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From the Director:

The Nebraska Center for Justice Research was established in 2014 with a mission to develop and sustain research capacity internal to the State of Nebraska, assist the Legislature in research, evaluation, and policymaking to reduce recidivism, promote the use of evidence-based practices in corrections, and improve public safety. The primary purpose of this report is to provide an overview of recent trends in Nebraska’s adult criminal justice system.

Most of the data in this report is presented statewide as well as separated into Nebraska’s twelve judicial districts. Nebraska’s two most metropolitan counties are represented by District 4 (Douglas County) and District 3 (Lancaster County). The classification of the remainder of the state’s 93 counties can be found in the table on page 4. Please contact NCJR for any questions regarding county-level estimates of the data included in this report.

The data in this report represent years ranging from 2011 to 2017. The most recent data available to NCJR at the time of report writing is included in each section and trends across years are included when the data is available and informative.

The report is organized according to the stages of the process of the criminal justice system:

- Environmental context provides an overview of the population and demographic trends in Nebraska
- System context provides an overview of law enforcement employment
- Offenses provides an overview of crimes reported or known to the police and includes information on the percent of crimes cleared by arrest
- Arrests provides an overview of violent and property crime arrests by districts and compares arrests in Nebraska to other states and the national average
- County court provides an overview of the distribution of the county court caseload by district
- District court provides an overview of the distribution of the district court caseload
- Corrections provides data on admissions and correctional populations by factors such as gender, age, race, and correctional institution, as well as population trends and projections provided by NDCS
- Adults on Community Supervision includes trends in hearing, admissions, discharges, and revocations for both Parole and Probation
- Problem-Solving Courts provides a map of current problem-solving courts, as well as trends describing court participants

Our hope is that this report serves as a reference guide for providing a clearer understanding of recent trends in crime and criminal justice activities in the state of Nebraska. This report was made possible by the financial support provided to the Nebraska Center for Justice Research by LB 907. Questions, suggestions, and comments should be directed to Dr. Ryan Spohn, Director, at rspohn@unomaha.edu.

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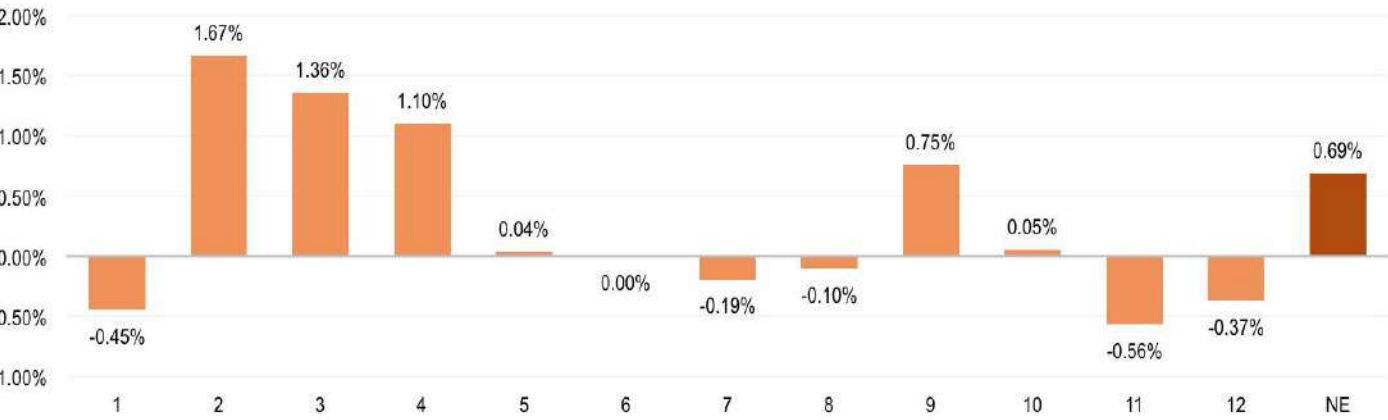


Environmental Context

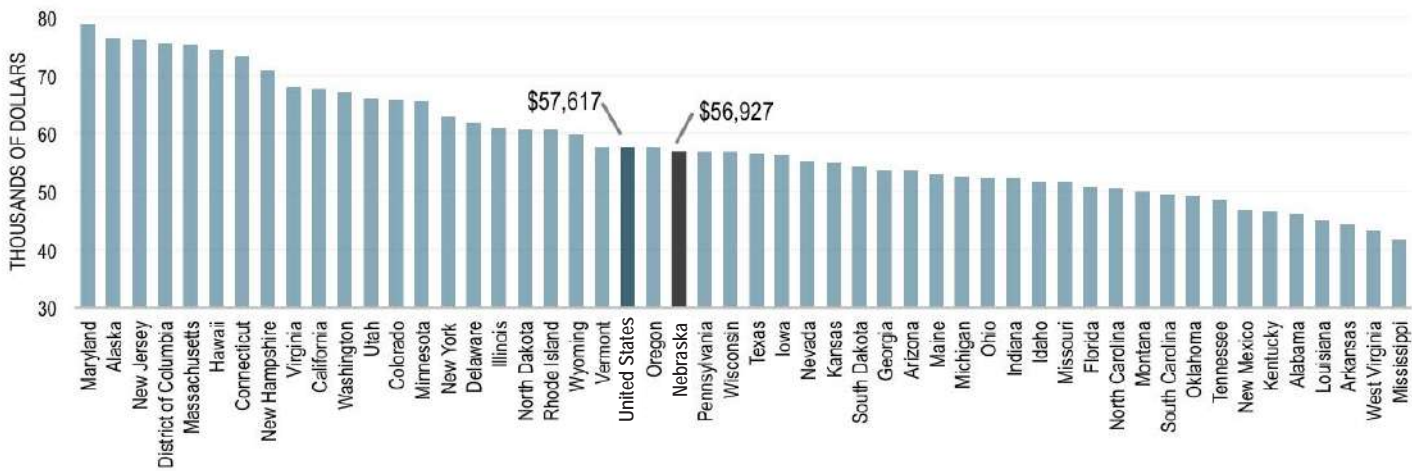
Census Estimates for 2011-2015

| Judicial District | Counties | Pop. Est. | % Non-White | % HS Grad or Higher | Median Household Income | % in Poverty | % Civilian Labor Force Unemployed |
|-------------------|---|-------------|-------------|---------------------|-------------------------|--------------|-----------------------------------|
| 1 | Clay, Fillmore, Gage, Jefferson, Johnson, Nemaha, Nuckolls, Pawnee, Richardson, Saline, Thayer | 88,525 | 9.8 | 89.2 | \$46,706 | 12.0 | 3.8 |
| 2 | Cass, Otoe, Sarpy | 210,394 | 15.4 | 94.7 | \$62,146 | 7.8 | 4.3 |
| 3 | Lancaster | 298,080 | 16.9 | 93.5 | \$51,830 | 14.7 | 5.1 |
| 4 | Douglas | 537,655 | 29.0 | 89.6 | \$54,659 | 14.6 | 5.7 |
| 5 | Boone, Butler, Colfax, Hamilton, Merrick, Nance, Platt, Polk, Saunders, Seward, York | 134,315 | 11.4 | 93.3 | \$53,770 | 9.9 | 3.5 |
| 6 | Burt, Cedar, Dakota, Dixon, Dodge, Thurston, Washington | 105,914 | 20.5 | 90.7 | \$50,913 | 14.3 | 5.5 |
| 7 | Antelope, Cuming, Knox, Madison, Pierce, Stanton, Wayne | 81,921 | 12.7 | 90.9 | \$51,057 | 12.0 | 2.8 |
| 8 | Blaine, Boyd, Brown, Cherry, Custer, Garfield, Greeley, Holt, Howard, Keya Paha, Loup, Rock, Sherman, Valley, Wheeler | 54,262 | 4.7 | 98.1 | \$45,540 | 12.3 | 1.9 |
| 9 | Buffalo, Hall | 108,750 | 22.2 | 93.5 | \$51,438 | 14.2 | 4.8 |
| 10 | Adams, Franklin, Harlan, Kearney, Phelps, Webster | 57,467 | 9.6 | 90.7 | \$47,650 | 10.9 | 3.5 |
| 11 | Arthur, Chase, Dawson, Dundy, Frontier, Furnas, Gosper, Hayes, Hitchcock, Hooker, Keith, Lincoln, Logan, McPherson, Perkins, Red Willow, Thomas | 104,380 | 15.5 | 96.6 | \$46,348 | 11.4 | 2.9 |
| 12 | Banner, Box Butte, Cheyenne, Dawes, Deuel, Garden, Grant, Kimball, Morrill, Scotts Bluff, Sheridan, Sioux | 87,702 | 18.7 | 94.6 | \$46,028 | 13.5 | 3.5 |
| State of Nebraska | | 1,869,365 | 19.2 | 90.7 | \$52,997 | 12.7 | 4.7 |
| United States | | 316,545,021 | 37.7 | 86.7 | \$53,889 | 15.5 | 8.3 |

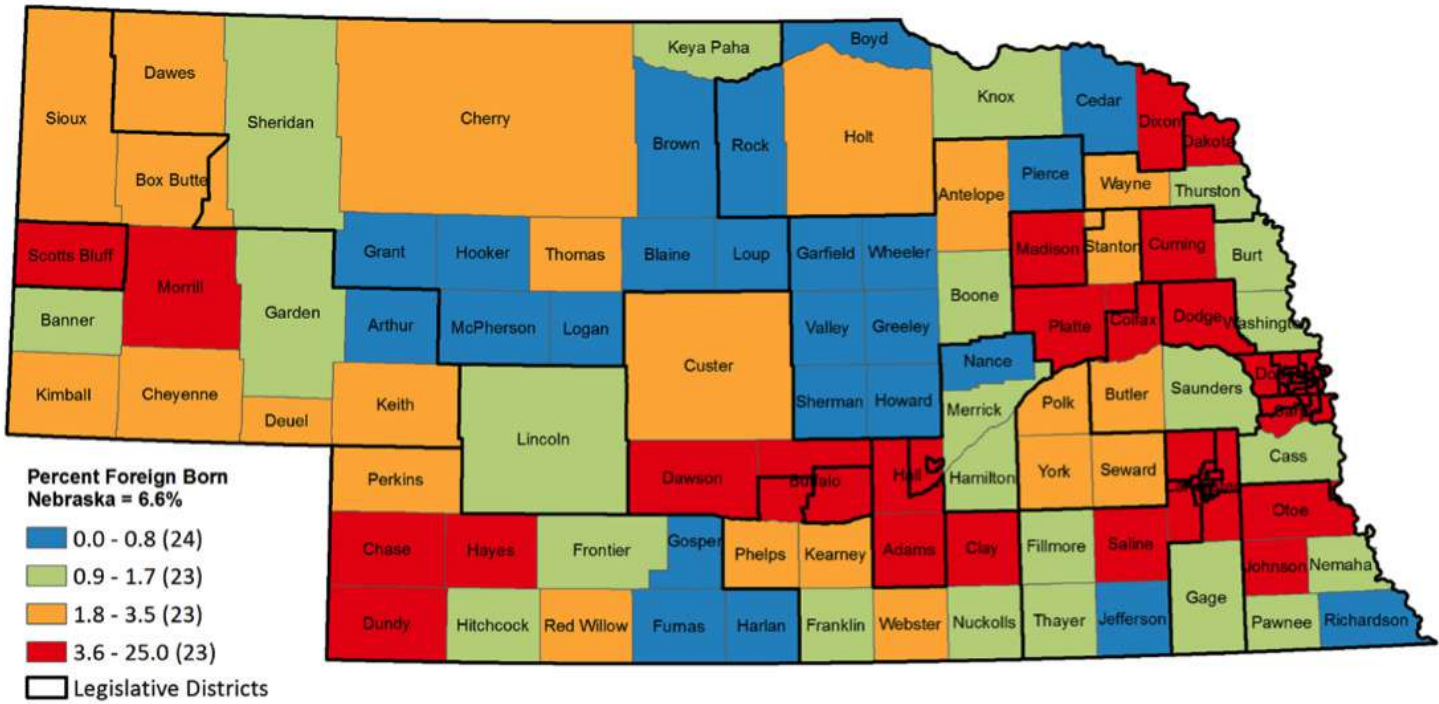
Average Percent Change in Judicial District Population Compared to Overall Change (2012-2016)



