



PROBATION AND PAROLE IN THE UNITED STATES 2010

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In December 2011 the Bureau of Justice Statistics released *Probation and Parole in the United States, 2010*. Data come from the 2010 Annual Probation Survey and the 2010 Annual Parole Survey. The surveys cover the federal system, all 50 states, and the District of Columbia.

Probation is defined here as a court-ordered period of correctional supervision in the community, generally as an alternative to incarceration. Parole is defined as a period of conditional supervised release in the community following a prison term.

The following are highlights taken from this report.

- At yearend 2010, 4,887,900 people were on community supervision. The majority, 83%, were on probation, while 17% were on parole.
- In Ohio, 263,900 were on community supervision at the end of 2010, a decrease of 2.5% from the previous year.

Probation statistics

- The U.S. probation population decreased 1.7% in 2010 to 4,055,500 adults on probation.
- At yearend 2010, the probation supervision rate was 1,721 probationers per 100,000 adult U.S. residents, or 1 in 58 U.S. adult residents.
- Ohio ranked fifth in the total number on probation, with an estimated 251,779 probationers. This represents a decrease of 1.7% from January 1, 2010 to December 31, 2010.
- Ohio's probation rate of 2,841 per 100,000 adult residents was greater than the national rate of 1,721 per 100,000 adult residents.

Parole statistics

- The parole population in the U.S. increased 0.3% in 2010 to 840,700 adults on parole.
- In 2010, 357 persons per 100,000 adult U.S. residents were under parole supervision, or 1 in 280 U.S. adult residents.
- Ohio ranked sixteenth in the nation, with 12,076 on parole. This represents a decrease of 17.1% from January 1, 2010 to December 31, 2010. This decrease is due in part to an Ohio Supreme Court case from October 2009, the result of which was a mandate to discharge certain post-prison persons from parole. The decrease was also partially the result of database cleaning that took place during 2010.
- Ohio's parole rate of 136 per 100,000 adult residents was less than the national average of 357 per 100,000 adult residents.

To view the statistical tables, go to the Bureau of Justice Statistics' website:

<http://bjs.ojp.usdoj.gov/content/pub/pdf/ppus10.pdf>.

Characteristics of Probationers and Parolees in the U.S. and Ohio 2010				
	Probation*		Parole	
	U.S.	Ohio	U.S.	Ohio
Sex				
Male	76%	72%	88%	91%
Female	24%	28%	12%	9%
Race/Ethnicity				
White	55%	64%	42%	55%
Black	30%	34%	39%	44%
Hispanic	13%	2%	18%	1%
Most serious offense				
Sex or Violent Offense	19%	21%	27%	67%
Drug Offense	26%	17%	35%	11%
Property Offense	28%	23%	24%	18%
Status				
Completed	49%	61%	51%	84%
Returned to Jail or Prison	12%	13%	33%	9%

* Probation statistics for Ohio are estimates only—a significant number of cases were labeled as ‘unknown or not reported’. Sixty-one percent of Ohio probationers were identified by sex, 43 percent were identified by race/ethnicity, 28 percent were identified by most serious offense and 65 percent were identified by type of exit from probation. The percentages reported in this table for Ohio probationers were based on all known cases.