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**PAROLE BOARD AND PRESUMPTIVE
RELEASE DISPOSITIONS**

CALENDAR YEAR 2006



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(Preliminary Data)**

The Board of Parole and the Commissioner of the Department of Correctional Services, during calendar year 2006, made determinations on 25,239 cases who were eligible for release to parole supervision. Of these, 12,070 (47.8%) were approved for release while 13,169 (52.2%) were denied. This rate of approval was 3.7% lower than in 2005 when 13,875 (51.5%) of the 26,948 reported parole eligible cases were given straight parole releases or open dates.

PAROLE AND PRESUMPTIVE RELEASE ELIGIBLE HEARINGS 2005 AND 2006*		
	2005	2006
Parole Eligible Hearings	26,948	25,239
Approved	13,875	12,070
Denied	13,073	13,169
Percent Approved	51.5%	47.8%

FIRST AND SUBSEQUENT APPEARANCES Initial appearances accounted for 57.7% (14,568) of the parole eligible hearings reported for calendar year 2006 compared to 60.8% (16,371) of calendar year 2005 hearings. The approval rate for initial hearings was 43.9% during calendar year 2006, down 7.1% from the 51.0% reported in 2005.

The 10,671 subsequent appearances reported for calendar year 2006 were 0.9% more than the 10,577 reported for the same period in 2005. The approval rate for subsequent appearances during calendar year 2006 was 53.2%, compared to 52.3% during 2005.

*Preliminary information based on data furnished in the monthly Division of Parole's Summary of Parole Board Activity Report supplemented with DOCS' data on Presumptive Releases.

PAROLE ELIGIBLE HEARINGS BY FIRST AND SUBSEQUENT
APPEARANCES: CALENDAR YEARS 1997-2006

	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006
Total Appearances	33,635	35,641	34,554	34,365	32,291	30,908	26,882	27,526	26,948	25,239
First App.	66.6%	65.6%	62.1%	59.5%	58.3%	57.9%	57.6%	57.2%	60.8%	57.7%
Subsequent App.	33.4%	34.4%	37.9%	40.5%	41.7%	42.1%	42.4%	42.2%	39.2%	42.3%
First Appearances	22,405	23,374	21,468	20,444	18,823	17,893	15,473	15,752	16,371	14,568
Approved	58.8%	49.8%	46.6%	52.0%	52.5%	50.3%	56.5%	53.5%	51.0%	43.9%
Denied	41.2%	50.2%	53.4%	48.0%	47.5%	49.7%	43.5%	46.5%	49.0%	56.1%
Subsequent App.	11,230	12,267	13,086	13,921	13,468	13,015	11,409	11,774	10,577	10,671
Approved	59.8%	51.1%	50.2%	53.0%	52.8%	52.7%	53.9%	51.9%	52.3%	53.2%
Denied	40.2%	48.9%	49.8%	47.0%	47.2%	47.3%	46.1%	48.1%	47.7%	46.8%

PAROLE ELIGIBLE HEARINGS-2006

PAROLE ELIGIBLE HEARINGS	TOTAL HEARINGS	APPROVED FOR RELEASE			DENIED/ POSTPONED
		PRESUMPTIVE	BOARD	PERCENT	
JANUARY	2,236	180	883	47.5%	1,173
FEBRUARY	2,149	152	948	51.2%	1,049
MARCH	2,209	178	885	48.1%	1,146
APRIL	2,176	141	942	49.8%	1,093
MAY	2,161	161	896	48.9%	1,104
JUNE	2,090	180	857	49.6%	1,053
JULY	2,164	167	855	47.2%	1,142
AUGUST	2,132	153	834	46.3%	1,145
SEPTEMBER	2,028	121	800	45.4%	1,107
OCTOBER	2,061	142	834	47.4%	1,085
NOVEMBER	2,241	125	864	44.1%	1,252
DECEMBER	1,592	96	676	48.5%	820
TOTAL	25,239	1,796	10,274	47.8%	13,169