Median Income in Nebraska versus Other States (2016)



Foreign Born Population as a Percentage of Total Population for Nebraska Counties: 2011-2015



Notable Findings:

- 1. Nebraska's unemployment rate remains low relative to the United States unemployment rate, this trend has continued into 2016 (Nebraska's unemployment rate rose to 3.7%, while the United States' decreased to 5.8%)
- 2. Districts 2, 3, 4, and 9 experienced a growth in population while the remainder of the districts either lost population or remained flat
- 3. Nebraska ranks 29th in terms of median income (\$56,927) compared to other states, which is just slightly lower than the U.S. median income (\$57,617)
- 4. Compared to the national average, Nebraska has a smaller percentage of non-white residents

Notes:

- 1. Estimates of county and district populations drawn from U.S. Census Bureau, 2011-2015 American Community Survey
- 2. Foreign born population map prepared by Center for Public Affairs Research, University of Nebraska at Omaha
- 3. Percent unemployed calculated by dividing the number of civilians in the labor force by the number of individuals unemployed

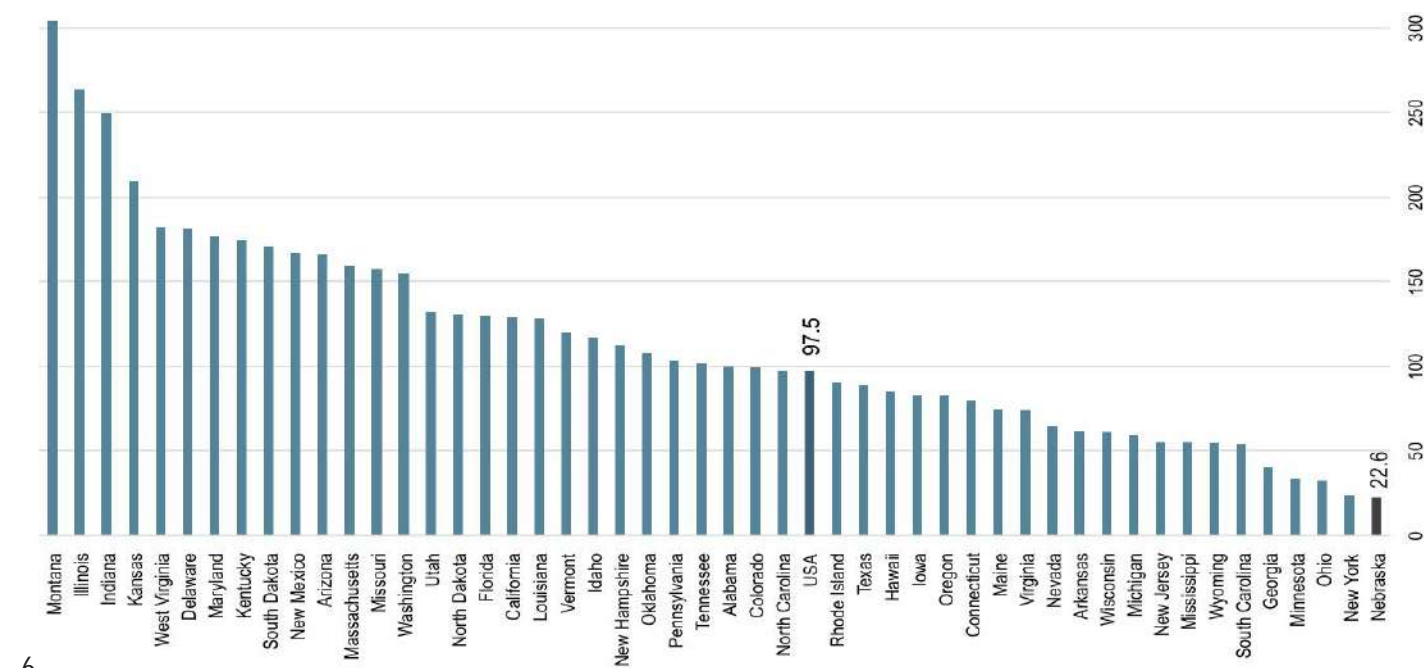
System Context

Number of Law Enforcement Officers Assaulted in the Line of Duty

| | Total | Firearm | Knife | Other Weapon | Personal Weapon | Number of Reporting Agencies | Rate of Officer Victimization per 1,000 Officers |
|--------------------|-------|---------|-------|--------------|-----------------|------------------------------|--|
| MIDWEST | 7,277 | 375 | 112 | 1,012 | 5,778 | 2,930 | 88.9 |
| East North Central | 3,187 | 144 | 45 | 503 | 2,495 | 1,367 | 69.6 |
| Illinois* | 76 | 0 | 5 | 11 | 60 | 1 | 263.9 |
| Indiana | 926 | 19 | 9 | 103 | 795 | 137 | 249.3 |
| Michigan | 1,012 | 74 | 24 | 202 | 712 | 599 | 59.7 |
| Ohio | 406 | 23 | 4 | 43 | 336 | 240 | 32.6 |
| Wisconsin | 767 | 28 | 3 | 144 | 592 | 390 | 61.5 |
| West North Central | 4,090 | 231 | 67 | 509 | 3,283 | 1,563 | 113.6 |
| Iowa | 389 | 13 | 8 | 58 | 310 | 237 | 83 |
| Kansas | 584 | 11 | 9 | 52 | 512 | 82 | 209.7 |
| Minnesota | 319 | 14 | 5 | 54 | 246 | 371 | 33.9 |
| Missouri | 2,285 | 182 | 34 | 293 | 1,776 | 522 | 157.4 |
| Nebraska | 32 | 3 | 0 | 3 | 26 | 140 | 22.6 |
| North Dakota | 221 | 4 | 2 | 20 | 195 | 108 | 130.9 |
| South Dakota | 260 | 4 | 9 | 29 | 218 | 103 | 170.9 |

* Numbers reflective of the Rockwood Police Department

Rate of Police Officers Assaulted per 1,000 Officers by State (2016)



| Judicial District | Full-Time Sworn Male Officers (2015) | Full-Time Sworn Female Officers (2015) | Full-Time Sworn Officers (2015) | Officers per 1000 Population (2016) |
|-----------------------|--------------------------------------|--|---------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| 1 | 140 | 13 | 153 | 1.75 |
| 2 | 336 | 56 | 392 | 1.80 |
| 3 | 396 | 62 | 458 | 1.48 |
| 4 | 890 | 168 | 1058 | 1.91 |
| 5 | 200 | 10 | 210 | 1.56 |
| 6 | 173 | 12 | 185 | 1.75 |
| 7 | 146 | 8 | 154 | 1.89 |
| 8 | 71 | 6 | 77 | 1.43 |
| 9 | 195 | 17 | 212 | 1.91 |
| 10 | 83 | 8 | 91 | 1.58 |
| 11 | 191 | 14 | 205 | 1.98 |
| 12 | 169 | 16 | 185 | 2.13 |
| Nebraska State Patrol | 431 | 31 | 462 | -- |
| State of Nebraska | 3421 | 421 | 3842 | 2.01 |

| Judicial District | Male Officers (2016) | Female Officers (2016) | Number of Sworn Officers (2016) | % Total Officers Male (2016) | %Total Officers Female (2016) | Difference in Male Officers (2014-2016) | Difference in Female Officers (2014-2016) |
|-----------------------|----------------------|------------------------|---------------------------------|------------------------------|-------------------------------|---|---|
| 1 | 140 | 13 | 153 | 91.5 | 8.5 | +4 | +2 |
| 2 | 336 | 56 | 392 | 85.7 | 14.3 | N/A | N/A |
| 3 | 396 | 62 | 458 | 86.5 | 13.5 | +11 | -1 |
| 4 | 890 | 168 | 1058 | 84.1 | 15.9 | +29 | -3 |
| 5 | 200 | 10 | 210 | 95.2 | 4.8 | N/A | N/A |
| 6 | 173 | 12 | 185 | 93.5 | 6.5 | N/A | N/A |
| 7 | 146 | 8 | 154 | 94.8 | 5.2 | +2 | +4 |
| 8 | 71 | 6 | 77 | 92.2 | 7.8 | -2 | -1 |
| 9 | 195 | 17 | 212 | 92.0 | 8.0 | N/A | -1 |
| 10 | 83 | 8 | 91 | 91.2 | 8.8 | -4 | +1 |
| 11 | 191 | 14 | 205 | 93.2 | 6.8 | N/A | N/A |
| 12 | 169 | 16 | 185 | 91.5 | 8.6 | +4 | +1 |
| Total | 2990 | 390 | 3380 | 88.5 | 11.5 | +44 | +2 |
| Nebraska State Patrol | 431 | 31 | 462 | 93.3 | 6.7 | -3 | +2 |
| State of Nebraska | 3421 | 421 | 3842 | 89.0 | 11.0 | +85 | +6 |

Notable Findings:

1. Nebraska had the lowest rate of officers assaulted on duty per 1,000 residents across the U.S
2. In 2016, District 12 had the highest rate of officers per 1,000 residents and District 8 had the lowest rate of officers per 1,000 residents
3. From 2012 to 2015, Districts 1 and 7 experienced the greatest increases in the number of officers per 1,000 residents
4. District 4 had the highest number of female officers in the state of Nebraska
5. 85 male and 6 female officers were added to the police force from 2014 to 2016 in the state of Nebraska

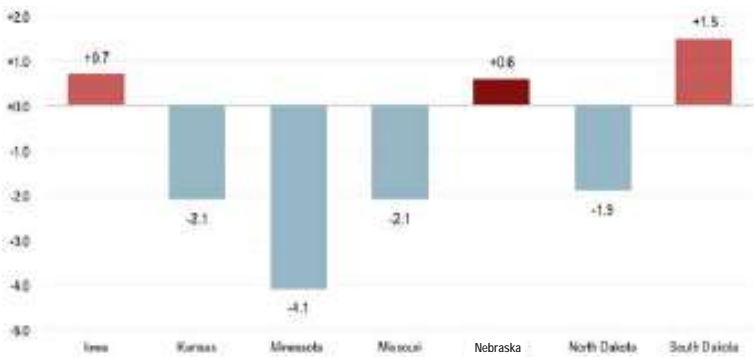
Notes:

