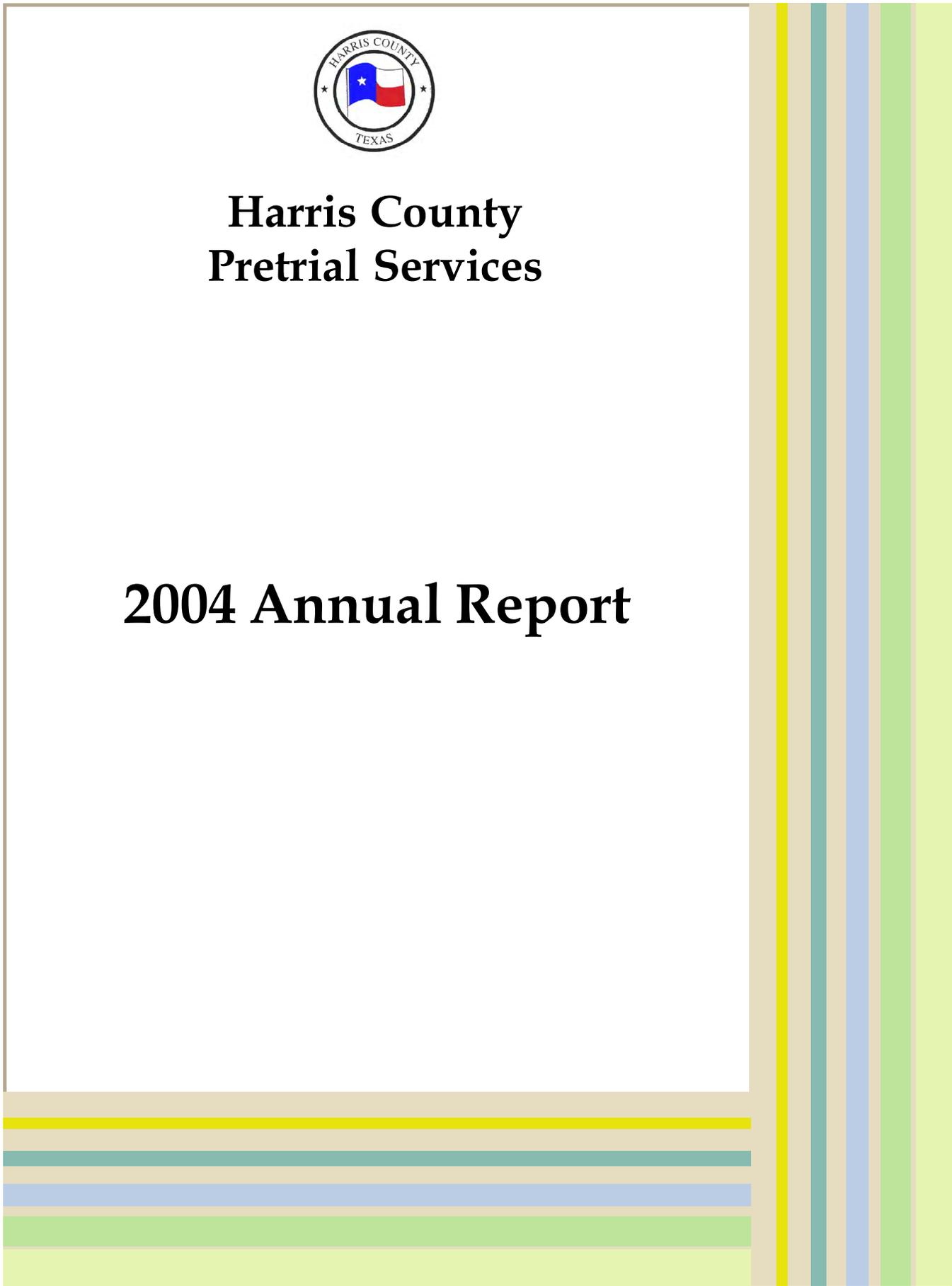




Harris County Pretrial Services

2004 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.



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Study to Help Set Goals and Strategy for Effective Pretrial Practices

In the fall of 2004, the Administrative Office of the District Courts hired Dr. Barry Mahoney, President Emeritus of the Justice Management Institute, to evaluate pretrial release and detention practices in Harris County. The purpose of the study is to assist the department, and the District and County Criminal Courts, with: 1) reviewing and updating the department's mission, 2) identifying strategies for managing a burgeoning supervision caseload, and 3) establishing procedures for more effective use of department resources. Dr. Mahoney will produce a report with his findings and recommendations in late Spring 2005. ■

JIMS2: Building a Case Management Application for Pretrial Services

The new JIMS2 case management application for Pretrial Services will replace a database application built by the department 10 years ago. Having outgrown that system the department looks to JIMS2 to provide a flexible, functional replacement.

As part of the JIMS2 project, a much needed case management application is being developed for Pretrial Services, the Community Supervision and Corrections Department (CSCD) and the Juvenile Probation Department (JPD).

The supervision case management team - composed of Pretrial Services, CSCD, JPD, JIMS, and consultant experts - spent part of 2004 investigating potential vendor solutions for a case management system. The team opted to support a custom solution built by the JIMS division of the Information Technology Center.

Since then the team has worked together to advance the design of the new system. Team members spent much of 2004 clearly defining system requirements and business functions with the JIMS software developers. In 2005 the team will continue to refine requirements, validate the application design, and test functional components as they are developed. ■

Judges' Use of Drug Screens Increases

New Staff Added to Keep Pace with Screening Needs

Pretrial Services has experienced a steady growth in drug screening activities. Screening for drug use is the condition most often imposed by the judiciary.

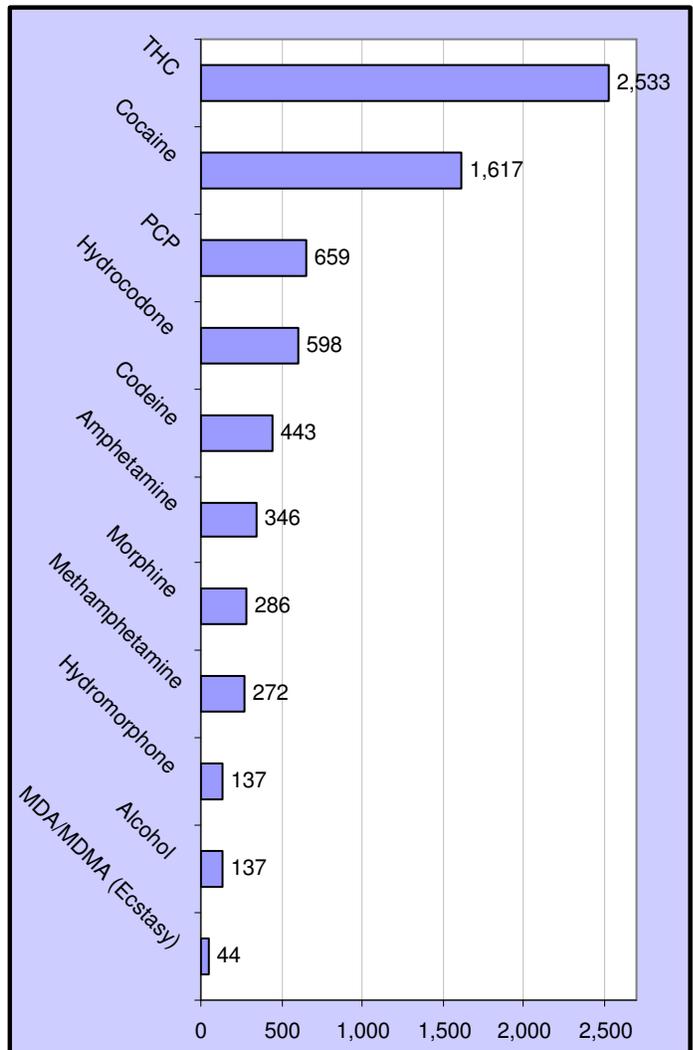
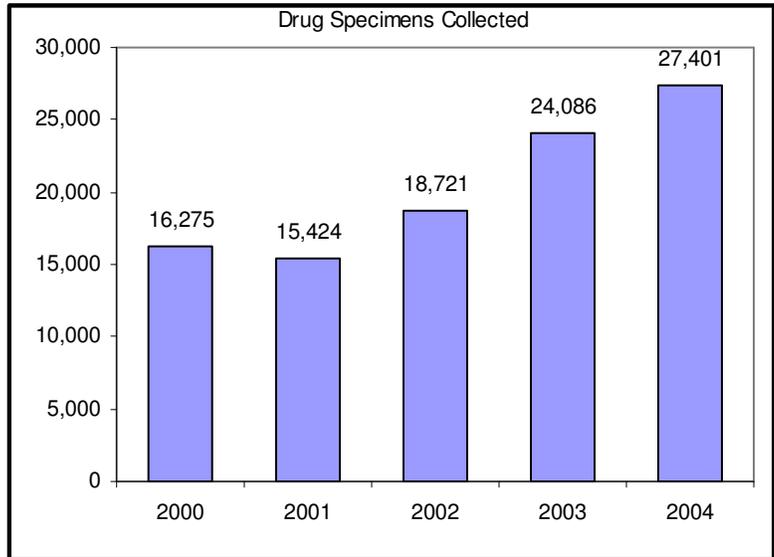
Standard testing procedure requires the defendant to provide a urine sample that is sent to the Medical Examiner for analysis. The M.E. screens for thirteen different substances. The department also offers onsite drug screens when a judge suspects drug use during a court appearance.

In five years, the number of drug tests performed increased over 68%.

In 2000, the first monitoring technician position was created to assist with what was then a significant increase in testing. Since then the number of drug screens performed has increased over 60%. A second monitoring technician was added to the department in 2004 to help with specimen collection and facilitate test processing.

In 2004 there were 5,394 supervised defendants required to participate in the standard screening process. Specimens collected rose by 13.8% over the previous year to 27,401. Slightly more than 18% of the specimens tested were confirmed positive. The courts also required 921 defendants assigned to Pretrial Services to submit to a substance abuse evaluation.

Pretrial Services also conducted 682 on-site drug screens. Of those, 36% screened positive for drug use. The onsite drug screen provides immediate results for five categories of substances. Since the test uses a urine sample, the results can be confirmed by the Medical Examiner if additional testing is warranted. The department also offers the use of a breath analysis device to detect and measure alcohol use by assessing blood/alcohol content. ■



Drug screening results by type of drug detected.

The Defendant Report

Throughout the pretrial stage of a case, Pretrial Services (PTS) provides services that facilitate informed, accountable release and detention practices. Pretrial officers have access to defendants within hours of arrest in order to interview the person, the first step in preparing the Defendant Report.

A pretrial officer draws upon multiple information sources and compiles the data about the defendant into the Defendant Report. When appropriate, pretrial officers will prepare a mental health referral report based on the interview experience with a defendant. The referral report is forwarded to MHMR staff - in the jail or at Project New Start - and a copy is delivered to the court.

The Defendant Report is used for bail review at the Probable Cause Hearing and a hard copy is delivered to the assigned court for defendants on the day's docket. It is also available to authorized persons online in JIMS at any time. Throughout the pretrial stage of a case the defendant report provides information that facilitates informed decision-making. ■

Pretrial Services Provides Supervision Options

All defendants supervised by Pretrial Services must comply with a set of standard conditions (see page 5 for list). The court may also order defendants to comply with other conditions. On average, 76% of defendants supervised in 2004 also had one or more additional conditions of release.

Screening for drug use was the condition most often imposed. Overall, 67% of the defendants under supervision had drug screening as a condition of supervision.

The courts ordered over 8% of supervised defendants to wear electronic monitoring devices. The device allows Pretrial Services to determine whether a defendant is complying with a court-ordered curfew.

