## TREATMENT OF JUVENILE DELINQUENTS IN IOWA, 1953-1963



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Within recent years significant changes have taken place in the treatment and care of juvenile delinquents in Iowa. In the past three years state appropriations have been expanded and additional treatment staff have been added to the schools. As an example of the changes, the operational cost at the Training School for Boys at Eldora increased from $\$ 620,576.48$ in 1957 to $\$ 1,130,737.41$ in 1962 or almost double in five years. These amounts do not include capital improvements which have been extensi.ve. In 1957, the same school had 147 employees and 185 in 1962. In the latter year there were 247 boys in the school or one staff member for 1.33 boys. Most of the additions have been in the field of social and psychological services.

CHANGES IN COURT CASES, 1956-62

In the seven years from 1956 to 1962 the respective courts in the state have dealt with 22,356 official delinquency cases, i.e., number of children. Of the total number, 18,591 were treated in the juvenile courts of the District Courts and 3,707 in the several municipal courts. Since 1959 no cases have been reported from the superior court. See the map for the counties in the 21 Judicial Districts and the several municipal courts in the state. Table 1 and chart 2 show the number of juveniles in each type of court. Notwithstanding the fact that most cases have been dealt within the District Courts, the number of cases in the municipal courts has

THE 21 JUDICIAL DISTRICTS IN IOWA AND MUNICIPAL AND SUPERIOR COURTS


TABLE 1
JUVENILE DELINQUENTS IN IOWA DISTRICT, MUNICIPAL AND SUPERIOR COURTS, 1956-1962
(Index Numbers, $1956=100$ )

| Year | Courts |  |  |  |  | Total |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | District |  | Municipal |  | Superior |  |  |
|  | Number | Index | Number | Index |  | Number | Index |
| 1956 | 2, 217 | 100.0 | 425 | 100.0 | 0 | 2,642 | 100.0 |
| 1957 | 2,629 | 118.6 | 532 | 125.2 | 7 | 3,168 | 119.9 |
| 1958 | 2,579 | 116.3 | 436 | 102.6 | 35 | 3,050 | 115.4 |
| 1959 | 2,806 | 126.6 | 501 | 117.9 | 15 | 3,322 | 125.7 |
| 1960 | 2,763 | 124.6 | 555 | 130.6 | 0 | 3,318 | 125.6 |
| 1961 | 2,687 | 121.2 | 597 | 140.5 | 0 | 3,284 | 124.3 |
| 1962 | 2,910 | 131.3 | 662 | 155.8 | 0 | 3,572 | 135.2 |
|  | 18,591 |  | 3,708 |  | 57 | 22,356 |  |

Source: Annual Report Relating to the Trial Courts of the State of Iowa. Report to the Supreme Court of Iowa by the Judicial Department Statistician, Des Moines, Iowa. From reports for respective years.
The data in the above differ from the number of cases reported by the Iowa Department of Social Welfare. The differences are due to methods of reporting and classification of cases.

Cases reported by State Social Welfare Department

| Year | Official | Unofficial | Total |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1956 | 1,816 | 3,847 | 5,663 |
| 1957 | 2,213 | 4,327 | 6,540 |
| 1958 | 2,179 | 4,147 | 6,326 |
| 1959 | 2,189 | 4,433 | 6,622 |
| 1960 | 1,797 | 4,437 | 6,234 |
| 1961 | 2,004 | 4,159 | 6,163 |

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CHART 1

JUVENILE DELINQUENTS IN IOWA COURTS,1956-62


JUVENILE DELINQUENTS IN DISTRICT AND MUNICIPAL COURTS IN IOWA,1956-62
(Index Numbers: 1956=100)

been increasing faster than cases in the other courts. In 1962, cases in the municipal courts were 55.8 percent above the 1956 number, but only 31.3 percent higher in the district courts.

JUVENILE DELINQUENTS IN COURT BY JUDICIAL
dISTRICTS IN IOWA, 1957-62

Since 1957 the Statistical Division in the Supreme Court of Iowa has reported the number of juvenile delinquents in the respective district, municipal courts and the superior court. Table 2 shows the number of individual offenders in the 21 Judicial Districts for 1957 to 1962. The cases in the municipal and superior courts have been included within the judicial districts where each is located. As may be expected, those judicial districts with larger cities show the greatest number of cases. There is one exception. The 9th Judicial District (Des Moines, capital 266, 315 in 1960) with greater population had fewer offenders in court than the 7 th District which has less people and a smaller city, (Cedar Rapids 136,899 in 1960).

