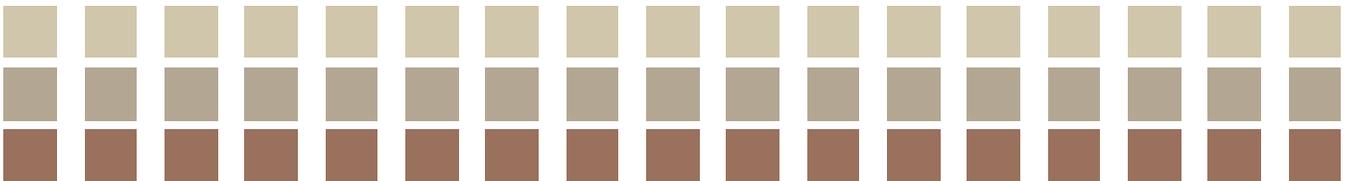




Office of Court Services

2000 Annual Report





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Mission

To develop and provide services that support informed, accountable pretrial release and detention processes that neither unduly restrict a defendant's liberty nor compromise the community's safety.

Acknowledgements

The Office of Court Services is part of a larger criminal justice community that works together to promote the administration of justice in Harris County. We would like to specifically recognize the Harris County Commissioners' Court, the Court Services Standing Committee, the District Criminal Courts, and the County Criminal Courts at Law as key contributors to a quality pretrial services program.

The Office of Court Services Provides Information in Many Forms

Standard Reports and Ad Hoc Information Requests

This Annual Report is a compilation of the statistics the Office presented in its monthly reports during calander year 2000. The monthly reports contain information covering a broad range of Office of Court Services (OCS) activity. Included are facts about the number and location of interviews and court presentations, and information regarding defendant activity while under OCS supervision. The staff also prepare and deliver monthly an individual court activity summary to each judge hearing criminal cases.

When requested to do so, the OCS prepares reports tailored to the needs of other criminal justice entities. Requests for information come from local, state and national sources. The responses are compiled using data from a variety of sources, including JIMS records and data collected and stored locally.

The Defendant Report

The OCS provides information in the form of a defendant report to Harris County's criminal courts that facilitates front-end decision-making. OCS personnel usually begin preparing the defendant report within a few hours of a person's arrest.

Offices at the Central and Southeast Jails of the Houston Police Department, the Harris County Jail Inmate Processing Center, the

Probable Cause Courtroom, and the Criminal Justice Center are staffed twenty-four hours a day, seven days a week to assure access to the defendants and the records necessary to complete the report as soon after an arrest as possible.



OCS Staff interview defendants at the Inmate Processing Center, Harris County Jail.



The report consists of a defendant interview and criminal records and warrants checks using local, state and national records. Staff may also add to the report through contacts with family, friends, and others. The final report contains information about a defendant's criminal, social, and medical history.

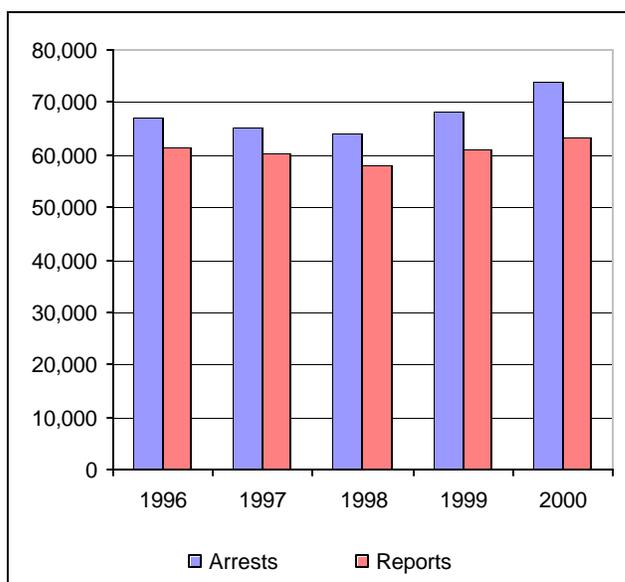
The compiled information is readily available for use by the courts and other criminal justice agencies in both on-line and hard copy formats.■

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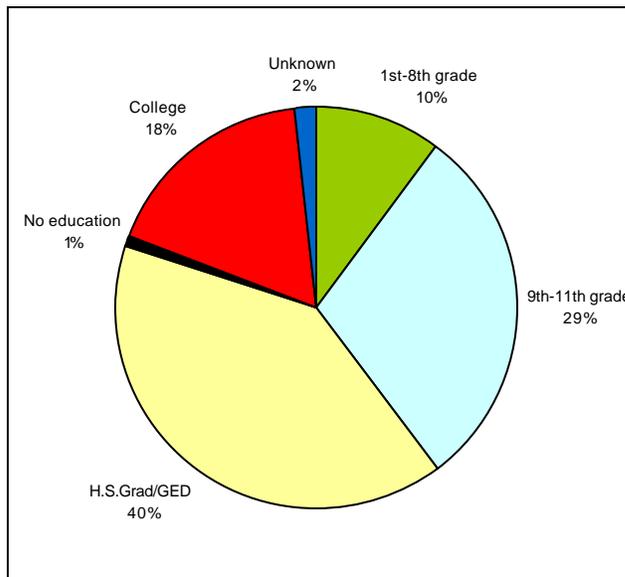
The Defendant Report Contains Information on:

- Criminal History*
- Open Warrants*
- Pending Cases*
- Address History and Living Situation*
- Employment History*
- Financial Situation*
- Dependents*
- Family, Friends, and Contacts*
- Medical Special Needs*

Year 2000 Defendant Reports Compiled



Arrests for a felony or class A or B misdemeanor offense and Defendant Reports completed over the last five years. Both have increased over the last three years.



Education level achieved as reported by defendants interviewed by the Office of Court Services in 2000.

The number of persons arrested and charged with a felony or class A or B misdemeanor offense in 2000 increased more than 7% from 1999. Over 73,000 people were arrested last year, compared to 68,000 in 1998. Of the defendants arrested in 2000, 65% were charged with a misdemeanor and 35% with a felony offense.

The number of defendant reports compiled corresponds with the number of arrests. The number of defendant interviews conducted also rose to 63,133 in 2000, an increase of 3% from the previous year.

The Office of Court Services (OCS) prepared 39,576 reports on defendants charged with a misdemeanor offense, compiling information on over 82% of that population. For those defendants charged with a felony, the percentage jumps to over 90%, or 23,557 reports completed.

The OCS interviews defendants at both Houston Police Department (HPD) jails (Central and Southeast) and at the downtown Harris County Jail. The OCS conducted approximately 53% of incarcerated defendant interviews at the HPD jails and the remaining 47% at the County Jail, a distribution that remains consistent with 1999 figures.

The judiciary reviewed over 32,000 misdemeanor defendant reports and almost 7,000 felony defendant reports in determining bail and conditions of release in 2000. A review may happen at any time during the pendency of a case, with the first opportunity occurring during the probable cause hearings conducted by magistrates twenty-four hours a day, seven days a week. The assigned court may review the report at any time.

The defendant report also provides demographic information on the population interviewed in 2000. Over 82% of the report group were male. Almost 27% of the report group were under 22 years of age. Forty percent reported that they had at least received a high school diploma or a GED. Another 40%, however, reported never advancing beyond the 11th grade. ■

MHMRA Assists Defendants with Mental Impairments

The Office of Court Services participates in the Mental Health and Mental Retardation Authority (MHMRA) Pretrial Screening. The Office staff work closely with the MHMRA Pretrial Screening team to identify those defendants with mental impairments. The MHMRA team interviews defendants in the Probable Cause Hearing Courtroom and in the Harris County Jail. Assessment results can be presented to the magistrate at the probable cause hearing or to the assigned court for action. The information also helps the Sheriff's Department with proper classification.

If a defendant is placed under Court Services' supervision, specially trained staff work with the defendant and keep all parties informed. The successful collaboration among the Office of Court Services, the courts, and the MHMRA results in a defendant's mental health status being considered at both the pre-trial (bail) and post-trial (adjudication) stages. ■



The MHMRA screening team has an office at the Probable Cause Hearing Courtroom. Here they can interview defendants and work with the Office of Court Services, the Sheriff's Department, and the magistrate to identify, assess, and recommend treatment for defendants with mental impairments early in the process.



