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## PAROLE BOARD AND PRESUMPTIVE RELEASE DISPOSITIONS

## Calendar Year 2017

## (Preliminary Data)

Total Parole Board workload for calendar year 2017 was 12,435 interviews, including 193 administrative hearings for rescission decisions, alternate date considerations, or special considerations. Initial appearances made up 73% of the Parole Board interviews for calendar year 2017. The tables below summarize in detail Parole Board activity for the year.

**TABLE 1. INTERVIEW SUMMARY** 

INTERVIEW TYPE	NUMBER OF INTERVIEWS	RELEASE RATE	PROPORTION OF ALL INTERVIEWS						
Total Initials <sup>1</sup>	8,893	32%	73%						
Initials	6,753	24%	55%						
Shock	631	85%	5%						
Medical	9	67%	0%						
Early Deportation	33	91%	0%						
LCTI	68	44%	1%						
Merit Time	1,399	49%	11%						
Supplemental Merit	0		0%						
Reappearances <sup>2</sup>	3,208	32%	26%						
Parole & CR Violators	141	45%	1%						
Total <sup>3</sup>	12,242	33%	100%						

<sup>1.</sup> Includes Shock, Medical, INS-open, Final Deportations, LCTI and Merit Interviews.

<sup>2.</sup> Includes regular reappearance, Shock reappearance and INS-open reappearance interviews.

<sup>3.</sup> Excludes 193 administrative hearings for rescission decision, alternate date considerations, and special considerations.

**TABLE 2. ADMINISTRATIVE HEARING SUMMARY** 

ADMINISTRATIVE HEARING TYPE	NUMBER OF INTERVIEWS	NUMBER GRANTED RELEASE OR RESTORED		
Rescission	63	15		
INS-Closed	0	0		
Alternate Date	25	23		
Special Considerations <sup>1</sup>	105	36		
TOTAL	193	74		

<sup>1</sup> Special considerations reflect appeals for previously denied inmates. All other administrative interviews are for persons previously granted release.

Table 3 shows that during calendar year 2017, the Board of Parole and the Commissioner of the Department of Corrections and Community Supervision made determinations on 12,276 cases that were eligible for release to parole supervision. This was an increase of 187 cases (1.5%) compared to calendar year 2016. Of the 12,276 cases reviewed during 2017, 4,019 (32.7%) were approved for release. This rate of approval was 6.5% higher than calendar year 2016, when 3,170 (26.2%) of the 12,089 reported parole eligible cases were approved for release.

TABLE 3. PAROLE BOARD AND PRESUMPTIVE RELEASE SUMMARY 2016 and 2017

	2016	2017
Parole Eligible Hearings	12,089	12,276
Approved	3,170	4,019
Percent Approved	26.2%	32.7%

According to Table 4, there were 8,927 Initial appearances reported for calendar year 2017. This was 263 fewer (-2.9%) than the 9,190 reported for calendar year 2016 (see Table 5). The 32.7% approval rate for Initial interviews during 2017 was up 5.5% from the 27.2% reported in 2016.

The 3,349 Reappearances reported during 2017 was 82 more (2.5%) than the 3,267 reported for 2016. The approval rate for Reappearances during 2017 was 32.8%, compared to 22.8% during 2016, an increase of 10.0%.

TABLE 4. SUMMARY OF PAROLE BOARD INTERVIEW AND PRESUMPTIVE RELEASE ACTIVITY

CALENDAR YEAR-TO-DATE 2017

	INITIALS* (Includes Shock and Presumptive)			REAPPEARANCES			TOTAL INTERVIEWS		
MONTH/YEAR	Interviews	Granted Release	Release Rate	Interviews	Granted Release	Release Rate	Interviews	Granted Release	Release Rate
Jan-17	840	249	29.6%	279	88	31.5%	1,119	337	30.1%
Feb-17	773	230	29.8%	292	77	26.4%	1,065	307	28.8%
Mar-17	730	229	31.4%	299	106	35.5%	1,029	335	32.6%
Apr-17	684	178	26.0%	278	81	29.1%	962	259	26.9%
May-17	822	216	26.3%	252	72	28.6%	1,074	288	26.8%
Jun-17	805	244	30.3%	253	80	31.6%	1,058	324	30.6%
Jul-17	770	247	32.1%	310	93	30.0%	1,080	340	31.5%
Aug-17	804	280	34.8%	305	89	29.2%	1,109	369	33.3%
Sep-17	733	243	33.2%	279	89	31.9%	1,012	332	32.8%
Oct-17	682	265	38.9%	303	106	35.0%	985	371	37.7%
Nov-17	682	288	42.2%	281	122	43.4%	963	410	42.6%
Dec-17	602	251	41.7%	218	96	44.0%	820	347	42.3%
TOTAL	8,927	2,920	32.7%	3,349	1,099	32.8%	12,276	4,019	32.7%

<sup>\*</sup> Presumptive Release Condition setting activity (Presumptive Release, Merit Presumptive Release, Medical Review Release and Executive Clemency Release) is added into both the interview and granted release numbers to compute a combined Board Interview/Presumptive Release release rate. There were 6 Presumptives in January; 6 in February; 2 in March; 2 in April; 4 in May; 3 in June; 3 in July; 1 in August; 2 in September; 2 in October; 1 in November and 2 in December.

TABLE 5. SUMMARY OF PAROLE BOARD INTERVIEW AND PRESUMPTIVE RELEASE ACTIVITY

CALENDAR YEAR-TO-DATE 2016

	INITIALS* (Includes Shock and Presumptive)			REAPPEARANCES			TOTAL INTERVIEWS		
MONTH/YEAR	Interviews	Granted Release	Release Rate	Interviews	Granted Release	Release Rate	Interviews	Granted Release	Release Rate
Jan-16	823	218	26.5%	246	54	22.0%	1,069	272	25.4%
Feb-16	758	214	28.2%	274	56	20.4%	1,032	270	26.2%
Mar-16	729	191	26.2%	262	41	15.6%	991	232	23.4%
Apr-16	745	183	24.6%	247	49	19.8%	992	232	23.4%
May-16	794	222	28.0%	283	66	23.3%	1,077	288	26.7%
Jun-16	827	235	28.4%	319	78	24.5%	1,146	313	27.3%
Jul-16	768	201	26.2%	264	80	30.3%	1,032	281	27.2%
Aug-16	749	216	28.8%	271	64	23.6%	1,020	280	27.5%
Sep-16	736	212	28.8%	280	74	26.4%	1,016	286	28.1%
Oct-16	701	184	26.2%	286	58	20.3%	987	242	24.5%
Nov-16	750	192	25.6%	266	59	22.2%	1,016	251	24.7%
Dec-16	810	236	29.1%	269	66	24.5%	1,079	302	28.0%
TOTAL	9,190	2,504	27.2%	3,267	745	22.8%	12,457	3,249	26.1%

<sup>\*</sup> Presumptive Release Condition setting activity (Presumptive Release, Merit Presumptive Release, Medical Review Release and Executive Clemency Release) is added into both the interview and granted release numbers to compute a combined Board Interview/Presumptive Release release rate. There were 5 Presumptives in January; 1 in February; 2 in March; 0 in April; 3 in May; 3 in June; 3 in July; 3 in August; 0 in September; 3 in October; 1 in November and 5 in December.