1. Judicial districts 2, 5, 6, and 11 have reproduced 2014 law enforcement values for 2016 because some police departments such as Papillion PD were missing recent values
2. Law enforcement numbers drawn from the Nebraska Commission on Law Enforcement and Criminal Justice — Law Enforcement Employment in Nebraska Series
3. Rates calculated using population estimates drawn from the Annual Estimates of the Residents Population (2012 & 2016), United States Bureau of the Census

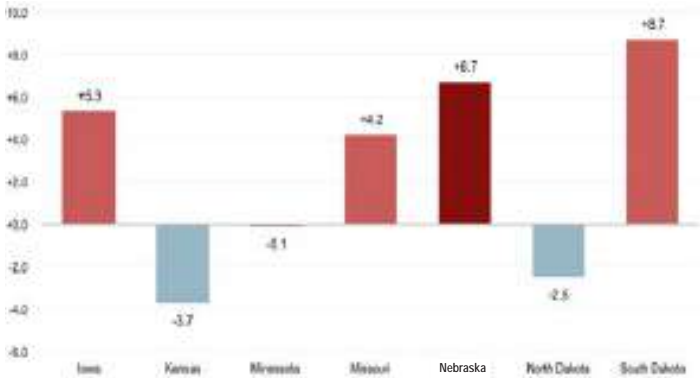
Offenses

| Judicial District | 2012 | | | | 2016 | | | | % Change Offense 2012-2016 | |
|-------------------|------------------|-----------------------|-------------------|------------------------|------------------|-----------------------|-------------------|------------------------|----------------------------|-------------------|
| | Violent Offenses | Violent Rate per 1000 | Property Offenses | Property Rate per 1000 | Violent Offenses | Violent Rate per 1000 | Property Offenses | Property Rate per 1000 | Violent Offenses | Property Offenses |
| 1 | 76 | .9 | 1168 | 18.2 | 149 | 1.7 | 1058 | 12.1 | 96.1 | -9.4 |
| 2 | 123 | .6 | 3366 | 19.2 | 209 | .9 | 3105 | 14.1 | 69.9 | -7.8 |
| 3 | 1082 | 3.7 | 10827 | 39.0 | 1042 | 3.4 | 9200 | 29.7 | -3.7 | -15.0 |
| 4 | 2596 | 4.9 | 20798 | 40.2 | 2711 | 4.9 | 17871 | 32.2 | 4.4 | -14.1 |
| 5 | 59 | .4 | 1607 | 12.6 | 102 | .8 | 1255 | 9.3 | 72.9 | -21.9 |
| 6 | 82 | .8 | 1558 | 16.1 | 160 | 1.5 | 1568 | 14.8 | 95.1 | 0.6 |
| 7 | 43 | .5 | 1091 | 13.3 | 53 | .7 | 673 | 8.3 | 23.3 | -38.3 |
| 8 | 28 | .5 | 270 | 5.3 | 42 | .8 | 285 | 5.3 | 50.0 | 5.6 |
| 9 | 220 | 2.0 | 3664 | 34.3 | 294 | 2.6 | 2666 | 24.0 | 33.6 | -27.2 |
| 10 | 76 | 1.3 | 1463 | 25.2 | 76 | 1.3 | 1318 | 22.9 | 0.0 | -9.9 |
| 11 | 126 | 1.2 | 2288 | 21.8 | 179 | 1.7 | 1920 | 18.7 | 42.1 | -16.1 |
| 12 | 75 | .9 | 1327 | 22.0 | 164 | 1.9 | 1438 | 16.6 | 118.7 | 8.4 |
| NE | 4586 | 2.5 | 49427 | 27.1 | 5181 | 2.7 | 42357 | 22.2 | 13.0 | -14.3 |

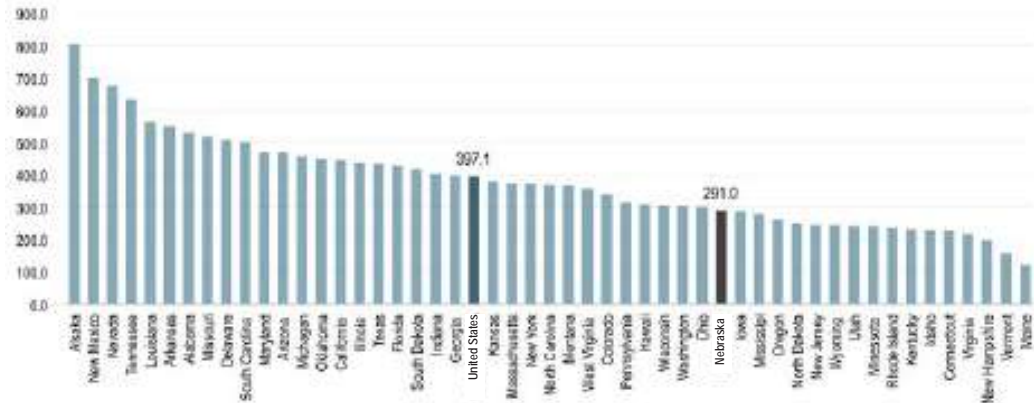
Percent Change in Violent Crime Rates across the Midwest (2015-2016)



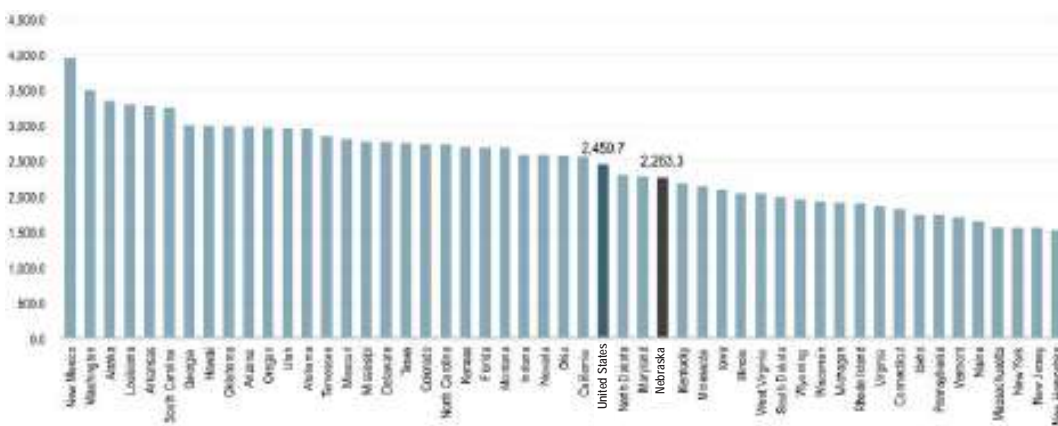
Percent Change in Property Crime Rates across the Midwest (2015-2016)



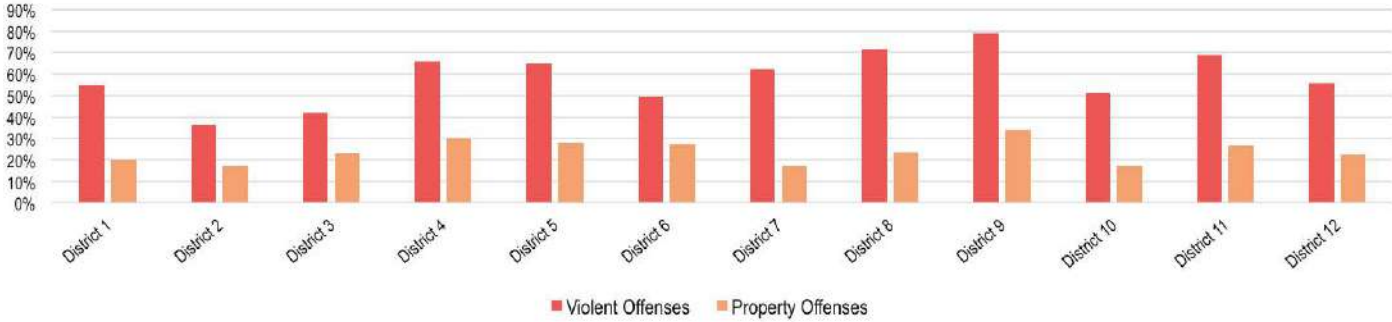
Violent Offense Rates per 100,000 Residents across the U.S. by State (2016)



Property Offense Rate per 100,000 Residents across the U.S. by State (2016)



Percent of Violent and Property Offenses Cleared by Arrest by Judicial District (2016)



Notable Findings

- 1. With the exception of Districts 3 and 10, all districts saw an increase in the number of violent offenses in 2016 relative to 2012; the rate of violent offenses also increased, but this was probably a function of growth
- 2. Nebraska ranks 18th in the rate of violent offenses compared to other states; this figure is below the national average
- 3. District 9 achieved the highest percent of offenses cleared by arrest (violent and property)
- 4. Nebraska ranks 22nd in the rate of property offenses compared to other states and only slightly below the national estimates
- 5. Within the Midwest region, South Dakota, Nebraska, Iowa, and Missouri experienced an increase in violent offenses from 2015 to 2016 while Kansas and North Dakota experienced a decrease from 2015 to 2016
- 6. Within the Midwest region, South Dakota, Iowa, and Nebraska experienced an increase in the rate of property offenses from 2015 to 2016 while Minnesota, Kansas, Missouri, and North Dakota experienced a decrease from 2015 to 2016

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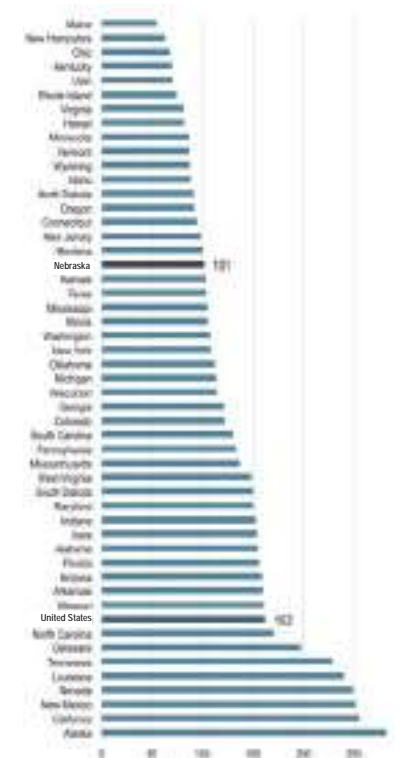
- 1. Offense data are based on crimes reported to or known to law enforcement. Violent offenses include homicide, rape, robbery, and aggravated assault. Property offenses include burglary, larceny, motor vehicle theft, and arson.
- 2. Interstate comparison of offenses are drawn from the Uniform Crime Report; all other offense data are drawn from the Nebraska Commission on Law Enforcement and Criminal Justice — Crime in Nebraska series
- 3. Rates are calculated using Annual Estimates of Residential Population (2012;2016), United States Bureau of the Census
- 4. Offenses for which an arrest was made are considered offenses that have been cleared by arrest