Hazel Lundy is a welcome addition to the Office of Court Services administrative team.

Parole Veteran joins OCS as Supervision Manager

Hazel Lundy joined the Office of Court Services as the Division Manager of Defendant Monitoring in May 2000.

Ms. Lundy has extensive experience in supervision and case management. She began her career in criminal justice in 1984 as a parole officer with the Texas Department of Criminal Justice. She moved into management in 1987, and by 1995 she was an Assistant Regional Director.

Ms. Lundy has served on several advisory boards, including the Harris County Department of Education Adult Education Advisory Committee and the Houston Community College Adult Literacy Program Advisory Committee.

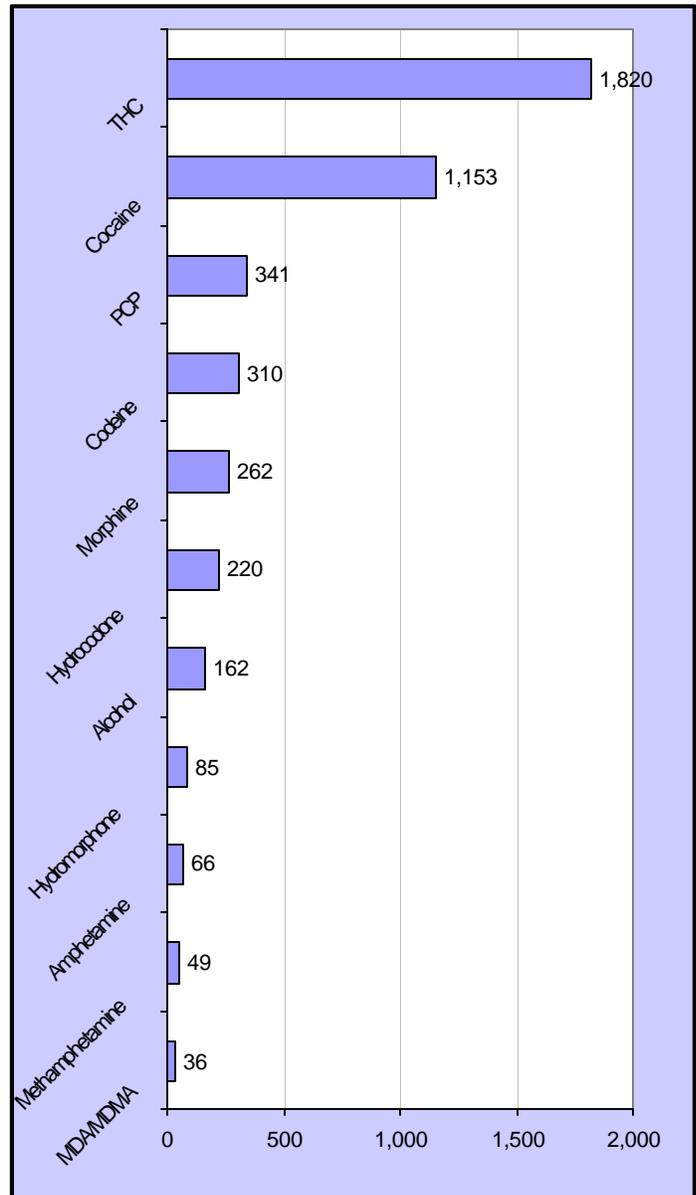
Ms. Lundy is from Petersburg, Virginia and has a Masters in Rehabilitation Counseling from Virginia Commonwealth University.

Urinalysis Screening

The Office of Court Services (OCS) relies on the Harris County Medical Examiner's Office (HCME) to determine whether drugs - or, more specifically, their metabolites - are present in a urine specimen.

The HCME analyzes specimens using a two-stage process. Preliminary screening applies the EMIT immunoassay method (Enzyme Multiplied Immunoassay Technique) and, if preliminary screening indicates the presence of a drug of interest, then a confirmation screening is conducted using gas chromatography/mass spectrometry (GC/MS) technology. The HCME analyzes the sample and provides a preliminary report to the office within 2 to 5 days. The HCME usually provides a confirmation report within 5 to 15 days after receiving a specimen.

Another service offered by the OCS is the STAT UA. Upon order of the court, the defendant provides a urine specimen that the OCS immediately forwards to the HCME for testing. The HCME phones the OCS with preliminary or pending results within 2 to 4 hours after they receive the sample. Additionally, the court may order the defendant to provide a specimen that the HCME will test for a specific drug that is not part of the normal testing procedure.



Number of times in 2000 that each drug was confirmed positive. A total of 16,275 specimens were collected of which 3,250 tested positive for at least one of the substances listed above.

TAIP Program

The continued partnership between the Office of Court Services and the Treatment Alternatives to Incarceration Program (TAIP) allows defendants to be assessed, evaluated, and, where indicated, referred to treatment for substance abuse problems. Many of the defendants court-ordered to submit to drug screening are referred to TAIP after testing positive for an illegal or illicit substance. The Defendant Monitoring Division coordinates TAIP activities for defendants supervised by the Office of Court Services and monitors or supervises defendant participation. Services available include inpatient and outpatient treatment, education classes, and support groups for defendants with substance abuse problems. ■

Supervision Caseload Grows in 2000

The Defendant Monitoring Division provides supervision of persons charged with a criminal offense that is both flexible and responsive to the courts' needs. The Division offers a range of supervision options, and the management of each defendant is based on the conditions imposed by the court.

A total of 6,695 persons were placed in the supervision program in 2000, an increase of more than 11% from 1999. The defendants monitored by the program included 3,046 defendants released on personal bond, 3,625 defendants released on some form of financial bond, and 24 defendants supervised by order of the court without bail as a factor.

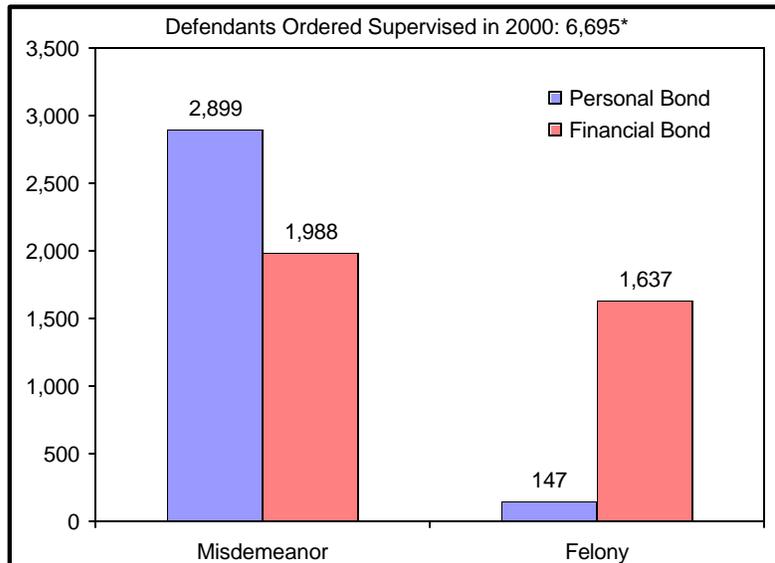
Defendants ordered supervised with the least restrictive conditions are still required to check-in regularly by phone and in person, and to notify the Office of any changes in their work or residence situations. In 2000 the number of defendants ordered supervised with the least restrictive conditions comprised only 38% of the

total number of defendants placed into the monitoring program. The number of defendants in this category (2,548) is less than the number released with the least restrictive conditions in 1999 (2,681).