## CHANGES IN CASES BY DISTRICTS

Whereas the total number of children in the respective juvenile courts has risen from 3, 168 in 1957 to 3,572 in 1962, certain districts display increases and others decreases during the six year period. Eleven districts show increases during the period and ten districts display decreases for the same years. Table 3 shows the 11 districts where there has been an increase in court cases from 1957 to 1962.
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TABLE 2
JUVENILE DELINQUENTS IN IUWA UISTRICT,
MUNICIPAL AND SUPERIOR COURTS BY JUDICIAL DISTRICTS, 1957-1962

| Judicial <br> District | Number of Children Involved |  |  |  |  |  |  | 6 Year Average |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1957 | 1958 | 1959 | 1960 | 1961 | 1962 | Total |  |
| 1(a) | 26 | 63 | 50 | 67 | 39 | 61 | 306 | 51 |
| 2 | 194 | 118 | 176 | 178 | 143 | 157 | 966 | 161 |
| 3 | 75 | 57 | 106 | 67 | 81 | 44 | 430 | 71 |
| 4 | 339 | 369 | 388 | 382 | 417 | 442 | 2337 | 389 |
| 5 | 80 | 64 | 81. | 75 | 102 | 48 | 450 | 75 |
| 6 | 81 | 92 | 126 | 94 | 86 | 61 | 540 | 90 |
| 7(a) | 464 | 498 | 511 | 483 | 566 | 696 | 3218 | 536 |
| $b$ | 51 | 32 | 77 | 51 | 63 | 90 | 364 | 61 |
| 9 | 488 | 423 | 385 | 453 | 415 | 460 | 2624 | 437 |
| 10(a) | 191 | 191 | 189 | 164 | 186 | 184 | 1105 | 184 |
| 11(a) | 172 | 170 | 213 | 127 | 139 | 204 | 1032 | 172 |
| 12 | 173 | 104 | 142 | 171 | 112 | 144 | 846 | 141 |
| 13 | 72 | 59 | 89 | 69 | 47 | 76 | 412 | 70 |
| 14 | 166 | 103 | 139 | 117 | 182 | 119 | 826 | 137 |
| 15(a) | 166 | 219 | 144 | 258 | 208 | 280 | 1275 | 213 |
| 16 | 51 | 46 | 55 | 76 | 53 | 61 | 342 | 57 |
| 17(a) | 46 | 50 | 53 | 51 | 59 | 68 | 327 | 55 |
| 18(a) | 130 | 122 | 97 | 97 | 117 | 105 | 668 | 111 |
| 19 | 72 | 112 | 111 | 114 | 108 | 94 | 611 | 102 |
| 20 | 92 | 103 | 117 | 165 | 104 | 128 | 709 | 115 |
| 21 | 39 | 48 | 73 | 49 | 57 | 50 | 316 | 53 |
| Total | 3168 | 3050 | 3322 | 3318 | 3284 | 3572 | 19704 | 3284 |

SOURCE: Annual Report Relating to the Trial Courts of the State of Iowa. Report to the Supreme Court of Iowa, for respective years, (a) Includes Municipal or Superior Courts.

TABLE 3

ELEVEN JUDICIAL DISTRICTS WITH INCREASES IN DELINQUENCY CASES IN COURT, 1957 to 1962

| Judicial District | Number of children |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1957 | 1962 | Increase |
| 1st | 26 | 61 | 35 |
| 4 th | 339 | 442 | 103 |
| 7 th | 464 | 696 | 232 |
| 8 th | 51 | 90 | 39 |
| 11th | 172 | 204 | 32 |
| 15 th | 166 | 280 | 114 |
| 16 th | 51 | 61 | 10 |
| 17 th | 46 | 68 | 22 |
| 19 th | 72 | 94 | 22 |
| 20th | 92 | 128 | 36 |
| 21st. | 39 | 50 | 11 |
| Total | 1,518 | 2,174 | 656 |

In the six year period the number of offenders in these 11 districts increased from 1,581 to 2,174 or 43 percent.

