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 BJS Annual P/P Survey
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FORM **CJ-7**

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2015 ANNUAL PAROLE SURVEY**PLEASE ENTER THE CONTACT INFORMATION FOR THE PERSON FILLING OUT THIS FORM**

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GENERAL INFORMATION

- If you have any questions, contact **Alissa Chambers** of RTI International at **1-866-334-4175** or **bjs-aps-help@rti.org**.
- Please complete the questionnaire before **February 29, 2016** using the web-reporting option at **www.bjs-aps.org**, by mailing the complete questionnaire to **RTI International** at the address above, or by **faxing** all pages toll-free to **1-866-509-7471**.

Who is covered by this survey?

- **INCLUDE** all persons sentenced as adults, who were conditionally released to parole supervision, by parole board decision, by mandatory conditional release, through other types of post-custody conditional supervision, or as the result of a sentence to a term of supervised release. (Adults are persons subject to the jurisdiction of an adult court or correctional agency.)
- **INCLUDE** adult parolees legally your responsibility but supervised outside your jurisdiction, such as through an interstate compact agreement.
- **INCLUDE** adult parolees on active supervision, including those who report electronically, or inactive supervision.
- **INCLUDE** adult parolees under your jurisdiction regardless of supervision status or sentence length.
- **INCLUDE** absconders who have not been discharged from parole.

Who is not covered by this survey?

- **EXCLUDE** juveniles (persons under the jurisdiction of a juvenile court or corrections agency).
- **EXCLUDE** interstate compact cases supervised by your jurisdiction for another state.
- **EXCLUDE** adult parolees supervised by your jurisdiction but legally the responsibility of another jurisdiction.

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INSTRUCTIONS

- **Please provide a response to each item. Blank items will be interpreted as "unknown" ("DK").**
- If the answer to a question is "none" or "zero," write "0" in the space provided.
- If the answer to a question is "unknown," write "DK" in the space provided.
- If the answer to a question is "not applicable," write "NA" in the space provided.
- When an exact numeric answer is not available, provide an **estimate** and mark (X) in the box beside each figure. For example **1,000** .

ITEMS AND DEFINITIONS

Your agency's adult parole population on December 31, 2014.....

1. On January 1, 2015, what was your agency's adult parole population?
Population on January 1, 2015

2. Between January 1, 2015, and December 31, 2015, how many adults entered parole by —

a. Discretionary release from prison

b. Mandatory release from prison

c. Reinstatement of parole

d. Term of supervised release from prison

e. Other – Specify ↴

f. Not known

g. Total entries (Should equal the sum of items 2a through 2f.).....

3. Between January 1, 2015, and December 31, 2015, how many adult parolees were discharged from supervision for the following reasons —

a. Completions

b. Returned to incarceration —

1) With new sentence

2) With revocation, without new sentence

3) To receive treatment

4) Other – Specify ↴

5) Not known

c. Absconder

d. Transferred to another parole agency...

e. Death

f. Other discharges – Specify each

1) Other completions ↴

2) Unsatisfactory ↴

3) Other ↴

g. Not known

h. Total discharges (Should equal the sum of items 3a through 3g.).....

4. On December 31, 2015, what was your agency's adult parole population?
(Should equal Question 1 plus item 2g minus item 3h.)
Population on December 31, 2015

