

**NEW YORK STATE
DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONAL SERVICES**



Research In Brief
***Early Conditional Parole For
Deportation Only (ECPDO)***



Under the provisions of the Sentencing Reform Act of 1995, foreign-born inmates who are committed for a non-violent felony offense and have a final order of deportation are eligible to be considered for release by the Parole Board prior to the completion of their minimum term of imprisonment for purposes of deportation only. These pre-parole eligibility releases are referred to as Early Conditional Parole for Deportation Only (ECPDO) releases.

There were 2,036 ECPDO releases from Department custody between July 1, 1995 and December 31, 2008. The felony class breakdown of ECPDO releases by calendar year is as follows:

ECPDO RELEASES BY FELONY CLASSIFICATION															
Felony Class*	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	Total
A-1	20	29	76	11	4	13	7	1	7	7	3	0	0	3	181
A-2	74	106	182	46	9	49	125	70	62	112	104	72	18	40	1,069
B	21	53	114	23	5	24	36	34	20	28	47	30	22	29	486
C	19	27	54	10	1	5	12	8	7	5	7	7	4	5	171
D	15	8	42	8	1	2	2	1	0	5	5	6	6	6	107
E	8	1	6	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	2	1	1	22
Total	157	224	474	98	21	93	182	114	97	157	167	117	51	84	2,036

* Class A-1 felonies are the most serious and Class E felonies are the least serious.

The 2,036 non-violent foreign-born inmates were released on average 27.3 months prior to the completion of their minimum term of imprisonment.

It is estimated that the ECPDO program has resulted in a \$146 million savings in operating and capital costs as of December 31, 2008.

**ESTIMATED COST SAVINGS
FOR EARLY CONDITIONAL PAROLE
FOR DEPORTATION ONLY RELEASES**

EARLY RELEASE PRIOR TO PE DATE	ECPDO
Time Frame	January 1, 1995 - December 31, 2008
Early Releases	2,036
Average Savings Per Release to PE Date In Months	27.3
Annual Cost Per Inmate	\$29,000
Operational Savings	\$134,325,100
Monthly Capital Cost Per Bed	\$363
Capital Construction Avoidance Savings*	\$12,127,830
COMBINED SAVINGS	\$146,452,930
Bed Savings	168

* Capital Construction Avoidance is calculated from 1995 through 2000.