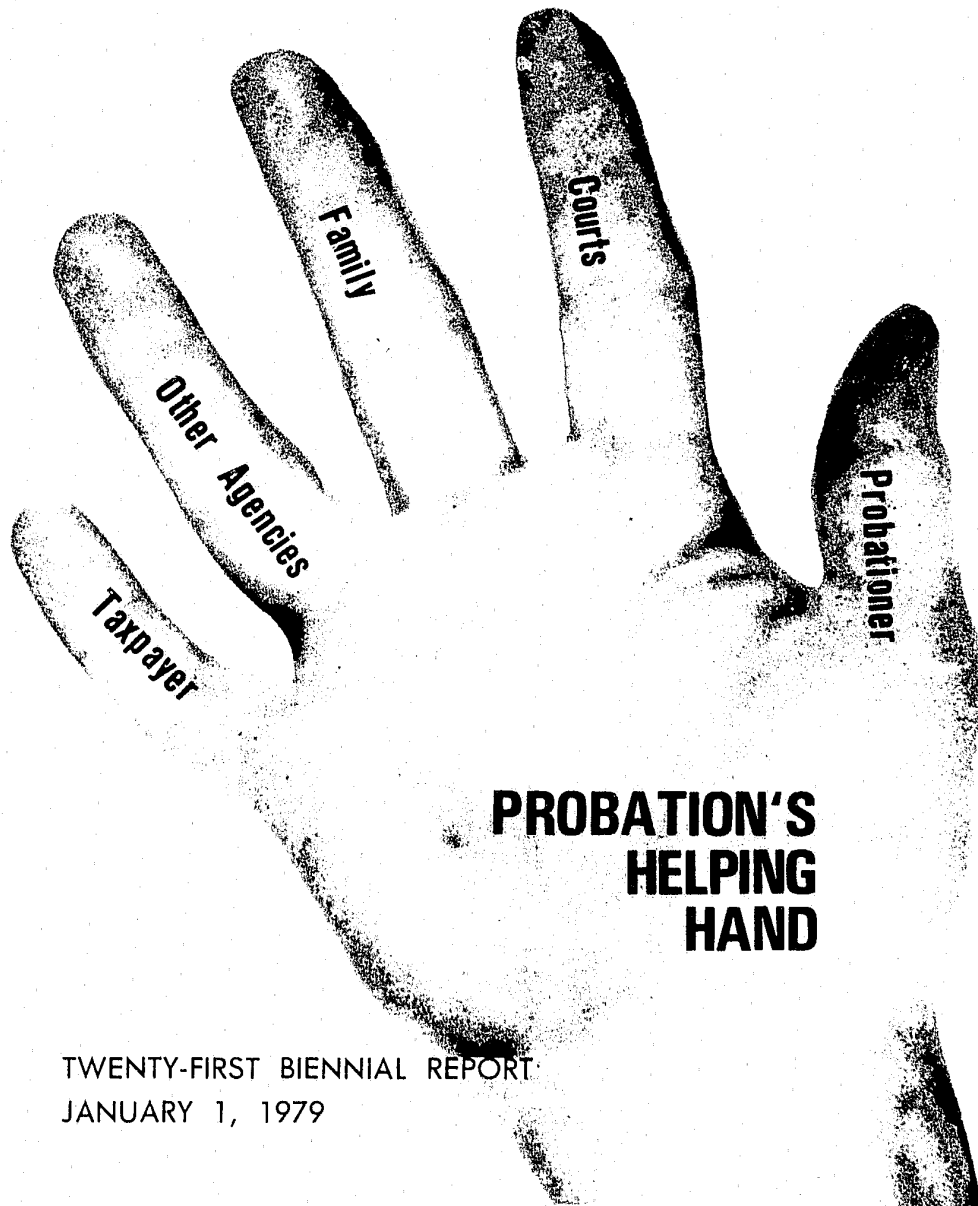


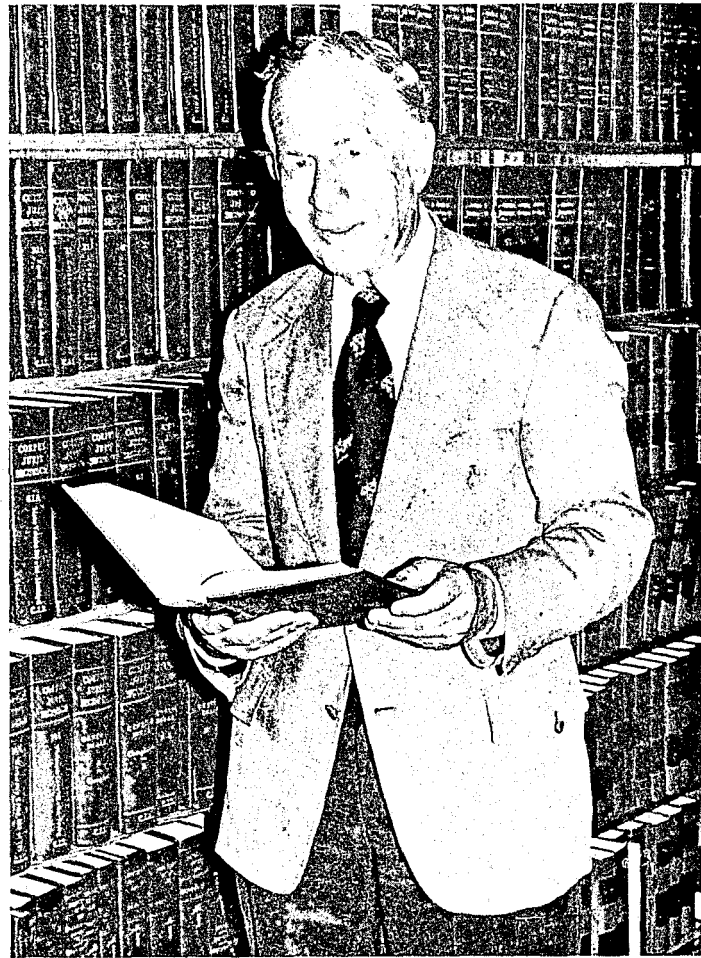
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JANUARY 1, 1979

*Honorable William W. Keller*



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HONORABLE FRANK R. KENISON

HONORABLE WILLIAM W. KELLER

This biennium report is dedicated to two men blessed with the attributes of honesty, intelligence, fairness, understanding, industriousness, patience, and all the other characteristics and qualities necessary to make a "good man."

These two men, former Chief Justice of the Supreme Court, Frank R. Kenison and former Chief Justice of the New Hampshire Superior Court, William W. Keller, used their outstanding qualities to provide justice for all here in New Hampshire, not only during the period they were Chief Justices, but at all times.

Judge Kenison and Judge Keller are the type individuals responsible for New Hampshire being a great place to be.

The New Hampshire Probation Department offers a special thank you for the guidance, assistance and understanding they provided over the years.

TWENTY-FIRST BIENNIAL REPORT  
OF THE STATE BOARD OF PROBATION

January 1, 1979

To His Excellency the Governor  
and the Honorable Council  
The Honorable Senate and House of Representatives:

In accordance with the provisions set forth in RSA 504:8 and with an earnest desire to make known to you briefly as possible the facts concerning the accomplishments and problems of the Probation service in New Hampshire, we take pleasure in transmitting herewith the Twenty-first Biennial Report of the New Hampshire Department of Probation for the period ending December 31, 1978. We hope you will find it interesting as well as informative.

This biennial report is dedicated to and in recognition of services rendered to this department and the entire State of N. H. by N. H. Supreme Court Chief Justice Frank R. Kenison and N. H. Superior Court Chief Justice William W. Keller.

Respectfully submitted,

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## NEW HAMPSHIRE PROBATION DEPARTMENT

The New Hampshire Probation Department, established in 1937, has 10 district offices (one located in each county) and a Central Office. It has four sub-offices. The Department's main work is investigation of cases coming before the district, municipal and superior courts and supervision of those placed on probation by the same courts.

The Department also implements and enforces orders issued by the court for collection of, receipting for, and disbursement of child support payments, alimony, etc.

The Department operates under RSA 504. The Department has a five member Board of Probation appointed by the Governor and approved by the Governor's Council, each for a five year term.

The Director and Assistant Director are appointed by the Board of Probation.

Two bienniums ago the Probation Department divided their budget into two units, the Probation Unit and Domestic Relations Unit. Several reasons exist for this separation, the main being to provide a cost analysis basis of funds needed to furnish services in the Domestic Relations Unit, and the same analytical basis for the Probation Unit.

A budget for the Domestic Relations Unit allows Domestic Relations Officers to concentrate strictly on Domestic and Domestic only. It frees the Probation Officer to do just Probation work and not become involved in collections.

In our new budget, the Probation Unit has two components, the Office of the Director which contains Budget for all supervisory personnel within the Department (Domestic Unit included) and Probation which budgets for staff doing probation tasks.

The following chart shows changes in Department staff since 1969.

Chart shows when positions were funded for the Department through LEAA, Manpower, or CETA, and when some were made permanent.

Chart also indicates when Domestic Relations Officers became a reality within the department.

N. H. STATE PROBATION STAFF  
DOMESTIC AND PROBATION  
JUNE OF EACH YEAR

YEAR	SUPERVISORS	PROBATION OFFICER	CLERICAL	DOM. RELATIONS OFFICER	PROBATION OFFICER GRANTS	CLERICAL GRANTS	TOTALS
1969	4	20**	25	-	-	-	49
1970	4	20**	25	-	-	-	49
1971	4	20**	25	-	-	-	49
1972	4	19**	26	-	8 LEAA 3 Manpower	3 LEAA 1 Manpower	64
1973	4	19**	26	-	8 LEAA 3 Manpower	3 LEAA 1 Manpower	64
1974	2 (a)	21**	27	6	13	4	73
1975	2 (a)	21**	27	6	13***	4***	73
1976	2 (a)	34**	31	6	-	-	73
1977	4	32**	29 full 8 part time	8 full 6 part time	2 LEAA	1 LEAA	73 full 14 part
1978	4	32**	29 full 8 part time	8 full 6 part time	2 LEAA	1 LEAA	73 full 14 part

\*\* Includes one Director and Assistant Director

\*\*\*These positions became permanent state positions 7/1/75.

(a) Supervisor positions were there but only 2 were assigned because other 2 were doing full time probation caseload.

## STATE ORGANIZATION BY REGIONS

### Chart A - Region I

This explains Hillsborough County, Region I.

It shows the population, the number of district and superior courts, and provides the number of staff both state and locally funded. It also indicates both state and local offices are in the region. Only one county makes up this region.

### Chart B - Region II

This region consists of two counties, Rockingham and Strafford. The information on the map is the same as Chart A.

This breakdown of personnel includes in the state funded positions the domestic relation officers and clerical staff assigned to domestic relations.

### Chart C - Region III

This region consists of Cheshire County, Sullivan County and Merrimack County.

Please note in Cheshire and Sullivan County all probation services are funded by the state only, but in Merrimack the City of Concord funds its own full time probation staff and Franklin its own full time probation officer.

### Chart D - Region IV

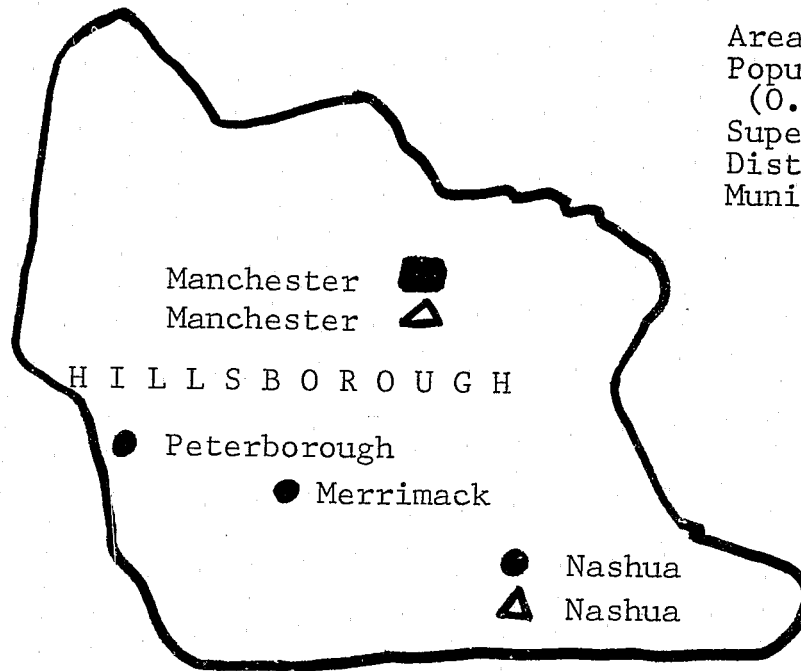
This region consists of Grafton County, Coos County, Carroll County and Belknap County. This region has an area of 5,060 square miles.

In Carroll and Coos County state funded probation is the only probation service available.

In Grafton County's southwest corner two district courts, Hanover and Lebanon, fund their own probation staff.

In Belknap County the city of Laconia funds its own probation staff.

In all the regions all the superior court work is done by state probation staff.



Area - 901.9  
 Population - 263,590  
 (O.C.P. 1977 Est.)  
 Superior Court -1  
 District Courts -7  
 Municipal Courts -3


STATE


1 Supervisor  
 8 Probation Officers  
 3 DRO  
 8 Clerical  
 2 Part time clerical  
 Supervision caseload - 624  
 Collection caseload - 2,583


LOCAL

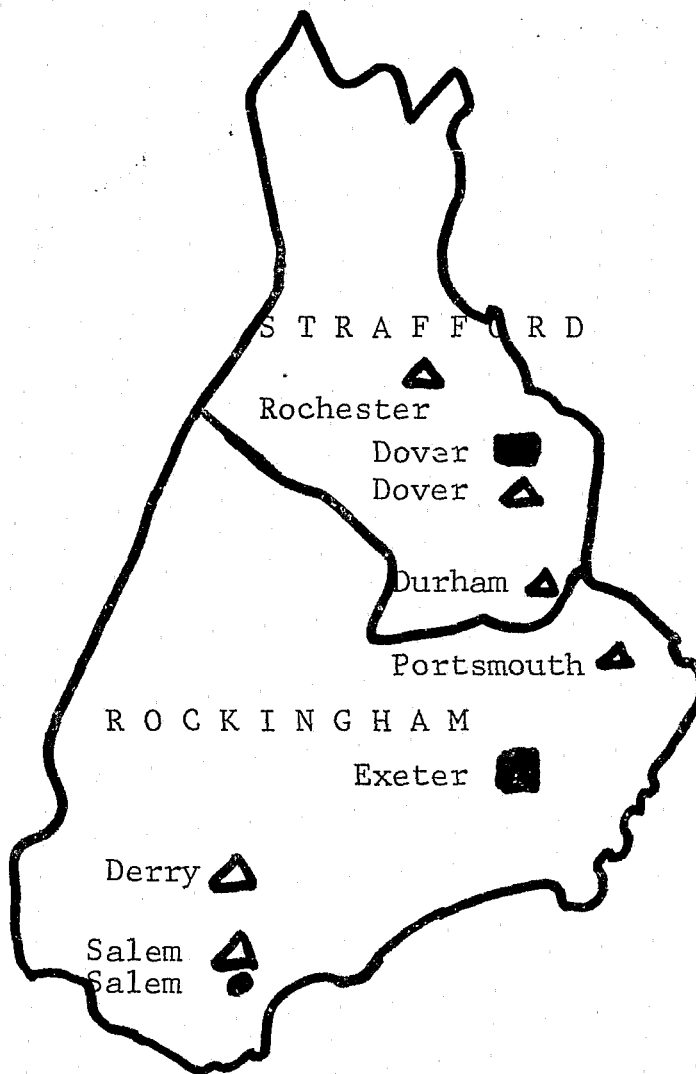
2 Supervisors  
 10 P.O.  
 1 Assistant  
 1 Part time  
 5 Clerical  
 Supervision caseload - 776

Superior Court Judges on a circuit basis. This region has up to five justices sitting practically year round.

 MAIN OFFICE

 STATE SUB OFFICE

 DISTRICT COURT PROBATION OFFICE



Area - 1107.7  
 Population - Est. 1977  
 O.C.P. 258,780  
 Superior Courts - 2  
 District Courts - 11  
 Municipal Courts - 4

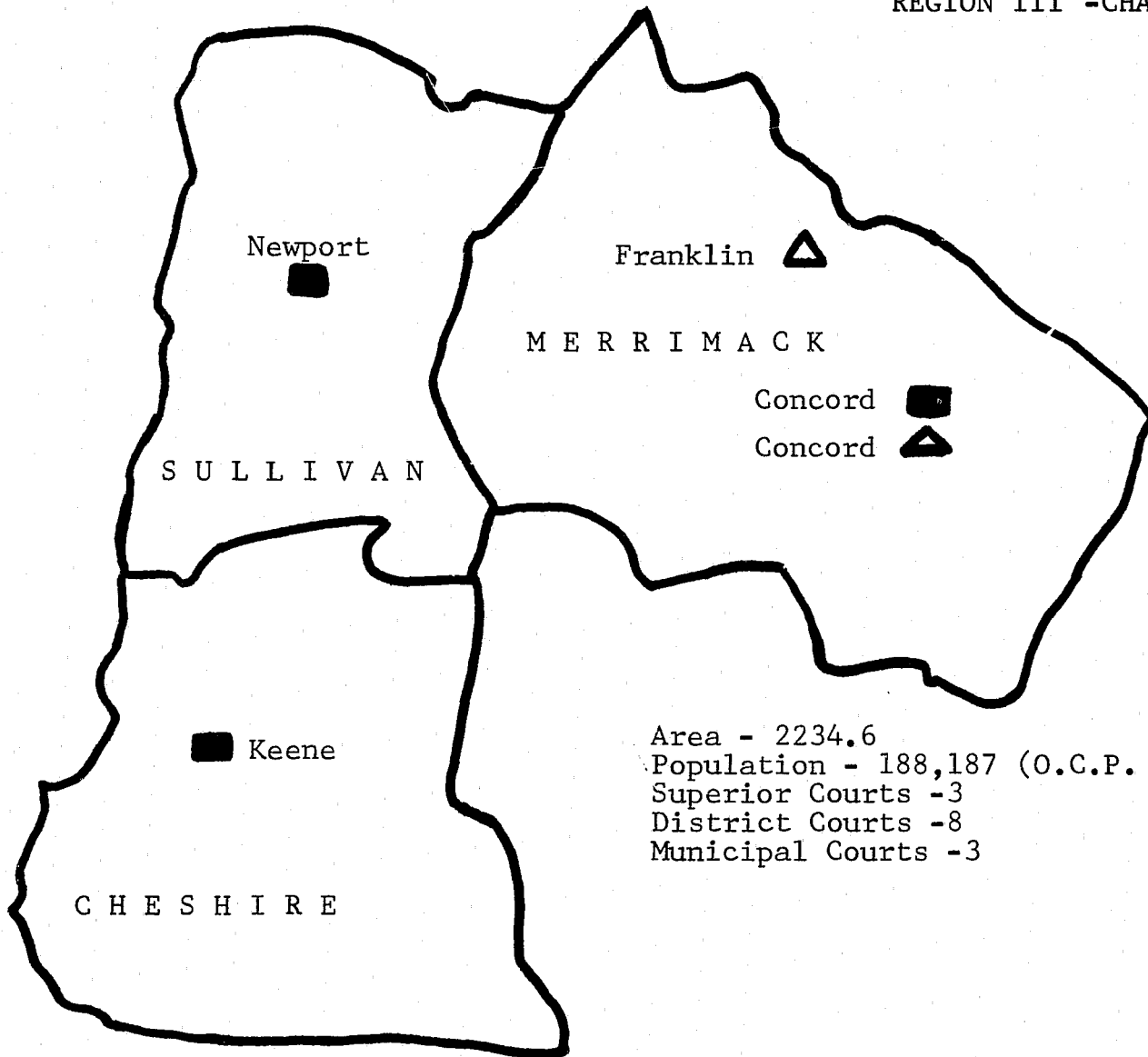
STATE

1 Supervisor  
 8 P.O.  
 3 DRO (full time)  
 1 DRO (part time)  
 6 clerical (full time)  
 clerical (part time)  
 Supervision caseload - 745  
 Collection caseload - 3,352

LOCAL

4 P.O. (full time)  
 4 P.O. (part time)  
 2 clerical  
 Supervision caseload - 183

■ MAIN OFFICE ● STATE SUB OFFICE ▲ DISTRICT COURT PROBATION OFFICE




Area - 2234.6  
 Population - 188,187 (O.C.P. 1977 Est.)  
 Superior Courts -3  
 District Courts -8  
 Municipal Courts -3


STATE


1 Supervisor  
 6 P.O.  
 1 DRO (full time)  
 2 DRO (part time)  
 4 clerical (full time)  
 X 1 clerical (GCCD full time)  
 1 clerical (part time)  
 Supervision caseload - 476  
 Collection caseload - 2,190