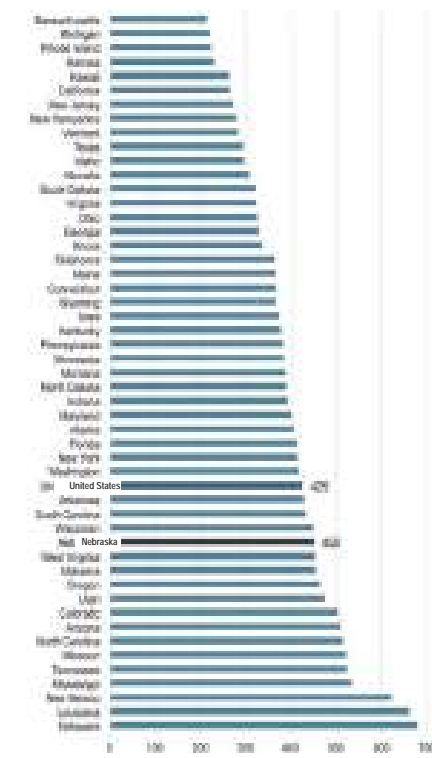
Arrests

| Judicial District | 2012 | | | | | | 2016 | | | | | |
|-------------------|-----------------|------------------------------|------------------|-------------------------------|---------------|----------------------------|-----------------|------------------------------|------------------|-------------------------------|---------------|----------------------------|
| | Violent Arrests | Violent Arrest Rate per 1000 | Property Arrests | Property Arrest Rate per 1000 | Total Arrests | Total Arrest Rate per 1000 | Violent Arrests | Violent Arrest Rate per 1000 | Property Arrests | Property Arrest Rate per 1000 | Total Arrests | Total Arrest Rate per 1000 |
| 1 | 27 | 0.4 | 170 | 2.4 | 1543 | 22.2 | 55 | 0.6 | 159 | 1.8 | 1885 | 21.6 |
| 2 | 35 | 0.2 | 465 | 3.2 | 3902 | 27.0 | 46 | 0.2 | 409 | 1.9 | 3571 | 16.2 |
| 3 | 443 | 2.0 | 1729 | 7.8 | 14936 | 67.8 | 449 | 1.5 | 1839 | 5.9 | 13675 | 44.2 |
| 4 | 767 | 2.0 | 2870 | 7.5 | 21721 | 56.7 | 669 | 1.2 | 2995 | 5.4 | 18037 | 32.5 |
| 5 | 28 | 0.3 | 214 | 2.1 | 2769 | 27.7 | 45 | 0.3 | 282 | 2.1 | 3306 | 24.6 |
| 6 | 41 | 0.5 | 350 | 4.4 | 2742 | 34.8 | 74 | 0.7 | 407 | 3.8 | 3415 | 32.2 |
| 7 | 20 | 0.3 | 252 | 4.1 | 2297 | 37.0 | 39 | 0.5 | 175 | 2.2 | 2148 | 26.4 |
| 8 | 10 | 0.2 | 48 | 1.1 | 960 | 22.7 | 26 | 0.5 | 53 | 1.0 | 957 | 17.7 |
| 9 | 376 | 4.8 | 840 | 10.8 | 6851 | 87.8 | 247 | 2.2 | 663 | 6.0 | 6369 | 57.3 |
| 10 | 28 | 0.6 | 183 | 4.2 | 1771 | 40.4 | 29 | 0.5 | 177 | 3.1 | 1297 | 22.5 |
| 11 | 78 | 1.0 | 390 | 4.9 | 4391 | 55.4 | 102 | 1.0 | 348 | 3.4 | 4274 | 41.6 |
| 12 | 35 | 0.5 | 317 | 4.7 | 2741 | 40.5 | 69 | 0.8 | 319 | 3.7 | 3071 | 35.4 |
| NE | 1888 | 1.4 | 7828 | 5.7 | 70075 | 48.7 | 1854 | 1.0 | 7826 | 4.2 | 62026 | 33.2 |

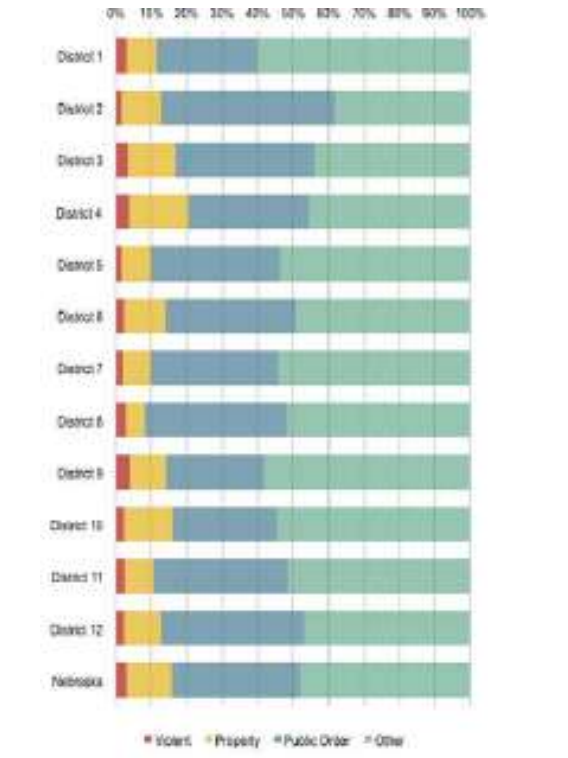
Adult Violent Arrest Rate per 100,000 Residents 18 Years or Older (2016)



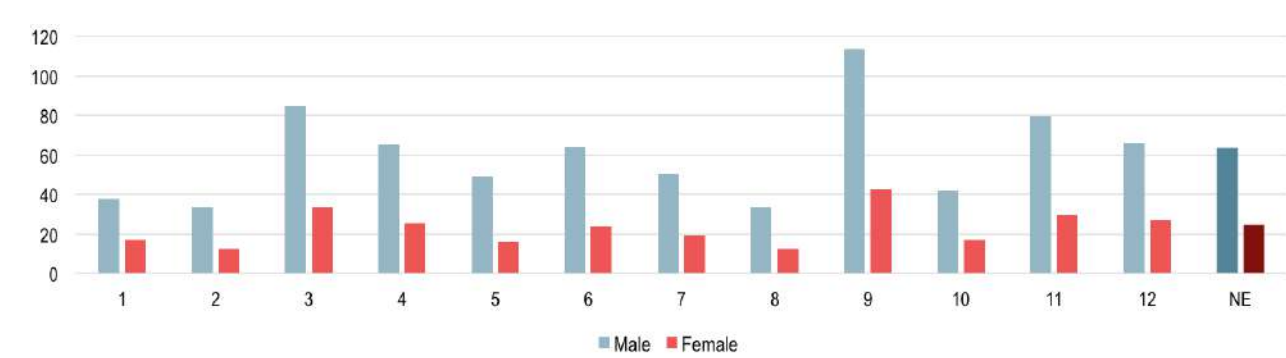
Adult Property Arrest Rate per 100,000 Residents 18 Years or Older (2016)



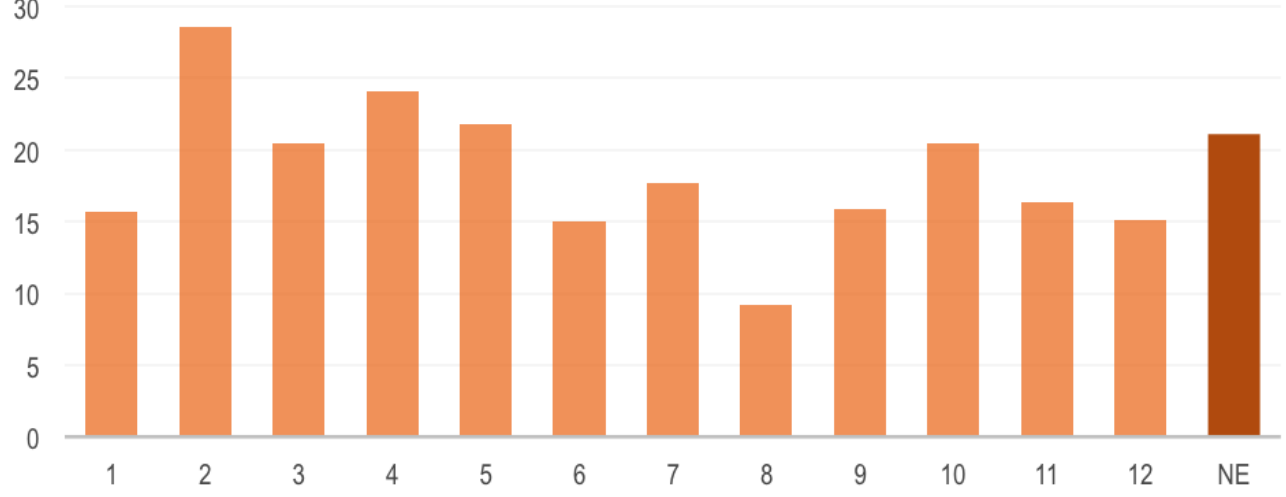
Percent of Arrest due to Violent, Property, Public Order, and Other Crimes by Judicial District (2016)



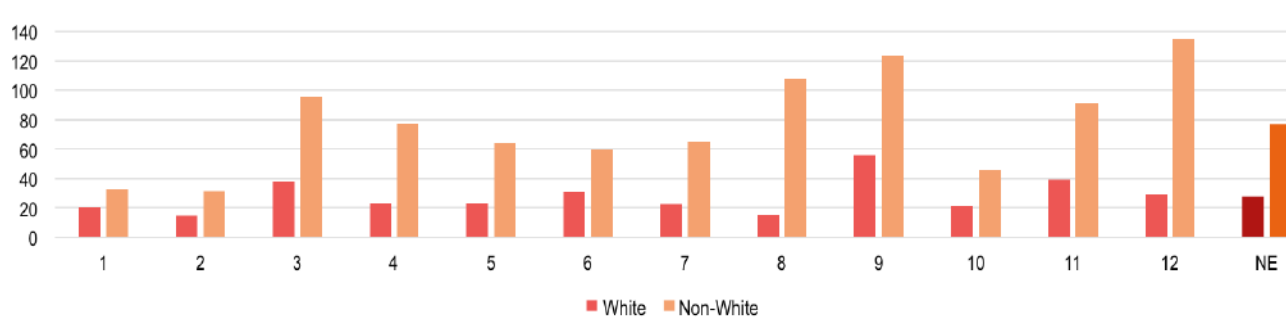
Rate of Arrest per 1,000 Adults 18 Years or Older by Sex by Judicial District (2016)



Percent of Arrests under Age 18 by Judicial District (2016)



Rate of Arrest per 1,000 Adults 18 Years or Older by Race by Judicial District (2016)



Notable Findings:

- 1. Nebraska’s property arrest rate is the 14th highest in the nation, while the violent arrest rate is much lower (33rd highest)
- 2. Non-Whites are arrested at rates almost double or higher than their White counterparts in every district
- 3. In all districts, violent arrests account for the smallest percent of all arrests (less than 5%)
- 4. District 2 has the highest percentage of arrests for those 18 and under (29%), while District 8 has the lowest (9%)

Notes:

