

AN ANALYSIS OF COUNTY REFERRAL CASES
1973 CALENDAR YEAR

During 1973 a total of 186 clinic diagnoses were made by the Youth Authority at the request of county authorities. Of those, 65 percent were processed at Northern Reception Center and Clinic. This compares to 196 total cases (87 percent NRCC) in 1972 and 226 total cases (81 percent NRCC) in 1971.

Contracts for Youth Authority clinic diagnosis were held by 39 counties in fiscal year 1973-74. In 1972-73, 36 counties held contracts and in 1971-72, 42 counties held contracts.

Table 1 gives the basic characteristics of the cases diagnosed, by clinic of admission and sex of subject.

The age range was from 12 to 19 years of age with the median age for males being 16.6 and 15.7 for females.

Most of the cases were caucasian (60 percent), as in previous years.

Most of the cases were from the Southern California counties (35 percent). The largest number of cases from a single county was the 40 from Los Angeles County.

Burglary was the largest offense category for males.

The mean length of stay for males was 6.0 weeks compared to 5.5 weeks in 1972. There was also an increase in time for females, from 6.1 weeks in 1972 to 6.7 weeks in 1973.

Table 2 shows the clinic recommendation by sex and clinic. The largest percentage were recommended for probation in their own homes (45 percent), about the same as in 1971 (43 percent), but somewhat lower than 1972 (53 percent).

The recommendation of "probation with special conditions or the Youth Authority" dropped from 14 percent in 1971 to 4 percent in 1972, then rose to 6 percent in 1973. The recommendation of "Youth Authority only," which had risen from 22 percent in 1971 to 28 percent in 1972, dropped back to 23 percent.

Tables 3 and 4 show the clinic recommendation by the Youth Authority status for males and females, respectively. Nine percent of the males and 35 percent of the females were committed to the Youth Authority after a recommendation for probation. Where the Youth Authority was recommended as an alternative or directly, 54 percent of the males and 88 percent of the females were committed during the year.

Tables 5 and 6 show the clinic recommendation and the basic characteristics for the males and the females, respectively. Recommendations to Youth Authority was used most often for males from the San Joaquin Valley area and for Caucasians.

TABLE 1
CHARACTERISTICS OF COUNTY REFERRAL CASES
1973 CALENDAR YEAR

By Clinic of Release

CHARACTERISTICS	TOTAL WARDS		MALES				FEMALES	
	Number	Percent	TOTAL		NRCC	SRCC	NRCC	SRCC
			Number	Percent				
Total wards.....	186	100.0	161	100.0	108	53	13	12
<u>Age</u>								
11-13 years.....	5	2.7	5	3.1	5	-	-	-
14 years.....	13	7.0	7	4.3	4	3	3	3
15 years.....	47	25.3	38	23.6	27	11	6	3
16 years.....	58	31.2	54	33.6	38	16	3	1
17 years.....	50	26.9	45	28.0	27	18	-	5
18 years.....	12	6.4	11	6.8	7	4	1	-
19 years.....	1	0.5	1	0.6	-	1	-	-
Median age.....	16.5		16.6		16.5	16.8	15.6	16.0
<u>Ethnic group</u>								
White.....	111	59.7	95	59.0	73	22	8	8
Mexican-American.....	32	17.2	28	17.4	18	10	2	2
Negro.....	37	19.9	34	21.1	13	21	1	2
Other.....	6	3.2	4	2.5	4	-	2	-
<u>Area and County</u>								
Southern California Area.....	65	34.9	53	32.9	-	53	-	12
Los Angeles.....	40	21.5	35	21.7	-	35	-	5
Orange.....	3	1.6	3	1.9	-	3	-	-
San Diego.....	2	1.1	1	0.6	-	1	-	1
San Luis Obispo.....	5	2.7	3	1.9	-	3	-	2
Santa Barbara.....	6	3.2	4	2.5	-	4	-	2
Ventura.....	9	4.8	7	4.3	-	7	-	2
San Francisco Bay Area.....	49	26.3	44	27.3	44	-	5	-
Alameda.....	1	0.5	1	0.6	1	-	-	-
Contra Costa.....	23	12.4	20	12.4	20	-	3	-
Marin.....	1	0.5	1	0.6	1	-	-	-
Napa.....	3	1.6	3	1.9	3	-	-	-
San Mateo.....	4	2.2	4	2.5	4	-	-	-
Santa Clara.....	7	3.8	6	3.7	6	-	1	-
Solano.....	4	2.2	4	2.5	4	-	-	-
Sonoma.....	6	3.2	5	3.1	5	-	1	-
Sacramento Valley Area.....	20	10.8	20	12.4	20	-	-	-
Butte.....	1	0.5	1	0.6	1	-	-	-
Sacramento.....	4	2.2	4	2.5	4	-	-	-
Sutter.....	5	2.7	5	3.1	5	-	-	-
Tehama.....	2	1.1	2	1.2	2	-	-	-
Yolo.....	8	4.3	8	5.0	8	-	-	-

