

JIPS

JUVENILES WITH DISPOSITIONS TO JIPS IN FY08⁶

The information presented in this section characterizes individual youth (unduplicated). For those youth who were placed on Intensive Probation more than once during the fiscal year, information from the first instance during the time frame is reported.

Table 8.1 shows the distribution of youth across the counties in Arizona. Demographic and offense-specific information are also presented.

Juvenile Intensive Probation Supervision (JIPS) is a sentencing consequence used by the juvenile court judges for those youth who are in need of a higher level of supervision and a highly structured program. The program was enacted into law in 1987. The intent of this legislation was to create a program which would allow juvenile delinquents to remain at home under increased supervision and structure rather than be placed in either a residential treatment facility or the Arizona Department of Juvenile Corrections (ADJC). Financial considerations weighed heavily in the formation of the program, as JIPS is a less costly alternative than ADJC or residential treatment.

JIPS differs from standard probation in the increased frequency of face to face contacts between the juvenile and the JIPS officer, the requirement to actively participate in 32 hours of structured activities per week, the liberty restrictions concerning unsupervised time out of the home, the frequency of drug testing on demand, and the lower caseload ratio. Additional information about the program is available in the JIPS Annual Report. The figures reported in the JIPS Annual Report may differ from those reported in Juveniles Processed because the JIPS Annual Report includes all juveniles whose cases were active during the fiscal year. The Juveniles Processed report includes only juveniles dispositioned to JIPS during the fiscal year.

Disposition or placement on JIPS is usually reserved for certain situations. Specifically, only juveniles who are adjudicated for delinquent acts or for violations of probation originating from a delinquent act are eligible for JIPS. The first type of youth placed in the program is one who would otherwise have been recommended for placement in an out-of-home institutional or residential setting. The second type of youth is one who, when considering the nature of the offense, their prior delinquent history, or risk to the community, have demonstrated a need for a highly structured, closely supervised program of probation emphasizing surveillance,

education, work, and home detention. A third discreet category of youth placed on JIPS are those adjudicated for a second felony offense. In these cases, the Juvenile Court is limited to the three choices cited in A.R.S. §8-341. These options are JIPS, ADJC or prosecution as an adult. Since FY 2004, the number of juveniles placed on JIPS has decreased by 13.1%.

Table 8.1 County: Disposition to JIPS FY08

Apache	10	0.51%
Cochise	105	5.34%
Coconino	55	2.80%
Gila	48	2.44%
Graham	29	1.47%
Greenlee	8	0.41%
La Paz	3	0.15%
Maricopa	806	41.98%
Mohave	105	5.34%
Navajo	36	1.83%
Pima	193	9.81%
Pinal	124	6.30%
Santa Cruz	39	1.98%
Yavapai	126	6.41%
Yuma	280	14.23%
TOTAL	1,967	100.0

Table 8.2 Gender: Disposition to JIPS FY08

Male	1,720	87.44%
Female	247	12.56%
TOTAL	1,967	100.0

Table 8.3 Age: Disposition to JIPS FY08

8	0	0.00%
9	0	0.00%
10	1	0.05%
11	3	0.15%
12	22	1.12%
13	92	4.68%
14	209	10.63%
15	392	19.93%
16	619	31.47%
17	628	31.93%
Unknown	1	0.05%
TOTAL	1,967	100.0

Ethnicity	Count	Percentage
Hispanic	1,048	53.28%
African American	172	8.74%
Anglo	661	33.60%
Native American	72	3.66%
Asian/Pacific Islander	9	0.46%
Other	4	0.20%
Unknown	1	0.05%
TOTAL	1,967	100.0

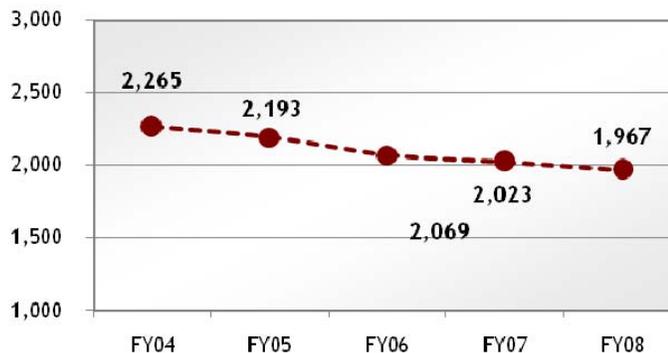
Education Status	Count	Percentage
Enrolled	1,190	60.50%
Not Enrolled	316	16.07%
Expelled	19	0.97%
Suspended	13	0.66%
Withdrawn	34	1.73%
Graduated	8	0.41%
GED Program	15	0.76%
Unknown	372	18.91%
TOTAL	1,967	100.0

Number of Referrals	Count	Percentage
0	79	4.02%
1	115	5.85%
2	209	10.63%
3	188	9.56%
4	211	10.73%
5	213	10.83%
6	196	9.96%
7	167	8.49%
8 or more	589	29.94%
TOTAL	1,967	100.0

Offense Severity	Count	Percentage
Felonies Against Person	180	9.15%
Felonies Against Property	525	26.69%
Obstruction of Justice: Felony & Misdemeanor	825	41.94%
Misdemeanors Against Person	51	2.59%
Drugs: Felony & Misdemeanor	188	9.56%
Public Peace: Felony & Misdemeanor	152	7.73%
Misdemeanors Against Property	35	1.78%
Status Offenses	1	0.05%
Administrative	10	0.51%
TOTAL	1,967	100.0

Offense Class	Count	Percentage
Felony	1,100	55.92%
Misdemeanor	283	14.39%
Violations of Probation & Ordinances	574	29.18%
Status	1	0.05%
Other	9	0.46%
TOTAL	1,967	100.0

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For FY 2002 through FY 2008 data, refer to the graphs on page 5.