- 1. An arrest is counted each time a person is taken into custody or issues a citation or summons. While an individual may be charged with multiple crimes at the time of arrest, only one arrest is counted. An arrest is counted for the most serious charge at the time of arrest
- 2. Violent arrests include homicide, rape, robbery, aggravated assault. Property arrests include burglary, larceny, motor vehicle theft, and arson. Public order arrests include vandalism, prostitution, drug abuse violations, driving under the influence, disorderly conduct, and vagrancy. Other arrests include simple assault, forgery and counterfeiting, fraud, embezzlement, weapons, sex offenses (except rape and prostitution), offense against family and children, liquor laws, all other offenses (except traffic), and unknown.
- 3. Interstate comparison of arrests drawn from the Uniform Crime Report; all other arrest data drawn from the Nebraska Commission on Law Enforcement and Criminal Justice — Crime in Nebraska Series
- 4. Rates calculated using Annual Estimates of the Resident Population (2012) and American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates (2016) and demographic and housing estimates derived from American Community Survey (2016), United States Bureau of Census



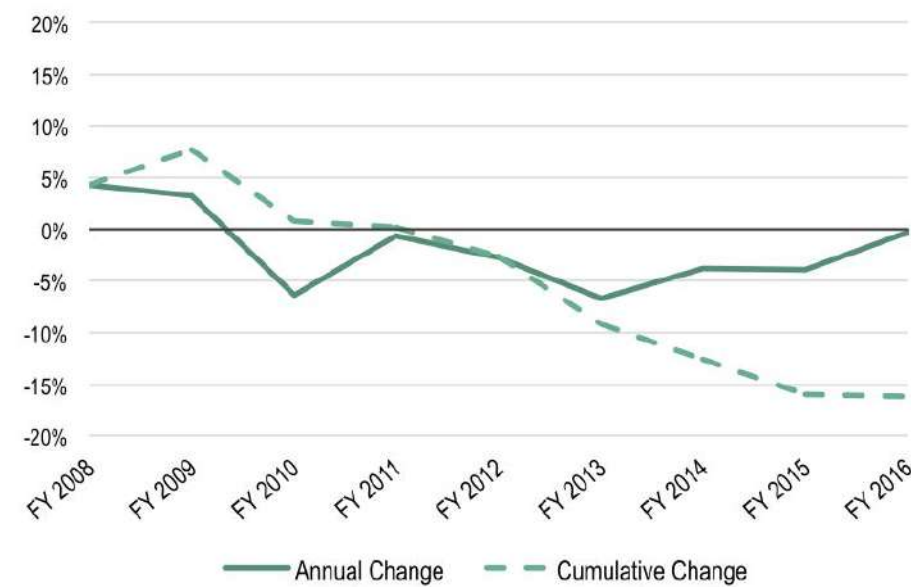
County Court

| Judicial District | Number criminal cases | % of Criminal Caseload: Misdemeanors | % of Criminal Caseload: Felonies | Number civil cases | Total Caseload | % of Total Caseload: Criminal | % of Total Caseload: Civil |
|-------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------|----------------|-------------------------------|----------------------------|
| 1 | 2983 | 83.6 | 16.4 | 2885 | 13971 | 21.4 | 20.6 |
| 2 | 7313 | 81.5 | 18.5 | 6749 | 27507 | 26.6 | 24.5 |
| 3 | 19391 | 86.6 | 13.4 | 13598 | 55819 | 34.7 | 24.4 |
| 4 | 28276 | 85.1 | 14.9 | 25216 | 87211 | 32.4 | 28.9 |
| 5 | 5487 | 82.6 | 17.4 | 5001 | 19208 | 28.6 | 26.0 |
| 6 | 5133 | 79.5 | 20.5 | 3724 | 17583 | 29.2 | 21.2 |
| 7 | 3465 | 86.3 | 13.7 | 2112 | 12125 | 28.6 | 17.4 |
| 8 | 2166 | 84.2 | 15.8 | 1692 | 9576 | 22.6 | 17.7 |
| 9 | 6566 | 81.2 | 18.8 | 6302 | 21949 | 29.9 | 28.7 |
| 10 | 2633 | 80.7 | 19.3 | 4113 | 13332 | 19.7 | 30.9 |
| 11 | 7863 | 81.5 | 18.5 | 5970 | 28967 | 27.1 | 20.6 |
| 12 | 5915 | 80.2 | 19.8 | 4455 | 20251 | 29.2 | 22.0 |
| NE | 97191 | 83.7 | 16.3 | 81817 | 327499 | 29.7 | 25.0 |

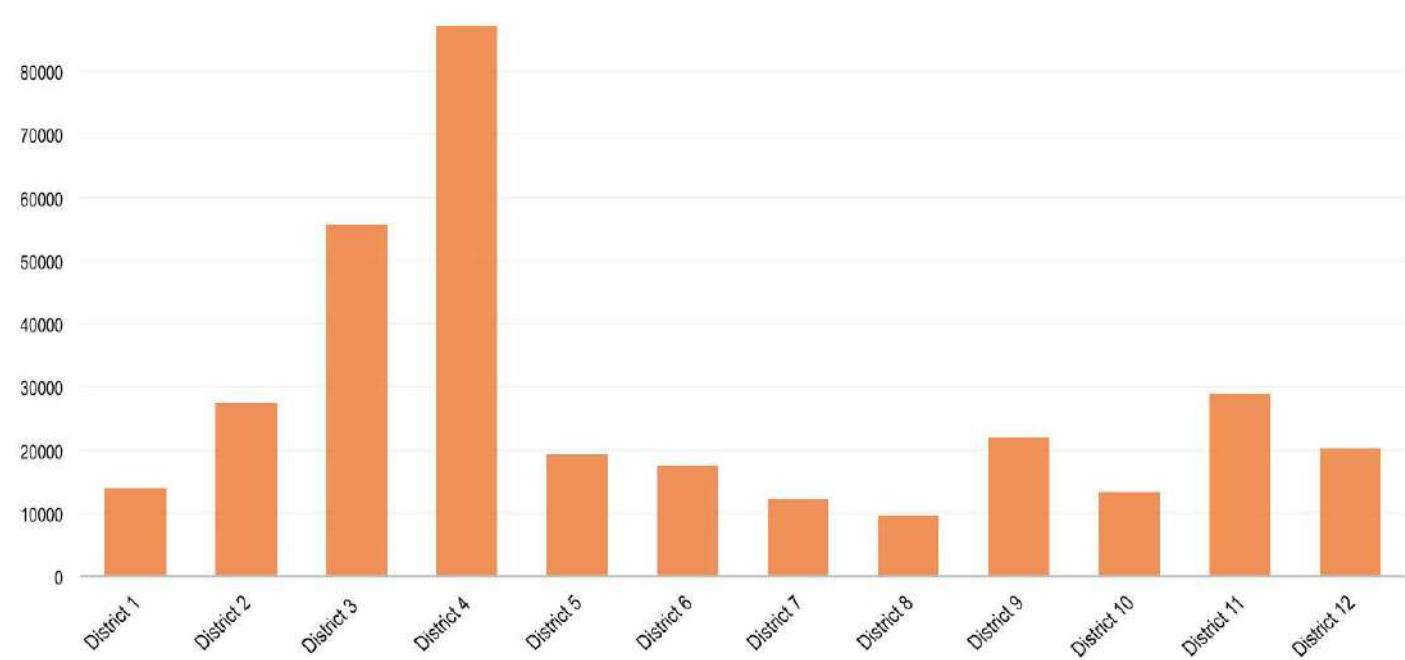
County Court Caseload by Year

| Year | Adult Court |
|---------|-------------|
| FY 2007 | 390,735 |
| FY 2008 | 407,361 |
| FY 2009 | 420,787 |
| FY 2010 | 393,866 |
| FY 2011 | 391,327 |
| FY 2012 | 380,388 |
| FY 2013 | 354,926 |
| FY 2014 | 341,644 |
| FY 2015 | 328,392 |
| FY 2016 | 327,499 |

Percent Change in County Court Caseload by Year



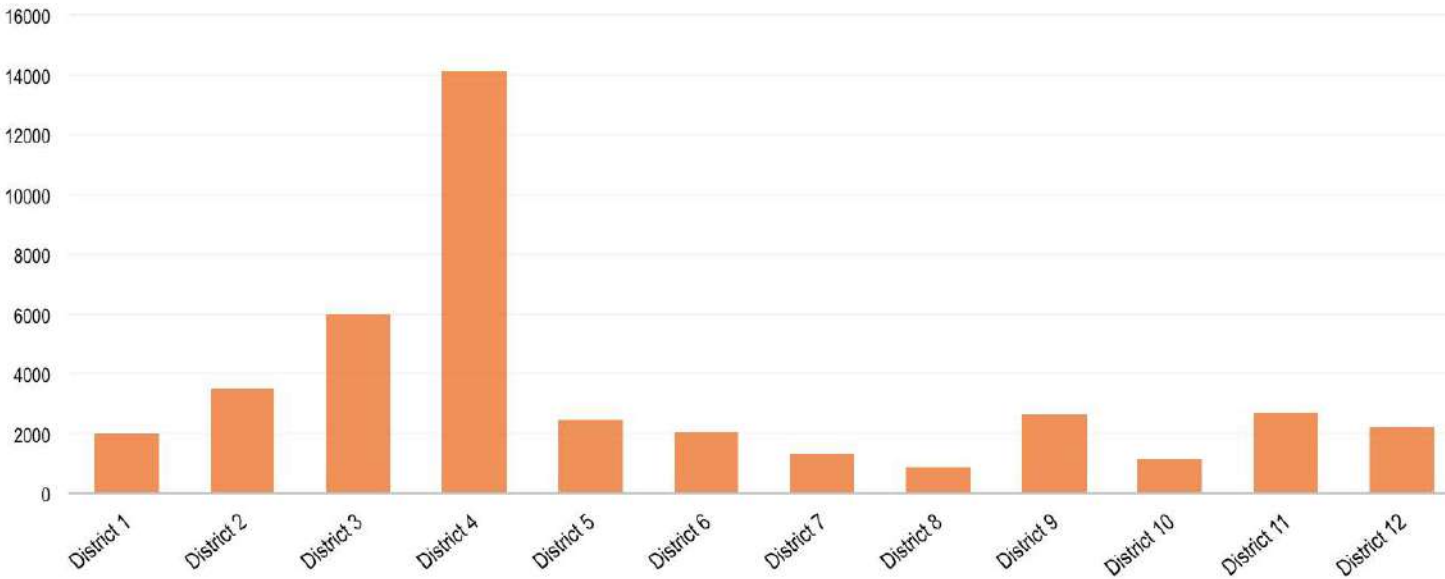
FY 2016 County Court Adult Caseload by Judicial District





| Judicial District | Number criminal cases | Number of Regular Civil Cases | Number of Domestic Relations Cases | Number of Appellate Cases | Total Caseload | % of Total Caseload: Criminal | % of Total Caseload: Civil | % of Total Caseload: Domestic Relations | % of Total Caseload: Appellate Action |
|-------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------------|------------------------------------|---------------------------|----------------|-------------------------------|----------------------------|---|---------------------------------------|
| 1 | 425 | 269 | 1274 | 29 | 1997 | 21.3 | 13.5 | 63.8 | 1.5 |
| 2 | 956 | 485 | 2027 | 32 | 3500 | 27.3 | 13.9 | 57.9 | 0.9 |
| 3 | 1758 | 823 | 3285 | 127 | 5993 | 29.3 | 13.7 | 54.8 | 2.1 |
| 4 | 3751 | 2247 | 8036 | 101 | 14135 | 26.5 | 15.9 | 56.9 | 0.7 |
| 5 | 681 | 344 | 1409 | 20 | 2454 | 27.8 | 14.1 | 57.4 | 0.8 |
| 6 | 598 | 291 | 1157 | 17 | 2063 | 29.0 | 14.1 | 56.1 | 0.8 |
| 7 | 374 | 197 | 723 | 10 | 1304 | 28.7 | 15.1 | 55.4 | 0.8 |
| 8 | 211 | 191 | 465 | 6 | 873 | 24.2 | 21.9 | 53.3 | 0.7 |
| 9 | 903 | 293 | 1442 | 12 | 2650 | 34.1 | 11.1 | 54.4 | 0.5 |
| 10 | 260 | 184 | 691 | 10 | 1145 | 22.7 | 16.1 | 60.3 | 0.9 |
| 11 | 968 | 341 | 1385 | 13 | 2707 | 35.8 | 12.6 | 51.2 | 0.5 |
| 12 | 732 | 372 | 1081 | 28 | 2213 | 33.1 | 16.8 | 48.8 | 1.3 |
| NE | 11617 | 6037 | 22975 | 405 | 41034 | 28.3 | 14.7 | 56.0 | 1.0 |

