

Juvenile Recidivism Report

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Juvenile Recidivism - Complaints December 2005

The following report contains district-level numbers for the percent of juveniles in Iowa's Juvenile Court System and the number who re-offended (subsequent complaint/s). These numbers represent the data available in the ICIS system for initial complaints in 2002, and subsequent complaints in 2002, 2003, and 2004. The report also includes recidivism numbers for those counties that had more than 180 initial complaints during 2002.

These numbers are representative, but are not state totals. All districts are represented, but not all counties. The 5th District only includes Polk County due to a data migration issue that, at this time, does not allow the remaining 5th District counties data to be analyzed.

The report was generated using the following criteria:

1. All juveniles who had an initial juvenile delinquency complaint in that county between January 1, 2002 and December 31, 2002 were counted.
2. A count of any subsequent additional complaints for the target group, where those additional complaints occurred between January 1, 2002 and December 31, 2004.
3. Case role from the system was JVIN (juvenile involved).
4. All cases consisted of delinquency allegations. No adult court criminal violations were included.
 - Some youth may have had initial complaints in multiple counties during this time period.
 - Most, but not all, subsequent complaints can be "matched" to the initial complaint and will be included.
 - In some cases the subsequent complaint may have occurred out-of-state and therefore cannot be tracked.
 - Subsequent complaints are often sent from the originating county to the home county of the youth, so when the initial complaint occurs in the home-county, most subsequent complaints will be "matched" to the initial complaint. When the initial complaint occurs outside the home-county, some, but not all, subsequent complaints will still be "matched" to the initial complaint.

These numbers include all initial delinquency complaints and all subsequent delinquency complaints. The numbers include every complaint, even if the complaint was later deemed to be unfounded. Other reports may use different rates and criteria to define recidivism.

STATEWIDE RECIDIVISM - Cases Initiated in 2002
Complaints from January 1, 2002 - December 31, 2004

(Note: This report does not include district five.)

| | Juveniles New to the System Who Were Referred in 2002 | Juveniles with 0 Subsequent Complaints | Juveniles with 1 Subsequent Complaint | Juveniles with 2 Subsequent Complaints | Juveniles with 3/More Subsequent Complaints | Percentage of Chronic Reoffenders (3/More Sub Complaints) | Percentage of All Reoffenders | Percentage of Those who Did NOT Reoffend |
|--------------------------|---|--|---------------------------------------|--|---|---|-------------------------------|--|
| DISTRICT 1 Totals | 1,934 | 1,295 | 328 | 142 | 169 | 9% | 33% | 67% |
| DISTRICT 2 Totals | 2,182 | 1,448 | 402 | 166 | 166 | 8% | 34% | 66% |
| DISTRICT 3 Totals | 1,874 | 1,207 | 354 | 148 | 165 | 9% | 36% | 64% |
| DISTRICT 4 Totals | 973 | 696 | 156 | 67 | 54 | 6% | 28% | 72% |
| POLK CO Totals | 1,723 | 1,113 | 322 | 151 | 145 | 8% | 36% | 64% |
| DISTRICT 6 Totals | 1,508 | 1,035 | 240 | 122 | 111 | 7% | 31% | 69% |
| DISTRICT 7 Totals | 1,529 | 1,022 | 240 | 111 | 156 | 10% | 33% | 67% |
| DISTRICT 8 Totals | 1,309 | 829 | 252 | 129 | 99 | 8% | 37% | 63% |
| TOTALS | 13,032 | 8,645 | 2,294 | 1,036 | 1,065 | 8% | 34% | 66% |

STATEWIDE RECIDIVISM - Cases Initiated in 2002
Complaints from January 1, 2002 - December 31, 2004

(Note: This report only includes counties where initial complaints were greater than 180)

| Top 16 Totals COUNTIES | Juveniles New to the System Who Were Referred in 2002 | Juveniles with 0 Subsequent Complaints | Juveniles with 1 Subsequent Complaint | Juveniles with 2 Subsequent Complaints | Juveniles with 3/More Subsequent Complaints | Percentage of Chronic Reoffenders (3/More Sub Complaints) | Percentage of All Reoffenders | Percentage of Those who Did NOT Reoffend |
|-----------------------------------|--|---|--|---|--|--|--|---|
| MUSCATINE | 181 | 120 | 26 | 16 | 19 | 10% | 34% | 66% |
| WEBSTER | 184 | 123 | 29 | 20 | 12 | 7% | 33% | 67% |
| WAPELLO | 211 | 119 | 37 | 35 | 20 | 9% | 44% | 56% |
| DES MOINES | 232 | 153 | 42 | 18 | 19 | 8% | 34% | 66% |
| CLINTON | 235 | 161 | 36 | 22 | 16 | 7% | 31% | 69% |
| CERRO GORDO | 274 | 162 | 47 | 25 | 40 | 15% | 41% | 59% |
| STORY | 299 | 210 | 60 | 12 | 17 | 6% | 30% | 70% |
| MARSHALL | 320 | 186 | 62 | 28 | 44 | 14% | 42% | 58% |
| JOHNSON | 418 | 277 | 65 | 36 | 40 | 10% | 34% | 66% |
| DUBUQUE | 509 | 308 | 98 | 41 | 62 | 12% | 39% | 61% |
| POTTAWATTAMIE | 547 | 402 | 87 | 30 | 28 | 5% | 27% | 73% |
| BLACK HAWK | 660 | 410 | 132 | 53 | 65 | 10% | 38% | 62% |
| LINN | 715 | 488 | 111 | 63 | 53 | 7% | 32% | 68% |
| WOODBURY | 819 | 494 | 162 | 75 | 88 | 11% | 40% | 60% |
| SCOTT | 983 | 653 | 154 | 66 | 110 | 11% | 34% | 66% |
| POLK | 1,723 | 1,113 | 322 | 151 | 145 | 8% | 36% | 64% |
| <i>Top 16 Totals</i> | <i>8,310</i> | <i>5,379</i> | <i>1,470</i> | <i>691</i> | <i>778</i> | <i>9%</i> | <i>35%</i> | <i>65%</i> |