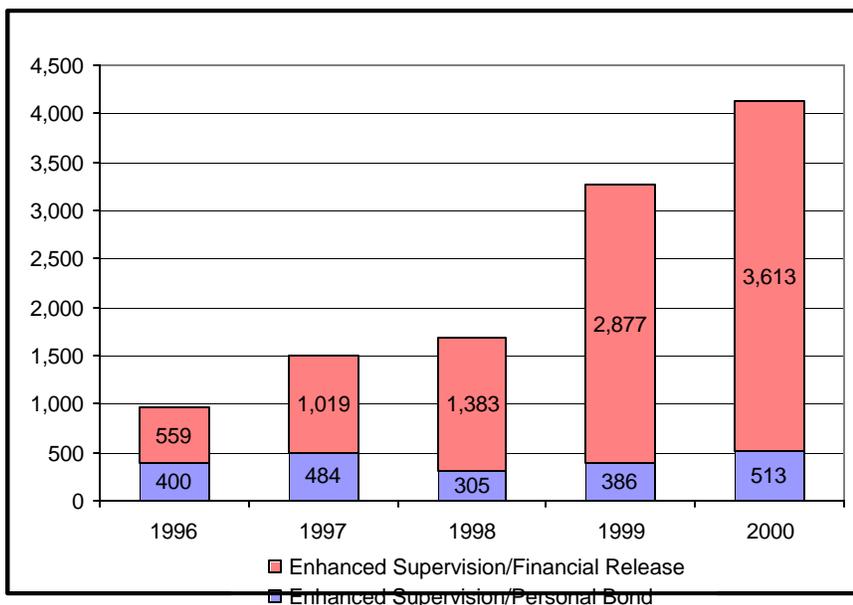
The balance of persons super-

vised were ordered into a more controlled case management environment. Enhanced supervision includes a wide range of specialized options for defendants released on all forms of bail. These include electronic monitoring supervision (EMS), curfew and association restrictions, as well as substance abuse screening, assessment, evaluation and, when appropriate, treatment referral.

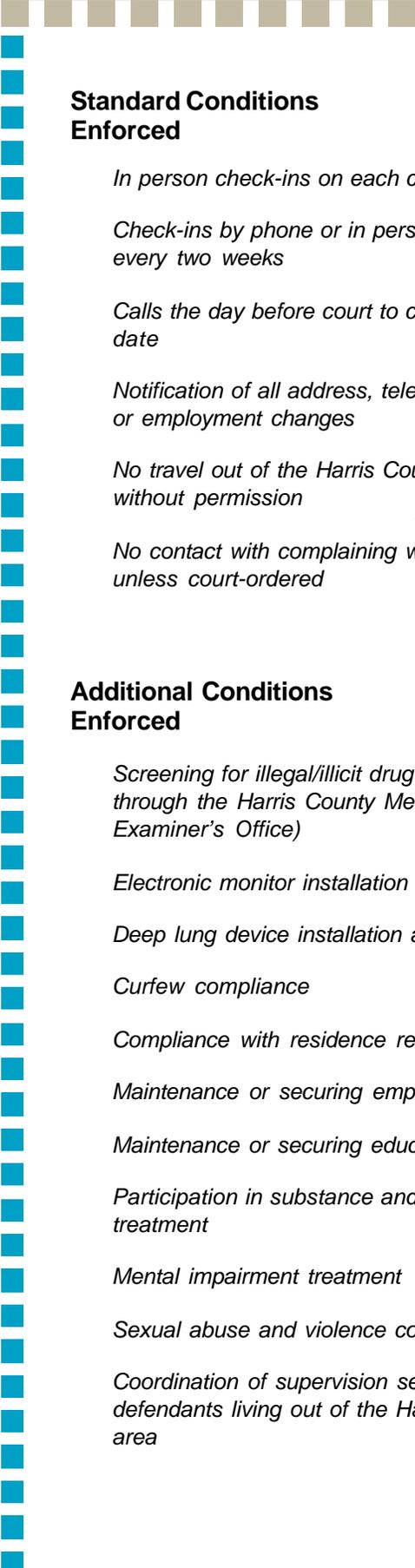
In all, 4,147 defendants were placed into enhanced supervision programs in 2000, accounting for 62% of all persons placed in the defendant monitoring program. This is an increase of almost 25% over 1999. This continues an upward trend in this supervision area of several years duration. The growth is defined by the continued increase in court-ordered supervision of defendants released on financial bond. In fact, while defendants on financial bond account for 54% of all defendants supervised, they comprise 87% of the defendants with enhanced supervision. ■



* Includes 24 defendants ordered supervised where bail was not a factor.



Defendants assigned to enhanced supervision by type of release.



Standard Conditions Enforced

In person check-ins on each court date

Check-ins by phone or in person at least every two weeks

Calls the day before court to confirm court date

Notification of all address, telephone number or employment changes

No travel out of the Harris County area without permission

No contact with complaining witnesses unless court-ordered

Additional Conditions Enforced

Screening for illegal/illicit drug use (testing through the Harris County Medical Examiner's Office)

Electronic monitor installation and monitoring

Deep lung device installation and monitoring

Curfew compliance

Compliance with residence requirements

Maintenance or securing employment

Maintenance or securing educational pursuit

Participation in substance and alcohol abuse treatment

Mental impairment treatment

Sexual abuse and violence counseling

Coordination of supervision services for defendants living out of the Harris County area

Enhanced Conditions Provide Supervision Options

If the court deems that supervised release is the best option, the Defendant Monitoring Division enforces a broad spectrum of supervision options. In 2000, the average number of defendants supervised each month was 1,042. All of these defendants had to comply with standard conditions of release. Seventy percent of the supervised caseload also had one or more additional conditions of release (see side-bar).

Screening for drug use was the condition most often imposed, with over 3,500 defendants required to participate in the screening process. As a result, the OCS collected 16,275 specimens in 2000, of which 20% were confirmed positive. The courts also required 20% of the defendants assigned to OCS in 2000 to submit to a substance abuse evaluation.

While the standard conditions require regular contact by phone and in person, the courts can order more frequent, direct contact with the monitoring staff. In 2000, at least 27% of supervised defendants were required to report in person to the office every week. That number includes the 10% of supervised defendants ordered to be electronically monitored. Their weekly reporting requirement allows supervision staff to verify the integrity of the ankle transmitter.

The transmitter, affixed to a defendant's ankle, tracks the defendant's proximity to a companion receiver attached to the defendant's home telephone line. If the defendant leaves the vicinity of the receiver, a violation report is sent to the monitoring office, triggering an investigation as to the cause of the violation.

The OCS monitored compliance with deep lung device installation and use requirements on approximately 14% of supervised defendants in 2000. These devices require a motor vehicle operator to provide a breath sample before attempting ignition. If the breath sample contains an excess of alcohol, the vehicle is prevented from starting. ■

Most Defendants' Supervision Period Successful

Typically a person's supervision period with this office will end with resolution of the case. However, despite precautions taken to ensure that a defendant will appear at all court hearings and follow the conditions imposed by the court, some people do not comply with the provisions of release. Under these circumstances the court may revoke the bond and take the defendant into custody for noncompliance or, if the defendant failed to appear for a court setting, issue a warrant for the defendant's arrest.

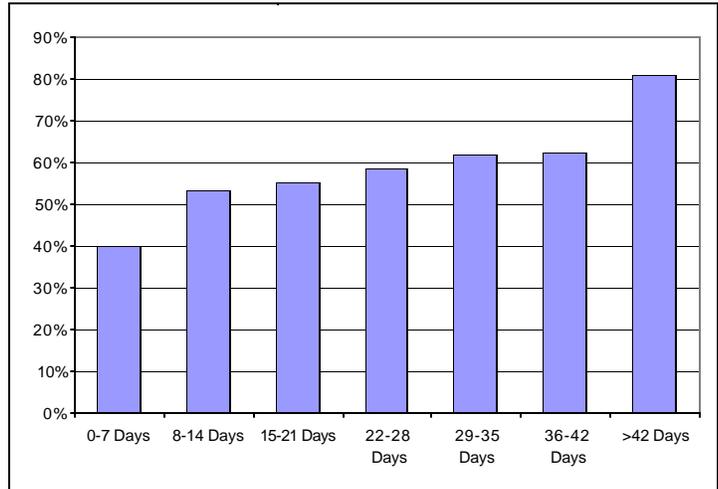
Over 83% of the 6,583 defendants whose supervision period ended in 2000 had no warrant issued for their arrest due to noncompliance with supervision conditions. For defendants supervised on personal bond, 88% (2,703 persons) successfully concluded their time on bond; for defendants on a financial bond, 79% (2,790 persons) were successful.

