

JIPS

JUVENILES WITH DISPOSITIONS TO JIPS IN FY06⁶

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.

Table 8.1 County: Disposition to JIPS FY06

Apache	15	0.72%
Cochise	79	3.82
Coconino	51	2.46
Gila	37	1.79
Graham	35	1.69
Greenlee	7	0.34
La Paz	6	0.29
Maricopa	851	41.13
Mohave	119	5.75
Navajo	56	2.71
Pima	243	11.74
Pinal	125	6.04
Santa Cruz	29	1.40
Yavapai	153	7.39
Yuma	263	12.71
TOTAL	2,069	100.0

Table 8.2 Gender: Disposition to JIPS FY06

Male	1,723	83.28%
Female	346	16.72
TOTAL	2,069	100.0

Table 8.3 Age: Disposition to JIPS FY06

8	0	0.00%
9	0	0.00
10	0	0.00
11	6	0.29
12	14	0.68
13	84	4.06
14	284	13.73
15	456	22.04
16	593	28.66
17	630	30.45
Unknown	2	0.10
TOTAL	2,069	100.0

Since FY 2000, the number of juveniles placed on JIPS has decreased by 19%, 15% since 2003.

Table 8.4 Ethnicity: Disposition to JIPS FY06

Hispanic	982	47.46%
African American	181	8.75
Anglo	806	38.96
Native American	89	4.30
Asian/Pacific Islander	6	0.29
Other	4	0.19
Unknown	1	0.05
TOTAL	2,069	100.0

Table 8.5 Education Status: Disposition to JIPS FY06

Enrolled	1,483	71.68%
Not Enrolled	357	17.25
Expelled	11	0.53
Suspended	16	0.77
Withdrawn	15	0.72
Graduated	2	0.10
GED Program	7	0.34
Unknown	178	8.60
TOTAL	2,069	100.0

Table 8.6 Number of Prior Referrals: Disposition to JIPS FY06

0	74	3.58%
1	140	6.77
2	175	8.46
3	212	10.25
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5	214	10.34
6	199	9.62
7	158	7.64
8 or more	685	33.11
TOTAL	2,069	100.0

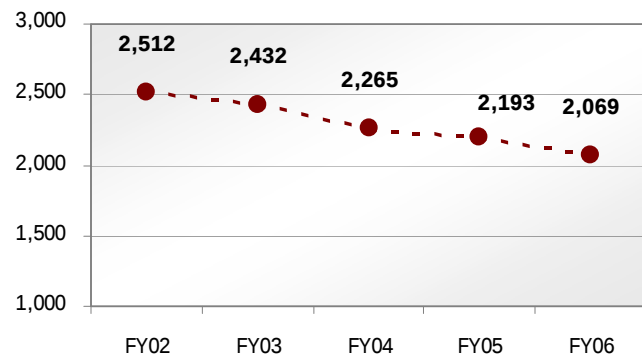
Table 8.7 Severity of Most Serious Offense: Disposition to JIPS FY06

Felonies Against Person	218	10.54%
Felonies Against Property	580	28.03
Obstruction of Justice: Felony & Misdemeanor	884	42.73
Misdemeanors Against Person	69	3.33
Drugs: Felony & Misdemeanor	164	7.93
Public Peace: Felony & Misdemeanor	109	5.27
Misdemeanors Against Property	33	1.59
Status Offenses	3	0.14
Citations/Administrative	9	0.43
TOTAL	2,069	100.0

Table 8.8 Offense Class of Most Serious Offense: Disposition to JIPS FY06

Felony	1,145	55.34%
Misdemeanor	299	14.45
Administrative	614	29.68
Status	4	0.19
Other	7	0.34
TOTAL	2,069	100.0

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For FY 2000 through FY 2006 data, refer to the graphs on page 5.