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Current Parole Admission and Release Trends at the Massachusetts Department of Correction

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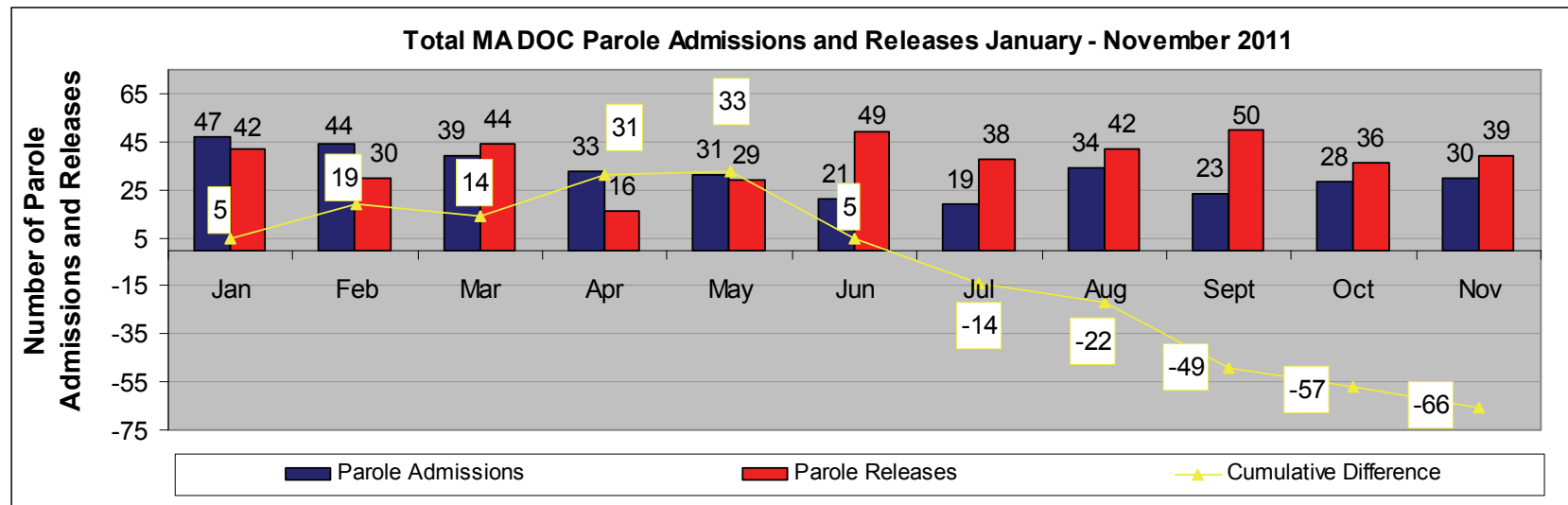
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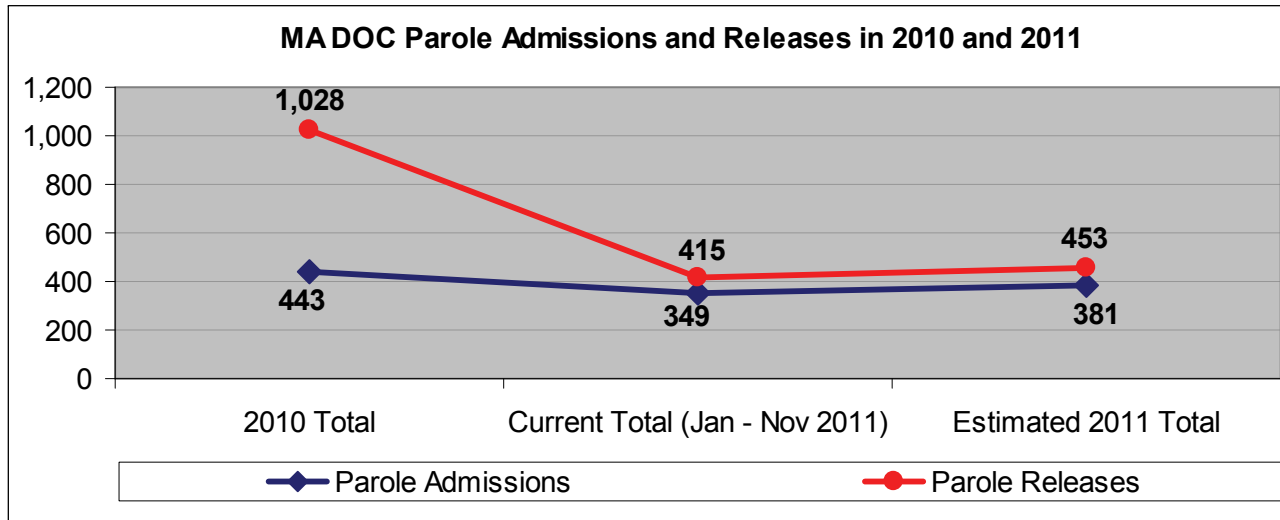
Overview of Parole Admissions and Releases January through November 2011¹