A significant number of defendants supervised by the OCS had their cases dismissed or no-billed, were found not guilty, or received a sentence requiring no additional jail time. Of the 82% of defendants whose cases reached final disposition while under OCS supervision, 12% were not convicted. Of those who were convicted, 77% of personal bond defendants and 58% of finan-

cial bond defendants received no additional jail time. Overall, 80% of all defendants whose cases reached final disposition while under OCS supervision were not returned to jail after their initial release.

Defendants are required to be in court when scheduled. In 2000, defendants supervised by OCS had 22,118 scheduled court dates. Defendants on personal bond missed 4.4% of scheduled appearances and defendants on financial bond missed 4.2% of scheduled appearances. The rate at which bonds were revoked for noncompliance with conditions of supervision (e.g., refrain from substance abuse and curfew restrictions) was 3% for defendants on personal bond and 16.3% for defendants on financial bond.

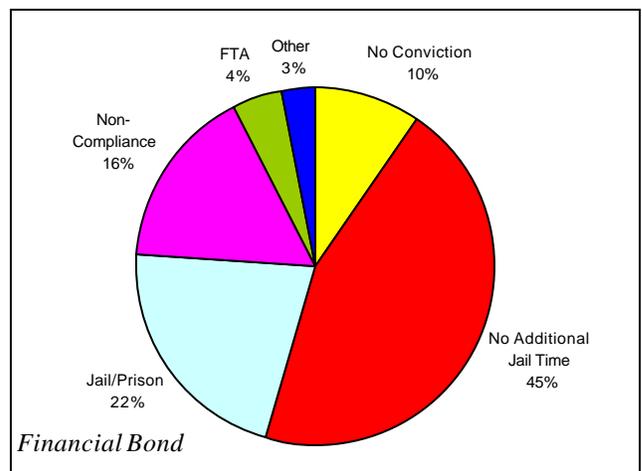
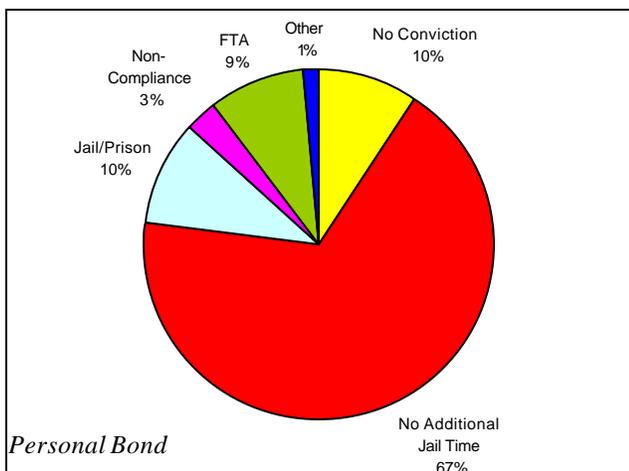
Resolution of failure to appear warrants is a high priority. Nearly 58% of fugitive warrants were re-



Time to resolution for FTA warrants issued for defendants supervised by the OCS.

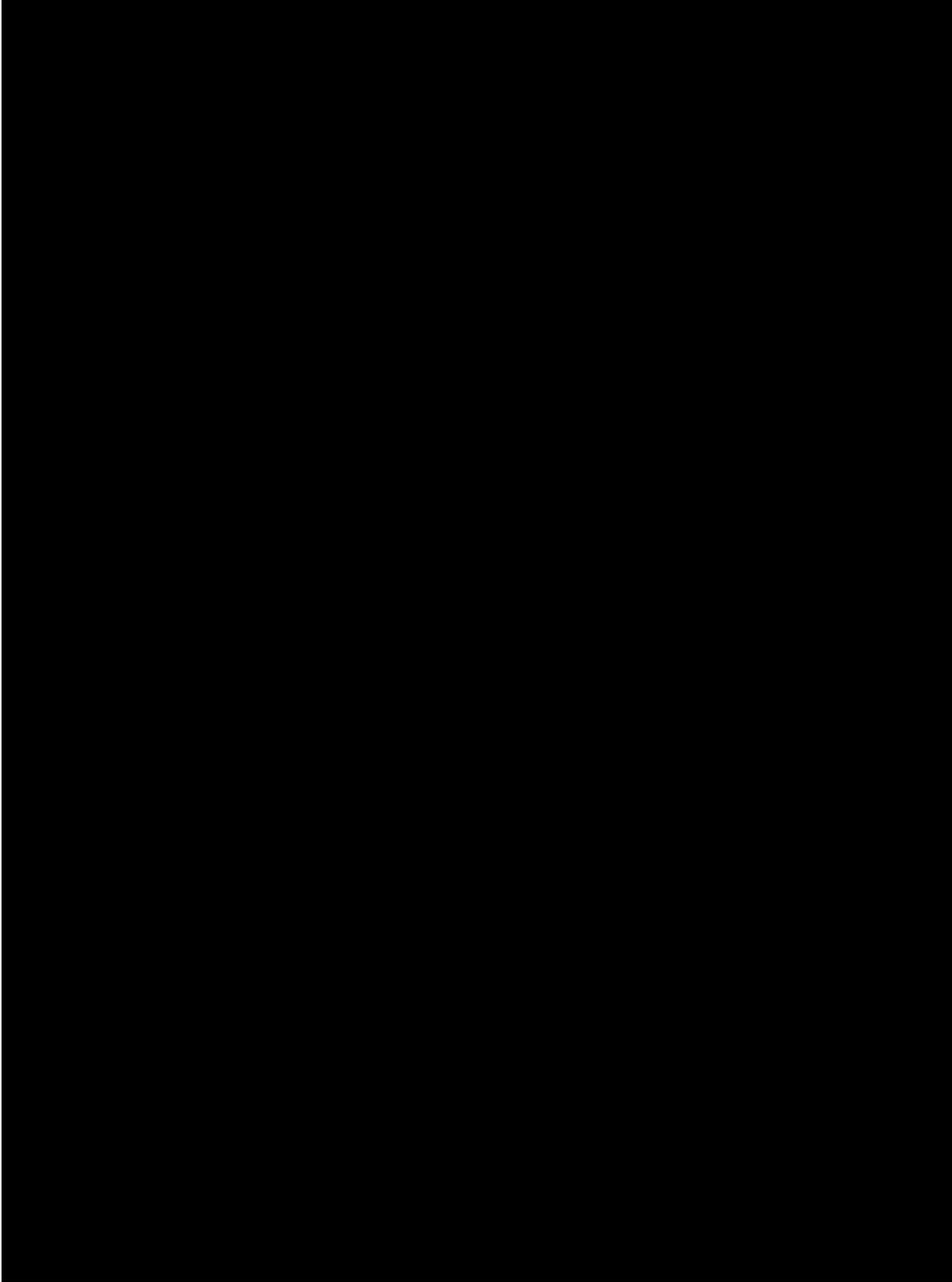
solved within four weeks of issuance. As of February 28, 2001, 82% of failure to appear warrants issued in 2000 for defendants released on personal bond were resolved. For defendants released on financial bonds, the resolution rate for failure to appear warrants was 79%.

The OCS works with the Harris County Sheriff's Department, the Texas Workforce Commission, the U.S. Immigration and Naturalization Service, and many other state and federal agencies to locate fugitives. This cooperative effort continues to offer enhanced abilities to locate fugitive defendants and resolve warrants. ■



Breakdown by disposition type of defendants whose cases were disposed in 2000.

