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Auditor of State Rob Sand today released a combined report on the institutions under the control of the Iowa Department of Corrections. The report includes findings and recommendations and average cost per inmate information for the five years ended June 30, 2019.

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS:

The average cost per inmate at the nine institutions under the control of the Iowa Department of Corrections ranged from \$22,697 at the Newton Correctional Facility to \$57,713 at the Iowa State Penitentiary – Fort Madison for the year ended June 30, 2019. General Fund expenditures for the nine institutions totaled approximately \$279 million for the year ended June 30, 2019, an increase of approximately \$7.5 million, or 2.8%, over the year ended June 30, 2018. General Fund expenditures decreased 0.3% during the five-year period ended June 30, 2019. The average daily cost per inmate of \$89.78 for the year ended June 30, 2019 was 3.9% less than the average daily cost per inmate of \$93.46 for the year ended June 30, 2015. The average number of inmates increased 3.8% over the five-year period, from 8,195 for the year ended June 30, 2015 to 8,508 for the year ended June 30, 2019.

AUDIT FINDINGS:

Sand reported five findings related to the receipt and disbursement of taxpayer funds at four of the nine Institutions. They are found on pages 28 through 38 of this report. The findings address a lack of segregation of duties at the Anamosa State Penitentiary and the Clarinda Correctional Facility, the approval of P-1 documents at the Anamosa State Penitentiary and the Iowa Medical and Classification Center in Oakdale and the disposal of capital assets at the Clarinda Correctional Facility. Sand provided the Institutions with recommendations to address each of these findings.

The segregation of duties finding discussed above and pertaining to the Anamosa State Penitentiary is repeated from the prior year. Management of each Institution has a fiduciary responsibility to provide oversight of their respective Institution's operations and financial transactions. Oversight is typically defined as the "watchful and responsible care" a governing body exercises in its fiduciary capacity.

Copies of the report is available for review in the Office of Auditor of State and on the Auditor of State's web site at https://auditor.iowa.gov/reports/audit-reports/.

COMBINED REPORT ON THE INSTITUTIONS UNDER THE CONTROL OF THE IOWA DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS SCHEDULES FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

JUNE 30, 2019





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Iowa Board of Corrections Des Moines, Iowa

Dear Members of the Iowa Board of Corrections:

I am pleased to submit to you the combined report on the institutions under the control of the Iowa Department of Corrections for the year ended June 30, 2019. This report includes findings pertaining to the institutions' internal control which resulted from the fiscal year 2019 audits. This report also includes average cost per inmate at each institution as required by Section 11.28 of the Code of Iowa.

I appreciate the cooperation and courtesy extended by the officials and employees of the institutions under the control of the Iowa Department of Corrections throughout the audits. If I or this office can be of any further assistance, please contact me or my staff at 515-281-5834.

Sincerely,

Rob Sand Auditor of State

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To the Members of the Iowa Board of Corrections:

The Institutions under the control of the Iowa Department of Corrections are part of the State of Iowa and, as such, have been included in our audits of the State's Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) and the State's Single Audit Report for the year ended June 30, 2019.

In conducting our audits, we became aware of certain aspects concerning the various Institutions' operations for which we believe corrective action is necessary. As a result, we have developed recommendations which are reported on the following pages. We believe you should be aware of these recommendations, which include recommendations pertaining to internal control. These recommendations have been discussed with applicable Institution personnel and their responses to these recommendations are included in this report. While we have expressed our conclusions on the Institutions' responses, we did not audit the Institutions' responses and, accordingly, we express no opinion on them.

We have also included certain unaudited financial and other information for the Institutions under the control of the Iowa Department of Corrections for the five years ended June 30, 2019 to report an average cost per inmate at each Institution as required by Chapter 11.28 of the Code of Iowa.

This report, a public record by law, is intended solely for the information and use of the officials and employees of the Iowa Department of Corrections, the Institutions under the control of the Iowa Department of Corrections, citizens of the State of Iowa and other parties to whom the Iowa Department of Corrections may report. This report is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

We would like to acknowledge the many courtesies and assistance extended to us by personnel of the Institutions during the course of our audits. Should you have questions concerning any of the above matters, we shall be pleased to discuss them with you. Individuals who participated in our audits of the Institutions are listed on pages 28, 30, 31, 32, 34, 35, 36, 37 and 38 and they are available to discuss these matters with you.