LOCAL

1 Supervisor  
 1 P.O.  
 2 P.O. (part time)  
 1 clerical  
 Supervision caseload - 94

 MAIN OFFICE

 DISTRICT COURT PROBATION  
 OFFICE

 FEDERAL FUNDED  
 POSITION

REGION IV CHART D

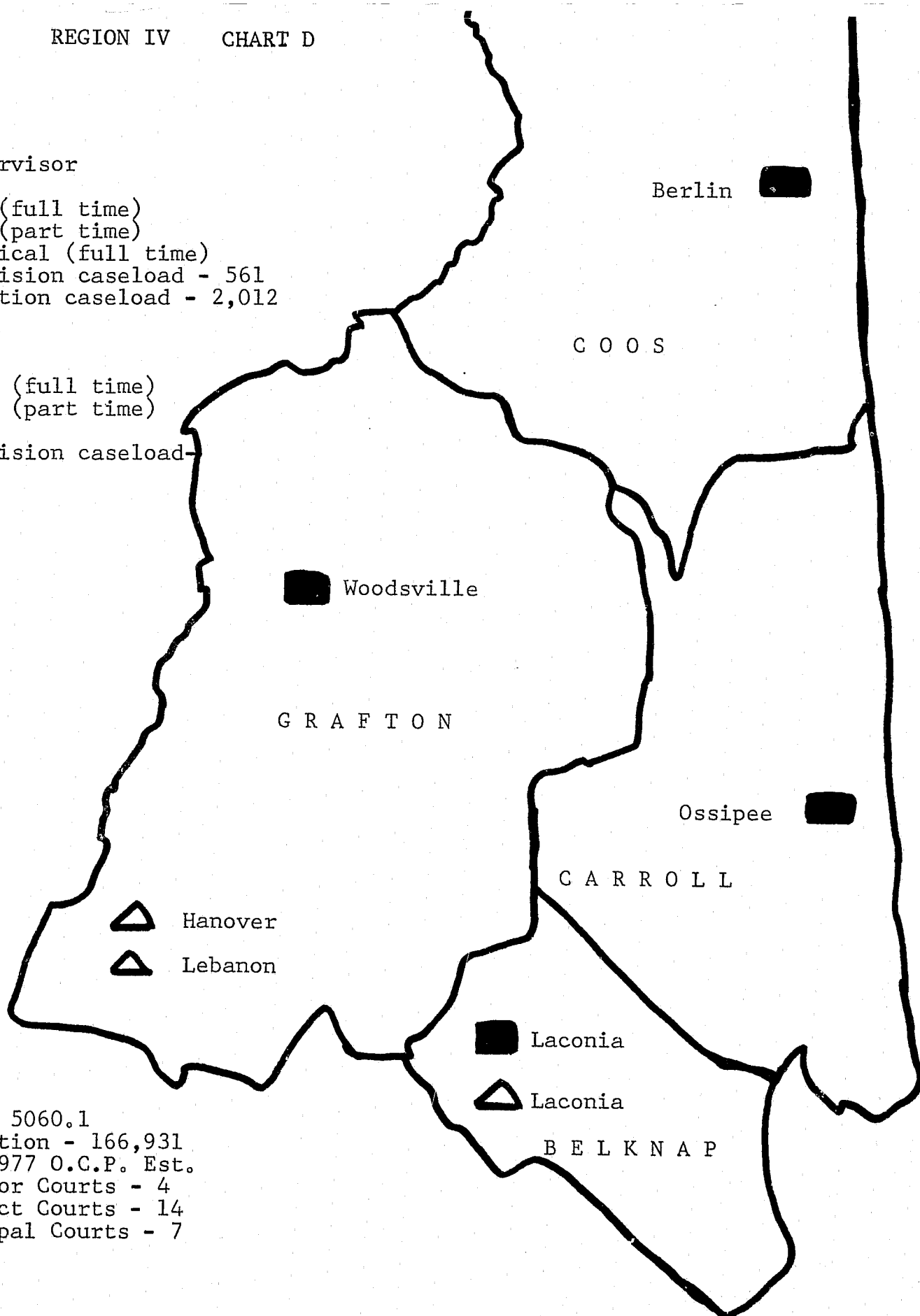
STATE

1 Supervisor  
8 P.O.  
1 DRO (full time)  
3 DRO (part time)  
5 clerical (full time)  
Supervision caseload - 561  
Collection caseload - 2,012

LOCAL

2 P.O. (full time)  
2 (part time)  
Supervision caseload -  
138

Area - 5060.1  
Population - 166,931  
1977 O.C.P. Est.  
Superior Courts - 4  
District Courts - 14  
Municipal Courts - 7



MAIN OFFICE

LOCAL OFFICE

FEDERAL FUNDED

## EVALUATION OF REGIONAL SUPERVISORY SETUP

Probation has a supervisor in each of the four regions as indicated on the regional maps. Region I includes only Hillsborough, while Region IV includes four counties.

The regional setup was recommended by the Planning Research Corporation Probation study in 1972.

During the past two years full time supervisors have been assigned to Region III and Region IV. Prior to that only Region I and II had supervisors.

Region I involving only one county works well.

Region II, Rockingham and Strafford County, is more difficult because it covers two busy counties.

Region III and IV the supervisory set up has not been effective. Too much time is spent traveling which is completely non-productive.

I recommend each county have its own supervisor. In the counties with a smaller caseload supervisor would carry an appropriate supervision and/or investigation workload along with the supervisory duties.

Following page lists information on department's office rentals throughout the state.



The following lists present office locations and rental costs.

<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>ADDRESS &amp; TEL.</u>	<u>ANNUAL COST</u>	<u>ROOMS</u>	<u>SQ. FT.</u>	<u>FLOOR</u>
Exeter	County Court House 772-4753	13,200.	6	2400	1
Manchester	County Court House 668-0334	8,079.	11	2234	Ground floor
Concord	11 Depot St. 225-6781	3,500.	4	1160	2
Berlin	County Court House 752-1123	2,240.	3	800	Ground floor
Woodsville	County Court House 787-6900	2,520.	3	610	2
Dover	8 Third St. 742-6240	2,400.	5	969	2
Laconia	County Court House 524-3036	3,000.	4	653	1
Keene	Ball Block, 31 Central Sq. 352-4139	3,000.	5	1000	2
Newport	Lewis Block Main St. 863-1330	2,880.	4	850	2
Ossipee	County Home 539-6434	1,200.	2	784	1
Central	11 Depot St.	16,000.	7	2815 1700 (storage)	1

The following page lists same information for sub-offices.

<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>ADDRESS &amp; TEL.</u>	<u>ANNUAL COST</u>	<u>ROOMS</u>	<u>SQ. FT.</u>	<u>FLOOR</u>
Nashua	County Court House 424-9448	1,200.	2	690	Ground floor
Salem	Municipal Bldg. 898-5097	no charge			
Peterboro	Town Hall 1 Grove St. 924-3188	no charge			
Merrimack	Town Hall Baboosic Lake Rd. 424-9916	no charge			

## PROBATION UNIT

Probation is the placement of an individual under the supervision of a sincere, dedicated Probation Officer.

Probation is the keeping of a person who has been convicted of a crime in his or her community, as a member of society, instead of sending him or her to prison or some other correctional institution. The period of Probation is set by the courts.

The judge usually does this after study of a report prepared by a Probation Officer who details the social background of the individual, gathering information on client's family, work, prior work if any, his involvement in this particular crime, etc., and recommendation for disposition.

Probation has the dual purpose of protecting society and rehabilitating the offender.

We must keep in mind the role of a Probation Officer in the administration of justice. Upon the Probation Officer rests the responsibility of carrying out the orders of the court.

Probation Officers should treat probationers as people - not just a caseload. The workload and the number of staff effect this treatment.

It is necessary today to have some reasonable and adequate alternative to imprisonment, an alternative which would, in turning the person free, retain a measure of control and guidance for his benefit and the protection of the society.

The courts have the right to expect from Probation thorough investigations, complete and timely reports and counseling and supervision to those placed on Probation.

Probation costs approximately \$200 a year per person. This is in comparison to the Youth Development Center which costs approximately \$12,000 per year and the State Prison of approximately \$12,000 per year. We know institutions are needed but let's try to keep the institution enrollment down by using Probation adequately and more effectively.

Supervision caseload has leveled off in the last four years. This we believe is due to early terminations, shorter periods of Probation by the courts, closer supervision of cases from District Court now that all have probation service assigned to the district courts, less cases assigned by the

courts, etc.

As of June 30, FY74 through FY78, the supervision caseload was 2222, 2437, 2495, 2414 and 2406, respectively.

New cases assigned have dropped in the last five years. During FY74 through FY78 had the following new cases for each new year: 1852, 2243, 1857, 1771, and 1729.

However, during this period, violation of probationers increased as follows: 300, 308, 297, 410 and 420.

Investigations assigned by the court to probation increased slightly each fiscal year. Investigations climbed from 3594 in FY74 to 4178 in FY78.

The better the investigation provided the court by the Probation Officer, the more reliable the disposition by the court.

The least number of probationers the closer the supervision, therefore, the better chances of success.

Presently we have 29 probation officers handling the investigations plus supervisions assigned by the court. Each officer averages approximately 80 persons under supervision and 11 investigations per month.

We need an alternative to incarceration, a system that will retain a measure of control and guidance for probationer's benefit and the protection of society. This alternative is probation.

Whereas, it costs approximately \$200 per year to keep a person on probation and approximately \$12,000 per year to incarcerate, probation economically and results wise is the best investment.

Money is not the only saving when using probation instead of incarceration, it has many other good points. One is the great saving in manhood and womanhood. Probation places the offender under more hopeful and normal surroundings than would be possible in prison or a reformatory.

Probation, in most cases, encourages rather than embitters. It builds up rather than degrades. It is an investment in community protection. It puts men to work to earn money rather than in confinement at public expense. It does not put a stigma on the person nor hurt the family members more than it hurts the offender.

However, we cannot be too idealistic. Probation cannot be applied in every case but it is surprising how the deterrent affect of probation has been so little understood. Probation puts the offender under an obligation and forces him to rehabilitate himself.

## ORGANIZATION OF THE NEW HAMPSHIRE FUNDED PROBATION UNIT

### Chart A

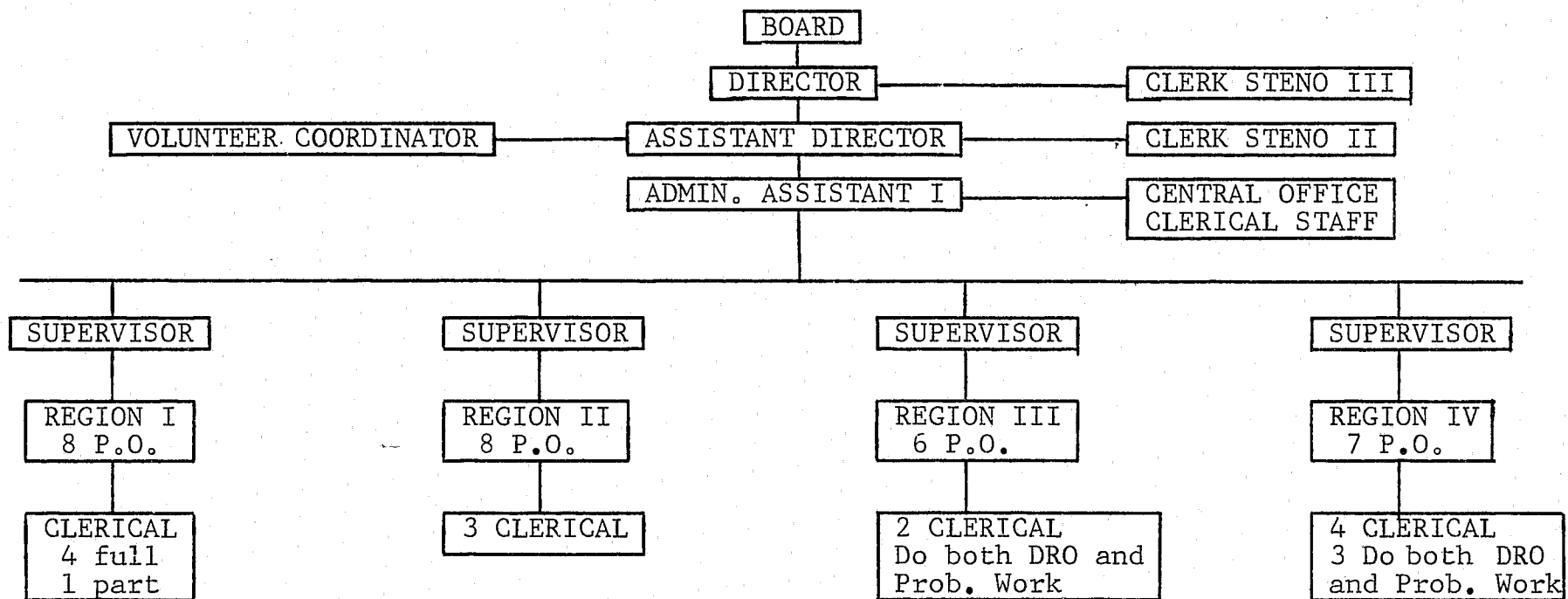
Chart A explains the organization of the Probation unit only. The upper half of the chart is administrative located in Central Office, 11 Depot Street, Concord, N.H.

The bottom half of chart shows setup in the Department's four regions.

Although this chart is for Probation unit, some clerical staff does both domestic and probation work, due to limited clerical staff in several offices.

## REGIONAL ORGANIZATION CHART - STATE PROBATION STAFF ONLY

As of June 30, 1978



## PROBATION WORKLOAD

Probation Officer workload is determined by the number of investigations assigned by the court and the number of persons placed on probation.

During the last four years the supervision caseload has leveled off and investigations have increased slightly. The supervision caseload as of the end of the last four fiscal years has remained around 2400. This was unlike previous years when caseload increased several hundred each year.

Some reasons for the drop in workload are:

- 1) The state has provided more probation officer service to the district courts throughout the state of N.H.
- 2) More local communities have hired their own probation officers for the district court.
- 3) This increased probation service in the district courts, has made it possible to reach the offender at an early age and correct the problem. This has eliminated many cases from reaching the superior court as adult offenders.
- 4) Less new cases assigned by the court.
- 5) Less recidivism.
- 6) The Probation Officers have requested the court and were granted more earlier terminations of probation than in prior years.

### Chart A - Supervision Caseload as of June 30, 1977 and June 30, 1978

In the adult male section in the two year period note how close the caseload has remained throughout. Note Probation ended up with 72 less male cases under supervision as of June 30, 1978 than June 30, 1977.

In the female there were four less cases in 1978 than in 1977.

In the male juvenile section supervision cases increased 68 from June 30, 1977 to June 30, 1978. The juvenile female cases remained exactly the same.

In the juvenile section all counties increased their cases with the exception of Belknap County.

#### Chart B - New Probation Cases Assigned During FY77 and FY78

This chart shows number of new supervision cases assigned by the court, during the fiscal years. Probation has no control over the number assigned.

Only seven more male cases were assigned during FY78 than FY77.

There was a decrease of 17 female probationers assigned in FY78.

The net result was 10 less new cases assigned during FY78 than in FY77.

There were 25 less male juveniles assigned during FY78 than FY77 and 14 less juvenile female probationers assigned in FY78 than in FY77.

FY78 had 38 less new cases assigned than in FY77.

#### Chart C - Probation Investigations Requested By the Courts For FY77 and FY78

There were 103 more adult investigations assigned in FY78 than in FY77. Increase was in both adult female and male categories.

Juvenile investigations assigned showed an increase of 29 more in FY78 than in FY77, while juvenile female investigations assigned decreased one in the same period.

#### Chart D - Probation Caseload Activity Comparison for FY77 and FY78

This chart shows what the caseload was for each county at the beginning of FY77 and FY78. It goes on to show what was added for new cases, how many were reopened, how many were transferred in, and the total caseload serviced each fiscal year. It shows the number of cases closed and transferred. Chart shows the increase or decrease in probationers during the biennium.

Chart shows more cases closed than new cases assigned which lessens our caseload. Early terminations of the probation is a main reason for more closed than new cases.

#### Chart E - Probation Cases Supervised FY77 and FY78

Chart E explains total probationers serviced during a year. Total serviced is adding caseload you have starting new fiscal year plus new cases assigned during that year. Total serviced includes probationers under supervision for all or any part of the year.



Chart F - Comparison New and Closed Cases FY77 and FY78

Chart F shows the number of new cases opened in FY77 and FY78 and right along side is the closed cases for the two years.

In the grand total column there were approximately 80 more cases closed each year than assigned.

## PROBATION SUPERVISION CASELOAD AS OF JUNE 30, 1977 &amp; JUNE 30, 1978

DISTRICT		ADULTS			JUVENILES			TOTALS		
		Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
Rockingham	-FY77	372	50	422	141	15	156	513	65	578
	FY78	364	48	412	149	19	168	513	67	580
Hillsborough	-FY77	568	69	637	51	12	63	619	81	700
	FY78	486	62	548	70	6	76	556	68	624
Merrimack	-FY77	91	7	98	10	0	10	101	7	108
	FY78	78	8	86	11	0	11	89	8	97
Coos	-FY77	72	4	76	37	4	41	109	8	117
	FY78	78	6	84	43	4	47	121	10	131
Grafton	-FY77	117	19	136	50	9	59	167	28	195
	FY78	114	12	126	56	7	63	170	19	189
Strafford	-FY77	132	11	143	26	2	28	158	13	171
	FY78	113	17	130	28	7	35	141	24	165
Belknap	-FY77	87	26	113	21	3	24	108	29	137
	FY78	103	26	129	17	1	18	120	27	147
Cheshire	-FY77	109	12	121	47	10	57	156	22	178
	FY78	132	21	153	63	13	76	195	34	229
Sullivan	-FY77	76	10	86	29	6	35	105	16	121
	FY78	93	12	105	37	8	45	130	20	150
Carroll	-FY77	62	14	76	28	5	33	90	19	109
	FY78	53	6	59	34	1	35	87	7	94
TOTALS	-FY77	1,686	222	1,908	440	66	506	2,126	288	2,414
	FY78	1,614	218	1,832	508	66	574	2,122	284	2,406

## PROBATION NEW CASES FY77 and FY78

DISTRICT		Male	<u>ADULTS</u>		Total	Male	<u>JUVENILES</u>		Total	Male	<u>TOTALS</u>		Total
			Female				Female				Female		
Rockingham	-FY77	212	30		242	163	24		187	375	54		429
	FY78	193	26		219	138	27		165	331	53		384
Hillsborough	-FY77	319	40		359	78	14		92	397	54		451
	FY78	288	30		318	81	14		95	369	44		413
Merrimack	-FY77	40	9		49	15	0		15	55	9		64
	FY78	45	6		51	14	0		14	59	6		65
Coos	-FY77	42	4		46	31	4		35	73	8		81
	FY78	47	5		52	38	5		43	85	10		95
Grafton	-FY77	76	10		86	45	10		55	121	20		141
	FY78	72	8		80	47	7		54	119	15		134
Strafford	-FY77	72	2		74	63	14		77	135	16		151
	FY78	60	5		65	27	7		34	87	12		99
Belknap	-FY77	41	11		52	17	3		20	58	14		72
	FY78	38	9		47	14	0		14	52	9		61
Cheshire	-FY77	80	13		93	50	15		65	130	28		158
	FY78	148	25		173	68	13		81	216	38		254
Sullivan	-FY77	67	14		81	40	12		52	107	26		133
	FY78	83	8		91	48	12		60	131	20		151
Carroll	-FY77	52	8		60	33	4		37	85	12		97
	FY78	34	2		36	36	1		37	70	3		73
TOTAL	-FY77	1001	141		1142	535	100		635	1536	241		1777
	FY78	1008	124		1132	511	86		597	1519	210		1729

## PROBATION INVESTIGATIONS REQUESTED BY COURTS FY77 and FY78

District		ADULTS			JUVENILES			TOTALS		
		Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
Rockingham	-FY77	638	55	693	467	113	580	1105	168	1273
	FY78	532	42	574	501	109	610	1033	151	1184
Hillsboro gh	-FY77	654	87	741	140	19	159	794	106	900
	FY78	726	96	822	132	40	172	858	136	994
Merrimack	-FY77	190	7	197	27	2	29	217	9	226
	FY78	182	14	196	24	2	26	206	16	222
Coos	-FY77	72	4	76	68	14	82	140	18	158
	FY78	77	8	85	67	3	70	144	11	155
Grafton	-FY77	134	13	147	66	19	85	200	32	232
	FY78	137	12	149	69	10	79	206	22	228
Strafford	-FY77	177	12	189	109	22	131	286	34	320
	FY78	234	21	255	79	17	96	313	38	351
Belknap	-FY77	106	18	124	9	0	9	115	18	133
	FY78	134	13	147	8	1	9	142	14	156
Cheshire	-FY77	183	21	204	98	34	132	281	55	336
	FY78	253	30	283	111	34	145	364	64	428
Sullivan	-FY77	155	20	175	97	22	119	252	42	294
	FY78	149	21	170	121	27	148	270	48	318
Carroll	-FY77	99	17	116	56	2	58	155	19	174
	FY78	73	11	84	55	3	58	128	14	142
TOTALS										
	-FY77	2408	254	2662	1137	247	1384	3545	501	4046
	FY78	2497	268	2765	1167	246	1413	3664	514	4178