- Parole releases have outnumbered parole admissions over the last six months (June - November) and resulted in a cumulative difference of 66 inmates over the trend period
- Monthly parole admissions declined slowly between January and July from 47 to 19 admissions before fluctuating over the past four months (Aug. - Nov.)
- Over the same period, monthly parole releases fluctuated between 16 and 50 releases and outnumbered parole admissions in seven of the eleven months



¹ This report refers exclusively to criminally sentenced inmates. Parole Admissions include “In on a MA Parole Detainer” and “Parole Violator” admissions. Parole Releases include “Parole to Street” and “Release from a MA Parole Detainer”. (So far in 2011, there have only been nine Releases from a MA Parole Detainer.) Since this report focuses on parole releases to the street, parole releases to other jurisdictions, immigration, warrant, or “From & After” sentences are excluded (n=43 from Jan. - Nov. 2011). Data for this report is from the Inmate Management System for the Massachusetts Department of Correction (MA DOC) and current as of December 5, 2011. References for 2010 data are derived from the MA DOC Research & Planning Division’s report entitled “Prison Population Trends 2010” (August 2011).

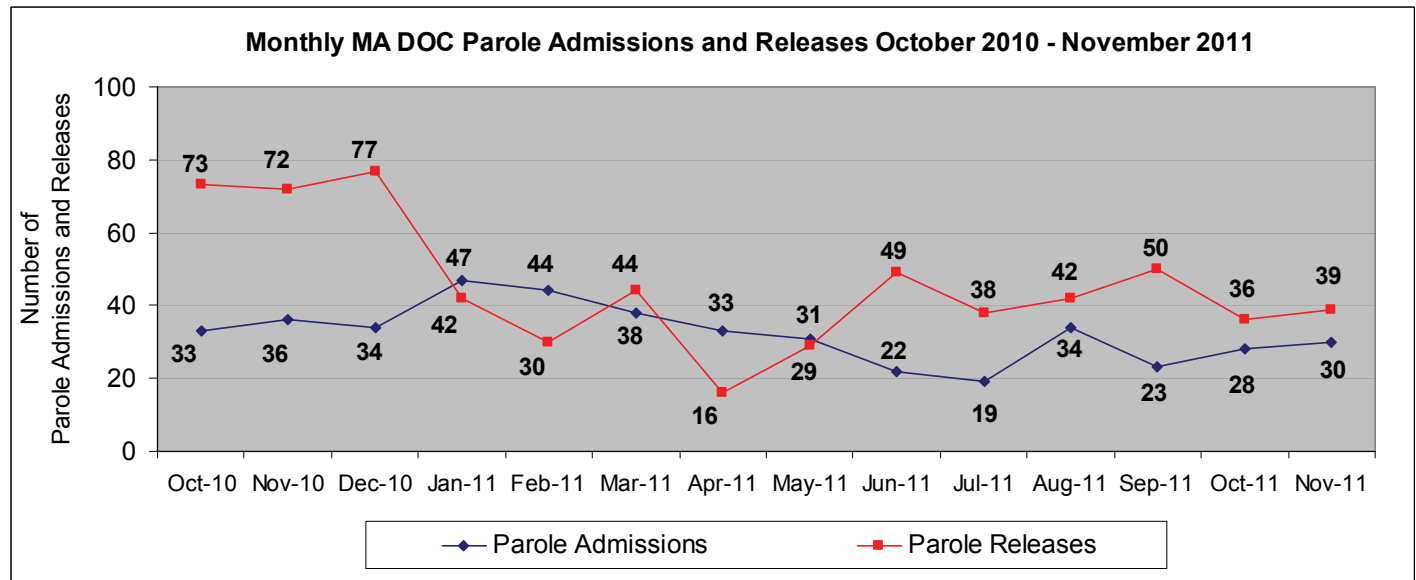
Parole Admission and Release Trends²



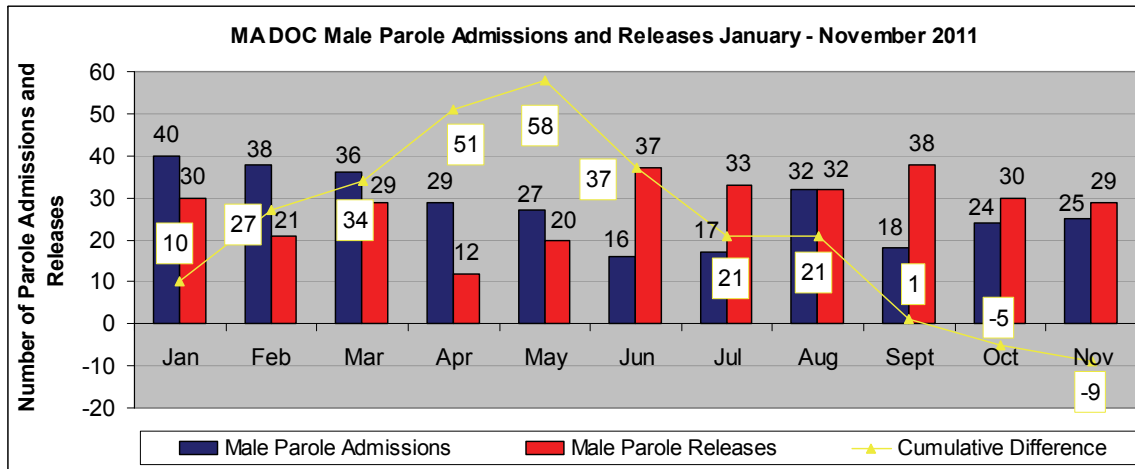
- In 2010, parole releases outnumbered admissions 1,028 to 443, resulting in a difference of 585 inmates over the calendar year
- Currently in 2011, parole releases outnumber parole admissions by 66 inmates
- If parole admissions and releases continue on the year-to-date's pace, 2011 parole releases will outnumber parole admissions 453 to 381, a difference of 72 inmates over the calendar year