Another 24% of the supervised defendants were required to have an ignition interlock device installed on the vehicle that they drive. This technology prevents a person from starting the vehicle without providing a deep-lung breath sample that is tested for alcohol. If alcohol is detected in the sample, the vehicle will not start. ■

** Includes 27 defendants ordered supervised where bail was not a factor.*

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

Pretrial Services offices are located at:

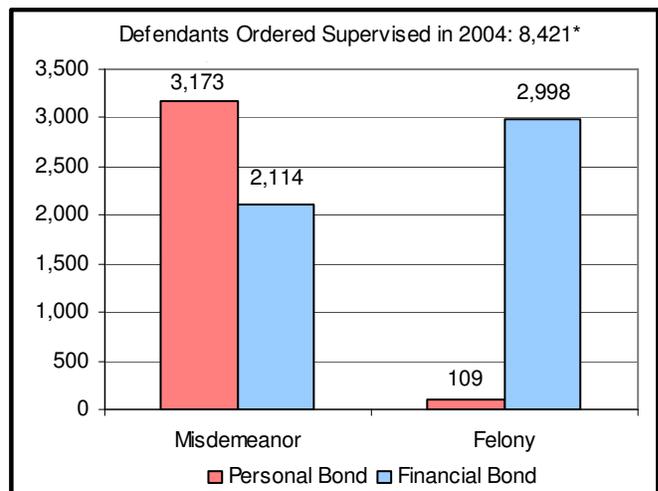
- Harris County Inmate Processing Center
- Probable Cause Courtroom
- Houston Police Department Central Jail
- Houston Police Department Southeast Jail
- Harris County Criminal Justice Center

The Defendant Report is available to:

- Judges in the District and County Criminal Courts
- Magistrates at the Probable Cause Court
- District Attorney's Office
- Defense Counsel
- Law Enforcement Personnel
- Probation Officers with the Community Supervision and Corrections Department

The Defendant Report offers decision support for:

- Bail Risk Assessment
- Mental Health Evaluation
- Indigency Determination

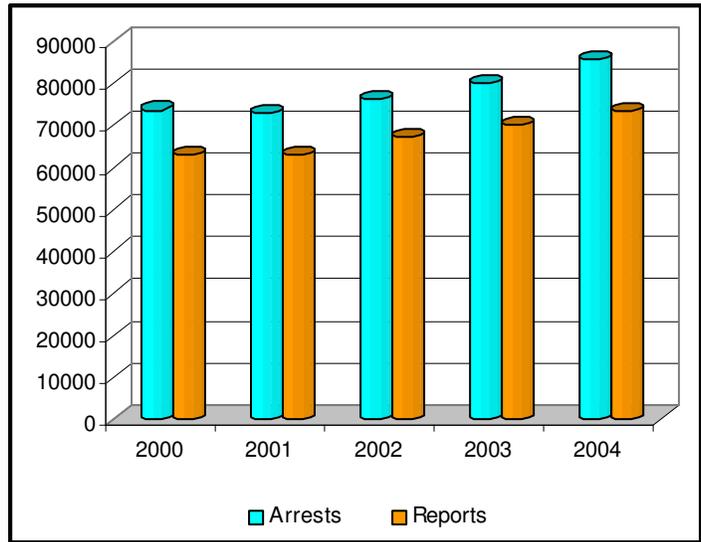


Defendant Report Activity in 2004

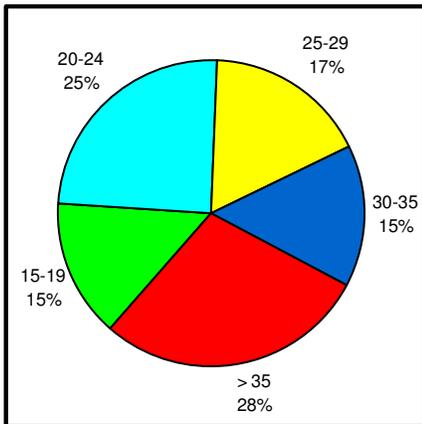
Arrests in Harris County for class A or B misdemeanor or felony offenses topped 86,000 people in 2004, a 7.6% increase over the previous year. Misdemeanor arrests accounted for 62% of the total and felony arrests for 38%.

Pretrial Services compiled reports on 88% of the arrestees, for a total of 75,786 reports. Staff prepared 46,450 reports on defendants arrested for a misdemeanor offense, compiling information on 88% of that population. For those defendants arrested for a felony, the percentage was 89%, or 29,336 reports completed.

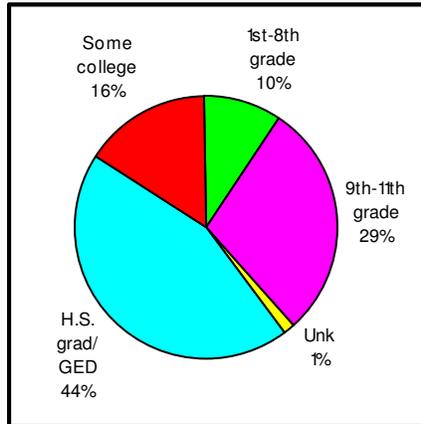
Other defendants interviewed included 281 defendants who had open warrants but were not in custody. Another 1,078 defendants posted a financial bond and were interviewed after release in order to initiate court ordered supervision. Abbreviated versions of the defendant report were prepared for 543 defendants who requested an appointed attorney and for 138 defendants ordered to submit to an onsite drug test who did not have a current defendant report compiled. ■



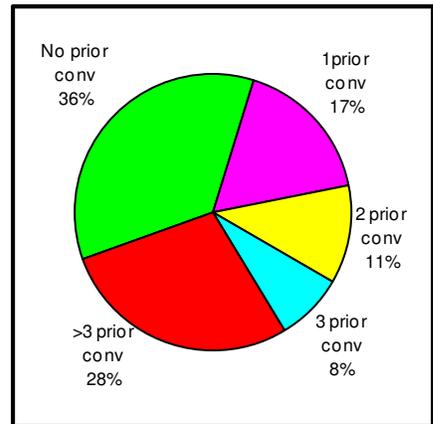
Arrests for a felony or class A or B misdemeanor offense and defendant reports completed over the last five years. Arrests have increased almost 17% in five years and the interview rate has kept pace.



Age



Education level achieved



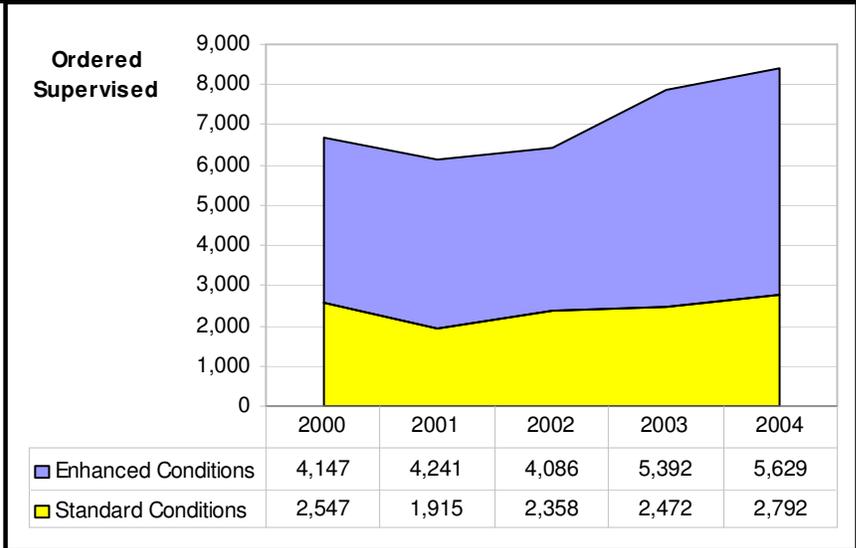
Confirmed prior convictions

The 2004 Defendant Reports show a population that is:

- 19% female
- 25% under 22 years of age.
- 40% with no high school diploma or GED.
- Defendants with felony charges are more likely to have a prior criminal record.

Supervision Caseload Review

The number of defendants ordered supervised continues to increase. Most are required to comply with enhanced supervision conditions.



Standard Release Conditions

- 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*
- Travel restricted out of the Harris County area*
- Complaining witness contact prohibition*

Enhanced Conditions Enforced

- Refrain from illegal/illicit drug possession or use*
- Submit to mandatory scheduled or random drug screens*
- Install and use ignition interlock device*
- Adhere to a curfew with or without electronic monitoring*
- Abide by residence requirements*
- Abide by employment conditions*
- Abide by educational requirements*
- Participate in substance and alcohol abuse treatment*
- Participate in mental impairment services*

Other Services Offered

- Coordination of supervision services for defendants living out of the Harris County area*
- Onsite drug screens and breath analysis*



Pretrial Services added 8,421 new defendants to its caseload in 2004, a 7.1% increase over the number of defendants added last year. Of those, 5,112 defendants posted some form of financial bond. Another 3,282 defendants were released from jail on a personal bond. The remaining 27 defendants were supervised by order of the court without bail as a factor.

The judiciary placed 5,629 defendants under enhanced supervision, requiring compliance with one or more of the enhanced conditions listed to the left. The remaining 2,792 were required to comply only with standard supervision conditions. Defendants on financial bond comprised 60% of those ordered supervised in 2004 and over 90% of those had enhanced supervision conditions.

A count of the number of defendants on supervision on the last day of each month gives a snapshot of the size of the supervision caseload throughout the year. In 2004, the caseload averaged 1,680 active defendants on supervision. Of those, approximately 76% had enhanced supervision requirements. The 2004 caseload size is a 30.5% growth over 2003's average of 1,287 active defendants. ■

Most Defendants Comply with Supervision Orders, Don't Return to Jail

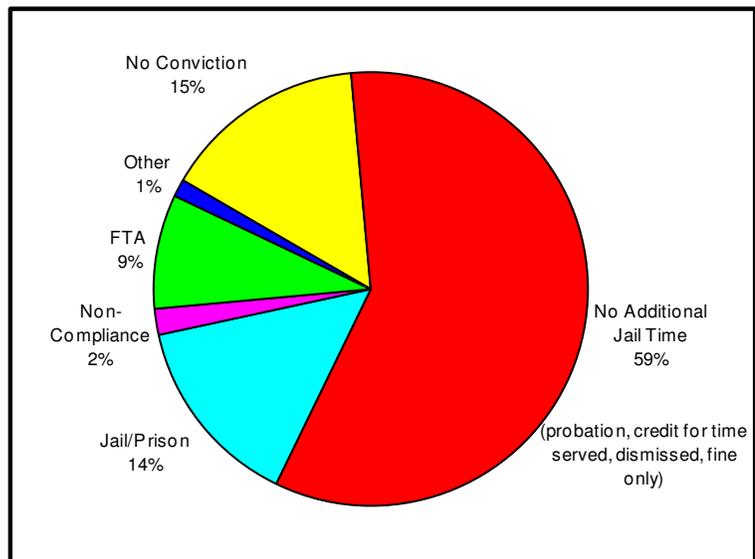
In 2004, 8,014 defendants exited the Pretrial Services supervision program. They included 3,138 defendants on personal bond, 4,848 defendants on financial bond, and 28 people who were not on bond or who had non-Harris County cases.

A review of the 7,986 defendants with a personal or financial bond shows that over 81%, or 6,489 defendants, completed the supervision period and left the program because their criminal case was over. Looking at the 6,489 defendants by offense level, there were 4,432 defendants with a misdemeanor case and 2,057 with a felony case. The dispositions of those with a misdemeanor case saw 61% receive no additional jail time, 25% were jailed, and 14% saw their cases dismissed. Of those charged with a felony, 58% received no additional jail time, 23% were ordered to jail or prison, and 19% saw their cases dismissed or no-billed. The most common sentence imposed included some form of probation with 38% of all misdemeanor and 54% of all felony cases resulting in post-trial supervision.