## PROBATION CASELOAD ACTIVITY

DISTRICT		CASELOAD	NEW	REOPENED	TRANS. IN	TOTAL	CLOSED	TRANS. OUT	TOTAL	INC.OR DEC.
Rockingham	-FY77	535	429	6	33	1003	374	51	578	+43
	FY78	578	384	9	40	1011	385	46	580	+ 2
Hillsborough	-FY77	747	451	13	75	1286	523	63	700	- 47
	FY78	700	413	17	49	1179	510	45	624	-76
Merrimack	-FY77	152	64	1	34	251	98	45	108	-44
	FY78	108	65	3	30	206	86	23	97	-11
Coos	-FY77	119	81	1	18	219	94	8	117	- 2
	FY78	117	95	0	6	218	82	5	131	+14
Grafton	-FY77	169	141	0	19	329	113	21	195	+26
	FY78	195	134	2	22	353	139	25	189	6
Strafford	-FY77	210	151	4	26	391	163	57	171	-39
	FY78	171	99	2	26	298	117	16	165	- 6
Belknap	-FY77	132	72	0	34	238	81	20	137	+ 5
	FY78	137	61	4	17	219	62	10	147	+10
Cheshire	-FY77	175	158	9	22	364	170	16	178	+ 3
	FY78	178	254	15	24	471	227	15	229	+51
Sullivan	-FY77	135	133	5	16	289	142	26	121	-14
	FY78	121	151	4	17	293	115	28	150	+29
Carroll	-FY77	121	97	2	12	232	99	24	109	-12
	FY78	109	73	3	6	191	88	9	94	-15
TOTALS	-FY77	2495	1777	41	289	4602	1857	331	2414	- 81
	FY78	2414	1729	59	237	4439	1811	222	2406	- 8

CASES SUPERVISED FY77 & 78 - ADULTS

DISTRICT	CASELOAD		NEW CASES		TOTAL SERVICED	
	6/30/76	6/30/77	FY77	FY78	FY77	FY78
Rockingham	384	422	242	219	626	641
Hillsborough	662	637	359	318	1021	955
Merrimack	145	98	49	51	194	149
Coos	73	76	46	52	119	128
Grafton	116	136	86	80	202	216
Strafford	166	143	74	65	240	208
Belknap	119	113	52	47	171	160
Cheshire	136	121	93	173	229	294
Sullivan	99	86	81	91	180	177
Carroll	80	76	60	36	140	112
TOTAL	1980	1908	1142	1132	3122	3040

CASES SUPERVISED FY77 & 78 - JUVENILES

DISTRICT	CASELOAD		NEW CASES		TOTAL SERVICED	
	6/30/76	6/30/77	FY77	FY78	FY77	FY78
Rockingham	151	156	187	165	338	321
Hillsborough	85	63	92	95	177	158
Merrimack	7	10	15	14	22	24
Coos	46	41	35	43	81	84
Grafton	53	59	55	54	108	113
Strafford	44	28	77	34	121	62
Belknap	13	24	20	14	33	38
Cheshire	39	57	65	81	104	138
Sullivan	36	35	52	60	88	95
Carroll	41	33	37	37	78	70
TOTAL	515	506	635	597	1150	1103

PROBATION COMPARISON  
NEW & CLOSED CASES FY 77 & 78

DISTRICTS		ADULTS		JUVENILES		TOTALS	
		NEW	CLOSED	NEW	CLOSED	NEW	CLOSED
Rockingham	77	242	200	187	174	429	374
	78	219	229	165	156	384	385
Hillsborough	77	359	399	92	124	451	523
	78	318	421	95	89	413	510
Merrimack	77	49	88	15	10	64	98
	78	51	71	14	15	65	86
Coos	77	46	51	35	43	81	94
	78	52	45	43	37	95	82
Grafton	77	86	65	55	48	141	113
	78	80	89	54	50	134	139
Strafford	77	74	93	77	70	151	163
	78	65	86	34	31	99	117
Belknap	77	52	69	20	12	72	81
	78	47	38	14	24	61	62
Cheshire	77	93	120	65	50	158	170
	78	173	157	81	70	254	227
Sullivan	77	81	89	52	53	133	142
	78	91	72	60	43	151	115
Carroll	77	60	60	37	39	97	99
	78	36	53	37	35	73	88
TOTALS	77	1142	1234	635	623	1777	1857
	78	1132	1261	597	550	1729	1811

## PROBATION ENFORCEMENT

Probation enforcement is:

- 1) Supervision of a probationer under the guidance of a dedicated, sincere, capable probation officer. Each probationer receives written conditions of probation he or she is to follow while on probation.
- 2) If probationer decides not to follow rules and regulations assigned, the Probation Officer may violate probationer. Probation Officer informs the court and the court sets a hearing date for probationer to appear in court to answer violation charge.

### Chart A - Violations During FY77 and FY78

The comparison shows total adults violated during FY77 totaled 271 and FY78 had the same number of violations.

Section on juveniles shows 10 more violations in 1978 than 1977.

Of the total juvenile probationers (1103) serviced during FY78 a total of 419 were violated. During FY77 probation officers violated 409 or 36% of the total juveniles serviced.

### Chart B - Number of New Supervision Cases Assigned Who Were First Offenders or Repeat Probationers

Chart B shows number new cases assigned as "First Offenders" and those "On Probation Before".

This chart compares fiscal years 1976, 1977 and 1978. "The First Offender" during this biennium increased 356 or 54% in a two year period.

"On Probation Before" increased 68 in FY78 or 22% during two year period.

With the total supervision caseload decreasing slightly during this biennium a good sign is the significant increase, 56% in first offenders as new probationers and only a 22% increase during two year period in number of new cases assigned who were on probation before.



Chart C - Probationers Committed FY76, FY77 and FY78

Chart C shows number of adults and juveniles committed during FY76, FY77 and FY78.

The three year comparison increased from 166 in FY76 to 197 in FY78 or 18%. This increase due to increase in adult violations mainly.

Juveniles committed remained pretty much the same during the three year period.

Chart D - Violation Adult and Juvenile

The adult section of the chart shows the total probationers serviced increased almost 100% from 1969 to 1978 and the number violated increased 169% during this period.

The bottom half of chart shows total juvenile probationers serviced in a year increased 44% from 1969 to 1978. However, violations increased 208% during that period.

## VIOLATIONS DURING FY77 &amp; FY78

DISTRICT		<u>ADULTS</u>			<u>JUVENILES</u>			<u>TOTALS</u>		
		Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
Rockingham	-FY77	29	2	31	30	2	32	59	4	63
	FY78	30	3	33	11	2	13	41	5	46
Hillsborough	-FY77	87	7	94	18	3	21	105	10	115
	FY78	97	8	105	16	11	27	113	19	132
Merrimack	-FY77	14	0	14	0	0	0	14	0	14
	FY78	7	0	7	1	0	1	8	0	8
Coos	-FY77	9	0	9	12	3	15	21	3	24
	FY78	6	0	6	10	3	13	16	3	19
Grafton	-FY77	12	3	15	5	5	10	17	8	25
	FY78	18	4	22	19	8	27	37	12	49
Strafford	-FY77	26	5	31	12	1	13	38	6	44
	FY78	18	0	18	6	1	7	24	1	25
Belknap	-FY77	2	2	4	1	0	1	3	2	5
	FY78	2	0	2	0	0	0	2	0	2
Cheshire	-FY77	30	5	35	12	11	23	42	16	58
	FY78	28	5	33	14	11	25	42	16	58
Sullivan	-FY77	23	3	26	4	1	15	37	4	41
	FY78	28	3	31	23	4	27	51	7	58
Carroll	-FY77	11	1	12	7	1	8	18	2	20
	FY78	13	1	14	8	0	8	21	1	22
TOTALS	-FY77	243	28	271	111	27	138	354	55	409
	FY78	247	24	271	108	40	148	355	64	419

NUMBER OF NEW SUPERVISION CASES ASSIGNED WHO WERE  
FIRST OFFENDERS OR REPEAT PROBATIONERS

<u>DISTRICT</u>	<u>FIRST OFFENDER</u>			<u>ON PROBATION BEFORE</u>		
	<u>1976</u>	<u>1977</u>	<u>1978</u>	<u>1976</u>	<u>1977</u>	<u>1978</u>
Rockingham	176	268	264	96	106	79
Hillsborough	125	218	229	74	128	130
Merrimack	60	43	60	12	11	3
Coos	25	57	75	10	19	7
Grafton	73	88	91	22	31	42
Strafford	88	103	50	25	37	15
Belknap	26	33	17	9	10	13
Cheshire	47	108	157	22	28	37
Sullivan	57	111	100	13	28	36
Carroll	<u>35</u>	<u>60</u>	<u>55</u>	<u>27</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>16</u>
TOTAL	712	1089	1098	310	412	378

## PROBATIONERS COMMITTED - FY 76, FY 77, FY 78

<u>DISTRICT</u>	<u>ADULTS</u>			<u>JUVENILES</u>			<u>TOTALS</u>		
	<u>1976</u>	<u>1977</u>	<u>1978</u>	<u>1976</u>	<u>1977</u>	<u>1978</u>	<u>1976</u>	<u>1977</u>	<u>1978</u>
Rockingham	21	38	33	8	25	7	29	63	40
Hillsborough	75	21	76	4	1	13	79	22	89
Merrimack	8	12	11	-	-	1	8	12	12
Coos	2	15	19	14	11	10	16	26	29
Grafton	24	4	24	7	5	8	31	9	32
Strafford	5	18	6	5	6	-	10	24	6
Belknap	3	16	3	-	3	2	3	19	5
Cheshire	14	30	13	4	13	11	18	43	24
Sullivan	9	4	8	-	1	4	9	5	12
Carroll	<u>5</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>5</u>
TOTAL	166	164	197	55	67	57	221	231	254

VIOLATIONS - ADULT

YEAR	# OF CASES END OF YEAR	NEW CASES ADDED	TOTAL SERVICED	# VIOLATIONS	% OF TOTAL VIOLATED
1969	908	628	1536	102	7%
1970	1076	867	1943	132	7
1971	1289	1067	2356	134	6
1972	1575	1069	2644	127	5
1973	1583	1249	2832	161	6
1974	1690	1559	3249	180	6
1975	1940	1260	3200	190	6
1976	1980	1140	3120	271	9
1977	1908	1132	3040	272	9
1978	1789	Active cases as of 6/30/78 end of FY 78.			

VIOLATIONS - JUVENILES

YEAR	# OF CASES END OF YEAR	NEW CASES ADDED	TOTAL SERVICED	# VIOLATIONS	% OF TOTAL VIOLATED
1969	445	320	765	46	6
1970	382	324	706	63	9
1971	320	520	840	53	6
1972	484	545	1029	45	4
1973	477	603	1080	139	13
1974	532	684	1216	128	11
1975	497	597	1094	107	10
1976	515	631	1146	139	12
1977	506	597	1103	148	13
1978	557	Active cases as of 6/30/78 end of FY 78.			

## PROBATION WORKLOAD COMPARISON

### Chart A - Probation New Cases Adult and Juvenile December 1969 to June 1978

Note from 1969 through 1972 a significant increase in the adult new cases assigned and a substantial increase in the number of juveniles assigned. After 1972 juvenile and adult new cases leveled off with the exception of 1973, when there was a significant 25% increase in new adult cases assigned.

During FY77 and FY78 new cases assigned were less each year than in FY76.

The juvenile new cases assigned, except for a slight increase in 1975, remained stable from FY73 through FY78.

### Chart B - Five Year Comparison New Probation Cases Assigned

Even though only a slight increase in new cases assigned the difficulty was the small increase was added to an already heavy workload.

### Chart C - Number of N. H. Cases Supervised By Another State And Number of Cases Supervised By N.H. For Another State.

The chart shows more cases were being supervised by other states for N.H. than N.H. was supervising for other states, with the exception of FY70.

In FY78 N. H. supervised 112 probationers for other states while other states supervised 245 probationers for N.H., more than double.

N. H. cases supervised by another state means the other state agrees to give the same kind of supervision to people transferred as to their own and will forward a progress report every three months. N. H. agrees to reciprocate in the same manner with those N.H. supervises for another state.

### Chart D - Female Probationers of State Funded Offices

This county comparison of FY72 and FY78 female probationers shows a slight increase in number of female probationers assigned in FY78 than in FY72.

Chart E - Adult Supervision Caseload as of June 30th Each Year

Note the adult supervision caseload almost doubled from 1969 to 1978.

The caseload climbed steadily and in some years significantly until 1976 and then for the next two years the caseload declined. In June 1978 probation had 148 less probationers than in 1976. This is another indication that the caseload has leveled off and is actually decreasing.

Chart F - Juvenile Supervision Caseload as of June 30th Each Year

Chart shows juvenile caseload has fluctuated but as a rule continued to increase each year. The juvenile caseload increased 51% during this period.

Chart G - Five Year Comparisons Supervision Caseloads as of June 30th of Each Year 1973 and 1978

This chart shows the adult probationers within a five year period increased 15%.

Juvenile probationers increased 20% for the same period.

The significant adult increase was during 1974 and 1975. After 1975 it leveled off and the caseload actually decreased in 1977 and 1978.

Chart H - Comparison of Adult Investigations Assigned From December 1969 to June 1978

Investigations have more than doubled from 1969 to 1978.

Note the increase from 1972 to 1975. Following 1975 there has been only a slight increase in investigations assigned per year.

Chart I - Comparison of Juvenile Investigation Assigned By the Court 1969 Through 1978

As in adults the investigations more than doubled.

Unlike the adult investigations assigned juvenile assignments had more of a steady increase, increasing from 600 to 700 to 800, to 1,000, etc. It went from 684 investigations assigned in FY69 to 1413 investigations assigned by the Court in FY78.



## PROBATION

NEW CASES - ADULTS  
Dec. 1969 to June 1978

DISTRICT	1969	1970	1971	1972	1973	1974	1975	1976	1977	1978
Rockingham	90	82	93	162	161	203	272	282	242	219
Hillsborough	189	164	337	322	340	350	434	350	359	318
Merrimack	51	41	46	56	57	80	120	87	49	51
Coos	33	27	36	23	33	51	47	34	46	52
Grafton	50	61	41	62	73	99	73	86	86	80
Strafford	65	68	74	90	118	126	152	109	74	65
Belknap	16	36	38	72	38	45	74	58	52	47
Cheshire	31	32	35	89	86	89	64	135	93	173
Sullivan	37	50	58	61	41	62	92	61	81	91
Carroll	17	21	38	27	28	35	64	56	60	36
Females	40	46	71	103	94	109	167	Included in above		
TOTALS	619	628	867	1,067	1,069	1,249	1,559	1,258	1,142	1,132

## PROBATION

NEW CASES - JUVENILES  
Dec. 1969 to June 1978

DISTRICT	1969	1970	1971	1972	1973	1974	1975	1976	1977	1978
Rockingham	66	59	53	96	112	96	119	177	187	165
Hillsborough	36	37	58	83	79	114	130	96	92	95
Merrimack	8	19	14	12	22	27	37	5	15	14
Coos	17	19	21	17	23	29	35	34	35	43
Grafton	28	55	22	46	33	49	59	59	55	54
Strafford	53	32	51	76	103	91	84	68	77	34
Belknap	2	2	2	7	5	3	6	7	20	14
Cheshire	11	9	14	45	31	28	27	45	65	81
Sullivan	30	23	20	27	29	33	31	65	52	60
Carroll	32	15	18	40	25	20	27	41	37	37
Females	75	50	51	71	83	113	129	Included in above		
TOTALS	358	320	324	520	545	603	684	597	635	597

## PROBATION

FIVE YEAR COMPARISON  
NEW PROBATION CASES ASSIGNED

DISTRICT	ADULTS			JUVENILES			TOTALS		
	1973	1978	%	1973	1978	%	1973	1978	%
Rockingham	177	219	23	123	165	34	240	384	60
Hillsborough	365	318	-12	87	95	9	452	413	8
Merrimack	70	51	-27	27	14	-48	97	65	-32
Coos	51	52	1	26	43	65	77	95	23
Grafton	79	80	1	46	54	17	125	134	7
Strafford	133	65	-51	112	34	-69	245	99	-59
Belknap	41	47	14	8	14	75	49	61	24
Cheshire	90	173	92	40	81	102	130	254	95
Sullivan	44	91	106	32	60	87	76	151	98
Carroll	31	36	16	34	37	8	65	73	12
TOTAL	1081	1132	4	535	597	11	1556	1729	11

## PROBATION

(A) NUMBER OF N.H. CASES SUPERVISED BY ANOTHER STATE  
 (B) NUMBER OF CASES SUPERVISED BY N.H. FOR ANOTHER STATE

DISTRICT		1970	1971	1972	1973	1974	1975	1976	1977	1978
Rockingham	A	42	35	48	67	58	95	72	89	79
	B	27	30	29	24	34	39	29	32	29
Hillsborough	A	16	50	64	54	66	122	99	88	75
	B	51	30	43	36	34	40	31	24	32
Merrimack	A	3	5	4	10	9	4	11	6	6
	B	5	8	7	11	8	6	7	6	6
Coos	A	4	1	5	15	9	6	3	3	5
	B	3	4	3	3	3	1	2	2	5
Grafton	A	8	9	6	11	18	44	26	34	0
	B	10	6	10	9	17	6	7	12	9
Strafford	A	3	2	8	7	8	11	13	11	14
	B	17	11	11	6	6	6	10	11	8
Belknap	A	4	5	6	7	9	14	19	13	7
	B	9	9	6	4	10	10	4	5	4
Cheshire	A	0	0	0	12	25	21	28	19	24
	B	7	9	10	9	8	5	14	7	9
Sullivan	A	9	6	5	9	8	12	19	9	10
	B	4	4	8	11	6	8	11	6	6
Carroll	A	10	5	9	10	11	24	36	30	25
	B	4	4	3	4	5	7	4	5	4
TOTAL	A	99	118	155	202	221	353	326	302	245
	B	137	115	130	117	131	128	119	110	112

PROBATION

FEMALE PROBATIONERS  
Comparison 1972 & 1978

District	<u>1972</u>			<u>1978</u>		
	Adult	Juvenile	Total	Adult	Juvenile	Total
Rockingham	32	16	48	48	19	67
Hillsborough	73	12	85	62	6	68
Merrimack	11	0	11	8	0	8
Coos	5	4	9	6	4	10
Grafton	18	9	27	12	7	19
Strafford	17	2	19	17	7	24
Belknap	17	2	19	26	1	27
Cheshire	13	2	15	21	13	34
Sullivan	13	6	19	12	8	20
Carroll	12	8	20	6	1	7
TOTAL	211	61	272	218	66	284

## PROBATION

## SUPERVISION CASELOAD JUNE 30 OF EACH YEAR

## ADULTS

DISTRICT	1969	1970	1971	1972	1973	1974	1975	1976	1977	1978
Rockingham	121	122	119	164	207	262	327	384	422	412
Hillsborough	326	236	409	497	551	581	619	662	637	548
Merrimack	54	75	96	124	105	82	105	145	98	86
Coos	45	50	57	47	64	74	87	73	76	84
Grafton	86	75	71	92	96	100	101	116	136	126
Strafford	91	123	81	137	97	111	150	166	143	130
Belknap	17	40	70	77	107	104	101	119	113	129
Cheshire	27	37	54	90	78	104	97	136	121	153
Sullivan	44	48	73	85	60	68	99	99	86	105
Carroll	37	30	33	63	36	54	68	80	76	59
Rock. area female	25	14	21	29	37	42	58	*	*	*
Hills.area female	32	34	40	59	57	64	51	*	*	*
No. Cntry area female	4	2	4	16	12	19	26	*	*	*
Belknap area female						20	32	*	*	*
Cheshire area female						5	19	*	*	*

909      886      1128      1480      1507      1690      1940      1980      1908      1832

\*All female caseloads included in each district total.

PROBATION  
SUPERVISION CASELOAD JUNE 30 OF EACH YEAR

JUVENILES

DISTRICT	1969	1970	1971	1972	1973	1974	1975	1976	1977	1978
Rockingham	56	45	51	58	94	85	77	151	156	168
Hillsborough	51	44	37	65	66	108	88	85	63	76
Merrimack	17	24	18	23	11	16	5	7	10	11
Coos	22	25	16	16	19	34	63	46	41	47
Grafton	26	41	31	36	62	64	57	53	59	63
Strafford	65	85	24	60	59	42	46	44	28	35
Belknap	14	15	5	4	6	5	6	13	24	18
Cheshire	14	12	15	36	29	29	12	39	57	76
Sullivan	18	20	20	20	26	29	28	36	35	45
Carroll	27	34	24	30	36	19	23	41	33	35
Rock. area female	34	22	12	27	19	28	24	*	*	*
Hills. area female	21	15	16	23	16	11	18	*	*	*
No. Cntry area female	13	8	5	11	31	23	15	*	*	*
Belknap area female						17	19	*	*	*
Cheshire area female						22	16	*	*	*
	378	390	274	409	474	532	497	515	506	574

\*All female caseloads included in each district total.

