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### **Highlights for the Third Quarter 2011**

The Massachusetts Department of Correction (MA DOC) prison population has risen throughout the first three quarters of 2011. In the third quarter, the average custody (n = 11,561) and jurisdiction (11,833) inmate populations reflected the highest counts since at least the mid 1990's. After modest but consistent increases, the average custody population has risen 3.2% since the fourth quarter of 2010 and the average jurisdiction population by 3.4 % over the same period.

Jurisdiction releases outpaced admissions throughout the last three months of 2010 but that trend reversed in 2011 with admissions outpacing releases in seven out of nine months. With jurisdiction admissions generally outnumbering releases over the trend period, there was a cumulative increase of 345 inmates. Criminally sentenced inmates accounted for 77% of the cumulative increase while civil commitments explained 11% and pre-trial detainees accounted for 12%.

Criminally sentenced admissions dropped in the third quarter of 2011 to 758, at least 16% lower than any quarter in the period and 28% lower than the first quarter of 2011. In contrast, criminally sentenced releases were 4% higher in the third quarter than the average of the previous three quarters. In the previous two quarters (Jan. – Jun. 2011), criminally sentenced admissions outnumbered releases by 429 inmates but that shifted in the third quarter 2011 when releases outnumbered admissions by 124 inmates. The cumulative increase over the last four quarters was 264; males drove the admission and release numbers and accounted for 98% of the overall increase.

Over the past four quarters, there has been fluctuation in the number of releases to the street and the type of release (parole to street or expiration of sentence). The percentage of releases to the street that were released to an expiration of sentence rose from 68% in the fourth quarter of 2010 to 80% in the most recent quarter and simultaneously, the percentage of releases to parole decreased from 32% to 20%. With releases to parole remaining relatively low, the percentage of releases to the street with no supervision has increased from 39% in the fourth quarter 2010 to 45% in the most recent quarter.

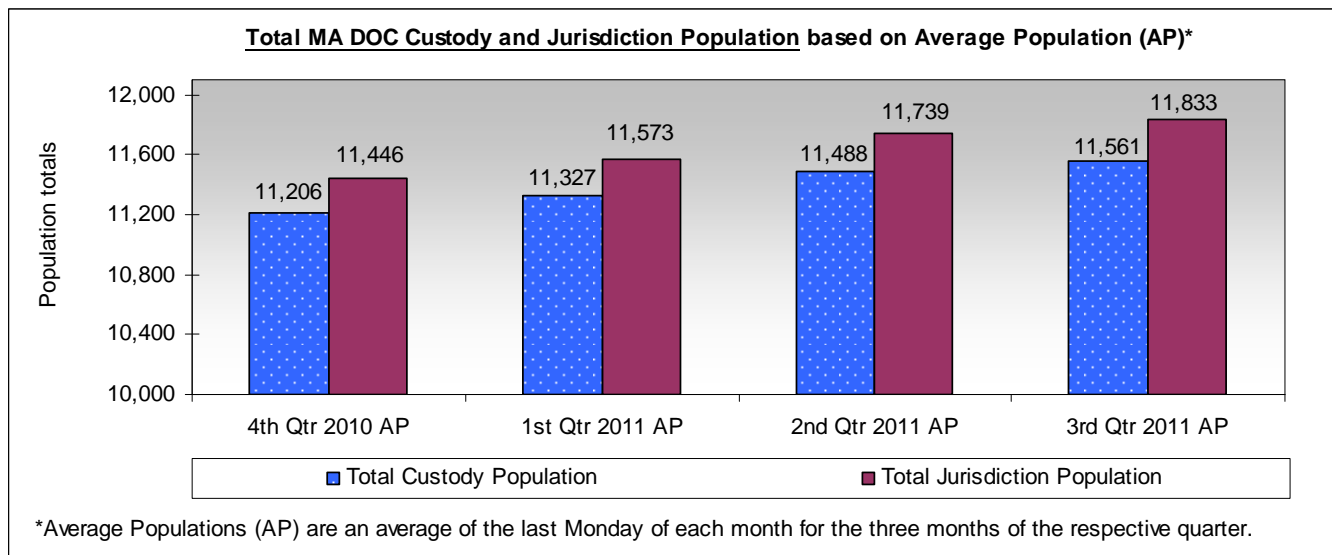
In the fourth quarter of 2010, parole releases (parole to street or release from a detainer) outnumbered parole admissions (parole detainees and parole violators) by 119 inmates (222 to 103). The difference has not been as dramatic in 2011. The first two quarters totaled 229 releases and 218 admissions, a difference of 11 inmates. Notably, the third quarter showed a greater disparity with parole releases outnumbering parole admissions by 53 inmates (129 to 76).

Civil admissions and releases were both at trend highs in the third quarter at 682 admissions and 646 releases (compared to an average of 500 admissions and 499 releases in the previous three quarters). Female civil admissions to MCI-Framingham and male admissions to MASAC both spiked in the third quarter, 80% and 40% higher than the second quarter of 2011.

Pre-trial detainee admissions and releases remained high in the third quarter of 2011. For female detainee admissions, Essex County spiked in the second quarter but dropped back down in the third quarter; all other counties were at a trend period high in the third quarter. In the most recent quarter, male detainee admissions rose by nearly 100 (388 to 482) when compared to the second quarter 2011; Suffolk, Middlesex and Federal detainees were all at highs for the trend period. For both genders, detainee admissions slightly outnumbered releases in the third quarter, raising the trend period's overall increase to 43 detainees.

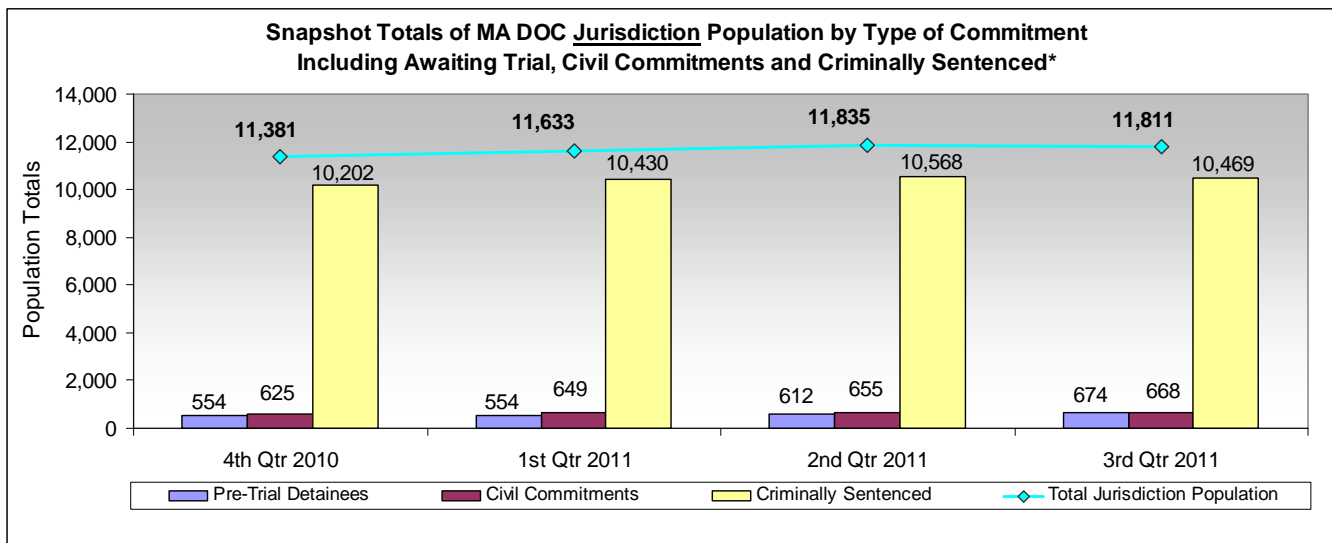
## Section 1. Overview of MA DOC Populations' Admissions and Releases

### 1.1 Total MA DOC Custody and Jurisdiction Population



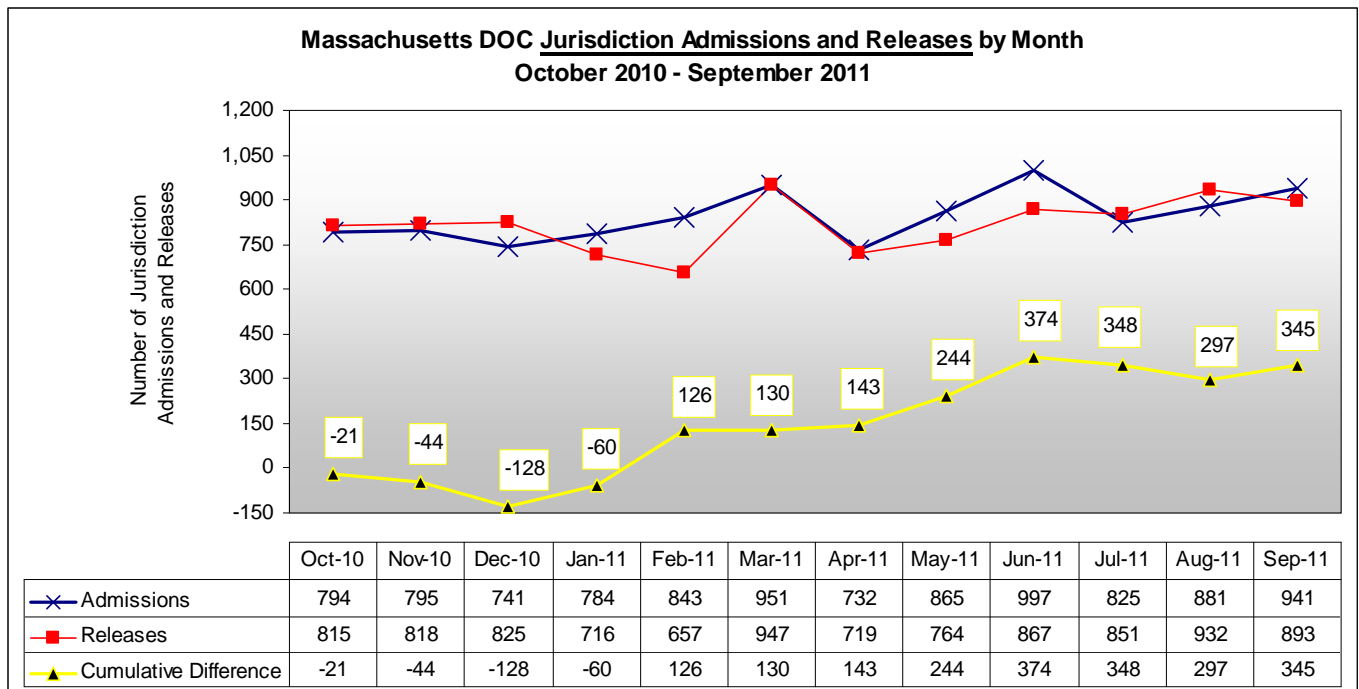
After rising in small increments over the last three quarters, the third quarter 2011 has a higher average custody and jurisdiction population than any other quarter in the last year; the custody population is 3.2 percent higher and the jurisdiction population is 3.4 percent higher than the fourth quarter 2010.

### 1.2 Snapshot Totals for MA DOC Jurisdiction Population by Commitment Type



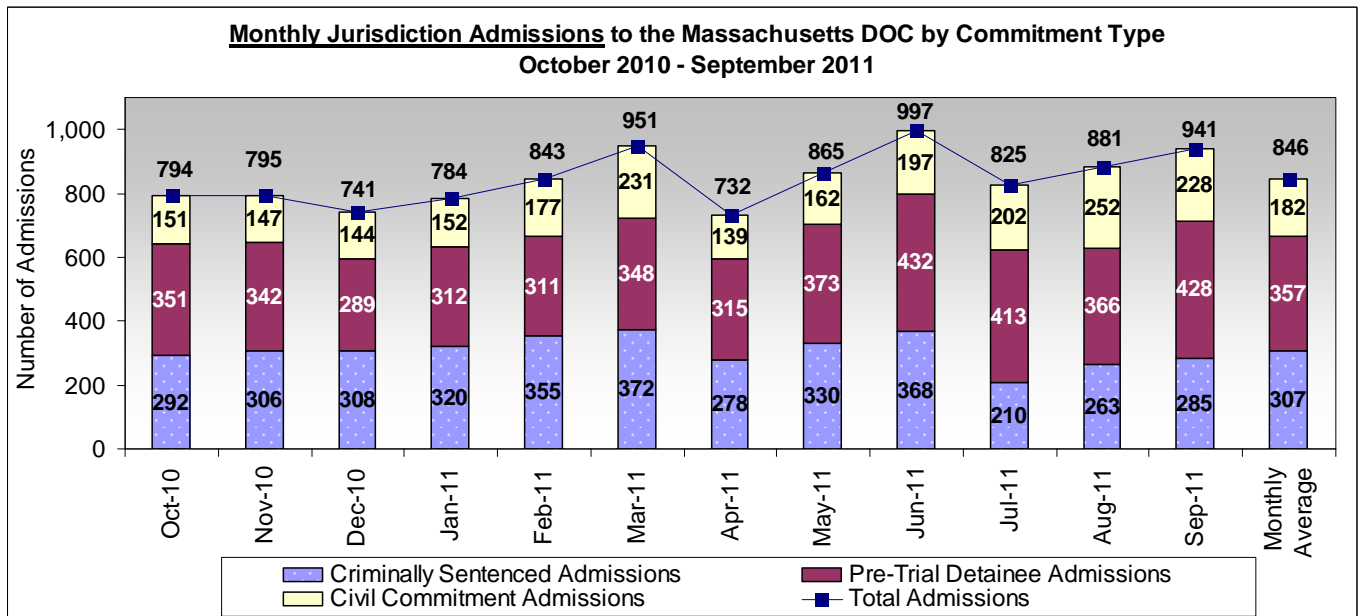
Snapshot totals show a continuous increase in the civil commitment and pre-trial detainee populations, increasing by seven percent and 22 percent respectively since the fourth quarter of 2010. In contrast, the criminally sentenced snapshots reflect a rise between the fourth quarter 2010 and the second quarter 2011 but then a drop of 99 inmates between the second and third quarter of 2011. The decrease in the criminally sentenced population influenced the first drop in the jurisdiction population over the trend period.