Marlys K. Gaston, CPA Deputy Auditor of State

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cc: Honorable Kim Reynolds, Governor
David Roederer, Director, Department of Management
Glen P. Dickinson, Director, Legislative Services Agency

Iowa Department of Corrections

Overview

Background

In accordance with Chapter 904 of the Code of Iowa, the Iowa Department of Corrections (IDOC) is responsible for the control, treatment and rehabilitation of offenders committed under law to the following nine Institutions:

<u>Iowa State Penitentiary – Fort Madison</u> – Institutions for men consisting of the Penitentiary proper, a maximum-security facility, and the John E. Bennett unit, a minimum-security dormitory. A primary objective of these facilities is to provide rehabilitative services that assist offenders to make a successful transition from prison to their communities.

<u>Anamosa State Penitentiary</u> – A maximum/medium security facility for men. A primary objective of these facilities is to provide rehabilitative services that assist offenders to make a successful transition from prison to their communities.

<u>Iowa Medical and Classification Center – Oakdale</u> – A forensic psychiatric hospital for persons displaying evidence of mental illness or psychosocial disorders and requiring diagnostic services or treatment in a secure setting, secure housing units that serve as the reception center for all incoming male offenders and secure housing units for offenders with mental health and/or medical treatment needs.

<u>Mount Pleasant Correctional Facility</u> – A medium security facility for men that has treatment programs for sex offenders and substance abusers. A primary objective of this facility is to offer programs that reduce risk and assist offenders to make a successful transition from prison to their communities.

<u>Clarinda Correctional Facility</u> – A male facility composed of two sites, a medium security facility which provides rehabilitative services for offenders with intellectual disabilities, mental illness or a chemical dependency, and the Lodge which prepares offenders for discharge, work release or parole.

North Central Correctional Facility – Rockwell City – A minimum security facility for men. The facility prepares offenders for discharge, work release or parole and provides many offenders with actual opportunities to practice functioning within society through work programs.

<u>Iowa Correctional Institution for Women – Mitchellville</u> – A medium/minimum security facility for female offenders. The facility serves as the reception center for all female offender custody classifications committed to IDOC, provides gender responsive rehabilitative services and prepares offenders for discharge, work release or parole.

<u>Newton Correctional Facility</u> – A male facility composed of two sites, a medium security site which provides rehabilitative services and a separate minimum security site, CRC, which prepares offenders for discharge, work release or parole.

<u>Fort Dodge Correctional Facility</u> – A medium security facility designed to house adult male offenders. The facility provides rehabilitative services which assist offenders to make a successful transition from prison to their communities.

Scope and Methodology

We have calculated an average cost per inmate at each Institution for the five years ended June 30, 2019 based on their General Fund expenditures. Certain reclassifications and changes have been made to these expenditures to provide comparable averages between Institutions. Therefore, expenditure amounts and cost per inmate averages may differ from those used for statewide financial statement purposes. These reclassifications and changes are as follows:

- (1) Operating transfers, primarily reimbursements to other state agencies for services, have been reclassified as expenditures for purposes of this report.
- (2) At the inception of a capital lease, total principal payments are recorded as expenditures and as other financing sources for statewide financial statement purposes. For purposes of this report, only the current year principal and interest payments are included as expenditures.
- (3) Canteen operations have been excluded from General Fund expenditures since the canteen is a self-supporting operation at each Institution.
- (4) Non-cash assistance, consisting of USDA commodities, has been excluded from General Fund expenditures.

Summary Observation

The average cost per inmate ranged from \$22,697 at the Newton Correctional Facility to \$57,713 at the Iowa State Penitentiary – Fort Madison for the year ended June 30, 2019. The average cost per inmate has slightly increased over the past year, with the average cost per inmate for the year ended June 30, 2019 increasing over the prior year for six of the nine Facilities. Four of those six Facilities saw a corresponding increase in average number of inmates and five of the six Facilities saw a corresponding increase in the average number of employees which increased their total expenditures.

Over the last five fiscal years, total General Fund expenditures decreased 0.3%, from \$279,558,961 for the year ended June 30, 2015 to \$278,800,418 for the year ended June 30, 2019, the average number of inmates increased 3.8%, from 8,195 to 8,508, and the average daily cost per inmate decreased 3.9%, from \$93.46 to \$89.78.