COURT CASES IN RELATION TO COMMITMENTS

During the seven year period when the number of juvenile cases in court has been increasing, the number of offenders committed to the two training schools has not increased at the same proportion. In other words, fewer delinquents are being committed to the schools in terms of the number of cases in court.

In 1956 , when there were 2,642 delinquents in court, 346 were committed to training schools or 13 out of every 100 cases. In 1962, with 3,572 children in court, 390 were committed to training schools or about 10 out of every 100 cases in court.

In 1962, court cases were 35.2 percent above the number in 1956, but commitments were only 12.7 percent above the number for the same year. See table 4 and chart 3 for data.

## COMMITMENTS TO TRAINING SCHOOLS BY RURAL AND URBAN COUNTIES

The number of juvenile committed annually to the two training schools varies according to the population in the respective counties, although not in direct proportions. The larger counties commit more than their due percentage in terms of the number of people in the respective counties.
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TABLE 4
JUVENILE DELINQUENTS IN IOWA, 1956-62
CHILDREN IN COURT AND NUMBER COMMITTED
(Index Numbers, $1956=100$ )

| Year | In court |  | * | Committed (\%) |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Number | Index |  | Number | Index |
| 1956 | 2,642 | 100.0 |  | 346 | 100.0 |
| 1957 | 3,168 | 119.9 |  | 360 | 104.0 |
| 1958 | 3,050 | 115.4 |  | 377 | 109.0 |
| 1959 | 3,322 | 125.7 |  | 340 | 98.3 |
| 1960 | 3,318 | 125.6 |  | 384 | 111.0 |
| 1961 | 3,284 | 124.3 |  | 406 | 117.3 |
| 1962 | 3,572 | 135.2 |  | 390 | 112.7 |
| Total | 22,356 |  |  | 2,603 |  |

(\%) Commitments are those admitted to the schools each year as court commitments and not from court records.
DELINQUENTS IN COURT AND IN TRAINING


The 99 counties in Iowa have been classified according to the size of the largest community in each county. Table 5 shows the 99 counties arranged into five groups with the percentage of the total population in each group, the number committed for 1925 to 1960 and for 1961-62.

In 1960, 10 percent of the people in the state lived in the 23 rural-farm counties, but these counties committed only 4 percent of all the delinquents in 1961-62. These counties committed 5.8 percent of the total. The 34 small-town counties committed 14.3 percent of the delinquents, but had 21 percent of the population. The 22 large-town counties committed 10.7 percent of the offenders although they contained 16 percent of the inhabitants. The 11 small-city counties committed 12.8 percent of the juveniles and had 13 percent of the people. The nine large-city counties committed 58.3 percent of the delinquents, but had 40 percent of the population in 1960. Here it is evident that the large-city counties are comitting more than their due share in terms of population. When the percentages for the two periods are compared it is evident that there appears to be a tendency for the large counties to commit more now than in previous years -- an increase from 53.2 percent to 58.3 percent.

THE HIGH AND THE LOW COUNTIES

Table 6 shows the 10 counties with the highest number of commitments and the 10 with the lowest numbers for $1925-1962$. Polk County ranked highest with 1,854 commitments, Scott County was second,

TABLE 5
COMMITMENTS TO STATE TRAINING SCHOOLS IN IOWA BY COUNTY SIZE, 1925-60 AND 1961-62

WITH TOTAL POPULATION, 1960

| County size |  | 1925-60 |  | 1961-62 |  | Percent of population 1960 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Number | Percent | Number | Percent |  |
|  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Rura1-parm (23) } \\ & (-2,500) \end{aligned}$ | 685 | 5.8 | 32 | 4.0 | 10 |
|  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Small-Town (34) } \\ & (2,500-5,000) \end{aligned}$ | 1,742 | 15.0 | 112 | 14.2 | 21 |
|  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Large-Town } \\ & (5,001-10,000) \end{aligned}$ | 1,461 | 12.6 | 84 | 10.7 | 16 |
|  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Sma11-City (11) } \\ & (10,001-25,000) \end{aligned}$ | 1,540 | 13.4 | 100 | 12.8 | 13 |
|  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Large-City (9) } \\ & (+25,000) \end{aligned}$ | 6,177 | 53.2 | 455 | 58.3 | 40 |
|  | Total(99) | 11,605 | 100.0 | 783 | 100.0 |  |

Note: Of the 783 from the 99 counties there were 15 from out of state, making a total of 798 for the blennium 1961-62.

