                           | -       |                        | 6                       | 865                            | 12                           |
| Clinton Recep.-Class.                 | 3,944                              | -       | 3                           | -       |                        | 8                       | 3,402                          | 531                          |
| Elmira Recep.                         | 2,219                              | -       | -                           | -       |                        | 6                       | 1,825                          | 388                          |
| Green Haven Recep.                    | 2,740                              | -       | -                           | -       |                        | 5                       | 2,735                          | -                            |
| Ossining Recep.-Class.                | 3,159                              | -       | 5                           | -       |                        | 11                      | 2,899                          | 244                          |
| <b>Camps</b>                          | 1,148                              | 17      | 11                          | -       |                        | 34                      | 647                            | 439                          |
| Adirondack                            | 227                                | 17      | 11                          | -       |                        | 9                       | 103                            | 87                           |
| Georgetown                            | 257                                | -       | -                           | -       |                        | 6                       | 149                            | 102                          |
| Monterey                              | 219                                | -       | -                           | -       |                        | 10                      | 134                            | 75                           |
| Pharsalia                             | 193                                | -       | -                           | -       |                        | 9                       | 111                            | 73                           |
| Summit                                | 252                                | -       | -                           | -       |                        | -                       | 150                            | 102                          |
| <b>Specialized</b>                    | 6,515                              | 1,090   | 318                         | -       |                        | 466                     | 2,214                          | 2,427                        |
| ACTEC                                 | 466                                | 33      | 16                          | -       |                        | 8                       | 409                            | -                            |
| Albion                                | 654                                | 206     | 30                          | -       |                        | 55                      | 110                            | 253                          |
| Bayview                               | 668                                | 245     | 47                          | -       |                        | 125                     | 81                             | 170                          |
| Edgecombe                             | 532                                | 215     | 34                          | -       |                        | 94                      | 29                             | 160                          |
| Green Haven I & II                    | 107                                | 16      | 5                           | -       |                        | 2                       | 17                             | 67                           |
| Green Haven V                         | 75                                 | 4       | 5                           | -       |                        | -                       | 14                             | 52                           |
| Parkside (F)                          | 95                                 | 46      | 2                           | -       |                        | 10                      | 5                              | 32                           |
| Rochester                             | 136                                | 67      | 5                           | -       |                        | 7                       | 19                             | 38                           |
| Taconic                               | 508                                | 64      | 26                          | -       |                        | 13                      | 235                            | 170                          |
| Woodbourne                            | 593                                | -       | -                           | -       |                        | 6                       | 31                             | 556                          |
| Fishkill: Beacon                      | 7                                  | 1       | 1                           | -       |                        | -                       | 5                              | -                            |
| Borderline (Glenham)                  | 61                                 | 6       | 3                           | -       |                        | 1                       | 51                             | -                            |
| Cadre                                 | 126                                | 8       | 5                           | -       |                        | -                       | 113                            | -                            |
| Diag. & Eval.                         | 301                                | -       | 5                           | -       |                        | 1                       | 259                            | 36                           |
| Elderly & Handicapped                 | 165                                | 30      | 15                          | -       |                        | 11                      | 15                             | 94                           |
| General Confinement                   | 855                                | 46      | 34                          | -       |                        | 16                      | 363                            | 396                          |
| Incentive Program                     | 72                                 | 5       | 3                           | -       |                        | 1                       | 63                             | -                            |
| Spec. Treat. Prog.                    | 39                                 | 6       | 3                           | -       |                        | -                       | 11                             | 19                           |
| Work Release                          | 254                                | 92      | 9                           | -       |                        | 20                      | 35                             | 98                           |
| Female                                | 20                                 | -       | -                           | -       |                        | -                       | 20                             | -                            |
| Matteawan State Hosp.                 | 781                                | -       | 70                          | -       |                        | 96                      | 329                            | 286                          |
| Males                                 | (773)                              | (-)     | (70)                        | (-)     |                        | (94)                    | (324)                          | (285)                        |
| Females                               | ( 8)                               | (-)     | ( -)                        | (-)     |                        | ( 2)                    | ( 5)                           | ( 1)                         |

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OF THE NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONAL SERVICES  
DURING THE FIVE YEAR PERIOD 1971 - 1975

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REASON FOR COMMITMENT A comparison of data describing male new commitments by crime of commitment for 1975 with similar data for 1971 reveals that total new commitments increased 43.3 percent, representing a numerical rise of 2,179 over the 1971 figure.

Felony commitments rose 59.2 percent, an increase of 2,490 over the 1971 figure. An analysis of felony commitments indicates increases in most categories. Increases of greater than 59.2 percent occurred in the following felony categories: murder, which rose 120.4 percent; rape commitments, which increased 275.0 percent; and dangerous weapons commitments, which rose 159.6 percent. Other felony increases occurred in commitments for burglary, which rose 106.8 percent and for robbery, which increased 69.3 percent.

Not convicted cases have declined 100.0 percent because such commitments of the insane or mental defectives had been eliminated, effective May 30, 1974. Misdemeanant commitments have been virtually eliminated, declining 87.3 percent, since the repeal of the reformatory sentence, effective July 31, 1974.

Total female new commitments increased 32.2 percent from 1971 to 1975 while female felony commitments increased 82.2 percent in the same period. An analysis of female felony commitments indicates notable increases in the following categories: robbery commitments rose 100.0 percent; felonious assault commitments rose 185.7 percent; and dangerous drug commitments increased 173.7 percent. (See Tables 2 and 6.)

COUNTY OF COMMITMENT A comparison of male new commitments by county of commitment for the calendar year of 1975 with the year 1971 reveals an increase of 54.9 percent in New York City commitments. This represents a numerical rise of 1,752.

While total male new commitments rose 43.3 percent from 1971 to 1975, upstate commitments rose only 23.2 percent. Commitments from upstate counties with a population of at least 150,000 increased 24.2 percent while commitments from upstate counties with a population of less than 150,000 increased 19.8 percent.

Commitments from upstate counties with a population of 150,000 or more which increased more than 43.3 percent from 1971 to 1975 include Albany County commitments, which increased 108.5 percent; Broome County, with a 53.2 percent increase; Dutchess County commitments, which rose 70.7 percent; Schenectady County, with an increase of 66.7 percent; and Westchester County commitments, which rose 110.6 percent. Larger upstate counties with a decrease in commitments include Monroe County, which decreased 5.5 percent and Orange County with a decrease of 7.7 percent.

Female new commitments from New York City increased 54.3 percent from 1971 to 1975 while female upstate new commitments increased only 3.4 percent in the same period. Female commitments from upstate counties of at least 150,000 population increased 17.9 percent while commitments from upstate

counties of less than 150,000 population decreased 40.9 percent. Larger upstate counties with increases in commitments include Albany, Dutchess, and Erie. (See Tables 2 and 6.)

PRIOR ADULT CRIMINAL RECORD The prior adult criminal record of male new commitments for the years 1971 and 1975 indicates a slight increase in the percentage of those admitted who had a previous state or federal incarceration and an increase in the number of commitments with previous local incarcerations. Those committed to our facilities with no previous institutional incarceration has declined from 50.3 percent in 1971 to 45.5 percent in 1975.

Female new commitments show a slight decrease in the percentage of those admitted who had a previous state or federal incarceration and an increase of over 10 percent in the number with previous local incarcerations. But, whereas 54.5 percent of male new commitments in 1975 had previous state, federal, or local incarcerations, only 32.8 percent of female new commitments had previous incarcerations in the same year. Thus, 45.5 percent of males had no previous institutional commitment in 1975 while 66.8 percent of females had not been previously incarcerated. (See Tables 3 and 7.)

MINIMUM-MAXIMUM SENTENCES A comparison of maximum sentences for male new commitments for the year 1971 with 1975 reveals an increase in the assignment of sentences with a maximum of 5 years or more. Of the 5,032 commitments in 1971, 1,535 (30.5 percent) received sentences of 5 years or more; of the 7,211 new commitments in 1975, 3,406 (47.2 percent) received such sentences. Life sentences increased from 92 in 1971 (1.8 percent) to 799 in 1975 (11.1 percent). Much of this increase was caused by the fact that 612 male commitments received life sentences in 1975 for class A drug felonies committed under the new drug law, effective September 1, 1973.

These increases were accompanied by a corresponding decline in the imposition of maximum sentences of less than 5 years. Of the 1971 commitments, 3,497 received sentences of less than 5 years (69.5 percent); of the 1975 commitments, 3,805 received such sentences (52.8 percent). Indefinite sentences declined from 329 cases in 1971 (6.5 percent) to 24 cases in 1975 (0.3 percent) because of the elimination of not-convicted commitments, effective May 30, 1974.

A comparison of male minimum sentences reveals that the assignment of no minimum sentences has declined from 1,224 cases in 1971 (24.3 percent) to 44 cases in 1975 (0.6 percent). This decline was caused for the most part by the repeal of the reformatory sentence, effective for crimes committed on or after July 31, 1974. Indeterminate sentence commitments with the minimum sentence not specified on commitment (to be set by the Parole Board 10 months later) have declined from 69.9 percent in 1971 to 49.6 percent in 1975. This decline was partly due to the recent influx of commitments under the Second Felony Offender Law. Under this law, effective for persons convicted of a felony on September 1, 1973 or later and having previously been convicted of one or more predicate felonies as defined in the law, an indeterminate sentence with a fixed minimum of one-half the maximum is mandatory on commitment. There

were 2,330 male commitments under the Second Felony Offender law in 1975 (32.3 percent of total male commitments). Another factor in the increase of specified minimum terms was the larger number of class A drug felony commitments in 1975, (612) due to harsher penalties under the new drug law. Minimum sentences for all class A felonies must be set by the court on commitment.

These decreases have been accompanied by a corresponding increase in the imposition of sentences with specified minimums, the greatest increase occurring in the 12-29 month group. The assignment of 12-29 month minimums has increased from 68 cases in 1971 (1.4 percent) to 1,953 cases in 1975 (27.1 percent). The proportion of new commitments receiving minimum sentences of 30 months or more has grown from 4.4 percent in 1971 to 22.7 percent in 1975, representing a numerical increase of from 222 to 1,641 cases.

Maximum sentences received by female new commitments also reveal an increase in the assignment of sentences with a maximum of 5 years or more. Of the 205 commitments in 1971, 21.5 percent received sentences of 5 years or more; of the 271 new commitments in 1975, 56.1 percent received such sentences. Life sentences increased from 4 in 1971 (2.0 percent) to 91 in 1975 (33.6 percent). This increase was caused by the fact that 89 female commitments received life sentences in 1975 for class A drug felonies. The increase in maximums of 5 years or more and of life sentences for female new commitments has been much more dramatic than for males.

Such increases were accompanied by a corresponding decline in maximum sentences of less than 5 years. Of the 1971 female commitments, 78.5 percent received such sentences; of the 1975 female commitments, 43.9 percent received sentences of less than 5 years. This again represents a more dramatic decline than for male commitments.

A comparison of female minimum sentences reveals a pattern not unlike that for males. The assignment of no minimum sentence has declined from 60 cases in 1971 (29.2 percent) to only two cases in 1975 (0.7 percent). Indeterminate sentence commitments with the minimum sentence unspecified have declined from 66.8 percent in 1971 to 48.7 percent in 1975. These decreases have also been accompanied by a corresponding increase in the imposition of sentences with specified minimums, the greatest increase occurring in the 12-29 month group. The assignment of 12-29 month minimums has increased dramatically from one case in 1971 (0.5 percent) to 104 cases in 1975 (38.4 percent). The proportion of new commitments receiving minimum sentences of 30 months or more has grown from 3.5 percent to 12.2 percent, a growth not so rapid as that for male new commitments. Female second felony commitments in 1975 amounted to 33 or only 12.2 percent of total commitments. A more important factor in the increase of specified minimum terms was the fact that 89 female commitments for class A drug felonies had received such minimums. (See Tables 3 and 7.)

DANGEROUS DRUG USAGE In comparing male drug users in 1971 and 1975, it is noted that while total male commitments increased 43.3 percent in this period, male drug users increased 84.3 percent. Male drug users as a percent of total male inmates increased from 48.7 percent in 1971 to 62.7 percent in 1975, although the percentage of drug users has leveled off in the past four years. Male drug law violators as a percent of total male inmates has decreased from a high of 13.5 percent in 1971 to 11.5 percent in 1975. The

low was 9.9 percent in 1974. This decrease in commitments of drug law violators in 1974 was partly because of the back-log in the courts of drug cases to be tried under the new, more stringent drug laws, effective for crimes committed on or after September 1, 1973. Commitments of drug law violators in 1975 have been increasing as the backlog has diminished.

While female new commitments increased 32.2 percent, female drug users increased only 30.9 percent from 1971 to 1975. Female drug users as a percent of total female inmates decreased slightly from 47.3 percent in 1971 to 46.9 percent in 1975. Female drug law violators as a percent of total female inmates has increased from 19.5 percent in 1971 to 38.4 percent in 1975. Thus, female drug law violators have increased 160.0 percent from 1971 to 1975 and represent a much higher percentage of total female commitments (38.4 percent) than do male drug law violators of total male commitments (11.5 percent). (See Tables 3 and 7.)

ETHNIC GROUP A comparison by ethnic group of male new commitments in 1971 with data for 1975 indicates that for the total state, white commitments have decreased from 29.7 percent in 1971 to 27.7 percent in 1975. The percentage of black commitments has decreased slightly from 55.8 to 54.4. Conversely, Puerto Rican commitments have risen from 14.1 percent in 1971 to 17.4 percent in 1975.

Male commitments from New York City showed a percentage decrease in black commitments between the two years, which fell from 63.2 percent in 1971 to 59.4 percent in 1975. Puerto Rican commitments increased, however, from 20.6 percent to 23.8 percent during the same period, while white commitments remained relatively stable. Percentages of upstate white commitments declined slightly, while black and Puerto Rican commitments rose slightly.

Female white commitments have decreased from 33.7 percent in 1971 to 26.2 percent in 1975 for the total state, while female black commitments have increased from 54.6 percent to 60.5 percent in the same period. Puerto Rican commitments have increased slightly, from 11.7 percent in 1971 to 13.3 percent in 1975. In New York City, the percentage of white commitments has decreased slightly, while Puerto Rican commitments have increased slightly. The percentage of black commitments has remained relatively stable - 62.9 in 1971 and 62.6 in 1975. Upstate female commitments showed a substantial decline in whites - the percentage falling from 52.8 to 42.4. However, black commitments rose substantially from 43.8 percent in 1971 to 56.5 percent in 1975. (See Tables 4 and 8.)

AGE DISTRIBUTION The age distribution of male new commitments for the total state has remained relatively stable between 1971 and 1975. Commitments of 16 to 20 year olds have held at 25.5 percent for both years, and 21-29 year old commitments have increased slightly - from 46.8 percent in 1971 to 48.2 percent in 1975. Commitments aged 30 or over have decreased from 27.7 to 26.3 percent in the same period. The pattern of male commitments from New York City differs in that 16 to 20 year old commitments have increased from 19.7 percent in 1971 to 23.6 percent in 1975. Conversely, 21 to 29 year old commitments have decreased from 50.6 percent to 48.5 percent. New York City commitments aged 30 or over have decreased from 29.7 to 27.9 percent during the same period, a trend which parallels that for the whole

state and for upstate commitments as well. Upstate male commitments in the 16-20 year age group have decreased from 35.2 percent in 1971 to 29.7 percent in 1975, while 20-29 year olds have increased from 40.3 percent to 47.7 percent in the same period. Upstate commitments in the 30 and over group have decreased from 24.5 percent in 1971 to 22.6 percent in 1975.

The age distribution of female new commitments indicates a sharp decrease in commitments from the 16 to 20 year age group with a corresponding increase in commitments in the 21 to 39 year age group. Commitments of 16 to 20 year olds fell from 32.2 percent in 1971 to 12.6 percent in 1975, and commitments in the 21 to 39 year age group rose from 54.1 percent to 77.9 percent in the same period. Female commitments from New York City have followed the same general trend during this period. Percentages of 16 to 20 year olds have dropped from 25.0 to 11.2, while commitments of 21 to 39 year olds have increased from 62.9 percent to 80.4 percent. The pattern of change in upstate commitments has been similar but more dramatic - 16 to 20 year olds decreasing from 41.6 percent to 15.2 percent and 21 to 39 year olds increasing from 42.7 percent to 72.8 percent in the same period. (See Tables 4, 5, 8, and 9.)

EDUCATION AND OCCUPATION Male new commitments with college or special vocational training beyond high school have increased from 4.2 percent in 1971 to 7.9 percent in 1975, and percentages of high school graduates have increased from 15.5 to 16.5 percent in the same period. Conversely, commitments of males who have not completed high school have declined from 49.3 to 45.8 percent, and commitments with only an elementary education have decreased from 22.1 to 20.6 percent during this period.

Female commitments of high school graduates have increased from 9.3 percent in 1971 to 22.2 percent in 1975.

The occupation on commitment of male new commitments has shown a decrease in the percentage of skilled and semi-skilled occupations, sales and clerical and service categories, with a corresponding increase in the non-skilled occupations such as laborers. Commitments of those in skilled or semi-skilled positions fell from 29.3 percent to 19.0 percent from 1971 to 1975. Commitments of those from the sales and clerical occupation groups decreased from 10.9 to 7.7 percent in the same period and service occupations decreased from 9.4 to 7.9 percent. Conversely, commitments of laborers increased from 39.7 percent to 55.8 percent in the same period.

The occupation on commitment of female new commitments shows a decrease in the percentage of proprietary and supervisory positions and an increase in the percentage of service occupations. Other occupation groups have remained relatively stable. (See Tables 5 and 9.)