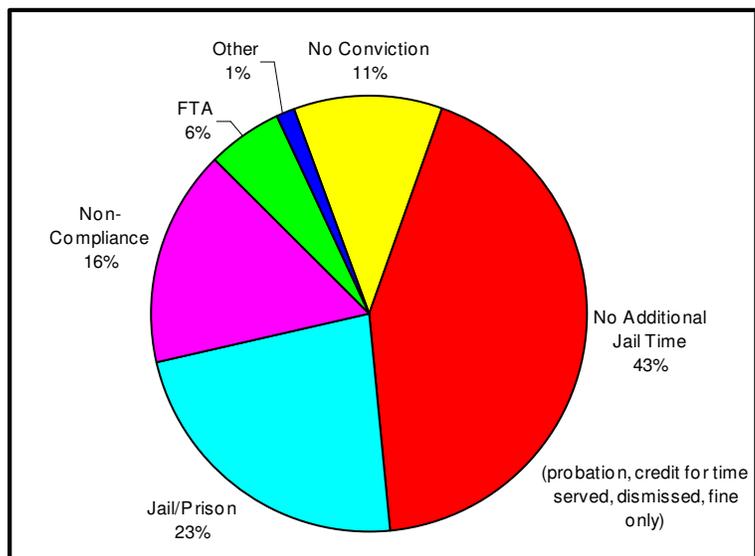
The remaining 18.7% of defendants whose supervision period ended before the disposition of their criminal cases failed to appear in court when scheduled or did not comply with other supervision conditions. Defendants supervised that missed a court appearance which resulted in bond revocation or forfeiture account for 6.7% of total. Noncompliance with other conditions of supervision (e.g., refrain from substance abuse and abide by curfew restrictions) accounted for 10.6% of those who left the program. The remaining 1.4% left the program for reasons other than non-compliance.

Of the 28 persons with a non-bond or non-Harris County case, 93% successfully completed the supervision period. ■

How All Bonded Defendants Exited the Supervision Program by Bond Type.



Personal Bond - 3,138 defendants



Financial Bond - 4,848 defendants

Section I The Defendant Report

A. Incarcerated Defendant Population

1. 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	23,890	48.6%	15,860	61.7%	476	44.5%	40,226	53.0%
HCSO	10,466	21.3%	4,690	18.2%	237	22.2%	15,393	20.3%
Pasadena	2,359	4.8%	947	3.7%	51	4.8%	3,357	4.4%
Baytown	974	2.0%	416	1.6%	21	2.0%	1,411	1.9%
Humble	701	1.4%	235	0.9%	18	1.7%	954	1.3%
DPS	1,326	2.7%	367	1.4%	23	2.2%	1,716	2.3%
Constables	4,232	8.6%	1,383	5.4%	91	8.5%	5,706	7.5%
Other	5,215	10.6%	1,815	7.1%	152	14.2%	7,182	9.5%
TOTAL	49,163	100%	25,713	100%	1,069	100%	75,945	100%

2. Number of defendants arrested on a warrant

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

Misdemeanor	Felony	Both	TOTAL	% of Arr
4,165	5,765	162	10,092	11.7%

3. Total number of defendants arrested in the reporting year:

Misdemeanor	Felony	Both	TOTAL	% Interv
53,328	31,478	1,231	86,037	88.1%

4. Number and location of incarcerated defendant interviews conducted by Pretrial Services.

Location	Misdemeanor	%	Felony	%	Both a.	%	TOTAL b.	%
HPD Jails	21,616	46.5%	14,726	53.9%	914	45.4%	37,256	49.2%
HCJ/PCH	24,761	53.3%	12,546	45.9%	1,095	54.4%	38,402	50.7%
Other	73	0.2%	52	0.2%	3	0.1%	128	0.2%
TOTAL	46,450	100%	27,324	100%	2,012	100%	75,786	100%

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

b. Includes 519 misdemeanor and 24 felony interviews conducted for indigency determination only.

B. Non-incarcerated Defendant Population

1. Number of defendants interviewed with an open warrant.

Misdemeanor	Felony	Both	TOTAL
52	225	4	281

2. Number of defendants processed who already had a report on file.

Misdemeanor	Felony	Both	TOTAL c.
1,510	2,217	244	3,971

c. Includes 10 misdemeanor interviews conducted for indigency purposes only.

3. Number of defendants interviewed while on bond.

Misdemeanor	Felony	Both	TOTAL d.
522	526	30	1,078

d. Includes 118 felony and 20 misdemeanor interviews conducted for onsite drug screening only.

C. Characteristics of Interviewed Defendants

1. Gender:

	Misdemeanor	%	Felony	%	TOTAL	%
Male	37,978	80.8%	24,332	80.8%	62,310	80.8%
Female	9,046	19.2%	5,789	19.2%	14,835	19.2%
TOTAL	47,024	100%	30,121	100%	77,145	100%

2. Race/Ethnicity:

	Misdemeanor	%	Felony	%	TOTAL	%
White	13,296	28.3%	7,630	25.3%	20,926	27.1%
Black	15,573	33.1%	14,004	46.5%	29,577	38.3%
Hispanic	17,551	37.3%	8,218	27.3%	25,769	33.4%
Other	604	1.3%	269	0.9%	873	1.1%
TOTAL	47,024	100%	30,121	100%	77,145	100%

3. Age:

	Misdemeanor	%	Felony	%	TOTAL	%
< 17	13	0.0%	59	0.2%	72	0.1%
17-19	7,560	16.1%	3,726	12.4%	11,286	14.6%
20-24	12,252	26.1%	6,739	22.4%	18,991	24.6%
25-29	8,208	17.5%	4,962	16.5%	13,170	17.1%
30-35	6,794	14.4%	4,483	14.9%	11,277	14.6%
> 35	11,929	25.4%	9,821	32.6%	21,750	28.2%
Unknown	268	0.6%	331	1.1%	599	0.8%
TOTAL	47,024	100%	30,121	100%	77,145	100%
≤ 21	12,693	27.0%	6,439	21.4%	19,132	24.8%

4. Education

	Misdemeanor	%	Felony	%	TOTAL	%
No Education	250	0.5%	114	0.4%	364	0.5%
1st-8th Grade	4,879	10.4%	2,625	8.7%	7,504	9.7%
9th-11th Grade	13,065	27.8%	8,832	29.3%	21,897	28.4%
H.S.Grad/GED	20,277	43.1%	13,952	46.3%	34,229	44.4%
College	8,036	17.1%	4,093	13.6%	12,129	15.7%
Unknown	517	1.1%	505	1.7%	1,022	1.3%
TOTAL	47,024	100%	30,121	100%	77,145	100%

5. Language

	Misdemeanor	%	Felony	%	TOTAL	%
English	40,394	85.9%	27,236	90.4%	67,630	87.7%
Spanish	6,260	13.3%	2,483	8.2%	8,743	11.3%
Vietnamese	43	0.1%	18	0.1%	61	0.1%
Hearing Impair	16	0.0%	22	0.1%	38	0.0%
Other/Unk	311	0.7%	362	1.2%	673	0.9%
TOTAL	47,024	100%	30,121	100%	77,145	100%

6. Prior Convictions a.

Total Equals	Misd Defendants	%	Fel Defendants	%	TOTAL	%
0	19,518	41.5%	7,690	25.5%	27,208	35.6%
1	8,583	18.3%	4,316	14.3%	12,899	16.9%
2	5,280	11.2%	3,409	11.3%	8,689	11.4%
3	3,371	7.2%	2,816	9.3%	6,187	8.1%
>3	9,733	20.7%	11,748	39.0%	21,481	28.1%
TOTAL	46,485	99%	29,979	100%	76,464	100%

a. Does not include 519 misdemeanor interviews and 24 felony interviews conducted for indigency determination and 20 misdemeanor interviews and 118 felony interview conducted for onsite drug screening only. Abbreviated versions of the interview are used for these purposes, criminal history and risk classification are not done.

7. Charge Categories: a.

Misdemeanor	Number	%	Felony	Number	%
Assault	4,708	10.0%	Murder/Mansl/Homicide	207	0.7%
DWI	9,659	20.5%	Assault/Att or Sol Murder/Injury Offense	3,353	11.1%
Theft/Burglary Offense	7,274	15.5%	Sexual Assault Adult	80	0.3%
Trespass	2,648	5.6%	Sex Offense Child (Sex Aslt, Indec, Incest)	732	2.4%
Evade Arrest or Detention/Fleeing	1,400	3.0%	Robbery	1,404	4.7%
Resist Arrest	557	1.2%	Other Personal Offense	203	0.7%
Weapon Offense	1,276	2.7%	Burglary Building/Habitation/Other	1,717	5.7%
Drug Offense	7,338	15.6%	Theft Offenses	2,829	9.4%
Criminal Mischief	946	2.0%	UUMV	1,145	3.8%
Sex Offense (e.g., Prost, Pub Lewd, Indec Exp)	1,245	2.6%	Other Property Offense	1,565	5.2%
DWLS/Other Traffic	5,950	12.7%	Drug Sale/Manufacture	3,469	11.5%
Failure to ID to PO	1,593	3.4%	Drug Possession	9,632	32.0%
Other	2,430	5.2%	DWI	1,027	3.4%
			Other	2,758	9.2%
TOTAL	47,024	100%	TOTAL	30,121	100%

a. 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.

8. Risk Classification Categories b.

Point Score	Misd	%	Felony	%	TOTAL	%
4	7,501	16.1%	2,562	8.5%	10,063	13.2%
3	11,141	24.0%	4,850	16.2%	15,991	20.9%
2	11,899	25.6%	6,435	21.5%	18,334	24.0%
1	8,031	17.3%	5,826	19.4%	13,857	18.1%
0	4,137	8.9%	4,427	14.8%	8,564	11.2%
-1	2,205	4.7%	3,430	11.4%	5,635	7.4%
-2	938	2.0%	1,545	5.2%	2,483	3.2%
-3	201	0.4%	380	1.3%	581	0.8%
-4	17	0.0%	28	0.1%	45	0.1%
-5	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Refusal	415	0.9%	496	1.7%	911	1.2%
TOTAL	46,485	100%	29,979	100%	76,464	100%

b. Does not include 519 misdemeanor interviews and 24 felony interviews conducted for indigency determinations and 20 misdemeanor interviews and 118 felony interviews conducted for onsite drug screening only. Abbreviated versions of the interview are used for these purposes.