### 1.3 MA DOC Total Admissions and Releases by Month



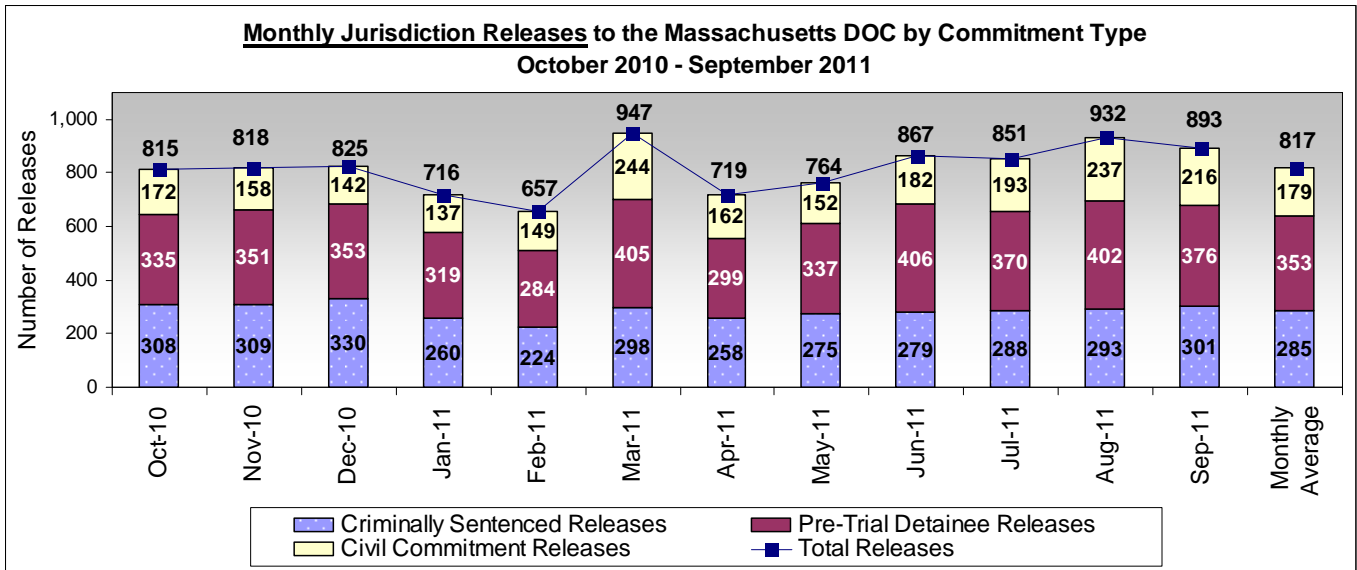
Jurisdiction releases outpaced admissions in the last three months of 2010 but that trend reversed January through June 2011, demonstrated by the rising cumulative increase. Over the last few months, the cumulative increase has dropped from 374 in June to 345 in September as releases twice outpaced admissions. Over the trend period, 21 percent of admissions and 22 percent of releases were civil commitments; 42 percent of admissions and 43 percent of releases were pre-trial detainees; 36 percent of admissions and 35 percent of releases were criminally sentenced.

### 1.4 MA DOC Total Admissions



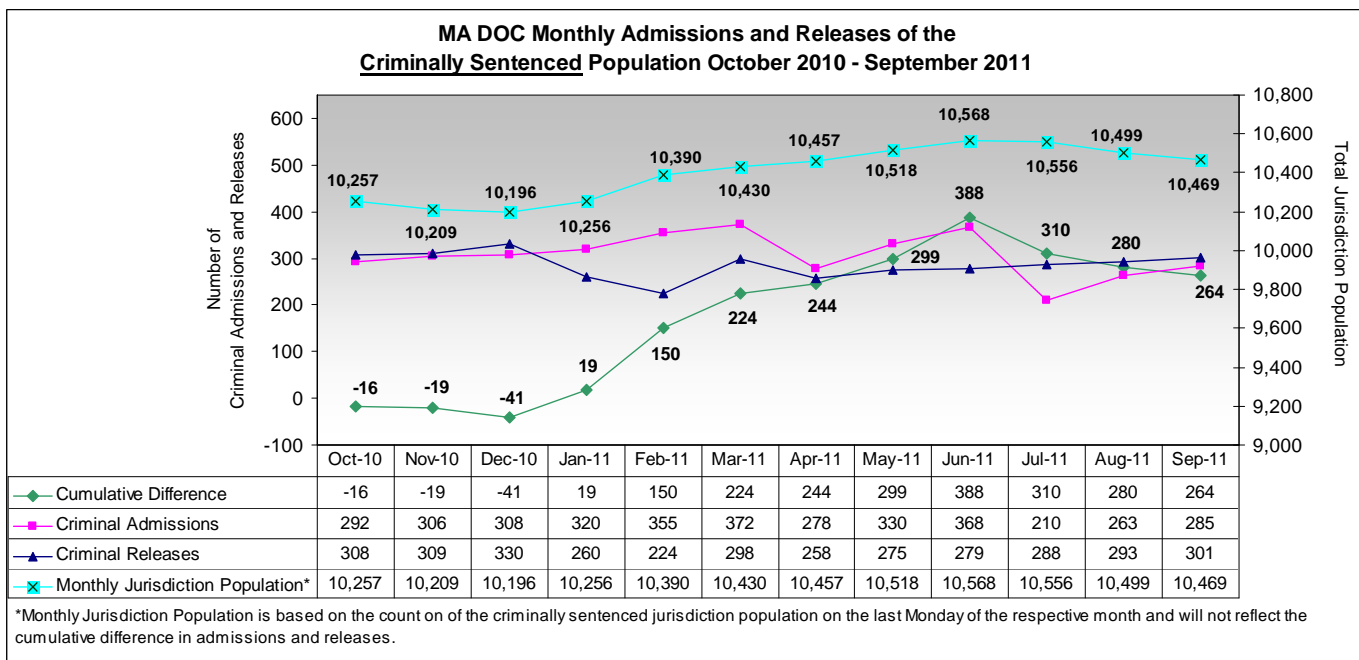
Jurisdiction admissions were over 900 in the months of March, June and September while jurisdiction releases (shown in chart 1.5 on the following page) were above 900 twice in March and August.

### 1.5 MA DOC Total Releases



Jurisdiction releases have fluctuated between 657 and 947 per month. Jurisdiction releases averaged 817 over the twelve month trend period compared to an average of 846 for admissions.

### 1.6 MA DOC Criminally Sentenced Admissions and Releases by Month

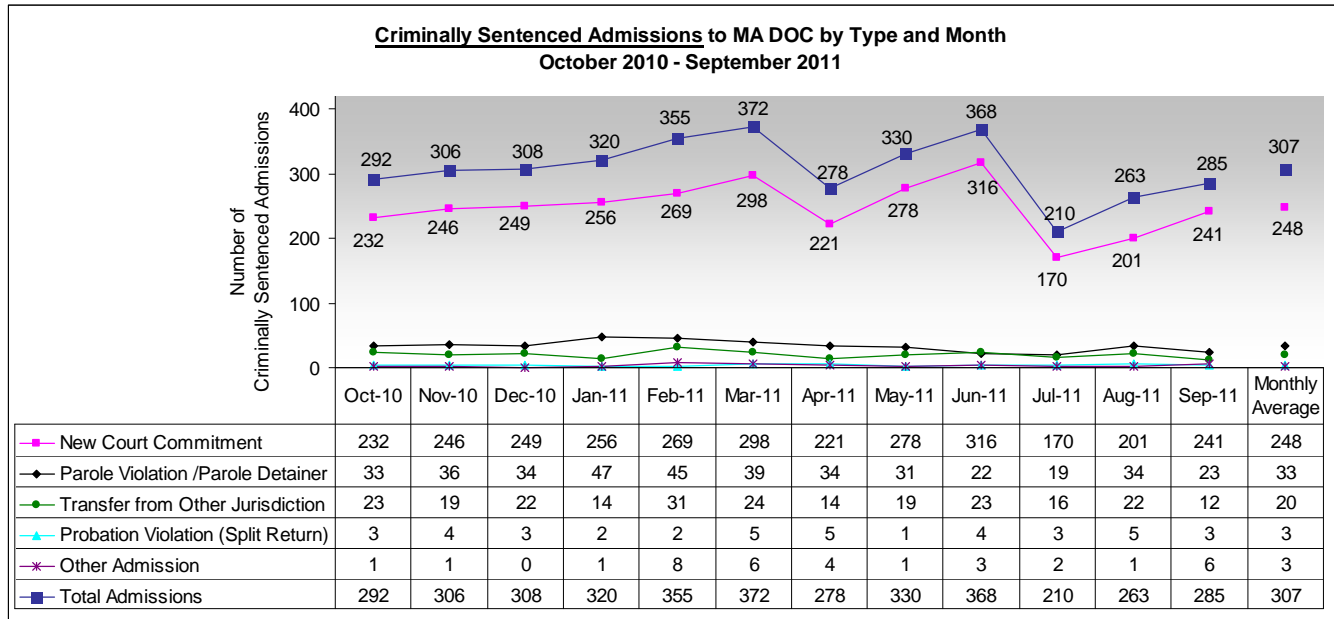


Criminally sentenced releases outpaced admissions in the fourth quarter 2010, that trend reversed in the first two quarters of 2011. In the third quarter 2011, releases have once again outnumbered admissions (882 releases compared to 758 admissions). Over the first 9 months of the trend period, the cumulative increase was 388 inmates (in June) but by the end of September, that cumulative increase declined to 264.



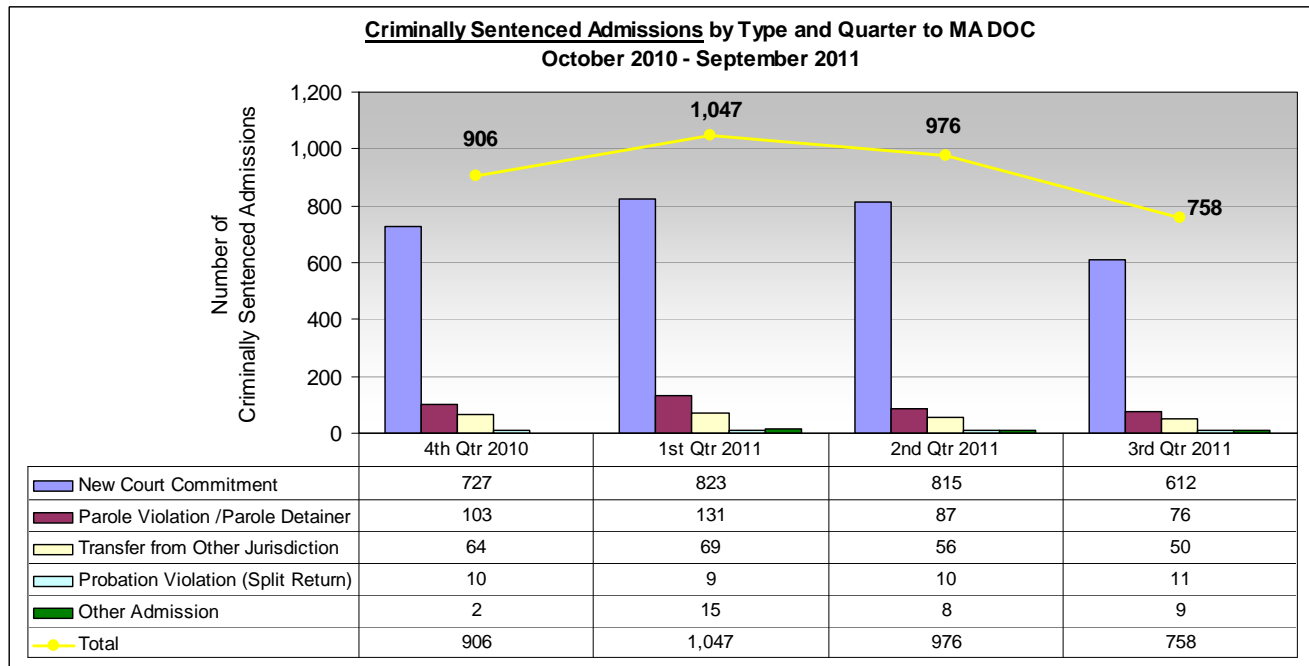
## Section 2. MA DOC Criminally Sentenced Admissions