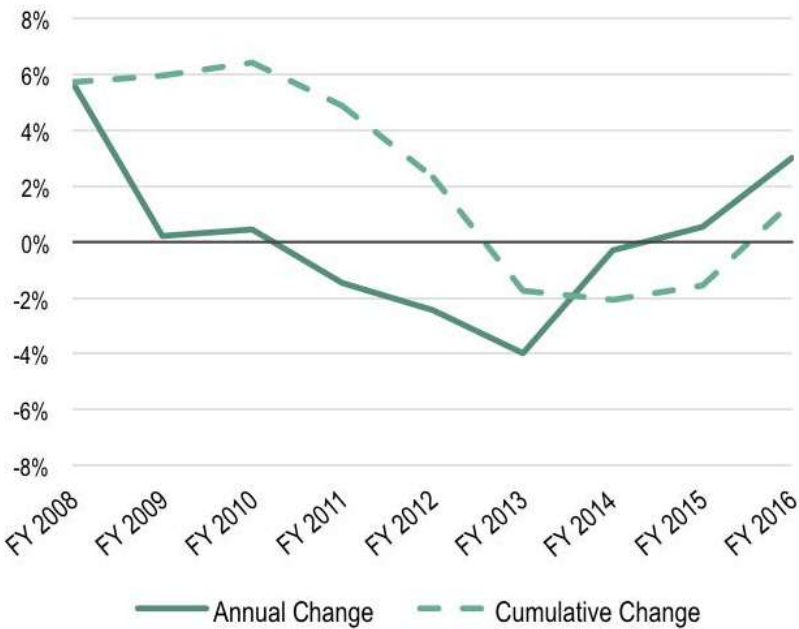
FY 2016 District Court Adult Caseload by Judicial District



District Court Caseload by Year

| Year | Adult Court |
|---------|-------------|
| FY 2007 | 40,454 |
| FY 2008 | 42,759 |
| FY 2009 | 42,856 |
| FY 2010 | 43,053 |
| FY 2011 | 42,422 |
| FY 2012 | 41,394 |
| FY 2013 | 39,741 |
| FY 2014 | 39,617 |
| FY 2015 | 39,833 |
| FY 2016 | 41,034 |

Percent Change in District Court Caseload by Year



Notable Findings:

1. Districts 2, 3, and 4 account for over 50 percent of the county and district court caseload for FY 2016
2. The proportion of criminal cases that are handled in county courts is largest in District 3, 4, and 9, respectively
3. Domestic relations cases account for the majority of district court caseloads
4. District courts in Judicial Districts 11, 9, and 12 handle the greatest percentage of criminal cases
5. The total number of cases filed in county courts has declined over time, while the number of cases filed in district courts decreased between FY 2007 to FY 2012 and since FY 2013 have been increasing

Notes:

1. County courts handle misdemeanor cases, traffic, and municipal ordinance violations, preliminary hearing in felony cases, and civil cases involving \$52,000 or less (Nebraska Judicial Branch)
2. County court caseloads drawn from the County Court Annual Caseload Report, Nebraska Judicial Branch
3. District courts hear all felony criminal cases, equity cases, and civil cases involving more than \$52,000. These courts also function as appellate courts in deciding appeals from county courts (Nebraska Judicial Branch)
4. District court caseloads drawn from the District Court Annual Caseload Report, Nebraska, Judicial Branch

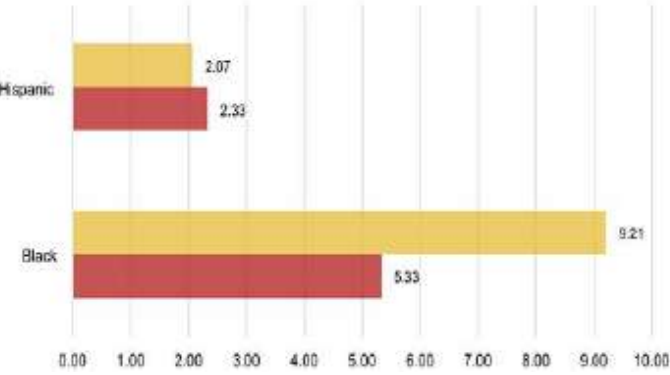


Corrections

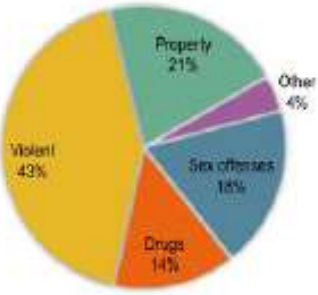
Average Monthly Population and Capacity

| | Design Capacity | Average Daily Population (2016) | % Design Capacity (2016) | Average Daily Population (2017) | % Design Capacity (2017) |
|---|-----------------|---------------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------------|--------------------------|
| Facility | | | | | |
| Nebraska State Penitentiary | 718 | 1,321 | 184.0% | 1,330 | 185.3% |
| Lincoln Correctional Center | 308 | 495 | 160.7% | 507 | 164.5% |
| Diagnostic & Evaluation Unit | 160 | 421 | 263.1% | 477 | 298.3% |
| Omaha Correctional Center | 396 | 761 | 192.2% | 771 | 194.8% |
| Community Correctional Center (Omaha) | 90 | 168 | 186.7% | 167 | 185.5% |
| Community Correctional Center (Lincoln) | 200 | 383 | 191.5% | 380 | 189.8% |
| Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility | 68 | 54 | 79.4% | 53 | 77.7% |
| Nebraska Center for Women | 275 | 328 | 119.3% | 337 | 122.6% |
| Tecumseh State Correctional Institution | 960 | 1,027 | 107.0% | 1,029 | 107.2% |
| Work Ethic Camp | 100 | 175 | 175.0% | 178 | 177.7% |
| NDCS Total | 3275 | 5,133 | 156.7% | 5,229 | 159.7% |

Relative Rate Index for Black and Hispanic Incarceration in NE v. US (2015)



Most Serious Incarcerating Offense in Nebraska (2017)

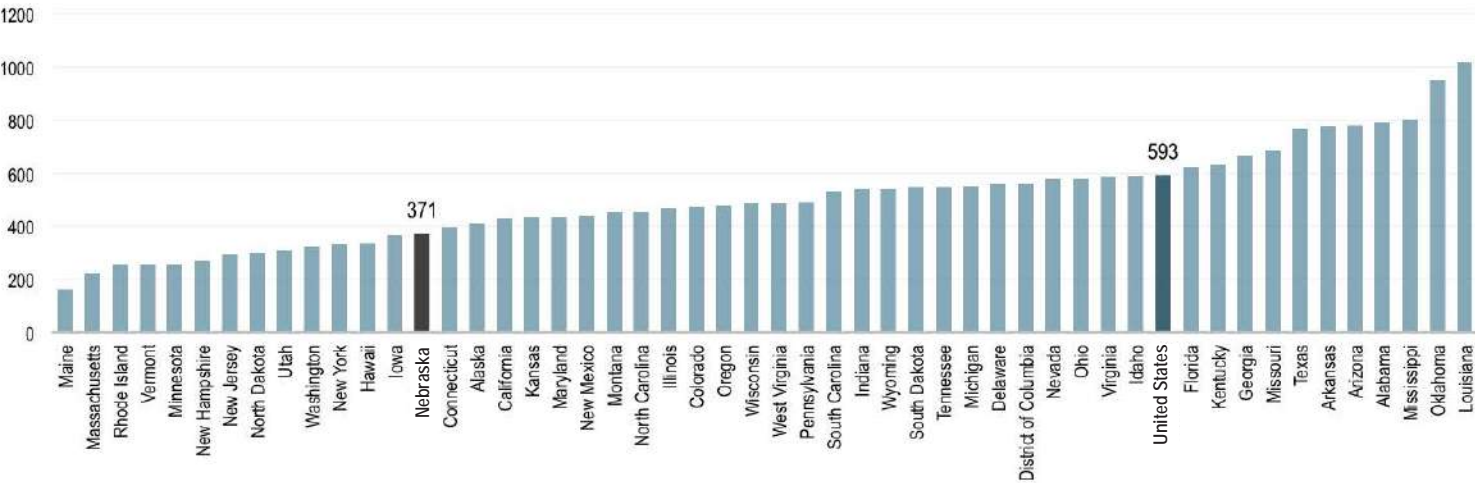


3 Year Recidivism Rate (FY 2014)*

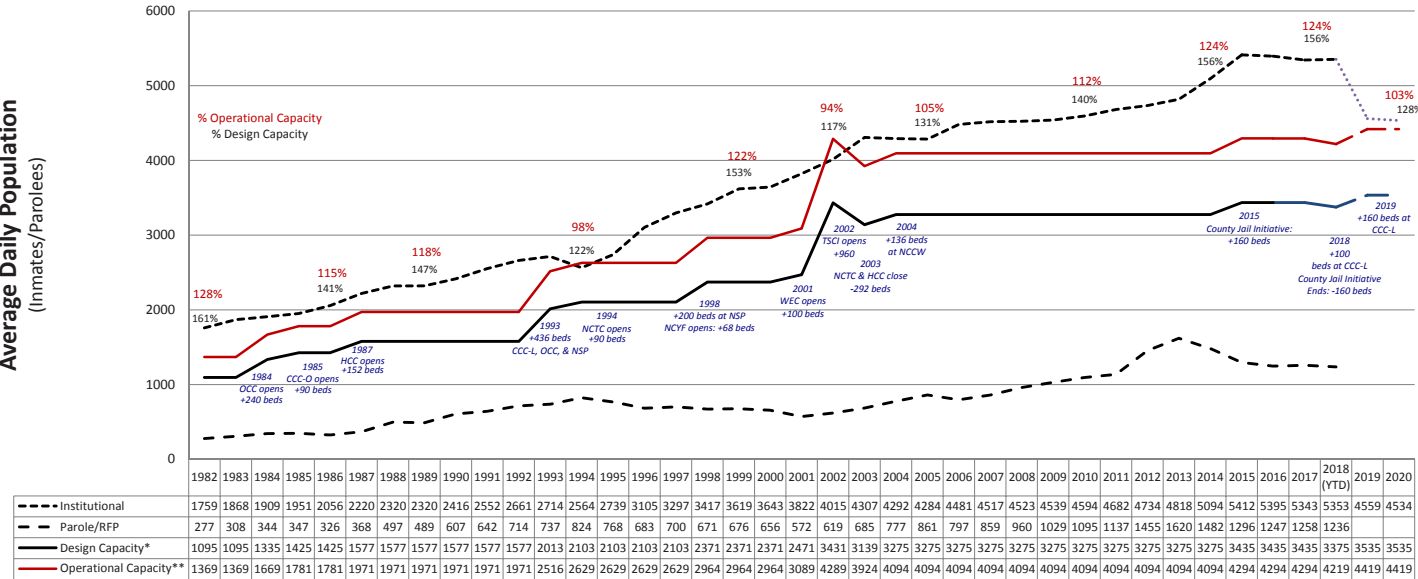
| Release Type | % Who Recidivate |
|--------------|------------------|
| Facility | 25.5 |
| Parole | 35.2 |
| Total | 31.8 |