TABLE 2  
 CHARACTERISTICS OF NEW COMMITMENTS TO THE FACILITIES OF  
 THE NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONAL SERVICES  
 1971-1975  
 MALES

| Characteristics              | 1971         | 1972         | 1973         | 1974         | 1975         | Percent<br>Change<br>'71-'75 | Percent<br>Distrib. |              |
|------------------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|------------------------------|---------------------|--------------|
|                              |              |              |              |              |              |                              | 1971                | 1975         |
| <u>Reason for Commitment</u> | <u>5,032</u> | <u>5,534</u> | <u>6,357</u> | <u>6,493</u> | <u>7,211</u> | <u>+ 43.3</u>                | <u>100.0</u>        | <u>100.0</u> |
| Felonies                     | 4,207        | 4,940        | 5,705        | 5,977        | 6,697        | + 59.2                       | 83.6                | 92.9         |
| Murder                       | 98           | 115          | 139          | 160          | 216          | + 120.4                      | 1.9                 | 3.0          |
| Homicide (Neg. & Non-Neg.)   | 566          | 517          | 522          | 674          | 581          | + 2.7                        | 11.3                | 8.0          |
| Robbery                      | 1,532        | 1,990        | 2,292        | 2,252        | 2,594        | + 69.3                       | 30.4                | 36.0         |
| Burglary                     | 424          | 543          | 582          | 718          | 877          | + 106.8                      | 8.4                 | 12.2         |
| Felonious Assault            | 265          | 346          | 389          | 435          | 367          | + 38.5                       | 5.3                 | 5.1          |
| Grand Larceny (Not Auto)     | 181          | 183          | 188          | 200          | 192          | + 6.1                        | 3.6                 | 2.7          |
| Grand Larceny (Auto)         | 22           | 7            | 17           | 25           | 17           | - 22.7                       | 0.4                 | 0.2          |
| Rape                         | 52           | 72           | 109          | 167          | 195          | + 275.0                      | 1.0                 | 2.7          |
| Sex Offenses, Ex. Rape       | 69           | 69           | 81           | 104          | 116          | + 68.1                       | 1.4                 | 1.6          |
| Dangerous Drugs              | 652          | 694          | 767          | 643          | 829          | + 27.1                       | 13.0                | 11.5         |
| Forgery                      | 66           | 63           | 64           | 75           | 90           | + 36.4                       | 1.3                 | 1.2          |
| Dangerous Weapons            | 141          | 201          | 340          | 325          | 366          | + 159.6                      | 2.8                 | 5.1          |
| All Other Felonies           | 139          | 140          | 215          | 199          | 257          | + 84.9                       | 2.8                 | 3.6          |
| Misdemeanors & Violators     | 157          | 86           | 116          | 62           | 20           | - 87.3                       | 3.1                 | 0.3          |
| Youthful Offenders           | 351          | 364          | 401          | 411          | 477          | + 35.9                       | 7.0                 | 6.6          |
| Juvenile Delinquents 4/      | 12           | 1            | 7            | 8            | 17           | + 41.7                       | 0.2                 | 0.2          |
| Not Convicted 5/             | 305          | 143          | 128          | 35           | -            | - 100.0                      | 6.1                 | -            |
| <u>County of Commitment</u>  | <u>5,032</u> | <u>5,534</u> | <u>6,357</u> | <u>6,493</u> | <u>7,211</u> | <u>+ 43.3</u>                | <u>100.0</u>        | <u>100.0</u> |
| New York City                | 3,194        | 3,712        | 4,480        | 4,632        | 4,946        | + 54.9                       | 63.5                | 68.6         |
| Upstate                      | 1,838        | 1,822        | 1,877        | 1,861        | 2,265        | + 23.2                       | 36.5                | 31.4         |
| Counties 150,000 & Over      | 1,428        | 1,462        | 1,504        | 1,429        | 1,774        | + 24.2                       | 28.4                | 24.6         |
| Albany                       | 47           | 63           | 70           | 69           | 98           | + 108.5                      | 0.9                 | 1.4          |
| Broome                       | 47           | 45           | 39           | 50           | 72           | + 53.2                       | 0.9                 | 1.0          |
| Dutchess                     | 41           | 51           | 50           | 49           | 70           | + 70.7                       | 0.8                 | 1.0          |
| Erie                         | 189          | 239          | 213          | 208          | 261          | + 38.1                       | 3.8                 | 3.6          |
| Monroe                       | 218          | 164          | 146          | 193          | 206          | - 5.5                        | 4.3                 | 2.9          |
| Nassau                       | 270          | 261          | 261          | 242          | 282          | + 4.4                        | 5.4                 | 3.9          |
| Niagara                      | 31           | 29           | 47           | 26           | 34           | + 9.7                        | 0.6                 | 0.5          |
| Oneida                       | 36           | 38           | 40           | 38           | 52           | + 44.4                       | 0.7                 | 0.7          |
| Onondaga                     | 155          | 150          | 171          | 122          | 167          | + 7.7                        | 3.1                 | 2.3          |
| Orange                       | 78           | 100          | 106          | 69           | 72           | - 7.7                        | 1.5                 | 1.0          |
| Rensselaer                   | 15           | 7            | 9            | 15           | 18           | + 20.0                       | 0.3                 | 0.2          |
| Rockland                     | 40           | 53           | 49           | 39           | 50           | + 25.0                       | 0.8                 | 0.7          |
| Schenectady                  | 18           | 18           | 34           | 23           | 30           | + 66.7                       | 0.4                 | 0.4          |
| Suffolk                      | 139          | 151          | 184          | 160          | 143          | + 2.9                        | 2.8                 | 2.0          |
| Westchester                  | 104          | 93           | 85           | 126          | 219          | + 110.6                      | 2.1                 | 3.0          |
| Counties Under 150,000       | 410          | 360          | 373          | 432          | 491          | + 19.8                       | 8.1                 | 6.8          |

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TABLE 3

CHARACTERISTICS OF NEW COMMITMENTS TO THE FACILITIES OF  
THE NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONAL SERVICES  
1971-1975  
MALES

| Characteristics                 | 1971  | 1972  | 1973  | 1974  | 1975  | Percent<br>Change<br>'71-'75 | Percent<br>Distrib. |       |
|---------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------------------------------|---------------------|-------|
|                                 |       |       |       |       |       |                              | 1971                | 1975  |
| <u>Prior Adult Crim. Record</u> | 5,032 | 5,534 | 6,357 | 6,493 | 7,211 | + 43.3                       | 100.0               | 100.0 |
| State or Fed. Commitment        | 1,329 | 1,400 | 1,688 | 1,839 | 1,968 | + 48.1                       | 26.4                | 27.3  |
| Local Commitment Only           | 1,165 | 1,528 | 1,838 | 1,794 | 1,963 | + 68.5                       | 23.2                | 27.2  |
| No Institutional Commitment     | 2,533 | 2,606 | 2,828 | 2,851 | 3,277 | + 29.4                       | 50.3                | 45.5  |
| Not Stated                      | 5     | -     | 3     | 9     | 3     | - 40.0                       | 0.1                 | b/    |
| <u>Maximum Sentence</u>         | 5,032 | 5,534 | 6,357 | 6,493 | 7,211 | + 43.3                       | 100.0               | 100.0 |
| Indefinite 6/                   | 329   | 164   | 168   | 51    | 24    | - 92.7                       | 6.5                 | 0.3   |
| Less Than 3 Years               | 9     | 2     | -     | 1     | 3     | - 66.7                       | 0.2                 | b/    |
| 3 Years                         | 1,380 | 1,739 | 1,744 | 1,605 | 2,092 | + 51.6                       | 27.4                | 29.1  |
| 37-47 Months                    | 19    | 7     | 12    | 8     | 7     | - 63.2                       | 0.4                 | 0.1   |
| 4 Years                         | 1,757 | 1,868 | 1,912 | 1,886 | 1,674 | - 4.7                        | 34.9                | 23.2  |
| 49-59 Months                    | 3     | 7     | 5     | 3     | 5     | + 66.7                       | 0.1                 | 0.1   |
| 5 Years                         | 436   | 563   | 675   | 572   | 549   | + 25.9                       | 8.7                 | 7.6   |
| 51-120 Months                   | 730   | 728   | 1,209 | 1,363 | 1,433 | + 96.3                       | 14.5                | 19.9  |
| 121-239 Months                  | 201   | 264   | 362   | 434   | 428   | + 112.9                      | 4.0                 | 5.9   |
| 20 Years or More                | 75    | 89    | 149   | 188   | 196   | + 161.3                      | 1.5                 | 2.7   |
| Life or Death                   | 93    | 103   | 121   | 382   | 800   | + 760.2                      | 1.8                 | 11.1  |
| <u>Minimum Sentence</u>         | 5,032 | 5,534 | 6,357 | 6,493 | 7,211 | + 43.3                       | 100.0               | 100.0 |
| No Minimum 7/                   | 1,224 | 1,029 | 1,007 | 729   | 44    | - 96.4                       | 24.3                | 0.6   |
| 12-29 Months                    | 68    | 71    | 134   | 1,182 | 1,953 | +2772.1                      | 1.4                 | 27.1  |
| 30 Months                       | 12    | 4     | 7     | 80    | 121   | + 908.3                      | 0.2                 | 1.7   |
| 31-59 Months                    | 45    | 48    | 114   | 446   | 701   | +1457.8                      | 0.9                 | 9.7   |
| 60-119 Months                   | 64    | 92    | 156   | 427   | 539   | + 742.2                      | 1.3                 | 7.5   |
| 120-239 Months                  | 40    | 38    | 58    | 113   | 169   | + 322.5                      | 0.8                 | 2.3   |
| 20 or More Years                | 57    | 67    | 66    | 69    | 109   | + 91.2                       | 1.1                 | 1.5   |
| Life or Death                   | 4     | 3     | -     | 1     | 2     | - 50.0                       | 0.1                 | b/    |
| Unspecified Minimum             | 3,518 | 4,182 | 4,815 | 3,446 | 3,573 | + 1.6                        | 69.9                | 49.6  |
| <u>Dangerous Drug Status</u>    | 5,032 | 5,534 | 6,357 | 6,493 | 7,211 | + 43.3                       | -                   | -     |
| Drug Users                      | 2,451 | 3,396 | 3,971 | 3,939 | 4,518 | + 84.3                       | -                   | -     |
| Percent of Tot. Inmates         | 48.7  | 61.4  | 62.5  | 60.7  | 62.7  | -                            | -                   | -     |
| Drug Law Violators              | 680   | 708   | 771   | 643   | 830   | + 22.1                       | -                   | -     |
| Percent of Tot. Inmates         | 13.5  | 12.8  | 12.1  | 9.9   | 11.5  | -                            | -                   | -     |
| Both Drug User & Drug Law Viol. | 499   | 547   | 592   | 450   | 618   | + 23.8                       | -                   | -     |
| Percent of Tot. Drug Users      | 20.4  | 16.1  | 14.9  | 11.4  | 13.7  | -                            | -                   | -     |
| Percent of Tot. Drug Law Viol.  | 73.4  | 77.3  | 76.8  | 70.0  | 74.5  | -                            | -                   | -     |

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TABLE 4  
 CHARACTERISTICS OF NEW COMMITMENTS TO THE FACILITIES OF  
 THE NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONAL SERVICES  
 1971-1975  
 MALES

| Characteristics                     | 1971  | 1972  | 1973  | 1974  | 1975  | Percent<br>Change<br>'71-'75 | Percent<br>Distrib. |       |
|-------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------------------------------|---------------------|-------|
|                                     |       |       |       |       |       |                              | 1971                | 1975  |
| <u>Ethnic Group - Total State</u>   | 5,032 | 5,534 | 6,357 | 6,493 | 7,211 | + 43.3                       | 100.0               | 100.0 |
| White                               | 1,495 | 1,450 | 1,660 | 1,716 | 1,997 | + 33.6                       | 29.7                | 27.7  |
| Black                               | 3,809 | 3,256 | 3,623 | 3,587 | 3,927 | + 39.8                       | 55.8                | 54.4  |
| Puerto Rican <u>S/</u>              | 710   | 813   | 1,042 | 1,164 | 1,253 | + 76.5                       | 14.1                | 17.4  |
| Others                              | 18    | 15    | 32    | 26    | 34    | + 88.9                       | 0.4                 | 0.5   |
| <u>Ethnic Group - New York City</u> | 3,194 | 3,712 | 4,480 | 4,632 | 4,946 | + 54.9                       | 100.0               | 100.0 |
| White                               | 514   | 517   | 711   | 720   | 815   | + 58.6                       | 16.1                | 16.5  |
| Black                               | 2,019 | 2,434 | 2,772 | 2,804 | 2,937 | + 45.5                       | 63.2                | 59.4  |
| Puerto Rican <u>S/</u>              | 659   | 757   | 982   | 1,098 | 1,177 | + 78.6                       | 20.6                | 23.8  |
| Others                              | 2     | 4     | 15    | 10    | 17    | + 750.0                      | 0.1                 | 0.3   |
| <u>Ethnic Group - Upstate</u>       | 1,838 | 1,822 | 1,877 | 1,861 | 2,265 | + 23.2                       | 100.0               | 100.0 |
| White                               | 981   | 933   | 949   | 996   | 1,182 | + 20.5                       | 53.4                | 52.2  |
| Black                               | 790   | 822   | 851   | 783   | 990   | + 25.3                       | 43.0                | 43.7  |
| Puerto Rican <u>S/</u>              | 51    | 56    | 60    | 66    | 76    | + 49.0                       | 2.8                 | 3.4   |
| Others                              | 16    | 11    | 17    | 16    | 17    | + 6.3                        | 0.8                 | 0.7   |
| <u>Age - New York State</u>         | 5,032 | 5,534 | 6,357 | 6,493 | 7,211 | + 42.3                       | 100.0               | 100.0 |
| 16-18 Years                         | 647   | 697   | 749   | 856   | 945   | + 46.1                       | 12.9                | 13.1  |
| 19-20                               | 632   | 728   | 811   | 813   | 896   | + 41.8                       | 12.6                | 12.4  |
| 21-29                               | 2,356 | 2,619 | 3,053 | 3,003 | 3,478 | + 47.6                       | 46.8                | 48.2  |
| 30-39                               | 943   | 988   | 1,205 | 1,260 | 1,341 | + 42.2                       | 18.7                | 18.6  |
| 40-49                               | 328   | 382   | 401   | 409   | 421   | + 28.4                       | 6.5                 | 5.9   |
| 50 Years and Over                   | 126   | 120   | 138   | 152   | 130   | + 3.2                        | 2.5                 | 1.8   |
| <u>Age - New York City</u>          | 3,194 | 3,712 | 4,480 | 4,632 | 4,946 | + 54.9                       | 100.0               | 100.0 |
| 16-18 Years                         | 266   | 321   | 363   | 518   | 568   | + 113.5                      | 8.3                 | 11.5  |
| 19-20                               | 365   | 461   | 525   | 546   | 600   | + 64.4                       | 11.4                | 12.1  |
| 21-29                               | 1,615 | 1,873 | 2,266 | 2,165 | 2,397 | + 48.4                       | 50.6                | 48.5  |
| 30-39                               | 648   | 701   | 929   | 986   | 1,000 | + 54.3                       | 20.3                | 20.2  |
| 40-49                               | 220   | 271   | 307   | 305   | 295   | + 34.1                       | 6.9                 | 6.0   |
| 50 Years and Over                   | 80    | 85    | 90    | 112   | 86    | + 7.5                        | 2.5                 | 1.7   |

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TABLE 5  
 CHARACTERISTICS OF NEW COMMITMENTS TO THE FACILITIES OF  
 THE NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONAL SERVICES  
 1971-1975  
 MALES

| Characteristics                 | 1971  | 1972  | 1973  | 1974  | 1975  | Percent<br>Change<br>'71-'75 | Percent<br>Distrib. |       |
|---------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------------------------------|---------------------|-------|
|                                 |       |       |       |       |       |                              | 1971                | 1975  |
| <u>Age - Unstate</u>            | 1,938 | 1,822 | 1,877 | 1,861 | 2,265 | + 23.2                       | 100.0               | 100.0 |
| 16-18 Years                     | 381   | 376   | 386   | 338   | 377   | - 1.0                        | 20.7                | 16.6  |
| 19-20                           | 267   | 267   | 286   | 267   | 296   | + 10.9                       | 14.5                | 13.1  |
| 21-29                           | 741   | 746   | 787   | 838   | 1,081 | + 45.9                       | 40.3                | 47.7  |
| 30-39                           | 295   | 287   | 276   | 274   | 341   | + 15.6                       | 16.1                | 15.1  |
| 40-49                           | 108   | 111   | 94    | 104   | 126   | + 16.7                       | 5.9                 | 5.6   |
| 50 Years and Over               | 46    | 35    | 48    | 40    | 44    | - 4.3                        | 2.5                 | 1.9   |
| <u>Education on Commitment</u>  | 5,032 | 5,534 | 6,357 | 6,493 | 7,211 | + 43.3                       | 100.0               | 100.0 |
| College or Spec. Voc.           | 213   | 258   | 302   | 344   | 572   | + 168.5                      | 4.2                 | 7.9   |
| High School Grad.               | 780   | 962   | 996   | 848   | 1,189 | + 52.4                       | 15.5                | 16.5  |
| High School Non-Grad.           | 2,479 | 2,869 | 3,219 | 2,871 | 3,305 | + 33.3                       | 49.3                | 45.8  |
| Elementary Only                 | 1,113 | 1,158 | 1,294 | 1,410 | 1,485 | + 33.4                       | 22.1                | 20.6  |
| Special Classes                 | 54    | 66    | 66    | 82    | 106   | + 96.3                       | 1.1                 | 1.5   |
| Never in School                 | 65    | 51    | 38    | 10    | 18    | - 72.3                       | 1.3                 | 0.3   |
| Not Stated                      | 328   | 170   | 442   | 928   | 536   | + 63.4                       | 6.5                 | 7.4   |
| <u>Occupation on Commitment</u> | 5,032 | 5,534 | 6,357 | 6,493 | 7,211 | + 43.3                       | 100.0               | 100.0 |
| Proprietary, Superv., etc.      | 241   | 324   | 304   | 236   | 293   | + 21.6                       | 4.8                 | 4.1   |
| Skilled and Semi-Skilled        | 1,472 | 1,450 | 1,385 | 1,097 | 1,372 | - 6.8                        | 29.3                | 19.0  |
| Sales and Clerical              | 548   | 601   | 593   | 349   | 557   | + 1.6                        | 10.9                | 7.7   |
| Service                         | 472   | 567   | 590   | 446   | 566   | + 19.9                       | 9.4                 | 7.9   |
| Laborers                        | 2,000 | 2,185 | 2,427 | 4,025 | 4,025 | + 101.3                      | 39.7                | 55.8  |
| No Occupation or Not Stated     | 299   | 407   | 1,058 | 340   | 398   | + 33.1                       | 5.9                 | 5.5   |

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TABLE 6  
 CHARACTERISTICS OF NEW COMMITMENTS TO THE FACILITIES OF  
 THE NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONAL SERVICES  
 1971-1975  
 FEMALES

| Characteristics              | 1971 | 1972 | 1973 | 1974 | 1975 | Percent<br>Change<br>'71-'75 | Percent<br>Distrib. |       |
|------------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------------------------------|---------------------|-------|
|                              |      |      |      |      |      |                              | 1971                | 1975  |
| <u>Reason for Commitment</u> | 205  | 232  | 229  | 235  | 271  | + 32.2                       | 100.0               | 100.0 |
| <u>Felonies</u>              | 146  | 210  | 202  | 222  | 266  | + 82.2                       | 71.2                | 98.2  |
| Murder                       | 3    | 1    | 2    | 2    | 3    | 0.0                          | 1.5                 | 1.1   |
| Homicide (Neg. & Non-Neg.)   | 36   | 52   | 39   | 69   | 46   | + 27.8                       | 17.6                | 17.0  |
| Robbery                      | 21   | 42   | 41   | 30   | 42   | + 100.0                      | 10.2                | 15.5  |
| Burglary                     | 7    | 7    | 3    | 5    | 5    | - 28.6                       | 3.4                 | 1.8   |
| Felonious Assault            | 7    | 13   | 18   | 14   | 20   | + 185.7                      | 3.4                 | 7.4   |
| Grand Larceny (Not Auto)     | 18   | 19   | 12   | 11   | 25   | + 38.9                       | 8.8                 | 9.2   |
| Grand Larceny (Auto)         | -    | -    | 1    | -    | -    | -                            | -                   | -     |
| Rape                         | -    | -    | 1    | 1    | -    | -                            | -                   | -     |
| Sex Offenses, Ex. Rape       | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    | -                            | -                   | -     |
| Dangerous Drugs              | 38   | 57   | 67   | 70   | 104  | + 173.7                      | 18.5                | 38.4  |
| Forgery                      | 7    | 5    | 7    | 6    | 8    | + 14.3                       | 3.4                 | 3.0   |
| Dangerous Weapons            | 3    | 3    | 5    | 6    | 3    | 0.0                          | 1.5                 | 1.1   |
| All Other Felonies           | 6    | 11   | 6    | 8    | 10   | + 66.7                       | 2.9                 | 3.7   |
| Misdemeanors & Violations    | 12   | 2    | 3    | 3    | -    | - 100.0                      | 5.9                 | -     |
| Youthful Offenders           | 22   | 9    | 9    | 5    | 5    | - 77.3                       | 10.7                | 1.8   |
| Juvenile Delinquents 4/      | 4    | -    | 1    | 1    | -    | - 100.0                      | 2.0                 | -     |
| Not Convicted 5/             | 21   | 11   | 14   | 4    | -    | - 100.0                      | 10.2                | -     |
| <u>County of Commitment</u>  | 205  | 232  | 229  | 235  | 271  | + 32.2                       | 100.0               | 100.0 |
| New York City                | 116  | 161  | 149  | 145  | 179  | + 54.3                       | 56.6                | 66.1  |
| Upstate                      | 89   | 71   | 80   | 90   | 92   | + 3.4                        | 43.4                | 33.9  |
| Counties 150,000 & Over      | 67   | 57   | 71   | 76   | 79   | + 17.9                       | 32.7                | 29.1  |
| Albany                       | 1    | 3    | 3    | 5    | 8    | + 700.0                      | 0.5                 | 3.0   |
| Broome                       | 1    | 3    | 2    | 2    | 1    | 0.0                          | 0.5                 | 0.4   |
| Dutchess                     | 3    | 1    | 4    | 3    | 7    | + 133.3                      | 1.4                 | 2.6   |
| Erie                         | 4    | 8    | 3    | 13   | 10   | + 150.0                      | 2.0                 | 3.7   |
| Mcrae                        | 19   | 6    | 9    | 11   | 10   | - 47.4                       | 9.3                 | 3.7   |
| Nassau                       | 10   | 7    | 15   | 8    | 10   | 0.0                          | 4.9                 | 3.7   |
| Niagara                      | 2    | 1    | 2    | 2    | 2    | 0.0                          | 1.0                 | 0.7   |
| Oneida                       | 1    | 2    | 3    | 2    | 2    | + 100.0                      | 0.5                 | 0.7   |
| Cnondaga                     | 9    | 12   | 14   | 8    | 13   | + 44.4                       | 4.4                 | 4.8   |
| Orange                       | 3    | -    | 3    | 2    | 2    | - 33.3                       | 1.4                 | 0.7   |
| Rensselaer                   | -    | -    | -    | 1    | 2    | 0.0                          | -                   | 0.7   |
| Rockland                     | -    | 4    | 3    | 4    | 4    | 0.0                          | -                   | 1.5   |
| Schenectady                  | -    | -    | 1    | 2    | 2    | 0.0                          | -                   | 0.7   |
| Suffolk                      | 11   | 5    | 6    | 6    | 4    | - 53.6                       | 5.4                 | 1.5   |
| Westchester                  | 3    | 5    | 3    | 7    | 2    | - 33.3                       | 1.4                 | 0.7   |
| Counties Under 150,000       | 22   | 14   | 9    | 14   | 13   | - 40.9                       | 10.7                | 4.8   |