### 2.1 MA DOC Criminally Sentenced Admissions by Type and Month

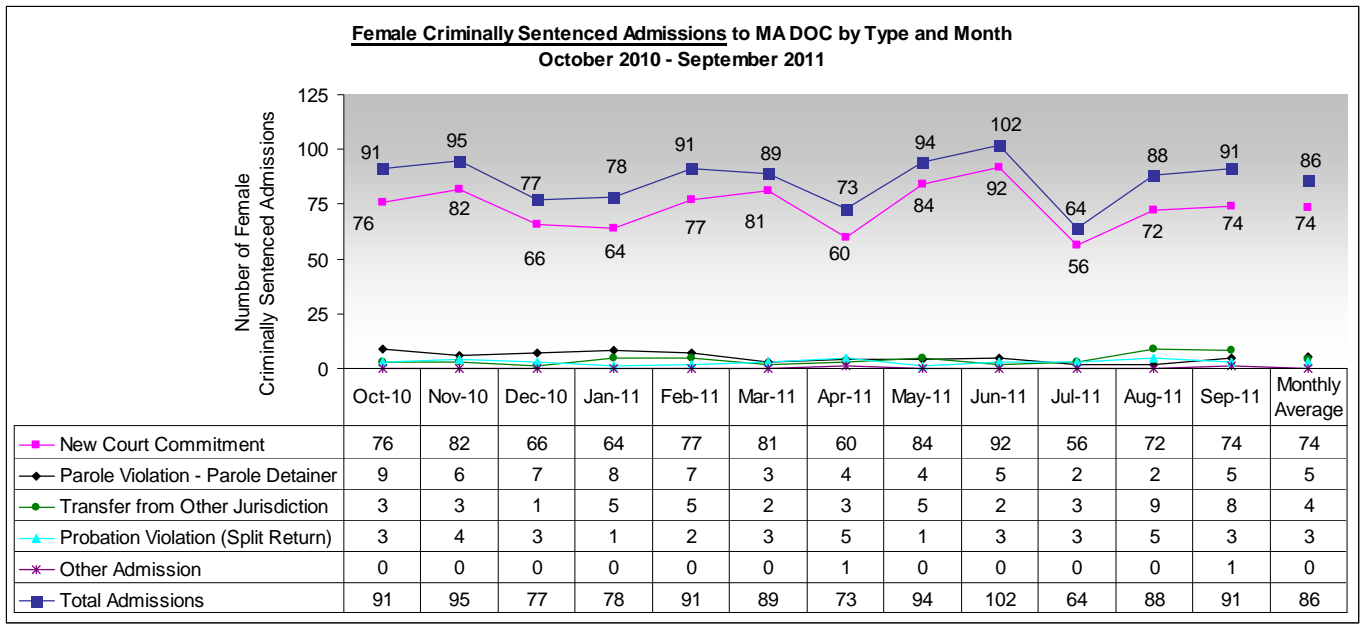


Criminally sentenced admissions ranged between 210 and 372 with an average of 307 admissions per month. The first quarter 2011 had the highest number of admissions in the trend period at 1,047 before dropping 28 percent to 758 admissions in the third quarter 2011. Between these quarters, there was a 26 percent decrease in new court commitments, a 42 percent decrease in parole violator/detainer admissions as well as a 28 percent reduction in transfers from other jurisdictions.

### 2.2 MA DOC Criminally Sentenced Admissions by Type and Quarter



### 2.3 MA DOC Female Criminally Sentenced Admissions by Type and Month



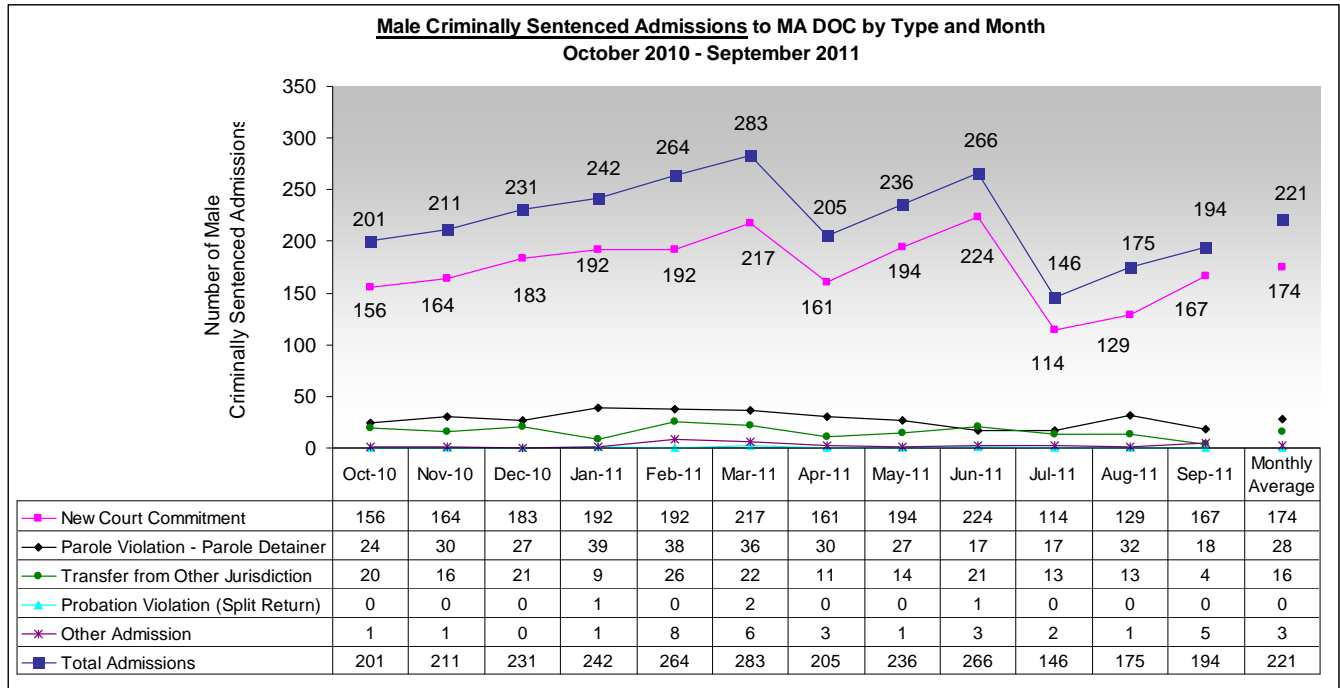
Female criminally sentenced admissions averaged 86 over the trend period and ranged between 64 and 102 monthly admissions. The third quarter 2011 showed a ten percent decrease in admissions driven by a 14 percent drop in new court commitments compared to the previous quarter. Transfers from other jurisdictions hit a quarterly high at 20 compared to a range of 7 to 12 in previous quarters of the trend period.

### 2.4 MA DOC Female Criminally Sentenced Admissions by Type and Quarter

Female Criminally Sentenced Admissions by Type*	4th Quarter 2010		1st Quarter 2011		2nd Quarter 2011		3rd Quarter 2011		Trend Total	
	Count	Percent of Admissions	Count	Percent of Admissions	Count	Percent of Admissions	Count	Percent of Admissions	Total	Percent of Admissions
New Court Commitment	224	85%	222	86%	236	88%	202	83%	884	86%
Parole Violation/Parole Detainer	22	8%	18	7%	13	5%	9	4%	62	6%
Transfer from Other Jurisdiction	7	3%	12	5%	10	4%	20	8%	49	5%
Probation Violation (Split Return)	10	4%	6	2%	9	3%	11	5%	36	3%
Other Admission	0	0%	0	0%	1	<1%	1	<1%	2	<1%
Total Admissions	263	100%	258	100%	269	100%	243	100%	1,033	100%

\*All percentages may not add to 100% due to rounding.

## 2.5 MA DOC Male Criminally Sentenced Admissions by Type and Month



Over the trend period, male criminally sentenced admissions ranged from 146 to 283 with an average of 221 per month. After the high count of 789 in the first quarter of 2011, the total dropped by 35 percent in the third quarter 2011 with a total of 515 admissions. This drop was driven by a 32 percent decrease in new court commitments (601 to 410) as well as a 41 percent drop in parole violators (113 to 67).

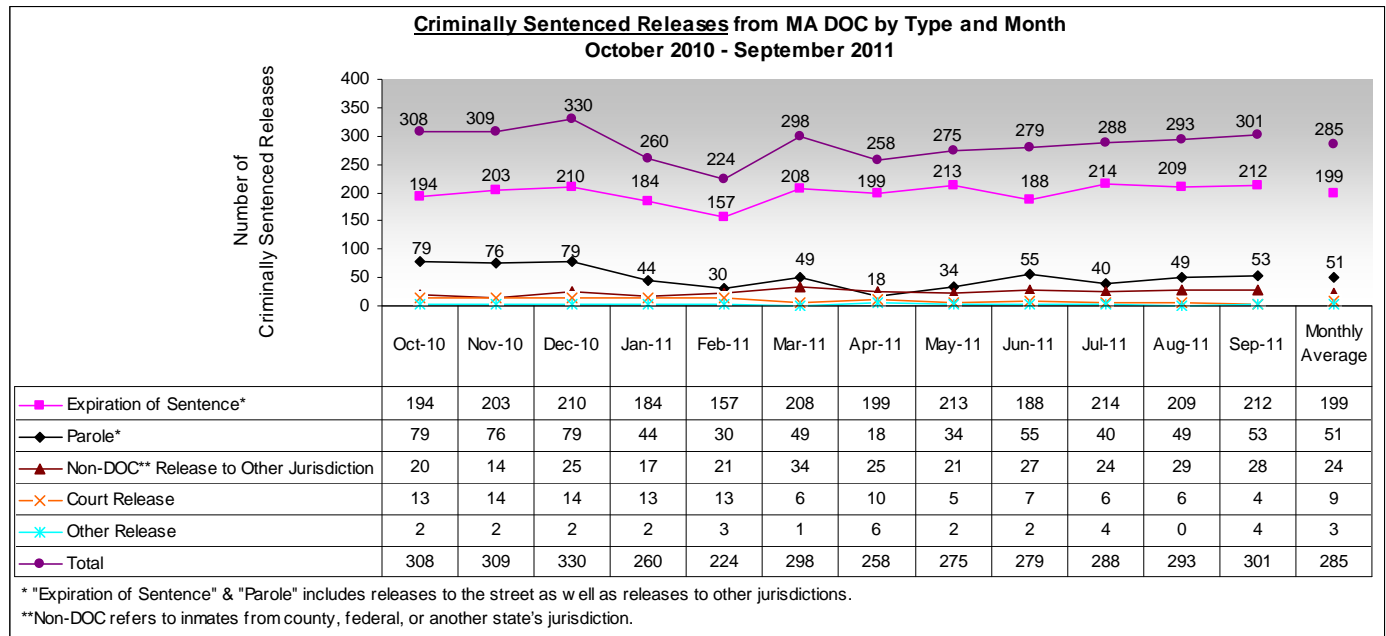
## 2.6 MA DOC Male Criminally Sentenced Admissions by Type and Quarter

Male Criminally Sentenced Admissions by Type*	4th Quarter 2010		1st Quarter 2011		2nd Quarter 2011		3rd Quarter 2011		Trend Total	
	Count	Percent of Admissions	Count	Percent of Admissions	Count	Percent of Admissions	Count	Percent of Admissions	Total	Percent of Admissions
New Court Commitment	503	78%	601	76%	579	82%	410	80%	2,093	79%
Parole Violation/Parole Detainer	81	13%	113	14%	74	10%	67	13%	335	13%
Transfer from Other Jurisdiction	57	9%	57	7%	46	7%	30	6%	190	7%
Probation Violation (Split Return)	0	0%	3	<1%	1	<1%	0	0%	4	<1%
Other Admission	2	<1%	15	2%	7	1%	8	2%	32	1%
Total Admissions	643	100%	789	100%	707	100%	515	100%	2,654	100%

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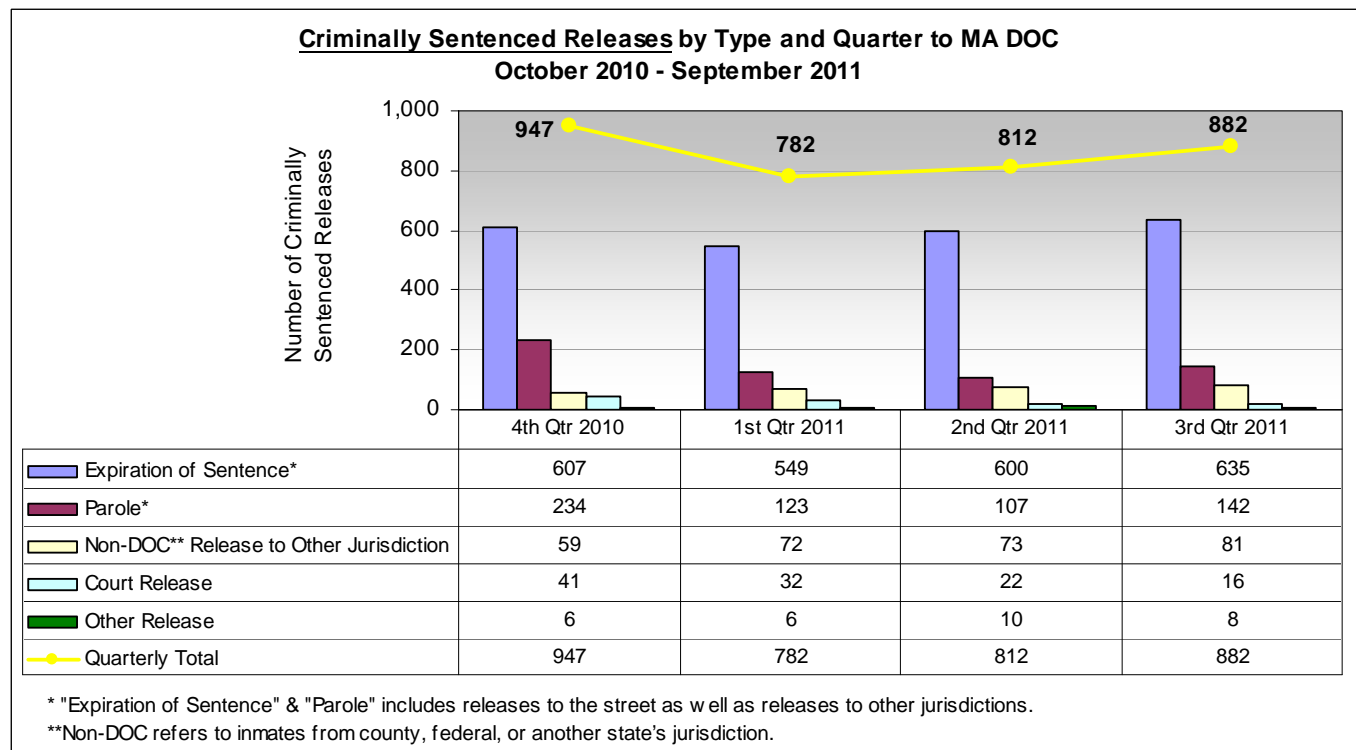
## Section 3. MA DOC Criminally Sentenced Releases