CHART 4

COMMITMENTS TO TRAINING SCHOOLS, (1961-62)
and population in Iowa (1960) by county size (Percentages)


TABLE 6

TEN COUNTIES WITH HIGHEST AND TEN COUNTIES WITH LOWEST NUMBER OF DELINQUENTS COMMITTED TO THE TWO STATE TRAINLNG SCHOOLS IN IOWA, 1925-62

| Ten High |  |  | Ten Low |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | unty | Number | County | Number |
| 1 | Polk | 1,854 | Plymouth | 22 |
| 2 | Scott | 743 | Shelby | 21 |
| 3 | Woodbury | 735 | Adams | 21 |
|  | Linn | 689 | Hancock | 21 |
| 5 | Blackhawk | 548 | Lyon | 21 |
|  | Pottawattomie | 409 | Ida | 19 |
| 7 | Clinton | 354 | Humboldt | 19 |
| 8 | Tama | 329 | Ringgold | 18 |
|  | Cerro Gordo | 325 | Worth | 17 |
|  | Dubuque | 323 | Grundy | 12 |
|  | Total | 6,309 |  | 191 |

with 743 , and Woodbury County placed third with 735 commitments. Of the ten lowest counties, Grundy ranked in 10th place with 12 offenders, Worth County in ninth. place with 17 juveniles and Ringgold County in eighth place with 18 commitments. Of the 10 , Plymouth County ranked first with 22 cases.

## COMMITMENTS AND NUMBER IN TRAINING SCHOOLS, 1953-63

In spite of the increase in the number of juveniles committed to the training schools in the 11 years from 1953 to 1963 , the population of the training schools has changed very little in the past four years. From 1953 to 1963 commitments increased from 272 to 431 or 58 percent, but in the same years the population of the two schools changed from 310 to 353 or only 14 percent.

The fact that the school population has not changed with the increased commitments is due to recent policy changes in the program whereby the length of stay at the schools has been decreased. At present more juveniles are entering and leaving the schools, but their stay at the schools is much shorter. See subsequent analysis on the turnover of inmates.

BOYS AND GIRLS COMMITTED TO TRAINING SCHOOLS, 1953-63

Within the 11 years from 1953 to 1963 the number of boys committed to the training schools has increased faster than the number of commitments for girls. Table 8 and chart 6 show the changes in commitments for both for the period.

TABLE 7

IOWA TRAINING SCHOOLS, 1953-63 NUMBER COMMITTED AND AVERAGE POPULATION

| Year | Committed | Population |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 1953 | 272 | 310 |
| 1954 | 289 | 317 |
| 1955 | 378 | 343 |
| 1956 | 346 | 329 |
| 1957 | 360 | 397 |
| 1958 | 377 | 419 |
| 1959 | 340 | 392 |
| 1960 | 384 | 360 |
| 1961 | 406 | 361 |
| 1962 | 390 | 331 |
| 1963 | 431 | 353 |

IOWA TRAINING SCHOOLS, 1953 - 1963
COURT COMMITMENTS AND NUMBER IN SCHOOLS


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## TABLE 8

IOWA TRAINING SCHOOLS, 1953-63
BOXS AND GIRLS COMMITTED BY COURTS
(Year ending June 30)

| Year | Boys | Girls | Total |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1953 | 181 | 91 | 272 |
| 1954 | 212 | 77 | 289 |
| 1955 | 221 | 57 | 278 |
| 1956 | 262 | 84 | 346 |
| 1957 | 286 | 74 | 360 |
| 1958 | 301 | 76 | 377 |
| 1959 | 263 | 77 | 340 |
| 1960 | 260 | 125 | 385 |
| 1961 | 306 | 100 | 406 |
| 1962 | 292 | 98 | 390 |
| 1963 | 323 | 108 | 431 |



In 1953, the courts committed 181 boys and 286 in 1957. Commitments for girls for the same years amounted to 91 and 76, respectively, In five years commitments for boys increased 66 percent, but decreased 15 percent for girls. At the end of the period in 1963, commitments for boys amounted to 323 and 98 for girls. Commitments for boys in 1963 were 133.7 percent above the first year, but only 18.6 percent for girls.