Schedules

Average Cost Per Inmate by Institution (Unaudited)

	Y			
	Average Number of Inmates	Average Number of Employees	Average Cost per Inmate	Average Daily Cost per Inmate
Iowa State Penitentiary - Fort Madison	725	409	\$ 60,820	\$ 166.63
Anamosa State Penitentiary	1,080	310	32,071	87.87
Iowa Medical and Classification Center - Oakdale	939	551	58,300	159.73
Mount Pleasant Correctional Facility	863	241	29,662	81.27
Clarinda Correctional Facility	873	255	31,078	85.15
North Central Correctional Facility - Rockwell City	490	93	21,194	58.07
Iowa Correctional Institution for Women - Mitchellville	647	225	36,277	99.39
Newton Correctional Facility	1,293	257	22,183	60.78
Fort Dodge Correctional Facility	1,285	286	23,981	65.70
Total	8,195	2,627	\$ 34,113	\$ 93.46

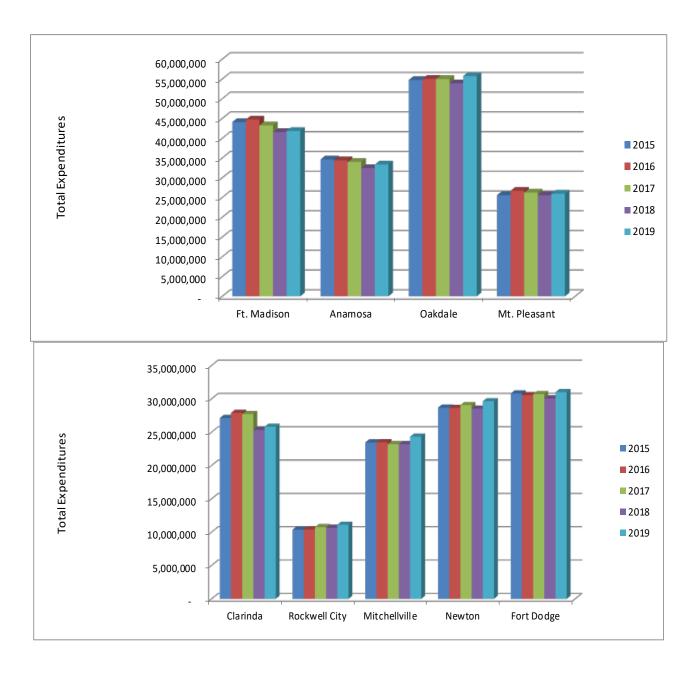
Y	Year ended June 30, 2016				Year ended June 30, 2017			
Average Number of Inmates	Average Number of Employees	Average Cost per Inmate	Average Daily Cost per Inmate	Average Number of Inmates	Average Number of Employees	Average Cost per Inmate	Average Daily Cost per Inmate	
735	413	\$ 60,858	\$ 166.28	791	387	\$ 54,691	\$ 149.84	
1,004	308	34,292	93.69	936	307	36,334	99.55	
962	530	57,192	156.26	937	518	58,685	160.78	
883	248	30,246	82.64	910	231	28,845	79.03	
892	253	31,283	85.47	1,004	242	27,611	75.65	
494	91	21,095	57.64	495	93	21,744	59.57	
689	226	34,103	93.18	720	208	32,238	88.32	
1,166	245	24,566	67.12	1,265	245	22,981	62.96	
1,269	276	24,083	65.80	1,263	269	24,319	66.63	
8,094	2,590	\$ 34,830	\$ 95.16	8,321	2,500	\$ 33,648	\$ 92.19	

Average Cost Per Inmate by Institution (Unaudited)