FIVE YEAR COMPARISON SUPERVISION  
CASELOAD AS OF 6/30 OF EACH YEAR

DISTRICT	ADULTS			JUVENILES			TOTALS		
	1973	1978	%	1973	1978	%	1973	1978	%
Rockingham	236	412	134	112	168	50	348	580	67
Hillsborough	576	548	-5	87	76	12	663	624	6
Merrimack	98	86	-6	17	11	35	115	97	-16
Coos	53	84	58	51	47	7	104	131	26
Grafton	132	126	-5	64	63	1	196	189	4
Strafford	121	130	7	54	35	35	175	165	6
Belknap	81	129	59	8	18	125	89	147	65
Cheshire	82	153	87	32	76	137	114	229	101
Sullivan	55	105	91	22	45	104	77	150	95
Carroll	43	59	37	30	35	16	73	94	29
*Females	106						106		
TOTALS	1583	1832	16	477	574	20	2060	2406	23



## PROBATION

INVESTIGATIONS ASSIGNED - ADULTS  
Dec. 1969 to June 1978

District	1969	1970	1971	1972	1973	1974	1975	1976	1977	1978
Rockingham	168	219	285	294	385	427	454	590	693	574
Hillsborough	520	535	491	518	670	741	768	687	741	822
Merrimack	103	126	148	158	198	236	319	288	197	196
Coos	49	66	63	58	60	84	74	56	76	85
Grafton	39	36	121	81	103	108	108	150	147	149
Strafford	107	115	117	124	133	149	234	294	189	255
Belknap	78	56	60	99	112	102	147	167	124	147
Cheshire	35	52	73	111	167	208	113	249	204	283
Sullivan	60	100	71	107	110	133	144	150	175	170
Carroll	43	61	65	68	50	81	102	96	116	84
Females	82	100	120	152	138	182	293	*	*	*
TOTALS	1,284	1,466	1,614	1,770	2,126	2,451	2,756	2,727	2,662	2,765

\*Included in individual district total as females are no longer separated.

PROBATION  
INVESTIGATIONS ASSIGNED - JUVENILES  
Dec. 1969 to June 1978

District	1969	1970	1971	1972	1973	1974	1975	1976	1977	1978
Rockingham	148	147	181	203	280	314	331	540	580	610
Hillsborough	74	110	67	120	147	183	203	97	159	172
Merrimack	14	20	18	15	29	38	67	18	29	26
Coos	59	64	36	41	37	55	65	85	82	70
Grafton	38	46	34	57	42	49	69	103	85	79
Strafford	83	75	105	98	109	102	118	145	131	96
Belknap	11	3	7	13	10	7	10	29	9	9
Cheshire	12	8	15	69	77	48	49	114	132	145
Sullivan	46	54	40	50	133	148	46	120	119	148
Carroll	43	38	49	71	49	36	32	57	58	58
Females	156	143	142	144	167	173	234	*	*	*
TOTALS	684	708	694	881	1,080	1,153	1,224	1,308	1,384	1,413

# POPULATION AND SUPERVISION WORKLOAD COMPARISON

FY 1978

DISTRICT	POPULATION	% TOTAL	JUV. SUP. FY 1978	% TOTAL	ADULTS SUP. FY 1978	% TOTAL
Rockingham	172,500	20.32	168	29.26	412	22.48
Hillsborough	255,300	30.08	76	13.24	548	29.91
Merrimack	89,700	10.57	11	1.91	86	4.69
Coos	35,300	4.16	47	8.18	84	4.58
Grafton	60,600	7.14	63	10.97	126	6.87
Strafford	81,700	9.62	35	6.09	130	7.09
Belknap	38,000	4.47	18	3.13	129	7.04
Cheshire	58,100	6.84	76	13.24	153	8.35
Sullivan	33,200	3.91	45	7.83	105	5.73
Carroll	24,100	2.84	35	6.09	59	3.22
TOTAL	848,500	100.04	574	99.94	1832	99.46

This chart compares each district total in comparison to the whole state total as to the percentage each district is of total population and percentage of adult and juvenile probationers assigned in each district as compared to the state total. Note how close the percentages are in the adult comparisons with the population. The juvenile comparisons do not include the local funded offices otherwise the percentage comparisons would be closer.

# POPULATION AND INVESTIGATION WORKLOAD COMPARISON

FY 1978

DISTRICT	POPULATION	% TOTAL	JUV. INV. ASSIGNED	% TOTAL	ADULT INV. ASSIGNED	% TOTAL
Rockingham	172,500	20.32	610	43.17	574	20.75
Hillsborough	255,300	30.08	172	12.17	822	29.72
Merrimack	89,700	10.57	26	1.84	196	7.08
Coos	35,300	4.16	70	4.95	85	3.07
Grafton	60,600	7.14	79	5.59	149	5.38
47 Strafford	81,700	9.62	96	6.79	255	9.22
Belknap	38,000	4.47	9	0.63	147	5.31
Cheshire	58,100	6.84	145	10.26	283	10.23
Sullivan	33,200	3.91	148	10.47	170	6.14
Carroll	24,100	2.84	58	4.10	84	3.03
TOTAL	848,500	100.04	1413	99.97	2765	99.93

Above chart shows population and investigations comparisons of adults by percentages. Note how close percentages are.

As in supervision chart adding juvenile investigations of locally funded offices to state total would bring the population and juvenile investigations percentages much closer.

## LOCALLY FUNDED PROBATION STAFF

The following section of the Biennium report provides information relative to the District Courts Probation Service funded by the city or town receiving the service. These staff members do not service any of the Superior Courts but provide service only to the Justice and Associate Justices in the District Court each serve.

RSA504:13 allowing and regulating locally funded probation service reads: "The boards shall establish a permanent full-time probation office in any municipality with a population of over fifty thousand persons, if all facilities for the operation of such an office are provided by the municipality or county. District Courts in towns and cities having a population of over fifty thousand shall, and other courts may, appoint one or more qualified probation officers for their respective courts. No municipal probation officer shall qualify for office until his appointment thereto has been approved by the board. All such officers shall be subject to supervision by the board and each shall hold his office during the pleasure of the board."

Full-time probation officers in above courts need the same requirements and qualifications as the State funded probation officer.

Training programs operated by the State Probation Service include locally funded probation officer participation in programs.

The following charts relate pertinent statistics about staff, caseload, enforcement, etc.

### Chart A - Organizational Chart - Local District Court Probation Officers

Chart A gives information on staff statewide.

As of June 30, 1976 a total of 13 full-time locally funded probation officers, 8 part-time probation officers, and six full-time clerical help existed. The courts covered were Manchester, Concord, Hanover, Durham, Laconia, Portsmouth, Nashua, Franklin, Lebanon, and Rochester.

As of June 30, 1978, local probation staff on the district court level has increased, mainly due to outside funding from the Governor's Commission on Crime and Delinquency to twenty full-time probation officers, eight part-time

probation officers, 7 full-time clerical and 3 part time clerical. Since June 30, 1976, three additional district courts Salem, Derry and Dover were able to gain local probation officers.

#### Chart B - Cost City Funded Probation Service

Chart B indicates the FY78 total cost of city funded probation service.

Fiscal year 1976 had a total budget of \$273,476.04 for locally funded probation officers statewide.

For FY78 \$362,672.98 was expended representing an increase of \$89,196.89 in the two year period.

Federal funds granted to the local courts was \$55,679.14 of which CETA funds accounted for \$10,000 and \$45,679.14 were grants from the N.H. Governor's Commission on Crime and Delinquency.

#### Chart C - Supervision Caseload June 30, 1977 and June 30, 1978

Supervision implies those probationers placed on probation through the district and municipal courts. Supervision of a probationer is the treatment perspective of assisting the probationer in the community through counseling, referral to agencies, employment and education.

The total cases under local probation officer supervision as of June 30, 1976 was 1056 and as of June 30, 1978 were 1191. During this period there was an increase of 135 additional cases. This was an increase of 135 or 12%.

The highest increase, 92 of the 135 increase, occurred from June 30, 1977 to June 30, 1978.

#### Chart D - Locally Funded Probation Juvenile Supervision Comparison

Chart D shows a comparison and contrast of adult supervision male and female from the district courts from June 30, 1976 to June 30, 1978. As chart D indicates there was an additional 32 adult males under supervision and five additional females under supervision during that period of time.

Only Nashua and Dover showed an increase in caseload supervision. The other district court's adult supervisions remained constant.

### Chart E - Locally Funded Juvenile Probation Supervision Comparison

Chart E is a comparison and contrast of those under juvenile supervision by male and female from local courts from June 30, 1976 to June 30, 1978.

Juvenile male supervision although increased 59 from FY76 to FY78 or 12%. All the increase was from Nashua, Manchester, Dover and Hanover.

Juvenile female supervision increased 37 from FY76 to FY78 or 31%. Again increase caused from larger cities of Manchester, Nashua and Dover.

### Chart F - Probation Workload of Locally Funded

Chart F represents the total workload of the locally funded probation officers from June 30, 1977 to FY78. The breakdown is the carry over of cases from June 30, 1977 and those new cases both adult and juveniles combined at the end of FY78. The total was 2,243.

### Chart G - Probation Investigations Locally Funded Staff

Chart G is a four year comparison of investigations conducted from June 30, 1974 to June 30, 1978. The increase in a four year period was 495 or approximately a 40% increase.

Probation investigations is a written document prepared to the court which included information concerning the offender's part involvement in crime and delinquency, the offenders environment, employment and past family history. The report assists the court in sentencing adults and disposing youthful offenders.

### Chart H - Locally Funded Probation Violations

Chart H shows the total cases serviced for FY78 and the percentage of violations of the total cases serviced was only 12% which is way below the national standard.

A violation of probation is when a probationer fails to abide by the court's imposed rules. If this occurs the probation officer may return the probationer to court where a new sentence, possibly incarceration could be imposed.

As the increase in local probation staff occurs more intense supervision shall yield further increases in violation of probation.

Chart I - Probation Enforcement of FY78 Workload

Chart I depicts the breakdown by courts of juvenile and adult violations. Juvenile violations of probation accounted for 139 boys and 86 girls. Those incarcerated at the N. H. Youth Development Center were 136 boys and 39 girls.

Adult juvenile females accounted for 35% of total violations. Juvenile females accounted for 38% total juvenile violations

Females accounted for 22% of the total committments to Youth Development Center.



ORGANIZATIONAL CHART  
LOCAL DISTRICT COURT PROBATION OFFICERS

DISTRICT COURT JUDGES

BOARD OF PROBATION

DIRECTOR

ASSISTANT DIRECTOR

ROCKINGHAM	STRAFFORD	MERRIMACK	BELKNAP	GRAFTON	HILLSBOROUGH
<u>Portsmouth</u>	<u>Durham</u>	<u>Concord</u>	<u>Laconia</u>	<u>Hanover</u>	<u>Manchester</u>
1 Supv. (part time)	1 P.O.	1 Supv.	2 P.O.	1 P.O. (part time)	1 Supv.
1 P.O. (part time)	1 Clerical (part time)	1 P.O.			3 P.O.
1 Consultant (part time to the Court)	<u>Dover</u>	1 P.O. (part time)		<u>Lebanon</u>	1 Asst.
	1 P.O.*	1 Clerical		1 P.O. (part time)	2 Cleri.
<u>Derry</u>	1 Clerical	<u>Franklin</u>			<u>Nashua</u>
1 P.O.*	<u>Rochester</u>	1 P.O. (part time)		1 sec. (part time)	1 Supv.
1 clerical	1 P.O. (part time)				6 P.O.*
<u>Salem</u>					1 P.O. (part time)
1 P.O.*					3 Clerical

\*Derry GCCD  
 \*Salem Manpower

\*Dover GCCD

\*2 GCCD

## COST CITY FUNDED PROBATION SERVICE

FY 77 - 78

LOCATION	SUPERVISOR	P.O. FULL PART		CLERICAL FULL PART		FEDERAL FUNDS FY 78	LOCAL FUNDS FY 78	TOTAL BUDGET FY 78
Portsmouth	1 prt time	-	2	-	-		30,777.00	30,777.00
Manchester	1	3	1	2			99,928.00	99,928.00
Nashua	1	6	1	3			93,038.00	93,038.00
Concord	1	1	1	1		7,754.64	33,959.00	41,713.64
Franklin			1		1		4,800.00	4,800.00
Hanover			1				6,320.34	6,320.34
Lebanon			1		1	3,401.00	10,177.00	13,578.00
Durham		1			1		8,283.00	8,283.00
Laconia		2		1*		2,038.50	15,615.50	17,654.00
Dover		1		1*		12,452.00	656.00	13,108.00
Rochester			1				850.00	850.00
Derry		1		1		10,716.00	11,907.00	22,623.00
Salem		1*				10,000.00		10,000.00
TOTALS	4	16	9	9	3	46,362.14	316,310.84	362,672.98

\*Laconia CETA FUNDED Secretary-not included in their budget total sec. \$106 per week  
 Dover CETA FUNDED Secretary  
 Salem CETA FUNDED P.O. 1978 10,000.00

## SUPERVISION CASELOAD 6/30/77 and 6/30/78

OFFICE		ADULTS		JUVENILES		TOTALS		TOTAL Probation
		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	
Portsmouth	77	9	4	71	11	80	15	95
	78	14	7	74	9	88	16	104
Manchester	77	49	13	78	34	127	47	174
	78	55	21	104	45	159	66	225
Nashua	77	187	17	171	44	358	61	419
	78	254	31	204	62	458	93	551
Concord	77	19	1	52	23	71	24	95
	78	4	1	46	14	50	15	65
Franklin	77	5	1	33	3	38	4	42
	78	3	0	22	4	25	4	29
Hanover	77	1	0	19	1	20	1	21
	78	1	0	35	4	36	4	40
Lebanon	77	21	1	32	5	53	6	59
	78	20	2	23	4	43	6	49
Durham	77	14	1	12	1	26	2	28
	78	18	1	8	2	26	3	29
Dover	77	17	0	40	6	57	6	63
	78	12	2	28	8	40	10	50
Laconia	77	33	10	42	18	75	28	103
	78	20	5	18	6	38	11	49
TOTALS	77	355	48	550	146	905	194	1099
	78	401	70	562	158	963	228	1191

## LOCALLY FUNDED PROBATION SUPERVISION COMPARISON

JUNE 30, 1976 - JUNE 30, 1978

OFFICE	Male		ADULTS		Female		INCREASE OR DECREASE	
	76	78	76	78	76	78	Male	Female
Portsmouth	15	14	4	7	-1	+3		
Manchester	58	55	18	21	-3	+3		
Nashua	212	254	30	31	+42	+1		
Concord	16	4	1	1	-12	-		
Franklin	6	3	-	-	-3	-		
Hanover	2	1	-	-	-1	-		
Lebanon	19	20	1	2	+1	+1		
Durham	18	18	1	1	-	-		
Dover	-	12	-	2	+12	+2		
Laconia	21	20	10	5	-1	-5		
TOTALS	367	401	65	70	+34	+5		

## LOCALLY FUNDED PROBATION SUPERVISION COMPARISON

JUNE 30, 1976 - JUNE 30, 1978

OFFICE	JUVENILES				INCREASE OR DECREASE	
	Male		Female		Male	Female
	76	78	76	78		
Portsmouth	118	74	20	9	-44	-11
Manchester	83	104	23	45	+21	+22
Nashua	139	204	46	62	+65	+16
Concord	51	46	15	14	-5	-1
Franklin	31	22	3	4	-9	+1
Hanover	15	35	1	4	+20	+3
Lebanon	27	23	3	4	-4	+1
Durham	11	8	4	2	-3	-2
Dover	3	28	-	8	+25	+8
Laconia	25	18	6	6	-7	-
TOTALS	503	562	121	158	+59	+37

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CHART F

### PROBATION WORKLOAD OF LOCALLY FUNDED FY 78

DISTRICT	CASELOAD 6/30/77	NEW CASES FY 78				TOTAL PROBATIONERS SERVICED FY 78
		ADULTS		JUVENILES		
		M	F	M	F	
Portsmouth	95	22	8	97	24	246
Manchester	174	80	33	165	52	504
Nashua	419	111	24	154	43	751
Concord	95	8	2	39	12	156
Franklin	42	0	0	8	4	54
Hanover	21	0	0	31	4	56
Lebanon	59	17	2	32	5	115
Durham	28	20	2	5	2	57
Dover	63	12	1	35	12	123
Laconia	103	31	7	33	7	181
TOTALS	1099	301	79	599	165	2243

## PROBATION INVESTIGATIONS LOCALLY FUNDED STAFFS

## COMPARISON OF FY 74 AND FY 78

DISTRICT	TOTAL INVEST. ASSIGNED FY 74	ADULT INVEST. ASSIGNED FY 78		JUV. INVEST. ASSIGNED FY 78		TOTAL INVEST. FY 78
		Male	Female	Male	Female	
Portsmouth	158	16	4	47	12	79
Manchester	632	188	56	351	100	695
Nashua	-	82	20	84	20	206
Concord	-	13	3	52	14	82
Franklin	34	2	1	36	9	48
Hanover	2	1	11	36	4	52
Lebanon	13	13	1	28	5	47
Durham	-	26	2	9	4	41
Dover	-	48	10	46	17	121
Laconia	250	3	2	171	37	213
Rochester	6	-	-	-	-	-
TOTALS	1095	392	110	860	222	1584

## LOCALLY FUNDED PROBATION

## VIOLATIONS FY 78

DISTRICT	TOTAL CASELOAD 6/30/78	NEW CASES FY 78	TOTAL CASES SERVICED	VIOLATIONS FY 78	% VIOLATIONS OF TOTAL CASES SERVICED
Portsmouth	104	151	255	8	3%
Manchester	225	330	555	69	12%
Nashua	65	61	126	18	14%
Concord	551	332	883	115	13%
Franklin	29	12	41	5	12%
Hanover	40	35	75	6	8%
Lebanon	49	56	105	3	3%
Durham	29	29	58	5	9%
Dover	50	60	110	17	15%
Laconia	49	78	127	27	21%
TOTALS	1191	1144	2335	273	12%



PROBATION ENFORCEMENT OF FY 78 WORKLOAD  
OF LOCALLY FUNDED OFFICES

DISTRICT	VIOLATIONS - FILED				TOTALS	YDC COMMITMENTS		TOTALS
	(ADULT)		(JUVENILE)			(JUVENILE)		
	M	F	M	F		M	F	
Portsmouth	0	0	8	0	8	8	2	10
Manchester	4	2	25	38	69	50	16	66
Concord	0	0	13	5	18	11	2	13
Nashua	24	9	51	31	115	21	7	28
Franklin	0	0	3	2	5	26	0	26
Hanover	1	0	5	0	6	3	0	3
Lebanon	0	0	2	1	3	5	2	7
Durham	2	0	2	1	5	0	1	1
Dover	5	0	9	3	17	1	6	7
Laconia	1	0	21	5	27	11	3	14
TOTALS	37	11	139	86	273	136	39	175

## VOLUNTEER PROGRAM

In 1969 Probation instituted a volunteer program simply to assist the person on probation by providing probationers more time with a person who is ready and willing to help. Our own survey showed very little time was available for the probation officer to provide counseling to probationers after all other chores of probation done.

Volunteers are assigned one probationer to whom they listen to, advise and guide. On rare occasions a volunteer is assigned more than one probationer.

Our volunteers receive no pay or reimbursement of any kind. Probation has been fortunate over the past nine years with the excellent type person volunteering to assist the department.

There is no doubt that volunteers can and do effectively provide a service to the probationer. They are not the answer to all the problems nor the cause of all the problems, but basically they are an excellent reliable resource.

Some basic advantages of the volunteer are:

- a) Availability in every community no matter how over populated or sparsely populated.
- b) There is no cost for their service.
- c) They bring a wealth of experience, ideas and time to the agency.
- d) As citizens of the community they become aware of the problems and difficulties in performing the tasks of counseling probationers.
- e) Ninety nine percent are interested, dedicated and are just doing the job to help a fellow human being.
- f) They assist staff in performing the basic task of supervision assigned the agency.

The probation officers opinions of volunteer program varies with the few who think it is not needed or worth while to the few on the other end who believe it is an excellent program and very worthwhile. The majority of the staff feel in between, all believing the program has merit.

The recruiting, screening and assigning volunteers is now a probation officers task as much as investigation and supervision is.

The Coordinator of Volunteer position has been left vacant and the task of supervising and promoting the program has been made a specific duty of the regional supervisors.

As of June 30, 1978 there was 251 volunteers available for assignment.

During the next two years we have set a goal of 125 new volunteers or a 50% increase.

The following charts show activity in the volunteer program for the past two years.

# VOLUNTEER STORY FOR FY 1977

DISTRICTS	AVAILABLE 6/30/76	NEW FY77	RESIGNED FY77	TOTAL AVAILABLE 6/30/77	# ASSIGNED 6/30/77	# WAITING ASSIGNMENT 6/30/77
Rockingham	95	59	46	113	70	43
Hillsborough	42	35	38	45	29	16
Merrimack	17	7	14	10	9	1
Coos	14	4	4	11	4	7
Grafton	33	16	22	27	18	9
Strafford	60	21	33	24	15	9
Belknap	15	2	6	9	2	7
Cheshire	31	21	21	25	14	11
Sullivan	34	18	15	37	17	20
Carroll	33	7	7	34	7	27
TOTALS	374	190	206	335	185	150

The above chart lists the number of volunteers available as of June 30, 1976. It shows how many new recruits and how many resignations during the year and the total available as of June 30, 1977. Shows number assigned as of June 30, 1977. During this same period, we had three less recruits than the past year.