### 3.1 MA DOC Criminally Sentenced Releases by Type and Month

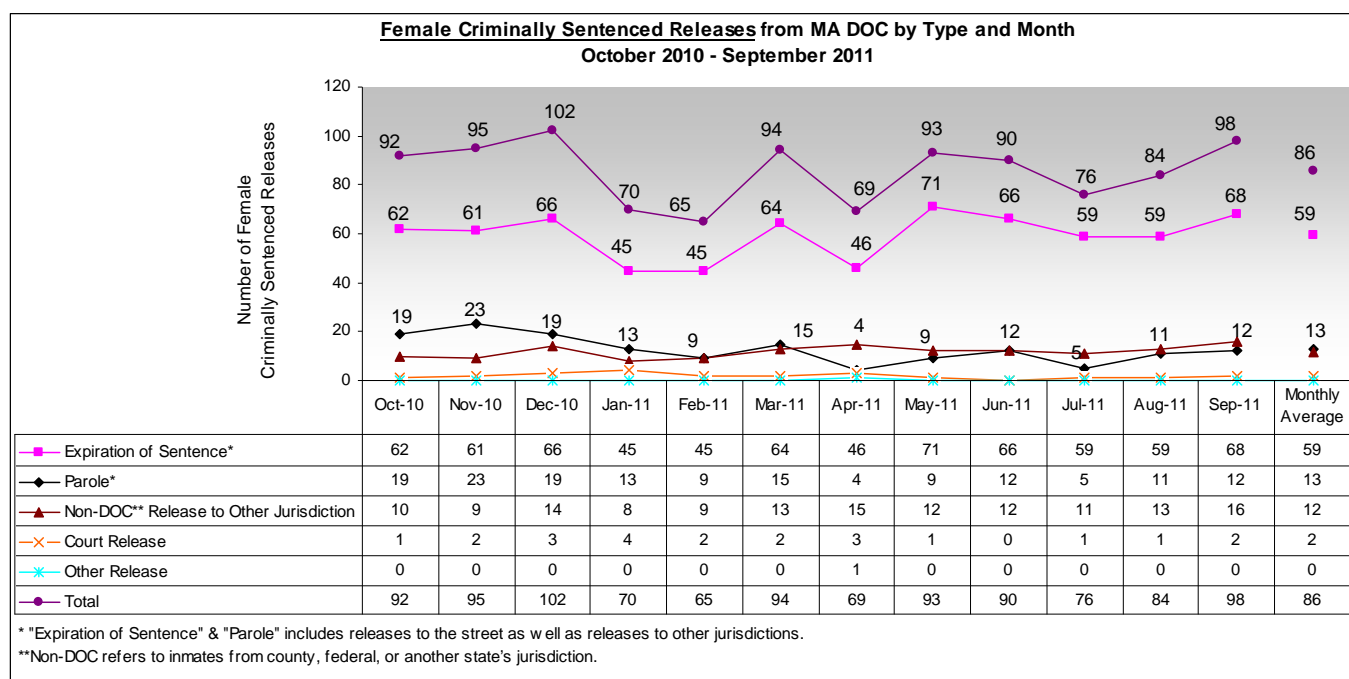


Criminally sentenced releases averaged 285 per month over the trend period with a range of 224 to 330. Quarterly totals showed a 17 percent drop in releases between the fourth quarter 2010 and the first quarter 2011 but have since increased to 882 in the most recent quarter. Releases to parole dropped from 234 in the fourth quarter 2010 (25 percent of total releases) to a range of 107-142 releases in the first three quarters of 2011 (13-16 percent of total releases). Court releases have also declined over the four quarters, decreasing steadily from 41 to 16 releases while releases to other jurisdictions ("Non-DOC Release to Other Jurisdiction") have increased from 59 to 81 releases.

### 3.2 MA DOC Criminally Sentenced Releases by Type and Quarter



### 3.3 MA DOC Female Criminally Sentenced Releases by Type and Month



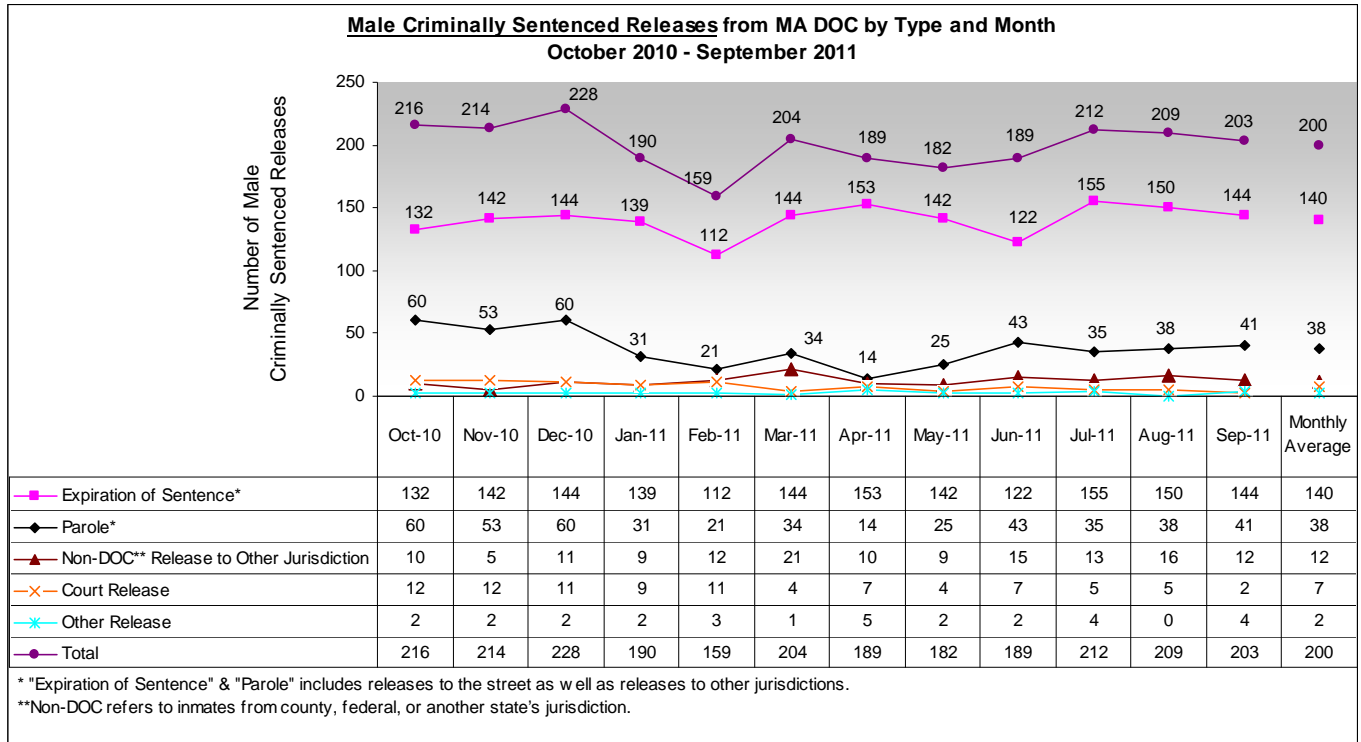
Criminally sentenced female releases averaged 86 per month over the trend period with a range of 65 to 102. Releases to parole dropped from 61 in the fourth quarter 2010 (21 percent of total releases) to a range of 25-37 releases in the first three quarters of 2011 (10-16 percent of total releases). The number of releases to expiration of sentence has hovered between 183 and 189 for three of the four quarters during the period with a dip in the first quarter of 2011. However, as parole releases declined, the percentage of releases to expiration of sentence increased from 65 percent in the fourth quarter 2010 to 72 percent in the third quarter 2011.

### 3.4 MA DOC Female Criminally Sentenced Releases by Type and Quarter\*

Type of Release	4th Quarter 2010		1st Quarter 2011		2nd Quarter 2011		3rd Quarter 2011		Trend Total	
	Count	Percent of Admissions	Count	Percent of Admissions	Count	Percent of Admissions	Count	Percent of Admissions	Total	Percent of Admissions
Expiration of Sentence	189	65%	154	67%	183	73%	186	72%	712	69%
Parole	61	21%	37	16%	25	10%	28	11%	151	15%
Non-DOC Release to Other	33	11%	30	13%	39	15%	40	16%	142	14%
Court Release	6	2%	8	3%	4	2%	4	2%	22	2%
Other Release	0	0%	0	0%	1	<1%	0	0%	1	<1%
<b>Total Admissions</b>	<b>289</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>229</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>252</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>258</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>1,028</b>	<b>100%</b>

\*All percentages may not add to 100% due to rounding.

### 3.5 MA DOC Male Criminally Sentenced Releases by Type and Month



Criminally sentenced male releases averaged 200 per month over the trend period with a range of 159 to 228. Releases to parole dropped from 173 in the fourth quarter 2010 (26 percent of total releases) to a range of 82-114 in the first three quarters of 2011 (15-18 percent of total releases). Court releases steadily declined from 35 in the fourth quarter 2010 to 12 releases (or two percent of releases) in the third quarter 2011. Releases to expiration of sentence have risen slightly from 418 in the fourth quarter 2010 to 449 in the third quarter 2011, rising from 64 to 72 percent of total releases.

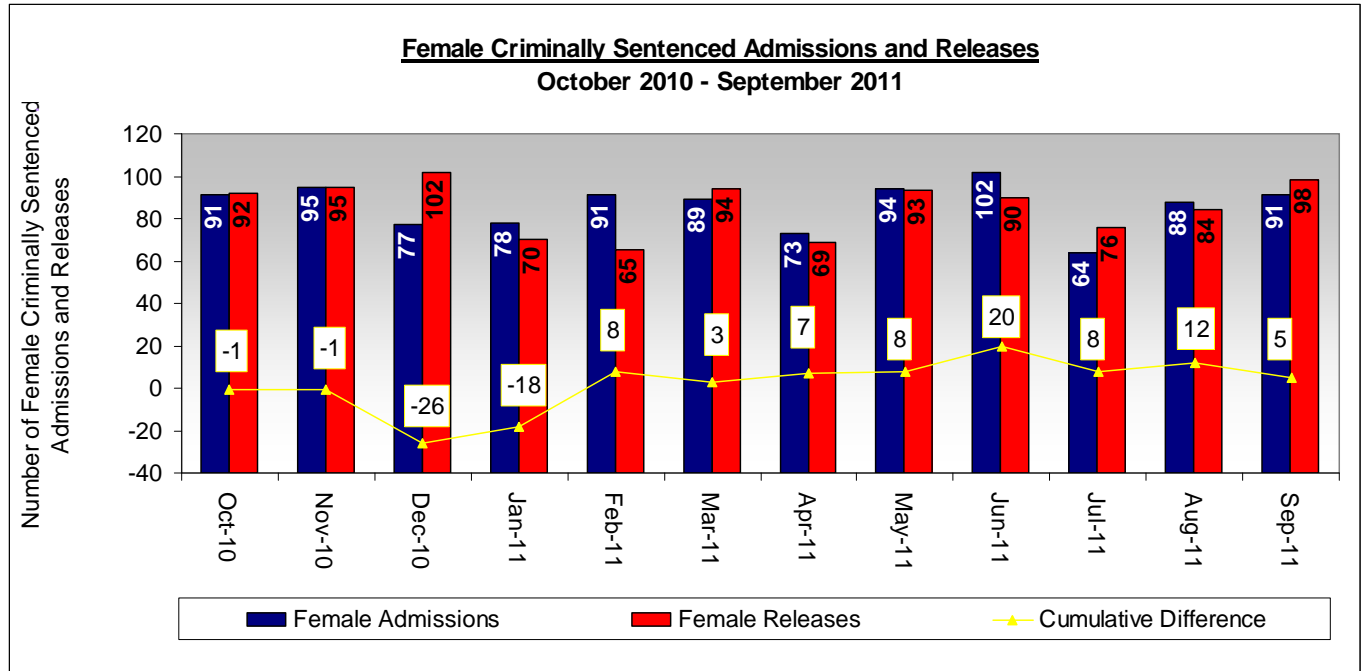
### 3.6 MA DOC Male Criminally Sentenced Releases by Type and Quarter\*

Type of Release	4th Quarter 2010		1st Quarter 2011		2nd Quarter 2011		3rd Quarter 2011		Trend Total	
	Count	Percent of Admissions	Count	Percent of Admissions	Count	Percent of Admissions	Count	Percent of Admissions	Total	Percent of Admissions
Expiration of Sentence	418	64%	395	71%	417	74%	449	72%	1,679	70%
Parole	173	26%	86	16%	82	15%	114	18%	455	19%
Non-DOC Release to Other	26	4%	42	8%	34	6%	41	7%	143	6%
Court Release	35	5%	24	4%	18	3%	12	2%	89	4%
Other Release	6	1%	6	1%	9	2%	8	1%	29	1%
<b>Total Admissions</b>	<b>658</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>553</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>560</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>624</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>2,395</b>	<b>100%</b>