TABLE 1 (Continued)
CHARACTERISTICS OF COUNTY REFERRAL CASES
1973 CALENDAR YEAR

By Clinic of Release

CHARACTERISTICS	TOTAL WARDS		MALES				FEMALES	
			TOTAL		NRCC	SRCC	NRCC	SRCC
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent				
Total wards.....	186	100.0	161	100.0	108	53	13	12
<u>Area and County (cont'd)</u>								
San Joaquin Valley Area..	36	19.4	31	19.3	31	-	5	-
Kings.....	7	3.8	5	3.1	5	-	2	-
Merced.....	9	4.8	8	5.0	8	-	1	-
San Joaquin.....	2	1.1	2	1.2	2	-	-	-
Stanislaus.....	3	1.6	3	1.9	3	-	-	-
Tulare.....	15	8.1	13	8.1	13	-	2	-
Other counties.....	16	8.6	13	8.1	13	-	3	-
Del Norte.....	1	0.5	-	-	-	-	1	-
Humboldt.....	4	2.2	2	1.2	2	-	2	-
Calaveras.....	2	1.1	2	1.2	2	-	-	-
El Dorado.....	2	1.1	2	1.2	2	-	-	-
Lassen.....	2	1.1	2	1.2	2	-	-	-
Mono.....	1	0.5	1	0.6	1	-	-	-
Monterey.....	1	0.5	1	0.6	1	-	-	-
San Benito.....	1	0.5	1	0.6	1	-	-	-
Santa Cruz.....	1	0.5	1	0.6	1	-	-	-
Tuolumne.....	1	0.5	1	0.6	1	-	-	-
<u>Offense</u>								
Homicide.....	14	7.5	12	7.5	3	9	-	2
Robbery.....	14	7.5	12	7.5	10	2	1	1
Assault.....	24	12.9	20	12.4	9	11	2	2
Burglary.....	23	12.4	23	14.3	18	5	-	-
Theft.....	8	4.3	8	5.0	6	2	-	-
Auto theft.....	10	5.4	10	6.2	8	2	-	-
Forgery.....	1	0.5	-	-	-	-	1	-
Sex offenses.....	17	9.1	17	10.6	13	4	-	-
Narcotics & Drugs.....	5	2.7	3	1.9	3	-	1	1
Weapons.....	2	1.1	2	1.2	1	1	-	-
Escape C.C. or J.H.....	20	10.8	17	10.6	10	7	3	-
Incorrigible & runaway...	21	11.3	17	10.6	13	4	2	2
Foster home failure.....	10	5.4	8	5.0	5	3	1	1
Other offenses.....	17	9.1	12	7.5	9	3	2	3
<u>Mean length of stay in clinic</u>								
In days.....	42.0		42.0		39.0	46.0	50.0	42.0
In weeks.....	6.0		6.0		5.6	6.6	7.1	6.0

Note: Percents may not add because of independent rounding.