Section II Bail Review

A. Report Classification

The Defendant a.	Misdemeanor		Felony		TOTAL	%
	Jail	NA	Jail	NA		
Refused an interview	415	0	495	2	912	1.2%
Has high risk score	1,074	1	1,722	3	2,800	3.7%
Has no bond set	42	0	1,646	1	1,689	2.2%
On probation, parole, or bond	4,301	212	3,169	95	7,777	10.2%
Has an unverifiable report	1	0	0	0	1	0.0%
Made surety or cash bond before court review	7,569	150	1,678	315	9,712	12.7%
Had case disposed	8	2	10	0	20	0.0%
SUBTOTAL	13,410	365	8,720	416	22,911	30.0%
All Other Reports	32,511	199	20,521	322	53,553	70.0%
TOTAL REPORTS	45,921	564	29,241	738	76,464	100%

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B. Court Review Action (includes all reviews during reporting month regardless of the month the report was created)

1. Reviewed at the Probable Cause Hearing Courtroom b.	Misdemeanor		Felony		TOTAL	%
	Jail	NA	Jail	NA		
No probable cause found	313	0	98	0	411	0.6%
PB granted	2,092	2	4	0	2,098	3.2%
PB granted, bond lowered	30	0	1	0	31	0.0%
PB granted, bond raised	9	0	0	0	9	0.0%
PB granted, pending verification	1,905	0	0	0	1,905	2.9%
PB granted with additional conditions	92	0	0	0	92	0.1%
*Bond set, personal bond granted	2	0	0	0	2	0.0%
*Bond set, personal bond denied	261	0	6	0	267	0.4%
*Bond set, no action on personal bond	0	0	8	0	8	0.0%
*Bond set, restricted	1	0	80	0	81	0.1%
Personal bond denied	29,614	0	1,063	0	30,677	47.1%
Personal bond denied, bond lowered	1,276	0	13	0	1,289	2.0%
Personal bond denied, bond raised	3,444	0	73	0	3,517	5.4%
Split bond	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
Supervision on financial bond	71	2	11	3	87	0.1%
Reviewed, no action on personal bond	133	0	9	0	142	0.2%
Reviewed, no action PB, bond lowered	2	0	0	0	2	0.0%
Reviewed, no action PB, bond raised	7	0	2	0	9	0.0%
Restricted	334	0	20,756	0	21,090	32.4%
Restricted, bond lowered	19	0	523	0	542	0.8%
Restricted, bond raised	66	0	3,160	0	3,226	5.0%
TOTAL REPORTS REVIEWED	39,358	4	25,709	3	65,074	100%

b. This includes 1539 individuals with both a misdemeanor and a felony case. Reports with one or more misdemeanor case are counted once, reports with one or more felony case are counted once, and reports with at least one misdemeanor case and at least one felony case are counted once in each category.

* These classifications were created in August 2004. Data reflect information collected from August 2004 - December 2004.

2. Initial Review by the Assigned Court a.	Misdemeanor		Felony		TOTAL	%
	Jail	NA	Jail	NA		
PB granted	50	29	40	16	135	1.7%
PB granted, bond lowered	1	1	1	0	3	0.0%
PB granted, bond raised	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
PB granted with additional conditions	32	24	55	13	124	1.6%
Bond set, personal bond granted	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
Bond set, personal bond denied	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
Bond set, no action on personal bond	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
Personal bond denied	19	0	2,338	26	2,383	30.2%
Personal bond denied, bond lowered	1	0	1	2	4	0.1%
Personal bond denied, bond raised	3	1	81	2	87	1.1%
Split bond	1	7	2	0	10	0.1%
Supervision on financial bond	95	1,787	687	2,561	5,130	64.9%
Supervision, other	1	4	1	19	25	0.3%
Reviewed, no action on personal bond	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
Reviewed, no action PB, bond lowered	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
Reviewed, no action PB, bond raised	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
Pending	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
TOTAL REPORTS REVIEWED	203	1,853	3,206	2,639	7,901	100%

a. This includes 8 individuals with both a misdemeanor and a felony case. Reports with one or more misdemeanor case are counted once, reports with one or more felony case are counted once, and reports with at least one misdemeanor case and at least one felony case are counted once in each category.

3. Re-review by the Assigned Court	Misdemeanor		Felony		TOTAL	%
	Jail	NA	Jail	NA		
PB granted	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
PB granted, bond lowered	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
PB granted, bond raised	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
PB granted with additional conditions	0	0	0	1	1	1.5%
Bond set, personal bond granted	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
Bond set, personal bond denied	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
Bond set, no action on personal bond	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
Personal bond denied	0	0	10	0	10	15.4%
Personal bond denied, bond lowered	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
Personal bond denied, bond raised	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
Split bond	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
Supervision on financial bond	1	2	10	37	50	76.9%
Supervision, other	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
Reviewed, no action on personal bond	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
Reviewed, no action PB, bond lowered	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
Reviewed, no action PB, bond raised	0	0	0	4	4	6.2%
Pending	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
TOTAL REPORTS REVIEWED	1	2	20	42	65	100%

C. Outcome Summary

1. Personal bond activity:	Misdemeanor		Felony		TOTAL
	Jail	NA	Jail	NA	
Total approvals by case	4,213	57	102	30	4,402
Bonds filed	3,272	55	101	29	3,457
Defendants released	3,122	51	83	26	3,282

2. Non-personal bond activity by case	Misdemeanor		Felony		TOTAL
	Bond	Other	Bond	Other	
Court ordered supervision	2,256	13	3,126	6	5,401

3. Activity on defendants ordered supervised but not released a.	Misdemeanor			Felony			TOTAL
	PB	FB	NBP	PB	FB	NBP	
Bond surrender		0			0		0
Bond revocation	6	0		0	2		8
Sentenced before release	36	2	128	0	2	449	617
TOTAL	42	2	128	0	4	449	625

Personal Bond = PB

Financial Bond = FB

No Bond Posted = NBP

a. Does not include 106 defendants charged with a felony offense who were ordered supervised but did not post bond and remain pending the disposition of their case(s) as of February 28, 2005.

Section III Supervision

A. Defendants Released to Pretrial Supervision

Type of Release	Misd	Felony	Total
Released on personal bond	3,173	109	3,282
with additional conditions	428	76	504
Released on surety/cash bond	2,114	2,998	5,112
with additional conditions	2,110	2,998	5,108
Released other	13	14	27
with additional conditions	5	12	17

Art 17.42, Sec 5 CCP	# of Accused
Releases on personal bond with priors of the same offense or any felony within 6 yrs.	143

Includes 43 defendants released as a result of the Fair Defense Act provisions.

B. Location of Incarcerated Defendants Released on Personal Bond:

Location	Misd	%	Felony	%	TOTAL	%
HPD	294	9.4%	2	2.4%	296	9.2%
HCJ	2,814	90.1%	81	97.6%	2,895	90.3%
Other	14	0.4%	0	0.0%	14	0.4%
TOTAL	3,122	100%	83	100%	3,205	100%

C. Supervised Cases by Charge Category

Misdemeanor (Chart A)

Charge Category	Personal Bd	Percent	Financial Bd	Percent
Assault	38	1.2%	66	2.9%
DWI	778	24.7%	1,247	55.3%
Theft/Burglary Offense	749	23.8%	108	4.8%
Trespass	14	0.4%	15	0.7%
Evade Arrest or Detention/Fleeing	40	1.3%	28	1.2%
Resist Arrest	5	0.2%	10	0.4%
Weapon Offense	15	0.5%	25	1.1%
Drug Offense	653	20.7%	565	25.0%
Criminal Mischief	47	1.5%	32	1.4%
Sex Offense (Prost, Pub Lewd, Indec Exp)	8	0.3%	12	0.5%
DWLS/Other Traffic	464	14.7%	56	2.5%
Failure to ID to PO	83	2.6%	15	0.7%
MRP/MAJ	18	0.6%	42	1.9%
Other	240	7.6%	35	1.6%
TOTAL CHARGES	3,152	100%	2,256	100%

Felony (Chart B)

Charge Category	Personal Bd	Percent	Financial Bd	Percent
Murder/Mansl/Homicide	7	6.7%	78	2.5%
Assault/Att or Sol Murder/Injury Offense	18	17.3%	245	7.8%
Sexual Assault Adult	7	6.7%	66	2.1%
Sex Offense Child (Sex Aslt, Indec, Incest)	1	1.0%	17	0.5%
Robbery	1	1.0%	80	2.6%
Other Personal Offense	2	1.9%	50	1.6%
Burglary Building/Habitation/Other	6	5.8%	71	2.3%
Theft Offenses	13	12.5%	87	2.8%
UUMV	2	1.9%	19	0.6%
Other Property Offense	3	2.9%	25	0.8%
Drug Sale / Manufacture	3	2.9%	168	5.4%
Drug Possession	16	15.4%	1,308	41.8%
DWI	1	1.0%	475	15.2%
MRP/MAJ	16	15.4%	224	7.2%
Other	8	7.7%	213	6.8%
TOTAL CHARGES	104	100%	3,126	100%

**D. Average Number of Defendants Supervised by Pretrial Services per Month
In Calendar Year 2004 ***

1. Case Type	Personal Bond	Financial Bond	Courtesy/ PT Div	Other	TOTAL	Percent
Felony	28	811	24	25	888	52.9%
Misdemeanor	411	312	6	43	772	45.9%
Both Felony & Misdemeanor	1	17	0	3	20	1.2%
Other	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
TOTAL	439	1,140	30	71	1,680	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.

2. Number of Defendants Supervised	Personal Bond		Financial Bond	
	Defendants	Percent	Defendants	Percent
Defendants required to comply with standard conditions	368	84%	9	1%
Defendants required to comply with additional conditions	71	16%	1,131	99%

3. Additional Supervision Conditions

(Defendants may have multiple conditions and, therefore, may be counted more than once)

Personal Bond	Misdemeanor		Felony		Total	Percent
	Defendants	Percent	Defendants	Percent		
Drug screening	38	9.4%	11	38.9%	49	11.2%
Electronic monitoring	2	0.6%	2	7.4%	5	1.0%
Weekly in-person check-in	6	1.4%	4	12.5%	9	2.1%
Curfew	1	0.3%	1	3.0%	2	0.5%
Ignition interlock	12	2.9%	1	2.4%	13	2.8%
Substance abuse evaluation	12	2.9%	2	7.1%	14	3.1%
Other conditions	38	9.2%	18	63.8%	56	12.7%

Financial Bond	Misdemeanor		Felony		Total	Percent
	Defendants	Percent	Defendants	Percent		
Drug screening	248	79.3%	733	90.4%	980	86.0%
Electronic monitoring	26	8.2%	91	11.2%	117	10.2%
Weekly in-person check-in	37	11.7%	208	25.6%	245	21.5%
Curfew	8	2.5%	36	4.5%	44	3.9%
Ignition interlock	191	61.2%	179	22.0%	370	32.4%
Substance abuse evaluation	117	37.3%	88	10.9%	205	18.0%
Other conditions	304	97.3%	717	88.4%	1,020	89.5%

All Other	Misdemeanor		Felony		Total	Percent
	Defendants	Percent	Defendants	Percent		
Drug screening	13	26.5%	34	50.7%	47	46.5%
Electronic monitoring	8	16.3%	16	23.9%	24	23.8%
Weekly in-person check-in	8	16.3%	22	32.8%	30	29.7%
Curfew	1	2.0%	2	3.0%	3	3.0%
Ignition interlock	15	30.6%	2	3.0%	17	16.8%
Substance abuse evaluation	9	18.4%	4	6.0%	13	12.9%
Other conditions	26	53.1%	36	53.7%	62	61.4%

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

E. Community Resource Referrals

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

	6,784
a. Number indicating no assistance needs:	4020
b. Number indicating assistance needed:	1836
c. Number court ordered:	1034

2. 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%	333	6.4%	214	4.5%
Rent	0	0.0%	106	2.0%	58	1.2%
Emergency Housing	0	0.0%	59	1.1%	45	1.0%
Food	0	0.0%	392	7.5%	205	4.3%
Transportation	0	0.0%	377	7.3%	291	6.2%
Dental Care	0	0.0%	565	10.9%	407	8.6%
Medical Care/Medication	0	0.0%	573	11.0%	377	8.0%
Prenatal Care	0	0.0%	30	0.6%	17	0.4%
Disability	0	0.0%	177	3.4%	126	2.7%
Counseling	3	0.2%	283	5.4%	178	3.8%
Substance Abuse Evaluation	921	55.5%	100	1.9%	839	17.8%
Anger Management Counseling	0	0.0%	1	0.0%	0	0.0%
Domestic Violence Counseling	20	1.2%	1	0.0%	2	0.0%
Substance Abuse Counseling	249	15.0%	136	2.6%	324	6.9%
Substance Abuse Education	190	11.4%	14	0.3%	151	3.2%
Substance Abuse Support Group	71	4.3%	8	0.2%	91	1.9%
Sex Offender Counseling	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Employment	117	7.0%	994	19.1%	682	14.4%
Vocational Training	1	0.1%	585	11.3%	379	8.0%
Education	60	3.6%	329	6.3%	215	4.6%
Childcare	20	1.2%	118	2.3%	94	2.0%
Mental Health/Retardation	8	0.5%	11	0.2%	16	0.3%
Other	0	0.0%	5	0.1%	10	0.2%
TOTAL	1,660	100%	5,197	100%	4,721	100%

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

Requests	by	Defendants
5,197		1,836

4. 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
4,699		2,334

Section IV Compliance

A. Court Appearance

1. Personal Bond Supervision Cases	Misdemeanor	Felony	TOTAL	Percent
Scheduled court appearances	10,643	402	11,045	
Appearances made	10,085	370	10,455	94.7%
Appearances missed	558	32	590	5.3%

2. Financial Bond Supervision Cases	Misdemeanor	Felony	TOTAL	Percent
Scheduled court appearances	7,293	14,309	21,602	
Appearances made	7,039	13,801	20,840	96.5%
Appearances missed	254	508	762	3.5%

B. Instrument Issued for Missed Appearances (FTA)

1. Instrument	Personal Bond			Financial Bond		
	Misdemeanor	Felony	TOTAL	Misdemeanor	Felony	TOTAL
ACI/REV/B	53	2	55	9	26	35
ACI/OC	7	0	7	0	0	0
ACI/BF	204	3	207	91	161	252
C87/AI	18	0	18	6	18	24
Other	1	0	1	1	6	7
TOTAL	283	5	288	107	211	318
Less Reinstated	7	0	7	3	2	5
Less Jailed	172	3	175	84	163	247
Less Other	15	1	16	6	16	22
TOTAL UNRESOLVED WARRANTS a.	89	1	90	14	30	44

a. Warrants still outstanding as of February 28, 2005.