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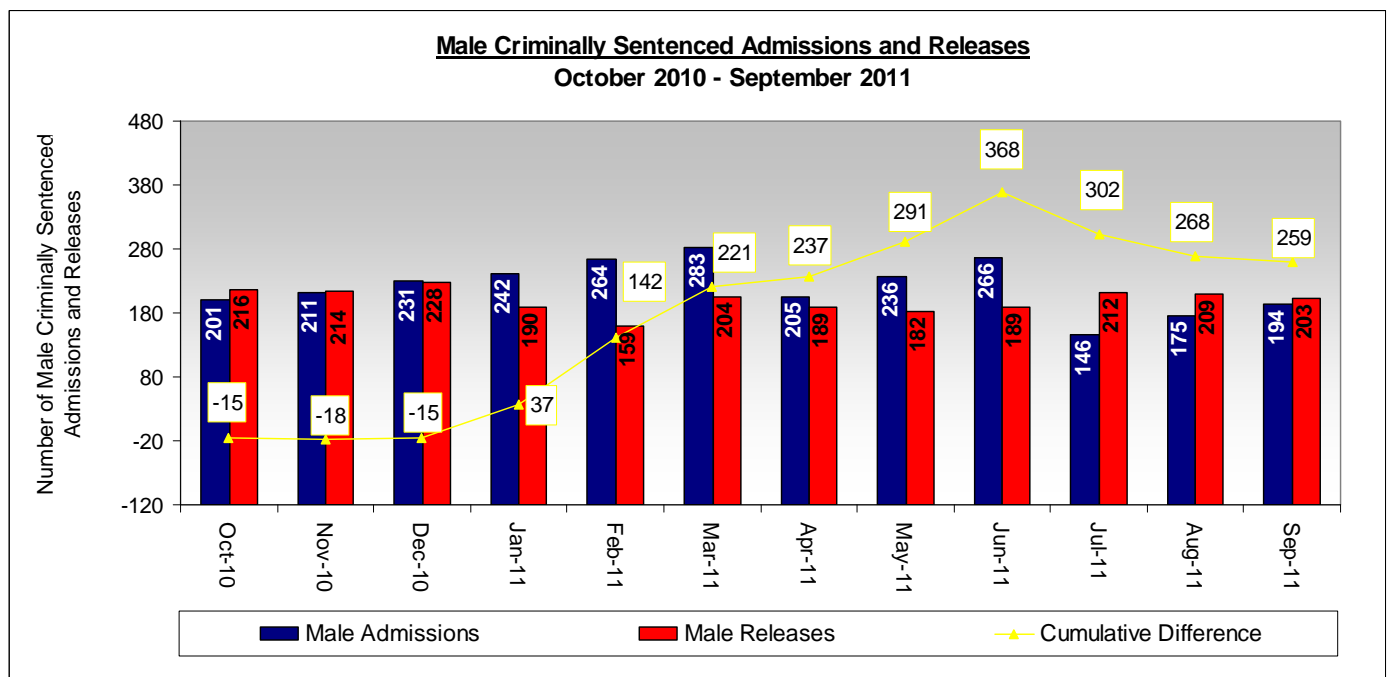
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### 4.1 MA DOC Female Criminally Sentenced Admissions and Releases



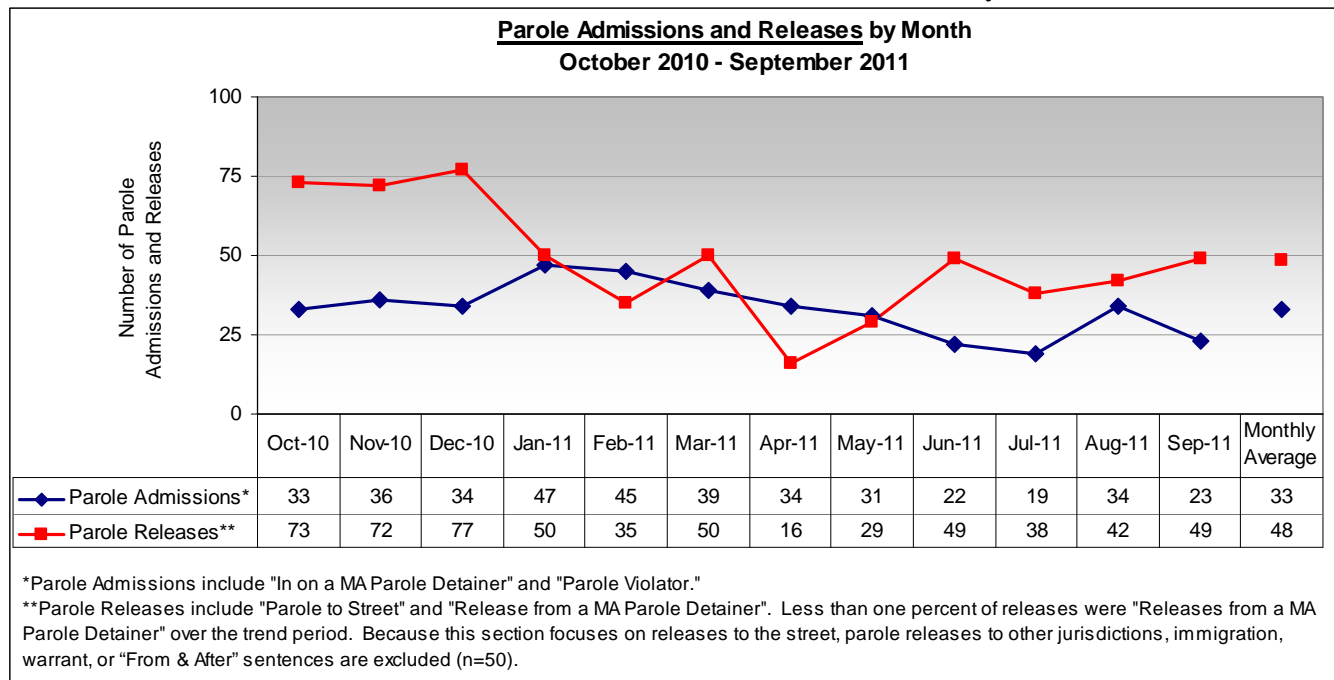
Female criminally sentenced admissions and releases were comparable over the last twelve months and resulted in a cumulative increase of five inmates. Male criminally sentenced admissions outpaced releases for seven of the 12 months. In the most recent three months (July – Sept), male releases outnumbered admissions which reduced the cumulative increase from 368 in June to 259 at the end of the trend period in September.

### 4.2 MA DOC Male Criminally Sentenced Admissions and Releases



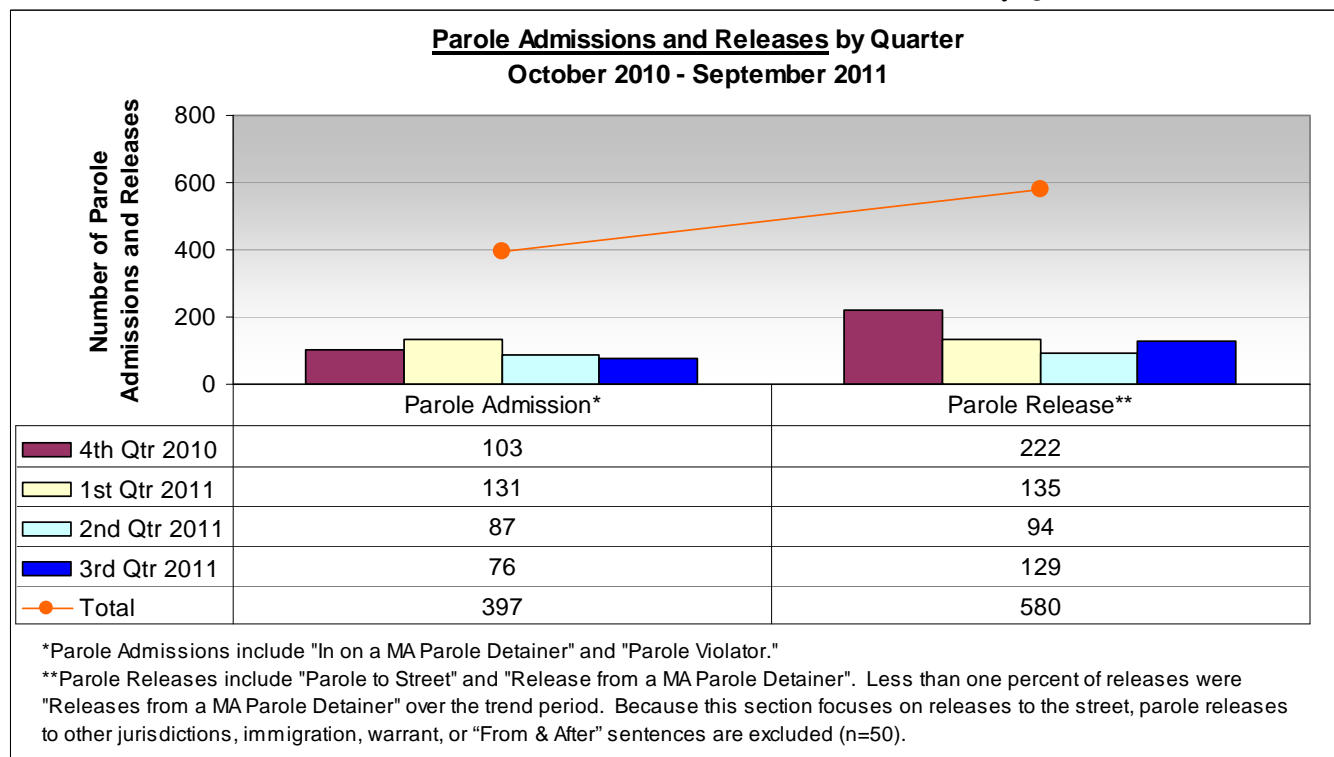
## Section 5. MA DOC Comparison of Parole Admissions and Parole Releases to the Street

### 5.1 MA DOC Parole Admissions and Parole Releases to the Street by Month



Parole admissions averaged 33 per month over the trend period with January, February and March having relatively high counts (39-47). Parole releases averaged 48 per month; the last three months of 2010 had the highest counts in the period (72-77). Parole releases in the third quarter outnumbered parole admissions 129 to 76, a difference of 53 inmates and the most notable difference since the fourth quarter 2010.

### 5.2 MA DOC Parole Admissions and Parole Releases to the Street by Quarter





## Section 6. MA DOC Supervision of Criminally Sentenced Releases to the Street

### 6.1 MA DOC Total Criminally Sentenced Releases to the Street by Type and Quarter

Type of Release	Total Criminally Sentenced Releases to the Street by Quarter Oct. 2010- Sept. 2011									
	4th Qtr 2010	% of Releases to Street	1st Qtr 2011	% of Releases to Street	2nd Qtr 2011	% of Releases to Street	3rd Qtr 2011	% of Releases to Street	Trend Total	% of Releases to Street
<b>Paroled to Street</b>	222	32%	114	21%	94	17%	129	20%	559	23%
<b>Expiration of Sentence</b>	464	68%	419	79%	467	83%	505	80%	1,855	77%
<b>Total Releases to Street</b>	686	100%	533	100%	561	100%	634	100%	2,414	100%

The number of inmates released to the street has increased in the third quarter to 634 compared to 533 and 561 in the first and second quarters 2011 (but remains lower than the fourth quarter 2010 total of 686). While the third quarter total count has increased slightly, the percentage of releases paroled to the street remains low at 20 percent compared to 32 percent in the fourth quarter 2010.

### 6.2 MA DOC Female Criminally Sentenced Releases to the Street by Type and Quarter

Type of Release	Female Criminally Sentenced Releases to the Street by Quarter Oct. 2010- Sept. 2011									
	Female 4th Qtr 2010	% of Releases to Street	Female 1st Qtr 2011	% of Releases to Street	Female 2nd Qtr 2011	% of Releases to Street	Female 3rd Qtr 2011	% of Releases to Street	Trend Total	% of Releases to Street
<b>Paroled to Street</b>	59	28%	36	22%	25	14%	26	14%	146	20%
<b>Expiration of Sentence</b>	152	72%	127	78%	152	86%	158	86%	589	80%
<b>Total Releases to Street</b>	211	100%	163	100%	177	100%	184	100%	735	100%

Between the fourth quarter of 2010 and the most recent quarter, the percentage of females paroled to the street has decreased from 28 to 14 percent and the percentage of males has decreased from 34 to 23 percent.

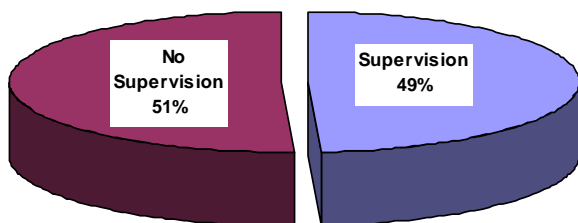
### 6.3 MA DOC Male Criminally Sentenced Releases to the Street by Type and Quarter

Type of Release	Male Criminally Sentenced Releases to the Street by Quarter Oct. 2010- Sept. 2011									
	Male 4th Qtr 2010	% of Releases to Street	Male 1st Qtr 2011	% of Releases to Street	Male 2nd Qtr 2011	% of Releases to Street	Male 3rd Qtr 2011	% of Releases to Street	Trend Total	% of Releases to Street
<b>Paroled to Street</b>	163	34%	78	21%	69	18%	103	23%	413	25%
<b>Expiration of Sentence</b>	312	66%	292	79%	315	82%	347	77%	1,266	75%
<b>Total Releases to Street</b>	475	100%	370	100%	384	100%	450	100%	1,679	100%

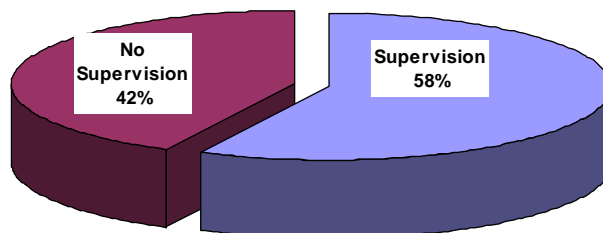
Males are released to the street with supervision at a higher rate than females, 58 percent compared to 49 percent. The most prominent form of supervision is probation only (769 out of 1,328) followed by parole only (348 out of 1,328) while the combination of parole and probation (both) is the least frequent form (211 out of 1,328); this is true for both males and females.