- ← 1. See cover page for persons to INCLUDE and EXCLUDE.
- ← 2. Individuals entering parole more than once during the year should be counted each time (e.g., entered, discharged, and re-entered should be counted as two entries). Individuals who enter parole and, without being discharged, are placed on parole for a second offense, should be counted as one entry.
- a. Discretionary releases are persons who entered parole as a result of a parole board decision, Governor's pardon, or commutation of sentence.
- b. Mandatory releases are persons who entered parole as a result of a determinate sentencing statute or good-time provision.
- c. Reinstatements are persons returned to parole status, including discharged absconders whose cases were re-opened, revocations with immediate reinstatement, and offenders re-paroled at any time under the same sentence.
- d. Term of supervised release are persons sentenced by a judge to a fixed period of incarceration based on a determinate statute, immediately followed by a period of supervised release.
- ← 3. Individuals exiting parole more than once during the year should be counted each time (e.g., individuals who are discharged from all parole supervision, re-enter parole, and are fully discharged again, should be counted as two discharges).
- a. Completions are parolees who served full-term sentences or who were released early due to a parole authority decision, commutation, or pardon.
- b. 1) Parolees sent back to incarceration after receiving a sentence for a new offense.
- 2) Parolees sent back to incarceration after their sentence to parole was revoked (e.g., violating a condition of their parole) but without receiving a sentence for a new offense.
- 3) Parolees incarcerated in order to receive any type of treatment.
- 4) Parolees sent back to incarceration pending a revocation, trial, sentencing, or others.
- 5) Parolees who have been incarcerated, for whom the reason was unknown.
- c. Discharged parolees who had failed to report and could not be located.
- d. Parolees transferred to another agency if they are no longer in your record system.
- f. Specify type of discharge within the categories of other completions, unsatisfactory, and other.
- 1) Other completions are those which did not fully meet the definition of item 3a.
- 2) Unsatisfactory discharges are those parolees who did not fulfill all conditions of their supervision or violated the conditions of their supervision but were not returned to incarceration (e.g. revocation with immediate reinstatement). Exclude absconders (item 3c).
- ← 4. The count of adult parolees at yearend 2015. This total should equal the population on January 1, 2015, plus the total entering parole in 2015, minus the total discharged from parole in 2015. (See cover page for persons to INCLUDE and EXCLUDE.)

- 5. Does the total parole population on December 31, 2015 (reported in Question 4) represent a count of individuals or cases? (Please mark (X) in one box.)**
- 1 Individuals
 2 Cases
- 6. On December 31, 2015, were any adult parolees legally your responsibility being supervised by another state through an interstate compact agreement?**
- Include parolees SENT to another state.
- 1 Yes —
- a. How many adult parolees legally your responsibility were supervised by another state?.....
- b. Are these parolees included in Question 4?..... 1 Yes 2 No
- 2 No
- 7. Does the total parole population on December 31, 2015, (reported in Question 4) include interstate compact cases supervised by your agency for another state that could not be excluded from the total?**
- 1 Yes —
- a. How many adult parolees were being supervised by your agency for another state that could not be excluded from the total?.....
- 2 No
- 8. On December 31, 2015, how many adult parolees had a maximum sentence to incarceration of —**
- a. A year or less
- b. More than a year
- c. Not known
- d. Total (Sum of items 8a through 8c should equal Question 4.).....
- 9. On December 31, 2015, how many adult parolees in your jurisdiction were —**
- a. Male
- b. Female
- c. Not known
- d. Total (Sum of items 9a through 9c should equal Question 4.)

- 10. On December 31, 2015, how many adult parolees in your jurisdiction were — (See race/ethnicity definitions on Page 5.)**
- a. White (not of Hispanic origin).....
- b. Black or African American (not of Hispanic origin).....
- c. Hispanic or Latino
- d. American Indian/Alaska Native (not of Hispanic origin)
- e. Asian (not of Hispanic origin).....
- f. Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander (not of Hispanic origin).....
- g. Two or more races (not of Hispanic origin).....
- h. Additional categories in your information system – Specify
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- i. Not known.....
- j. Total (Sum of items 10a through 10i should equal Question 4.)
- 11. On December 31, 2015, how many adult parolees (reported in Question 4), regardless of conviction status, had as their most serious offense —**
- a. Sex offense (Include any forcible or nonforcible sex act. Exclude prostitution, commercialized vice, and offenses reported in item 11b.)
- b. Other violent offense (Include murder, manslaughter, robbery, kidnapping, assault, and other violent offenses. Exclude sex offenses reported in item 11a.).....
- c. Property offense (Include burglary, larceny, motor vehicle theft, fraud, and other property offenses.).....
- d. Drug offense (Include unlawful possession, sale, use, distribution, importation, growing, or manufacturing of narcotic drugs.)
- e. Weapon offense
- f. Other offense – Specify
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- g. Not known
- h. Total (Sum of items 11a through 11g should equal Question 4.).....