## MOVEMENT OR TURNOVER OF JUVENILES IN AND OUT OF TRAINING SCHOOLS

Within the past four years the training schools in lowa have been treating and caring for a larger number of juvenile offenders than in previous years.

One means of determining the change in the number treated each year is to calculate the amount of turnover or the number of juveniles entering and leaving the schools in terms of the number present in a given year. Table 9 shows the number comitted (entering), the number released (paroled) and the number present in the school, together with the percentage of turnover.

In 1953, when the average population was 310 juveniles, the courts committed 272 and in the same year the schools paroled 258, making a total of 530 children entering and leaving the institutions. When this number is calculated in terms of the population the turnover amounted to 170.9 percent. In 1963, with 353 in the schools, 970 juveniles either entered or left the schools, therefore, making a turnover of 274.8 percent. Table 9 and chart 7 show the percentages for the entire period.

TABLE 9

IOWA TRAINING SCHOOLS, 1953-63 COMMITMENTS: NUMBER PAROLED* POPULATION AND PERCENTAGE TURNOVER (*)

| Year | Committed | Paroled | Total | Population | Percentage <br> turnover |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1953 | 272 | 258 | 530 | 310 | 170.9 |
| 1954 | 289 | 299 | 588 | 317 | 185.5 |
| 1955 | 278 | 285 | 563 | 343 | 164.1 |
| 1956 | 346 | 270 | 616 | 329 | 187.2 |
| 1957 | 360 | 397 | 757 | 397 | 190.7 |
| 1958 | 377 | 396 | 773 | 419 | 184.5 |
| 1959 | 340 | 389 | 729 | 392 | 186.0 |
| 1960 | 384 | 414 | 798 | 360 | 221.7 |
| 1961 | 406 | 507 | 913 | 361 | 252.9 |
| 1962 | 390 | 459 | 849 | 331 | 256.5 |
| 1963 | 431 | 539 | 970 | 353 | 274.8 |

(*) The above data omits those entering or leaving by home visits, transfers, discharges, return placement and parole violators.
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## CHART 7

IUNA STATE TRAIUING SCHONLS, 1953-63
Percentage Turn-over of Juveniles in Schools


It is clearly evident that the percentage of turnover has increased rapidly within recent years. From 1953 to 1959 the turnover changed from 170.9 percent to 186 percent. In 1960, the percentage of turnover rose to 221.7 percent and then advanced to 274.8 percent in the final year.

In 1953, the schools treated and cared for 530 juveniles, whereas, in 1963 the institutions treated 970 children or almost twice the earlier number. This increase has been made possible by the change in policy of reducing the length of stay in the schools. See subsequent analysis for length of stay in the schools.

CHANGES IN THE LENGTH OF STAY IN TRAINING SCHOOL

A significant change has taken place in the number of months juvenile offenders stay in the training schools prior to parole or releases. Exact comparisons are not available for earlier years, but table 10 shows the time spent in the school for two periods.

TABLE 10
Length of stay in training schools AT TIME OF PAROLE, 1955-56 AND 1961-62

| Months | 1955-56 |  | 1961-62 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Number | Percent | Number | Percent |
| 12 or less | 390 | 64.3 | 888 | 90.3 |
| 13 or more | 217 | 35.7 | 95 | 9.7 |
| Total | 607 | 100.0 | 983 | 100.0 |

CHART 8
IOWA TRAINING SCHOOL FOR BOYS
AVERAGE LENGTH OF STAY, 1952 -1962


Source: innual Superintendent's Report,1963, p. 49 Figures are for first offenders only.

Of the total released in $1955-56,390$ or 64.3 percent stayed in the schools 12 months or less, but in 1961-62, 888 or 90.3 percent remained the same time before parole. About one-third, 35.7. percent were held 13 months or more in 1955-56, but only 9.7 percent in 1961-62. In 1961-62, the average time in both schoois was eight months. (See chart 9).