C. Agency or Division Responsible for the Arrest of Defendants that FTA *

1. Defendant arrested by	Personal Bond		Financial Bond		TOTAL	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Pretrial Services b.	20	10.7%	7	3.0%	27	6.4%
HCSO Street Units (PTS information)	27	14.4%	34	14.5%	61	14.5%
HCSO Street Units	37	19.8%	59	25.1%	96	22.7%
HCSO Court Bailiff's Office with PTS	9	4.8%	39	16.6%	48	11.4%
HCSO Court Bailiff's Office	19	10.2%	16	6.8%	35	8.3%
Houston Police Department	45	24.1%	28	11.9%	73	17.3%
Other Law Enforcement	30	16.0%	52	22.1%	82	19.4%
TOTAL	187	100.0%	235	100.0%	422	100%

b. Defendants arrested in the Pretrial Services office with the assistance of the Sheriff's Department (Precinct One Constables or other law enforcement may also assist occasionally).

2. Defendants resolved	Personal	Financial
Total defendants resolved	221	269
Resolved by arrest	187	235

* Includes all arrests on FTA warrants in the reporting year regardless of the date the warrant was issued.

D. Defendants Charged with New Offense While Supervised by Pretrial Services

1. Type of charge filed	Personal Bond			Financial Bond		
	Misdemeanor	Felony	TOTAL	Misdemeanor	Felony	TOTAL
New Misdemeanor	48	2	50	46	70	116
New Misdemeanor/Offense Date Precedes Bond Case	0	0	0	2	3	5
New Felony	10	2	12	17	108	125
New Felony/Offense Date Precedes Bond Case	0	0	0	1	1	2
Both New Misd & New Felony	1	0	1	1	0	1
New Misd & New Felony/Offense Date Precedes Bond Case	0	0	0	0	0	0
* Refile/Reindictment - Same Court Division	6	0	0	10	33	43
* Refile/Reindictment - Enhanced to Felony	0	0	0	8	0	8
* Refile/Reindictment - Reduced to Misdemeanor	0	0	0	1	14	15
TOTAL	65	4	69	86	229	315

* These options were created in March 2004. Data reflects information collected from March 2004 - December 2004.

2. Bail status of new offense case	Personal Bond			Financial Bond		
	Misdemeanor	Felony	TOTAL	Misdemeanor	Felony	TOTAL
Personal Bond Granted	1	0	1	0	0	0
Personal Bond Granted with Additional Conditions	1	0	1	0	1	1
Financial Bond Posted	8	1	9	36	16	52
In Custody	33	7	40	50	84	134
Non-Arrest	9	2	11	21	39	60
Summons Issued	2	0	2	2	1	3
TOTAL	54	10	64	109	141	250

3. Bail status of refile or reindictment a.	Personal Bond			Financial Bond		
	Misdemeanor	Felony	TOTAL	Misdemeanor	Felony	TOTAL
Bond Transferred	0	0	0	3	11	14
Personal Bond Granted	0	0	0	0	0	0
Personal Bond Granted with Additional Conditions	0	0	0	0	0	0
Financial Bond Posted	0	0	0	1	5	6
In Custody	0	0	0	1	4	5
Non-Arrest	3	0	3	9	19	28
Summons Issued	5	0	5	8	2	10
TOTAL	8	0	8	22	41	63

a. These options were created in March 2004. Data reflects information collected from March 2004 - December 2004.

4. Action on supervised case	Personal Bond			Financial Bond		
	Misdemeanor	Felony	TOTAL	Misdemeanor	Felony	TOTAL
Bond Surrendered	0	0	0	1	7	8
Bond Revoked	14	2	16	44	78	122
Supervision Continued	43	2	45	37	108	145
Supv Continued with Amended Conditions	4	0	4	6	8	14
Case Disposed	7	0	7	9	18	27
TOTAL	61	4	65	88	201	289

E. Urinalysis Screening on Supervised Defendants (Chart D)

1. Drug/Alcohol testing	Personal Bond	Financial Bond	Courtesy PT Div	Other	TOTAL	Percent
Total number of defendants screened	330	5,047	2	15	5,394	
Total number of specimens a.	1,054	26,238	36	73	27,401	
Specimens confirmed positive	261	4,825	0	9	5,095	18.6%

a. Does not include 1,293 specimens collected for which no result could be determined due to a clerical error. The most common error is the deterioration of the label affixed to the specimen cup.

2. Drug/Alcohol testing	Misdemeanor	Felony	Total	Percent
Number of STAT UAs ordered	2	7	9	
Positive STAT specimens	2	5	7	78%
On-site Drug Screens ordered	108	574	682	
Positive On-site specimens	44	204	248	36%

3. Breathalyzer	Misdemeanor	Felony	Total
Total number of defendants screened	23	4	27

4. Confirmed positive results	1st Test	2nd Test	3rd Test	4+ Test	TOTAL	Percent
Alcohol	28	17	16	76	137	1.9%
Amphetamine	105	37	32	172	346	4.9%
Cocaine	590	186	174	667	1,617	22.9%
Codeine	108	52	44	239	443	6.3%
Hydrocodone	77	62	57	402	598	8.5%
Hydromorphone	17	10	11	99	137	1.9%
MDA/MDMA (Ecstasy)	26	4	2	12	44	0.6%
Methamphetamine	93	26	26	127	272	3.8%
Morphine	74	30	23	159	286	4.0%
THC	1,131	429	251	722	2,533	35.8%
PCP	239	104	70	246	659	9.3%
Other	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
Total drugs confirmed positive	2,488	957	706	2,921	7,072	
Total specimens confirmed positive	1,637	703	534	2,221	5,095	
Percent of total positive specimens	32%	14%	10%	44%	100%	

F. Non-FTA Revocations/Surrenders

Bond Surrender/Revocation for Non-compliance	Personal Bond			Financial Bond		
	Misdemeanor	Felony	TOTAL	Misdemeanor	Felony	TOTAL
New offense						
- Misdemeanor	14	1	15	23	53	76
- Felony	8	1	9	13	54	67
Failure to report	3	1	4	19	48	67
EMS/Curfew violation	1	0	1	7	29	36
Positive urinalysis test	7	1	8	37	324	361
Other	16	13	29	38	138	176
TOTAL	49	17	66	137	646	783

Section V Disposition of Bond Event

A. Disposition of Defendants on Personal Bond (Chart C)

Dispositions	Misdemeanor		Felony		Both				TOTAL	
	Def	%	Def	%	Felony	%	Misd	%	Def	%
No Billed	1	0.0%	4	3.4%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	5	0.2%
Dismissed/Not Guilty	448	14.8%	27	23.3%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	475	15.1%
MRP/MAJ Dismissed	13	0.4%	18	15.5%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	31	1.0%
Fine	160	5.3%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	160	5.1%
Deferred Adjudication	751	24.9%	19	16.4%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	770	24.5%
Probation	340	11.3%	5	4.3%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	345	11.0%
Fine & Credit Time Served	400	13.2%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	400	12.7%
HCJ - Credit Time Served	122	4.0%	3	2.6%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	125	4.0%
HCJ - Jail Time	250	8.3%	7	6.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	257	8.2%
Fine & Jail Time	190	6.3%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	190	6.1%
MRP/MAJ Granted	4	0.1%	3	2.6%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	7	0.2%
TDCJ/SJ	0	0.0%	1	0.9%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	1	0.0%
TDCJ/ID	0	0.0%	1	0.9%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	1	0.0%
Non-Compliance	49	1.6%	17	14.7%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	66	2.1%
Failures to Appear	265	8.8%	3	2.6%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	268	8.5%
Other	29	1.0%	8	6.9%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	37	1.2%
TOTAL	3,022	100.0%	116	100.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	3,138	100%

B. Disposition of Defendants on Financial Bond Supervised by PTS (Chart C)

Dispositions	Misdemeanor		Felony		Both				TOTAL	
	Def	%	Def	%	Felony	%	Misd	%	Def	%
No Billed	0	0.0%	54	1.9%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	54	1.1%
Dismissed/Not Guilty	187	9.3%	300	10.7%	3	13.6%	3	15.8%	490	10.1%
MRP/MAJ Dismissed	22	1.1%	11	0.4%	1	4.5%	0	0.0%	34	0.7%
Fine	58	2.9%	5	0.2%	0	0.0%	1	5.3%	63	1.3%
Deferred Adjudication	182	9.1%	732	26.0%	5	22.7%	2	10.5%	919	19.0%
Probation	413	20.5%	357	12.7%	2	9.1%	1	5.3%	772	15.9%
Fine & Credit Time Served	150	7.5%	16	0.6%	0	0.0%	1	5.3%	166	3.4%
HCJ - Credit Time Served	83	4.1%	25	0.9%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	108	2.2%
HCJ - Jail Time	555	27.6%	202	7.2%	4	18.2%	7	36.8%	761	15.7%
Fine & Jail Time	107	5.3%	11	0.4%	2	9.1%	2	10.5%	120	2.5%
MRP/MAJ Granted	14	0.7%	8	0.3%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	22	0.5%
TDCJ/SJ	0	0.0%	107	3.8%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	107	2.2%
TDCJ/ID	0	0.0%	135	4.8%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	135	2.8%
Non-Compliance	137	6.8%	642	22.8%	4	18.2%	1	5.3%	783	16.2%
Failures to Appear	85	4.2%	182	6.5%	1	4.5%	0	0.0%	268	5.5%
Other	18	0.9%	28	1.0%	0	0.0%	1	5.3%	46	0.9%
TOTAL	2,011	100.0%	2,815	100.0%	22	0.0%	19	0.0%	4,848	100%

