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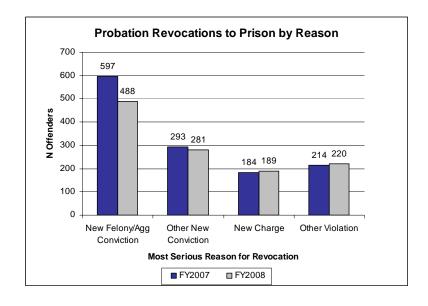




Fewer Probationers Revoked for New Crimes

In the August *Data Download*, we reported that the number of prison admissions due to probation revocation had declined in FY 2008 in comparison with the previous four years, despite the fact that the number of offenders on probation has actually increased over that time period. In this issue we explore information in the reports of violation that led to probation revocations to prison.

As shown in the chart below, revocations involving new convictions for serious crimes (felonies and aggravated misdemeanors) dropped sharply from FY 2007 to FY 2008. Revocations for other new convictions also declined. So, rather than the reduction being the result of technical violations that do not often directly affect the general public, the drop is due to fewer victims being created.



Given the DOC mission is to protect people from victimization, it appears we are making progress in this area. The CBC's, in particular, are to be commended for their efforts in helping their clients and protecting the public.