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TABLE 7  
 CHARACTERISTICS OF NEW COMMITMENTS TO THE FACILITIES OF  
 THE NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONAL SERVICES  
 1971-1975  
 FEMALES

| Characteristics                 | 1971 | 1972 | 1973 | 1974 | 1975 | Percent<br>Change<br>'71-'75 | Percent<br>Distrib. |       |       |
|---------------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------------------------------|---------------------|-------|-------|
|                                 |      |      |      |      |      |                              | 1971                | 1975  |       |
| <u>Prior Adult Crim. Record</u> | 205  | 232  | 229  | 235  | 271  | +                            | 32.2                | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| State or Fed. Commitment        | 24   | 34   | 19   | 23   | 23   | +                            | 16.7                | 11.7  | 10.3  |
| Local Commitment Only           | 25   | 45   | 41   | 48   | 61   | +                            | 144.0               | 12.2  | 22.5  |
| No Institutional Commitment     | 156  | 153  | 166  | 164  | 181  | +                            | 16.0                | 76.1  | 66.8  |
| Not Stated                      | -    | -    | 3    | -    | 1    | c/                           | -                   | -     | 0.4   |
| <u>Maximum Sentence</u>         | 205  | 232  | 229  | 235  | 271  | +                            | 32.2                | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Indefinite 6/                   | 22   | 12   | 14   | 5    | 2    | -                            | 90.9                | 10.7  | 0.7   |
| Less Than 3 Years               | 1    | -    | -    | -    | -    | -                            | 100.0               | 0.5   | -     |
| 3 Years                         | 56   | 88   | 81   | 63   | 75   | +                            | 33.9                | 27.3  | 27.7  |
| 37-47 Months                    | 1    | -    | -    | -    | -    | -                            | 100.0               | 0.5   | -     |
| 4 Years                         | 80   | 56   | 62   | 53   | 41   | -                            | 48.8                | 39.0  | 15.1  |
| 49-59 Months                    | 1    | -    | -    | -    | 1    | -                            | 0.0                 | 0.5   | 0.4   |
| 5 Years                         | 9    | 27   | 26   | 29   | 21   | +                            | 133.3               | 4.4   | 7.8   |
| 61-120 Months                   | 24   | 27   | 27   | 36   | 31   | +                            | 29.2                | 11.7  | 11.4  |
| 121-239 Months                  | 6    | 15   | 12   | 11   | 6    | -                            | 0.0                 | 2.9   | 2.2   |
| 20 Years or More                | 1    | 4    | 2    | 3    | 3    | +                            | 200.0               | 0.5   | 1.1   |
| Life or Death                   | 4    | 3    | 5    | 35   | 91   | +                            | 2,175.0             | 2.0   | 33.6  |
| <u>Minimum Sentence</u>         | 205  | 232  | 229  | 235  | 271  | +                            | 32.2                | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| No Minimum 7/                   | 60   | 25   | 30   | 16   | 2    | -                            | 96.7                | 29.2  | 0.7   |
| 12-29 Months                    | 1    | 1    | 5    | 38   | 104  | +                            | 10,300.0            | 0.5   | 38.4  |
| 30 Months                       | -    | -    | -    | 2    | 3    | c/                           | -                   | -     | 1.1   |
| 31-59 Months                    | 1    | 1    | 3    | 8    | 12   | +                            | 1,100.0             | 0.5   | 4.4   |
| 60-119 Months                   | 2    | 4    | 2    | 7    | 15   | +                            | 650.0               | 1.0   | 5.6   |
| 120-239 Months                  | 2    | 2    | 4    | 1    | 2    | -                            | 0.0                 | 1.0   | 0.7   |
| 20 or More Years                | 1    | 1    | 1    | 2    | -    | -                            | 100.0               | 0.5   | -     |
| Life or Death                   | 1    | -    | -    | -    | 1    | -                            | 0.0                 | 0.5   | 0.4   |
| Unspecified Minimum             | 137  | 196  | 184  | 161  | 132  | -                            | 3.6                 | 66.8  | 48.7  |
| <u>Dangerous Drug Status</u>    | 205  | 232  | 229  | 235  | 271  | +                            | 32.2                | -     | -     |
| Drug Users                      | 97   | 102  | 118  | 126  | 127  | +                            | 30.9                | -     | -     |
| Percent of Tot. Inmates         | 47.3 | 44.0 | 51.8 | 53.6 | 46.9 | -                            | -                   | -     | -     |
| Drug Law Violators              | 40   | 57   | 67   | 70   | 104  | +                            | 160.0               | -     | -     |
| Percent of Tot. Inmates         | 19.5 | 24.6 | 29.4 | 29.8 | 38.4 | -                            | -                   | -     | -     |
| Both Drug User & Drug Law Viol. | 26   | 30   | 46   | 52   | 62   | +                            | 138.5               | -     | -     |
| Percent of Tot. Drug Users      | 26.8 | 29.4 | 39.0 | 41.3 | 48.8 | -                            | -                   | -     | -     |
| Percent of Tot. Drug Law Viol.  | 65.0 | 52.6 | 68.7 | 74.3 | 59.6 | -                            | -                   | -     | -     |

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TABLE 8  
 CHARACTERISTICS OF NEW COMMITMENTS TO THE FACILITIES OF  
 THE NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONAL SERVICES  
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| Characteristics                     | 1971 | 1972 | 1973 | 1974 | 1975 | Percent<br>Change<br>'71-'75 | Percent<br>Distrib. |       |
|-------------------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------------------------------|---------------------|-------|
|                                     |      |      |      |      |      |                              | 1971                | 1975  |
| <u>Ethnic Group - Total State</u>   | 205  | 232  | 229  | 235  | 271  | + 32.2                       | 100.0               | 100.0 |
| White                               | 69   | 49   | 39   | 48   | 71   | + 2.9                        | 33.7                | 26.2  |
| Black                               | 112  | 158  | 157  | 156  | 164  | + 46.4                       | 54.6                | 60.5  |
| Puerto Rican 8/                     | 24   | 25   | 32   | 30   | 36   | + 50.0                       | 11.7                | 13.3  |
| Others                              | -    | -    | 1    | 1    | -    | -                            | -                   | -     |
| <u>Ethnic Group - New York City</u> | 116  | 161  | 149  | 145  | 179  | + 54.3                       | 100.0               | 100.0 |
| White                               | 22   | 17   | 8    | 17   | 32   | + 45.5                       | 19.0                | 17.9  |
| Black                               | 73   | 121  | 109  | 99   | 112  | + 53.4                       | 62.9                | 62.6  |
| Puerto Rican 8/                     | 21   | 23   | 32   | 29   | 35   | + 66.7                       | 18.1                | 19.5  |
| Others                              | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    | -                            | -                   | -     |
| <u>Ethnic Group - Upstate</u>       | 89   | 71   | 80   | 90   | 92   | + 3.4                        | 100.0               | 100.0 |
| White                               | 47   | 32   | 31   | 31   | 39   | - 17.0                       | 52.8                | 42.4  |
| Black                               | 39   | 37   | 48   | 57   | 52   | + 33.3                       | 43.8                | 56.5  |
| Puerto Rican 8/                     | 3    | 2    | -    | 1    | 1    | - 66.7                       | 3.4                 | 1.1   |
| Others                              | -    | -    | 1    | 1    | -    | -                            | -                   | -     |
| <u>Age - New York State</u>         | 205  | 232  | 229  | 235  | 271  | + 32.2                       | 100.0               | 100.0 |
| 16-18 Years                         | 38   | 15   | 14   | 15   | 14   | - 63.2                       | 18.5                | 5.2   |
| 19-20                               | 28   | 21   | 24   | 23   | 20   | - 28.6                       | 13.7                | 7.4   |
| 21-29                               | 78   | 97   | 108  | 118  | 143  | + 83.3                       | 38.0                | 52.8  |
| 30-39                               | 33   | 66   | 54   | 54   | 68   | + 106.1                      | 16.1                | 25.1  |
| 40-49                               | 20   | 27   | 20   | 15   | 21   | + 5.0                        | 9.8                 | 7.7   |
| 50 Years and Over                   | 8    | 6    | 9    | 10   | 5    | - 37.5                       | 3.9                 | 1.8   |
| <u>Age - New York City</u>          | 116  | 161  | 149  | 145  | 179  | + 54.3                       | 100.0               | 100.0 |
| 16-18 Years                         | 15   | 6    | 8    | 8    | 10   | - 33.3                       | 12.9                | 5.6   |
| 19-20                               | 14   | 13   | 13   | 13   | 10   | - 28.6                       | 12.1                | 5.6   |
| 21-29                               | 52   | 71   | 67   | 72   | 99   | + 90.4                       | 44.8                | 55.3  |
| 30-39                               | 21   | 45   | 39   | 39   | 45   | + 114.3                      | 18.1                | 25.1  |
| 40-49                               | 12   | 21   | 17   | 9    | 10   | - 16.7                       | 10.4                | 5.6   |
| 50 Years and Over                   | 2    | 5    | 5    | 4    | 5    | + 150.0                      | 1.7                 | 2.8   |

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TABLE 9  
 CHARACTERISTICS OF NEW COMMITMENTS TO THE FACILITIES OF  
 THE NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONAL SERVICES  
 1971-1975  
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| Characteristics                 | 1971 | 1972 | 1973 | 1974 | 1975 | Percent<br>Change<br>'71-'75 | Percent<br>Distrib. |       |
|---------------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------------------------------|---------------------|-------|
|                                 |      |      |      |      |      |                              | 1971                | 1975  |
| <u>Age - Upstate</u>            | 89   | 71   | 80   | 90   | 92   | + 3.4                        | 100.0               | 100.0 |
| 16-18 Years                     | 23   | 9    | 6    | 7    | 4    | - 82.6                       | 25.9                | 4.3   |
| 19-20                           | 14   | 8    | 11   | 10   | 10   | - 28.6                       | 15.7                | 10.9  |
| 21-29                           | 26   | 26   | 41   | 46   | 44   | + 69.2                       | 29.2                | 47.8  |
| 30-39                           | 12   | 21   | 15   | 15   | 23   | + 91.7                       | 13.5                | 25.0  |
| 40-49                           | 8    | 6    | 3    | 6    | 11   | + 37.5                       | 9.0                 | 12.0  |
| 50 Years & Over                 | 6    | 1    | 4    | 6    | -    | - 100.0                      | 6.7                 | -     |
| <u>Education on Commitment</u>  | 205  | 232  | 229  | 235  | 271  | + 32.2                       | 100.0               | 100.0 |
| College or Spec. Voc.           | 13   | 12   | 15   | 27   | 15   | + 15.4                       | 6.3                 | 5.5   |
| High School Graduate            | 19   | 45   | 32   | 30   | 60   | + 215.8                      | 9.3                 | 22.2  |
| High School Non-Grad.           | 115  | 113  | 123  | 134  | 154  | + 33.9                       | 56.1                | 56.8  |
| Elementary Only                 | 29   | 47   | 38   | 37   | 37   | + 27.6                       | 14.1                | 13.7  |
| Special Classes                 | 1    | -    | 1    | 2    | -    | - 100.0                      | 0.5                 | -     |
| Never to School                 | 3    | 1    | 5    | -    | 2    | - 33.3                       | 1.5                 | 0.7   |
| Not Stated                      | 25   | 14   | 15   | 5    | 3    | - 88.0                       | 12.2                | 1.1   |
| <u>Occupation on Commitment</u> | 205  | 232  | 229  | 235  | 271  | + 32.2                       | 100.0               | 100.0 |
| Proprietary, Superv., Etc.      | 9    | 5    | 5    | 10   | 4    | - 55.6                       | 4.4                 | 1.5   |
| Skilled and Semi-Skilled        | 18   | 17   | 14   | 20   | 22   | + 22.2                       | 8.8                 | 8.1   |
| Sales and Clerical              | 39   | 43   | 35   | 55   | 51   | + 30.8                       | 19.0                | 18.8  |
| Service                         | 33   | 55   | 48   | 60   | 53   | + 60.6                       | 16.1                | 19.6  |
| Laborers                        | 2    | 1    | 6    | 7    | 6    | + 200.0                      | 1.0                 | 2.2   |
| No Occupation or Not Stated     | 104  | 111  | 121  | 83   | 135  | + 29.8                       | 50.7                | 49.8  |

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CHARACTERISTICS OF NEW COMMITMENTS TO THE FACILITIES  
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AS DISTRIBUTED BY AGE

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REASON FOR COMMITMENT BY AGE GROUP Male felony commitments by age on commitment indicate that the largest number of felony commitments (3,468) falls in the 21-29 year age group or 51.8 percent of total felony commitments. This age group accounts for 57.7 percent of robbery commitments and 52.1 percent of dangerous drug commitments but only 46.4 percent of dangerous weapons commitments and 39.6 percent of homicide commitments. Felony commitments in the 16-20 year age group average 20.0 percent. Felony robbery commitments in the 16-20 year age group account for 26.8 percent of total robbery commitments while this age group accounts for 19.4 percent of felony homicide commitments. Only 9.9 percent of total felony dangerous drug commitments and 7.4 percent of felony dangerous weapons commitments fall in the 16-20 year age group. While 20.0 percent of all felony commitments are in the 30-39 year age group, 28.2 percent of dangerous drug commitments fall in this age group and 32.8 percent of dangerous weapons commitments. But only 12.8 percent of felony robbery commitments fall in the 30-39 year age group. Thus, age distribution patterns by felony vary, with dangerous drug and dangerous weapons crimes tending toward the higher age groups and the reverse true for robbery.

As shown in the table and mandated by law, Youthful Offender Commitments fall in the 16-20 year age group and Juvenile Delinquents in the 16-18 year age group.

Over half (53.8 percent) of female felony commitments by age on commitment fell in the 21 to 29 year age group while only 10.9 percent were 16 to 20 years old. Age distributions for the two top female felonies - dangerous drugs and homicide, differ markedly from that of the felony group as a whole. Nearly 24 percent of homicide commitments fell in the 16 to 20 year age group while only 45.7 percent were from 21 to 29 years of age. Conversely, only 4.8 percent of female dangerous drug commitments were 16 to 20 years of age, but nearly 59 percent of these commitments were in the 21 to 29 year age group. This pattern parallels that for male commitments.

COUNTY OF COMMITMENT BY AGE GROUP Male commitments by county of commitment and age group show a somewhat diverse pattern. While 2,397 or 48.5 percent of New York City commitments fell in the 21-29 year age group, 47.7 percent of upstate new commitments were in this age group. Commitments from the 16-20 year age group varied as follows: 1,168 or 23.6 percent of New York City commitments fell in this age group while 29.7 percent of upstate commitments were from 16-20 years of age. 20.2 percent of New York City commitments were from 30-39 years of age while only 15.1 percent of upstate commitments were this age. Thus, the age distribution of New York City commitments appears to be generally higher than that of upstate commitments.

The age distribution patterns of commitments from the larger upstate counties appear to follow the upstate pattern in some cases but not in others. Erie and Monroe Counties show 45.6 percent and 43.2 percent of commitments in the 21-29 year age group while 28.4 percent and 35.9 percent, respectively, were 16-20 years old on commitment. Only 14.6 percent and 15.0 percent of commitments from Erie and Monroe Counties fell in the 30-39 year age group. Other downstate counties such as Nassau and Westchester showed age distribution patterns similar to that of New York City commitment. 55.7 percent of Nassau commitments were 21-29 years of age, while 16.3 percent were 16-20 years

old and 20.6 percent were in the 30-39 year old group. Westchester County commitments were distributed as follows: 11.0 percent in the 16 to 20 year age group, 62.6 percent in the 21 to 29 year age group and 19.6 percent in the 30 to 39 year group. Age distribution patterns from other enumerated upstate counties have fluctuated because of the small number of commitments.

Female commitments by county of commitment and age group also show a greater tendency for New York City commitments to come from the higher age groups. 15.2 percent of upstate commitments were under 21 while only 11.2 percent of New York City commitments were in the 16-20 year age group.

PRIOR ADULT CRIMINAL RECORD BY AGE GROUP Male commitments by prior adult criminal record and age group show a higher percentage of commitments with no previous institutional commitment in the lower age groups. 41.7 percent of male commitments with no previous institutional commitment are in the 16-20 year age group, 42.1 percent are 21-29 years of age, and only 11.4 percent are 30-39 years old. Conversely, of those with previous state, federal or local commitments, 12.0 percent are in the 16-20 year age group, 53.4 percent are 21-29 years of age, and 24.6 percent are 30-39 years old. Only 4.5 percent of male commitments who had a previous state or federal commitment lie in the 16-20 year age group, 48.3 percent were 21-29 years of age on commitment, and 47.2 percent were 30 years or over.

Female commitments by prior adult criminal record and age group reveal that 93.3 percent of those with previous state, federal or local commitments fell in the 21 and over age group, while 84.5 percent of those with no previous institutional commitment came from this age group.

MAXIMUM SENTENCE BY AGE GROUP Male commitments by maximum sentence on commitment and age group show that the largest number of new commitments in the 16-20 year age group received a maximum sentence of 4 years. 611 or 36.5 percent of male commitments receiving a 4 year maximum fall in the 16-20 year age group. The principal reason for this is that most Youthful Offender commitments (477 in 1975) receive a 4 year maximum sentence. Conversely, there appears to be a larger number of male commitments 21 years of age or over who have received maximum sentences of 5 years or more. 81.7 percent of maximums of 5 years or more were received by males 21 or over on commitment while 68.0 percent of maximums of less than 5 years fell in the 21 years and over age group.