TABLE 2
CLINIC RECOMMENDATION
1973 CALENDAR YEAR
By Clinic of Release

CLINIC RECOMMENDATION	TOTAL WARDS		MALES				FEMALES	
			TOTAL		NRCC	SRCC	NRCC	VRCC
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent				
Total wards.....	186	100.0	161	100.0	108	53	13	12
Probation								
Own home.....	84	45.2	74	46.0	60	14	7	3
Out of home.....	22	11.8	16	9.9	4	12	4	2
County camp.....	8	4.3	7	4.3	6	1	1	-
Probation with special cond. or Youth Authority.	11	5.9	10	6.2	4	6	-	1
Youth Authority only.....	43	23.1	36	22.4	28	8	1	6
Department of Health.....	15	8.1	15	9.3	4	11	-	-
Other.....	3	1.6	3	1.9	2	1	-	-

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TABLE 3

CLINIC RECOMMENDATION BY YOUTH AUTHORITY STATUS (MALES ONLY)
1973 CALENDAR YEAR

CLINIC RECOMMENDATION	YOUTH AUTHORITY STATUS									
	TOTAL		COMMITTED TO THE YOUTH AUTHORITY						OTHER THAN YOUTH AUTHORITY	
			Total		Within 3 months		4 to 6 months			
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Total wards.....	161	100.0	39	24.2	37	23.0	2	1.2	122	75.8
Probation.....	97	100.0	9	9.3	7	7.2	2	2.1	88	90.7
Own home.....	74	100.0	7	9.5	5	6.8	2	2.7	67	90.5
Out of home.....	16	100.0	2	12.5	2	12.5	-	-	14	87.5
County camp.....	7	100.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	100.0
Probation with special cond. or Youth Authority.	10	100.0	1	10.0	1	10.0	-	-	9	90.0
Youth Authority only.....	36	100.0	24	66.7	24	66.7	-	-	12	33.3
Department of Health.....	15	100.0	4	26.7	4	26.7	-	-	11	73.3
Other.....	3	100.0	1	33.3	1	33.3	-	-	2	66.7

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Own home.....	74	100.0	7	9.5	5	6.8	2	2.7	67	90.5
Out of home.....	16	100.0	2	12.5	2	12.5	-	-	14	87.5
County camp.....	7	100.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	100.0
Probation with special cond. or Youth Authority.	10	100.0	1	10.0	1	10.0	-	-	9	90.0
Youth Authority only.....	36	100.0	24	66.7	24	66.7	-	-	12	33.3
Department of Health.....	15	100.0	4	26.7	4	26.7	-	-	11	73.3
Other.....	3	100.0	1	33.3	1	33.3	-	-	2	66.7

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TABLE 4

CLINIC RECOMMENDATION BY YOUTH AUTHORITY STATUS (FEMALES ONLY)
1973 CALENDAR YEAR

CLINIC RECOMMENDATION	YOUTH AUTHORITY STATUS									
	TOTAL		COMMITTED TO THE YOUTH AUTHORITY						OTHER THAN YOUTH AUTHORITY*	
			Total		Within 3 months		4 to 6 months			
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Total wards.....	25	100.0	13	52.0	12	48.0	1	4.0	12	48.0
Probation.....	17	100.0	6	35.3	5	29.4	1	5.9	11	64.7
Own home.....	10	100.0	4	40.0	3	30.0	1	10.0	6	60.0
Out of home.....	7	100.0	2	28.6	2	28.6	-	-	5	71.4
Probation with special cond. or Youth Authority.	1	100.0	1	100.0	1	100.0	-	-	-	-
Youth Authority only.....	7	100.0	6	85.7	6	85.7	-	-	1	14.3

*Includes 1 female recommended to county facility.