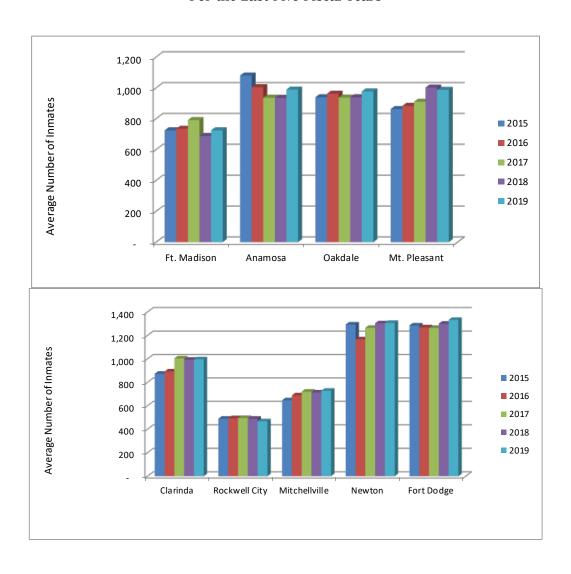
	Y	Year ended June 30, 2018				
	Average Number of Inmates	age Average Average er of Number of Cost per		Average Daily Cost per Inmate		
Iowa State Penitentiary - Fort Madison	688	356	\$ 60,405	\$ 165.49		
Anamosa State Penitentiary	935	289	34,682	95.02		
Iowa Medical and Classification Center - Oakdale	939	502	57,385	157.22		
Mount Pleasant Correctional Facility	1,002	212	25,552	70.01		
Clarinda Correctional Facility	993	210	25,525	69.93		
North Central Correctional Facility- Rockwell City	490	90	21,766	59.63		
Iowa Correctional Institution for Women - Mitchellville	713	205	32,562	89.21		
Newton Correctional Facility	1,303	239	21,903	60.01		
Fort Dodge Correctional Facility	1,300	257	23,129	63.37		
Total	8,363	2,360	\$ 32,442	\$ 88.88		

Year ended June 30, 2019								
Average Number of Inmates	Average Number of Employees	age Average er of Cost per						
725	366	\$	57,713	\$	158.12			
989	296		33,718		92.38			
977	477		57,030		156.25			
987	223		26,311		72.09			
996	214		25,927		71.03			
468	92		23,765		65.11			
728	200		33,418		91.56			
1,306	246		22,697		62.18			
1,332	260		23,280		63.78			
8,508	2,374	\$	32,769	\$	89.78			

Average Cost Per Inmate by Institution Total Expenditures (Unaudited)

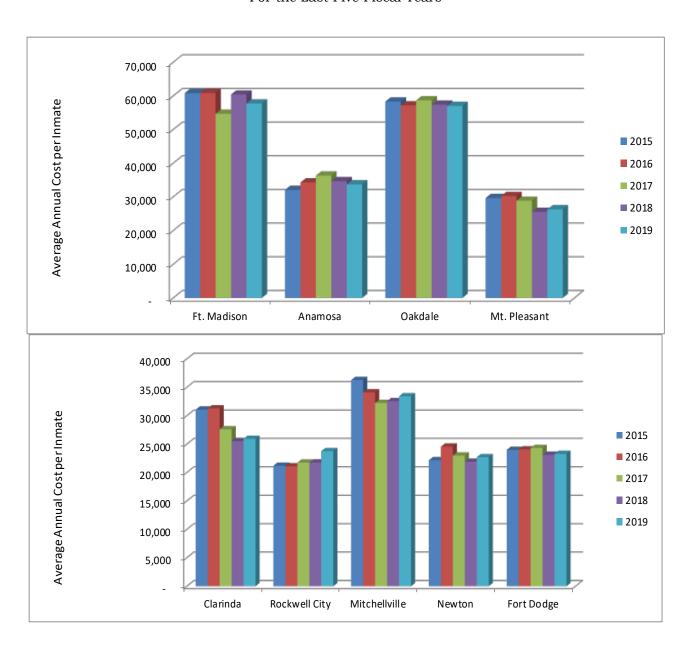


Average Cost Per Inmate by Institution Average Number of Inmates (Unaudited)





Average Cost Per Inmate by Institution Average Annual Cost per Inmate (Unaudited)



General Fund Expenditures by Institution (Unaudited)

				Iowa Medical and	
	ī	Iowa State Penitentiary -	Anamosa State	Classification Center -	Mount Pleasant Correctional
		ort Madison	Penitentiary	Oakdale	Facility
Personal services	\$	35,223,357	27,282,838	45,877,990	21,336,138
Travel		138,910	106,753	226,552	92,369
Supplies and materials		2,971,692	3,787,763	4,267,448	2,170,129
Contractual services		4,820,727	2,470,870	3,467,190	1,445,626
Capital outlay		607,962	421,022	537,209	254,614
Claims and miscellaneous		327,913	565,369	367,249	298,492
Licenses, permits and refunds		3,840	2,337	-	518
Total	\$	44,094,401	34,636,952	54,743,638	25,597,886