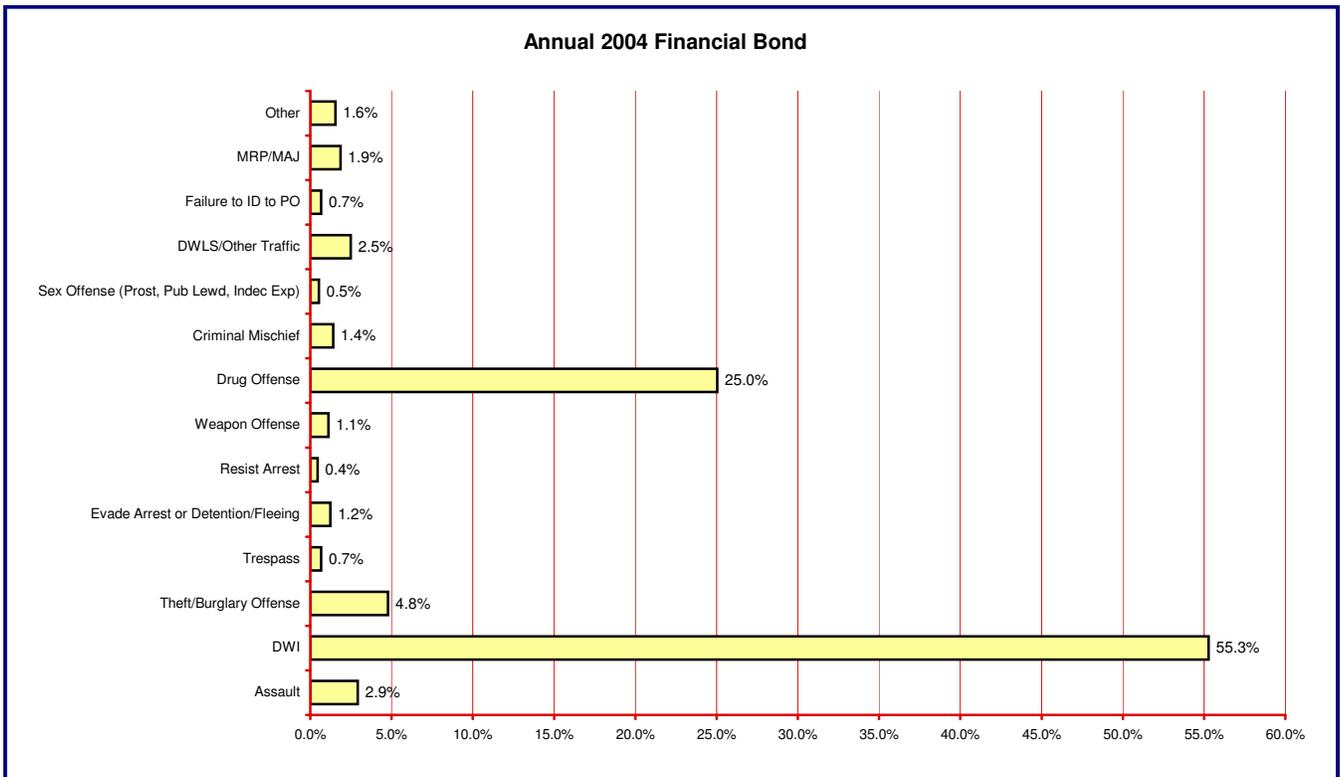
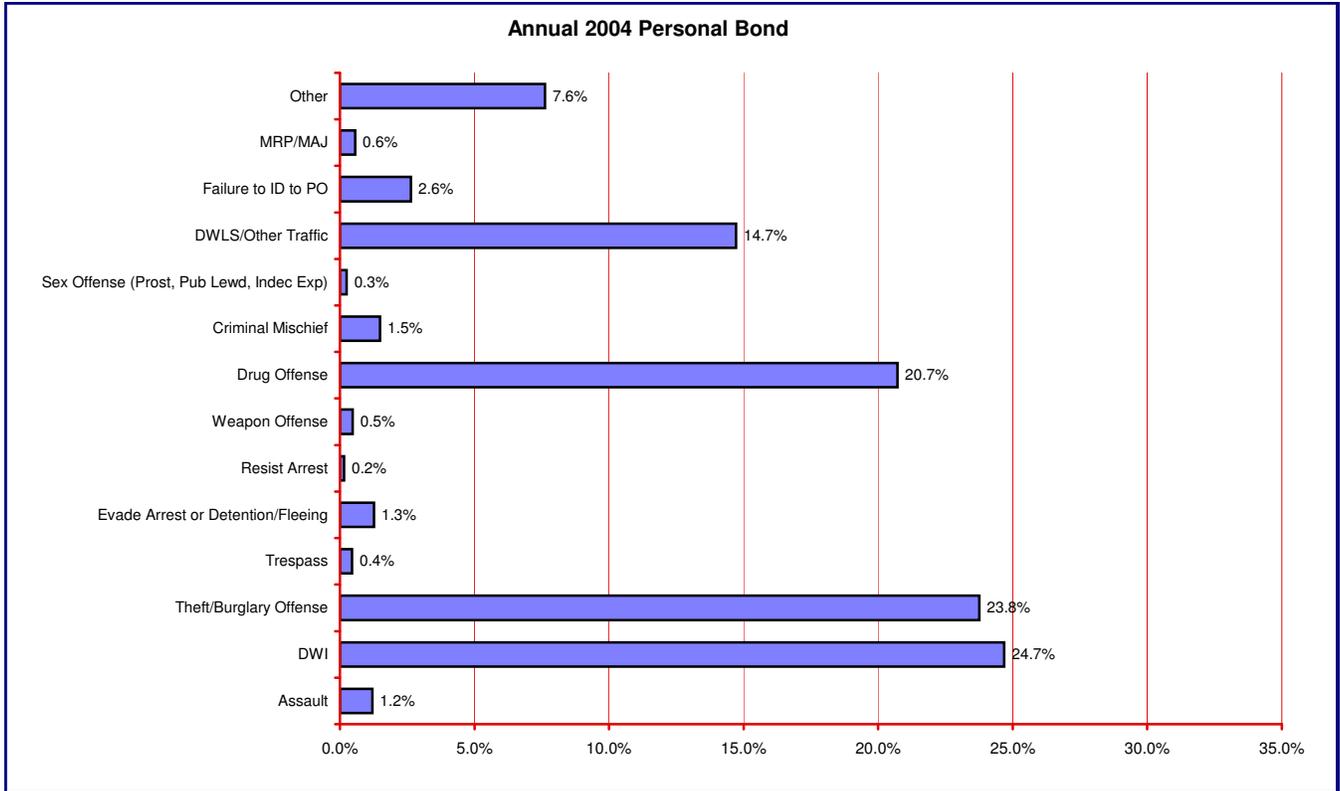
C. Disposition of Other Defendants Supervised by PTS (non-bond cases)

Dispositions	Misdemeanor		Felony		Both				TOTAL	
	Def	%	Def	%	Felony	%	Misd	%	Def	%
Successful	18	90.0%	8	100.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	26	92.9%
Unsuccessful	2	10.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	2	7.1%
TOTAL	20	100%	8	100%	0	0%	0	0.0%	28	100%

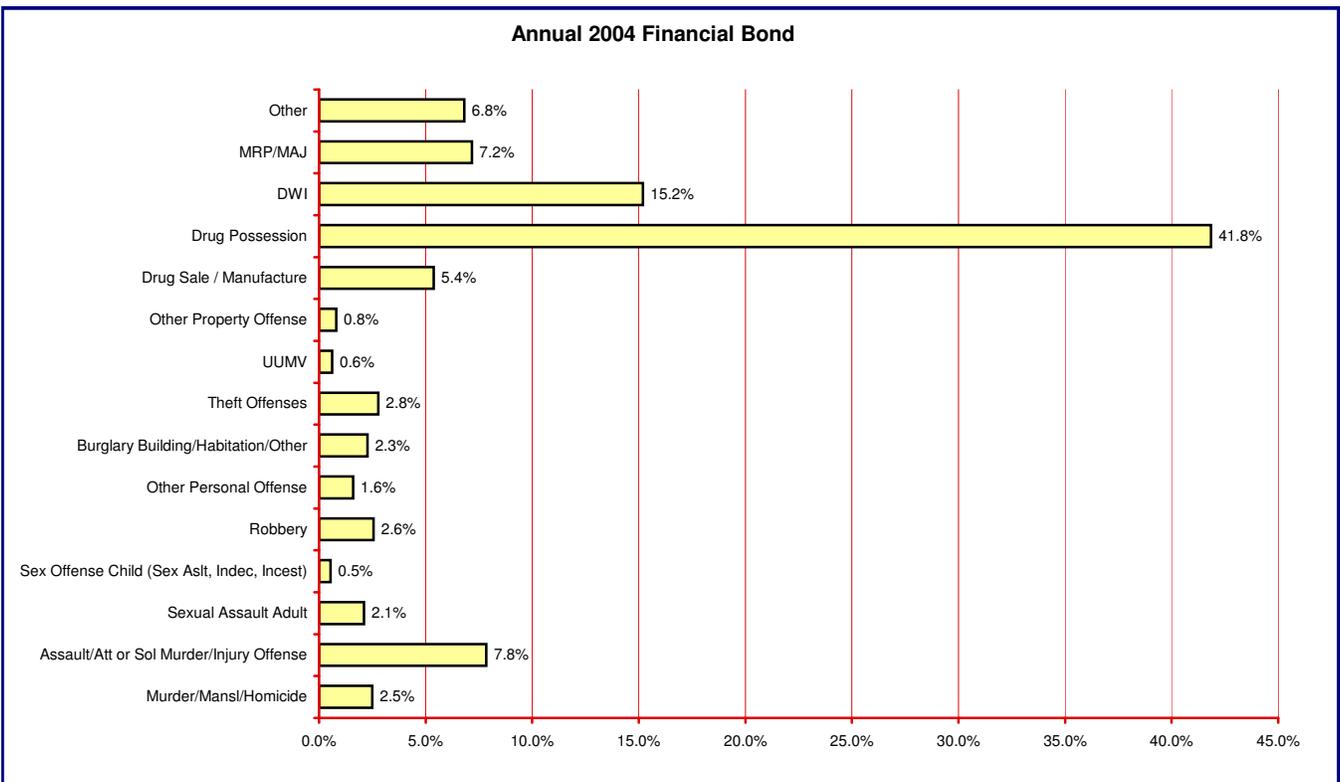
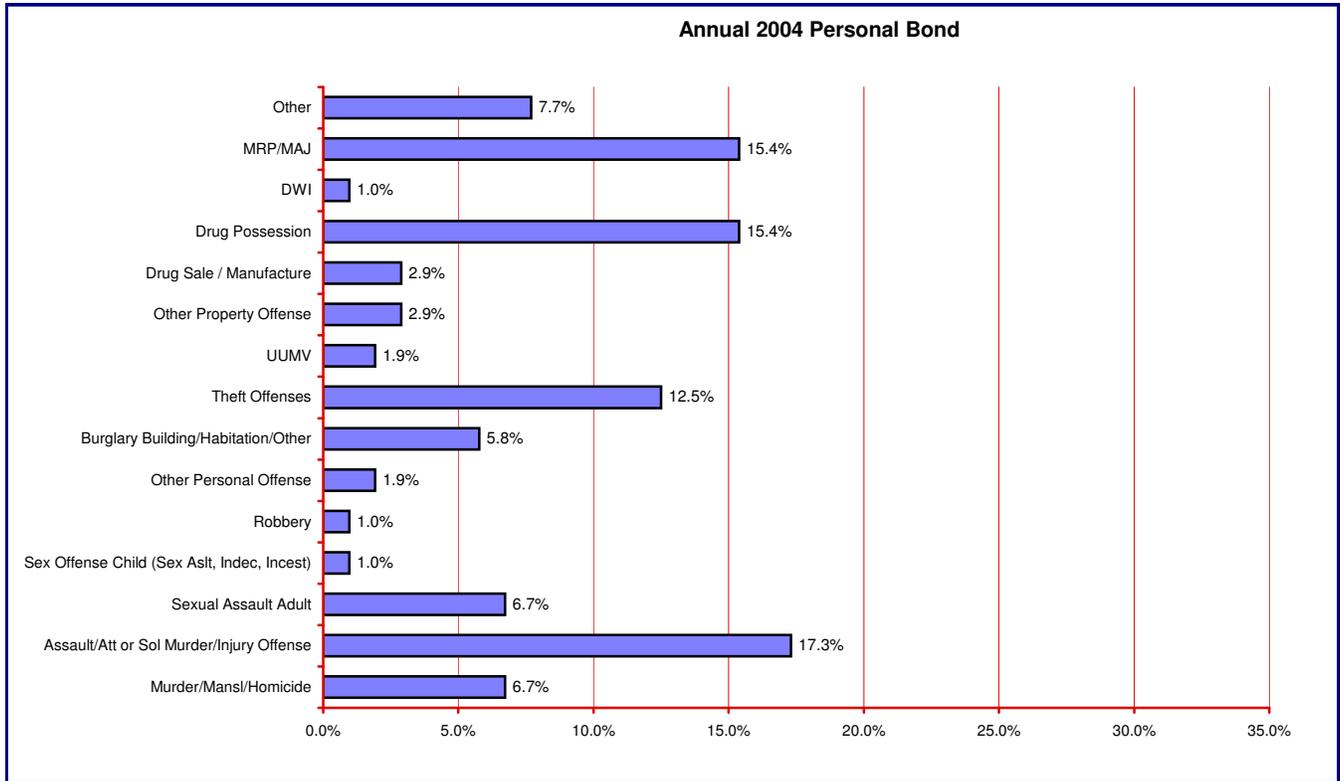
D. Days Under Supervision