### 6.4 MA DOC Criminally Sentenced Releases to the Street by Supervision Status and Gender

Female Criminally Sentenced Releases to the Street from MA DOC by Supervision Status Oct. 2010 - Sept. 2011



Male Criminally Sentenced Releases to the Street from MA DOC by Supervision Status Oct. 2010 - Sept. 2011



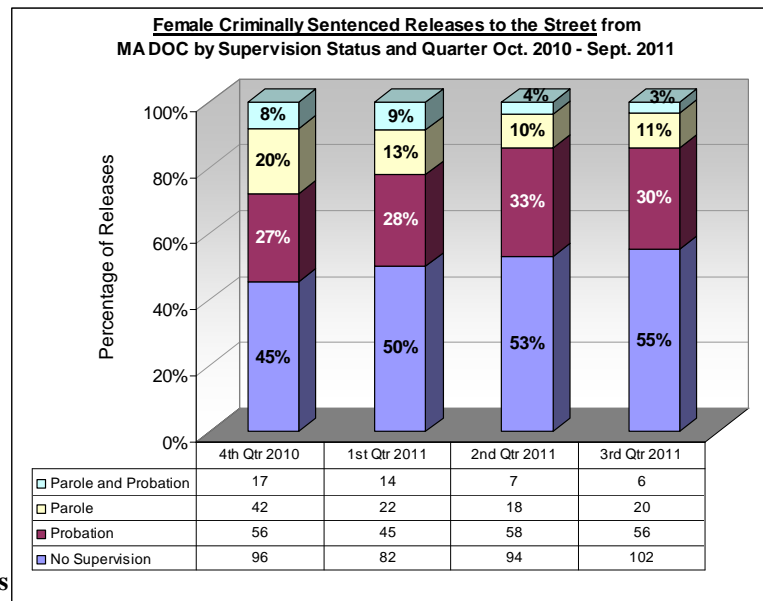
## 6.5 MA DOC Total Criminally Sentenced Releases to the Street by Supervision Status and Quarter

Total Criminally Sentenced Releases to the Street by Supervision Oct. 2010 - Sept. 2011										
Type of Supervision	4th Qtr 2010	% of Releases to Street	1st Qtr 2011	% of Releases to Street	2nd Qtr 2011	% of Releases to Street	3rd Qtr 2011	% of Releases to Street	Trend Total	% of Releases to Street
Parole and Probation (both)	85	12%	54	10%	29	5%	43	7%	211	9%
Parole (only)	137	20%	60	11%	65	12%	86	14%	348	14%
Probation (only)	195	28%	160	30%	192	34%	222	35%	769	32%
No Supervision	269	39%	259	49%	275	49%	283	45%	1,086	45%
Total	686	100%	533	100%	561	100%	634	100%	2,414	100%

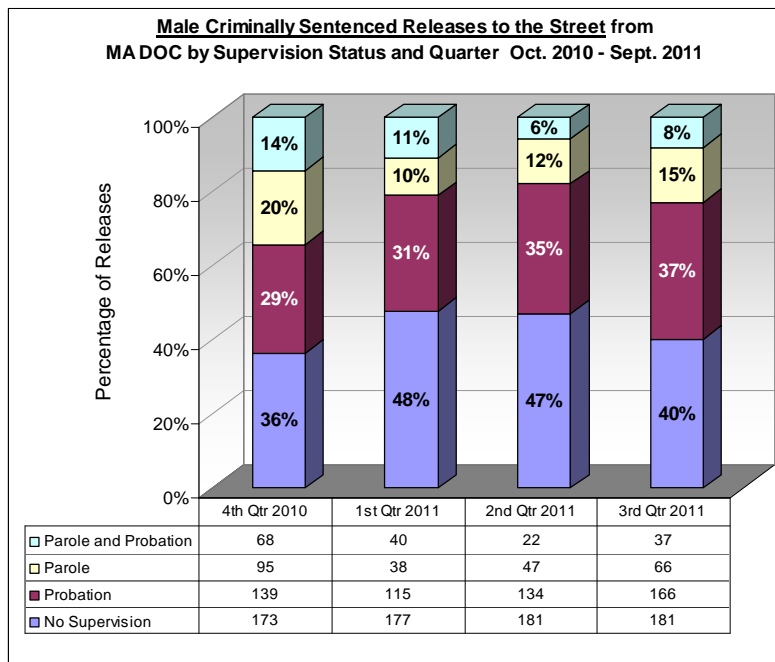
## 6.6 MA DOC Female Criminally Sentenced Releases to the Street by Supervision Status and Quarter

The number of female releases to the street has ranged between 163 and 211 and averaged 184 over the trend period.

The percentage of females being released with no supervision has increased steadily from 45 to 55 percent over the period while the percentage of releases to parole (only) and to parole and probation has decreased from 20 to 11 and eight to three percent, respectively. Female releases to probation (only), however, have remained between 27 and 33 percent.



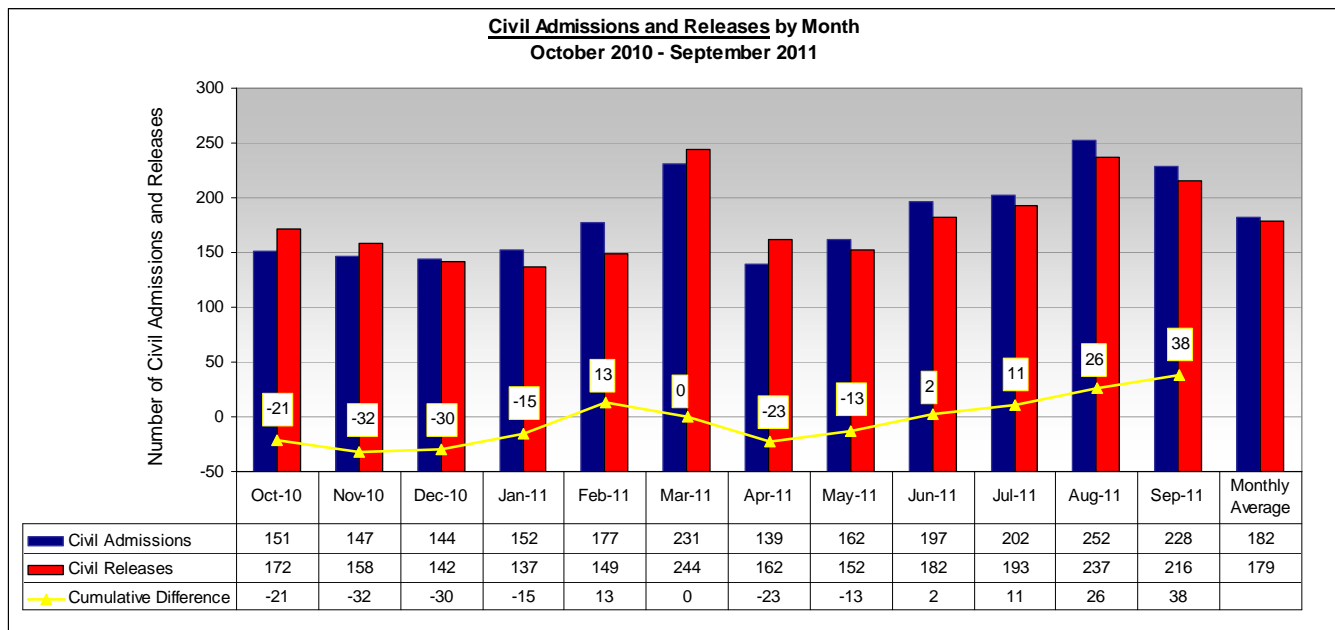
## 6.7 MA DOC Male Criminally Sentenced Releases to the Street by Supervision Status and Quarter



The actual number of male criminally sentenced releases to the street with “no supervision” has remained between 173 and 181 but the percentage of males being released with no supervision has fluctuated. In the fourth quarter 2010, 36 percent of releases had no supervision; this rate increased to 48 and 47 percent in the following two quarters before dropping to 40 percent in the third quarter 2011. Meanwhile, the percentage of releases to probation (only) increased steadily from 29 to 37 percent. Between the fourth quarter 2010 and the third quarter 2011, the percentage of releases to parole (only) fell from 20 to 15 percent while releases to parole and probation fell from 14 to 8 percent.

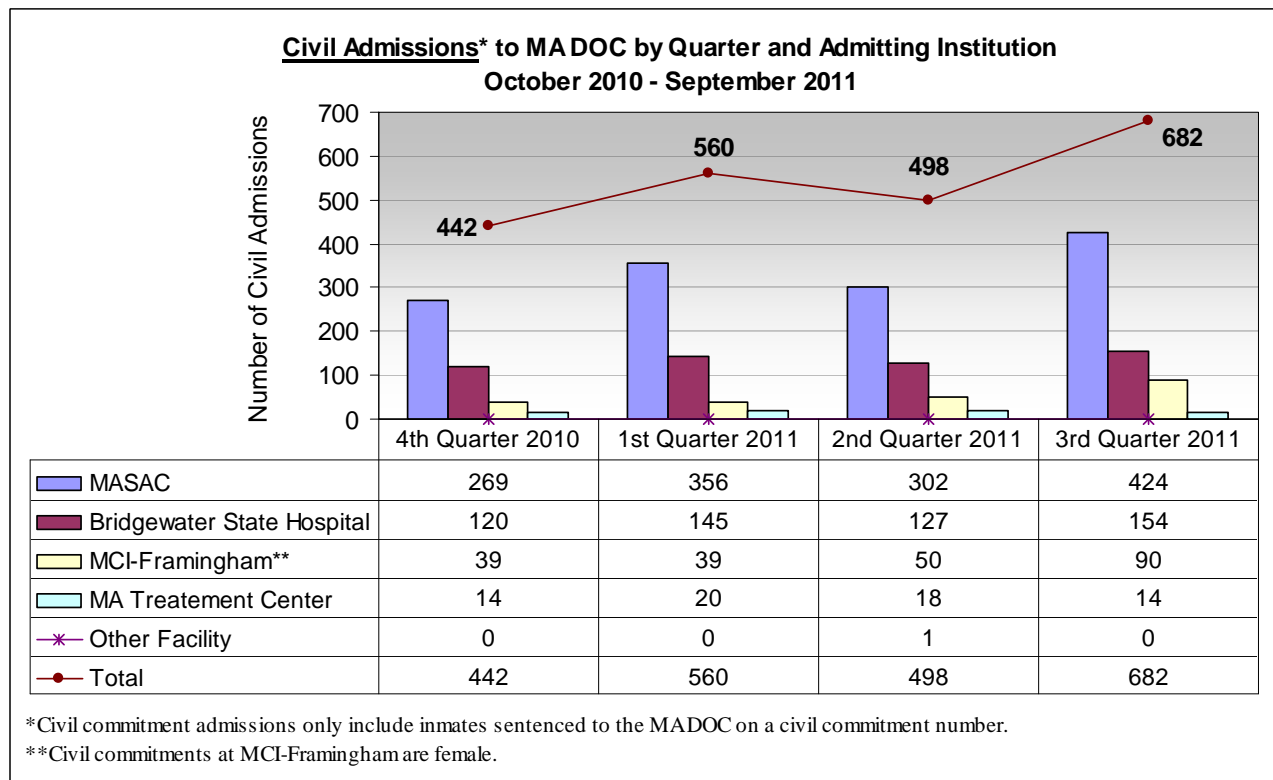
## Section 7. MA DOC Civil Commitment Admissions and Releases

### 7.1 MA DOC Civil Admissions and Releases by Month



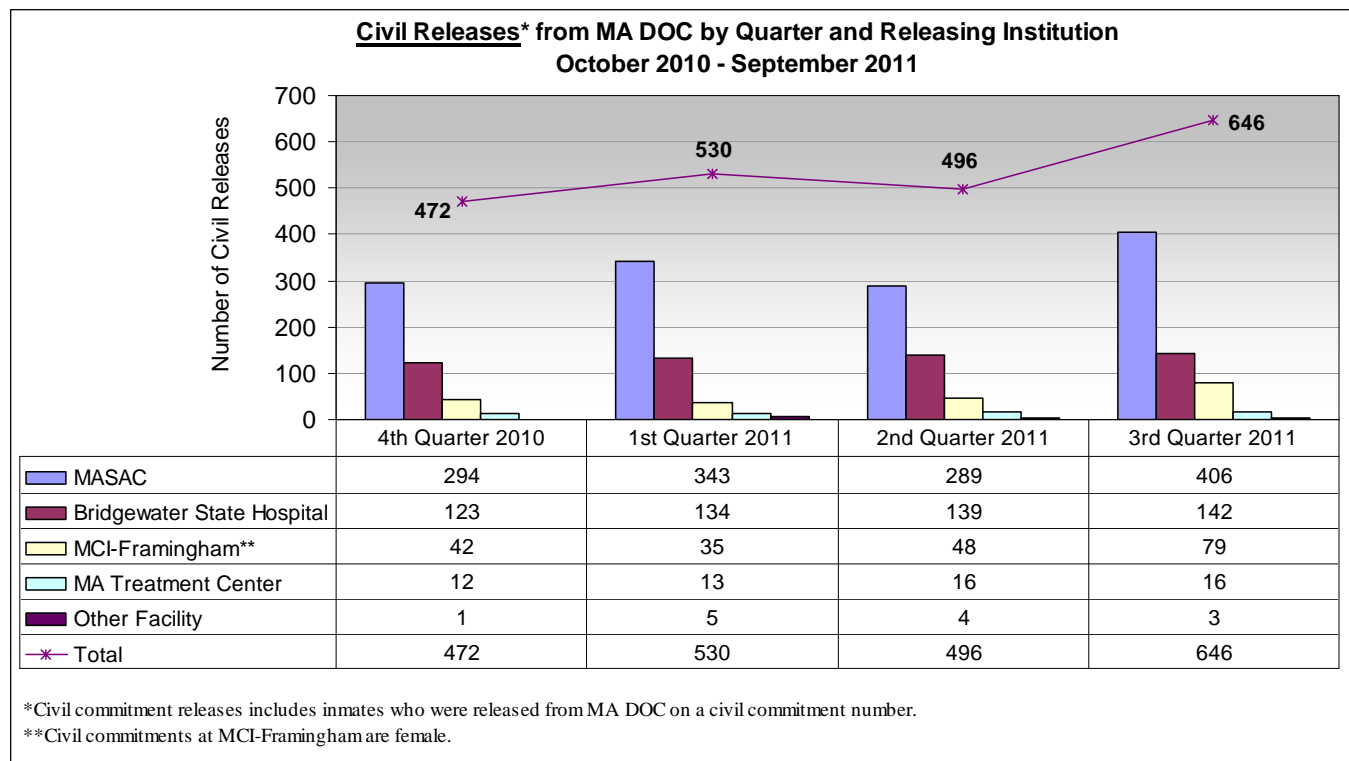
Monthly civil commitment admissions and releases were fairly similar over the trend period. Admissions slightly outpaced releases over the last five months (May-September) and resulted in a cumulative increase of 38 inmates over the trend period. Civil commitment admissions ranged from 139 to 252 per month over the trend period with an average of 182; releases averaged 179 per month and ranged from 137 to 244.