# NEW VOLUNTEERS FY77 and FY78

DISTRICT		July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	March	Apr.	May	June	TOTAL
Rockingham	-FY77	2	4	6	5	4	3	6	4	5	3	12	5	59
	FY78	2	2	0	1	1	1	0	1	6	0	0	1	15
Hillsborough	-FY77	1	4	1	3	8	2	5	1	4	1	3	2	35
	FY78	2	3	2	2	1	0	2	1	1	1	0	0	15
Merrimack	-FY77	0	0	1	0	3	0	0	1	1	0	1	0	7
	FY78	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	3
Coos	-FY77	1	0	2	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	4
	FY78	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
Grafton	-FY77	0	0	0	0	1	4	2	1	5	0	2	1	16
	FY78	0	1	0	0	2	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	4
Strafford	-FY77	0	2	2	1	5	3	2	1	2	1	2	0	21
	FY78	0	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	2	7
Belknap	-FY77	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	2
	FY78	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Cheshire	-FY77	2	0	1	5	2	1	0	3	1	2	1	3	21
	FY78	2	0	0	13	1	0	3	3	1	0	2	0	25
Sullivan	-FY77	1	3	1	0	2	1	2	1	0	1	5	1	18
	FY78	1	1	2	1	1	3	5	0	0	2	1	1	18
Carroll	-FY77	2	0	0	2	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	7
	FY78	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
TOTALS	-FY77	9	13	14	16	26	15	19	12	19	9	26	12	190
	FY78	8	10	5	19	7	6	10	5	9	5	3	5	92

During this biennium we approved and accepted 282 volunteers.

# VOLUNTEERS

ASSIGNED & AVAILABLE JUNE 30 of 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, and 78

DISTRICT		1973	1974	1975	1976	1977	1978
Rock.	Available	35	111	106	95	113	96
	Assigned	14	76	67	64	70	53
Hills.	Available	18	42	73	42	45	27
	Assigned	12	29	54	31	29	18
Merrimack	Available	8	26	25	17	10	8
	Assigned	7	20	25	15	9	6
Coos	Available	4	8	14	14	11	9
	Assigned	2	7	8	8	4	4
Grafton	Available	25	24	37	33	27	21
	Assigned	10	13	24	20	18	11
Strafford	Available	18	67	59	60	24	13
	Assigned	7	28	36	38	15	11
Belknap	Available		14	21	15	9	7
	Assigned		8	15	9	2	2
Cheshire	Available	23	62	41	31	25	14
	Assigned	14	54	22	24	14	9
Sullivan	Available	12	23	33	34	37	36
	Assigned	4	18	10	20	17	16
Carroll	Available	4	22	35	33	34	20
	Assigned	3	11	16	11	7	2
TOTALS	Available	147	399	444	374	335	251
	Assigned	73	264	277	240	185	132

## ACCOMPLISHMENTS

### Separation of Tasks

In the N. H. Probation Department Biennial Report published on June 30, 1976, one of the main priorities of the Department was to completely separate the Domestic Relations (Collections) aspect of the Department from the Probation aspect. Up until 1977, the Probation Officers in several instances were required to work within the collections areas and at the same time conduct their probation duties. As a result of additional domestic relations officers the objective of separating collections from probation has been met as far as the officers are concerned. Some clerical staff still service probation and domestics.

### Regional Supervisors

The Department was able to create two additional regional supervisors since the June 30, 1976 Probation Department Biennial Report. Prior to that the Department had two supervisors, one covering Hillsborough County (Region I) and the other covering Rockingham and Strafford (Region II).

As a result of two additional probation officers on grants the Department was able to make two additional supervisors. One supervisor covered Cheshire, Sullivan and Merrimack counties (Region III). The second supervisor covered Grafton, Coos, Belknap and Carroll County.

The additional two supervisors was a pilot program. As a result of the geographic area and travel time involved, the department plans to request a supervisor be appointed in each county.

### Classification of Caseloads

A major accomplishment since last biennium report has been the implementation and development of a caseload classification system for adult and juvenile offenders.

Classification of caseload involves that each individual probationer will be placed in a supervision level according to his needs, minimum, medium or maximum. The classification will determine the amount of supervision given by the probation officer to the probationer. For example a probationer classified as maximum will require intensive supervision over the probationer which would include weekly contact, increased home visitation, school visits employer etc. Those classified minimum would require moderate or bi-weekly supervision. Those classified minimum would require the least contact, monthly and would be possible candidates for early termination.

The classification plan will combine many of the goals the Department has been striving for, but of major importance the plan will systematically identify those probationers eligible for early termination. This in turn reduces probation officer caseload and allows more time to increase probation officer concentration for probationers needing closer supervision.

### Survival

After a trying biennium for the entire Probation Department the staff did its job and is still functioning.

### Probationers

A top accomplishment is the decrease in supervision caseload during FY78 and the leveling off of the caseload for the past four years.



## FUTURE GOALS TO IMPROVE PROBATION SERVICE

### Computerized Information System

Probation will seek funds to computerize case information and statistical information.

### Persons in Need of Supervision

A person in need of supervision is a juvenile offender classified as incorrigible, habitual truant, runaway, or one who has not committed an act that would be criminal if done by an adult therefore juvenile cannot be incarcerated. Within N. H. Juvenile Justice System, this is a most pressing problem.

Probation will work for a statute to have a probation court diversion program statewide. This program would result in immediate intervention through counseling, referral and follow up prior to a child being placed before the court.

Many of the persons in need of supervision have more complex problems than the juvenile classified as a delinquent.

### Psychological Service

Probation wants psychological services available when needed. Wants psychologists to be member of the Probation staff for use by the staff and the courts in sentencing and rehabilitation. Plan to request two psychologists through Governor's Commission on Crime and Delinquency funding. This will be a pilot project.

### Schools

During next biennium have officers and administrators concentrate on closer understanding and cooperation between the schools and probation in order to produce coordinated plans to combat crime and delinquency.

### Training Specialists

Work to have certain officers adequately trained in problem areas for our offenders. These officers would then be used to train the other officers.

### Manual of Procedure

To have an adequate manual available for all Probation Officers during coming biennium.

To have an adequate manual available for the clerical staff.

### Criminal Justice Referral Manual

Revise and update Criminal Justice Referral Manual prepared by N. H. Probation Department and funded by Governor's Commission on Crime and Delinquency in 1970. Funds will be requested again from GCCD.

### Training and Research

Probation plans to seek a training officer who besides planning and executing training programs will gather research and evaluate our programs.

### Staff

Work to have an industrious, harmonious, working together staff, so society and the offender will get the best service possible.

### Volunteer Program

To increase our volunteer sponsors available by fifty percent of those available June 30, 1978.

### Public Relations

Set up a committee to plan and execute ways and means of informing the public of our tasks and what they can do to help fight crime and delinquency.

### Shelter Care Homes

In line with our policy seeking ways to help persons in need of supervision as best and as early as possible Probation staff will assist in any way to establish Shelter Care Homes so persons in need of supervision will have a place to stay if the need arises.

### Liaison Probation Officers

Inmates at County Institutions have none to very little aftercare or preparation for release before they are released. Would like to carry out a pilot study funded by Governor's Commission on Crime and Delinquency where a liaison officer would work with incarcerated individuals before and after their release. Probation Officers must find ways of making himself or herself available to the inmate while incarcerated and to assist in inmate's reentry to the community.

### Library

With funds received from the Governor's Commission on Crime and Delinquency set up a library at Central Office of current books and periodicals dealing with criminal justice system to be used by the staff in furthering and updating their knowledge of the system.

## AUDIT OF NEW HAMPSHIRE PROBATION DEPARTMENT

An audit of the Department was completed April 30, 1977. Audit included a review of Probation functions as well as the Domestic Relations functions.

In conducting the audit representatives of the Office of the Legislative Budget Assistant a variety of audit tests were done to achieve objectives, including the following:

- (a) Visited all district and sub-district offices; reviewed procedures; and interviewed regional supervisors, officers-in-charge, domestic relation and probation officers. The latter were selected through discussion with the director and his assistant.
- (b) Confirmed bank balances with the banks and independently reconciled all bank accounts; reviewed detailed cash transactions; and observed incoming mail and over-the-counter collections of cash receipts. We also noted internal control and security over cash.
- (c) Verified domestic relation ledger cards to case status reports and reviewed case files.
- (d) Interviewed County Clerks of Superior Courts from each of the four regions and one Justice concerning the adequacy of probation and domestic relation services provided by the Department.
- (e) Reviewed, on a test basis, probation case files and chronological probation contact history records.

We conducted the following tests of other departmental operations:

For domestic relation and related areas, we

- (a) Reviewed central office cash procedures including reconciliations of bank accounts. We performed independent bank reconciliation from data obtained directly from the bank.
- (b) Mailed 200 confirmations to payers and payees requesting verification of account balances, arrearages and other data appearing on Probation records on January 31, 1977.
- (c) Tested data on case status reports and reconciled cash receipts and disbursements thereon to department cash records.

- (d) Reviewed statutes, manuals, Board of Probation minutes and administrative plans covering the operations of the department.
- (e) Reviewed the computer system and its ability to meet present and future needs.

Evaluated the volunteer and Intern Programs. Our work included interview of key administrative and program personnel; mailing of questionnaires to enrolled volunteer counsellors; review of district office case files; and attending monthly volunteer program meetings.

Reviewed hiring and personnel policies with the State Personnel Director; examined personnel records; tested payroll and overtime computations and leave records.

Reviewed expenditure and purchasing procedures including authorizations and codings for compliance with the Manual of Procedure. We tested various expenditure amounts for reasonableness.

Reviewed all active Federal grants including: Grant terms for compliance; direct charges for propriety; billings for timeliness and accuracy; and indirect cost computations.

THE PRINCIPAL OBJECTIVES OF OUR AUDIT WERE TO DETERMINE:

- (a) That procedures as administered by the appointed officials are in compliance with applicable State and Federal Laws and regulations.
- (b) That procedure provide for the adequate administration of the Department's probation and domestic relation programs and that programs achieve the results intended by the Legislature.
- (c) That department reports of activity are filed in compliance with requirements, and the data included is meaningful, accurate and timely submitted.
- (d) That financial operations are conducted economically and efficiently; that expenditures are necessary; and within budgeted appropriations.
- (e) That the department had adequate control over domestic relation accounts, cash and other assets.

- (f) That the district offices are administered properly and render adequate services to the central office, the courts, probationers, and other clients.

The following recommendations were made by auditors.  
Recommendations are followed by action taken by Department so far.

#### District Office Operations

- (a) Prepare a clear definition of the regional supervisor duties, responsibilities and authority.  
  
(Has been done and will be included in new manual)
- (b) Reorganize staffing of domestic relation operation. Establish the position of assistant director of domestic relations, with sufficient domestic relation officers and clerical staff to make caseload manageable.  
  
(Requests in the Budget)
- (c) Develop a formal operating manual which will clearly define probation and domestic relation policies and procedures.  
  
(Governor's Commission on Crime and Delinquency are preparing a manual now.)
- (d) Develop a comprehensive training program, with outside professional assistance, which can be conducted by qualified department personnel. Also require a continuing educational program for professional personnel.  
  
(Plan to seek our own training officer)
- (e) Review space and equipment requirements of the district offices. Relocate district offices presently in inadequate quarters and develop a plan to replace sub-standard equipment.  
  
(Moved in one county. Requests for funds in Budget)
- (f) Evaluate requirements for effective telephone service and adequate postage in all district offices. Consider the use of Watts lines or reasonable toll charge budgets.  
  
(Requests for funds in Budget)

- (g) Solicit law enforcement protection for delivery of Manchester office bank deposits. Give authority to sign checks to only those who are not involved in cash accounting and processing of domestic relation ledger cards. Replace cash transmittal slips with adding machine tapes of pre-numbered receipts.

(Talked with Manchester. Gave reasons why can't be done. Check signing remedied by all checks being signed at Central Office. Feel transmittal slips of important value.)

- (h) Maintain probation and domestic relation case files in the district offices only. Eliminate Central office case files but have the latter continue to maintain the master index case file by district office.

(Have eliminated Probation files at Central Office already.)

#### Central Office Operation

- (a) Finalize and implement the proposed computer system for the domestic relation program at the earliest possible date.

(Still working with Centralized Data Processing to get the best system)

- (b) Prepare bank reconciliations monthly in the month that those statements are received from the bank. Reconcile cash to undisbursed balance on cash status reports, with reconciling adjustments entered on both case status reports and cash books. Record deposits in transit in same periods on case status reports and other cash records.

(Have been following this plan)

- (c) Strengthen stop payment procedures, particularly in the review of records before replacement checks are drawn.

(Have requested Centralized Data Processing for computerization)

- (d) Insert the statement "void after 90 days" on all checks disbursed. Transfer all checks still outstanding after ninety days to "debit and credit" listing.

(Have done nothing on this. Want to research it more.)

- (e) Request an appropriation to reimburse domestic relation undisbursed cash balance for cash shortages and uncollectible bad checks. Segregate unclaimed items and outstanding check amounts over ninety days old in a savings account. Transmit unclaimed amounts which are over fifteen years to State Treasurer as required by RSA 471A.

(Requested legislation. Need more research on savings account for three month old outstanding checks. Working on unclaimed amounts)

- (f) Remit welfare support payments to the Division of Welfare weekly.

(Complied with this)

- (g) Consider legislation to have the courts assess a payer service fee on non-welfare dependency support cases.

(Filed legislation)

- (h) Require proper authorizations on leave slips as specified by the Manual of procedure.

(Following this procedure)

- (i) Require control and accountability for control of equipment as specified by Division of Accounts Manual of Procedure.

(Working on this now)

#### Volunteer Counsellor Program

- (a) Decentralize control of the program by transferring responsibilities for its various objectives to the regional supervisors. Regional supervisors would establish and monitor programs for the offices in their districts with proper training sessions.

(Have done above)

- (b) Give consideration to holding volunteer counsellor meeting on a bi-monthly or quarterly basis to improve participation.

(Have done above)



- (c) Establish uniform statistical and other record requirements for the district offices.

(Have done above)

#### Minutes of Board Meetings

We recommend that an official bound set of certified minutes be maintained. All copies should be attested as true copies and minutes should be accepted by vote at subsequent meetings of the board.

GOVERNOR'S COMMISSION ON CRIME AND DELINQUENCY

TOTAL GRANTS RECEIVED BY THE PROBATION DEPARTMENT

NAME OF PROGRAM GRANT	BEGINNING	TOTAL	FEDERAL	SOFT	HARD	STATE BUYIN
<u>1969</u>						
Part-Time Prob. Officer	12/17/69	10,000.	6,000.	0	4,000.	
<u>1970</u>						
Placement-Guid. Officer	8/20/70	26,934.	15,810.	11,124.	0	
Transient Prob. Officer	10/14/70	15,838.	9,500.	6,338.	0	
Volunteer Coordinator	11/23/70	28,826.	15,800.	13,026.	0	
Sub-Total		<u>71,598.</u>	<u>41,110.</u>	<u>30,488.</u>	<u>0</u>	
<u>1971</u>						
P.O., Peterborough	8/19/71	10,784.	6,384.	1,000.	3,400.	
P.O., Merrimack	8/19/71	20,573.	14,398.	4,625.	1,550.	
Combined Rehab. Serv.	8/13/71	27,255.	19,767.	7,488.	0	
Transient Prob. Officer	12/6/71	15,344.	11,387.	3,957.	0	
Sub-Total		<u>73,956.</u>	<u>51,936.</u>	<u>17,070.</u>	<u>4,950</u>	
<u>1972</u>						
Volunteer Coordinator	1/1/72	29,240.	20,000.	9,240.	0	
P.O., Hampton	2/29/72	16,871.	8,871.	0	8,000.	
P.O., Salem	4/13/72	10,885.	5,885.	0	5,000.	
P.O., Peterborough	9/7/72	13,322.	7,822.	0	5,500.	
P.O., Merrimack	9/13/72	16,119.	8,619.	0	7,500.	
Combined Rehab. Serv.	9/7/72	23,911.	17,852.	3,359.	2,700.	
Sub-Total		<u>110,348.</u>	<u>69,049.</u>	<u>12,599.</u>	<u>28,700.</u>	
<u>1973</u>						
Transient P.O. (4 mos.)	3/21/73	5,690.	4,238.	1,452.	0	
P.O., Salem	5/25/73	13,601.	7,939.	0	5,662.	
P.O., Hampton	5/25/73	17,695.	9,696.	0	8,000.	
Female P.O. Keene	6/29/73	9,412.	6,079.	0	3,333.	
P.O., Strafford Cty	9/5/73	12,140.	10,926.	0	1,214.	
Female P.O.-Coos, Grafton	9/5/73	12,140.	10,926.	0	1,214.	
Combined Rehab. Serv.	9/7/73	24,438.	12,018.	0	11,752.	668.
P.O., Merrimack	9/13/73	18,436.	8,733.	0	9,218.	485.
Transient P.O.	10/1/73	10,688.	9,619.	0	1,069.	0

NAME OF PROGRAM GRANT	BEGINNING	TOTAL	FEDERAL	SOFT	HARD	STATE BUYIN
<u>1973 (Cont.)</u>						
P.O., Peterborough	10/1/73	13,674.	6,477.	0	6,837.	360.
P.O., Grafton County	10/17/73	18,298.	16,469.	0	0	1,829.
P.O., Carroll, Belknap Sullivan Cty	10/17/73	12,594.	11,335.	0	0	1,259.
Volunteer Coordinator	10/6/73	19,847.	16,462.	2,334.	1,051.	0
Sub-Total		<u>188,653.</u>	<u>130,917.</u>	<u>3,786.</u>	<u>49,350.</u>	<u>4,601.</u>
<u>1974</u>						
Female P.O.-Cheshire	5/4/74	12,764.	6,046.	0	6,382.	336.
P.O., Hampton	5/25/74	19,341.	9,160.	0	9,671.	510.
P.O. Intern (6 mos.)	5/29/74	3,467.	3,120.	0	0	347.
Vol. Coord. Aide (2 mos.)	5/20/74	930.	930.	0	0	0
P.O., Salem	6/4/74	14,694.	6,960.	0	7,347.	387.
Sub-Total		<u>51,196.</u>	<u>26,216.</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>23,400.</u>	<u>1,580.</u>
<u>FY 75</u>						
Combined Rehab. Serv.	8/27/74	26,443.	12,525.	0	13,222.	696.
Female P.O. Coss & Grafton	8/28/74	15,336.	13,802.	0	767.	767.
Add'l P.O. Strafford	9/1/74	15,285.	13,756.	0	0	1,529.
P.O. Peterboro & Jaffrey	9/10/74	13,863.	6,566.	0	6,932.	365.
Volunteer Coordinator	10/6/74	15,718.	14,146.	0	0	1,572.
P.O. Milford & Merrimack	10/28/74	13,553.	6,419.	0	6,777.	357.
P.O. Grafton County	11/1/74	22,170.	19,953.	0	1,109.	1,108.
P.O. Intern (Hillsborough)	11/18/74	1,909.	1,718.	0	0	191.
Female PO - North	1/3/75	6,728.	5,427.	0	1,000.	301.
Female PO - Keene	3/21/75	4,217.	1,998.	0	2,109.	110.
P.O. Hampton & Plaistow	4/1/75	5,710.	2,705.	0	2,855.	150.
P.O. Intern (Merrimack)	4/11/75	4,194.	3,775.	0	0	419.
P.O. Salem	4/25/75	1,633.	1,547.	0	0	86.
Sub-Total		<u>146,759.</u>	<u>104,337.</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>34,771.</u>	<u>7,651.</u>
<u>FY 76</u>						
Summer Interns	4/9/76	3,615.	3,253.	0	0	362.
Sub-Total		<u>3,615.</u>	<u>3,253.</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>362.</u>
<u>FY 77</u>						
Need for Secretarial Help	8/6/76	10,642.	9,578.	0	0	1,064.
2 Add'l P. O.'s	10/8/76	22,561.43	20,305.29	0	0	2,256.14
Sub-Total		<u>33,203.43</u>	<u>29,883.29</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>3,320.14</u>

NAME OF PROGRAM GRANT	BEGINNING	TOTAL	FEDERAL	SOFT	HARD	STATE BUYIN
<u>FY 78</u>						
Summer Interns '77	5/6/77	1,711.	1,540.	0	0	171.
One Add'l P.O.	11/15/77	20,122.	18,109.	0	0	2,013.
Need for Secretarial Help	11/15/77	9,792.	8,813.	0	0	979.
Sub-Total		<u>31,625.</u>	<u>28,462.</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>3,163.</u>
GRAND TOTAL		\$720,953.43	\$491,163.29	\$63,943.	\$145,171.	\$20,677.14

GOVERNOR'S COMMISSION ON CRIME & DELINQUENCY

TOTAL GRANTS RECEIVED FOR EQUIPMENT & TRAINING

NAME OF PROGRAM GRANT	PROJECT DATE	GRANT TOTAL	FEDERAL FUNDS	SOFT MATCH	HARD MATCH
<u>1970</u> Law Enforcement Referral Manual	7/18/70	10,039.	6,000.	4,039.	0
<u>1971</u> Volunteer Inc. Seminar	9/9/71	1,390.	1,390.	0	0
<u>1972</u> Electronic Calculator	4/13/72	608.	300.	0	308.
Recording & Transcrib. Equipment	4/13/72	2,145.	1,395.	0	750.
Conference on Vol. Salem Office Space Preparation	4/13/72 6/9/72	922. 1,000.	660. 650.	262. 0	0 350.
<u>1973</u> Volunteer Train. Prog.	9/19/73	445.	445.	0	0
<u>1974</u> Volunteer Training Material	1/11/74	222.	222.	0	0
Training of Officers	5/29/74	3,568.	3,568.	0	0
Typing & Copying Equip.	6/26/74	2,404.	1,803.	0	601.
Volunteer Learning & Recruiting Materials	6/26/74	405.	303.	0	102.
<u>1976</u> Vol. Promotion Materials	12/12/75	2,145.	1,931.	0	STATE BUYIN 214.
Equipment Needs	12/12/75	11,859.	10,672.		1,187.
<u>FY 77</u> Equipment (2 P.O.'s)	12/10/76	1,928.	1,735.		193.
GRANT TOTAL		39,080.	31,074.	4,301.	2,111.-Hard 1,594.- State Buyin

## DOMESTIC RELATION UNIT

This unit implements and enforces orders issued by the court for collection of, receipting for and disbursement of child support payments.