Since only 5 female commitments were afforded Youthful Offender status, this factor had less effect on the age distribution of maximum sentences. Nevertheless, there also appears to be a larger number of female commitments in the 16 to 20 year age bracket who have received 3 or 4 year maximums - 14.7 percent of 3 year maximums and 19.5 percent of 4 year maximums. Only 9.9 percent of maximum sentences of 5 years or more were received by females in the 16 to 20 year age group.

MINIMUM SENTENCE BY AGE GROUP Male commitments by minimum sentence on commitment and age group show that a disproportionate number of indeterminate sentences with minimums not specified on commitment were received by



commitments in the 16 to 20 year age group (40.2 percent). Thus, only 59.8 percent of unspecified minimum sentences were received by male commitments 21 years of age or over. Conversely, only 10.5 percent of indeterminate sentences with minimums specified on commitment were received by 16 to 20 year olds, while 89.5 percent of minimums set by the court were received by those 21 or over. One reason for this is that the 2,330 male second felony offenders, whose minimums must be fixed by the court on commitment (at one-half the maximum), naturally tend to be older than first offenders. Although the court must fix the minimum sentence for all class A felony commitments and can fix the minimum sentence for most first felony offenders (except for class E felonies), this is not done in the majority of discretionary cases. Instead, the Board of Parole is permitted to set the minimum 10 months after reception. Another factor in the larger proportion of specified minimum sentences being received by male commitments 21 and over is the substantial number (612) of class A drug felony commitments in 1975. Drug felony commitments again tend to come from the 21 and over age groups.

Female commitments by minimum sentence and age group tend to follow the same general pattern as that shown for males. While 20.5 percent of unspecified minimum sentences were received by commitments in the 16 to 20 year age group, only 5.1 percent of specified minimum sentence commitments fell in this age group. Factors involved here include the large number of female class A drug felony commitments (89) and to a lesser extent the 33 second felony offender commitments, both categories mandating fixed minimums set by the court and both tending to fall in the 21 years and over age group.

DANGEROUS DRUG STATUS BY AGE GROUP Male commitments by dangerous drug status and age group show a higher percentage of drug users among the lower age groups. The highest percentage of drug users (84.8 percent) occurs among 19 to 20 year old commitments, which gradually decrease to 11.5 percent for the 50 years and over age group. But the reverse is true for drug law violators as a percent of total inmates by age group. Here the percentage gradually increases from a low of 2.3 percent for the 16 to 18 year age group, reaching a peak of 17.4 percent for the 30 to 39 year olds, then gradually falling to just under 11 percent for those 50 years of age and over. For inmates who are both drug users and drug law violators, the percent of total drug users gradually increases from a low of 2.9 percent at 16 to 18 years of age to a high of 40.0 percent for those 50 years and over. Conversely, for inmates who are both users and violators, the percent of total drug law violators falls from a high of 100.0 percent at ages 16 to 18 to a low 42.9 percent for those aged 50 or over.

Female commitments by dangerous drug status and age group show a similar tendency for a higher percentage of drug users among the lower age levels. Although allowance should be made for random fluctuations due to the small number of cases in each age group, the highest percentage of drug users occurs among 19 to 20 year olds (60.0 percent). Female drug law violators as a percent of total inmates averages 38.4 percent, a much higher average than that for males (11.5 percent). But like male drug law violators, the percentage tends to rise for age groups 21 and over. For inmates who are both drug users and drug law violators, the percent of total drug users gradually increases from a low of 14.3 percent at 16 to 18 years of age to a high of 100.0 percent in the two highest age groups. But for inmates who are both users and violators, the percent of drug law violators does not differ markedly by age group.

ETHNIC GROUP BY REGION AND AGE GROUP Male commitments by ethnic group, region, and age group indicate that the age distribution of New York City commitments tends to be higher than that of upstate commitments. 29.7 percent of upstate commitments fall in the 16 to 20 year age group, while only 23.6 percent of New York City commitments are under 21. Also, the proportion of commitments under 21 varies widely by ethnic group within region. In the upstate area, 33.2 percent of white commitments are under 21, while only 24.5 percent of black commitments fall in this age group. But in New York City, only 14.2 percent of white commitments are under 21. The percentage of black and Puerto Rican commitments from New York City, however, who fall in the 16-20 year age group is 25.0 and 26.1, respectively. Thus, the percentage of New York City black and Puerto Rican commitments under 21 does not differ greatly from the upstate percentage of black commitments from this age group.

Female commitments by ethnic group, region, and age group follow the same general pattern as male commitments, although to a lesser extent. A higher proportion of female commitments are in the 21 and over age group (88.8 percent for New York City and 84.8 for upstate).

EDUCATION ON COMMITMENT BY ETHNIC GROUP AND AGE GROUP Distributions of male commitments by education, ethnic group, and age group show a higher proportion of white males who are high school graduates or who have received some college training (34.0 percent) than for blacks (24.1 percent) or Puerto Ricans (10.6 percent). The Puerto Rican and other group has the poorest educational background. For all ethnic groups, the smallest percentage of high school graduates or those with some college training are in the lowest age group. While 48.2 percent of all male commitments are aged 21 to 29 years, it appears that a higher proportion of college graduates fall in this age group - around 65 percent, with little variation between ethnic group.

Female commitments by education, ethnic group, and age group also show a higher proportion of whites who are high school graduates or who have received some college training, with the Puerto Rican group again having the poorest educational background. For all ethnic groups, there are no females with any college training among the 16 to 20 year olds and only a total of 5 high school graduates who are under 21 years of age. Over 70 percent of all female commitments have either not completed high school or have only an elementary education.

OCCUPATION ON COMMITMENT BY ETHNIC GROUP AND AGE GROUP Distributions of male commitments by occupation, ethnic group and age group indicate a higher proportion of white males who are skilled or semi-skilled or who have proprietary or supervisory positions (29.3 percent for whites as compared to 20.8 percent for blacks and 20.4 percent for Puerto Ricans). For each ethnic group, the smallest percentage of those in the skilled or proprietary occupation groups appears to be in the two lowest age groups, the 16-20 year olds. Conversely, for each ethnic group, the largest proportion of laborers come from the 16-20 year age group.

Female commitments by occupation, ethnic group, and age group show that the largest number of commitments fall in the no occupation or not stated category for each ethnic group. The highest proportion of those with no occupation are in the lower age brackets. For the black and white ethnic groups, the next most common occupational levels are service and sales and clerical.

TABLE 10  
 CHARACTERISTICS OF NEW COMMITMENTS TO THE FACILITIES OF  
 THE NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONAL SERVICES  
 1975  
 MALES

| Characteristics                | Total<br>Males | 16-18<br>Years | 19-20<br>Years | 21-29<br>Years | 30-39<br>Years | 40-49<br>Years | 50 Yrs.<br>& Over |
|--------------------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|-------------------|
| <u>Reason for Commitment</u>   | 7,211          | 945            | 896            | 3,478          | 1,341          | 421            | 130               |
| Felonies                       | 6,697          | 539            | 801            | 3,468          | 1,339          | 420            | 130               |
| Murder                         | 216            | 17             | 35             | 90             | 51             | 15             | 8                 |
| Homicide (Neg. & Non-Neg.)     | 581            | 53             | 60             | 230            | 148            | 60             | 30                |
| Robbery                        | 2,594          | 292            | 403            | 1,498          | 331            | 65             | 5                 |
| Burglary                       | 877            | 73             | 119            | 467            | 167            | 41             | 10                |
| Felonious Assault              | 367            | 21             | 39             | 153            | 95             | 44             | 15                |
| Grand Larceny (Not Auto)       | 192            | 14             | 10             | 85             | 49             | 26             | 8                 |
| Grand Larceny (Auto)           | 17             | 1              | 3              | 7              | 6              | -              | -                 |
| Rape                           | 195            | 19             | 19             | 110            | 31             | 13             | 3                 |
| Sex Offenses, Ex. Rape         | 116            | 9              | 8              | 44             | 29             | 15             | 11                |
| Dangerous Drugs                | 329            | 22             | 60             | 432            | 234            | 67             | 14                |
| Forgery                        | 90             | 2              | 5              | 45             | 21             | 15             | 2                 |
| Dangerous Weapons              | 366            | 7              | 20             | 170            | 120            | 41             | 8                 |
| All Other Felonies             | 257            | 9              | 20             | 137            | 57             | 18             | 16                |
| Misdemeanors & Violations      | 20             | 7              | 1              | 9              | 2              | 1              | -                 |
| Youthful Offenders             | 477            | 382            | 94             | 1              | -              | -              | -                 |
| Juvenile Delinquents <u>4/</u> | 17             | 17             | -              | -              | -              | -              | -                 |
| Not Convicted <u>5/</u>        | -              | -              | -              | -              | -              | -              | -                 |
| <u>County of Commitment</u>    | 7,211          | 945            | 896            | 3,478          | 1,341          | 421            | 130               |
| New York City                  | 4,946          | 568            | 600            | 2,397          | 1,000          | 295            | 86                |
| Upstate                        | 2,265          | 377            | 296            | 1,081          | 341            | 126            | 44                |
| Counties 150,000 & Over        | 1,774          | 265            | 217            | 869            | 281            | 101            | 41                |
| Albany                         | 98             | 17             | 8              | 47             | 14             | 9              | 3                 |
| Broome                         | 72             | 15             | 11             | 35             | 9              | 2              | -                 |
| Dutchess                       | 70             | 15             | 12             | 32             | 8              | 1              | 2                 |
| Erie                           | 261            | 46             | 28             | 119            | 38             | 20             | 10                |
| Monroe                         | 206            | 44             | 30             | 89             | 31             | 9              | 3                 |
| Nassau                         | 282            | 16             | 30             | 157            | 58             | 17             | 4                 |
| Niagara                        | 34             | 9              | 2              | 20             | 3              | -              | -                 |
| Oneida                         | 52             | 9              | 7              | 21             | 10             | 5              | -                 |
| Onondaga                       | 167            | 37             | 29             | 65             | 16             | 11             | 9                 |
| Orange                         | 72             | 17             | 12             | 30             | 11             | 1              | 1                 |
| Rensselaer                     | 18             | 1              | 5              | 10             | 1              | 1              | -                 |
| Rockland                       | 50             | 4              | 3              | 23             | 16             | 3              | 1                 |
| Schenectady                    | 30             | 14             | 7              | 7              | 2              | -              | -                 |
| Suffolk                        | 143            | 15             | 15             | 77             | 21             | 10             | 5                 |
| Westchester                    | 219            | 6              | 18             | 137            | 43             | 12             | 3                 |
| Counties Under 150,000         | 491            | 112            | 79             | 212            | 60             | 25             | 3                 |

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TABLE 11

CHARACTERISTICS OF NEW COMMITMENTS TO THE FACILITIES OF  
THE NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONAL SERVICES  
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MALES

| Characteristics                 | Total<br>Males | 16-18<br>Years | 19-20<br>Years | 21-29<br>Years | 30-39<br>Years | 40-49<br>Years | 50 Yrs.<br>& Over |
|---------------------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|-------------------|
| <u>Prior Adult Crim. Record</u> | <u>7,211</u>   | <u>945</u>     | <u>896</u>     | <u>3,478</u>   | <u>1,341</u>   | <u>421</u>     | <u>130</u>        |
| State or Fed. Commitment        | 1,968          | 11             | 78             | 951            | 645            | 218            | 65                |
| Local Commitment Only           | 1,963          | 154            | 228            | 1,147          | 321            | 89             | 24                |
| No Institutional Commitment     | 3,277          | 778            | 590            | 1,379          | 375            | 114            | 41                |
| Not Stated                      | 3              | 2              | -              | 1              | -              | -              | -                 |
| <u>Maximum Sentence</u>         | <u>7,211</u>   | <u>945</u>     | <u>896</u>     | <u>3,478</u>   | <u>1,341</u>   | <u>421</u>     | <u>130</u>        |
| Indefinite                      | 24             | 7              | 1              | 9              | 5              | 2              | -                 |
| Less Than 3 Years               | 3              | -              | -              | -              | 1              | -              | 2                 |
| 3 Years                         | 2,092          | 327            | 270            | 954            | 374            | 126            | 41                |
| 37-47 Months                    | 7              | -              | -              | 5              | 1              | 1              | -                 |
| 4 Years                         | 1,674          | 358            | 253            | 720            | 224            | 90             | 29                |
| 49-59 Months                    | 5              | -              | -              | 5              | -              | -              | -                 |
| 5 Years                         | 549            | 66             | 77             | 276            | 98             | 27             | 5                 |
| 61-129 Months                   | 1,433          | 109            | 152            | 774            | 302            | 73             | 23                |
| 121-239 Months                  | 428            | 31             | 44             | 230            | 84             | 32             | 7                 |
| 20 Years or More                | 196            | 14             | 21             | 105            | 41             | 11             | 4                 |
| Life or Death                   | 800            | 33             | 78             | 400            | 211            | 59             | 19                |
| <u>Minimum Sentence</u>         | <u>7,211</u>   | <u>945</u>     | <u>896</u>     | <u>3,478</u>   | <u>1,341</u>   | <u>421</u>     | <u>130</u>        |
| No Minimum /                    | 44             | 23             | 4              | 10             | 5              | 2              | -                 |
| 12-29 Months                    | 1,953          | 49             | 142            | 1,120          | 457            | 147            | 38                |
| 30 Months                       | 121            | 1              | 7              | 77             | 33             | 3              | -                 |
| 31-59 Months                    | 701            | 28             | 44             | 412            | 172            | 41             | 4                 |
| 60-119 Months                   | 539            | 18             | 43             | 289            | 142            | 37             | 10                |
| 120-239 Months                  | 169            | 7              | 21             | 72             | 47             | 14             | 8                 |
| 20 or More Years                | 109            | 8              | 11             | 54             | 27             | 7              | 2                 |
| Life or Death                   | 2              | -              | -              | -              | 1              | -              | 1                 |
| Unspecified Minimum             | 3,573          | 811            | 624            | 1,444          | 457            | 170            | 67                |
| <u>Dangerous Drug Status</u>    | <u>7,211</u>   | <u>945</u>     | <u>896</u>     | <u>3,478</u>   | <u>1,341</u>   | <u>421</u>     | <u>130</u>        |
| Drug Users                      | 4,518          | 759            | 760            | 2,220          | 649            | 115            | 15                |
| Percent of Tot. Inmates         | 62.7           | 80.3           | 84.8           | 63.8           | 48.4           | 27.3           | 11.5              |
| Drug Law Violators              | 830            | 22             | 60             | 433            | 234            | 67             | 14                |
| Percent of Tot. Inmates         | 11.5           | 2.3            | 6.7            | 12.4           | 17.4           | 15.9           | 10.8              |
| Both Drug User & Drug Law Viol. | 618            | 22             | 58             | 343            | 152            | 37             | 6                 |
| Percent of Tot. Drug Users      | 13.7           | 2.9            | 7.6            | 15.5           | 23.4           | 32.2           | 40.0              |
| Percent of Tot. Drug Law Viol.  | 74.5           | 100.0          | 96.7           | 79.2           | 65.0           | 55.2           | 42.9              |

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TABLE 12

CHARACTERISTICS OF NEW COMMITMENTS TO THE FACILITIES OF  
THE NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONAL SERVICES  
1975  
MALES

| Characteristics                      | Total Males  | 16-18 Years | 19-20 Years | 21-29 Years  | 30-39 Years  | 40-49 Years | 50 Yrs. & Over |
|--------------------------------------|--------------|-------------|-------------|--------------|--------------|-------------|----------------|
| <u>Ethnic Group - Total State</u>    | <u>7,211</u> | <u>945</u>  | <u>896</u>  | <u>3,478</u> | <u>1,341</u> | <u>421</u>  | <u>130</u>     |
| White                                | 1,997        | 269         | 240         | 917          | 384          | 139         | 48             |
| Black                                | 3,927        | 506         | 472         | 1,977        | 692          | 212         | 68             |
| Puerto Rican <u>8/</u>               | 1,253        | 162         | 174         | 572          | 263          | 68          | 14             |
| Others                               | 34           | 8           | 10          | 12           | 2            | 2           | -              |
| <u>Ethnic Group - New York City</u>  | <u>4,946</u> | <u>568</u>  | <u>600</u>  | <u>2,397</u> | <u>1,000</u> | <u>295</u>  | <u>86</u>      |
| White                                | 815          | 53          | 63          | 394          | 219          | 65          | 21             |
| Black                                | 2,937        | 370         | 365         | 1,457        | 532          | 161         | 52             |
| Puerto Rican <u>8/</u>               | 1,177        | 142         | 165         | 541          | 249          | 67          | 13             |
| Others                               | 17           | 3           | 7           | 5            | -            | 2           | -              |
| <u>Ethnic Group - Upstate</u>        | <u>2,265</u> | <u>377</u>  | <u>296</u>  | <u>1,081</u> | <u>341</u>   | <u>126</u>  | <u>44</u>      |
| White                                | 1,182        | 216         | 177         | 523          | 165          | 74          | 27             |
| Black                                | 990          | 136         | 107         | 520          | 160          | 51          | 16             |
| Puerto Rican <u>8/</u>               | 76           | 20          | 9           | 31           | 14           | 1           | 1              |
| Others                               | 17           | 5           | 3           | 7            | 2            | -           | -              |
| <u>A L L E T H N I C G R O U P S</u> |              |             |             |              |              |             |                |
| <u>Education on Commitment</u>       | <u>7,211</u> | <u>945</u>  | <u>896</u>  | <u>3,478</u> | <u>1,341</u> | <u>421</u>  | <u>130</u>     |
| College or Spec. Voc.                | 572          | 6           | 17          | 372          | 120          | 43          | 14             |
| High School Grad.                    | 1,189        | 56          | 170         | 640          | 253          | 55          | 15             |
| High School Non-Grad.                | 3,305        | 541         | 440         | 1,646        | 526          | 123         | 29             |
| Elementary Only                      | 1,485        | 280         | 225         | 496          | 274          | 153         | 57             |
| Other                                | 660          | 62          | 44          | 324          | 168          | 47          | 15             |
| <u>W H I T E</u>                     |              |             |             |              |              |             |                |
| <u>Education on Commitment</u>       | <u>1,997</u> | <u>269</u>  | <u>240</u>  | <u>917</u>   | <u>384</u>   | <u>139</u>  | <u>48</u>      |
| College or Spec. Voc.                | 239          | 4           | 8           | 144          | 53           | 22          | 8              |
| High School Grad.                    | 439          | 24          | 73          | 228          | 89           | 19          | 6              |
| High School Non-Grad.                | 755          | 140         | 99          | 355          | 124          | 37          | 10             |
| Elementary Only                      | 399          | 83          | 48          | 127          | 69           | 51          | 21             |
| Other                                | 155          | 18          | 12          | 63           | 49           | 10          | 3              |
| <u>B L A C K</u>                     |              |             |             |              |              |             |                |
| <u>Education on Commitment</u>       | <u>3,927</u> | <u>506</u>  | <u>472</u>  | <u>1,977</u> | <u>692</u>   | <u>212</u>  | <u>68</u>      |
| College or Spec. Voc.                | 294          | 2           | 8           | 199          | 61           | 18          | 6              |
| High School Grad.                    | 652          | 26          | 83          | 356          | 145          | 33          | 9              |
| High School Non-Grad.                | 1,989        | 327         | 268         | 1,027        | 283          | 65          | 19             |
| Elementary Only                      | 614          | 116         | 94          | 198          | 113          | 69          | 24             |
| Other                                | 378          | 35          | 19          | 197          | 90           | 27          | 10             |