*Most recent recidivism data available

Rate of Incarceration in U.S. per 100,000 Residents by State (2015)



NDCS Capacity and Average Daily Population¹ – FY1982-FY2020



¹ Institutional ADP includes NDCS inmates housed in contracted county jails. Institutional projections after FY2018 YTD (7/1/2016-10/31/2016) use CSG population estimates (December 2014).
* Design Capacity includes 100 beds at the Work Ethic Camp in McCook, NE. Capacity projections account for the discontinuation of the county jail initiative and expanded capacity at CCC-L.
** Operational Capacity reflects the number of inmates that can be housed in a facility and sustained indefinitely, given current conditions, including core infrastructure and programming space.

Source: NDCS Location History Records

By: Abby L. Carbaugh, Ph.D., 11/6/2017

Notable Findings:

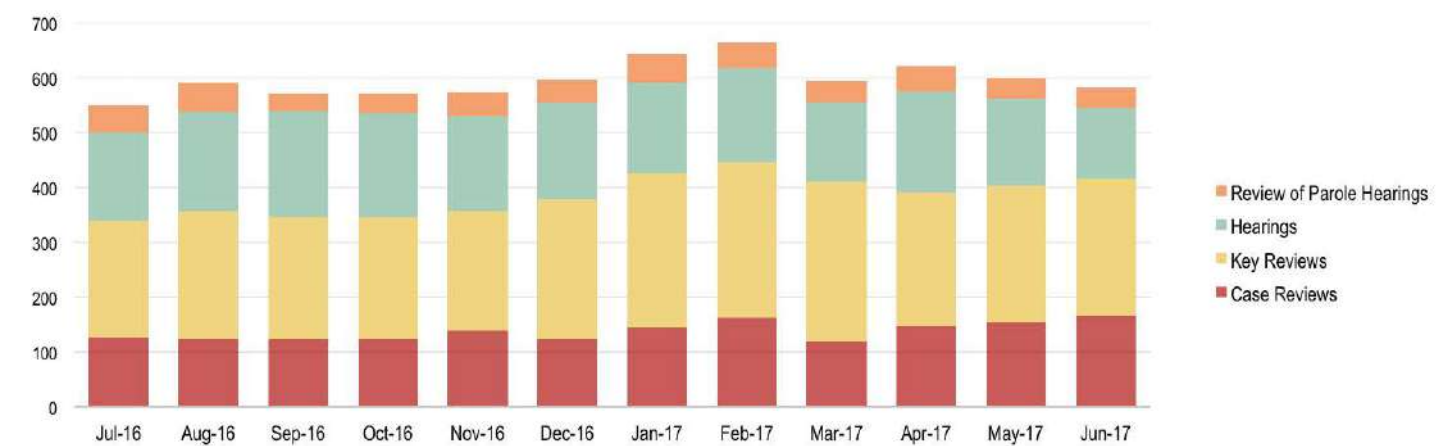
- 1. Nebraska’s rate of incarceration in 2015 was lower than the national average
- 2. Blacks are almost 10 times more likely to be incarcerated in Nebraska relative to Whites, this disparity is almost double the national average (5.33 to 1, Blacks to Whites)
- 3. Assault, homicide, robbery, and weapons accounted for the majority of incarcerating offenses in 2017
- 4. All facilities are over their intended rated capacity as prison populations continue to increase, a trend that has continued since the 1980s

Notes:

- 1. Relative Rate Index is calculated by taking the Black rate or Hispanic rate of incarceration divided by the White rate of incarceration
- 2. Violent incarcerating offenses include assault, weapons, homicide, and robbery. Property incarcerating offenses include theft, burglary, motor vehicle theft, fraud, and arson. Other incarcerating offenses include other, restraint, and morals.
- 3. National estimates (2015 ACS Demographic and Housing Estimates and U.S. Department of Justice, Prisoners in 2015)
- 4. Nebraska estimates (2015 ACS, Nebraska Department of Correctional Services Quarterly Reports)
- 5. NDCS capacity and average daily population chart provided by Abby L. Carbaugh, Ph.D., data obtained from NDCS Location History Records

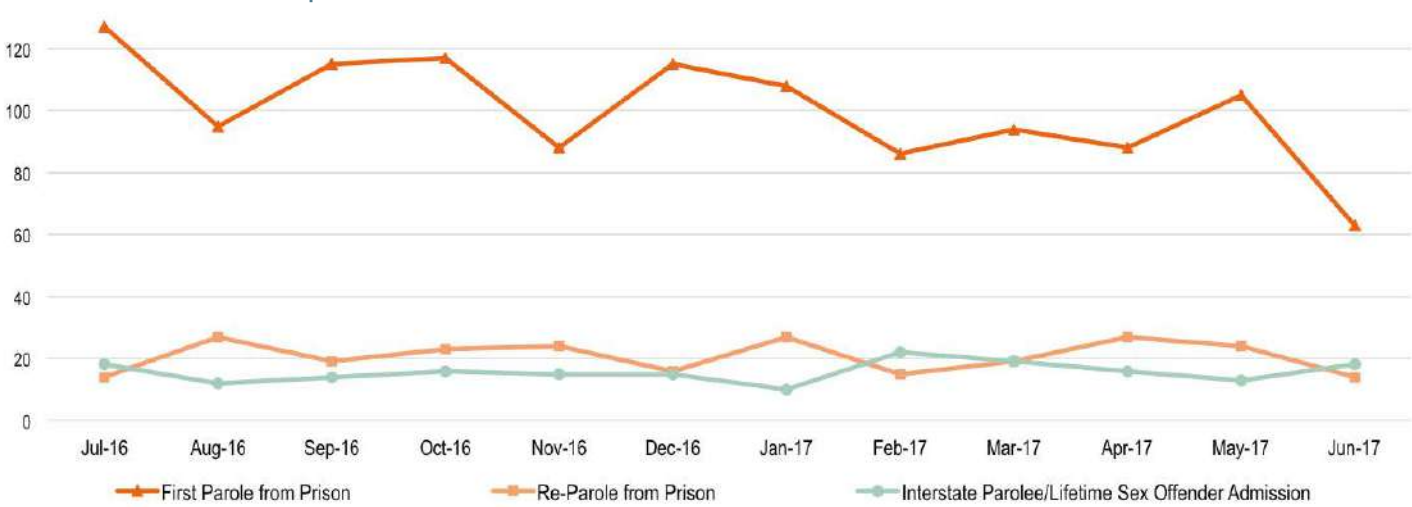
Adults on Community Supervision

Nebraska Board of Parole FY 2017 Reviews/Hearings

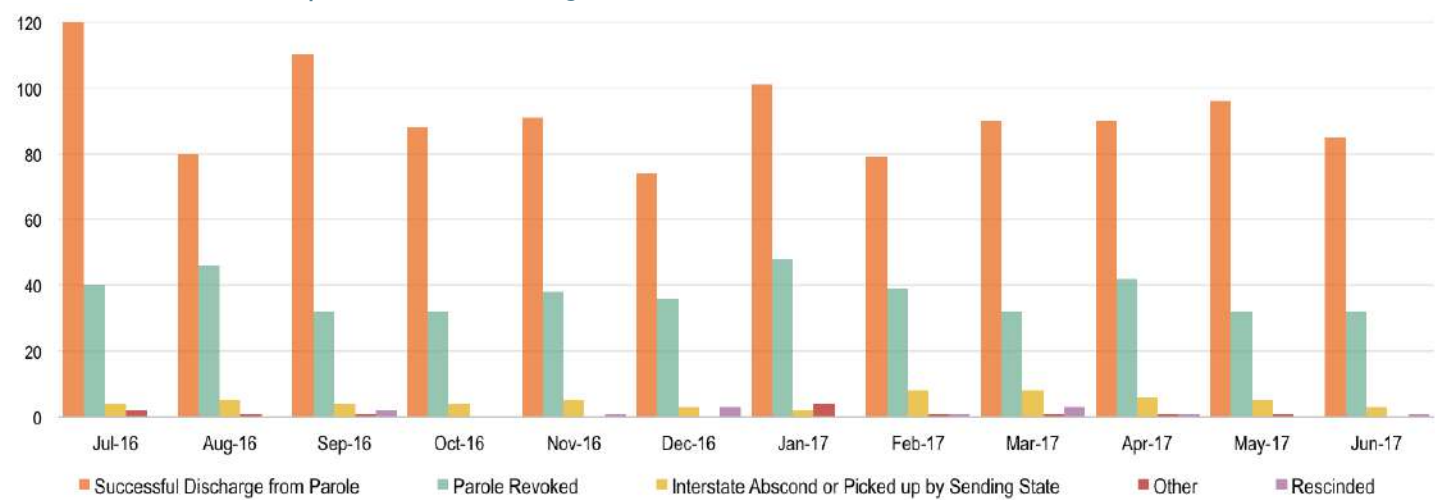


Note: Case review is a review of an inmate's case file more than 13 months prior to their parole eligibility date (parole hearing dates cannot be set as case reviews); Key review is a review of an inmate's case file 13 or fewer months prior to their parole eligibility date or any review occurring after their parole eligibility has passed (parole hearing dates can be set at key reviews); Parole hearing is an inmate appearance before the Board of Parole at which time the Board may deny, defer, or parole an inmate; Review of parole hearing is an appearance before the Board of Parole which occurs after a client has violated their terms of parole, at this appearance, the Board may revoke, revoke and reparole, or continue an individual on parole.