Clarinda Correctional	North Central Correctional Facility -	Iowa Correctional Institution for Women -	Newton Correctional	Fort Dodge Correctional	
Facility	Rockwell City	Mitchellville	Facility	Facility	Total
21,110,359	8,168,354	18,710,772	22,116,354	23,873,540	223,699,702
101,221	55,019	84,615	133,187	73,068	1,011,694
3,114,220	960,362	2,535,111	3,868,336	4,175,797	27,850,858
2,049,261	947,263	1,671,298	2,117,720	1,835,643	20,825,598
227,272	40,270	181,206	129,744	187,518	2,586,817
525,806	214,033	287,946	316,981	667,438	3,571,227
3,333	-	-	50	2,987	13,065
27,131,472	10,385,301	23,470,948	28,682,372	30,815,991	279,558,961

General Fund Expenditures by Institution (Unaudited)

			Iowa Medical	
			and	
	Iowa State	Anamosa	Classification	Mount Pleasant
	Penitentiary -	State	Center -	Correctional
	 Fort Madison	Penitentiary	Oakdale	Facility
Personal services	\$ 35,974,235	26,856,280	47,120,065	22,431,383
Travel	127,950	83,101	217,533	95,465
Supplies and materials	3,642,692	4,063,838	3,817,802	2,008,913
Contractual services	4,338,548	2,371,229	3,194,533	1,623,848
Capital outlay	319,828	526,650	284,474	251,353
Claims and miscellaneous	322,666	526,386	384,565	295,811
Licenses, permits and refunds	 5,005	1,780	-	423
Total	\$ 44,730,924	34,429,264	55,018,972	26,707,196

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		North Central	Iowa Correctional			
	Clarinda Correctional Facility	Correctional Facility - Rockwell City	Institution for Women - Mitchellville	Newton Correctional Facility	Fort Dodge Correctional Facility	Total
-	racinty	ROCKWEII City	WITCHCHVIIIC	racinty	racinty	Total
	21,935,309	8,136,673	19,238,331	22,177,832	23,670,549	227,540,657
	79,998	53,245	70,126	100,262	71,027	898,707
	2,893,795	972,728	2,288,685	3,688,296	4,083,609	27,460,358
	2,029,524	974,140	1,559,870	2,072,225	1,825,695	19,989,612
	411,165	65,203	96,374	285,996	275,456	2,516,499
	550,836	219,070	243,828	319,522	632,163	3,494,847
	3,939	-	-	-	2,736	13,883
	27,904,566	10,421,059	23,497,214	28,644,133	30,561,235	281,914,563

General Fund Expenditures by Institution (Unaudited)

			Iowa Medical and	
	Iowa State	Anamosa	Classification	Mount Pleasant
	Penitentiary -	State	Center -	Correctional
	 Fort Madison	Penitentiary	Oakdale	Facility
Personal services	\$ 35,008,439	27,127,040	46,772,160	21,952,281
Travel	124,090	82,540	192,983	73,757
Supplies and materials	3,296,265	3,610,270	4,518,406	2,002,937
Contractual services	4,197,170	2,440,640	2,990,131	1,729,674
Capital outlay	293,411	291,278	83,256	184,367
Claims and miscellaneous	335,647	456,355	431,299	305,468
Licenses, permits and refunds	 5,730	725	-	410
Total	\$ 43,260,752	34,008,848	54,988,235	26,248,894

	North Central	Iowa Correctional			
Clarinda	Correctional	Institution	Newton	Fort Dodge	
Correctional	Facility -	for Women -	Correctional	Correctional	
Facility	Rockwell City	Mitchellville	Facility	Facility	Total
21,788,952	8,351,057	18,577,598	22,463,689	23,888,369	225,929,585
83,435	60,236	65,576	82,914	71,385	836,916
3,087,598	1,131,400	2,381,284	3,590,959	3,930,962	27,550,081
2,154,690	890,585	1,804,927	2,308,730	1,912,219	20,428,766
37,002	95,908	144,327	228,377	338,751	1,696,677
566,278	234,140	237,721	395,255	570,522	3,532,685
3,656	-	-	1,327	2,166	14,014
27,721,611	10,763,326	23,211,433	29,071,251	30,714,374	279,988,724

General Fund Expenditures by Institution (Unaudited)