Cases are assigned to Department only by the Court.

Collections was set up as a separate unit in our Budget beginning July 1, 1977. Prior to that it was included in the Probation unit.

When a new case is received from the court the Domestic Relations Officer informs the payer and payee of the conditions of the order. The Domestic Relations Officer then monitors the case and if the payer is not paying he is notified through an arrearage notice. If the arrearage notice does not effect payment, then the payer is notified he is in contempt of court and to appear in court on a specified date and time. If he appears, the Domestic Officer then provides the judge with pertinent information concerning payer's record of payment and then judge makes order.

If the payer does not appear, a *capias* is requested for his arrest and turned over to the Sheriff's Department for service.

The Domestic Relations Officer counsels clients on the impact and particulars of the divorce order, procedures for modification and our procedures for enforcement of the order.

Last year was the first year the department had a Domestic Relations Officer in each of the ten district offices. Even though all positions were not full time, there was an officer in each office, whether full or part time, to handle the Domestic area. This was an important step in the separation of duties between Probation and Collections.

Collections have been part of Probation's services since the beginning of the department in 1937. At that time, we had 67 cases and collected, \$5,115.00 that first year. In comparison in FY78, there were 9,567 active collection cases as of June 30, 1978, and the Domestic Relations unit collected \$10,356,672.03.

Unlike Probation, the Domestic Relation caseload has grown in leaps and bounds.

An example of caseload follows as of June 30 of each fiscal year:

<u>CASELOAD</u>	<u>NEW CASES</u>	<u>TOTAL SERVICED</u>
6/30/74 - 6748	FY74 - 1878	FY74 - 8626
6/30/77 - 9567	FY78 - 2274	FY78 - 10813

During FY75 and FY76 collected \$14,634,615 and increased to \$19,441,737, during FY77 and FY78, a very significant increase in a two year period.

Of the \$19,441,737 collected, \$3,379,992 was forwarded to the New Hampshire Welfare as a result of Domestic staff's collection and enforcement of cases receiving AFDC.

We have no control over our caseload, either in probation or domestics. The courts assign investigation and supervision cases and we supervise or investigate or both.

However, the increase in Domestic Relation caseload has a significant effect on the court workload and the Sheriff's Department, as well as Probation Department. With more cases the number of violations filed with the court increases and the number of capias to be served by the Sheriff increases.

Domestic unit has 12 officers assigned to handle the present approximate 10,000 cases, a caseload which adds over 2,000 new cases per year now.

Contrary to what most people believe, the collection of money is not the only purpose of service in domestic relations cases, nor should it be the main one if the set-up were different. When the threads that bind a family together are loosened or destroyed, children are confused. Many times the mother is forced to seek public assistance. This makes fertile soil for bumper crops of adult and juvenile delinquency.

There must be some means of preventing, or at least reducing, the number of victims who find themselves in this category.

The law can always be sought to remedy support problems, but money only provides the material necessities. Understanding guidance and counseling are the keys to personal problems. As it stands now, due to lack of staff, we as domestic officers are unable to do much more than collect the support in these cases. However, there have been cases where domestic officer has been the understanding personality that led to reconciliation, or at least brought about an understanding between the separated parties.

#### IV-D PROGRAM

The title IV-D Program defines the various responsibilities each state is charged with in the area of child support. These include locating absent parents in cases where Welfare assistance is involved, obtaining court orders or legally binding agreements from absent parents, and enforcement of these orders.

In addition, Title IV-D mandates that Welfare recipients must cooperate with the state to the fullest possible extent in accomplishing these objectives.

Under the IV-D Program Welfare recipients must formally assign to the state, their rights to receiving child support payments and arrearages due for the period of time assistance is granted.

The New Hampshire Probation Department, since its inception in 1937, has been involved with collection of support for Welfare recipients. In 1975 the Probation Department entered into its first formal contract with the New Hampshire Division of Welfare concerning these payments. This agreement, known as the Cooperative Agreement, has been renewed annually to date.

The agreement provides for the Probation Department to act as the collection and enforcement agent on those court orders where the recipient is receiving Welfare assistance.

In return, the Probation Department is reimbursed on a percentage basis for funds collected and disbursed to the Division of Welfare on AFDC cases. These funds are then turned over by the Probation Department to the state General Fund.

Since initiation of IV-D Program in 1975 the number of Welfare cases handled by the Probation Department more than doubled, from 1080 at the end of FY75 to 2498 at the end of FY78. The 2498 Welfare cases are approximately 26% of Probation's total collection caseload as of June 30, 1978.

During the above same period, enforcement of the welfare collection orders by the Probation Department has resulted an approximate 144% from \$766,543.47 in FY75 to \$1,875,314.37 in FY78.

Since forty cents of every dollar collected by the Probation Department on Welfare cases is subsequently returned to the State of New Hampshire, \$750,125 was realized by the State as a result of Probation enforcement efforts in FY78. This is significant when we note the Probation Department expended \$307,814 for the collections unit during FY78.



One of the major needs of the Domestic Relation unit in the coming biennium will be additional staff to handle the ever increasing caseload. The Division of Welfare has projected an average AFDC caseload assigned to Probation to enforce in FY80 of 4494 and 5273 in FY81. This is based on current caseload statistics and an analysis of AFDC caseload trends.

If these projections hold true, the AFDC caseload would more than double its current size, and would require the additional personnel in order to effectively and efficiently enforce the orders of the court.

The following chart is the organization set up for the Domestic Relation Unit. The top of the chart from the Board down to and including the supervisors is the Office of the Director Component. Supervisory staff services both Domestic Unit and Probation Unit.

The bottom of the chart shows staff involved in collection at Central Office and the four regions.

REGIONAL ORGANIZATIONAL CHART -- DOMESTIC RELATION STAFF ONLY

AS OF JUNE 30, 1978

BOARD

DIRECTOR

ASSISTANT DIRECTOR

OFFICE MANAGER

	SUPERVISOR	SUPERVISOR	SUPERVISOR	SUPERVISOR
<u>CENTRAL OFFICE</u>	<u>REGION I HILLSBOROUGH</u>	<u>REGION II ROCKINGHAM/STRAFFORD</u>	<u>REGION III CHESHIRE/MERRIMACK &amp; SULLIVAN</u>	<u>REGION IV</u>
Data Control Clerk	3 DRO	2 DRO	1 DRO	1 DRO full time
Computer Operator	3 clerical	2 clerical	1 DRO part time	3 DRO part time
EDP Peripheral Equip. Operator	1 clerical part time	1 clerical part time	1 clerical	1 clerical full time
Clerk Steno II		1 clerical part time	2 clerical half time	1 clerical half time

Five Probation secretaries also do Domestic Relations tasks in Region III and IV.

## DOMESTIC RELATIONS WORKLOAD

### Chart A - Domestic Relations Workload By Counties For FY77

This chart gives a picture of what the workload is by county in just about every area effecting the domestic relations caseload and the staff available to do the job.

Note with only six Domestic Relation Officers and two part-time probation officers the caseload as of June 30, 1977 was 8539 which meant that each officer had well over 1,000 cases to supervise. The same officers were assigned 140 investigations to do in that fiscal year.

### Chart B - Domestic Relation Workload By Counties For FY78

This is the same type chart as Chart A except it tells the story for FY78. During FY78 a staff of 12 domestic relation officers were available for all or part of that year and no probation officers did domestic relations tasks. Note the caseload increased over 1,000 cases from FY77 to FY78. Even with the increase in domestic relation officers an average caseload of 750 plus existed for each Domestic Relation Officer. That is the average but as you look at Rockingham County with two Domestic Relation Officers and over 2,000 cases, it means each officer has over 1,000 cases to supervise.

In FY78 investigations assigned decreased slightly and new cases assigned decreased 225.

Total closed for FY78 was 1523, approximately 300 more closed than in FY77.

These factors, the less new cases and more closed cases during the year, have helped keep the caseload down.

In FY78 we increased the total collections. Note four counties have collected over 1,000,000 during FY78. Two of those four counties collected over 2,000,000.

This is a heavy caseload for twelve officers to enforce. The heavy burden on the clerical staff has reached the point where with the increase in cases, increase in dollars collected, increase in violations, and the increase in closed cases, it is impossible to get the task done. The clerical staff is a staff already overloaded with backlog that has been with us for the past several years.

Chart C - Number of Receipts Remitted Daily for Fiscal Year 1977

This chart shows the number of receipts issued during each month in FY77 by each district.

In FY76 receipts issued totaled 155,153 as compared to 172,218 receipts issued in FY77. An increase of 17,065 receipts or 11% .

Chart D - Number of Receipts Issued During FY78

During FY78 receipts issued totaled 189,311 as compared to 172,218 during FY77 and 155,153 during FY76.

Receipts have a chain reaction to the increased workload of clerical staff.

During FY78 a total of 34,150 more receipts were issued than in FY76. When you average 15,000 plus receipts per month for FY76, and look at the 34,158 more receipts given in FY78 than in FY76 it is the same as adding two months more of receipt type tasks in FY78 than during FY76.

Chart E - Domestic Relations Investigations Assigned FY77

The domestic relations officer does two types of investigations, visitation and ability to pay.

During FY77 one third of the total investigations was in the Hillsborough County Court region.

Chart F - Domestic Relations Investigations Assigned FY78

During this year there was a slight decrease in the number of investigations assigned Domestic Relation Officers.

Again, Hillsborough County led the way with about 20% of the investigations even though less assigned in FY77.

DOMESTIC RELATIONS  
WORKLOAD BY COUNTIES - FY 77

DISTRICT	DRO'S	CASELOAD 6/77	TOTAL INVES.	TOTAL NEW	TOTAL CLOSED	TOTAL VIOLATIONS	TOTAL COLLECTED
Rockingham	1	1728	12	445	181	429	\$1,895,143.95
Hillsborough	2	2297	47	648	453	715	2,629,073.57
Merrimack	1/2	983	12	282	110	172	971,268.62
Coos	**1/2	448	4	103	41	106	464,649.40
Grafton	1/2	557	7	167	81	167	501,001.48
Strafford	***3/4	947	16	242	172	336	1,116,755.43
Belknap	1/2	408	12	98	63	141	414,225.82
Cheshire	PO	552	2	297	54	156	503,150.83
Sullivan	PO	366	24	113	83	100	324,779.83
Carroll	1/4	253	4	104	40	58	265,016.72
TOTAL	6	8539	140	2499	1278	2380	\$9,085,065.65

\*D.R.O. Covers both Merrimack and Belknap Counties

\*\*D.R.O. Covers both Coos and Grafton Counties

\*\*\*D.R.O. Covers both Strafford and Carroll Counties

DOMESTIC RELATIONS  
WORKLOAD BY COUNTIES - FY 78

DISTRICT	DRO'S	CASELOAD 6/78	TOTAL INVES.	TOTAL NEW	TOTAL CLOSED	TOTAL VIOLATIONS	TOTAL COLLECTED
Rockingham	2	2024	20	458	252	487	\$2,113,099.84
Hillsborough	3	2482	35	614	456	711	2,854,511.18
Merrimack	1	972	12	223	255	359	1,124,511.28
Coos	3/4	510	2	100	53	82	508,677.38
Grafton	1	624	8	143	83	159	607,500.95
Strafford	1½	1119	9	283	152	285	1,236,946.34
Belknap	3/4	478	13	126	70	186	510,591.85
Cheshire	3/4	683	6	177	55	159	617,182.65
Sullivan	3/4	402	25	77	86	162	420,359.14
Carroll	1/2	273	2	73	61	111	363,291.42
TOTAL	12	9567	132	2274	1523	2701	\$10,356,672.03

## CHART C

NUMBER OF RECEIPTS REMITTED DAILY

JULY 1976 - JUNE 1977

	July 1976	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan. 1977	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	TOTALS
Exeter	2211	2704	2416	2191	2829	2355	2607	2474	2704	2600	3003	2885	30,979
Manchester	3689	4245	3914	3732	4299	3575	4113	3655	4302	3832	4474	4287	48,117
Concord	1405	1654	1440	1418	1706	1381	1666	1529	1678	1645	1917	1850	19,289
Berlin	752	921	851	798	928	799	913	833	843	811	931	880	10,260
Woodsville	756	896	859	808	941	776	895	767	876	849	943	943	10,309
Dover	1668	1812	1695	1611	2008	1614	1800	1688	1835	1716	1907	1851	21,205
Laconia	716	821	730	714	815	665	773	639	696	691	815	789	8,864
Keene	654	811	824	791	982	835	1000	848	944	941	1084	1019	10,733
Newport	500	595	600	537	680	538	667	636	716	671	772	703	7,615
Ossipee	361	415	389	376	362	361	416	351	429	426	476	488	4,850
TOTALS	12712	14874	13718	12976	15550	12899	14850	13420	15023	14182	16322	15695	172,221

NUMBER OF RECEIPTS REMITTED DAILY

JULY 1977 - JUNE 1978

	July 1977	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan. 1978	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	TOTALS
Exeter	2623	2889	2729	2833	2887	2698	3114	2702	2870	2778	3224	3073	34,420
Manchester	3874	4421	4165	3946	3957	3817	4183	3734	4174	3707	4619	4547	49,144
Concord	1626	1952	1660	1544	1870	1548	1861	1566	1971	1823	2127	2105	21,653
Berlin	826	910	856	909	943	861	992	751	840	845	890	954	10,577
Woodsville	883	1115	960	935	929	823	958	828	891	898	1043	992	11,255
∞ Dover	1696	1793	1825	1736	1948	1731	1952	1767	1872	1983	2082	2092	22,477
Laconia	714	854	836	740	879	736	875	884	833	837	1035	941	10,164
Keene	984	1084	1098	1172	1085	1023	1156	997	1044	1094	1209	1083	13,029
Newport	637	816	789	827	803	759	853	810	829	860	967	931	9,881
Ossipee	447	561	570	588	639	561	555	539	574	527	653	587	6,801
TOTALS	14310	16395	15488	15230	15940	14557	16499	14578	15898	15352	17849	17305	189,401



DOMESTIC RELATIONS INVESTIGATIONS ASSIGNED FY 1977

MONTH	Rock.	Hills.	Merr.	Coos	Graft.	Straf.	Belk.	Chesh.	Sull.	Carroll	TOTALS
July 76	1	1	0	0	0	3	2	1	2	0	10
August	0	4	3	0	0	1	0	0	3	1	12
September	0	7	0	0	1	0	1	0	2	0	11
October	2	3	0	0	0	0	3	0	4	1	13
November	0	5	1	1	2	3	2	0	2	0	16
December	2	3	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	8
January 77	4	2	2	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	11
February	1	6	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	1	12
March	0	2	2	0	0	1	1	0	2	0	8
April	1	5	1	1	2	3	0	0	0	0	13
May	0	3	1	0	0	3	1	1	7	0	16
June 77	1	6	0	0	0	0	1	0	2	0	10
TOTALS	12	47	12	4	7	16	12	2	24	4	140

DOMESTIC RELATIONS INVESTIGATIONS ASSIGNED FY 78

MONTH	Rock.	Hills.	Merr.	Coos	Graft.	Straf.	Belk.	Chesh.	Sull.	Carroll	TOTALS
July 77	0	1	1	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	4
August	2	4	1	0	0	0	0	1	2	0	10
September	1	4	0	0	1	1	1	2	3	0	13
October	3	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	6
November	0	4	2	1	0	0	0	1	6	0	14
December	1	4	2	0	0	1	1	0	2	0	11
January	0	1	1	0	0	0	3	0	3	0	8
February	1	3	0	0	2	0	3	1	1	0	11
March	3	5	1	0	1	0	2	0	1	1	14
April	2	4	2	1	2	2	1	0	1	0	15
May	3	2	0	0	1	0	0	1	3	0	10
June	4	2	1	0	1	3	1	0	3	1	16
TOTALS	20	35	12	2	8	9	13	6	25	2	132

## DOMESTIC ENFORCEMENT

The enforcement of collection cases is accomplished by; 1) The arrearage notice: The arrearage notice is mailed to payers with an arrearage. If payer responds with payment or makes an agreement with officer no further action is taken. No response leads to the officers other type of enforcement. 2) Violation: Here the officer requests a court hearing date for the payer. The payer is brought before the court to answer contempt charges. If payer does not appear in court when requested the sheriff is notified via the capias and he arrests the payer.

The following charts show effectiveness of the two forms of enforcement.

### Chart A - Arrearage Notices During FY77

Chart A shows number of arrearage notices mailed monthly by each county during FY77. In the two columns under each county, the "R" indicates regular support payments and the "W" welfare payments. During FY77 a total of 4,846 arrearage notices were mailed.

### Chart B - Arrearage Notices During FY78

Chart B shows 5,196 arrearage notices were mailed during FY78.

Arrearage notices have proved effective in getting payments from payers. No response to arrearage notices is used as a list for violations.

### Chart C - Enforcement and Caseload Comparison

Chart C compares regular cases and welfare cases by the caseload, amount of increases, arrearage notices and violations.

### Charts D & E - Violations Scheduled

A violation scheduled means the payer has not responded to an arrearage notice, or has not followed through on agreement to reduce arrearage and pay regularly, so, as a result a date is set for payer to appear before the judge.

Both chart D & E show by county and month the number of violations scheduled for payers of regular support cases and welfare cases.

Chart F - Violations, Responses and Dispositions by Court

Comparing FY77 and FY78 this chart shows by county the violations scheduled and further indicates the responses to violations scheduled. For instance, in FY77 of 2,920 violations filed 524 failed to appear. This meant the payer did not appear for court so the domestic relation officer requested a capias for his arrest. The capias is given the sheriff who arrests the payer. The payer either goes to jail, produces bail, or pays his arrearage. Chart F shows the results of different dispositions to violations.

The 483 violations continued by the court in FY77 and 448 in FY78 are not shown on the chart.

In both fiscal years approximately one third of violations scheduled appeared before the judge.

