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PAROLE BOARD AND PRESUMPTIVE RELEASE DISPOSITIONS

Calendar Year 2018

(Preliminary Data)

Total Parole Board workload for Calendar year 2018 was 11,624 interviews, including 256 administrative hearings for rescission decisions, alternate date considerations, or special considerations. Initial appearances made up 70% of the Parole Board interviews for calendar year 2018. The tables below summarize in detail Parole Board activity for the month.

TABLE 1. INTERVIEW SUMMARY

INTERVIEW TYPE	NUMBER OF INTERVIEWS	RELEASE RATE	PROPORTION OF ALL INTERVIEWS		
Total Initials ¹	7,993	46%	70%		
Initials	5,935	37%	52%		
Shock	575	84%	5%		
Medical	23	61%	0%		
Early Deportation	46	72%	0%		
LCTI	85	48%	1%		
Merit Time	1,329	70%	12%		
Supplemental Merit	0		0%		
Reappearances ²	3,246	38%	29%		
Parole & CR Violators	129	47%	1%		
Total ³	11,368	44%	100%		

^{1.} Includes Shock, Medical, INS-open, Final Deportations, LCTI, Presumptive, and Merit Interviews.

^{2.} Includes regular reappearance, Shock reappearance and INS-open reappearance interviews.

^{3.} Excludes 256 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	110	42		
Alternate Date	56	52		
Special Considerations ¹	90	44		
TOTAL	256	138		

¹ 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 2018, the Board of Parole and the Commissioner of the Department of Corrections and Community Supervision made determinations on 11,397 cases that were eligible for release to parole supervision. This was a decrease of 879 cases (-7.2%) compared to calendar year 2017. Of the 11,397 cases reviewed during 2018, 5,048 (44.3%) were approved for release. This rate of approval is 11.6% higher than calendar year 2017 when 4,019 (32.7%) of the 12,276 reported parole eligible cases were approved for release.

TABLE 3. PAROLE BOARD AND PRESUMPTIVE RELEASE SUMMARY 2017 and 2018

	Jan-December 2017	Jan-December 2018
Parole Eligible Hearings	12,276	11,397
Approved	4,019	5,048
Percent Approved	32.7%	44.3%

According to Table 4, there were 8,022 Initial appearances reported for calendar year 2018. This was 10.1% lower than the 8,927 reported for calendar year 2017 (see Table 5). The 46.7% approval rate for Initial interviews during calendar year 2018 was 14% higher than the 32.7% reported in 2017.

The 3,375 Reappearances reported during 2018 were 0.8% higher than the 3,349 reported for 2017. The approval rate for Reappearances during 2018 was 38.7%, compared to 32.8% during 2017, an increase of 5.9%.

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

CALENDAR YEAR-TO-DATE 2018

	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-18	684	298	43.6%	279	103	36.9%	963	401	41.6%
Feb-18	695	326	46.9%	260	113	43.5%	955	439	46.0%
Mar-18	688	327	47.5%	298	123	41.3%	986	450	45.6%
Apr-18	736	399	54.2%	274	120	43.8%	1,010	519	51.4%
May-18	607	309	50.9%	264	111	46.8%	871	420	48.2%
Jun-18	660	301	45.6%	297	109	36.7%	957	410	42.8%
Jul-18	620	296	47.7%	231	82	35.5%	851	378	44.4%
Aug-18	695	327	47.1%	305	108	35.4%	1,000	435	43.5%
Sep-18	638	252	39.5%	292	98	33.6%	930	350	37.6%
Oct-18	641	309	48.2%	297	103	34.7%	938	412	43.9%
Nov-18	678	319	47.1%	300	120	40.0%	978	439	44.9%
Dec-18	680	280	41.2%	278	115	41.4%	958	395	41.2%
TOTAL	8,022	3,743	46.7%	3,375	1,305	38.7%	11,397	5,048	44.3%

^{*} 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; 3 in February; 6 in March; 0 in April; 1 in May; 1 in June; 3 in July; 1 in August; 2 in September; 0 in October; 0 in November; and 6 in December.

TABLE 5. 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%

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