				Iowa Medical	
				and	
		Iowa State	Anamosa	Classification	Mount Pleasant
		Penitentiary -	State	Center -	Correctional
]	Fort Madison	Penitentiary	Oakdale	Facility
Personal services	\$	32,694,564	25,675,580	44,811,511	20,071,892
Travel		92,018	66,243	170,183	54,000
Supplies and materials		3,345,829	3,300,157	4,754,551	2,618,551
Contractual services		4,498,039	2,500,488	2,824,057	1,829,290
Capital outlay		658,545	426,845	919,343	683,981
Claims and miscellaneous		265,219	456,170	404,997	344,999
Licenses, permits and refunds		4,169	2,303	-	553
Total	\$	41,558,383	32,427,786	53,884,642	25,603,266

			Iowa			
		North Central	Correctional			
	Clarinda	Correctional	Institution	Newton	Fort Dodge	
	Correctional	Facility -	for Women -	Correctional	Correctional	
_	Facility	Rockwell City	Mitchellville	Facility	Facility	Total
	19,032,383	8,039,659	18,373,872	21,549,659	23,135,540	213,384,660
	74,070	49,442	61,595	71,036	49,705	688,292
	3,154,428	1,116,447	2,388,204	3,478,106	3,639,499	27,795,772
	2,324,702	1,054,993	2,028,487	2,533,230	2,011,042	21,604,328
	390,299	170,118	85,112	460,885	745,136	4,540,264
	365,494	234,562	279,590	446,770	482,638	2,797,801
_	4,895	39	-	55	4,173	12,014
	25,346,271	10,665,260	23,216,860	28,539,741	30,067,733	271,309,942

General Fund Expenditures by Institution (Unaudited)

	<u> </u>			Iowa Medical and	
		Iowa State	Anamosa	Classification	Mount Pleasant
	P	enitentiary -	State	Center -	Correctional
	F	ort Madison	Penitentiary	Oakdale	Facility
Personal services	\$	32,615,041	25,923,812	45,952,060	20,420,279
Travel		143,186	89,776	247,527	85,920
Supplies and materials		3,612,664	3,632,293	5,695,358	2,490,439
Contractual services		4,853,373	2,776,690	3,017,162	2,036,127
Capital outlay		305,665	444,627	331,258	548,909
Claims and miscellaneous		307,951	474,327	475,146	387,049
Licenses, permits and refunds		4,124	5,130	-	488
Total	\$	41,842,004	33,346,655	55,718,511	25,969,211

		Iowa			
	North Central	Correctional			
Clarinda	Correctional	Institution	Newton	Fort Dodge	
Correctional	Facility -	for Women -	Correctional	Correctional	
Facility	Rockwell City	Mitchellville	Facility	Facility	Total
19,089,409	8,113,789	18,248,029	22,080,413	23,496,587	215,939,419
126,227	66,188	73,913	122,815	77,014	1,032,566
3,479,090	1,245,711	2,974,342	4,022,392	4,187,823	31,340,112
2,229,658	1,101,134	2,104,462	2,439,141	2,328,999	22,886,746
541,342	371,043	670,913	485,046	477,821	4,176,624
352,817	224,024	256,480	491,907	439,430	3,409,131
4,297		-	599	1,182	15,820
25,822,840	11,121,889	24,328,139	29,642,313	31,008,856	278,800,418

Inmate Population Statistics (Unaudited)

	Iowa State Penitentiary - Fort Madison	Anamosa State Penitentiary	Iowa Medical and Classification Center - Oakdale	Mount Pleasant Correctional Facility
Population beginning of year	718	976	1,128	922
Increases:				
Admissions and transfers in	297	538	5,778	1,467
Decreases:				
Acquitted/Dismissed	-	-	-	-
Deaths	2	1	12	1
Discharged - Expiration of sentence	28	70	127	174
Paroled to Detainer - INS	-	-	27	-
Paroled to Detainer - Iowa	-	1	3	3
Paroled to Detainer - Out of state	1	3	5	7
Paroled to Detainer - U.S. Marshall	1	6	=	1
Paroled with immediate discharge	2	4	4	32
Parole granted	24	60	78	505
Probation - Reconsideration of sentence	1	2	4	11
Released to Custody of US Probation Office	1	-	-	-
Released to OWI continuum	1	=	26	3
Released to special sentence	1	10	15	15
Returned to sending jurisdiction	1	2	101	-
Revoked	-	-	18	-
Revoked from parole - Work release granted	-	-	7	-
Terminated by appeal - Conviction overturned	=	4	-	-
Terminated by court	-	1	1	-
Transferred to different location	-	-	-	-
Work release granted	18	73	49	376
Work Unit - Hospital	-	-	5	-
Work Unit - Field to field	-	-	66	-
Work Unit - Prison to corrections/interstate compact	1	-	4	-
Work Unit - Prison to/from field	=	-	3	-
Work Unit - Prison to escape	-	-	-	-
Work Unit - Prison to prison	194	281	5,333	319
Work Unit - Prison to/from residential	2	-	2	1
Work Unit - Prison to stayed under appeal	-	-	12	1
Work Unit - Transfer to/from county jail		-	8	-
Total released	278	518	5,910	1,449
Population end of year	737	996	996	940
Average number of inmates	725	989	977	987