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TABLE 13

CHARACTERISTICS OF NEW COMMITMENTS TO THE FACILITIES OF  
THE NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONAL SERVICES  
1975  
MALES

| Characteristics                   | Total Males | 16-18 Years | 19-20 Years | 21-29 Years | 30-39 Years | 40-49 Years | 50 Yrs. & Over |
|-----------------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|
| <u>PUERTO RICAN S/ AND OTHERS</u> |             |             |             |             |             |             |                |
| <u>Education on Commitment</u>    | 1,287       | 170         | 184         | 584         | 265         | 70          | 14             |
| College or Special Voc.           | 39          | -           | 1           | 29          | 6           | 3           | -              |
| High School Grad.                 | 98          | 6           | 14          | 56          | 19          | 3           | -              |
| High School Non-Grad.             | 551         | 74          | 73          | 264         | 119         | 21          | -              |
| Elementary Only                   | 472         | 81          | 83          | 171         | 92          | 33          | 12             |
| Other                             | 127         | 9           | 13          | 64          | 29          | 10          | 2              |
| <u>ALL ETHNIC GROUPS</u>          |             |             |             |             |             |             |                |
| <u>Occupation on Commitment</u>   | 7,211       | 945         | 896         | 3,478       | 1,341       | 421         | 130            |
| Proprietary, Superv., etc.        | 293         | 1           | 6           | 138         | 82          | 52          | 14             |
| Skilled or Semi-Skilled           | 1,372       | 7           | 25          | 825         | 375         | 113         | 27             |
| Sales and Clerical                | 557         | 9           | 15          | 363         | 129         | 31          | 10             |
| Service                           | 566         | 6           | 10          | 335         | 146         | 39          | 30             |
| Laborers                          | 4,025       | 852         | 821         | 1,603       | 547         | 166         | 36             |
| No Occupation or Not Stated       | 398         | 70          | 19          | 214         | 62          | 20          | 13             |
| <u>WHITE</u>                      |             |             |             |             |             |             |                |
| <u>Occupation on Commitment</u>   | 1,997       | 269         | 240         | 917         | 384         | 139         | 48             |
| Proprietary, Superv., etc.        | 112         | -           | 3           | 52          | 23          | 26          | 8              |
| Skilled or Semi-Skilled           | 473         | 2           | 19          | 284         | 119         | 38          | 11             |
| Sales and Clerical                | 128         | 1           | 3           | 67          | 40          | 13          | 4              |
| Service                           | 147         | 2           | 2           | 86          | 38          | 10          | 9              |
| Laborers                          | 1,051       | 247         | 209         | 391         | 147         | 45          | 12             |
| No Occupation or Not Stated       | 86          | 17          | 4           | 37          | 17          | 7           | 4              |
| <u>BLACK</u>                      |             |             |             |             |             |             |                |
| <u>Occupation on Commitment</u>   | 3,927       | 506         | 472         | 1,977       | 692         | 212         | 68             |
| Proprietary, Superv., etc.        | 146         | -           | 1           | 73          | 45          | 23          | 4              |
| Skilled or Semi-Skilled           | 671         | 5           | 6           | 406         | 184         | 58          | 12             |
| Sales and Clerical                | 345         | 6           | 9           | 239         | 72          | 13          | 6              |
| Service                           | 333         | 4           | 8           | 200         | 84          | 19          | 18             |
| Laborers                          | 2,192       | 448         | 438         | 926         | 274         | 87          | 19             |
| No Occupation or Not Stated       | 240         | 43          | 10          | 133         | 33          | 12          | 9              |
| <u>PUERTO RICAN S/ AND OTHERS</u> |             |             |             |             |             |             |                |
| <u>Occupation on Commitment</u>   | 1,287       | 170         | 184         | 584         | 265         | 70          | 14             |
| Proprietary, Superv., etc.        | 35          | 1           | 2           | 13          | 14          | 3           | 2              |
| Skilled or Semi-Skilled           | 228         | -           | -           | 135         | 72          | 17          | 4              |
| Sales and Clerical                | 84          | 2           | 3           | 57          | 17          | 5           | -              |
| Service                           | 86          | -           | -           | 49          | 24          | 10          | 3              |
| Laborers                          | 782         | 157         | 174         | 286         | 126         | 34          | 5              |
| No Occupation or Not Stated       | 72          | 10          | 5           | 44          | 12          | 1           | -              |

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TABLE 14

CHARACTERISTICS OF NEW COMMITMENTS TO THE FACILITIES OF  
THE NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONAL SERVICES  
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FEMALES

| Characteristics                | Total<br>Females | 16-18<br>Years | 19-20<br>Years | 21-29<br>Years | 30-39<br>Years | 40-49<br>Years | 50 Yrs.<br>& Over |
|--------------------------------|------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|-------------------|
| <u>Reason for Commitment</u>   | 271              | 14             | 20             | 143            | 68             | 21             | 5                 |
| Felonies                       | 266              | 10             | 19             | 143            | 68             | 21             | 5                 |
| Murder                         | 3                | -              | -              | -              | 3              | -              | -                 |
| Homicide (Neg. & Non-Neg.)     | 46               | 4              | 7              | 21             | 10             | 3              | 1                 |
| Robbery                        | 42               | 2              | 3              | 30             | 6              | -              | 1                 |
| Burglary                       | 5                | -              | 1              | 4              | -              | -              | -                 |
| Felonious Assault              | 20               | -              | 2              | 8              | 7              | 3              | -                 |
| Grand Larceny (Not Auto)       | 25               | 1              | 1              | 8              | 13             | 2              | -                 |
| Grand Larceny (Auto)           | -                | -              | -              | -              | -              | -              | -                 |
| Rape                           | -                | -              | -              | -              | -              | -              | -                 |
| Sex Offenses, Ex. Rape         | -                | -              | -              | -              | -              | -              | -                 |
| Dangerous Drugs                | 104              | 2              | 3              | 61             | 24             | 12             | 2                 |
| Forgery                        | 8                | -              | 2              | 5              | 1              | -              | -                 |
| Dangerous Weapons              | 3                | -              | -              | 2              | 1              | -              | -                 |
| All Other Felonies             | 10               | 1              | -              | 4              | 3              | 1              | 1                 |
| Misdemeanors & Violations      | -                | -              | -              | -              | -              | -              | -                 |
| Youthful Offenders             | 5                | 4              | 1              | -              | -              | -              | -                 |
| Juvenile Delinquents <u>4/</u> | -                | -              | -              | -              | -              | -              | -                 |
| Not Convicted <u>5/</u>        | -                | -              | -              | -              | -              | -              | -                 |
| <u>County of Commitment</u>    | 271              | 14             | 20             | 143            | 68             | 21             | 5                 |
| New York City                  | 179              | 10             | 10             | 99             | 45             | 10             | 5                 |
| Upstate                        | 92               | 4              | 10             | 44             | 23             | 11             | -                 |
| Counties 150,000 & Over        | 79               | 2              | 10             | 40             | 17             | 10             | -                 |
| Albany                         | 8                | -              | 1              | 2              | 2              | 3              | -                 |
| Broome                         | 1                | -              | -              | 1              | -              | -              | -                 |
| Dutchess                       | 7                | -              | 1              | 4              | 1              | 1              | -                 |
| Erie                           | 10               | -              | 1              | 6              | 2              | 1              | -                 |
| Monroe                         | 10               | -              | 3              | 6              | 1              | -              | -                 |
| Nassau                         | 10               | 1              | -              | 5              | 3              | 1              | -                 |
| Niagara                        | 2                | -              | -              | 1              | 1              | -              | -                 |
| Oneida                         | 2                | -              | -              | 1              | -              | 1              | -                 |
| Onondaga                       | 13               | -              | 2              | 6              | 4              | 1              | -                 |
| Orange                         | 2                | -              | 1              | 1              | -              | -              | -                 |
| Rensselaer                     | 2                | -              | -              | 1              | 1              | -              | -                 |
| Rockland                       | 4                | -              | -              | 2              | 1              | 1              | -                 |
| Schenectady                    | 2                | -              | -              | 2              | -              | -              | -                 |
| Suffolk                        | 4                | 1              | 1              | -              | 1              | 1              | -                 |
| Westchester                    | 2                | -              | -              | 2              | -              | -              | -                 |
| Counties Under 150,000         | 13               | 2              | -              | 4              | 6              | 1              | -                 |

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CHARACTERISTICS OF NEW COMMITMENTS TO THE FACILITIES OF  
THE NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONAL SERVICES  
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FEMALES

| Characteristics                    | Total<br>Females | 16-18<br>Years | 19-20<br>Years | 21-29<br>Years | 30-39<br>Years | 40-49<br>Years | 50 Yrs.<br>& Over |
|------------------------------------|------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|-------------------|
| <u>Prior Adult Crim. Record</u>    | 271              | 14             | 20             | 143            | 68             | 21             | 5                 |
| State or Fed. Commitment           | 28               | 1              | -              | 12             | 10             | 3              | 2                 |
| Local Commitment Only              | 61               | 1              | 4              | 31             | 17             | 6              | 2                 |
| No Institutional Commitment        | 181              | 12             | 16             | 99             | 41             | 12             | 1                 |
| Not Stated                         | 1                | -              | -              | 1              | -              | -              | -                 |
| <u>Maximum Sentence</u>            | 271              | 14             | 20             | 143            | 68             | 21             | 5                 |
| Indefinite 6/<br>Less Than 3 Years | 2                | -              | -              | 1              | 1              | -              | -                 |
| 3 Years                            | 75               | 6              | 5              | 34             | 25             | 5              | -                 |
| 37-47 Months                       | -                | -              | -              | -              | -              | -              | -                 |
| 4 Years                            | 41               | 2              | 6              | 24             | 6              | 1              | 2                 |
| 49-59 Months                       | 1                | -              | -              | 1              | -              | -              | -                 |
| 5 Years                            | 21               | 1              | 2              | 13             | 3              | 1              | 1                 |
| 61-120 Months                      | 31               | 2              | 4              | 12             | 9              | 3              | 1                 |
| 121-239 Months                     | 6                | 1              | -              | 4              | 1              | -              | -                 |
| 20 Years or More                   | 3                | -              | -              | 2              | 1              | -              | -                 |
| Life or Death                      | 91               | 2              | 3              | 52             | 22             | 11             | 1                 |
| <u>Minimum Sentence</u>            | 271              | 14             | 20             | 143            | 68             | 21             | 5                 |
| No Minimum 7/<br>12-29 Months      | 2                | -              | -              | 1              | 1              | -              | -                 |
| 30 Months                          | 104              | 2              | 3              | 57             | 26             | 12             | 4                 |
| 31-59 Months                       | 3                | -              | -              | 1              | 1              | 1              | -                 |
| 60-119 Months                      | 12               | -              | 1              | 7              | 3              | 1              | -                 |
| 120-239 Months                     | 15               | -              | 1              | 8              | 5              | 1              | -                 |
| 20 or More Years                   | 2                | -              | -              | 1              | 1              | -              | -                 |
| Life or Death                      | -                | -              | -              | -              | -              | -              | -                 |
| Unspecified Minimum                | 1                | -              | -              | -              | 1              | -              | -                 |
| 132                                | 12               | 15             | 68             | 30             | 6              | 1              |                   |
| <u>Dangerous Drug Status</u>       | 271              | 14             | 20             | 143            | 68             | 21             | 5                 |
| Drug Users                         | 127              | 7              | 12             | 81             | 21             | 5              | 1                 |
| Percent of Tot. Inmates            | 46.9             | 50.0           | 60.0           | 56.6           | 30.9           | 23.8           | 20.0              |
| Drug Law Violators                 | 104              | 2              | 3              | 61             | 24             | 12             | 2                 |
| Percent of Tot. Inmates            | 38.4             | 14.3           | 15.0           | 42.7           | 35.3           | 57.1           | 40.0              |
| Both Drug Users & Drug Law Viol.   | 62               | 1              | 2              | 41             | 12             | 5              | 1                 |
| Percent of Tot. Drug Users         | 48.8             | 14.3           | 16.7           | 50.6           | 57.1           | 100.0          | 100.0             |
| Percent of Tot. Drug Law Viol.     | 59.6             | 50.0           | 66.7           | 67.2           | 50.0           | 41.7           | 50.0              |

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TABLE 16

CHARACTERISTICS OF NEW COMMITMENTS TO THE FACILITIES OF.  
THE NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONAL SERVICES  
1975  
FEMALES

| Characteristics                     | Total<br>Females | 16-18<br>Years | 19-20<br>Years | 21-29<br>Years | 30-39<br>Years | 40-49<br>Years | 50 Yrs.<br>& Over |
|-------------------------------------|------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|-------------------|
| <u>Ethnic Group - Total State</u>   | 271              | 14             | 20             | 143            | 68             | 21             | 5                 |
| White                               | 71               | 3              | 6              | 40             | 20             | 2              | -                 |
| Black                               | 164              | 8              | 14             | 84             | 37             | 16             | 5                 |
| Puerto Rican <u>8/</u>              | 36               | 3              | -              | 19             | 11             | 3              | -                 |
| Others                              | -                | -              | -              | -              | -              | -              | -                 |
| <u>Ethnic Group - New York City</u> | 179              | 10             | 10             | 99             | 45             | 10             | 5                 |
| White                               | 32               | 1              | 1              | 22             | 8              | -              | -                 |
| Black                               | 112              | 6              | 9              | 58             | 27             | 7              | 5                 |
| Puerto Rican <u>8/</u>              | 35               | 3              | -              | 19             | 10             | 3              | -                 |
| Others                              | -                | -              | -              | -              | -              | -              | -                 |
| <u>Ethnic Group - Outstate</u>      | 92               | 4              | 10             | 44             | 23             | 11             | -                 |
| White                               | 39               | 2              | 5              | 18             | 12             | 2              | -                 |
| Black                               | 52               | 2              | 5              | 26             | 10             | 9              | -                 |
| Puerto Rican <u>8/</u>              | 1                | -              | -              | -              | 1              | -              | -                 |
| Others                              | -                | -              | -              | -              | -              | -              | -                 |
| <u>ALL ETHNIC GROUPS</u>            |                  |                |                |                |                |                |                   |
| <u>Education on Commitment</u>      | 271              | 14             | 20             | 143            | 68             | 21             | 5                 |
| College or Spec. Voc.               | 15               | -              | -              | 8              | 5              | 2              | -                 |
| High School Grad.                   | 60               | 1              | 4              | 31             | 18             | 6              | -                 |
| High School Non-Grad.               | 154              | 12             | 16             | 82             | 31             | 9              | 4                 |
| Elementary Only                     | 37               | 1              | -              | 21             | 12             | 2              | 1                 |
| Other                               | 5                | -              | -              | 1              | 2              | 2              | -                 |
| <u>WHITE</u>                        |                  |                |                |                |                |                |                   |
| <u>Education on Commitment</u>      | 71               | 3              | 6              | 40             | 20             | 2              | -                 |
| College or Spec. Voc.               | 4                | -              | -              | 2              | 1              | 1              | -                 |
| High School Grad.                   | 22               | -              | 1              | 10             | 11             | -              | -                 |
| High School Non-Grad.               | 34               | 3              | 5              | 20             | 5              | 1              | -                 |
| Elementary Only                     | 9                | -              | -              | 7              | 2              | -              | -                 |
| Other                               | 2                | -              | -              | 1              | 1              | -              | -                 |
| <u>BLACK</u>                        |                  |                |                |                |                |                |                   |
| <u>Education on Commitment</u>      | 164              | 8              | 14             | 84             | 37             | 16             | 5                 |
| College or Spec. Voc.               | 10               | -              | -              | 6              | 3              | 1              | -                 |
| High School Grad.                   | 36               | 1              | 3              | 20             | 7              | 5              | -                 |
| High School Non-Grad.               | 103              | 7              | 11             | 52             | 22             | 7              | 4                 |
| Elementary Only                     | 13               | -              | -              | 6              | 4              | 2              | 1                 |
| Other                               | 2                | -              | -              | -              | 1              | 1              | -                 |

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TABLE 17

CHARACTERISTICS OF NEW COMMITMENTS TO THE FACILITIES OF  
THE NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONAL SERVICES  
1975  
FEMALES

| Characteristics                                    | Total<br>Females | 16-18<br>Years | 19-20<br>Years | 21-29<br>Years | 30-39<br>Years | 40-49<br>Years | 50 Yrs.<br>& Over |
|--|------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|-------------------|
| <u>P U E R T O R I C A N S / A N D O T H E R S</u> |                  |                |                |                |                |                |                   |
| <u>Education on Commitment</u>                     | 36               | 3              | -              | 19             | 11             | 3              | -                 |
| College or Spec. Voc.                              | 1                | -              | -              | -              | 1              | -              | -                 |
| High School Grad.                                  | 2                | -              | -              | 1              | -              | 1              | -                 |
| High School Non-Grad.                              | 17               | 2              | -              | 10             | 4              | 1              | -                 |
| Elementary Only                                    | 15               | 1              | -              | 8              | 6              | -              | -                 |
| Other  | 1                | -              | -              | -              | -              | 1              | -                 |
| <u>A L L E T H N I C G R O U P S</u>               |                  |                |                |                |                |                |                   |
| <u>Occupation on Commitment</u>                    | 271              | 14             | 20             | 143            | 68             | 21             | 5                 |
| Proprietary, Superv., etc.                         | 4                | -              | -              | 1              | 1              | 2              | -                 |
| Skilled or Semi-Skilled                            | 22               | -              | -              | 14             | 7              | -              | 1                 |
| Sales and Clerical                                 | 51               | 1              | 5              | 32             | 11             | 2              | -                 |
| Service  | 53               | 1              | 5              | 25             | 14             | 5              | 3                 |
| Laborers   | 6                | 2              | -              | 2              | 2              | -              | -                 |
| No Occupation or Not Stated                        | 135              | 10             | 10             | 69             | 33             | 12             | 1                 |
| <u>W H I T E</u>                                   |                  |                |                |                |                |                |                   |
| <u>Occupation on Commitment</u>                    | 71               | 3              | 6              | 40             | 20             | 2              | -                 |
| Proprietary, Superv., etc.                         | 3                | -              | -              | 1              | 1              | 1              | -                 |
| Skilled or Semi-Skilled                            | 5                | -              | -              | 3              | 2              | -              | -                 |
| Sales and Clerical                                 | 17               | -              | 2              | 9              | 6              | -              | -                 |
| Service  | 18               | 1              | 3              | 11             | 3              | -              | -                 |
| Laborers   | 1                | -              | -              | -              | 1              | -              | -                 |
| No Occupation or Not Stated                        | 27               | 2              | 1              | 16             | 7              | 1              | -                 |
| <u>B L A C K</u>                                   |                  |                |                |                |                |                |                   |
| <u>Occupation on Commitment</u>                    | 164              | 8              | 14             | 84             | 37             | 16             | 5                 |
| Proprietary, Superv., etc.                         | -                | -              | -              | -              | -              | -              | -                 |
| Skilled or Semi-Skilled                            | 12               | -              | -              | 8              | 3              | -              | 1                 |
| Sales and Clerical                                 | 28               | 1              | 3              | 18             | 4              | 2              | -                 |
| Service  | 32               | -              | 2              | 13             | 9              | 5              | 3                 |
| Laborers   | 5                | 2              | -              | 2              | 1              | -              | -                 |
| No Occupation or Not Stated                        | 87               | 5              | 9              | 43             | 20             | 9              | 1                 |
| <u>P U E R T O R I C A N S / A N D O T H E R S</u> |                  |                |                |                |                |                |                   |
| <u>Occupation on Commitment</u>                    | 36               | 3              | -              | 19             | 11             | 3              | -                 |
| Proprietary, Superv., etc.                         | 1                | -              | -              | -              | -              | 1              | -                 |
| Skilled or Semi-Skilled                            | 5                | -              | -              | 3              | 2              | -              | -                 |
| Sales and Clerical                                 | 6                | -              | -              | 5              | 1              | -              | -                 |
| Service  | 3                | -              | -              | 1              | 2              | -              | -                 |
| Laborers   | -                | -              | -              | -              | -              | -              | -                 |
| No Occupation or Not Stated                        | 21               | 3              | -              | 10             | 6              | 2              | -                 |

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CHARACTERISTICS OF NEW COMMITMENTS TO THE FACILITIES  
OF THE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONAL SERVICES DURING 1975  
BY REASON FOR COMMITMENT

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MAXIMUM SENTENCE BY REASON FOR COMMITMENT In 1975, 28.0 percent of male felony commitments received maximum sentences of 3 years, 20.9 percent received 4 year maximum sentences and 50.8 percent received maximums of 5 years or more. Only 11.9 percent of male felony commitments received life sentences. There was one death sentence. Most of the life sentences were received for murder and drug commitments: 82.9 percent of murder commitments received life sentences while 74.1 percent of dangerous drug commitments received this type of sentence. Only 0.5 percent of murder commitments (attempted murder 2nd) received four year sentences but 18.5 percent of dangerous drug commitments received 3 or 4 year sentences. The wide distribution of drug felony maximums results from the fact that drug crime classes range from A-I to D. Murder commitments include only two Classes, A-I and B, for crimes ranging from Murder 1 through Attempted Murder 2.