Days supervised by Pretrial Services	Personal Bond		Financial Bond		Other (non-bond)	
	Felony	Misd	Felony	Misd	Felony	Misd
High	730	635	1,245	1,126	113	182
Low	1	1	1	1	1	8
Median	54	38	74	46	10	48

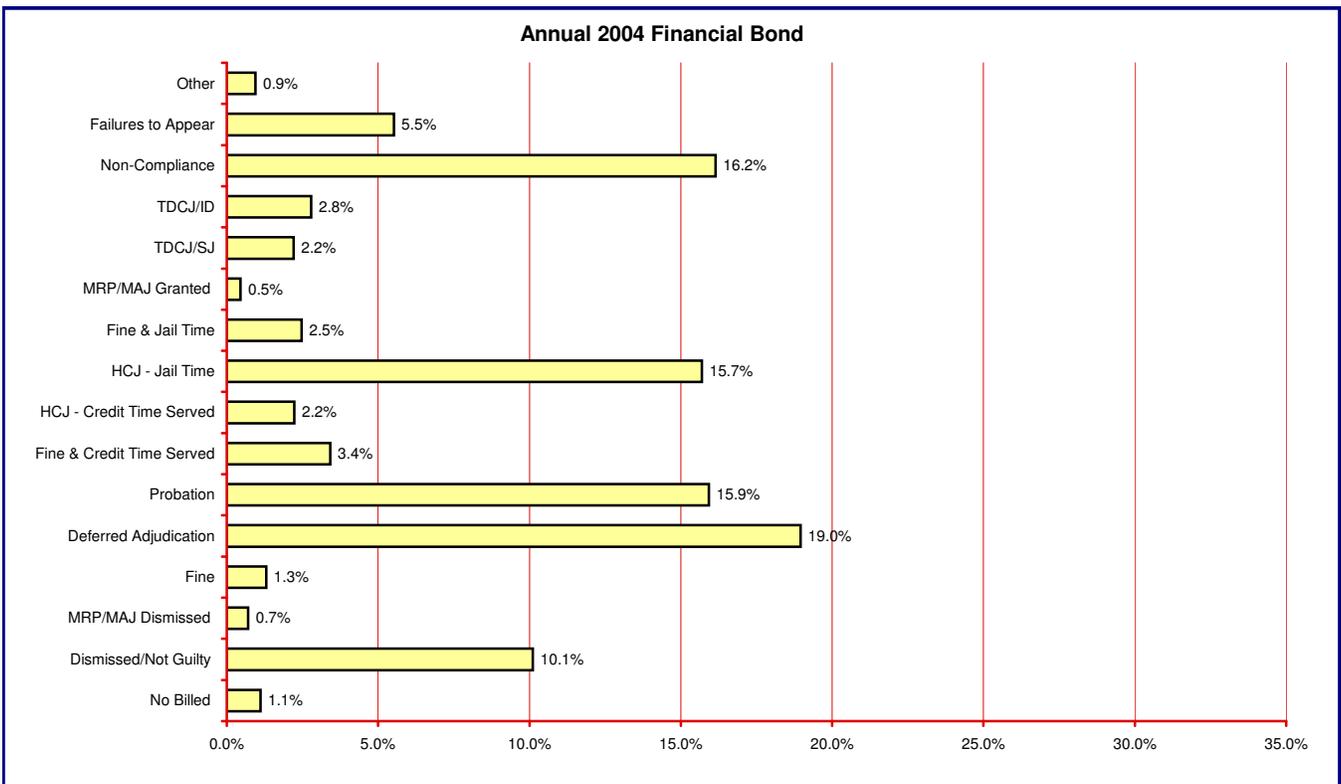
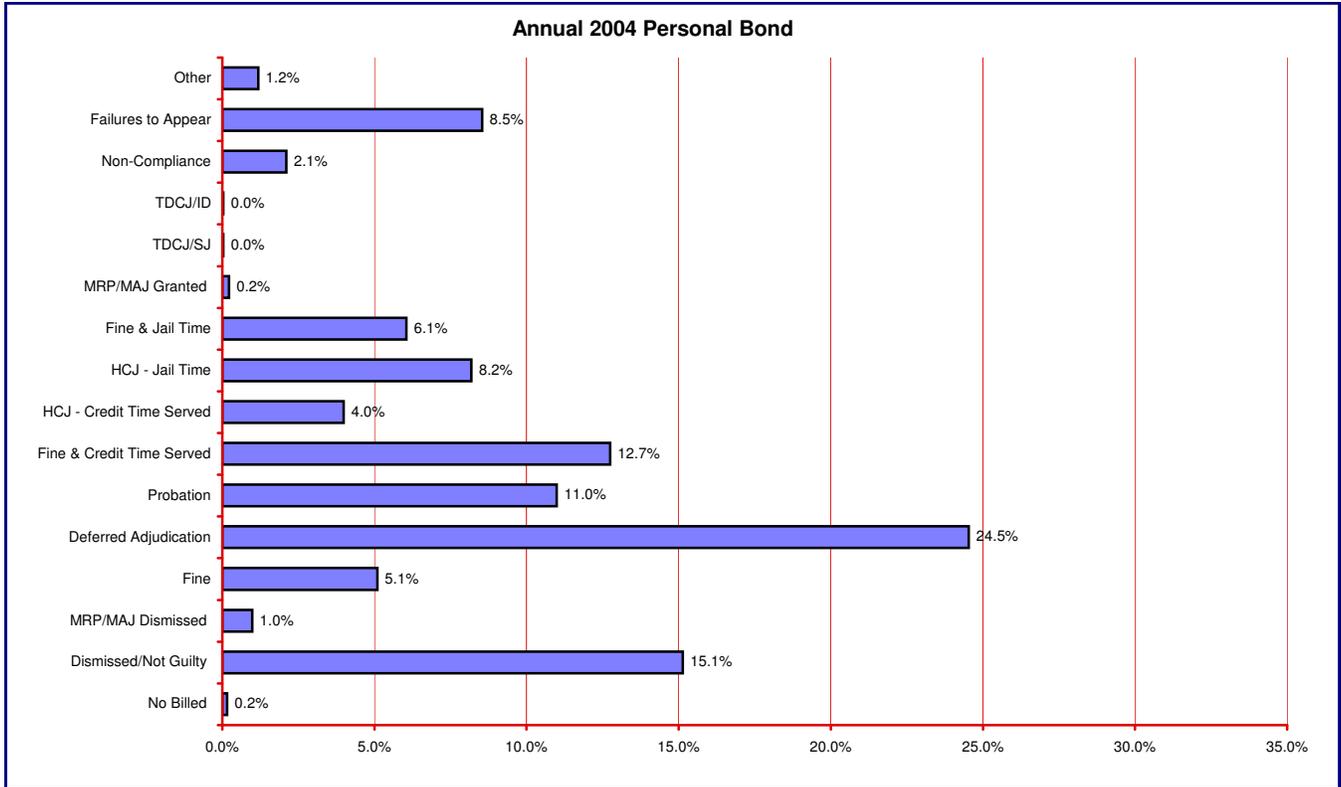
Misdemeanor Supervised Cases by Charge Category