INITIAL PAROLE
ELIGIBLE HEARINGS-2006

JANUARY	1,393	180	474	46.9%	739
FEBRUARY	1,250	152	465	49.4%	633
MARCH	1,372	178	475	47.6%	719
APRIL	1,207	141	406	45.3%	660
MAY	1,238	161	421	47.0%	656
JUNE	1,198	180	375	46.3%	643
JULY	1,255	167	407	45.7%	681
AUGUST	1,217	153	330	39.7%	734
SEPTEMBER	1,124	121	298	37.3%	705
OCTOBER	1,178	142	338	40.7%	698
NOVEMBER	1,286	125	353	37.2%	808
DECEMBER	850	96	260	41.9%	494
TOTAL	14,568	1,796	4,602	43.9%	8,170

SUBSEQUENT PAROLE
ELIGIBLE HEARINGS-2006

JANUARY	843	0	409	48.5%	434
FEBRUARY	899	0	483	53.7%	416
MARCH	837	0	410	49.0%	427
APRIL	969	0	536	55.3%	433
MAY	923	0	475	51.5%	448
JUNE	892	0	482	54.0%	410
JULY	909	0	448	49.3%	461
AUGUST	915	0	504	55.1%	411
SEPTEMBER	904	0	502	55.5%	402
OCTOBER	883	0	496	56.2%	387
NOVEMBER	955	0	511	53.5%	444
DECEMBER	742	0	416	56.1%	326
TOTAL	10,671	0	5,672	53.2%	4,999

PAROLE ELIGIBLE HEARINGS-2005

PAROLE ELIGIBLE HEARINGS	TOTAL HEARINGS	APPROVED FOR RELEASE			DENIED/ POSTPONED
		PRESUMPTIVE	BOARD	PERCENT	
JANUARY	2,544	188	1,242	56.2%	1,114
FEBRUARY	2,171	164	995	53.4%	1,012
MARCH	2,230	208	1,015	54.8%	1,007
APRIL	2,327	252	1,026	54.9%	1,049
MAY	2,361	194	1,045	52.5%	1,122
JUNE	2,106	137	924	50.4%	1,045
JULY	1,924	156	851	52.3%	917
AUGUST	2,374	150	970	47.2%	1,254
SEPTEMBER	2,177	162	881	47.9%	1,134
OCTOBER	2,272	169	974	50.3%	1,129
NOVEMBER	2,368	166	1,002	49.3%	1,200
DECEMBER	2,094	156	848	47.9%	1,090
TOTAL	26,948	2,102	11,773	51.5%	13,073

INITIAL PAROLE
ELIGIBLE HEARINGS-2005

JANUARY	1,553	188	724	58.7%	641
FEBRUARY	1,250	164	497	52.9%	589
MARCH	1,440	208	572	54.2%	660
APRIL	1,450	252	557	55.8%	641
MAY	1,452	194	577	53.1%	681
JUNE	1,283	137	484	48.4%	662
JULY	1,176	156	456	52.0%	564
AUGUST	1,423	150	498	45.5%	775
SEPTEMBER	1,316	162	434	45.3%	720
OCTOBER	1,337	169	494	49.6%	674
NOVEMBER	1,433	166	543	49.5%	724
DECEMBER	1,258	156	410	45.0%	692
TOTAL	16,371	2,102	6,246	51.0%	8,023

SUBSEQUENT PAROLE
ELIGIBLE HEARINGS-2005

JANUARY	991	0	518	52.3%	473
FEBRUARY	921	0	498	54.1%	423
MARCH	790	0	443	56.1%	347
APRIL	877	0	469	53.5%	408
MAY	909	0	468	51.5%	441
JUNE	823	0	440	53.5%	383
JULY	748	0	395	52.8%	353
AUGUST	951	0	472	49.6%	479
SEPTEMBER	861	0	447	51.9%	414
OCTOBER	935	0	480	51.3%	455
NOVEMBER	935	0	459	49.1%	476
DECEMBER	836	0	438	52.4%	398
TOTAL	10,577	0	5,527	52.3%	5,050