Other felony commitments with above average maximum sentence distributions include homicide, with only 9.6 percent of such commitments receiving 3 year maximum sentences but with 79.7 percent receiving maximums of 5 years or more. Only 10.3 percent of rape felony commitments received 3 year sentences but 73.8 percent received maximums of 5 years or more. Other categories of male felony commitments showed below average maximum sentence distributions. These include burglary, grand larceny (auto & not auto), forgery and dangerous weapons. 47.4 percent of burglary commitments received 3 year maximums while only 20.7 percent received sentences of 5 years or more. While 60.9 percent of grand larceny (not auto) commitments received only a 3 year maximum sentence, a mere 6.8 percent received maximums of 5 years or more. 50.0 percent of forgery commitments received 3 year sentences, 38.9 percent received 4 year maximums and only 11.1 percent received sentences of 5 years or more. Over 59 percent of male dangerous weapons commitments received 3 year sentences, 25.7 percent received 4 year maximums and only 14.7 percent received sentences of 5 years or more. The fact that maximum sentences for juvenile delinquents cannot be over 3 years and that maximums for Youthful Offenders cannot be over 4 years is evident from the table. Since misdemeanant commitments to department facilities are now only transfers from local penal institutions (with local terms of up to a year) who have legally been declared insane while incarcerated and have then been transferred to Matteawan State Hospital for a period to be subsequently determined by the court, these maximums are termed indefinite.

The female maximum sentence percent distribution for felonies indicates an average of 27.1 percent of commitments received 3 year sentences while 57.1 percent received maximums of 5 years or more. Over 34 percent of felony commitments received life sentences. This high percentage is caused by the fact that 104 of the 266 felony commitments are for dangerous drugs and 85.6 of female dangerous drug commitments received life sentences. Of the 46 female homicide commitments, only 17.4 percent received 3 year sentences while 60.9 percent received sentences of 5 years or more. Other categories of female felony commitments, except for murder and dangerous drugs, showed lower than average maximum sentence distributions. These include burglary, grand larceny (not auto), forgery and dangerous weapons as well as felonious assault and, to a lesser extent, robbery. 60 percent of burglary commitments received 3 year sentences while 40 percent received maximums of from 5 to 10 years. 72 percent of grand larceny commitments received 3 year maximums and 20 percent received 4 year sentences. Forgery commitments were distributed as follows: 62.5 percent - 3 years and 37.5 percent - 4 years. All 3

dangerous weapons commitments received 3 year maximum sentences. Of the 20 females committed for felonious assault, 55 percent received 3 year sentences, 20 percent received 4 year maximums and 20 percent received maximum sentences of 5 or more years. Of robbery commitments, 31 percent received 3 year sentences, 31 percent also received 4 year maximums and the remainder, 38.0 percent, received sentences of 5 or more years.

It is noted that although the percent distributions of maximum sentences for individual felony crime categories differ widely between males and females, a comparison has not been made for the following reasons: crime of conviction, sentencing and commitment patterns also differ widely between the sexes (See Table 23 and 23A).

EDUCATIONAL ACHIEVEMENT BY REASON FOR COMMITMENT Male percent distributions of educational achievement by offense indicate variations within felony categories. 8.5 percent of total male felony commitments attended college or a technical institution beyond high school, 17.0 percent were high school graduates, 45.0 percent attended high school, but did not graduate and 20.3 percent received only an elementary education. Males committed for felonies such as grand larceny (not auto), dangerous drug crimes and forgery show a higher educational achievement than the norm. Of males committed for grand larceny (not auto) 19.3 percent have attended college, 14.7 percent of those committed for dangerous drug crimes have attended college and 17.8 percent of those committed for forgery. Conversely, homicide and rape commitments tend to be less advanced educationally. Only 6.9 percent of homicide commitments attended college, and 13.8 percent graduated from high school while nearly 71 percent were either high school non-graduates or had only an elementary education. Only 5.7 percent of rape commitments had attended college while 72.8 percent either had not completed high school or had only attended grade school. Of male Youthful Offender commitments, as might be expected, merely 1.0 percent had attended college and 9.8 percent were high school graduates while 60.2 percent had attended high school and 23.3 percent had only received an elementary education. (See Table 19).

Of female felony commitments, 5.6 percent had attended a college or technical institution beyond high school, 22.6 percent were high school graduates, 56.0 percent had attended high school but did not graduate and 13.9 percent received only an elementary education. Females committed for felonies such as grand larceny show a higher educational achievement than the norm. Conversely, only 2.2 percent of female homicide commitments had attended college. In comparing male and female total educational achievement distributions for felony commitments it is noted that while a relatively higher proportion of males had attended college the reverse was true for high school graduates. While a relatively higher proportion of females than males did not graduate from high school, a higher proportion of males had received only an elementary education. Thus, the educational distribution of male commitments tends to be more dispersed than that for females.

ETHNIC GROUP BY REASON FOR COMMITMENT In 1975, 26.6 percent of male felony commitments were white, 55.2 percent were black and 17.8 percent were of Puerto Rican birth or parentage. The ethnic distribution of individual felony crime categories differs substantially from this norm. Crimes for which a relatively high percentage of whites are committed include burglary, grand

larceny, sex offenses except rape and forgery. Of burglary commitments, 46.3 percent are white and 39.1 percent are black. Grand larceny (not auto) commitments are distributed as follows: 44.8 percent white, 45.8 percent black and only 9.4 percent Puerto Rican. The ethnic distribution of grand larceny (auto) indicates an even higher percentage of white commitments and correspondingly lower percentages of black and Puerto Rican commitments. 45.7 percent of commitments for sex offenses, except rape are white and only 39.7 percent are black. Forgery commitments are distributed thusly: 50.0 percent white, 47.8 percent black and only 1.1 percent Puerto Rican.

Conversely, other crimes such as homicide, robbery, rape and dangerous weapons show a relatively low percentage of white commitments and a relatively high percentage of either black or Puerto Rican commitments. 31.9 percent of homicide commitments are Puerto Rican, while only 17.0 percent are white and 50.6 percent are black. Over 66 percent of robbery commitments are black while only 16.8 percent are white. Only 18.3 percent of commitments for dangerous weapons felonies are white while almost 63 percent of these commitments are black. Commitments for dangerous drugs show a relatively high percentage of Puerto Rican commitments (20.2 percent), a lower than average percentage of blacks (46.4 percent) and a higher percentage of whites (30.0 percent) than the norm. Commitments for murder show a slightly higher percentage of whites and lower percentage of Puerto Ricans than the average while rape commitments show a relatively higher percentage of blacks. Youthful Offender commitments indicate a relatively high proportion of whites and a relatively low proportion of blacks and Puerto Ricans. Reasons for these ethnic differences in commitment rates are a combination of sociological factors and criminological practices such as arrest rates, conviction, sentencing and commitment patterns. (See Table 20).

Ethnic percentage distributions of female felony commitments indicate 26.0 percent white, 60.5 percent black and 13.5 percent Puerto Rican. Thus, a higher percentage of female felony commitments are black with a correspondingly lower percentage Puerto Ricans, than for male felony commitments. Percent distributions for individual felony categories differ widely from the norm but in many instances this appears to be chance variation due to the small numbers of cases. The 46 homicide commitments indicate a higher percentage of blacks (65.2 percent) and a lower percentage of whites (21.7 percent) than total females felony commitments. The 104 dangerous drug commitments show a lower percentage of whites (22.1 percent) and a higher percentage of blacks (62.5 percent) and Puerto Ricans (15.4 percent) than the norm. (See Table 25).

PRIOR ADULT CRIMINAL RECORD BY REASON FOR COMMITMENT Male percent distributions of prior adult criminal record by offense indicate considerable variations within felony categories. Although 57.5 percent of total male felony commitments had previous state, federal or local incarcerations and 42.5 percent had no previous institutional commitment, only 40.5 percent of male homicide commitments had previous incarcerations while 59.5 percent had no previous institutional commitment. Nearly 57 percent of male felons committed for dangerous drug crimes had no previous institutional commitment. Conversely, 72.2 percent of male felony burglary commitments indicated previous incarcerations while only 27.8 percent had no previous institutional commitment. Only 27.3 percent of male felons committed for dangerous weapons offenses had no previous institutional commitment. (See Table 21).

Total female felony commitments are distributed as follows: 33.4 percent with previous state, federal or local incarcerations and 66.2 percent with no previous institutional commitment. Variations from this average include homicide, in which 89.1 percent had no previous institutional commitment and dangerous drug felonies, in which 70.2 percent had no previous institutional commitment. Conversely, only 36.0 percent of grand larceny commitments had no previous institutional commitment. Female felony commitments, as a whole, show a much higher percentage of commitments with no previous institutional incarceration than do male felony commitments (nearly 24 percent higher) and a much lower percentage with previous state, federal or local commitments. (See Table 26).

MARITAL STATUS BY REASON FOR COMMITMENT Male percent distributions of marital status by offense for all felonies indicate that 46.8 percent of felony commitments are single, 18.5 percent are married, 21.5 percent have a common-law marriage and 12.9 percent are either divorced, annulled, widowed or separated. Individual felony crime categories which differ from this average figure include robbery in which nearly 54 percent of male commitments were single while only 14.3 percent were married. Burglary commitments show a similar trend: 51.5 percent single and 16.3 percent married. But only 23.3 percent of forgery commitments were single while 28.9 percent were married. Dangerous drug, forgery and dangerous weapon commitments all showed a lower percentage of single commitments, a higher percentage of married commitments and a higher percentage of those involved in common-law marriages, than the average felony commitment. Youthful Offender commitments, show a very high percentage of single persons (98.3 percent) because marital status bears a close relationship to age distribution. Thus, felonies for which age on commitment tends to be lower such as robbery and burglary indicate a higher proportion of single commitments while the reverse is true for felonies where age on commitment tends to be higher such as dangerous drugs, forgery and dangerous weapons.

Female percent distributions of marital status by offense for all felonies indicate that 49.2 percent of felony commitments are single, 13.1 percent are married, 3.8 percent have a common-law marriage and 33.5 percent are either divorced, annulled, widowed or separated. This distribution differs from that for male commitments in that a lower percentage of female felony commitments are married while a much lower percentage have a common-law marriage and a much higher percentage are either divorced, annulled, widowed or separated. Marital status distributions of individual felony categories show many differences but no clear pattern is evident because of the small numbers of cases involved. (See Table 27).

TABLE 18

NEW COMMITMENTS TO THE FACILITIES OF THE NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONAL SERVICES  
 PERCENT DISTRIBUTIONS OF OFFENSE BY MAXIMUM SENTENCE - MALES  
 1975

| Reason for Commitment        | Total        |              | MAXIMUM SENTENCE ON COMMITMENT |                |               |             |               |            |                |                 |                   |                     |
|------------------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------------------------|----------------|---------------|-------------|---------------|------------|----------------|-----------------|-------------------|---------------------|
|                              | Number       | Percent      | Indef-<br>inite<br>6/          | 3<br>Years     | 37-47<br>Mos. | 4<br>Years  | 49-59<br>Mos. | 5<br>Years | 61-120<br>Mos. | 121-239<br>Mos. | 20 Yr.<br>or More | Life<br>or<br>Death |
| <b>Total New Commitments</b> | <b>7,211</b> | <b>100.0</b> | <b>0.3</b>                     | <b>29.1 d/</b> | <b>0.1</b>    | <b>23.2</b> | <b>0.1</b>    | <b>7.6</b> | <b>19.9</b>    | <b>5.9</b>      | <b>2.7</b>        | <b>11.1</b>         |
| <b>Felonies</b>              | <b>6,697</b> | <b>100.0</b> | <b>0.1</b>                     | <b>28.0</b>    | <b>0.1</b>    | <b>20.9</b> | <b>0.1</b>    | <b>8.2</b> | <b>21.4</b>    | <b>6.4</b>      | <b>2.9</b>        | <b>11.9</b>         |
| Murder                       | 216          | 100.0        | -                              | -              | -             | 0.5         | -             | 0.9        | 2.3            | 7.4             | 6.0               | 82.9                |
| Homicide (Neg. & Non-Neg.)   | 581          | 100.0        | -                              | 9.6            | -             | 10.5        | 0.2           | 11.4       | 37.0           | 19.1            | 12.2              | -                   |
| Robbery                      | 2,594        | 100.0        | -                              | 22.1           | 0.1           | 23.0        | 0.1           | 11.3       | 32.7           | 8.2             | 2.5               | b/                  |
| Burglary                     | 877          | 100.0        | 0.1                            | 47.4           | 0.2           | 31.6        | -             | 6.4        | 12.0           | 1.5             | 0.7               | 0.1                 |
| Felonious Assault            | 367          | 100.0        | 0.5                            | 38.1           | 0.3           | 28.1        | -             | 10.9       | 19.6           | 2.5             | -                 | -                   |
| Grand Larceny (Not Auto)     | 192          | 100.0        | -                              | 60.9           | 0.5           | 31.8        | -             | 4.7        | 2.1            | -               | -                 | -                   |
| Grand Larceny (Auto)         | 17           | 100.0        | -                              | 52.9           | -             | 29.4        | -             | 5.9        | 11.8           | -               | -                 | -                   |
| Rape                         | 195          | 100.0        | -                              | 10.3           | -             | 15.9        | -             | 7.7        | 25.1           | 22.6            | 17.9              | 0.5                 |
| Sex Offenses, Ex. Rape       | 116          | 100.0        | -                              | 25.0           | -             | 24.1        | -             | 13.8       | 30.2           | 5.2             | 1.7               | -                   |
| Dangerous Drugs              | 829          | 100.0        | -                              | 12.7           | -             | 5.8         | 0.1           | 1.8        | 4.5            | 0.8             | 0.2               | 74.1                |
| Forgery                      | 90           | 100.0        | -                              | 50.0           | -             | 38.9        | -             | 2.2        | 8.9            | -               | -                 | -                   |
| Dangerous Weapons            | 366          | 100.0        | 0.3                            | 59.3           | -             | 25.7        | -             | 6.8        | 7.6            | 0.3             | -                 | -                   |
| All Other Felonies           | 257          | 100.0        | -                              | 57.2           | -             | 23.0        | -             | 3.9        | 10.1           | 3.1             | 1.2               | 1.5                 |
| Misdemeanors & Violations    | 20           | 100.0        | 100.0                          | -              | -             | -           | -             | -          | -              | -               | -                 | -                   |
| Youthful Offenders           | 477          | 100.0        | -                              | 42.6           | -             | 57.4        | -             | -          | -              | -               | -                 | -                   |
| Juvenile Delinquents 4/      | 17           | 100.0        | -                              | 100.0          | -             | -           | -             | -          | -              | -               | -                 | -                   |

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TABLE 18A

NEW COMMITMENTS TO THE FACILITIES OF THE NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONAL SERVICES  
OFFENSE BY MAXIMUM SENTENCE - MALES  
1975

| Reason for Commitment        | Total        | MAXIMUM SENTENCE ON COMMITMENT |                 |               |              |               |            |                |                 |                   |                     |
|------------------------------|--------------|--------------------------------|-----------------|---------------|--------------|---------------|------------|----------------|-----------------|-------------------|---------------------|
|                              |              | Indef-<br>inite<br>6/          | 3<br>Years      | 37-47<br>Mos. | 4<br>Years   | 49-59<br>Mos. | 5<br>Years | 61-120<br>Mos. | 121-239<br>Mos. | 20 Yr.<br>or More | Life<br>or<br>Death |
| <b>Total New Commitments</b> | <b>7,211</b> | <b>24</b>                      | <b>2,095 d/</b> | <b>7</b>      | <b>1,674</b> | <b>5</b>      | <b>549</b> | <b>1,433</b>   | <b>428</b>      | <b>196</b>        | <b>800</b>          |
| Felonies                     | 6,697        | 4                              | 1,875           | 7             | 1,400        | 5             | 549        | 1,433          | 428             | 196               | 800                 |
| Murder                       | 216          | -                              | -               | -             | 1            | -             | 2          | 5              | 16              | 13                | 179                 |
| Homicide (Neg. & Non-Neg.)   | 581          | -                              | 56              | -             | 61           | 1             | 66         | 215            | 111             | 71                | -                   |
| Robbery                      | 2,594        | -                              | 574             | 3             | 597          | 3             | 292        | 847            | 213             | 64                | 1                   |
| Burglary                     | 877          | 1                              | 416             | 2             | 277          | -             | 56         | 105            | 13              | 6                 | 1                   |
| Felonious Assault            | 367          | 2                              | 140             | 1             | 103          | -             | 40         | 72             | 9               | -                 | -                   |
| Grand Larceny (Not Auto)     | 192          | -                              | 117             | 1             | 61           | -             | 9          | 4              | -               | -                 | -                   |
| Grand Larceny (Auto)         | 17           | -                              | 9               | -             | 5            | -             | 1          | 2              | -               | -                 | -                   |
| Rape                         | 195          | -                              | 20              | -             | 31           | -             | 15         | 49             | 44              | 35                | 1                   |
| Sex Offenses, Ex. Rape       | 116          | -                              | 29              | -             | 28           | -             | 16         | 35             | 6               | 2                 | -                   |
| Dangerous Drugs              | 829          | -                              | 105             | -             | 48           | 1             | 15         | 37             | 7               | 2                 | 614                 |
| Forgery                      | 90           | -                              | 45              | -             | 35           | -             | 2          | 8              | -               | -                 | -                   |
| Dangerous Weapons            | 366          | 1                              | 217             | -             | 94           | -             | 25         | 28             | 1               | -                 | -                   |
| All Other Felonies           | 257          | -                              | 147             | -             | 59           | -             | 10         | 26             | 8               | 3                 | 4                   |
| Misdemeanors & Violations    | 20           | 20                             | -               | -             | -            | -             | -          | -              | -               | -                 | -                   |
| Youthful Offenders           | 477          | -                              | 203             | -             | 274          | -             | -          | -              | -               | -                 | -                   |
| Juvenile Delinquents         | 17           | -                              | 17              | -             | -            | -             | -          | -              | -               | -                 | -                   |