Table of Organization



Total employees: 94

2000 Annual Report Statistics

I. Incarcerated Defendant Activity (Jail)

A. Number of defendants arrested at the time charges were filed

(excludes defendants with only Class C misdemeanor, MRP, or MAJ):

Filing Agency	Misdemeanor	%	Felony	%	Both	%	TOTAL	%
HPD/Park	22,299	50.2%	14,064	65.6%	310	47.1%	36,673	55.1%
HCSO	9,409	21.2%	3,574	16.7%	153	23.3%	13,136	19.7%
Pasadena	1,994	4.5%	637	3.0%	32	4.9%	2,663	4.0%
Baytown	1,205	2.7%	444	2.1%	18	2.7%	1,667	2.5%
Humble	559	1.3%	141	0.7%	4	0.6%	704	1.1%
DPS	1,129	2.5%	242	1.1%	16	2.4%	1,387	2.1%
Constables	3,751	8.4%	669	3.1%	48	7.3%	4,468	6.7%
Other	4,104	9.2%	1,682	7.8%	77	11.7%	5,863	8.8%
TOTAL	44,450	100%	21,453	100%	658	100%	66,561	100%

B. Number of defendants arrested on a warrant

(excludes defendants with only Class C misdemeanor, MRP, or MAJ):

Misdemeanor	Felony	Both	TOTAL	% of Arr
3,304	3,783	99	7,186	9.7%

C. Total number of defendants arrested in the reporting month:

Misdemeanor	Felony	Both	TOTAL	% Interv
47,754	25,236	757	73,747	85.6%

D. Number and location of incarcerated defendant interviews conducted by the Pretrial Services Agency.

Location	Misdemeanor	%	Felony	%	Both a.	%	TOTAL	%
HPD Jails	19,582	49.5%	12,959	58.4%	665	49.0%	33,206	52.6%
HCJ/PCH	19,994	50.5%	9,241	41.6%	692	51.0%	29,927	47.4%
Other	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
TOTAL	39,576	100%	22,200	100%	1,357	100%	63,133	100%

a. These numbers may be larger than arrests due to charges added after the defendant was booked.

E. Number and location of defendant releases on a personal bond:

Location	Misdemeanor	%	Felony	%	Both	%	TOTAL	%
HPD	222	7.8%	1	0.8%	0	0.0%	223	7.5%
HCJ	2,619	92.2%	118	99.2%	1	100.0%	2,738	92.5%
Other	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
TOTAL	2,841	100%	119	100%	1	100%	2,961	100%

II. Non-incarcerated Defendant Activity (Non-arrest)

A. Number of defendants interviewed or with an application on file who were not in custody on the charged offense:

Misdemeanor	Felony	Both	TOTAL
652	364	13	1,029

B. Number of above defendants granted a personal bond:

Misdemeanor	Felony	Both	TOTAL
58	27	0	85

C. Number of non-arrest personal bonds filed:

Misdemeanor	Felony	Both	TOTAL
59	29	0	88

Most non-incarcerated defendant interviews were conducted in connection with court-ordered supervision of defendants on financial bond.

III. Characteristics of Interviewed Defendants

A. Gender:

	Misdemeanor	%	Felony	%	TOTAL	%
Male	33,187	82.5%	19,550	81.7%	52,737	82.2%
Female	7,042	17.5%	4,383	18.3%	11,425	17.8%
TOTAL	40,229	100%	23,933	100%	64,162	100%

B. Race/Ethnicity:

	Misdemeanor	%	Felony	%	TOTAL	%
White	12,526	31.1%	5,801	24.2%	18,327	28.6%
Black	13,680	34.0%	11,906	49.7%	25,586	39.9%
Hispanic	13,680	34.0%	6,090	25.4%	19,770	30.8%
Other	343	0.9%	136	0.6%	479	0.7%
TOTAL	40,229	100%	23,933	100%	64,162	100%

C. Age:

	Misdemeanor	%	Felony	%	TOTAL	%
< 17	15	0.0%	49	0.2%	64	0.1%
17-19	6,536	16.2%	3,761	15.7%	10,297	16.0%
20-24	9,770	24.3%	5,223	21.8%	14,993	23.4%
25-29	6,859	17.0%	3,561	14.9%	10,420	16.2%
30-35	6,146	15.3%	3,781	15.8%	9,927	15.5%
> 35	10,720	26.6%	7,359	30.7%	18,079	28.2%
Unknown	183	0.5%	199	0.8%	382	0.6%
TOTAL	40,229	100%	23,933	100%	64,162	100%
= 21	10,996	27.3%	6,206	25.9%	17,202	26.8%

D. Education Level:

	Misd	%	Felony	%	TOTAL	%
No education	266	0.7%	121	0.5%	387	0.6%
1st-8th grade	4,422	11.0%	2,229	9.3%	6,651	10.4%
9th-11th grade	11,541	28.7%	7,378	30.8%	18,919	29.5%
H.S.Grad/GED	15,901	39.5%	9,946	41.6%	25,847	40.3%
College	7,537	18.7%	3,793	15.8%	11,330	17.7%
Unknown	562	1.4%	466	1.9%	1,028	1.6%
TOTAL	40,229	100%	23,933	100%	64,162	100%

E. Charge Categories: *

Misdemeanor	Number	%	Felony	Number	%
DWI	8,427	20.9%	Murder / Vol Manslaughter	131	0.5%
DWLS/Other traffic	7,084	17.6%	Assault / Attempted Murder	2,476	10.3%
Theft	5,642	14.0%	Sexual Assault Adult	108	0.5%
Prostitution	1,298	3.2%	Sexual Assault Child	456	1.9%
Drug Possession	5,686	14.1%	Robbery	1,137	4.8%
Trespass	1,503	3.7%	Other Personal Offense	376	1.6%
Weapon	874	2.2%	Burglary	1,202	5.0%
Evading Arrest	1,677	4.2%	Theft	1,852	7.7%
Resisting Arrest	510	1.3%	Auto Theft	987	4.1%
Assault	4,200	10.4%	Other Property Offense	1,843	7.7%
Criminal Mischief	716	1.8%	Drug Sale / Manufacture	3,594	15.0%
Other	2,612	6.5%	Drug Possession	7,958	33.3%
			DWI	800	3.3%
			Other	1,013	4.2%
TOTAL	40,229	100%	TOTAL	23,933	100%

* If a defendant has a felony and a misdemeanor offense, they are reflected in the appropriate felony charge category; if a defendant has two or more different felony or two or more different misdemeanor charges, they are counted only once and appear in the first applicable category.

F. Risk Classification Categories

	Misd	%	Felony	%	TOTAL	%
4	6,652	16.5%	1,707	7.1%	8,359	13.0%
3	8,236	20.5%	3,090	12.9%	11,326	17.7%
2	8,368	20.8%	4,176	17.4%	12,544	19.6%
1	7,794	19.4%	5,203	21.7%	12,997	20.3%
0	5,102	12.7%	4,430	18.5%	9,532	14.9%
-1	2,336	5.8%	2,756	11.5%	5,092	7.9%
-2	1,153	2.9%	1,741	7.3%	2,894	4.5%
-3	518	1.3%	744	3.1%	1,262	2.0%
-4	67	0.2%	86	0.4%	153	0.2%
-5	3	0.0%	0	0.0%	3	0.0%
TOTAL	40,229	100%	23,933	100%	64,162	100%

IV. Classification and Activity on Defendant Interviews

A. The Defendant	Misdemeanor		Felony		TOTAL	%
	Jail	NA	Jail	NA		
Refused an interview	189	0	221	0	410	0.6%
Negative Score	3,514	8	4,729	12	8,263	12.9%
Has no bond set	842	2	2,809	11	3,664	5.7%
Has a bond > 20,000	3,883	28	1,451	14	5,376	8.4%
Has an unverifiable application	2	0	1	0	3	0.0%
Made surety or cash bond before court review	7,450	411	5,004	284	13,149	20.5%
Had case disposed	548	1	3,089	0	3,638	5.7%
SUBTOTAL	16,428	450	17,304	321	34,503	53.8%
All Other Applications	21,740	172	7,661	86	29,659	46.2%
TOTAL APPLICATIONS	38,168	622	24,965	407	64,162	100%