## DOMESTIC RELATIONS

ARREARAGE NOTICES 1977

	ROCK.		HILL.		MERR.		COOS		GRAF.		STRAF.		BELK.		CHESH.		SULL.		CARR.		TOTALS	
	R	W	R	W	R	W	R	W	R	W	R	W	R	W	R	W	R	W	R	W	R	W
JUL.	79	16	83	12	31	24	18	12	22	19	19	5	30	5	32	13	8	10	11	0	333	116
AUG.	87	24	79	10	13	4	26	21	23	4	41	13	40	13	43	14	11	6	0	0	363	109
SEP.	78	22	131	72	34	10	3	2	22	13	69	25	11	3	23	6	11	8	6	33	388	194
OCT.	86	31	110	32	27	0	19	12	37	10	30	5	4	0	37	14	17	11	27	0	394	115
NOV.	20	10	63	29	44	0	6	1	5	0	17	1	0	0	3	3	7	0	5	0	170	44
DEC.	25	4	86	13	38	3	43	13	14	4	14	1	53	7	2	0	21	12	5	0	301	57
JAN.	38	1	89	18	91	16	10	2	14	7	20	4	33	5	8	2	15	8	7	0	325	63
FEB.	44	12	92	31	22	26	40	28	18	7	31	4	8	0	1	1	5	14	13	1	274	124
MAR.	45	117	0	0	23	13	12	16	11	2	54	42	4	0	5	5	15	5	31	13	200	213
APR.	35	3	18	3	60	29	15	3	15	1	65	6	12	16	8	8	12	2	17	0	257	71
MAY	31	3	41	10	55	29	56	21	16	5	12	1	31	5	20	10	20	8	7	0	289	92
JUNE	98	30	22	0	30	4	14	2	41	13	27	1	13	10	10	10	15	7	7	0	277	77
TOTALS	666	273	814	230	468	158	262	133	238	85	399	108	239	64	192	86	157	91	136	47	3571	1275

## DOMESTIC RELATIONS

ARREARAGE NOTICES 1978

	ROCK.		HILL.		MERR.		COOS		GRAF.		STRAF.		BELK.		CHESH.		SULL.		CARR.		TOTALS	
	R	W	R	W	R	W	R	W	R	W	R	W	R	W	R	W	R	W	R	W	R	W
JUL.	32	18	51	4	25	3	29	28	25	12	23	4	39	14	6	6	7	4	8	1	245	94
AUG.	46	9	123	29	34	7	25	3	16	4	21	6	38	14	64	24	19	6	27	13	413	115
SEP.	54	20	63	15	18	3	15	27	11	0	17	7	14	6	10	1	16	9	51	0	269	88
OCT.	39	20	53	14	28	15	6	3	7	0	29	28	14	11	8	1	8	6	0	0	192	98
NOV.	33	17	51	10	26	41	14	15	8	3	20	12	7	5	13	2	14	4	38	11	224	120
DEC.	25	4	44	10	18	3	8	14	3	7	14	4	11	2	8	3	18	3	0	0	149	50
JAN.	58	9	43	14	49	7	8	20	26	13	17	2	20	2	17	1	10	6	5	0	253	74
FEB.	26	2	79	35	28	3	15	10	35	15	40	0	16	6	23	9	15	2	36	10	313	92
MAR.	30	26	189	80	73	50	23	4	18	10	21	1	22	18	27	6	15	3	55	0	473	198
APR.	23	35	115	25	68	19	18	19	19	17	81	6	19	15	3	0	13	3	29	0	388	139
MAY	106	25	130	63	32	3	34	14	20	10	168	31	21	5	17	0	16	0	4	0	548	151
JUNE	47	12	62	32	58	29	35	23	35	27	40	2	11	5	49	9	22	5	6	0	365	144
TOTALS	519	197	1003	331	457	183	230	180	223	118	491	103	232	103	245	62	173	51	259	35	3832	1363

## DOMESTIC RELATIONS

Enforcement & Caseload ComparisonCASELOAD FISCAL YEAR 1978:

	<u>Regular</u>	<u>Welfare</u>	<u>Total</u>
July 1977	6436	2174	8610
August	6465	2205	8670
September	6549	2225	8774
October	6646	2240	8886
November	6746	2259	9005
December	6832	2302	9134
January 1978	6885	2345	9230
February	6885	2392	9277
March	6964	2417	9381
April	7037	2435	9472
May	7061	2468	9529
June	7054	2498	9552

ARREARAGE NOTICES FISCAL YEAR 1978

Total number arrearage notice sent:

July 1977	245	94	339
August	413	115	528
September	269	89	358
October	192	98	290
November	224	120	344
December	149	50	199
January 1978	253	74	327
February	313	92	405
March	473	198	671
April	388	139	527
May	548	151	699
June	365	144	509
Total FY 78	3832	1364	5196

VIOLATIONS SCHEDULED FISCAL YEAR 1978:

July 1977	96	44	140
August	79	26	105
September	185	63	248
October	185	46	231
November	191	79	270
December	119	38	157
January 1978	216	54	270
February	203	34	237
March	198	47	245
April	259	87	346
May	260	118	378
June	246	70	316
Total FY 78	2237	706	2943

DOMESTIC RELATIONS  
VIOLATIONS SCHEDULED -1977

	ROCK.		HILL.		MERR.		COOS		GRAF.		STRAF.		BELK.		CHESH.		SULL.		CARR.		TOTALS	
	R	W	R	W	R	W	R	W	R	W	R	W	R	W	R	W	R	W	R	W	R	W
JUL.	35	3	70	33	0	0	0	1	0	0	27	7	1	1	27	10	5	4	11	0	176	59
AUG.	35	8	34	20	0	0	8	4	26	6	15	2	0	0	0	1	10	1	0	0	128	42
SEP.	36	3	64	22	10	8	9	5	16	3	14	6	19	5	21	11	16	7	5	0	210	70
OCT.	46	4	43	15	37	16	0	0	10	6	35	11	15	9	23	14	11	4	3	2	223	81
NOV.	70	19	69	32	0	0	10	1	7	3	55	16	1	0	21	5	0	0	13	1	246	77
DEC.	32	9	24	9	0	0	9	1	0	0	18	3	1	1	0	0	10	10	2	1	96	34
JAN.	41	4	29	9	12	3	4	3	17	4	12	3	19	5	10	7	10	3	0	0	154	41
FEB.	32	5	52	25	10	3	6	6	8	3	9	2	6	3	12	4	10	4	4	0	149	55
MAR.	22	4	111	58	0	0	7	3	5	1	18	10	0	0	13	3	13	6	6	0	195	85
APR.	38	33	121	44	17	7	0	0	8	5	27	5	15	3	9	7	0	0	10	4	245	108
MAY	36	18	66	23	6	2	8	5	5	5	27	3	9	11	31	10	13	5	10	1	211	83
JUNE	19	7	17	6	2	0	6	1	11	1	35	0	12	3	11	6	8	7	0	0	121	31
TOTALS	442	117	700	296	94	39	67	30	113	37	292	68	98	41	178	78	106	51	64	9	2154	766



## DOMESTIC RELATIONS

## VIOLATIONS SCHEDULED - 1978

	ROCK.		HILL.		MERR.		COOS		GRAF.		STRAF.		BELK.		CHESH.		SULL.		CARR.		TOTALS	
	R	W	R	W	R	W	R	W	R	W	R	W	R	W	R	W	R	W	R	W	R	W
JUL.	32	8	46	30	0	0	0	0	17	5	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	96	44
AUG.	29	12	10	3	0	0	7	3	20	5	7	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	1	79	26
SEP.	30	17	58	9	0	0	0	0	0	0	28	4	8	2	18	5	26	20	17	6	185	63
OCT.	57	11	45	9	0	0	0	0	7	3	41	5	4	0	8	7	8	8	15	3	185	46
NOV.	44	16	74	7	6	9	9	8	8	2	15	10	2	5	7	9	15	9	11	4	191	79
DEC.	40	13	9	3	14	4	7	4	13	6	7	1	0	0	10	0	12	6	7	1	119	38
JAN.	39	17	77	14	50	4	0	0	0	0	22	5	14	5	4	3	10	6	0	0	216	54
FEB.	38	4	70	6	23	6	0	0	6	2	15	1	27	1	10	2	12	10	2	0	203	34
MAR.	44	6	49	3	26	14	10	3	4	4	14	2	18	2	10	6	12	4	11	3	198	47
APR.	25	12	66	14	28	24	10	0	23	9	22	1	23	10	27	9	11	5	24	3	259	87
MAY	42	18	57	15	52	28	7	9	9	2	34	16	14	9	29	8	11	9	5	4	260	118
JUNE	51	4	63	3	35	21	7	4	12	2	39	25	22	6	1	0	13	5	3	0	246	70
TOTALS	471	138	624	116	234	110	57	31	119	40	244	72	133	41	124	49	130	82	101	25	2237	706

## DOMESTIC RELATIONS VIOLATIONS

Fiscal Years 77 and 78

RESPONSES TO VIOLATIONS

DISTRICTS	Scheduled		Failed to Appear		Paid in full before court		Plan made didn't appear		Appeared before Judge	
	<u>1977</u>	<u>1978</u>	<u>1977</u>	<u>1978</u>	<u>1977</u>	<u>1978</u>	<u>1977</u>	<u>1978</u>	<u>1977</u>	<u>1978</u>
Rockingham	559	609	108	141	37	34	65	63	227	225
Hillsborough	996	740	208	138	33	48	183	198	302	234
Merrimack	133	344	19	56	5	35	21	118	68	64
Coos	97	88	21	25	6	7	23	20	34	28
Grafton	150	159	22	19	5	0	60	72	62	61
Strafford	360	316	81	65	12	13	177	133	83	86
Belknap	139	178	21	29	12	12	66	57	33	41
Cheshire	256	175	47	52	45	6	45	41	100	67
Sullivan	152	212	28	34	5	13	37	63	65	87
Carroll	73	126	19	39	8	11	24	15	20	49
TOTALS	2915	2947	574	598	168	179	701	780	994	942

## DOMESTIC RELATIONS WORKLOAD COMPARISON

### Chart A - Total Collection Comparison for FY's 76,77 and 78

This chart shows the total collection cases by separate categories as of June 30th of 1976, 1977 and 1978.

Under the support column on June 30 1976 there were 5,738 cases active. As of June 30, 1978 there were 7,069 cases active or 23% increase.

Under the welfare column as of June 30, 1976 there were 1,397 cases which increased in 1978 to 2,498 cases or 78%.

Total restitution as of June 30, 1976 was 450 and June 30, 1978 was 448 with no significant change.

Category Other, which includes workrelease, fines, lawyer fees, custody fees, etc. has an increase of about 300%.

All cases combined June 30, 1976 totaled 7,624, and June 30 1978 totaled 10,137 cases, an increase of 32%. That's a significant increase in a two year period.

June 30, 1977 statistics are included to show you the gradual growth each year in each category.

### Chart B - Domestic Relations Closed and Inactivated Cases FY76 and FY78

A closed case is when the payer dies or the court closes the order.

An inactive case is when the payer absconds.

Closed and inactive cases effect directly the workload.

Chart B shows closed and inactivations during FY76 were more than in FY77 but less than in FY78. The decline in FY77 was the lack of domestic relation staff available to handle the caseload.

### Chart C - Domestic Relation Caseload Supervision Comparison 1968 Through 1978

This chart clearly states how caseload increased by county over the last ten years. Each county had increases at least doubling the caseload and Rockingham and Grafton counties caseload tripled.

The only decrease in the ten year period was in FY70. During FY70 the legislature passed a 5% collection fee

to be deducted from all support payments processed through Probation. The law was repealed the following year during a special legislative session.

#### Chart D - Domestic Relations New Cases Assigned 1970 - 1978

This chart confirms the trend towards an ever increasing caseload in the domestic relation field. In six of the counties the new cases assigned in 1978 doubled 1970 figure.

In three counties new cases assigned tripled in FY78 as compared to assignments in FY70. Only in Strafford county did new cases assigned increase less than 100%.

Total new cases per year increased from 1018 in 1970 to 2274 in 1978, an increase of 115%.

#### Chart E - Average Payments on Receipts Issued Comparison

##### Chart F For FY76, 77, 78

This chart shows for FY76, 77 and 78 the number receipts issued, dollars collected, and the average payment per receipt issued for FY76, 77 and 78.

Rockingham County had the highest increase in receipts issued during this period of time with almost 6,000 more issued during FY78 than during FY76.

In Rockingham and Hillsborough each collected more than \$500,000 in FY78 than in FY76.

On the average payment per receipt comparison all but Carroll County increased in average payment per receipt in FY78 over FY76. Cheshire County stayed just about the same.

The most significant increases were in Belknap County where average increased from \$43.51 payment per receipt to \$50.23 in FY78 and in Grafton County where it increased from \$47.52 per payment per receipt in FY76 to \$53.97 per payment per receipt in FY78.

The increase in average payment per receipt is an indication the total collected should increase significantly, which it did. But, the most important factor in the total collected is the total number receipts issued during the fiscal years.

Receipts issued increased from 155,153 during FY76 to 189,311 receipts issued during FY78. The total receipts issued During FY78 in a two year period showed a 22% increase. This really effects the workload of the clerical staff.

The average payment per receipt for all counties combined increased from \$51.04 in FY76 to \$54.70 in FY77 an increase of \$3.66 more per average payment per receipt, a 7% increase.

Chart G - Total Domestic Cases Serviced

Total serviced is a combination of cases supervising at beginning of fiscal year and the new cases assigned during that year.

The above chart shows Probation serviced 5045 cases during 1968 and 10,813 cases during fiscal year 1978. This represents a 114% increase.

In 1968 new cases assigned totaled 1224 and these assignments kept increasing until in 1978 the Court assigned 2274 new cases that year, an 86% increase.

# DOMESTIC RELATIONS

## TOTAL DOMESTIC COLLECTION CASELOAD

JUNE 30, 1976

<u>COUNTY</u>	<u>SUPPORT</u>	<u>WELFARE</u>	<u>RESTITUTION</u>	<u>OTHER</u>	<u>TOTAL CASES</u>
Rockingham	1159	238	60	3	1460
Hillsborough	1650	412	221	11	2294
Merrimack	613	160	11	1	785
Coos	275	103	15	0	393
Grafton	380	61	29	0	470
Strafford	673	137	48	1	859
Belknap	279	83	13	11	386
Cheshire	324	104	24	0	452
Sullivan	229	77	20	12	338
Carroll	<u>156</u>	<u>22</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>187</u>
Totals:	5738	1397	450	39	7624

JUNE 30, 1977

Rockingham	1331	397	70	26	1824
Hillsborough	1762	535	199	0	2496
Merrimack	737	246	17	5	1005
Coos	310	138	23	0	471
Grafton	415	142	45	0	602
Strafford	727	220	39	1	987
Belknap	288	120	18	11	437
Cheshire	358	194	25	1	578
Sullivan	263	103	14	9	389
Carroll	<u>201</u>	<u>52</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>271</u>
Totals:	6392	2147	468	53	9060

JUNE 30, 1978

Rockingham	1504	520	100	63	2187
Hillsborough	1845	637	86	15	2583
Merrimack	755	217	18	0	990
Coos	368	142	20	0	530
Grafton	455	169	49	0	673
Strafford	870	249	42	4	1165
Belknap	349	129	17	12	507
Cheshire	404	279	56	1	740
Sullivan	293	109	33	25	460
Carroll	<u>226</u>	<u>47</u>	<u>27</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>302</u>
Totals:	7069	2498	448	122	10,137

DOMESTIC RELATIONS  
CLOSED AND INACTIVE CASES

<u>MONTH</u>	<u>FY 1976</u>	<u>FY 1977</u>	<u>FY 1978</u>
July	58	128	116
August	141	88	121
September	203	104	104
October	118	89	94
November	142	86	108
December	161	121	103
January	111	109	88
February	111	101	77
March	125	103	118
April	67	93	136
May	148	125	266
June	<u>98</u>	<u>121</u>	<u>186</u>
TOTALS	1483	1273	1517

## DOMESTIC RELATIONS SUPERVISION CASELOAD

1968 - 1978 as of June 30

DISTRICT	1968	1969	1970	1971	1972	1973	1974	1975	1976	1977	1978
Rockingham	634	741	731	745	849	905	1088	1262	1397	1728	2024
Hillsborough	1261	1410	1394	1322	1525	1708	1896	1883	2062	2297	2482
Merrimack	358	445	438	487	568	591	644	696	773	983	972
Coos	185	213	186	195	232	263	310	322	378	448	510
Grafton	209	241	245	256	290	332	364	424	441	557	624
Strafford	550	672	640	592	672	702	801	787	810	947	1119
Belknap	194	207	241	266	265	304	341	324	362	408	478
Cheshire	244	241	257	244	254	311	364	383	428	552	683
Sullivan	188	202	206	216	217	221	229	277	306	366	402
Carroll	97	114	136	144	161	164	185	196	178	253	273
TOTAL	3920	4486	4474	4467	5033	5501	6222	6554	7135	8539	9567



## DOMESTIC RELATIONS

## NEW CASES ASSIGNED

DISTRICT	12/70	12/71	12/72	12/73	6/74	6/75	6/76	6/77	6/78
Rockingham	173	196	244	307	340	394	389	445	458
Hillsborough	313	360	439	501	538	514	544	648	614
Merrimack	81	160	160	156	140	206	211	282	223
Coos	40	62	56	68	84	98	97	103	100
Grafton	45	75	84	102	147	109	123	167	143
Strafford	178	177	208	230	236	242	238	242	283
Belknap	55	60	71	65	87	69	88	98	126
Cheshire	61	66	65	98	98	175	142	297	177
Sullivan	38	58	54	79	66	135	110	113	77
Carroll	34	39	54	42	47	63	58	104	73
TOTAL	1018	1253	1435	1648	1783	2005	2,000	2499	2274

## DOMESTIC RELATIONS

AVERAGE PAYMENT ON RECEIPTS ISSUED  
July 1, 1976 to June 30, 1978

DISTRICTS	TOTAL RECEIPTS ISSUED			TOTAL COLLECTED		
	<u>1976</u>	<u>1977</u>	<u>1978</u>	<u>1976</u>	<u>1977</u>	<u>1978</u>
Rockingham	28,365	30,979	34,420	\$1,652,888.07	\$1,895,143.95	\$2,113,099.84
Hillsborough	45,074	48,117	49,144	2,385,612.77	2,629,073.57	2,854,511.18
Merrimack	16,682	19,289	21,653	797,195.78	971,268.62	1,124,511.28
Coos	8,484	10,260	10,577	391,236.16	464,649.40	508,677.38
Grafton	9,007	10,306	11,255	427,996.99	501,001.48	607,500.95
Strafford	19,270	21,205	22,387	970,660.00	1,116,755.43	1,236,946.34
Belknap	8,323	8,864	10,164	362,164.27	414,225.82	510,591.85
Cheshire	9,133	10,733	13,029	432,674.91	503,150.83	617,182.65
Sullivan	6,261	7,615	9,881	248,868.36	324,779.83	420,359.14
Carroll	4,554	4,850	6,801	248,949.99	265,016.72	363,291.42
TOTALS	155,153	172,218	189,311	\$7,918,247.30	\$9,085,065.65	\$10,356,672.45

DOMESTIC RELATIONS  
AVERAGE PAYMENT PER RECEIPT

DISTRICTS:	<u>1976</u>	<u>1977</u>	<u>1978</u>
Rockingham	\$58.27	\$61.17	\$61.39
Hillsborough	52.98	54.57	58.08
Merrimack	47.79	50.35	51.93
Coos	46.12	45.28	48.09
Grafton	47.52	48.61	53.97
Strafford	50.38	52.66	55.25
Belknap	43.51	46.73	50.23
Cheshire	47.37	46.87	47.36
Sullivan	39.75	42.65	42.54
Carroll	<u>54.67</u>	<u>54.64</u>	<u>53.41</u>
TOTAL AVERAGE	\$51.04	\$52.75	\$54.70

TOTAL DOMESTIC RELATION CASES WORKED WITH  
10 YEAR COMPARISON

YEAR	CASELOAD END OF PREVIOUS YEAR	NEW CASES	TOTAL SERVICED	CASELOAD INCREASE
1968	3821	1224	5045	360
1969	4208	1018	5226	-38
1970	4376	1253	5629	377
1971	4518	1435	5953	397
1972	4733	1648	6381	723
1973	5243	925	6168	-53
1974/June	5913	1878	7791	1450
1975/June	6410	2010	8420	740
1976/June	7018	2499	9517	2010
1977/June	8539	2274	10813	803
1978/June	9567	Caseload end of FY 1978		

## DOMESTIC RELATIONS COLLECTIONS COMPARISON

### Chart A - Collection by Counties

This chart identifies significant increases in collections for each county from FY73 through FY78. During this five year period the total dollar collections increased \$5,101,590 or just about doubled from 1973 to 1978.

### Chart B - Growth of Regular and Welfare Collections From 1962 to 1978

This chart deals with welfare collections. Notice the heavy increase in AFDC cases assigned from 1966 to the present time, and the significant steady increase each year in the welfare, now known as IV-D, collections.

Of special notice is the approximately three to four hundred thousand dollars per year increase in the last four years.

This is important because 40% of each dollar collected goes to the State's General Fund.

### Chart C - Comparison of FY76 with FY78 in the Increase in Welfare Cases and Dollars Collected

Notice increase in caseload and collections by county.

Also notice the welfare client caseload during two year period increased 79% and the total dollar collection for this period increased 70%.

### Chart D - Collection and Caseload Increase From 1957 Thru 1978

Chart D shows the dollars collected and caseload increase from 1957 through 1978.

Note the significant increase, over five million dollars, in the last biennium over previous biennium increases.

This chart clearly shows the significant increase in collections since domestic relation officer positions were funded in 1975.

The information on this chart include all type of collections; support, restitution, fines, welfare, work release, lawyer fees, etc.

DOMESTIC RELATIONS  
COLLECTIONS BY COUNTIES

DISTRICT	6/72-6/73	6/73-6/74	6/74-6/75	6/75-6/76	6/76-6/77	6/77-6/78
Rockingham	998,494	1,166,513	1,404,035	1,652,888	1,895,144	2,113,100
Hillsborough	1,681,436	1,868,629	2,063,849	2,385,613	2,629,074	2,854,511
Merrimack	539,683	606,225	640,685	797,196	971,269	1,124,511
Coos	237,424	292,431	326,390	391,236	464,649	508,677
Grafton	255,104	303,089	326,171	427,997	501,001	607,501
Strafford	687,406	784,337	856,549	970,660	1,116,755	1,236,946
Belknap	262,053	289,547	303,421	362,164	414,226	510,592
Cheshire	235,455	317,146	356,224	432,675	503,151	617,183
Sullivan	188,359	206,598	218,750	248,868	324,780	420,359
Carroll	169,669	198,120	220,294	248,950	265,017	363,291
TOTALS	5,255,083	6,032,635.	6,716,368	7,918,247	9,085,066	10,356,671
% Increase each Year		15%	11%	18%	15%	14%

During 5 year period total dollar collections increased \$5,101,590.62 or 97%.