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TABLE 19

NEW COMMITMENTS TO THE FACILITIES OF THE NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONAL SERVICES  
OFFENSE BY EDUCATION - MALES  
1975

| Reason for Commitment          | EDUCATIONAL ACHIEVEMENT |         |                       |         |                      |         |                       |         |                 |         |        |         |
|--------------------------------|-------------------------|---------|-----------------------|---------|----------------------|---------|-----------------------|---------|-----------------|---------|--------|---------|
|                                | Total                   |         | College or Spec. Voc. |         | High School Graduate |         | High School Non-Grad. |         | Elementary Only |         | Other  |         |
|                                | Number                  | Percent | Number                | Percent | Number               | Percent | Number                | Percent | Number          | Percent | Number | Percent |
| Total New Commitments          | 7,211                   | 100.0   | 572                   | 7.9     | 1,189                | 16.5    | 3,305                 | 45.8    | 1,485           | 20.6    | 660    | 9.2     |
| Felonies                       | 6,697                   | 100.0   | 567                   | 8.5     | 1,142                | 17.0    | 3,011                 | 45.0    | 1,363           | 20.3    | 614    | 9.2     |
| Murder                         | 216                     | 100.0   | 18                    | 8.3     | 38                   | 17.6    | 86                    | 39.8    | 50              | 23.2    | 24     | 11.1    |
| Homicide (Neg. & Non-Neg.)     | 581                     | 100.0   | 40                    | 6.9     | 80                   | 13.8    | 236                   | 40.6    | 175             | 30.1    | 50     | 8.6     |
| Robbery                        | 2,594                   | 100.0   | 176                   | 6.8     | 402                  | 15.5    | 1,319                 | 50.8    | 448             | 17.3    | 249    | 9.6     |
| Burglary                       | 877                     | 100.0   | 55                    | 6.3     | 168                  | 19.2    | 380                   | 43.3    | 180             | 20.5    | 94     | 10.7    |
| Felonious Assault              | 367                     | 100.0   | 28                    | 7.6     | 56                   | 15.2    | 135                   | 36.8    | 114             | 31.1    | 34     | 9.3     |
| Grand Larceny (Not Auto)       | 192                     | 100.0   | 37                    | 19.3    | 41                   | 21.4    | 60                    | 31.2    | 35              | 18.2    | 19     | 9.9     |
| Grand Larceny (Auto)           | 17                      | 100.0   | -                     | -       | 4                    | 23.5    | 8                     | 47.1    | -               | -       | 5      | 29.4    |
| Rape                           | 195                     | 100.0   | 11                    | 5.7     | 33                   | 16.9    | 93                    | 47.7    | 49              | 25.1    | 9      | 4.6     |
| Sex Offenses, Ex. Rape         | 116                     | 100.0   | 13                    | 11.2    | 20                   | 17.2    | 36                    | 31.0    | 35              | 30.2    | 12     | 10.4    |
| Dangerous Drugs                | 829                     | 100.0   | 122                   | 14.7    | 157                  | 18.9    | 359                   | 43.3    | 145             | 17.5    | 46     | 5.6     |
| Forgery                        | 90                      | 100.0   | 16                    | 17.8    | 27                   | 30.0    | 32                    | 35.6    | 11              | 12.2    | 4      | 4.4     |
| Dangerous Weapons              | 366                     | 100.0   | 23                    | 6.3     | 66                   | 18.0    | 172                   | 47.0    | 64              | 17.5    | 41     | 11.2    |
| All Other Felonies             | 257                     | 100.0   | 28                    | 10.9    | 50                   | 19.5    | 95                    | 37.0    | 57              | 22.1    | 27     | 10.5    |
| Misdemeanors & Violations      | 20                      | 100.0   | -                     | -       | -                    | -       | 4                     | 20.0    | -               | -       | 16     | 80.0    |
| Youthful Offenders             | 477                     | 100.0   | 5                     | 1.0     | 47                   | 9.8     | 287                   | 60.2    | 111             | 23.3    | 27     | 5.7     |
| Juvenile Delinquents <u>s/</u> | 17                      | 100.0   | -                     | -       | -                    | -       | 3                     | 17.6    | 11              | 64.8    | 3      | 17.6    |

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TABLE 20

NEW COMMITMENTS TO THE FACILITIES OF THE NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONAL SERVICES  
OFFENSE BY ETHNIC GROUP - MALES  
1975

| Reason for Commitment          | Total  |         | ETHNIC GROUP |         |        |         |                 |         |        |         |
|--------------------------------|--------|---------|--------------|---------|--------|---------|-----------------|---------|--------|---------|
|                                |        |         | White        |         | Black  |         | Puerto Rican &/ |         | Other  |         |
|                                | Number | Percent | Number       | Percent | Number | Percent | Number          | Percent | Number | Percent |
| Total New Commitments          | 7,211  | 100.0   | 1,997        | 27.7    | 3,927  | 54.4    | 1,253           | 17.4    | 34     | 0.5     |
| Felonies                       | 6,697  | 100.0   | 1,783        | 26.6    | 3,699  | 55.2    | 1,189           | 17.8    | 26     | 0.4     |
| Murder                         | 216    | 100.0   | 66           | 30.5    | 119    | 55.1    | 30              | 13.9    | 1      | 0.5     |
| Homicide (Neg. & Non-Neg.)     | 581    | 100.0   | 99           | 17.0    | 294    | 50.6    | 185             | 31.9    | 3      | 0.5     |
| Robbery                        | 2,594  | 100.0   | 435          | 16.8    | 1,717  | 66.2    | 433             | 16.7    | 9      | 0.3     |
| Burglary                       | 877    | 100.0   | 406          | 46.3    | 343    | 39.1    | 123             | 14.0    | 5      | 0.6     |
| Felonious Assault              | 367    | 100.0   | 101          | 27.5    | 190    | 51.8    | 75              | 20.4    | 1      | 0.3     |
| Grand Larceny (Not Auto)       | 192    | 100.0   | 86           | 44.8    | 88     | 45.8    | 18              | 9.4     | -      | -       |
| Grand Larceny (Auto)           | 17     | 100.0   | 10           | 58.8    | 5      | 29.4    | 1               | 5.9     | 1      | 5.9     |
| Rape                           | 195    | 100.0   | 42           | 21.5    | 130    | 66.7    | 22              | 11.3    | 1      | 0.5     |
| Sex Offenses, Ex. Rape         | 116    | 100.0   | 53           | 45.7    | 46     | 39.7    | 17              | 14.6    | -      | -       |
| Dangerous Drugs                | 829    | 100.0   | 249          | 30.0    | 385    | 46.4    | 192             | 23.2    | 3      | 0.4     |
| Forgery                        | 90     | 100.0   | 45           | 50.0    | 43     | 47.8    | 1               | 1.1     | 1      | 1.1     |
| Dangerous Weapons              | 366    | 100.0   | 67           | 18.3    | 229    | 62.6    | 70              | 19.1    | -      | -       |
| All Other Felonies             | 257    | 100.0   | 124          | 48.2    | 110    | 42.8    | 22              | 8.6     | 1      | 0.4     |
| Misdemeanors & Violations      | 20     | 100.0   | 12           | 60.0    | 8      | 40.0    | -               | -       | -      | -       |
| Youthful Offenders             | 477    | 100.0   | 198          | 41.5    | 212    | 44.4    | 60              | 12.6    | 7      | 1.5     |
| Juvenile Delinquents <u>4/</u> | 17     | 100.0   | 4            | 23.5    | 8      | 47.1    | 4               | 23.5    | 1      | 5.9     |

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TABLE 21

NEW COMMITMENTS TO THE FACILITIES OF THE NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONAL SERVICES  
OFFENSE BY PRIOR ADULT CRIMINAL RECORD - MALES  
1975

| Reason for Commitment      | Total  |         | PRIOR ADULT CRIMINAL RECORD |         |                       |         |                             |         |            |         |
|----------------------------|--------|---------|-----------------------------|---------|-----------------------|---------|-----------------------------|---------|------------|---------|
|                            |        |         | State or Federal Commitment |         | Local Commitment Only |         | No Institutional Commitment |         | Not Stated |         |
|                            | Number | Percent | Number                      | Percent | Number                | Percent | Number                      | Percent | Number     | Percent |
| Total New Commitments      | 7,211  | 100.0   | 1,968                       | 27.3    | 1,963                 | 27.2    | 3,277                       | 45.5    | 3          | b/      |
| Felonies                   | 6,697  | 100.0   | 1,962                       | 29.3    | 1,886                 | 28.2    | 2,848                       | 42.5    | 1          | b/      |
| Murder                     | 216    | 100.0   | 61                          | 28.2    | 46                    | 21.3    | 109                         | 50.5    | -          | -       |
| Homicide (Neg. & Non-Neg.) | 581    | 100.0   | 98                          | 16.9    | 137                   | 23.6    | 346                         | 59.5    | -          | -       |
| Robbery                    | 2,594  | 100.0   | 715                         | 27.6    | 778                   | 30.0    | 1,100                       | 42.4    | 1          | b/      |
| Burglary                   | 877    | 100.0   | 357                         | 40.7    | 276                   | 31.5    | 244                         | 27.8    | -          | -       |
| Felonious Assault          | 367    | 100.0   | 110                         | 30.0    | 104                   | 28.3    | 153                         | 41.7    | -          | -       |
| Grand Larceny (Not Auto)   | 192    | 100.0   | 71                          | 37.0    | 55                    | 28.6    | 66                          | 34.4    | -          | -       |
| Grand Larceny (Auto)       | 17     | 100.0   | 5                           | 29.4    | 7                     | 41.2    | 5                           | 29.4    | -          | -       |
| Rape                       | 195    | 100.0   | 49                          | 25.1    | 53                    | 27.2    | 93                          | 47.7    | -          | -       |
| Sex Offenses, Ex. Rape     | 116    | 100.0   | 47                          | 40.5    | 24                    | 20.7    | 45                          | 38.8    | -          | -       |
| Dangerous Drugs            | 829    | 100.0   | 149                         | 18.0    | 210                   | 25.3    | 470                         | 56.7    | -          | -       |
| Forgery                    | 90     | 100.0   | 45                          | 50.0    | 18                    | 20.0    | 27                          | 30.0    | -          | -       |
| Dangerous Weapons          | 366    | 100.0   | 171                         | 46.7    | 95                    | 26.0    | 100                         | 27.3    | -          | -       |
| All Other Felonies         | 257    | 100.0   | 84                          | 32.7    | 83                    | 32.3    | 90                          | 35.0    | -          | -       |
| Misdemeanors & Violations  | 28     | 100.0   | 2                           | 10.0    | 8                     | 40.0    | 9                           | 45.0    | 1          | 5.0     |
| Youthful Offenders         | 477    | 100.0   | 4                           | 0.8     | 69                    | 14.5    | 404                         | 84.7    | -          | -       |
| Juvenile Delinquents 4/    | 17     | 100.0   | -                           | -       | -                     | -       | 16                          | 94.1    | 1          | 5.9     |

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TABLE 22

NEW COMMITMENTS TO THE FACILITIES OF THE NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONAL SERVICES  
OFFENSES BY MARITAL STATUS - MALES  
1975

| Reason for Commitment                | MARITAL STATUS |              |                       |              |              |              |                      |              |           |              |            |              |                     |              |            |              |
|--------------------------------------|----------------|--------------|-----------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|----------------------|--------------|-----------|--------------|------------|--------------|---------------------|--------------|------------|--------------|
|                                      | Total          |              | Single, Never Married |              | Married      |              | Divorced or Annulled |              | Widowed   |              | Separated  |              | Common-Law Marriage |              | Not Stated |              |
|                                      | No.            | Per-<br>cent | No.                   | Per-<br>cent | No.          | Per-<br>cent | No.                  | Per-<br>cent | No.       | Per-<br>cent | No.        | Per-<br>cent | No.                 | Per-<br>cent | No.        | Per-<br>cent |
| <b>Total New Commitments</b>         | <b>7,211</b>   | <b>100.0</b> | <b>3,628</b>          | <b>50.3</b>  | <b>1,346</b> | <b>17.3</b>  | <b>320</b>           | <b>4.4</b>   | <b>60</b> | <b>0.8</b>   | <b>487</b> | <b>6.8</b>   | <b>1,441</b>        | <b>20.0</b>  | <b>29</b>  | <b>0.4</b>   |
| <b>Felonies</b>                      | <b>6,697</b>   | <b>100.0</b> | <b>3,133</b>          | <b>46.8</b>  | <b>1,238</b> | <b>18.5</b>  | <b>318</b>           | <b>4.7</b>   | <b>60</b> | <b>0.9</b>   | <b>486</b> | <b>7.3</b>   | <b>1,441</b>        | <b>21.5</b>  | <b>21</b>  | <b>0.3</b>   |
| Murder                               | 216            | 100.0        | 98                    | 45.4         | 34           | 15.7         | 18                   | 8.3          | 4         | 1.9          | 16         | 7.4          | 44                  | 20.4         | 2          | 0.9          |
| Homicide (Neg. & Non-Neg.)           | 581            | 100.0        | 258                   | 44.4         | 126          | 21.7         | 22                   | 3.8          | 24        | 4.1          | 44         | 7.6          | 106                 | 18.2         | 1          | 0.2          |
| Robbery                              | 2,594          | 100.0        | 1,394                 | 53.7         | 370          | 14.3         | 79                   | 3.1          | 6         | 0.2          | 133        | 5.1          | 606                 | 23.4         | 6          | 0.2          |
| Burglary                             | 877            | 100.0        | 452                   | 51.5         | 143          | 16.3         | 51                   | 5.8          | 8         | 0.9          | 61         | 7.0          | 160                 | 18.3         | 2          | 0.2          |
| Felonious Assault                    | 367            | 100.0        | 161                   | 43.9         | 62           | 16.9         | 28                   | 7.6          | 4         | 1.1          | 45         | 12.2         | 63                  | 17.2         | 4          | 1.1          |
| Grand Larceny (Not Auto)             | 192            | 100.0        | 78                    | 40.6         | 48           | 25.0         | 12                   | 6.3          | 1         | 0.5          | 14         | 7.3          | 39                  | 20.3         | -          | -            |
| Grand Larceny (Auto)                 | 17             | 100.0        | 8                     | 47.1         | 5            | 29.4         | 1                    | 5.9          | -         | -            | 1          | 5.9          | 2                   | 11.7         | -          | -            |
| Rape                                 | 195            | 100.0        | 85                    | 43.6         | 45           | 23.1         | 7                    | 3.6          | 4         | 2.1          | 19         | 9.7          | 35                  | 17.9         | -          | -            |
| Sex Offenses, Ex. Rape               | 116            | 100.0        | 52                    | 44.8         | 33           | 28.4         | 8                    | 6.9          | 1         | 0.9          | 11         | 9.5          | 11                  | 9.5          | -          | -            |
| Dangerous Drugs                      | 829            | 100.0        | 291                   | 35.1         | 203          | 24.5         | 43                   | 5.2          | 2         | 0.2          | 74         | 9.0          | 214                 | 25.8         | 2          | 0.2          |
| Forgery                              | 90             | 100.0        | 21                    | 23.3         | 26           | 28.9         | 15                   | 16.7         | -         | -            | 7          | 7.8          | 21                  | 23.3         | -          | -            |
| Dangerous Weapons                    | 366            | 100.0        | 130                   | 35.5         | 75           | 20.5         | 12                   | 3.3          | 4         | 1.1          | 44         | 12.0         | 98                  | 26.8         | 3          | 0.8          |
| All Other Felonies                   | 257            | 100.0        | 105                   | 40.8         | 68           | 26.5         | 22                   | 8.6          | 2         | 0.8          | 17         | 6.6          | 42                  | 16.3         | 1          | 0.4          |
| <b>Misdemeanors &amp; Violations</b> | <b>20</b>      | <b>100.0</b> | <b>9</b>              | <b>45.0</b>  | <b>1</b>     | <b>5.0</b>   | <b>1</b>             | <b>5.0</b>   | <b>-</b>  | <b>-</b>     | <b>1</b>   | <b>5.0</b>   | <b>-</b>            | <b>-</b>     | <b>8</b>   | <b>40.0</b>  |
| Youthful Offenders                   | 477            | 100.0        | 469                   | 98.3         | 7            | 1.5          | 1                    | 0.2          | -         | -            | -          | -            | -                   | -            | -          | -            |
| Juvenile Delinquents <u>4/</u>       | 17             | 100.0        | 17                    | 100.0        | -            | -            | -                    | -            | -         | -            | -          | -            | -                   | -            | -          | -            |

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TABLE 23

NEW COMMITMENTS TO THE FACILITIES OF THE NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONAL SERVICES  
 PERCENT DISTRIBUTIONS OF OFFENSE BY MAXIMUM SENTENCE - FEMALES  
 1975

| Reason for Commitment      | TOTAL  |         | MAXIMUM SENTENCE ON COMMITMENT |            |               |            |               |            |                |                 |                   |                     |
|----------------------------|--------|---------|--------------------------------|------------|---------------|------------|---------------|------------|----------------|-----------------|-------------------|---------------------|
|                            | Number | Percent | Indef-<br>inite                | 3<br>Years | 37-47<br>Mos. | 4<br>Years | 49-59<br>Mos. | 5<br>Years | 61-120<br>Mos. | 121-239<br>Mos. | 20 Yr.<br>or More | Life<br>or<br>Death |
| Total New Commitments      | 271    | 100.0   | 0.7                            | 27.7       | -             | 15.1       | 0.4           | 7.8        | 11.4           | 2.2             | 1.1               | 33.6                |
| Felonies                   | 266    | 100.0   | 0.7                            | 27.1       | -             | 14.7       | 0.4           | 7.9        | 11.6           | 2.3             | 1.1               | 34.2                |
| Murder                     | 3      | 100.0   | -                              | -          | -             | -          | -             | -          | -              | 33.3            | -                 | 66.7                |
| Homicide (Neg. & Non-Neg.) | 46     | 100.0   | -                              | 17.4       | -             | 21.7       | -             | 10.9       | 39.1           | 8.7             | 2.2               | -                   |
| Robbery                    | 42     | 100.0   | -                              | 31.0       | -             | 31.0       | -             | 21.4       | 11.9           | -               | 4.7               | -                   |
| Burglary                   | 5      | 100.0   | -                              | 60.0       | -             | -          | -             | 20.0       | 20.0           | -               | -                 | -                   |
| Felonious Assault          | 20     | 100.0   | -                              | 55.0       | -             | 20.0       | 5.0           | 5.0        | 10.0           | 5.0             | -                 | -                   |
| Grand Larceny (Not Auto)   | 25     | 100.0   | 4.0                            | 72.0       | -             | 20.0       | -             | 4.0        | -              | -               | -                 | -                   |
| Grand Larceny (Auto)       | -      | -       | -                              | -          | -             | -          | -             | -          | -              | -               | -                 | -                   |
| Rape                       | -      | -       | -                              | -          | -             | -          | -             | -          | -              | -               | -                 | -                   |
| Sex Offenses, Ex. Rape     | -      | -       | -                              | -          | -             | -          | -             | -          | -              | -               | -                 | -                   |
| Dangerous Drugs            | 104    | 100.0   | -                              | 6.7        | -             | 2.9        | -             | 1.0        | 3.8            | -               | -                 | 85.6                |
| Forgery                    | 8      | 100.0   | -                              | 62.5       | -             | 37.5       | -             | -          | -              | -               | -                 | -                   |
| Dangerous Weapons          | 3      | 100.0   | -                              | 100.0      | -             | -          | -             | -          | -              | -               | -                 | -                   |
| All Other Felonies         | 10     | 100.0   | 10.0                           | 40.0       | -             | 10.0       | -             | 30.0       | 10.0           | -               | -                 | -                   |
| Misdemeanors & Violations  | -      | -       | -                              | -          | -             | -          | -             | -          | -              | -               | -                 | -                   |
| Youthful Offenders         | 5      | 100.0   | -                              | 60.0       | -             | 40.0       | -             | -          | -              | -               | -                 | -                   |
| Juvenile Delinquents 4/    | -      | -       | -                              | -          | -             | -          | -             | -          | -              | -               | -                 | -                   |