Division of Parole Supervision Admissions (FY 2017)



Division of Parole Supervision Discharges (FY 2017)



Number of Adults on Probation by Gender and Fiscal Year



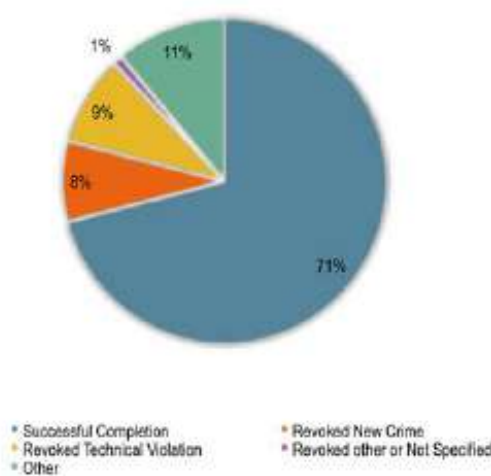
Adults on Probation by Age

| | FY 13-14 | FY 14-15 | FY 15-16 |
|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| Under 18 | 126 | 78 | 37 |
| 18-20 | 1205 | 1045 | 952 |
| 21-25 | 2568 | 2179 | 2030 |
| 26-30 | 1650 | 1423 | 1361 |
| 31-35 | 1221 | 1055 | 1064 |
| 36-40 | 914 | 878 | 837 |
| 41+ | 2588 | 2362 | 2286 |

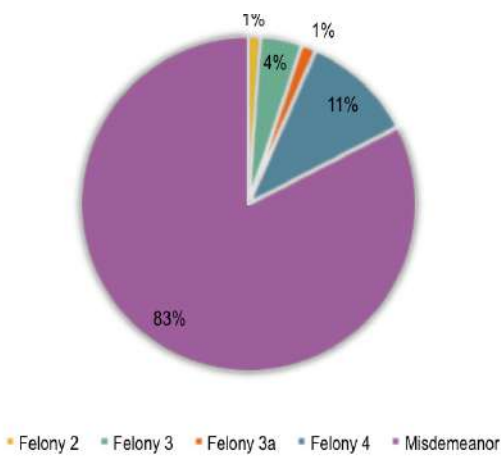
Adults on Probation by Race/Ethnicity

| Race | FY 13-14 | FY 14-15 | FY 15-16 |
|-----------------------------------|----------|----------|----------|
| American Indian or Alaskan Native | 201 | 172 | 161 |
| Asian or Pacific Islander | 115 | 99 | 97 |
| Black | 779 | 725 | 721 |
| Other | 1279 | 1100 | 1015 |
| White | 7898 | 6924 | 6574 |
| Ethnicity | | | |
| Hispanic Origin | 1291 | 1268 | 1241 |
| Not of Hispanic Origin | 8981 | 7752 | 7327 |

Probation Discharges and Revocations (FY 2015-2016)



Sentences to Probation by Offense Seriousness (FY 2015)



Notable Findings:

- 1. Since FY 2013, there has been a decrease in the number of people sanctioned to probation
- 2. The majority of probation and parole discharges are considered successful
- 3. The largest age group sentenced to probation includes those forty and older, followed by those in the 21-25 category

Notes:

- 1. For sentences to probation by offense seriousness, the smaller the felony number, the more serious the offense; for example, Felony 4 offenses are less serious than Felony 2 offenses
- 2. Adults on Community Supervision data were provided by the Nebraska Board of Parole
- 3. Probation data were obtained from Nebraska Crime Commission 2016 Annual Report-Probation

Problem-Solving Courts

Five Focus Areas of the 2013-2017 Nebraska Problem-Solving Court Strategic Plan

- 1. Sustainable infrastructure of Nebraska Problem-Solving Courts
- 2. Statewide coordination, collaboration, and administration
- 3. Quality assurance; establish and ensure best practices
- 4. Multi-system integration, support and service access
- 5. Scope and scale of problem-solving courts

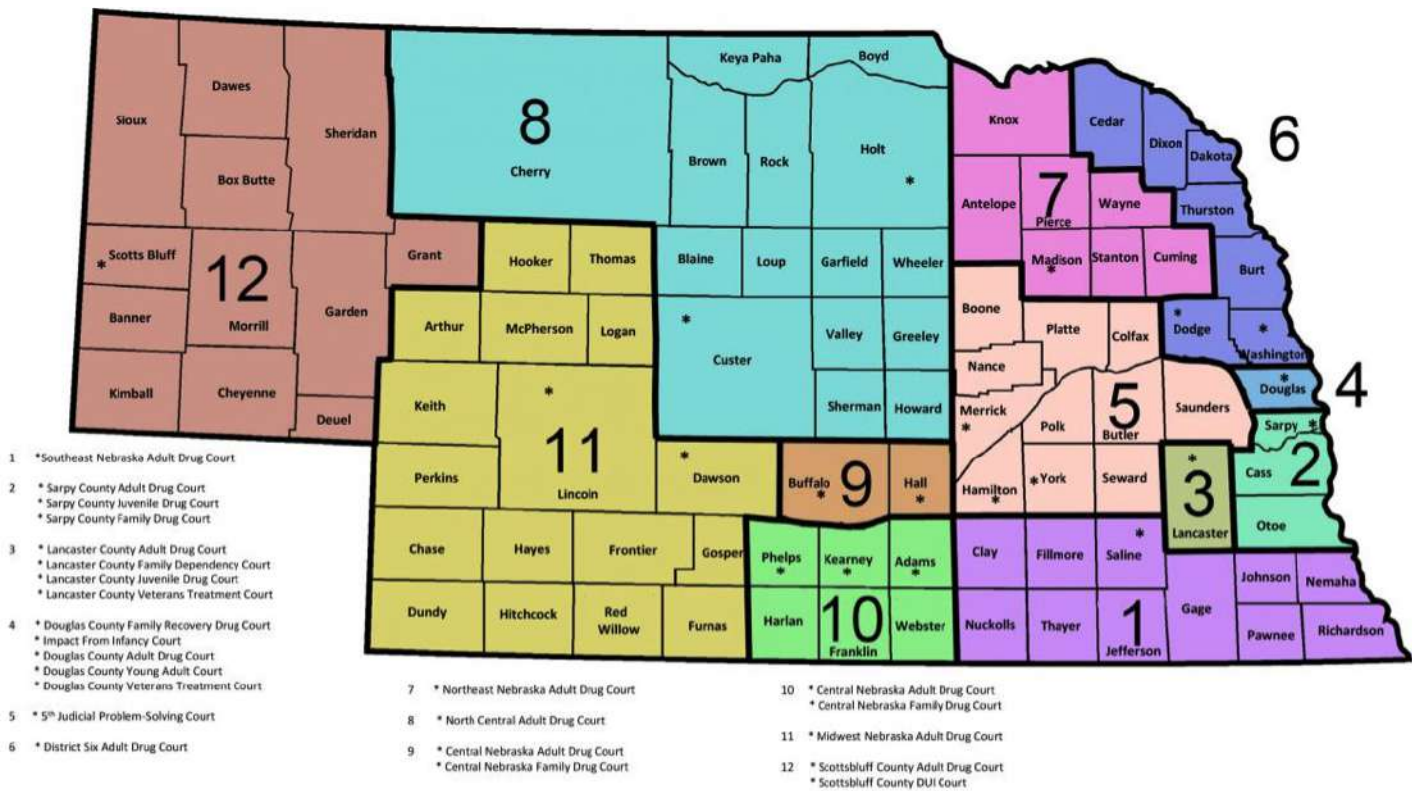
Vision:

Nebraska Problem-Solving Courts is an institution of the Nebraska Supreme Court utilizing innovative court programs through which individuals and families thrive, and all Nebraska communities become safer.

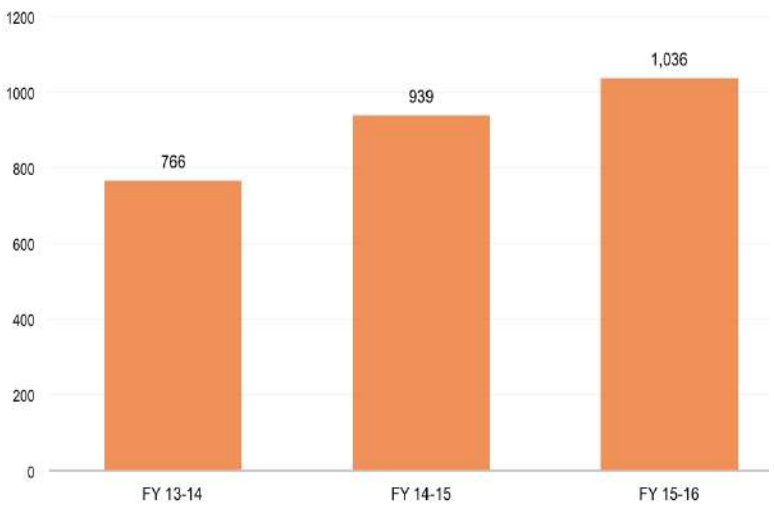
Mission:

The mission of the Problem-Solving Courts Leadership Group is to make problem-solving courts available to all eligible participants and to ensure these courts have the resources necessary to operate in conformity with standards adopted by the Nebraska Supreme Court.

Nebraska Problem Solving Courts Statewide Map



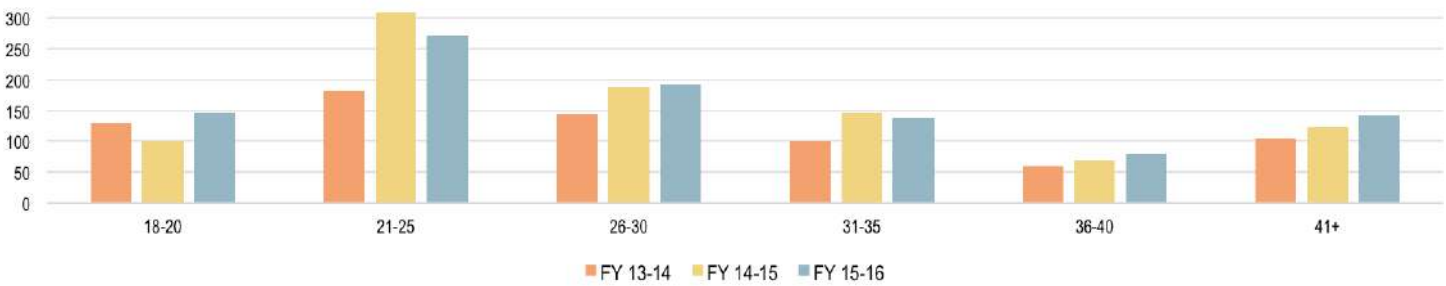
Number of Participants



Gender of Participants

| | FY 13-14 | FY 14-15 | FY 15-16 |
|--------|----------|----------|----------|
| Female | 269 | 359 | 354 |
| Male | 497 | 580 | 682 |

Age of Participants



Race/Ethnicity of Participants

| Race | FY 13-14 | FY 14-15 | FY 15-16 |
|--------------------------------|----------|----------|----------|
| American Indian/Alaskan Native | 19 | 20 | 19 |
| Asian or Pacific Islander | 7 | 6 | 7 |
| African American | 70 | 85 | 96 |
| Other | 44 | 82 | 88 |
| White | 626 | 746 | 826 |
| Unknown | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Ethnicity | | | |
| Hispanic Origin | 50 | 93 | 113 |
| Not of Hispanic Origin | 716 | 846 | 923 |

Notable Findings:

- 1. The number of participants in various problem-solving courts throughout Nebraska has increased since FY 2013
- 2. The typical offender participating in Nebraska's problem-solving courts is a White non-Hispanic male between the ages of 21 and 25

Notes:

- 1. Information on problem-solving courts (2013-2017 Strategic Plan for Nebraska Problem-Solving Courts Report)
- 2. Problem-solving court data obtained from Nebraska Crime Commission 2016 Annual Report-Problem Solving Courts; data represent participants across all problem-solving courts in Nebraska
- 3. Statewide map provided by the State of Nebraska Judicial Branch



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