Totals rounded off to nearest dollar.

DOMESTIC RELATIONS  
GROWTH OF REGULAR AND WELFARE COLLECTIONS  
1962 - 1978

YEAR	REGULAR CASES	AFDC CASES	COLLECTIONS WELFARE
1962	2801		108,611.21
1963	2989		84,797.39
1964	3220		82,534.39
1965	3333		132,910.43
1966	3529	309	158,576.68
1967	3821	342	185,906.62
1968	4208	383	202,520.37
1969	4376	437	228,011.77
1970	4518	491	304,566.69
1971	4733	604	359,907.05
1972	5243	786	532,123.85
1973	5913	835	676,819.23
1974	5079	987	766,543.47
1975	5938	1080	853,727.76
1976	7135	1397	1,115,554.82
1977	6392	2147	1,506,902.50
1978	7069	2498	1,875,314.37

## DOMESTIC RELATIONS

COMPARISON OF FY 76 with FY 78  
INCREASE IN WELFARE CASES AND DOLLARS

DISTRICT	WELF. CASELOAD 6/30/76	WELF. CASELOAD 6/30/78	% INCREASE	WELF. COLLECT. FY 76	WELF. COLLECT. FY 78	% INCREASE
Rockingham	238	520	118	151,264.52	346,263.50	130
Hillsborough	412	637	53	373,734.13	495,324.98	33
Merrimack	160	217	36	117,622.64	206,615.74	76
Coos	103	142	37	99,449.00	134,690.70	35
Grafton	61	169	177	62,177.91	115,758.00	86
Strafford	137	249	82	100,537.45	188,402.58	87
Belknap	83	129	55	65,489.40	100,233.39	53
Cheshire	104	279	168	68,483.36	137,742.77	101
Sullivan	77	109	42	40,579.50	90,052.01	122
Carroll	22	47	113	20,765.00	60,230.70	190
TOTALS	1397	2498	79	\$1,100,102.91	\$1,875,314.37	70



## CHART D

DOMESTIC RELATIONS  
COLLECTION AND CASELOAD  
1957 to June 30, 1978

<u>YEAR</u>	<u>CASELOAD</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>	<u>TOTAL BIENNIUM</u>
1957	2,352	\$1,136,790.63	
1958	2,676	1,223,663.53	\$2,360,454.16
1959	2,800	1,304,534.15	
1960	3,070	1,399,945.43	2,704,479.58
1961	2,956	1,540,274.20	
1962	2,801	1,711,666.44	3,251,940.64
1963	2,989	1,954,731.69	
1964	3,220	2,135,971.64	4,090,703.33
1965	3,333	2,326,181.02	
1966	3,529	2,642,781.31	4,968,962.33
1967	3,820	2,995,817.25	
1968	4,208	3,396,964.95	6,392,782.20
1969	4,376	3,748,058.00	
1970	4,518	3,754,031.54	7,502,089.54
1971	4,467	3,849,510.49	
1972	5,033	4,435,778.67	8,285,289.16
1973	5,501	5,255,082.31	
1974	6,222	6,032,635.59	11,287,717.90
1975	6,554	6,716,367.42	
1976	7,135	7,918,247.66	14,634,615.08
1977	9,060	9,085,065.65	
1978	10,137	10,356,672.03	19,441,737.68

## Domestic Relations Enforcement Comparison

### Chart A - Domestic Relations Violations - 10 Year Comparison

This chart indicates the violations filed for each year from FY68 through FY78, in comparison to the new cases added to the total serviced. During this period violations filed increased 128%.

### Chart B - Arrearage Notices Sent

Chart B shows the number of arrearage notices mailed for each district in each fiscal year from FY76 to FY78. A decrease in the number of arrearage notices is noted in FY77 through FY78. This could be due to the fact that in Hillsborough County in FY77 for a period of time one Domestic Relation Officer had 2400 cases and when he left the supervisor was doing the caseload for awhile. We then transferred Domestic Relation Officers from the seacoast to Manchester until the situation was remedied.

### Chart C - Arrearage Notice Response

Six categories have been set up to indicate type of response to arrearage notices. This chart is from FY76 through FY78 and indicates the total paid in full for all years stays around 10%. Partial payment was about 33% in 1976 and dropped to 25% in FY77 and 20% in FY78. No response to arrearage notices increased gradually from 27% in FY76 to 28% in FY77 and to 30% in FY78. The unable to pay category was the bright spot in that there was an approximate decrease in the number unable to pay in FY78 than in FY76.

### Chart D - Committed on Violations FY76 through FY78

Chart D shows how many mitts were requested in FY76, FY77, and FY78. When a person goes to court on a violation many times the judge orders: \$200 on or before a certain date or mitt to issue. If payer doesn't respond the Domestic Officer requests the mitt. This means payer is picked up by the Sheriff and either pays total amount due on mitt, puts up bail or goes to jail. Payer does not have to go back to court on mitt.

Chart shows number of capias requested during same three years. A capias is requested when a payer does not appear in court on date set by the court. The Sheriff upon receipt of the capias arrests the payer. The payer can pay his arrearage, put up bail or go to jail.

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DOMESTIC RELATIONS -- VIOLATIONS

YEAR	# CASES END OF YEAR	NEW CASES ADDED	TOTAL SERVICED	VIOLATIONS FILED	% TOTAL SERVICED
12/68	4208	1224	5432	1270	23
12/69	4376	1018	5394	1291	24
12/70	4518	1253	5771	1145	20
12/71	4733	1435	6168	1311	21
12/72	5243	1648	6891	1541	22
12/73	5913	925	6838	1917	28
6/74	6410	1875	8285	2356	28
6/75	7018	2010	9028	3059	34
6/76	8532	2499	11031	2920	26
6/77	8539	2274	10813	2701	25
6/78	9567	(Caseload active end of FY 1978)			

DOMESTIC RELATIONS  
ARREARAGE NOTICES SENT

<u>DISTRICTS</u>	<u>FY 1976</u>	<u>FY 1977</u>	<u>FY 1978</u>
Rockingham	1207	939	716
Hillsborough	1848	1044	1334
Merrimack	694	626	640
Coos	393	395	411
Grafton	495	323	341
Strafford	668	507	594
Belknap	410	303	335
Cheshire	386	278	307
Sullivan	207	248	224
Carroll	153	183	294
<u>TOTALS</u>	<u>6461</u>	<u>4846</u>	<u>5196</u>
<u>TOTAL CASES SERVICED</u>	<u>8420</u>	<u>9517</u>	<u>10813</u>

## ARREARAGE NOTICE RESPONSE COMPARISON

FY 76 - FY 77 - FY 78

DISTRICTS	TOTAL SENT			TOTAL PAID IN FULL			PARTIAL PAYMENT			PROMISE OF PAYMENT			NO RESPONSE			UNABLE TO PAY		
	76	77	78	76	77	78	76	77	78	76	77	78	76	77	78	76	78	78
Rock.	1207	939	716	104	78	103	399	276	172	235	238	220	367	291	179	102	100	77
Hills.	1848	1056	1334	169	113	95	439	270	151	518	318	278	635	384	605	87	75	42
Merr.	694	626	640	79	71	89	579	80	126	275	277	161	209	168	166	52	17	43
Coos	393	395	411	21	33	11	195	180	144	94	57	67	53	76	75	30	34	36
Graf.	495	323	341	31	21	24	237	187	192	100	68	64	57	27	36	70	38	15
Straf.	668	507	584	92	74	59	92	29	91	289	243	233	162	135	166	33	31	14
Belk.	410	303	335	36	25	26	39	23	48	222	151	79	81	78	71	32	14	17
Ches.	386	278	307	43	49	33	49	34	26	125	52	61	112	82	100	57	15	7
Sull.	207	247	224	15	27	37	71	94	72	16	5	9	71	71	57	34	30	30
Carr.	153	172	294	20	30	25	23	27	27	58	52	105	50	48	108	2	8	11
TOTALS	6461	4846	5186	610	521	502	2123	1200	1049	1932	1461	1277	1797	1360	1563	499	362	292

## DOMESTIC RELATIONS

COMMITTED ON VIOLATIONS  
FY 76, FY 77, FY 78

	<u>MITTIMUS</u>			<u>CAPIAS</u>		
	<u>1976</u>	<u>1977</u>	<u>1978</u>	<u>1976</u>	<u>1977</u>	<u>1978</u>
Rockingham	167	152	54	97	104	40
Hillsborough	25	36	59	47	209	140
Merrimack	20	21	34	47	111	109
Coos	-	5	8	3	38	45
Grafton	3	9	8	6	36	37
Strafford	42	69	93	30	20	75
Belknap	17	12	8	19	29	30
Cheshire	3	5	13	18	68	50
Sullivan	-	16	50	-	44	56
Carroll	<u>3</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>25</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>19</u>	<u>39</u>
TOTALS	280	329	352	278	678	621

## FACTORS EFFECTING DOMESTIC RELATIONS WORKLOAD

### Chart A - Domestic Relations Officer Information

Chart A lists name of each Domestic Relation Officer in each county, whether full time or part time, individual caseload and total collections for each individual county for FY78.

A reasonable caseload would be 500 cases per officer. Using 500 as an average the June 1978 caseload indicates a need for 8 more domestic relation officers.

### Chart B - Population and Domestic Relations Collection Caseload Comparison

Chart shows caseload increasing with no correlation to population increase.

The increase in population from 1970 to 1974 was 15% while caseload increased 39%.

Population increased 20% from 1970 to 1978 while caseload increased 114% for same period.

Chart shows caseload can increase considerably without an increase in population.

### Chart C - State Comparison on Marriage Divorce, New Collections and Birth

A very interesting chart relative to collection cases increase. In 1970 there were 10,006 marriages and 2,478 divorces or 75.5% more marriages than divorces. This same year, Probation was assigned 1,018 new cases which was 41% of the divorces that year. This information is for comparison because some of the cases assigned could have been divorced in previous years.

In 1977, with 8,902 marriages, the courts granted 4,458 divorces which is 50% of the marriages that year. New collections cases assigned to Probation totalled 2,499 or 56% of the divorce figure. A disenchanting picture for the probation caseload when we have an 11% decrease in marriages in six years, an 80% increase in divorces and a 145% increase in collection cases assigned to Probation.

Upward and onward for Domestic Relation cases.

The births in 1970 were 1.35 children for each marriage and in 1977 averaged 1.36 children for each marriage.



Reason birth statistics so close in 1970 births up and in 1977 marriages down and births down.

Over the six year period, when comparing the number of marriages with divorces, N.H. had a net increase of 44,899 more married couples in the state.

Using the divorce total as the supplier of our cases for this six year period, we find that approximately 46% of these were assigned to Probation for collection.

Chart D - State Comparison by Year of Marriage Breakup  
and Domestic Relation Workload

This chart also indicates the steady growth of collection cases. Even though marriages are down the number of divorces annually more than doubled in 1968 as compared to 1977.

During 1977 Probation was assigned new cases amounting to 56% of the total marriage breakups granted that year.

Chart E - Domestic Relation Workload Comparison With  
Marriage Breakup

This chart shows by county the correlation of population, marriage breakups and cases assigned.

Note the last column indicating the % of new cases in comparison to marriage breakups.

Chart F - Marriage Breakup Information With Number of Children  
Affected and With No Minors Involved (State Totals)

Chart shows marriage breakups increased 178% during period 1965-1978. The number of children affected by breakups increased 134% during the same period.

Total number of people directly affected (father, mother and children) for period 1965-1977 totaled 133,778. Quite significant when you realize our state population is under 900,000. We in Probation, as well as others involved in the criminal justice system, realize this as a significant factor in the increase of Crime and Delinquency.

## DOMESTIC RELATIONS OFFICER INFORMATION

AS OF JUNE 31, 1978

OFFICER'S NAME	COUNTY SERVICED	CASELOAD EACH DRO	TOTAL CASELOAD	TOTAL COLLECTIONS
Richard Brown	Rockingham	1012	2024	\$2,113,099.84
Nicholas Chaykowsky		1012		
Edward Moquin	Hillsborough	827	2482	2,854,511.18
Edward Fraser		827		
Patricia Perelli		828		
Laura Wood	Merrimack	972	972	1,124,511.28
Ralph Barrett (3/4 time)	Coos	510	510	508,677.38
Jeffrey Gaudet	Grafton	624	624	607,500.95
Robert Glancy	Strafford	559	1119	1,236,946.34
Jack Curtis (1/2 time)		560		
Joseph Lorden (3/4 time)	Belknap	478	478	510,591.85
Joseph O'Reilly (3/4 time)	Cheshire	683	683	617,182.65
Dina Bock (3/4 time)	Sullivan	402	402	420,359.14
Hester Hoell (1/2 time)	Carroll	273	273	363,291.42
TOTALS		9567	9567	\$10,356,672.03

POPULATION & DOMESTIC RELATIONS COLLECTION  
CASELOAD COMPARISON

DISTRICT	JUNE 1970		JUNE 1974		JUNE 1978	
	POPULATION	CASELOAD	POPULATION	CASELOAD	POPULATION	CASELOAD
Rockingham	132,585	731	161,039	1088	172,500	2024
Hillsborough	218,756	1394	257,707	1896	255,300	2482
Merrimack	76,553	438	87,811	644	89,700	972
Coos	34,021	186	35,444	310	35,300	510
Grafton	50,404	245	55,880	364	60,600	624
Strafford	65,345	640	72,855	801	81,700	1119
Belknap	31,941	241	37,737	341	38,000	478
Cheshire	50,301	257	54,987	364	58,100	683
Sullivan	30,811	206	32,544	229	33,200	402
Carroll	18,548	136	21,271	185	24,100	273
TOTAL	709,265	4,474	817,275	6222	848,500	9567

STATE COMPARISON ON MARRIAGE  
DIVORCE, NEW COLLECTIONS AND BIRTH

YEAR	MARRIAGES	DIVORCES	NEW COLLECTION CASES	BIRTHS
1970	10,006	2,478	1,018	13,504
1971	9,771	2,973	1,253	13,302
1972	9,752	3,229	1,435	12,133
1973	9,570	3,911	1,648	11,545
1974	9,239	4,088	1,783	11,613
1975	8,831	4,263	2,005	11,101
1976	8,550	4,322	2,010	11,086
1977	8,902	4,458	2,499	12,130
TOTAL	74,621	29,722	13,651	96,414

STATE COMPARISON BY YEAR OF MARRIAGE BREAKUP  
AND DOMESTIC RELATIONS WORKLOAD

YEAR	MARRIAGES	TOTAL MARRIAGE BREAKUP-DIVORCES	TOTAL CASELOAD END OF EACH FISCAL YEAR	NEW CASES ASSIGNED END OF FISCAL YEAR	% NEW CASES OF MARRIAGE BREAKUP TOTAL
1968	9,733	2,123	3,920	1,251	59
1969	10,236	2,253	4,486	1,224	53
1970	10,006	2,478	4,474	1,018	41
1971	9,771	2,973	4,467	1,253	42
1972	9,752	3,229	5,033	1,435	44
1973	9,570	3,911	5,501	1,648	42
1974	9,239	4,190	6,222	1,783	43
1975	8,831	4,263	6,554	2,005	47
1976	8,550	4,322	7,135	2,010	47
1977	8,902	4,458	8,539	2,499	56
TOTALS	94,590	34,200	56,331	16,126	47

## WORKLOAD-FY 76

DOMESTIC RELATIONS COMPARISON WITH MARRIAGE BREAKUP

DISTRICT	POPULATION	TOTAL MARRIAGES BREAKUP	NEW COLLECTION CASES ASSIGNED	% NEW CASES OF BREAKUPS
Rockingham	167,000	992	389	39
Hillsborough	245,100	1142	544	48
Merrimack	87,900	503	211	42
Coos	34,700	135	97	72
Grafton	59,800	278	123	44
Strafford	77,900	386	248	64
Belknap	37,200	232	88	38
Cheshire	57,200	361	142	39
Sullivan	32,700	167	110	66
Carroll	22,800	126	58	46
TOTALS	822,300	4322	2010	49

## WORKLOAD-FY 77

DOMESTIC RELATIONS COMPARISON WITH MARRIAGE BREAKUP

DISTRICT	POPULATION	TOTAL MARRIAGES BREAKUP	NEW COLLECTION CASES ASSIGNED	% NEW CASES OF BREAKUPS
Rockingham	179,523	1031	445	43
Hillsborough	263,590	1314	648	49
Merrimack	93,608	474	282	59
Coos	35,327	151	103	68
Grafton	64,046	259	167	64
Strafford	79,257	413	242	56
Belknap	40,742	213	98	46
Cheshire	59,964	298	163	55
Sullivan	34,615	189	113	60
Carroll	26,816	116	89	77
TOTALS	877,488	4458	2350	57

## MARRIAGE BREAKUP INFORMATION

WITH NUMBER OF CHILDREN AFFECTED AND WITH NO MINORS INVOLVED

## STATE TOTALS

YEAR	TOTAL BREAKUPS	NUMBER OF BREAKUPS WITH MINORS	BREAKUPS NO MINORS INVOLVED	NUMBER OF MINORS AFFECTED
1965	1606	1152	454	2594
1966	1748	1260	488	2698
1967	1804	1318	466	2935
1968	2123	1547	576	3356
1969	2320	1688	632	3796
1970	2478	1766	712	3823
1971	2973	1968	905	4387
1972	3229	2183	1046	5020
1973	3911	2634	1277	5542
1974	4190	2976	1349	4894
1975	4263	2829	1592	5387
1976	4322	2684	1638	5227
1977	4458	2694	1764	5209
TOTALS	39425	26699	12899	54868



## FUTURE GOALS TO IMPROVE DOMESTIC RELATION SERVICE

### Computer

The finalization of a system program that provides for all the needs of Probation's collection process.

### Staff

- a) Work to acquire more staff, both officer and clerical, so each may have a more reasonable workload.
- b) Acquire an assistant director to handle the Domestic Relation Unit.

### IV-D Program

Work in conjunction with Welfare to eliminate duplication and speed up assignment of IV-D cases.

### Local Office Terminals

Terminals for local offices for posting payments as received and maintaining cases through the local terminal.

### Payments at Central Office

Long range goal is to have all payments mailed to Central Office for receipt and disbursement via the computer and bypass local offices.

### Collection Service Charge

A statute whereby a payer will pay an annual service charge as prescribed by the statute.

### Procedure Manual

An adequate procedure manual for the domestic relations officer.

An adequate procedure manual for the domestic relations clerical staff.

### Training

Acquire funding for training and set up orientation and on going training programs.

### Courts

In conjunction and cooperation with the Superior Courts to continually seek new and improved methods which give better results and ways to cut the time necessary to perform collection and enforcement tasks.

### ACCOMPLISHMENTS IN DOMESTIC RELATIONS

- 1) Each district office has its own Domestic Relations Officer to handle collections and enforcement of support orders assigned by the courts. Even though some officers are half and three quarter time the now situation is, Probation Officers are not assigned collection and enforcement of support payments as one of their tasks.
- 2) The significant increase in collections during the biennium. In the last biennium we collected \$19,441,737.68 and in prior biennium the department collected \$14,634,615.08, an increase of \$4,807,122.60.
- 3) Changed from IBM 1130 computer to the use of terminals in Probation Central Office through which the Department transmits transactions directly into computer at the Central Data Processing Agency.
- 4) Department has worked closely with the courts, Judges and clerks, at seeking and implementing more effective and efficient methods of collecting and enforcing orders.
- 5) Have increased cooperation and effort in enforcing orders between the Sheriffs Departments and Probation Department Office in each county.
- 6) There has been a significant increase in the number of welfare cases assigned to Probation and amount dollars collected from payers who have dependents receiving A.F.D.C. This is important because the General Fund receives 40 cents of each dollar collected from a payer who has dependents receiving A.F.D.C.

APPROPRIATIONS AND OPERATING BUDGET

PERSONAL SERVICES	FY 78 ACTUAL EXPENSE	FY 79 ADJUSTED AUTHORIZATION	FY 80 REQUEST	FY 81 REQUEST
Current Permanent Positions	985,010	1,102,581	1,125,959	1,142,014
New Permanent Positions			355,751	474,865
Full-Time Temporary	15,531	96,180	104,175	109,063
Other Personnel Services	7,663	8,415	19,255	19,303
Other Operating Expenses	211,756	296,434	465,806	502,973
Equipment	2,309	680	41,164	25,096
Total	1,222,269	1,504,290	2,112,110	2,273,314
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Number of Positions				
Permanent Classified	71	71	104	114
Full-Time Temporary		9	9	9
Unclassified	1	1	1	1
Total Number of Positions	72	81	114	124

The N.H. Probation Department appreciates and extends its sincere thanks to all who assisted in any way toward providing the best Probation service possible.

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