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NEW COMMITMENTS TO THE FACILITIES OF THE NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONAL SERVICES  
OFFENSE BY MAXIMUM SENTENCE - FEMALES  
1975

| Reason for Commitment        | Total      | MAXIMUM SENTENCE ON COMMITMENT |            |                 |            |                 |            |                  |                   |                    | Life<br>or<br>Death |
|------------------------------|------------|--------------------------------|------------|-----------------|------------|-----------------|------------|------------------|-------------------|--------------------|---------------------|
|                              |            | Indef-<br>inite                | 3<br>Years | 37-47<br>Months | 4<br>Years | 49-59<br>Months | 5<br>Years | 61-120<br>Months | 121-239<br>Months | 20 Yrs.<br>or More |                     |
| <b>Total New Commitments</b> | <b>271</b> | <b>2</b>                       | <b>75</b>  | <b>-</b>        | <b>41</b>  | <b>1</b>        | <b>21</b>  | <b>31</b>        | <b>6</b>          | <b>3</b>           | <b>91</b>           |
| <b>Felonies</b>              | <b>266</b> | <b>2</b>                       | <b>72</b>  | <b>-</b>        | <b>39</b>  | <b>1</b>        | <b>21</b>  | <b>31</b>        | <b>6</b>          | <b>3</b>           | <b>91</b>           |
| Murder                       | 3          | -                              | -          | -               | -          | -               | -          | -                | 1                 | -                  | 2                   |
| Homicide (Neg. & Non-Neg.)   | 46         | -                              | 8          | -               | 10         | -               | 5          | 18               | 4                 | 1                  | -                   |
| Robbery                      | 42         | -                              | 13         | -               | 13         | -               | 9          | 5                | -                 | 2                  | -                   |
| Burglary                     | 5          | -                              | 3          | -               | -          | -               | 1          | 1                | -                 | -                  | -                   |
| Felonious Assault            | 20         | -                              | 11         | -               | 4          | 1               | 1          | 2                | 1                 | -                  | -                   |
| Grand Larceny (Not Auto)     | 25         | 1                              | 18         | -               | 5          | -               | 1          | -                | -                 | -                  | -                   |
| Grand Larceny (Auto)         | -          | -                              | -          | -               | -          | -               | -          | -                | -                 | -                  | -                   |
| Rape                         | -          | -                              | -          | -               | -          | -               | -          | -                | -                 | -                  | -                   |
| Sex Offenses, Ex. Rape       | -          | -                              | -          | -               | -          | -               | -          | -                | -                 | -                  | -                   |
| Dangerous Drugs              | 104        | -                              | 7          | -               | 3          | -               | 1          | 4                | -                 | -                  | 89                  |
| Forgery                      | 8          | -                              | 5          | -               | 3          | -               | -          | -                | -                 | -                  | -                   |
| Dangerous Weapons            | 3          | -                              | 3          | -               | -          | -               | -          | -                | -                 | -                  | -                   |
| All Other Felonies           | 10         | 1                              | 4          | -               | 1          | -               | 3          | 1                | -                 | -                  | -                   |
| Misdemeanors & Violations    | -          | -                              | -          | -               | -          | -               | -          | -                | -                 | -                  | -                   |
| Youthful Offenders           | 5          | -                              | 3          | -               | 2          | -               | -          | -                | -                 | -                  | -                   |
| Juvenile Delinquents 4/      | -          | -                              | -          | -               | -          | -               | -          | -                | -                 | -                  | -                   |

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NEW COMMITMENTS TO THE FACILITIES OF THE NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONAL SERVICES  
OFFENSE BY EDUCATION - FEMALES  
1975

| Reason for Commitment      | Total |          | EDUCATIONAL ACHIEVEMENT |         |                      |         |                       |         |                 |         |        |         |
|----------------------------|-------|----------|-------------------------|---------|----------------------|---------|-----------------------|---------|-----------------|---------|--------|---------|
|                            |       |          | College or Spec. Voc.   |         | High School Graduate |         | High School Non-Grad. |         | Elementary Only |         | Other  |         |
|                            |       |          | Number                  | Percent | Number               | Percent | Number                | Percent | Number          | Percent | Number | Percent |
| Total New Commitments      | 271   | 100.0    | 15                      | 5.5     | 60                   | 22.2    | 154                   | 56.8    | 37              | 13.7    | 5      | 1.8     |
| Felonies                   | 266   | 100.0    | 15                      | 5.6     | 60                   | 22.6    | 149                   | 56.0    | 37              | 13.9    | 5      | 1.9     |
| Murder                     | 3     | 100.0    | -                       | -       | 2                    | 66.7    | 1                     | 33.3    | -               | -       | -      | -       |
| Homicide (Neg. & Non-Neg.) | 46    | 100.0    | 1                       | 2.2     | 12                   | 26.1    | 26                    | 56.5    | 7               | 15.2    | -      | -       |
| Robbery                    | 42    | 100.0    | 1                       | 2.4     | 8                    | 19.0    | 28                    | 66.7    | 5               | 11.9    | -      | -       |
| Burglary                   | 5     | 100.0    | 1                       | 20.0    | 2                    | 40.0    | 2                     | 40.0    | -               | -       | -      | -       |
| Felonious Assault          | 20    | 100.0    | -                       | -       | 2                    | 10.0    | 12                    | 60.0    | 4               | 20.0    | 2      | 10.0    |
| Grand Larceny (Not Auto)   | 25    | 100.0    | 5                       | 20.0    | 5                    | 20.0    | 12                    | 48.0    | 1               | 4.0     | 2      | 8.0     |
| Grand Larceny (Auto)       | -     | -        | -                       | -       | -                    | -       | -                     | -       | -               | -       | -      | -       |
| Rape                       | -     | -        | -                       | -       | -                    | -       | -                     | -       | -               | -       | -      | -       |
| Sex Offenses, Ex. Rape     | -     | -        | -                       | -       | -                    | -       | -                     | -       | -               | -       | -      | -       |
| Dangerous Drugs            | 104   | 100.0    | 6                       | 5.8     | 22                   | 21.1    | 58                    | 55.8    | 18              | 17.3    | -      | -       |
| Forgery                    | 8     | 100.0    | -                       | -       | 3                    | 37.5    | 5                     | 62.5    | -               | -       | -      | -       |
| Dangerous Weapons          | 3     | 100.0 e/ | -                       | -       | 1                    | 33.3    | 1                     | 33.3    | 1               | 33.3    | -      | -       |
| All Other Felonies         | 10    | 100.0    | 1                       | 10.0    | 3                    | 30.0    | 4                     | 40.0    | 1               | 10.0    | 1      | 10.0    |
| Misdemeanors & Violations  | -     | -        | -                       | -       | -                    | -       | -                     | -       | -               | -       | -      | -       |
| Youthful Offenders         | 5     | 100.0    | -                       | -       | -                    | -       | 5                     | 100.0   | -               | -       | -      | -       |
| Juvenile Delinquents 4/    | -     | -        | -                       | -       | -                    | -       | -                     | -       | -               | -       | -      | -       |

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TABLE 25

NEW COMMITMENTS TO THE FACILITIES OF THE NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONAL SERVICES  
OFFENSE BY ETHNIC GROUP - FEMALES  
1975

| Reason for Commitment                | Total      |              | ETHNIC GROUP |             |            |             |              |             |        |         |
|--------------------------------------|------------|--------------|--------------|-------------|------------|-------------|--------------|-------------|--------|---------|
|                                      |            |              | White        |             | Black      |             | Puerto Rican |             | Other  |         |
|                                      | Number     | Percent      | Number       | Percent     | Number     | Percent     | Number       | Percent     | Number | Percent |
| <b>Total New Commitments</b>         | <b>271</b> | <b>100.0</b> | <b>71</b>    | <b>26.2</b> | <b>164</b> | <b>60.5</b> | <b>36</b>    | <b>13.3</b> | -      | -       |
| <b>Felonies</b>                      | <b>266</b> | <b>100.0</b> | <b>69</b>    | <b>26.0</b> | <b>161</b> | <b>60.5</b> | <b>36</b>    | <b>13.5</b> | -      | -       |
| Murder                               | 3          | 100.0        | 2            | 66.7        | 1          | 33.3        | -            | -           | -      | -       |
| Homicide (Neg. & Non-Neg.)           | 46         | 100.0        | 10           | 21.7        | 30         | 65.2        | 6            | 13.1        | -      | -       |
| Robbery                              | 42         | 100.0        | 10           | 23.8        | 25         | 59.5        | 7            | 16.7        | -      | -       |
| Burglary                             | 5          | 100.0        | 3            | 60.0        | 3          | 40.0        | -            | -           | -      | -       |
| Felonious Assault                    | 20         | 100.0        | 3            | 15.0        | 15         | 75.0        | 2            | 10.0        | -      | -       |
| Grand Larceny (Not Auto)             | 25         | 100.0        | 10           | 40.0        | 13         | 52.0        | 2            | 8.0         | -      | -       |
| Grand Larceny (Auto)                 | -          | -            | -            | -           | -          | -           | -            | -           | -      | -       |
| Rape                                 | -          | -            | -            | -           | -          | -           | -            | -           | -      | -       |
| Sex Offenses, Ex. Rape               | -          | -            | -            | -           | -          | -           | -            | -           | -      | -       |
| Dangerous Drugs                      | 104        | 100.0        | 23           | 22.1        | 65         | 62.5        | 16           | 15.4        | -      | -       |
| Forgery                              | 8          | 100.0        | 5            | 62.5        | 3          | 37.5        | -            | -           | -      | -       |
| Dangerous Weapons                    | 3          | 100.0        | -            | -           | 2          | 66.7        | 1            | 33.3        | -      | -       |
| All Other Felonies                   | 10         | 100.0        | 3            | 30.0        | 5          | 50.0        | 2            | 20.0        | -      | -       |
| <b>Misdemeanors &amp; Violations</b> | -          | -            | -            | -           | -          | -           | -            | -           | -      | -       |
| Youthful Offenders                   | 5          | 100.0        | 2            | 40.0        | 3          | 60.0        | -            | -           | -      | -       |
| Juvenile Delinquents 4/              | -          | -            | -            | -           | -          | -           | -            | -           | -      | -       |

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TABLE 26

NEW COMMITMENTS TO THE FACILITIES OF THE NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONAL SERVICES  
OFFENSE BY PRIOR ADULT CRIMINAL RECORD - FEMALES  
1975

| Reason for Commitment          | Total  |         | PRIOR ADULT CRIMINAL RECORD |         |                       |         |                             |         |            |         |
|--------------------------------|--------|---------|-----------------------------|---------|-----------------------|---------|-----------------------------|---------|------------|---------|
|                                |        |         | State or Federal Commitment |         | Local Commitment Only |         | No Institutional Commitment |         | Not Stated |         |
|                                | Number | Percent | Number                      | Percent | Number                | Percent | Number                      | Percent | Number     | Percent |
| Total New Commitments          | 271    | 100.0   | 28                          | 10.3    | 61                    | 22.5    | 181                         | 66.8    | 1          | 0.4     |
| Felonies                       | 266    | 100.0   | 28                          | 10.5    | 61                    | 22.9    | 176                         | 66.2    | 1          | 0.4     |
| Murder                         | 3      | 100.0   | 1                           | 33.3    | -                     | -       | 2                           | 66.7    | -          | -       |
| Homicide (Neg. & Non-Neg.)     | 46     | 100.0   | -                           | -       | 5                     | 10.9    | 41                          | 89.1    | -          | -       |
| Robbery                        | 42     | 100.0   | 6                           | 14.3    | 11                    | 26.2    | 25                          | 59.5    | -          | -       |
| Burglary                       | 5      | 100.0   | -                           | -       | 1                     | 20.0    | 4                           | 80.0    | -          | -       |
| Felony Assault                 | 20     | 100.0   | 5                           | 25.0    | 4                     | 20.0    | 11                          | 55.0    | -          | -       |
| Grand Larceny (Not Auto)       | 25     | 100.0   | 2                           | 8.0     | 14                    | 56.0    | 9                           | 36.0    | -          | -       |
| Grand Larceny (Auto)           | -      | -       | -                           | -       | -                     | -       | -                           | -       | -          | -       |
| Rape                           | -      | -       | -                           | -       | -                     | -       | -                           | -       | -          | -       |
| Sex Offenses, Ex. Rape         | -      | -       | -                           | -       | -                     | -       | -                           | -       | -          | -       |
| Dangerous Drugs                | 104    | 100.0   | 10                          | 9.6     | 21                    | 20.2    | 73                          | 70.2    | -          | -       |
| Forgery                        | 8      | 100.0   | 1                           | 12.5    | 4                     | 50.0    | 3                           | 37.5    | -          | -       |
| Dangerous Weapons              | 3      | 100.0   | 1                           | 33.3    | -                     | -       | 2                           | 66.7    | -          | -       |
| All Other Felonies             | 10     | 100.0   | 2                           | 20.0    | 1                     | 10.0    | 6                           | 60.0    | 1          | 10.0    |
| Misdemeanors & Violations      | -      | -       | -                           | -       | -                     | -       | -                           | -       | -          | -       |
| Youthful Offenders             | 5      | 100.0   | -                           | -       | -                     | -       | 5                           | 100.0   | -          | -       |
| Juvenile Delinquents <u>4/</u> | -      | -       | -                           | -       | -                     | -       | -                           | -       | -          | -       |

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TABLE 27

NEW COMMITMENTS TO THE FACILITIES OF THE NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONAL SERVICES  
OFFENSES BY MARITAL STATUS - FEMALES  
1975

| Reason for Commitment              | MARITAL STATUS |          |                       |          |         |          |                      |          |         |          |           |          |                     |          |            |          |
|------------------------------------|----------------|----------|-----------------------|----------|---------|----------|----------------------|----------|---------|----------|-----------|----------|---------------------|----------|------------|----------|
|                                    | Total          |          | Single, Never Married |          | Married |          | Divorced or Annulled |          | Widowed |          | Separated |          | Common-Law Marriage |          | Not Stated |          |
|                                    | No.            | Per-cent | No.                   | Per-cent | No.     | Per-cent | No.                  | Per-cent | No.     | Per-cent | No.       | Per-cent | No.                 | Per-cent | No.        | Per-cent |
| Total New Commitments              | 271            | 100.0    | 136                   | 50.2     | 35      | 12.9     | 21                   | 7.7      | 9       | 3.3      | 59        | 21.8     | 10                  | 3.7      | 1          | 0.4      |
| Felonies                           | 266            | 100.0    | 131                   | 49.2     | 35      | 13.1     | 21                   | 7.9      | 9       | 3.4      | 59        | 22.2     | 10                  | 3.8      | 1          | 0.4      |
| Murder                             | 3              | 100.0    | 1                     | 33.3     | -       | -        | 2                    | 66.7     | -       | -        | -         | -        | -                   | -        | -          | -        |
| Homicide (Neg. & Non-Neg.)         | 46             | 100.0    | 24                    | 52.2     | 4       | 8.7      | 3                    | 6.5      | 4       | 8.7      | 9         | 19.6     | 2                   | 4.3      | -          | -        |
| Robbery                            | 42             | 100.0    | 25                    | 59.5     | 2       | 4.8      | 2                    | 4.8      | -       | -        | 12        | 28.5     | 1                   | 2.4      | -          | -        |
| Burglary                           | 5              | 100.0    | 4                     | 80.0     | -       | -        | -                    | -        | -       | -        | 1         | 20.0     | -                   | -        | -          | -        |
| Felonious Assault                  | 20             | 100.0    | 10                    | 50.0     | 2       | 10.0     | 1                    | 5.0      | -       | -        | 6         | 30.0     | 1                   | 5.0      | -          | -        |
| Grand Larceny (Not Auto)           | 25             | 100.0    | 7                     | 28.0     | 7       | 28.0     | 4                    | 16.0     | 2       | 8.0      | 5         | 20.0     | -                   | -        | -          | -        |
| Grand Larceny (Auto)               | -              | -        | -                     | -        | -       | -        | -                    | -        | -       | -        | -         | -        | -                   | -        | -          | -        |
| Rape                               | -              | -        | -                     | -        | -       | -        | -                    | -        | -       | -        | -         | -        | -                   | -        | -          | -        |
| Sex Offenses, Ex. Rape             | -              | -        | -                     | -        | -       | -        | -                    | -        | -       | -        | -         | -        | -                   | -        | -          | -        |
| Dangerous Drugs                    | 104            | 100.0    | 51                    | 49.0     | 14      | 13.5     | 8                    | 7.7      | 2       | 1.9      | 22        | 21.1     | 6                   | 5.8      | 1          | 1.0      |
| Forgery                            | 8              | 100.0    | 3                     | 37.5     | 4       | 50.0     | -                    | -        | -       | -        | 1         | 12.5     | -                   | -        | -          | -        |
| Dangerous Weapons                  | 3              | 100.0    | 2                     | 66.7     | -       | -        | 1                    | 33.3     | -       | -        | -         | -        | -                   | -        | -          | -        |
| All Other Felonies                 | 10             | 100.0    | 4                     | 40.0     | 2       | 20.0     | -                    | -        | 1       | 10.0     | 3         | 30.0     | -                   | -        | -          | -        |
| Misdemeanors & Violations          | -              | -        | -                     | -        | -       | -        | -                    | -        | -       | -        | -         | -        | -                   | -        | -          | -        |
| Youthful Offenders                 | 5              | 100.0    | 5                     | 100.0    | -       | -        | -                    | -        | -       | -        | -         | -        | -                   | -        | -          | -        |
| Juvenile Delinquents <sup>4/</sup> | -              | -        | -                     | -        | -       | -        | -                    | -        | -       | -        | -         | -        | -                   | -        | -          | -        |

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FOOTNOTES

- 1/ Includes new commitments, 26 transfers from local penal institutions outside the Department, and 32 affirmations of sentence.
- 2/ Returned for technical violations without new court commitments. Includes 48 returns from escape and 314 returned late from temporary release.
- 3/ Includes 461 maximum expirations of sentence, 37 deaths, 217 court orders, 58 escapes, 410 absent from temporary release (please note that 314 were returned late from temporary release) and 57 transfers to institutions outside the Department (45 to Mental Hygiene and 12 to local penal institutions) and 14 mentally handicapped persons.
- 4/ Commitments of Wayward Minors eliminated effective September 1, 1971.
- 5/ Such commitments of insane or mental defectives eliminated effective May 30, 1974.
- 6/ Includes not convicted insane or mental defective commitments, eliminated May 30, 1974 and transfers from local penal institutions.
- 7/ Includes reformatory sentences, eliminated effective July 31, 1974 and commitments of not-convicted insane or mental defectives, eliminated May 30, 1974 and transfers from local penal institutions.
- 8/ Includes persons of Puerto Rican birth or parentage.
  - a/ Includes 12 inmates in Transfer Unit as of January 1, 1975.
  - b/ Less than 0.1 percent.
  - c/ No cases in 1971.
  - d/ Includes 3 cases with 2 year maximums.
  - e/ Percentage distribution here adds to 99.9.
  - f/ Includes 13 old-law "statutory" releases.

**END**