B. Outcome of court review on defendant interviews	Misdemeanor		Felony		TOTAL	%
	Jail	NA	Jail	NA		
Approved	1,190	44	54	17	1,305	3.7%
Approved pending verification	2,548	1	33	0	2,582	7.3%
Approved with additional conditions	140	17	52	11	220	0.6%
Denied	25,719	2	4,590	0	30,311	85.7%
Denied Bond Lowered	739	0	166	0	905	2.6%
Pending	22	0	7	0	29	0.1%
TOTAL APPLICATIONS REVIEWED	30,358	64	4,902	28	35,352	100%

C. Court review of applications previously accounted for:	Misdemeanor		Felony		TOTAL	%
	Jail	NA	Jail	NA		
Approved	27	0	1	0	28	6.1%
Approved pending verification	13	0	0	0	13	2.8%
Approved with additional conditions	29	0	3	0	32	6.9%
Denied	329	0	46	0	375	81.3%
Denied Bond Lowered	5	0	8	0	13	2.8%
Pending	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
TOTAL APPLICATIONS REVIEWED	403	0	58	0	461	100%

D. Personal bond activity:	Misdemeanor		Felony		TOTAL
	Jail	NA	Jail	NA	
Total approvals	3,947	61	143	28	4,179
Applications filed	3,039	60	125	27	3,251
Defendants released	2,841	58	120	27	3,046

E. Non-personal bond activity	Misdemeanor		Felony		TOTAL
	Bond	Other	Bond	Other	
Court ordered supervision	2,168	13	1,779	14	3,974

V. Total Number of Defendants Released to PTSA Supervision

Type of Release	Misdemeanor	Felony	Total
Released on personal bond	2,899	147	3,046
Assigned to special caseload	422	91	513
Released on surety/cash bond	1,988	1,637	3,625
Assigned to special caseload	1,979	1,634	3,613
Released other	11	13	24
Assigned to special caseload	8	13	21

	# of Accused
Releases on personal bond with priors of the same offense or any felony within 6 yrs.	29

VI. Personal Bond Releases by Charge Category

A. Misdemeanor:

Charge Category	Number of Cases	Percent
MRP/MAJ	33	1.1%
DWI	635	21.1%
DWLS / Other Traffic	563	18.7%
Theft	704	23.4%
Prostitution	26	0.9%
Drug Possession	614	20.4%
Trespass	63	2.1%
Weapon	5	0.2%
Evading Arrest	60	2.0%
Resist Arrest	19	0.6%
Assault	41	1.4%
Criminal Mischief	38	1.3%
Other	207	6.9%
TOTAL CHARGES	3,008	100.0%

B. Felony:

Charge Category	Number of Cases	Percent
MRP / MAJ	26	16.1%
Murder / Vol. Manslaughter	3	1.9%
Assault / Att. Murder	17	10.6%
Sexual Assault Adult	0	0.0%
Sexual Assault Child	3	1.9%
Robbery	4	2.5%
Other Personal Offenses	5	3.1%
Burglary	4	2.5%
Theft	12	7.5%
Auto Theft	5	3.1%
Other Property Offenses	0	0.0%
Drug Sale / Manufacture	13	8.1%
Drug Possession	34	21.1%
DWI	5	3.1%
Other	30	18.6%
TOTAL CHARGES	161	100.0%

VII. Supervised Surety and Cash Bond Releases by Charge Category

A. Misdemeanor:

Charge Category	Number of Cases	Percent
MRP/MAJ	33	1.5%
DWI	1228	56.6%
DWLS / Other Traffic	107	4.9%
Theft	34	1.6%
Prostitution	5	0.2%
Drug Possession	466	21.5%
Trespass	18	0.8%
Weapon	41	1.9%
Evading Arrest	53	2.4%
Resist Arrest	11	0.5%
Assault	76	3.5%
Criminal Mischief	20	0.9%
Other	76	3.5%
TOTAL CHARGES	2,168	100%

B. Felony:

Charge Category	Number of Cases	Percent
MRP / MAJ	26	1.5%
Murder / Vol. Manslaughter	26	1.5%
Assault / Att. Murder	109	6.1%
Sexual Assault Adult	18	1.0%
Sexual Assault Child	32	1.8%
Robbery	60	3.4%
Other Personal Offenses	73	4.1%
Burglary	46	2.6%
Theft	39	2.2%
Auto Theft	21	1.2%
Other Property Offenses	11	0.6%
Drug Sale / Manufacture	252	14.2%
Drug Possession	873	49.1%
DWI	92	5.2%
Other	101	5.7%
TOTAL CHARGES	1,779	100%

VIII. Average Number of Defendants Supervised by the Pretrial Services Agency per Month in Calender Year 2000*

	Personal Bond	Surety/ Cash Bond	Courtesy/ PT Div	Other	TOTAL	Percent
Felony	34	388	6	1	429	41.2%
Misdemeanor	346	256	2	7	611	58.6%
Both Felony & Misdemeanor	1	1	0	0	2	0.2%
Other	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
TOTAL	381	645	8	8	1,042	100%

Note: *Courtesy/PT Div* includes pretrial cases originating outside of Harris County and non-Harris County pretrial intervention cases. *Other* includes Harris County diversion and post adjudication cases.

* Averaged using the number of defendants supervised on the last day of each month.

IX. Average Number of Defendants Supervised in each Supervision Category per Month in Calender Year 2000*

- A. Number of defendants required to comply with standard conditions. _____ 313
- B. Number of defendants required to comply with special conditions. _____ 729
- 1. SPECIAL CONDITIONS MONITORED ON PERSONAL BOND DEFENDANTS: *
 - a. Urinalysis Drug Screening _____ 42
 - b. Electronic Monitoring Supervision _____ 7
 - c. Weekly in-person check-in _____ 21
 - d. Other conditions _____ 53
- 2. SPECIAL CONDITIONS MONITORED ON OTHER DEFENDANTS SUPERVISED: *
 - a. Urinalysis Drug Screening _____ 502
 - b. Electronic Monitoring Supervision _____ 105
 - c. Weekly in-person check-in _____ 266
 - d. Other conditions _____ 567

* Defendants may be included in more than one category, and therefore may be counted more than once.

X. Active Defendants: Case Classification Change

- A. Active misdemeanor case:
 - New felony charge;
 - Personal Bond Granted _____ 0
- B. Active felony case:
 - New misdemeanor charge;
 - Personal Bond Granted _____ 0

XI. Disposition of Defendants on Personal Bond

A. Dispositions	Misdemeanor		Felony		Both				TOTAL	
	Def	%	Def	%	Felony	%	Misd	%	Def	%
No Billed	0	0.0%	7	4.7%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	7	0.2%
Dismissed/Not Guilty	262	9.0%	25	16.7%	0	0.0%	1	50.0%	287	9.4%
MRP/MAJ Dismissed	20	0.7%	17	11.3%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	37	1.2%
Fine	199	6.8%	1	0.7%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	200	6.5%
Deferred Adjudication	786	26.9%	27	18.0%	1	50.0%	1	50.0%	814	26.5%
Probation	453	15.5%	8	5.3%	1	50.0%	0	0.0%	462	15.1%
Fine & Credit Time Served	449	15.4%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	449	14.6%
HCJ - Credit Time Served	102	3.5%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	102	3.3%
HCJ - Jail Time	220	7.5%	4	2.7%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	224	7.3%
Fine & Jail Time	67	2.3%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	67	2.2%
MRP/MAJ Granted	9	0.3%	4	2.7%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	13	0.4%
TDCJ/SJ	0	0.0%	6	4.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	6	0.2%
TDCJ/ID	0	0.0%	5	3.3%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	5	0.2%
Non-Compliance	65	2.2%	27	18.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	92	3.0%
Failures to Appear	266	9.1%	8	5.3%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	274	8.9%
Other	19	0.7%	11	7.3%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	30	1.0%
TOTAL	2,917	100.0%	150	100.0%	2	100.0%	2	100.0%	3,069	100%