### 7.2 MA DOC Civil Admissions by Quarter and Admitting Institution



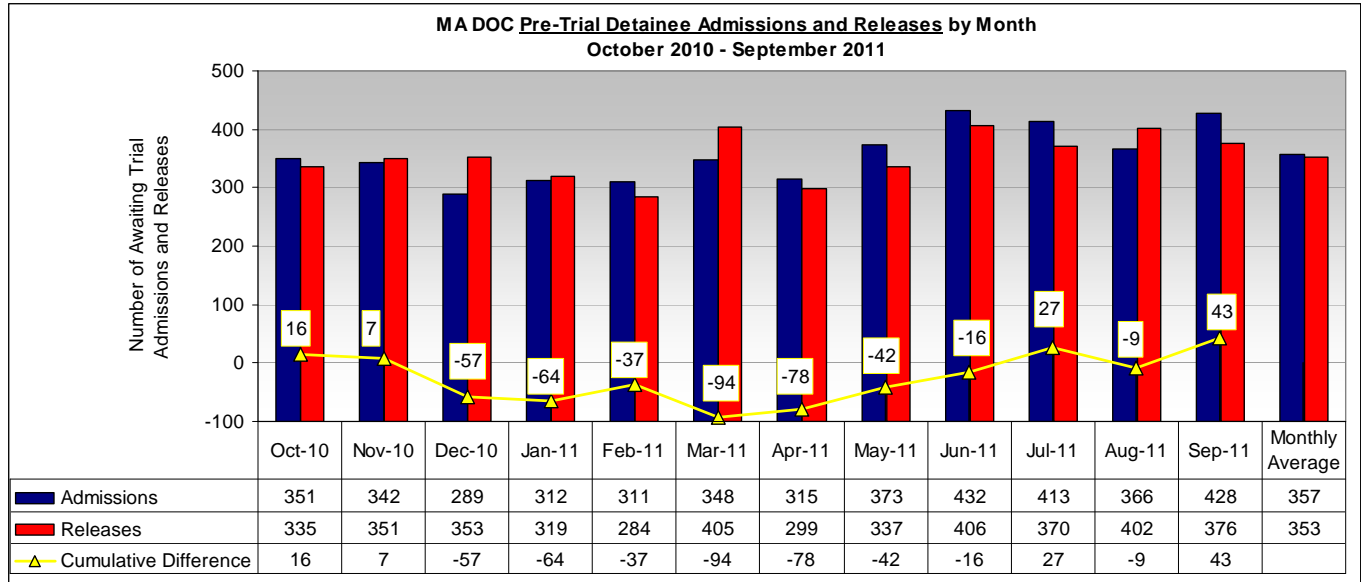
MASAC (Massachusetts Alcohol and Substance Abuse Center) and Bridgewater State Hospital processed about 87 percent of the civil commitment admissions (1,897 out of 2,182) and civil releases (1,870 out of 2,144); these facilities (as well as Massachusetts Treatment Center) exclusively house males. Accordingly, males accounted for 90 percent of civil admissions and releases while females accounted for just ten percent (at MCI-Framingham). The third quarter of 2011 had the highest count of civil admissions and releases of any quarter in the period. Notably higher are admissions to MASAC, Bridgewater State Hospital and MCI-Framingham. MCI-Framingham showed an 80 percent increase between the second and third quarters of 2011 rising from 50 to 90 civil commitments.

### 7.3 MA DOC Civil Releases by Quarter and Releasing Institution

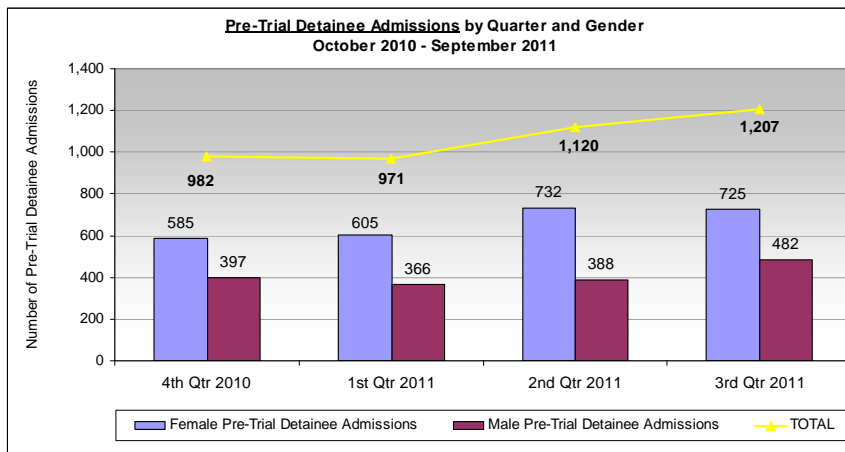


## Section 8. MA DOC Pre-trial Detainee Admissions and Releases

### 8.1 MA DOC Pre-trial Detainee Admissions and Releases



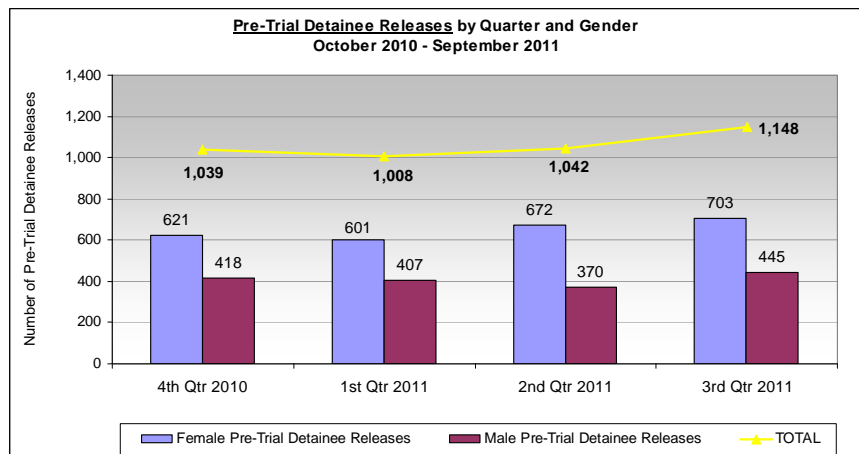
### 8.2 MA DOC Pre-trial Detainee Admissions by Quarter and Gender



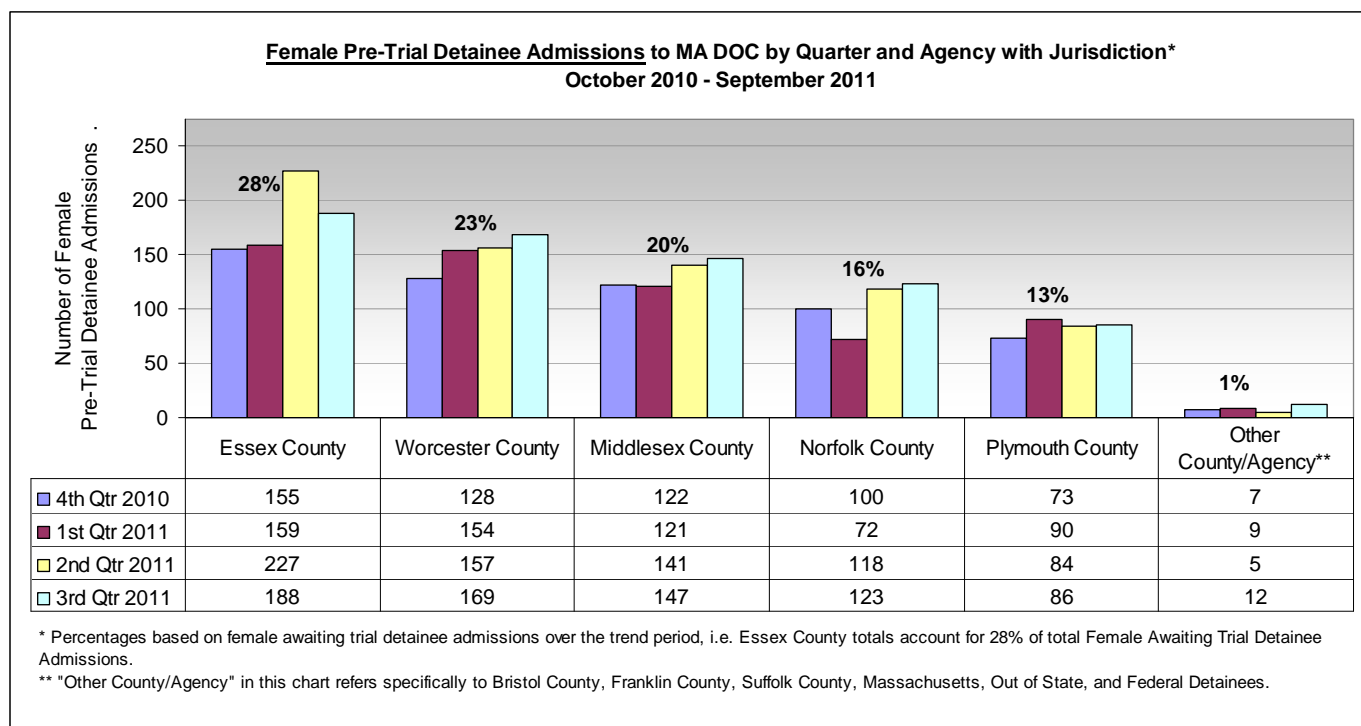
Pre-trial admissions outnumbered releases in seven of the twelve months, resulting in an increase of 43 detainees over the trend period. The second and third quarters of 2011 had very similar pre-trial detainee admissions; combined, they were approximately 19 percent higher than the previous two quarters. Both genders drove this trend with female admissions rising during the first quarter and male admissions increasing in the second quarter.

### 8.3 MA DOC Pre-trial Detainee Releases by Quarter and Gender

Pre-trial detainee releases were relatively similar between the fourth quarter 2010 and the second quarter 2011 (ranging 1,008 to 1,042) before rising in the third quarter 2011 to 1,148. Male detainee releases ranged from 370 to 445 over the period while females had a slightly larger range, 601 to 703. Releases and admissions were at a high for the trend period in the third quarter with releases slightly higher in three of the four quarters.



## 8.4 MA DOC Female Pre-trial Detainee Admissions



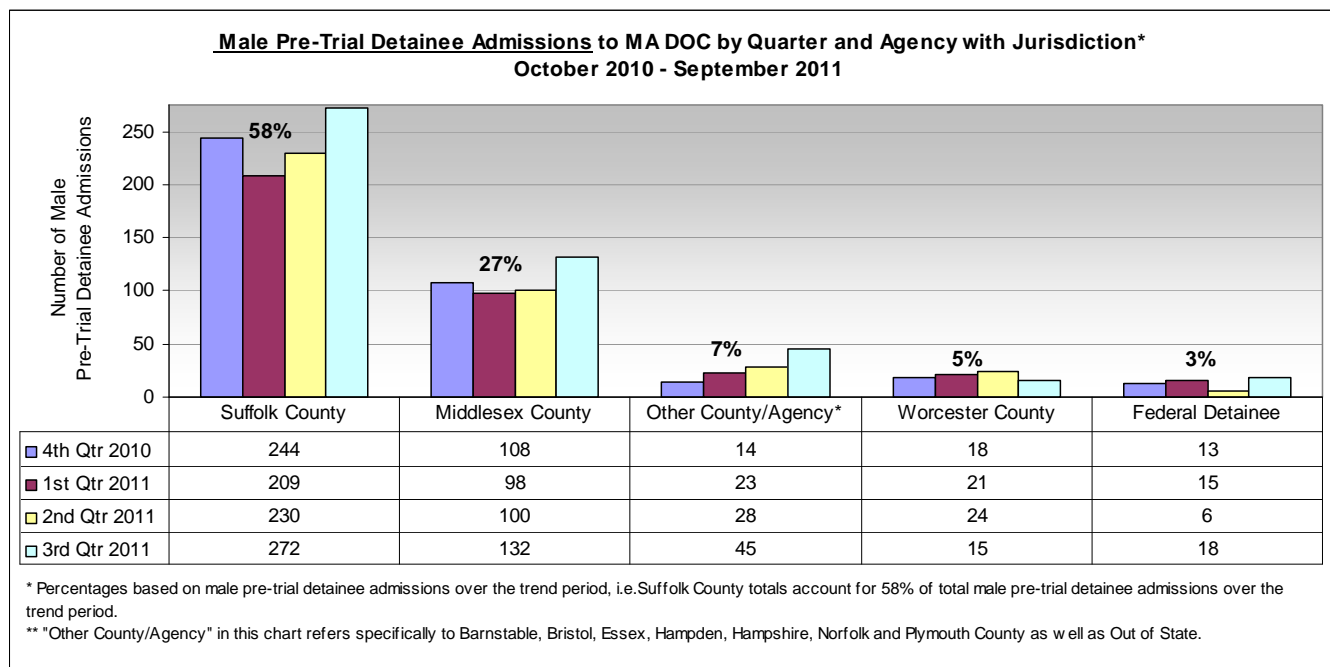
Female pre-trial detainee admissions were relatively high in the third quarter 2011 with Worcester, Middlesex and Norfolk counties all sending slightly higher numbers than previous quarters in the trend period. Essex County consistently contributed the greatest portion of female detainees; these admissions spiked at 227 in the second quarter 2011 but decreased to 188 in the most recent quarter.