12. On December 31, 2015, how many adult parolees supervised by your agency had a status of —

- Exclude parolees supervised by your agency for another state through an interstate compact agreement or by your jurisdiction but legally the responsibility of another jurisdiction.
- a. Active** (Those required to regularly contact a supervisory parole authority in person, by mail, by telephone, or electronically. Exclude those reported in items 12b-12e.)
- b. Only have financial conditions remaining** (Exclude those reported in items 12a and 12c-12e.)
- c. Inactive** (Exclude those reported in items 12a, 12b, 12d, and 12e.)
- d. Absconder** (Include those still on parole but who have failed to report and cannot be located. Exclude those reported in items 12a-12c and 12e.)
- e. Supervised out of state** (Include active and inactive parolees under your jurisdiction who are supervised by authorities of another state. Exclude those reported in items 12a-12d.)
- f. Other – Specify**
- g. Not known**
- h. Total** (Sum of items 12a through 12g should equal Question 4.)

13. Does the total parole population on December 31, 2015 (reported in Question 4) include any persons who were also under probation supervision, or who were held in jail, prison, or a U.S. Bureau of Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) holding facility?

- 1 Yes —
 - a. How many were also on probation supervision?
 - b. How many were in local jails? (Include evening confinements.)
 - c. How many were in a state or federal prison?
 - d. How many were in an ICE holding facility?

2 No

14. On December 31, 2015, how many of the adult parolees in your jurisdiction were being supervised following —

- a. Discretionary release from prison** (Persons who entered supervision as a result of a parole board decision, Governor's pardon, or commutation of sentence.)
- b. Mandatory release from prison** (Persons who entered supervision as a result of a determinate sentencing statute or good-time provision.)
- c. Special conditional release from prison** (e.g., medical release, early release for the terminally ill, other special release.)
- d. Term of supervised release from prison** (Persons who entered as the result of a sentence by a judge to a fixed period of incarceration based on a determinate statute, immediately followed by a fixed period of supervised release.)
- e. Other – Specify**
- f. Not known**
- g. Total** (Sum of items 14a through 14f should equal Question 4.)

15. Does the total parole population on December 31, 2015, (reported in Question 4) include any parolees who had their location tracked through a Global Positioning System (GPS), either directly by your agency or through a contract?

- 1 Yes —
 - a. How many adult parolees were tracked using GPS?
 - b. How many of the parolees reported in item 15a (above) were sex offenders?

2 No

Notes and comments – *(Please attach additional notes if necessary. Please explain changes in how data are reported compared with last year.)*

Race/ethnicity definitions for Question 10.

- a. **White.** A person having origins in any of the original peoples of Europe, the Middle East, or North Africa.
- b. **Black or African American.** A person having origins in any of the black racial groups of Africa.
- c. **Hispanic or Latino.** A person of Cuban, Mexican, Puerto Rican, South or Central American, or other Spanish culture or origin, regardless of race.
- d. **American Indian or Alaska Native.** A person having origins in any of the original peoples of North and South America (including Central America), and who maintains tribal affiliation or community attachment.
- e. **Asian.** A person having origins in any of the original peoples of the Far East, Southeast Asia, or the Indian subcontinent including, for example, Cambodia, China, India, Japan, Korea, Malaysia, Pakistan, the Philippine Islands, Thailand, and Vietnam.
- f. **Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander.** A person having origins in any of the original peoples of Hawaii, Guam, Samoa, or other Pacific Islands.