	North Control	Iowa		
Clarinda	North Central Correctional	Correctional Institution	Newton	Fort Dodge
Correctional	Facility -	for Women -	Correctional	Correctional
Facility	Rockwell City	Mitchellville	Facility	Facility
977	475	689	1,316	1,267
1,260	755	2,150	2,614	1,443
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1	-	3	1	2
75	69	83	174	162
=	=	3	9	9
10	5	5	4	24
23	-	16	-	29
16	-	8	5	31
22	24	64	22	16
286	272	412	218	298
5	6	10	15	12
-	-	-	-	-
1	4	6	74	1
15	4	5	135	18
-	1	4	42	-
-	-	35	270	-
-	-	29	159	-
=	=	1	3	1
-	-	-	-	-
-	-	1	38	-
201	224	176	207	360
77	-	2	2	3
-	-	-	-	-
=	=	=	-	=
=	=	=	-	=
-	-	-	2	-
484	130	1,198	831	404
-	1	2	2	-
-	1	38	318	-
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1,216	740	2,101	2,531	1,371
1,021	490	738	1,399	1,339
996	468	728	1,306	1,332

Findings Reported in the State's Single Audit Report:

No matters were reported.

Findings Reported in the State's Report on Internal Control:

No matters were reported.

Other Finding Related to Internal Control:

No matters were noted.

Findings Related to Statutory Requirements and Other Matters:

No matters were noted.

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Findings Reported in the State's Single Audit Report:

No matters were reported.

Findings Reported in the State's Report on Internal Control:

No matters were reported.

Other Findings Related to Internal Control:

(1) <u>Segregation of Duties</u> – One important aspect of internal control is the segregation of duties among employees to prevent an individual employee from handling duties which are incompatible. When duties are properly segregated, the activities of one employee act as a check on those of another. Responsibilities for reconciliation of the support and commissary bank account are not segregated from that of check writing.

<u>Recommendation</u> – We realize segregation of duties is difficult with a limited number of office employees. However, the Facility should review its control procedures to obtain the maximum internal control possible under the circumstances utilizing current available personnel.

<u>Response</u> – We changed our process in October 2019 so that all bank reconciliations are done by a staff person who does not have the ability to write checks off the accounts.

Conclusion - Response accepted.

(2) P-1 Approvals – Anamosa State Penitentiary personnel process and record payroll and personnel information in the Human Resource Information System (HRIS). The Human Resource Associates utilize an online P-1 document to initiate and approve payroll actions, such as adding new employees and recording pay raises. Several instances were identified where the P-1 document was approved at the personnel assistant and Department level by the same individual.

<u>Recommendation</u> – To strengthen controls, the Facility should develop and implement procedures to segregate the duties of the Human Resource Associates, so individuals do not apply multiple levels of approval to the P-1 documents. The Facility should obtain a listing from the Department of Administrative Services to verify approvals of P-1 documents are being applied appropriately. This report should be independently reviewed, and the review evidenced by initials and the date reviewed.

<u>Response</u> – We changed the P-1 approval process in May 2020 so that the same staff person does not put both levels of approval on at our agency level.

<u>Conclusion</u> – Response accepted.

Finding Related to Statutory Requirements and Other Matters:

No matters were noted.

Findings and Recommendations for the Anamosa State Penitentiary

June 30, 2019

Staff:

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Findings Reported in the State's Single Audit Report:

No matters were reported.

Findings Reported in the State's Report on Internal Control:

No matters were reported.

Other Findings Related to Internal Control:

<u>P-1 Approvals</u> – Iowa Medical and Classification Center (IMCC) personnel process and record payroll and personnel information in the Human Resource Information System (HRIS). The Human Resource Associates utilize an online P-1 document to initiate and approve payroll actions, such as adding new employees and recording pay raises. Several instances were identified where the P-1 document was approved at the personnel assistant and Department level by the same individual.