LENGTH OF TIME IN THE TRAINING SCHOOL FOR BOYS, 1952-62

Chart 8 shows the change in the average length of stay in the training school for boys at the time of releases for first offenders. In the first two years, 1952-53, the average time was 55 weeks, but by 1962 the average time decreased to 35 weeks. The decrease in time in the school has increased the turnover of juveniles, making it possible for the school to treat a larger number of offenders.

Changes in number paroled

Within the past few years the txaining schools have paroled more juveniles than in earlier periods. Instead of using the actual number paroled from both schools each year from 1953 to 1963, the number has been calculated in terms of the population by means of percentage relationship. In 1953, when there were 310 juveniles in the schools, 258 were paroled. In this year, paroles constituted 83.2 percent of the population. Table 11 shows the data for the 11 year period.

The percentage of paroles to population remained below 100 , except for 1957 and until 1959. In 1960, paroles increased and the

## CHART 9

TIME IN TRAINING SCHOOL AT TIME OF PAROLE FOR 722 bOYS AND 261 gIRLS

1961-62

percentage rose to 115 percent. By 1961 the percentage increased to 140.4 percent, showing the policy change. In the final year when 539 were paroled the percentage advanced to 152.7 percent. In this year the number paroled exceeded the number present by 152.7 percent. (See chart 10).

If the actual figures are comsidexed; the population advanced from 310 in 1953 to 353 in 1963 or 14 percent. For the same years the number paroled increased from 258 to 539 or 108 percent.

CHANGES IN JUVENILE PAROLE VIOLATIONS; 1953-63

In the 11 years from 1953 to $1963,4,210$ juveniles have been paroled from the two training schools in lowa or an average of 382 children each year. In the same period of time 994 or 23.6 percent of those paroled were returned to the respective schools for parole violation to be given futher supervision. Parole violations were lowest in 1955 with 18.2 percent being returaed of the number paroled. The highest number of parole violations occurred in 1958 with 30.1 percent being returned.

## PAROLE VIOLATIONS FOR BOYS AND GIRLS

Table 12 shows the number of boys and girls paroled, the number returned for parole violations and the percentages for 1953-63. The over-all average percentage of violations for boys was 23.9 percent and 23.0 percent for gixls.

CHART 10
IOWA TRAINING SCHOOLS, 1953-63
PERCENT PAROLED OF POPULATION IN SCHOOLS


TABLE 11

IOWA TRAINING SCHOOLS, 1953-63
POPULATION, NUMBER PAROLED WITH PERCENTAGES

| Year | Population | Paroled | Percent paroled <br> of population |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1953 | 310 | 258 | 83.2 |
| 1954 | 317 | 299 | 94.3 |
| 1955 | 343 | 285 | 83.1 |
| 1956 | 329 | 270 | 82.1 |
| 1957 | 397 | 397 | 100.0 |
| 1958 | 419 | 396 | 94.5 |
| 1959 | 392 | 389 | 99.2 |
| 1960 | 360 | 314 | 115.0 |
| 1961 | 331 | 307 | 140.4 |
| 1962 | 353 | 534 | 138.7 |
| 1963 |  |  | 152.7 |

TABLE 12

IOWA TRAINING SCHOOLS, 1953-63
number paroled and returned for parole violations

| Year | Boys, |  |  | Ginds |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Paroled | viotators | Percent | Paroled | viblators | Percent |
| 1953 | 161 | 35 | 21.7 | 97 | 16 | 16.5 |
| 1954 | 191 | 49 | 25.7 | 108 | 25 | 23.1 |
| 1955 | 187 | 28 | 15.0 | 98 | 24 | 24.5 |
| 1956 | 195 | 43 | 22.1 | 75 | 26 | 34.7 |
| 1957 | 286 | 71 | 24.8 | 111 | 26 | 23.4 |
| 1958 | 309 | 93 | 30.1 | 87 | 26 | 29.9 |
| 1959 | 293 | 62 | 21.2 | 96 | 20 | 20.8 |
| 1960 | 284 | 67 | 23.6 | 130 | 19 | 14.6 |
| 1961 | 385 | 77 | 20.0 | 122 | 43 | 35.2 |
| 1962 | 337 | 83 | 24.6 | 122 | 30 | 24.6 |
| 1963 | 411 | 117 | 28.5 | 125 | 14 | 11.2 |
| Total | 3,039 | 725 | 23.9 | 1,171 | 269 | 23.0 |
| Source: special | Biennal reports | ports of $t$ 1961 to | Board o 3. | Control, | $954 \text { to } 1960$ |  |