## 8.5 MA DOC Female Pre-trial Detainee Admissions by Quarter and Jurisdiction

Female Pre-Trial Detainee Admissions by Quarter and Agency with Jurisdiction										
Agency with Jurisdiction	4th Qtr 2010		1st Qtr 2011		2nd Qtr 2011		3rd Qtr 2011		Trend Total	
	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
Essex County	155	26%	159	26%	227	31%	188	26%	729	28%
Worcester County	128	22%	154	25%	157	21%	169	23%	608	23%
Middlesex County	122	21%	121	20%	141	19%	147	20%	531	20%
Norfolk County	100	17%	72	12%	118	16%	123	17%	413	16%
Plymouth County	73	12%	90	15%	84	11%	86	12%	333	13%
Other County/Agency	7	1%	9	1%	5	1%	12	2%	33	1%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>585</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>605</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>732</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>725</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>2,647</b>	<b>100%</b>

\*"Other County/Agency" includes the U.S. Marshalls, Federal Detainees, Massachusetts, Out of State, Suffolk County, Bristol County and Franklin County.

## 8.6 MA DOC Male Pre-trial Detainee Admissions



Male pre-trial detainee admissions hit a high in the third quarter 2011, at least 21 percent higher than any other quarter in the period. The high count was driven by relatively high numbers from Suffolk, Middlesex and “Other County/Agency”.

## 8.7 MA DOC Male Pre-trial Detainee Admissions by Quarter and Jurisdiction

Male Pre-Trial Detainee Admissions by Quarter and Agency with Jurisdiction										
Agency with Jurisdiction	4th Qtr 2010		1st Qtr 2011		2nd Qtr 2011		3rd Qtr 2011		Trend Total	
	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
Suffolk County	244	61%	209	57%	230	59%	272	56%	955	58%
Middlesex County	108	27%	98	27%	100	26%	132	27%	438	27%
Other County/Agency	14	4%	23	6%	28	7%	45	9%	110	7%
Worcester County	18	5%	21	6%	24	6%	15	3%	78	5%
Federal Detainee	13	3%	15	4%	6	2%	18	4%	52	3%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>397</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>366</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>388</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>482</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>1,633</b>	<b>100%</b>

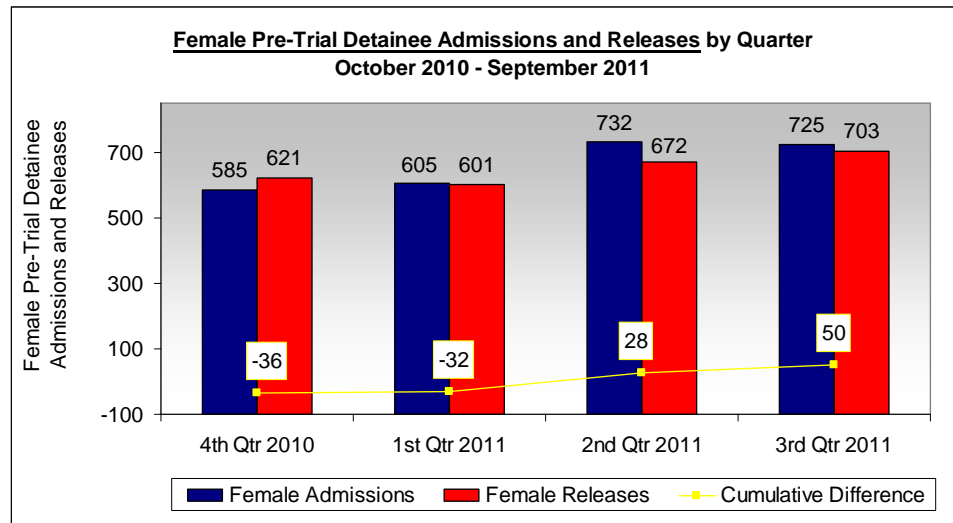
\*"Other County/Agency" includes Bristol County, Norfolk County, Plymouth County, Essex County, Hampden County, Barnstable County, Massachusetts and Out of State.

### 8.8 MA DOC Pre-trial Detainee Releases by Quarter and Gender

Pre-Trial Detainee Releases by Quarter & Gender	FEMALE						MALE					
Type of Release	4th Qtr 2010	1st Qtr 2011	2nd Qtr 2011	3rd Qtr 2011	Trend Total	% of Female Releases	4th Qtr 2010	1st Qtr 2011	2nd Qtr 2011	3rd Qtr 2011	Trend Total	% of Male Releases
Court Release	610	589	657	686	2,542	98%	309	294	266	307	1,176	72%
Transfer to Other Jurisdiction	11	12	15	16	54	2%	92	92	80	119	383	23%
Release from MA Parole Detainer	0	0	0	1	1	<1%	17	21	24	18	80	5%
Other	0	0	0	0	0	N/A	0	0	0	1	1	<1%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>621</b>	<b>601</b>	<b>672</b>	<b>703</b>	<b>2,597</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>418</b>	<b>407</b>	<b>370</b>	<b>445</b>	<b>1,640</b>	<b>100%</b>

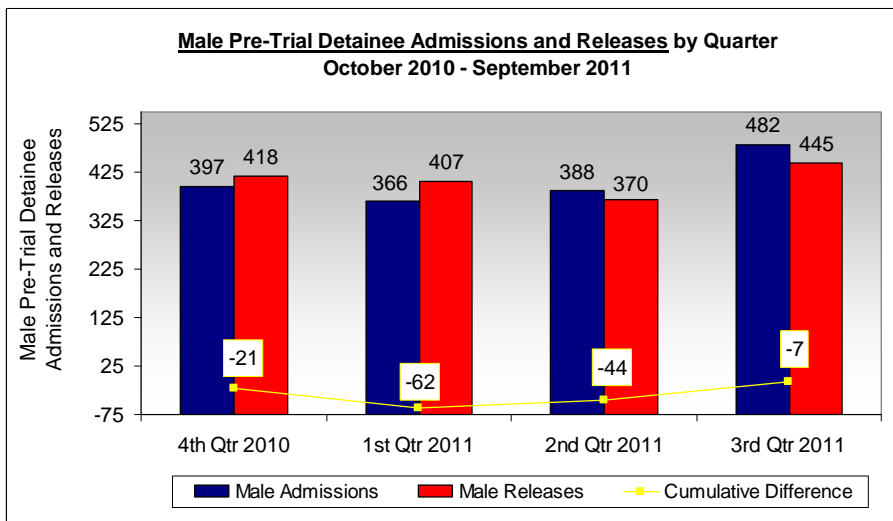
### 8.9 MA DOC Female Pre-trial Detainee Admissions and Releases by Quarter

The majority of pre-trial detainee releases from MA DOC was “Court Releases”, accounting for 98 percent of female and 72 percent of male releases. Twenty-three percent of male detainees were released by a “Transfer to Other Jurisdiction” compared to just two percent of female detainees. The remaining five percent of male detainee releases were a “Release from MA Parole Detainer”.



Female pre-trial detainee admissions outnumbered releases in three of the last four quarters, ultimately resulting in a cumulative increase of 50 detainees.

### 8.10 MA DOC Male Pre-trial Detainee Admissions and Releases by Quarter



Male pre-trial detainee releases outnumbered admissions for the first two quarters of the trend period but in the most recent two quarters, that trend reversed. The cumulative difference is seven detainees over the trend period.



## **Appendix**

### ***Notes and Definitions***

**Note:** Admission and Release data for the most recent quarter was gathered in October of 2011. Data from previous quarters is not updated in this report and may have changed slightly due to the continuous updating of data and information in the Inmate Management System.

<b>Admissions</b>	Inmates committed to the Department of Correction, bearing a committing institution's identification number, who arrive at a facility as a result of a court order, a transfer from another facility, the execution of a parole violation warrant or the execution of an escape warrant.
<b>Civil Commitment or "Civil"</b>	The involuntary commitment of an individual via legal means to incarcerate an individual against their will.
<b>Court Release</b>	<p>Inmates released from the Massachusetts Department of Correction via court release including the following:</p> <p>Habeas to Court – Sentenced Habeas to Court – Did not Return Habeas to Court – Returned with new case number Court Release – Sentence revoked/stayed/vacated Bailed-Released on personal recognizance Bailed/Released on personal recognizance to a warrant.</p>
<b>Criminally Sentenced or "Sentenced"</b>	An individual who has been found guilty of a criminal offense through legal means, and is required to be incarcerated.
<b>Custody Population</b>	An individual is considered to be in Massachusetts DOC custody when they are being held in a Massachusetts DOC facility.
<b>Escape</b>	The act by which an inmate, lawfully sentenced or admitted to the custody of the Department of Correction, leaves the confines of a correctional institution, the custody of escorting officers, or fails to return from an authorized release to the community at the designated time.
<b>Expiration of Sentence (Release)</b>	<p>An inmate is discharged from his sentence at the expiration of his term, less any statutory or earned good time. Statutory good time was eliminated for all offenses committed after June 30, 1994, due to the enactment of the "Truth in Sentencing" law. Expiration of Sentence releases include:</p> <p>Expiration to Street Expiration to Out of State Sentence Expiration to Federal Authority Expiration to Immigration Expiration to From and After House of Correction Sentence Expiration to Warrant Expiration to From and After/Concurrent at Department of Correction Expiration to Civil Commitment.</p>

<b>HOC</b>	Acronym standing for a House of Correction, i.e. county jail or correctional facility.
<b>Jurisdiction Population</b>	An individual is considered to be under Massachusetts DOC jurisdiction when the Commonwealth has legal authority over the individual regardless of where the inmate is being held to include those incarcerated in Massachusetts DOC facilities as well as those housed in correctional facilities outside of the Massachusetts DOC (Massachusetts Houses of Correction, other state's correctional facilities and the Federal Bureau of Prisons).
<b>MA DOC</b>	Acronym standing for 'Massachusetts Department of Correction', i.e. state prison.
<b>New Court Commitment</b>	Individuals committed by the courts to the Massachusetts Department of Correction as a result of a criminal offense. All new court commitments and those individuals who began serving new sentences (e.g., From and After Sentences) during the year are included in this category even if there was no physical release from custody when they moved from one sentence to another. Each court commitment for that individual is counted separately.
<b>Non DOC Releases to Other Jurisdiction ("Transfer to Other Jurisdiction")</b>	Transfers a Non DOC inmate (from a county, federal, or another state's jurisdiction) out of DOC custody back to the agency that has authority over them.
<b>Other Admission</b>	Inmates who return as a re-admission from a court release or as a return from escape.
<b>Other Release</b>	Deaths and escapes.
<b>Parole to Street/Release from Parole Detainer</b>	Includes both inmates released from the Massachusetts DOC to Parole supervision and a small number of those released from a temporary parole detainer which are grouped for reporting purposes.
<b>Parole (Releases)</b>	<p>Inmates released on parole are under the supervision of parole while in the community and may be re-incarcerated for violating the terms of their supervision. Unless otherwise specified, parole releases may include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Parole to Street</li> <li>Parole to Out of State Sentence</li> <li>Parole to Federal Authority</li> <li>Parole to Immigration</li> <li>Parole to From &amp; After HOC Sentence</li> <li>Parole to Warrant</li> <li>Parole to From &amp; After DOC Sentence</li> <li>Parole to Civil Commitment</li> </ul> <p>Release from a MA Parole Detainer (For awaiting trial detainees, this category is the only possible Parole release and is its own release category).</p>
<b>Pre-Trial Detainee</b>	An individual who is detained prior to trial, but not yet convicted

of a crime to include male and female county detainees, male county detainees transferred to state facilities under Massachusetts General Law Chapter 276, section 52A, and federal detainees (both male and female).

**Probation**

Probation is a court-ordered sanction placed on a person convicted of a crime. The offender is allowed to remain in the community under the supervision of a probation officer.

**Probation Violation (Admission)**

A Probation Violation admission designates that an inmate has been returned to resume serving a previously imposed sentence (return on a split sentence) following a revocation of their terms of probation. Split sentences to the state prison were eliminated for offenses committed after June 30, 1994, due to the enactments of the "Truth in Sentencing Law".

**Release to Street**

A release to street occurs when an inmate is released from the custody of the Massachusetts DOC by way of parole or discharge to the street. Conditions warranting a release to street include: Parole, Good Conduct Discharge (GCD), and Expiration of Sentence.

**Releases**

A release occurs when an inmate is released from the custody of the Massachusetts DOC by way of expiration of sentence, parole, a non-DOC release to other jurisdiction, a court release or other legal release from the custody of MA DOC.

**Technical Violation**

A violation of parole conditions that does not necessarily constitute grounds for revoking parole or being arrested for a new offense.