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TABLE 5
CHARACTERISTICS BY CLINIC RECOMMENDATION
MALES ONLY

CHARACTERISTICS	Total Males		PROBATION						Probation w/spec/cond. or Youth Authority and Youth Authority only		Department of Health and Other	
			Own home		Out of home		County camp		Number	Percent	Number	Percent
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent				
Total wards.....	161	100.0	74	46.0	16	9.9	7	4.3	46	28.6	18	11.2
<u>Age</u>												
12-13.....	5	100.0	2	40.0	1	20.0	1	20.0	1	20.0	-	-
14.....	7	100.0	4	57.1	2	28.6	-	-	1	14.3	-	-
15.....	38	100.0	17	44.7	3	7.9	1	2.6	11	28.9	6	15.8
16.....	54	100.0	26	48.1	5	9.3	3	5.6	14	25.9	6	11.1
17.....	45	100.0	17	37.8	3	6.7	2	4.4	18	40.0	5	11.1
18.....	11	100.0	7	63.6	2	18.2	-	-	1	9.1	1	9.1
19.....	1	100.0	1	100.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<u>County and Area</u>												
Southern California Area.	53	100.0	14	26.4	12	22.6	-	-	14	26.4	12	22.6
Los Angeles.....	35	100.0	9	25.7	10	28.6	1	2.9	6	17.1	9	25.7
San Luis Obispo.....	3	100.0	1	33.3	-	-	-	-	2	66.7	-	-
4 other.....	15	100.0	4	26.7	2	13.3	-	-	6	40.0	3	20.0
San Francisco Bay Area...	44	100.0	21	47.7	-	-	-	-	13	29.5	4	9.1
Alameda.....	1	100.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	100.0	-	-
Contra Costa.....	20	100.0	10	50.0	-	-	3	15.0	6	30.0	1	5.0
6 other.....	23	100.0	11	47.8	-	-	3	13.0	6	26.1	3	13.0
5 Sacramento Valley Cos..	20	100.0	15	75.0	-	-	-	-	4	20.0	1	5.0
5 San Joaquin Valley Cos.	31	100.0	14	45.2	4	12.9	-	-	12	38.7	1	3.2
9 other counties.....	13	100.0	10	76.9	-	-	-	-	3	23.1	-	-
<u>Race</u>												
White.....	95	100.0	48	50.5	8	8.4	2	2.1	30	31.6	7	7.4
Mexican-American.....	28	100.0	15	53.6	2	7.1	2	7.1	7	25.0	2	7.1
Negro.....	34	100.0	8	23.5	6	17.6	3	8.8	9	26.5	8	23.5
Other.....	4	100.0	3	75.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	25.0

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TABLE 6

CHARACTERISTICS BY CLINIC RECOMMENDATION
FEMALES ONLY

CHARACTERISTICS	Total Females		PROBATION				Probation w/spec/cond. or Youth Authority and Youth Authority only	
			Own home		Out of home*		Number	Percent
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent		
Total wards.....	25	100.0	10	40.0	7	28.0	8	32.0
<u>Age</u>								
14.....	6	100.0	1	16.7	2	33.3	3	50.0
15.....	9	100.0	6	66.7	1	11.1	2	22.2
16.....	4	100.0	2	50.0	2	50.0	-	-
17.....	5	100.0	-	-	2	40.0	3	60.0
18.....	1	100.0	1	100.0	-	-	-	-
<u>County and Area</u>								
Southern California Area.	12	100.0	3	25.0	2	16.7	7	58.3
San Francisco Bay Area...	5	100.0	3	60.0	1	20.0	1	20.0
San Joaquin Valley Cos...	5	100.0	3	60.0	2	40.0	-	-
Other counties.....	3	100.0	1	33.3	2	66.7	-	-
<u>Race</u>								
White.....	16	100.0	7	43.8	6	37.5	3	18.8
Mexican-American.....	4	100.0	1	25.0	-	-	3	75.0
Negro.....	3	100.0	1	33.3	-	-	2	66.7
Other.....	2	100.0	1	50.0	1	50.0	-	-

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