XII. Disposition of Surety or Cash Bond Defendants Supervised by PTSA

A. Dispositions	Misdemeanor		Felony		Both				TOTAL	
	Def	%	Def	%	Felony	%	Misd	%	Def	%
No Billed	0	0.0%	23	1.5%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	23	0.7%
Dismissed/Not Guilty	163	8.4%	157	10.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	320	9.1%
MRP/MAJ Dismissed	17	0.9%	18	1.2%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	35	1.0%
Fine	44	2.3%	6	0.4%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	50	1.4%
Deferred Adjudication	144	7.4%	410	26.2%	1	33.3%	0	0.0%	555	15.8%
Probation	586	30.1%	150	9.6%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	736	20.9%
Fine & Credit Time Served	130	6.7%	6	0.4%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	136	3.9%
HCJ - Credit Time Served	58	3.0%	5	0.3%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	63	1.8%
HCJ - Jail Time	514	26.4%	47	3.0%	0	0.0%	1	33.3%	561	16.0%
Fine & Jail Time	32	1.6%	5	0.3%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	37	1.1%
MRP/MAJ Granted	18	0.9%	11	0.7%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	29	0.8%
TDCJ/SJ	0	0.0%	81	5.2%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	81	2.3%
TDCJ/ID	0	0.0%	82	5.2%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	82	2.3%
Non-Compliance	141	7.2%	431	27.6%	2	66.7%	2	66.7%	574	16.3%
Failures to Appear	70	3.6%	80	5.1%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	150	4.3%
Other	31	1.6%	51	3.3%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	82	2.3%
TOTAL	1,948	100.0%	1,563	100.0%	3	100.0%	3	100.0%	3,514	100%

XIII. Disposition of Adjudicated Defendants Supervised by PTSA (non-bond cases)

A. Dispositions	Misdemeanor		Felony		Both				TOTAL	
	Def	%	Def	%	Felony	%	Misd	%	Def	%
Successful	13	59.1%	1	16.7%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	14	50.0%
Unsuccessful	9	40.9%	5	83.3%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	14	50.0%
TOTAL	22	100%	6	100%	0	0%	0	0%	28	100%

XIV. Case Dispositions for Personal Bonds

A. Felony

	MRP / MAJ	MURD / VOL MAN	ASSLT / AT MUR	SX ASLT ADULT	SX ASLT CHILD	ROBB	OTH PERS	BURG	THEFT	AUTO THFT	OTH PROP	DRG SL /MANU	DRUG POSS	DWI	OTH	TOTAL
NOB	0	0	2	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	7
%	0.0	0.0	20.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	40.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	50.0	6.7	0.0	0.0	5.6	4.4
DISM	2	2	1	1	2	0	0	1	4	2	0	2	5	1	4	27
%	6.9	66.7	10.0	33.3	100.0	0.0	0.0	11.1	26.7	66.7	0.0	13.3	15.6	14.3	22.2	17.0
MRP/MAJ DISM	14	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	1	0	0	17
%	48.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	13.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	3.1	0.0	0.0	10.7
FINE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
%	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	6.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.6
DADJ	0	0	4	0	0	0	1	5	1	1	1	1	9	1	5	29
%	0.0	0.0	40.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	20.0	55.6	6.7	33.3	50.0	6.7	28.1	14.3	27.8	18.2
PROB	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	2	2	2	9
%	0.0	0.0	10.0	0.0	0.0	16.7	0.0	0.0	6.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	6.3	28.6	11.1	5.7
FINE & CTS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
%	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
CTS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
%	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
HCJ	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	4
%	3.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	20.0	11.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	6.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.5
FINE & JAIL	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
%	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
MRP/MAJ GRANT	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	4
%	6.9	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	6.3	0.0	0.0	2.5
TDCJ/SJ	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	2	1	0	0	6
%	3.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	13.3	0.0	0.0	13.3	3.1	0.0	0.0	3.8
TDCJ/ID	1	0	1	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	5
%	3.4	0.0	10.0	0.0	0.0	33.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	6.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	3.1
NON-COMPL	5	1	1	2	0	1	1	1	3	0	0	3	7	1	2	28
%	17.2	33.3	10.0	66.7	0.0	16.7	20.0	11.1	20.0	0.0	0.0	20.0	21.9	14.3	11.1	17.6
FTA	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	2	3	0	0	8
%	3.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	16.7	0.0	0.0	6.7	0.0	0.0	13.3	9.4	0.0	0.0	5.0
OTHER	2	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	2	2	2	4	14
%	6.9	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	16.7	0.0	11.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	13.3	6.3	28.6	22.2	8.8
TOTAL	29	3	10	3	2	6	5	9	15	3	2	15	32	7	18	159
%	18.2	1.9	6.3	1.9	1.3	3.8	3.1	5.7	9.4	1.9	1.3	9.4	20.1	4.4	11.3	100.0

XIV. Case Dispositions for Personal Bonds

B. Misdemeanor

	MRP / MAJ	DWI	DWLS / TRAF	THEFT	PROST	DRUG POSS	TRESP	WEAP	EVAD ARR	RES ARR	ASSLT	CRIM MISCH	OTH	TOTAL
DISM	0	44	77	66	1	50	11	2	5	2	10	11	30	309
%	0.0	7.6	12.3	9.0	3.3	8.0	16.4	20.0	9.4	9.5	32.3	30.6	16.3	10.2
MRP/MAJ DISM	15	3	0	2	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	2	24
%	42.9	0.5	0.0	0.3	0.0	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	3.2	0.0	1.1	0.8
FINE	1	10	73	33	0	45	10	1	3	2	3	2	21	204
%	2.9	1.7	11.6	4.5	0.0	7.2	14.9	10.0	5.7	9.5	9.7	5.6	11.4	6.7
DADJ	2	2	80	387	9	246	10	2	10	4	3	9	23	787
%	5.7	0.3	12.7	52.5	30.0	39.2	14.9	20.0	18.9	19.0	9.7	25.0	12.5	25.9
PROB	0	370	54	16	1	11	1	0	1	0	0	2	4	460
%	0.0	63.6	8.6	2.2	3.3	1.8	1.5	0.0	1.9	0.0	0.0	5.6	2.2	15.1
FINE & CTS	0	31	167	61	4	111	13	1	10	4	2	2	44	450
%	0.0	5.3	26.6	8.3	13.3	17.7	19.4	10.0	18.9	19.0	6.5	5.6	23.9	14.8
CTS	3	12	14	16	4	18	3	2	6	4	4	3	13	102
%	8.6	2.1	2.2	2.2	13.3	2.9	4.5	20.0	11.3	19.0	12.9	8.3	7.1	3.4
HCJ	2	54	36	51	4	52	5	0	11	2	0	1	14	232
%	5.7	9.3	5.7	6.9	13.3	8.3	7.5	0.0	20.8	9.5	0.0	2.8	7.6	7.6
FINE & JAIL	2	13	69	9	1	3	2	0	0	0	0	0	1	100
%	5.7	2.2	11.0	1.2	3.3	0.5	3.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.5	3.3
MRP/MAJ GRANT	9	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	10
%	25.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.5	0.3
NON-COMPL	1	12	7	12	2	18	3	1	1	1	3	1	7	69
%	2.9	2.1	1.1	1.6	6.7	2.9	4.5	10.0	1.9	4.8	9.7	2.8	3.8	2.3
FTA	0	28	50	83	4	68	9	0	5	2	2	5	19	275
%	0.0	4.8	8.0	11.3	13.3	10.8	13.4	0.0	9.4	9.5	6.5	13.9	10.3	9.0
OTHER	0	3	1	1	0	5	0	1	1	0	3	0	5	20
%	0.0	0.5	0.2	0.1	0.0	0.8	0.0	10.0	1.9	0.0	9.7	0.0	2.7	0.7
TOTAL	35	582	628	737	30	628	67	10	53	21	31	36	184	3,042
%	1.2	19.1	20.6	24.2	1.0	20.6	2.2	0.3	1.7	0.7	1.0	1.2	6.0	100.0

XV. Pretrial Appearance Activity

A. Court Appearances - Personal Bond	Misdemeanor	Felony	TOTAL	Percent
Scheduled court appearances	9,339	461	9,800	
Appearances made	8,941	431	9,372	95.6%
Appearances missed	401	30	431	4.4%

