

# 1 in 31: The Long Reach of American Corrections California

POPULATION

## 1 in 36 adults<sup>1,2</sup>

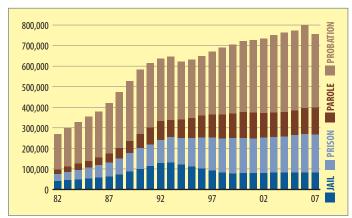
is under correctional control

- **Growth over time:** in 1982, the figure was 1 in 69 adults<sup>2,6</sup>
- **Percent behind bars:** at year end 2007, 27 percent of the correctional population was in prison or jail (national rank: 14); the figure for 1982 was 12 percent (national rank: 15)<sup>2</sup>

### **POPULATION, RATES AND RANKS (YEAR END 2007)**

	Popula	ation	Combined	Share of	National
	State	Federal	Population	adults	rank
Probation	353,969 <sup>1</sup>	2,084 <sup>3</sup>	488,264	1 in 56	25
Parole	123,764 <sup>1</sup>	<b>8,447</b> <sup>3</sup>			
Prison	171,500 <sup>1</sup>	12,830 <sup>4</sup>	266,992	1 in 102	23
Jail	82,6625		200,992	1 111 102	25
Total	755,256			1 in 36	29





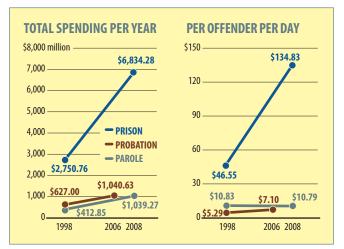
COSTS

# \$9.66 billion<sup>6</sup>

spent on corrections

- Share of general fund: 9.3 percent in fiscal year 2008<sup>6</sup>
- Ratio of spending: For every dollar California spent on prisons in 2008, it spent 15 cents on parole<sup>5</sup>
- Ratio of costs: 1 day of prison (\$134.83) = 12 days of parole<sup>5</sup>

### **CORRECTIONS COSTS**



#### SOURCES:

 Bureau of Justice Statistics, Correctional Surveys (U.S. Department of Justice);
U.S. Census, State Population Estimates;
Administrative Office of U.S. Courts;
Bureau of Prisons (U.S. Department of Justice);
Pew, Original Data;
National Association of State Budget Officers, State Expenditure Reports

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