<u>Recommendation</u> – To strengthen controls, IMCC should develop and implement procedures to segregate the duties of the Human Resource Associates, so individuals do not apply multiple levels of approval to the P-1 documents. IMCC should obtain a listing from the Department of Administrative Services to verify approvals of P-1 documents are being applied appropriately. This report should be independently reviewed, and the review evidenced by initials and the date reviewed.

<u>Response</u> – All P-1 documents will be done by one Human Resource staff and the second level of approval will be completed by another. The Business Manager will be the backup.

Conclusion - Response accepted.

Findings Related to Statutory Requirements and Other Matters:

No matters were noted.

Staff:

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Findings Reported in the State's Single Audit Report:

No matters were reported.

Findings Reported in the State's Report on Internal Control:

No matters were reported.

Other Findings Related to Internal Control:

No matters were noted.

Findings Related to Statutory Requirements and Other Matters:

No matters were noted.

Staff:

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Findings Reported in the State's Single Audit Report:

No matters were reported.

Findings Reported in the State's Report on Internal Control:

No matters were reported.

Other Finding Related to Internal Control:

<u>Segregation of Duties</u> – One important aspect of internal control is the segregation of duties among employees to prevent an individual employee from handling duties which are incompatible. When duties are properly segregated, the activities of one employee act as a check on those of another. Responsibilities for receipt collection, deposit preparation and reconciliation functions are not segregated from those for recording and accounting for receipts. An independent mail opener is periodically listing mail receipts; however, those receipts are not being traced to proper posting and deposit.

<u>Recommendation</u> – We realize segregation of duties is difficult with a limited number of office employees. However, the Facility should review its control procedures to obtain the maximum internal control possible under the circumstances utilized currently available personnel. The Facility should ensure the independent mail opener traces the listing of mail receipts to proper posting and deposit.

<u>Response</u> – The purchasing assistant started reconciling the bank statements in May 2020, which are then reviewed by the Associate Warden. Receipt collection is done by human resource department staff and the bank deposits are prepared by the Associate Warden. The initial listing of receipts is now reconciled each month by another human resource department staff.

Conclusion - Response accepted.

Findings Related to Statutory Requirements and Other Matters:

<u>Disposal of Capital Assets</u> – In accordance with Iowa Administrative Code Chapter 11-111.2, the Director may dispose of unfit or unnecessary personal property by auction or other method of sale, trade-in, salvage, recycling, donation or transfer, or may properly and safely dispose of it by other means. The proceeds from the sale of personal property shall be deposited in the general fund of the State.

For six items selected for testing, the disposal of one recycled asset was not properly approved and the proceeds from the sale of the capital asset were not deposited into the State of Iowa general fund in accordance with the Iowa Administrative Code. The proceeds were deposited into the Enterprise Fund, Clarinda Correctional Facility Recycling Fund.

<u>Recommendation</u> – The Facility should implement policies and procedures to ensure all assets are disposed of with proper approval and in a manner allowed by the Iowa Administrative Code.

<u>Response</u> – Clarinda Correctional Facility has already come up with a process for capital assets that need disposed of from the Recycling Fund, including where the proceeds should be deposited.

<u>Conclusion</u> – Response accepted.

Findings and Recommendations for the Clarinda Correctional Facility

June 30, 2019

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No matters were reported.

Findings Reported in the State's Report on Internal Control:

No matters were reported.

Other Findings Related to Internal Control:

No matters were noted.

Findings Related to Statutory Requirements and Other Matters:

No matters were noted.

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No matters were reported.

Findings Reported in the State's Report on Internal Control:

No matters were reported.

Other Finding Related to Internal Control:

No matters were noted.

Findings Related to Statutory Requirements and Other Matters:

No matters were noted.

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No matters were reported.

Findings Reported in the State's Report on Internal Control:

No matters were reported.

Other Findings Related to Internal Control:

No matters were noted.

Findings Related to Statutory Requirements and Other Matters:

No matters were noted.

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No matters were reported.

Findings Reported in the State's Report on Internal Control:

No matters were reported.

Other Findings Related to Internal Control:

No matters were noted.

Finding Related to Statutory Requirements and Other Matters:

No matters were noted.

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