B. Court Appearances - Surety & Cash Bond Supervision Cases	Misdemeanor	Felony	TOTAL	Percent
Scheduled court appearances	6,353	6,499	12,852	
Appearances made	6,148	6,170	12,318	95.8%
Appearances missed	205	329	534	4.2%

C. Instrument issued for missed appearances (FTA) - Personal Bond	Misdemeanor	Felony	TOTAL
ACI/REV/B	17	4	21
ACI/OC	1	0	1
ACI/BF	249	4	253
C87/AI	9	0	9
Other	1	0	1
TOTAL	277	8	285
Less Reinstated	7	0	7
Less Jailed	186	7	193
Less Other	33	1	34
TOTAL UNRESOLVED WARRANTS*	51	0	51

D. Instrument issued for missed appearances (FTA) - Surety & Cash Bond	Misdemeanor	Felony	TOTAL
ACI/REV/B	3	1	4
ACI/OC	0	0	0
ACI/BF	68	76	144
C87/AI	5	6	11
Other	3	2	5
TOTAL	79	85	164
Less Reinstated	2	0	2
Less Jailed	57	57	114
Less Other	5	8	13
TOTAL UNRESOLVED WARRANTS*	15	20	35

* Warrants still outstanding as of February 28, 2001

E. Rearrest of defendants that failed to appear*:	Personal Bond		Surety & Cash Bond		TOTAL	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Pretrial Services Agency**	43	23.1%	13	11.9%	56	19.0%
HSCO - Pretrial Services Units	5	2.7%	2	1.8%	7	2.4%
HCSO - Other Street Units	66	35.5%	45	41.3%	111	37.6%
HCSO - Court Bailiff's Office	21	11.3%	29	26.6%	50	16.9%
Houston Police Department	33	17.7%	11	10.1%	44	14.9%
Other Law Enforcement	18	9.7%	9	8.3%	27	9.2%
TOTAL	186	100%	109	100%	295	100%

* Agencies responsible for the arrest of defendants for failure to appear.

** Defendants arrested in the Pretrial Services Agency office with the assistance of law enforcement.

F. Type of Bond	Personal	Surety/Cash
Total defendants resolved	224	123
Resolved by arrest	186	109

XVI. Defendants Charged with New Offense While on Personal Bond (PB) or Financial Bond (FB)

A. Type of charge filed	On PB for Misdemeanor	On PB for Felony	TOTAL	On FB for Misdemeanor	On FB for Felony	FB TOTAL
New Misdemeanor	45	2	47	33	33	66
New Misdemeanor/Offense Date Precedes Bond Case	5	0	5	0	4	4
New Felony	12	4	16	14	40	54
New Felony/Offense Date Precedes Bond Case	0	0	0	0	0	0
Both New Misd & New Felony	0	0	0	0	0	0
New Misd & New Felony/Offense Date Precedes Bond Case	0	0	0	0	0	0
Reindictment	1	0	1	0	8	8
Refile	4	0	4	16	12	28
TOTAL	67	6	73	63	97	160

B. Bail status of new charge	On PB for Misdemeanor	On PB for Felony	TOTAL	On FB for Misdemeanor	On FB for Felony	FB TOTAL
Personal Bond Granted	1	0	1	0	1	1
Personal Bond Granted with Additional Conditions	0	0	0	0	0	0
Surety Bond Posted	8	0	8	14	17	31
Cash Bond Posted	1	0	1	1	0	1
In Custody	37	6	43	24	55	79
Non-Arrest	11	0	11	14	12	26
Summons Issued	9	0	9	10	12	22
TOTAL	67	6	73	63	97	160

C. Action on bond case	On PB for Misdemeanor	On PB for Felony	TOTAL	On FB for Misdemeanor	On FB for Felony	FB TOTAL
Bond Surrendered	0	0	0	0	2	2
Bond Revoked	19	5	24	6	34	40
Bond Continued	46	0	46	46	55	101
Bond Continued with Conditions	2	1	3	11	6	17
TOTAL	67	6	73	63	97	160

XVII. Noncompliance Activity on Personal Bond

A. Bond Surrender	Misdemeanor	Felony	TOTAL
New offense			
- Misdemeanor	0	0	0
- Felony	0	0	0
Alias identification	0	0	0
Noncompliance with bond conditions	0	0	0
Urinalysis	1	0	1
Other	1	0	1
TOTAL	2	0	2

B. Bond Revocation	Misdemeanor	Felony	TOTAL
New offense			
- Misdemeanor	12	3	15
- Felony	7	2	9
Alias identification	0	0	0
Noncompliance with bond conditions	21	8	29
Urinalysis	10	12	22
Other	16	4	20
TOTAL	66	29	95

C. Activity on defendants prior to release	Misdemeanor	Felony	TOTAL
Bond surrender	0	0	0
Bond revocation	6	0	6
TOTAL	6	0	6

XVIII. Urinalysis Screening Activity

A. Drug/Alcohol testing	Personal Bond	SUBN / CABD	Courtesy PT Div	Other	TOTAL	Percent
Total number of defendants screened	452	3,110	7	13	3,582	
Total number of specimens	1,580	14,587	24	84	16,275	
Specimens confirmed positive	398	2,846	2	4	3,250	20.0%

B. Confirmed positive results	1st Test	2nd Test	3+ Test	TOTAL	Percent
Cocaine	292	136	362	790	21.5%
THC	756	282	419	1,457	39.7%
THC/Cocaine	231	47	79	357	9.7%
Methamphetamine	18	6	22	46	1.3%
Amphetamine	22	8	33	63	1.7%
Alcohol	41	29	89	159	4.3%
Other Combinations	243	126	426	795	21.7%
TOTAL	1,603	634	1,430	3,667	100%
Percent of total confirmed positive results	44%	17%	39%	100%	

XIX. Community Resource Referrals

A. Number of defendants screened to determine community resource assistance needs:

	5,321
1. Number indicating no assistance needs:	2,712
2. Number indicating assistance needed:	1,865
3. Number court ordered:	1,403

B. Service area(s) where defendants requested assistance, or were ordered by the court to participate in a program, and where referrals were provided:

Service Area	Court	%	Requests	%	Referrals	%
Utilities	0	0.0%	184	4.6%	94	2.3%
Rent	0	0.0%	106	2.7%	50	1.2%
Emergency Housing	0	0.0%	38	1.0%	23	0.6%
Food	0	0.0%	226	5.7%	123	2.9%
Transportation	0	0.0%	302	7.6%	131	3.1%
Dental Care	0	0.0%	433	10.9%	268	6.4%
Medical Care/Medication	0	0.0%	408	10.3%	238	5.7%
Prenatal Care	0	0.0%	19	0.5%	1	0.0%
Disability	0	0.0%	96	2.4%	52	1.2%
Counseling	3	0.1%	226	5.7%	105	2.5%
Substance Abuse Evaluation	1,263	50.3%	183	4.6%	1,038	24.9%
Anger Management Counseling	4	0.2%	0	0.0%	5	0.1%
Domestic Violence Counseling	3	0.1%	4	0.1%	1	0.0%
Substance Abuse Counseling	572	22.8%	131	3.3%	629	15.1%
Substance Abuse Education	176	7.0%	15	0.4%	225	5.4%
Substance Abuse Support Group	163	6.5%	12	0.3%	194	4.6%
Sex Offender Counseling	5	0.2%	1	0.0%	5	0.1%
Employment	176	7.0%	685	17.2%	430	10.3%
Vocational Training	0	0.0%	316	7.9%	148	3.5%
Education	117	4.7%	403	10.1%	281	6.7%
Childcare	0	0.0%	148	3.7%	86	2.1%
Mental Health/Retardation	29	1.2%	20	0.5%	28	0.7%
Other	0	0.0%	22	0.6%	22	0.5%
TOTAL	2,511	100%	3,978	100%	4,177	100%

1. Defendants may request assistance in multiple areas so the total number of requests is greater than the number of defendants.

Requests	by	Defendants
3,978	█	1,865

2. In each referral category, the defendant could have received a list with multiple contacts; only the referral is counted, not the number of places referred.
 Referrals are not necessarily made in the same month the referral was requested.

Referrals	to	Defendants
4,177	█	1,917