PAROLE VIOLATIONS IN IOWA TRAININGS SCHOOLS,1953-63 - 32


In spite of this small difference, the violations for the girls display a much wider variation than for boys. Parole violations for girls ranged from the highest of 35.2 percent in 1961 to the lowest of 11.2 percent in 1963. The violations for boys varied from 15 percent in 1955 to the highest of 30.1 percent in 1958.

Within the past two years parole violations for boys have risen, but have decreased for girls. See chart 11 for annual changes in percentage violations.

ESCAPES FRCM TRAINING SCHOOLS, 1953-63

In the 11 years from 1953 to 1963 a total of 715 juveniles have escaped from the two training schools, 703 boys from Eldora and 12 from the girl's school at Mitchellville. The number of girls escaping has never exceeded three in any one year. The number of boys escaping from Eldora has ranged from the lowest number of 36 in 1953 to the highest number of 114 in 1962. Table 13 shows the number of escapes for the period, together with the number returned each year. The fact that the number returned for boys is less than the number escaping does not mean that the escapees were not apprehended. The boys may have been committed to another institution after apprehension, rather than being returned to the school.

CHANGES IN COSTS PER JUVENILE IN SCHOOL

In the 11 years from 1952 to 1962 the cost of caring for one juvenile on a monthly and an annual basis has increased in both schools. See table 14 and chart 13.
table 13

IOWA TRAINING SCHOOLS, 1953-63
NUMBER OF ESCAPES FROM BOTH SCHOOLS
(Figures in parenthesis are the number returned)


## CHART 12

## ESCAPES FROM IOWA TRAINING SCHOOLS

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TABLE 14

IOWA TRAINING SCHOOLS, 1952 and 1962
POPULATTON, STAFF AND AVERAGE PER CAPITA BY SCHOOLS

| School | 1952 | 1962 |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Eldora |  |  |
| Boys | 239 | 248 |
| Staff | 102 | 187 |
| Monthly cost | $\$ 137.24$ | $\$ 382.99$ |
| Annual cost | $\$ 1,648.88$ | $\$ 4,595.87$ |
| Mitchellville | 85 |  |
| Girls | 48 | 85 |
| Staff | $\$ 167.54$ | $\$ 275.23$ |
| Monthly cost | $\$ 2,010.48$ | $\$ 3,302.73$ |
| Annual cost |  |  |

Source: Board of Control of State Institutions for respective years. Population and staff are based on averages for years.

Chart 13
IOWA TRAINING SCHOOLS annual cost for rach juvenile 1952 AND 1962


In 1952, with 239 boys and a staff of 102 full-time employees, the yearly cost for one boy at Eldora amounted to $\$ 1,648.88$. Eleven years later in 1962 the same increased to $\$ 4,595.87$ or 178 percent. For the same years the number of juveniles in the school changed 3.7 percent and the total staff 83.3 percent.

At Mitchellville, in 1952 with 85 girls and a staff of 48 employees the average cost per girl for one year was $\$ 2,010.48$. By 1962, the average cost had increased to $\$ 3,302.73$ or 64 percent, although the number of juveniles was the same and there were three less staff members.

## COST OF MAINTAINING ONE INMATE IN IOWA INSTITUTIONS, 1962

|  |  | \$ 4595.87 |  |  |
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|  |  | \$3091.86 |  | \$3302.73 |
| \$1524.17 | \$1638.81 |  |  |  |
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THE AVERAGE AMOUNT BASED ON THE COST OF FEEDING CLOTHING, HOUSING, PROVIDING MEDICAL CARE

AND SECURITY FOR ONE INMATE FOR ONE YEAR.