At the current pace, 2011 parole admissions are about 14 percent less than those in 2010 while 2011 parole releases remain approximately 56 percent less than 2010 parole releases.

- Parole admissions in 2011 (Jan. - Nov.) total 349 with a monthly average of 31.7 compared to 36.9 monthly admissions in 2010
- Parole releases in 2011 (Jan. - Nov.) total 415 with a monthly average of 37.7 compared to 85.7 monthly releases in 2010



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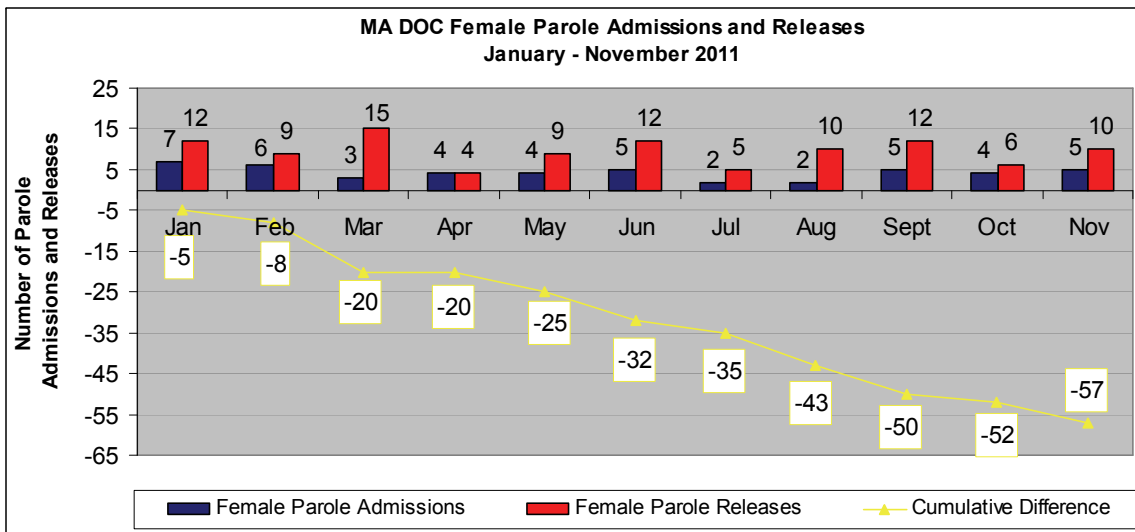


Male Parole Admissions and Releases

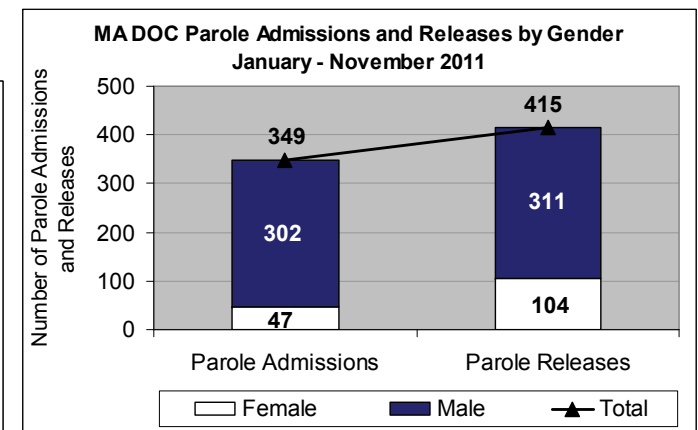
- Over the trend period, males totaled 302 parole admissions and 311 parole releases with monthly averages of 27.5 admissions and 28.3 releases
- In the last six months (Jun. - Nov.), male parole releases have outpaced admissions in every month except August (when parole admissions and releases were equal at 32)
- For males, the cumulative increase reached 58 in May before the trend reversed and ultimately resulted in a *cumulative difference of nine inmates* over the trend period

Female Parole Admissions and Releases

- Female parole releases outnumbered parole admissions over the trend period and resulted in a *cumulative difference of 57 inmates*
- Females averaged 4.3 parole admissions and 9.5 releases per month



Parole Admissions and Releases by Gender



- Parole admissions over the trend period were 87 percent male and 13 percent female
- Parole releases, however, were 75 percent male and 25 percent female

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