Felony Supervised Cases by Charge Category

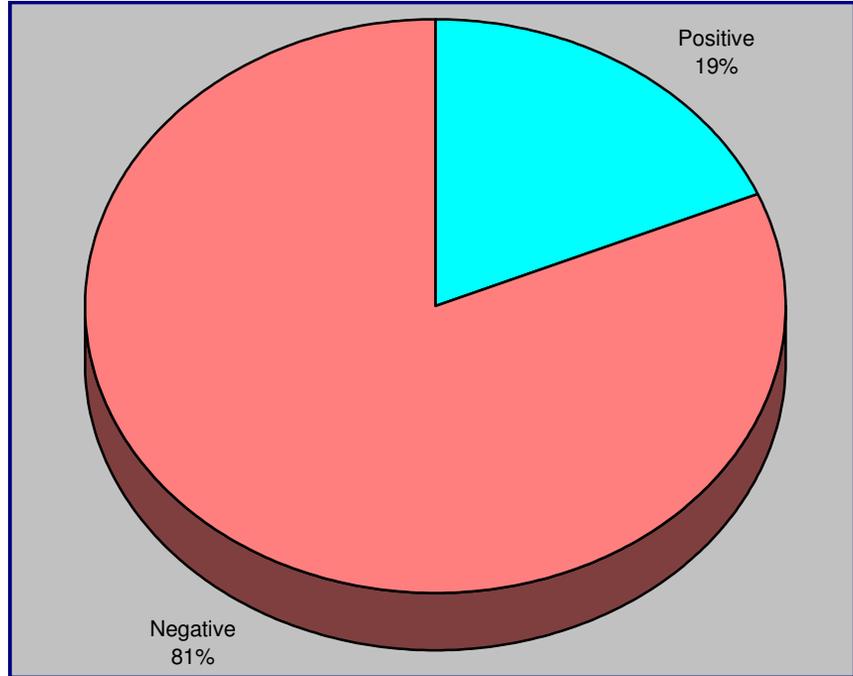


Disposition of Defendants Supervised by OCS

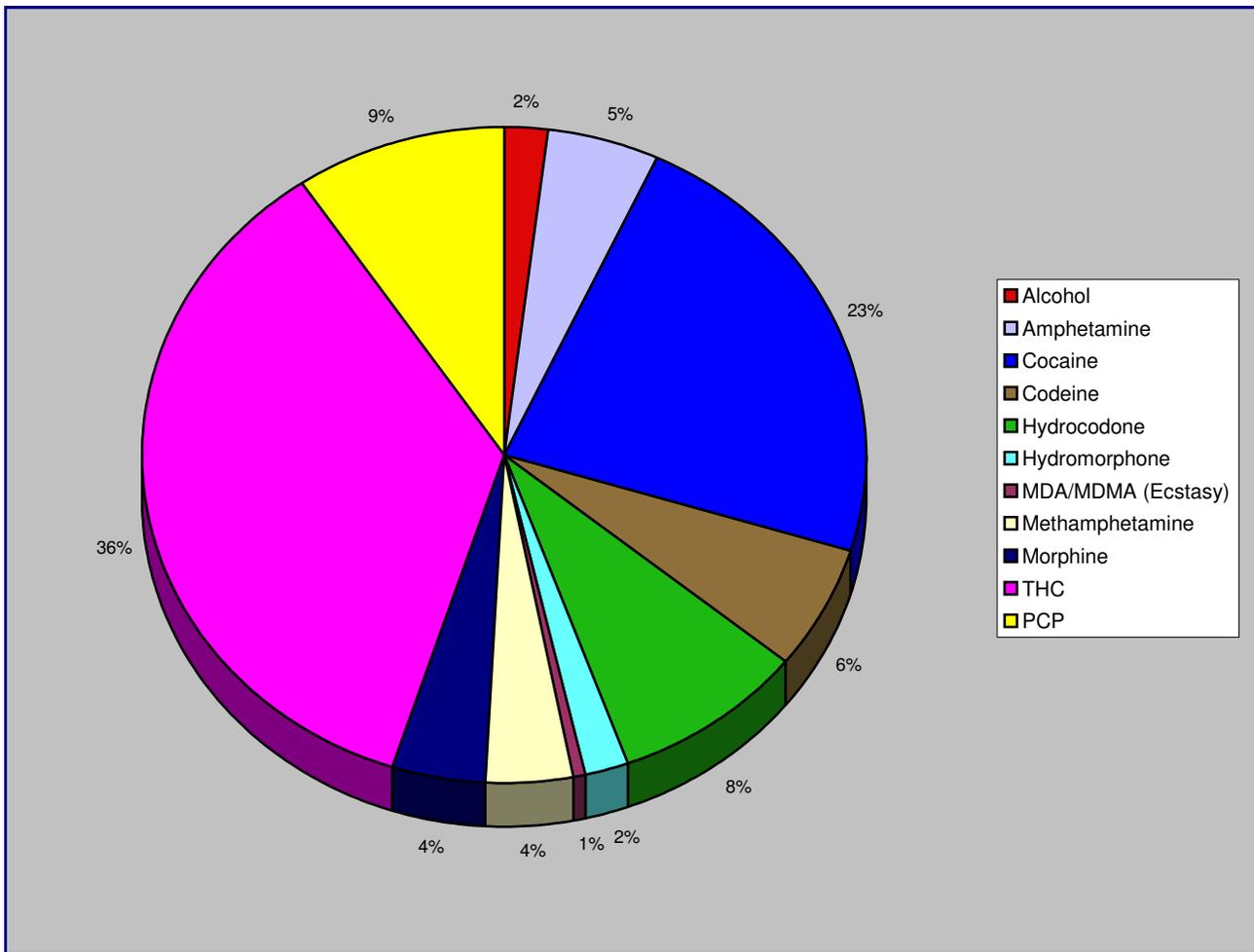


Urinalysis Test results

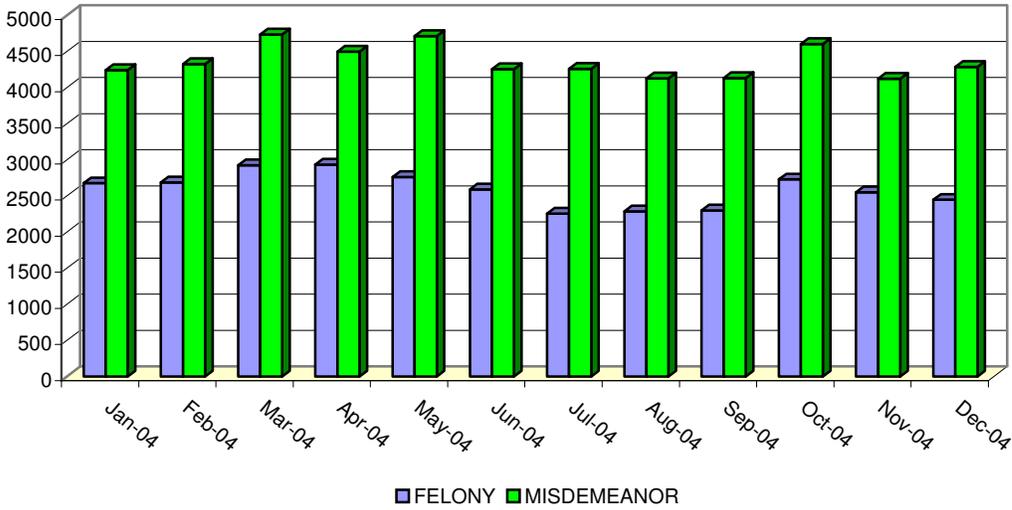
Positive	5,095
Negative	22,306



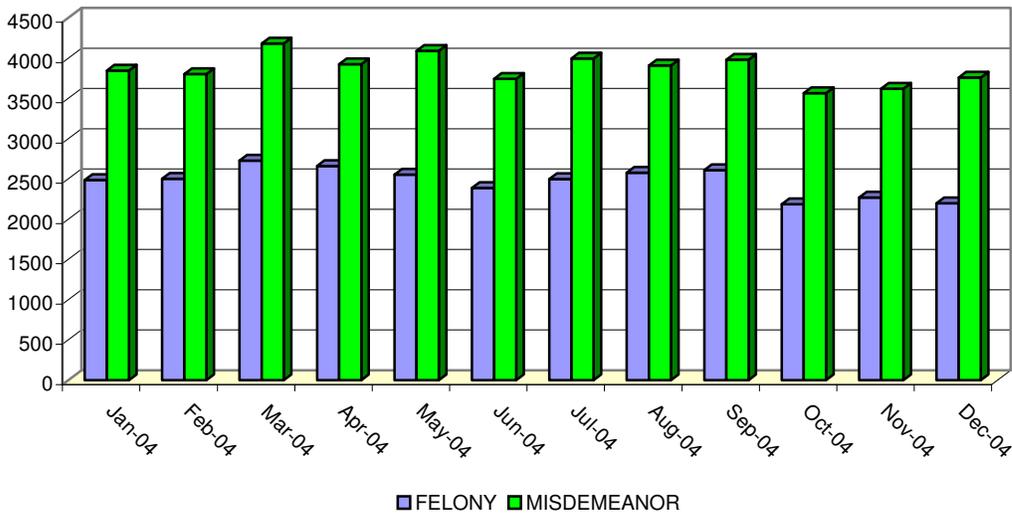
Confirmed Positive Urinalysis Results by Drug Category



Bookings



Interviews



Releases on Personal Bond

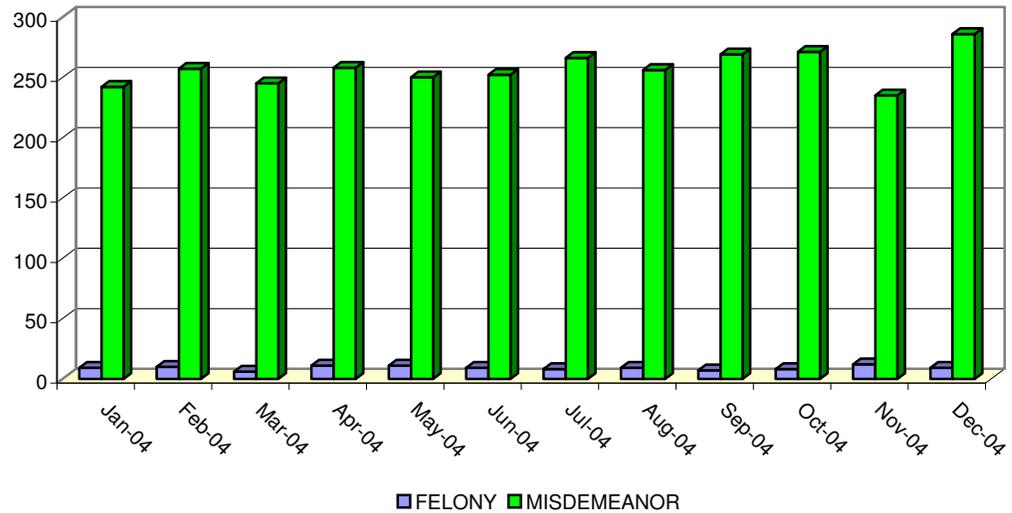
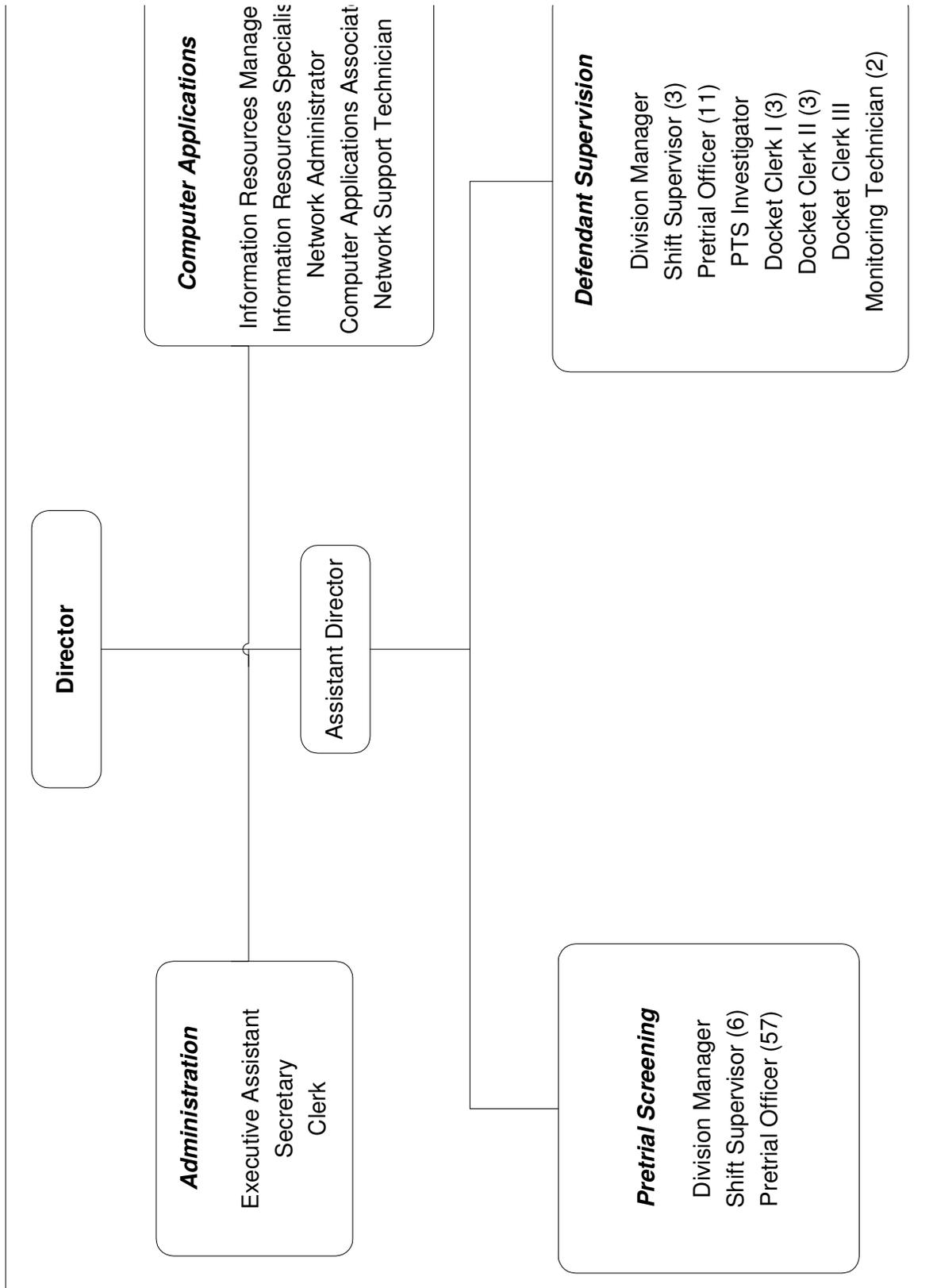


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