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On December 31, 2008, with a population of 75 the Detention Center was 17 percent over capacity. The capacity of 64 beds was exceeded by 11 youth.

*Admissions:* There were 241 admissions to the Detention Center during the fourth quarter of 2008.

*Admission demographics:* Of the 241 admissions, 45 were females and 196 were males. During the fourth quarter 174 African Americans, 1 Hispanics and 66 whites were admitted to the Detention Center.

*Leading charges at admission:* The most frequent leading charges at admission for the fourth quarter were violation of probation, 54; robbery in the first degree, 21; and burglary in the second degree, 15. 81 youth, or 34 percent, were admitted to the Detention Center for violent felonies.

*Length of stay:* There were 75 youth at the Detention Center with an average length of stay (LOS) of 60 days and a maximum LOS of 323 days on December 31, 2008.

Of the 75 youth, there were 50 Family Court youth with an average LOS of 33 days, and 25 Superior Court youth with an average LOS of 114 days.

*Snapshot demographics:* Of the 75 youth on December 31, 7 were female and 68 were male. There were 61 African Americans, 13 whites and 1 Hispanic.

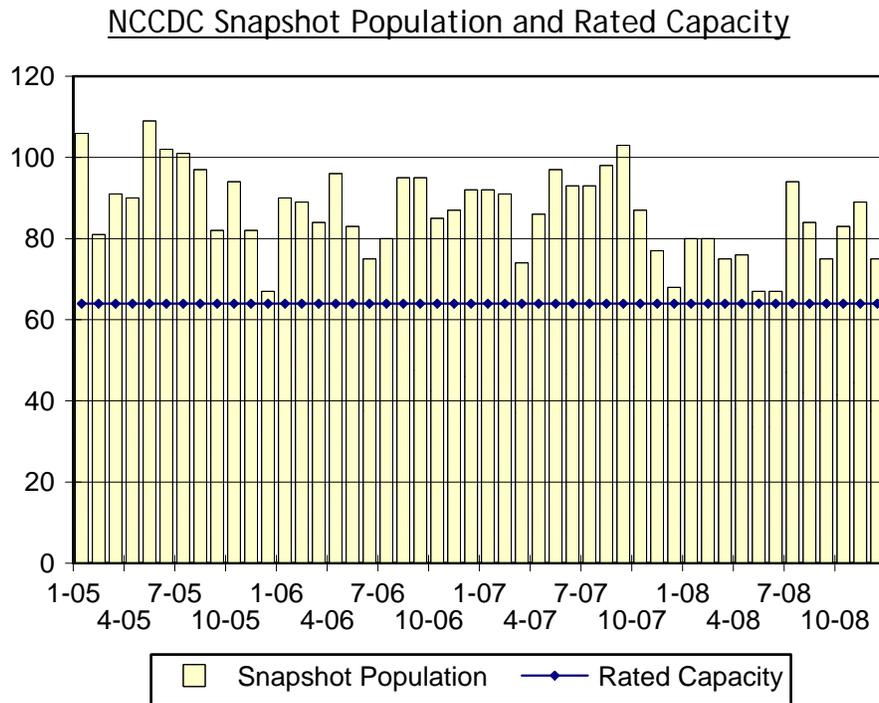
*Youth's status:* There were 50 detained and 25 adjudicated youth on December 31, 2008.

*Releases:* 243 youth were released during the fourth quarter of 2008 with an average LOS of 34 days, and a maximum of 492 days.

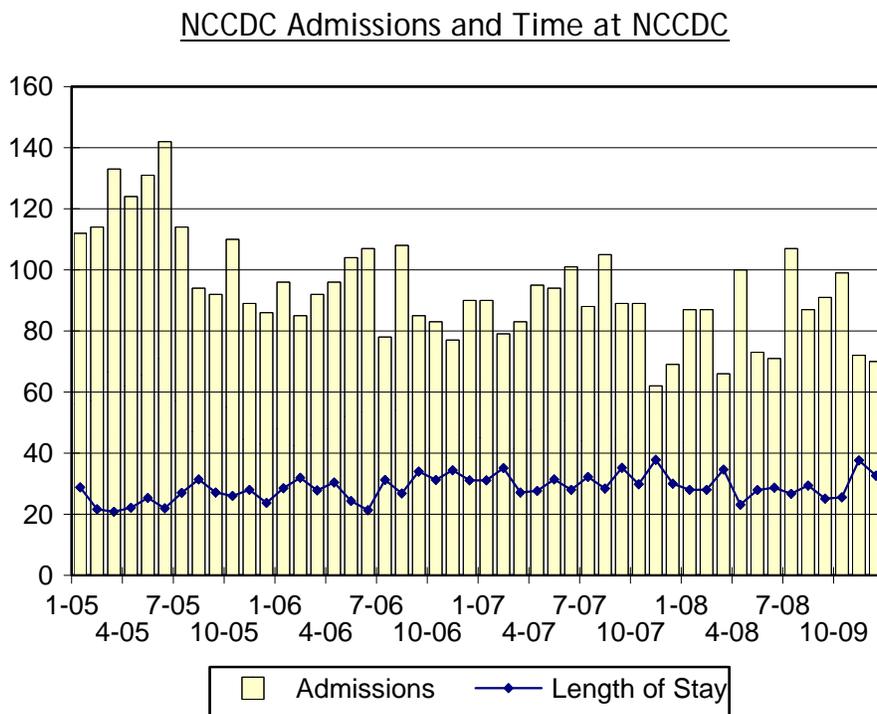


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Snapshot populations are taken at the end of any given month.



Length of Stay: Average length of stay in days at the Detention Center given monthly admissions and populations.

Admissions, Fourth Quarter 2008.

Month	Number	Percent
October	99	41
November	72	30
December	70	29
Total	241	100

Admission Demographics, Fourth Quarter 2008.

Race/ethnicity and age	Gender		Total	
	Female	Male	Number	Percent
African American				
12	0	2	2	1
13	2	3	5	2
14	9	15	24	10
15	6	25	31	13
16	8	50	58	24
17	1	50	51	21
18	0	3	3	1
Subtotal	25	148	174	72
Hispanic				
16	0	1	1	0
Subtotal	0	1	1	0
White				
13	1	3	4	2
14	2	2	4	2
15	9	6	15	6
16	4	16	20	8
17	1	19	20	8
18	2	1	3	1
Subtotal	19	47	66	27
Total	45	196	241	100

### Admissions Profile for Fourth Quarter 2008 NCCDC Admittees.

Admissions	Youth			Admissions		
	Number	Percent	Cum. %	Number	Percent	Cum. %
Total	241	100%	100%	1,113	100%	100%
First admission	70	29%	29%	70	6%	6%
Multiple admissions	171	71%	71%	1,043	94%	94%
2 <sup>nd</sup>	41	17%	46%	82	7%	14%
3 <sup>rd</sup>	23	10%	56%	69	6%	20%
4 <sup>th</sup>	18	7%	63%	72	6%	26%
5 <sup>th</sup>	16	7%	70%	80	7%	34%
6 <sup>th</sup>	12	5%	75%	72	6%	40%
7 <sup>th</sup>	12	5%	80%	84	8%	48%
8 <sup>th</sup>	8	3%	83%	64	6%	53%
9 <sup>th</sup>	7	3%	86%	63	6%	59%
10 <sup>th</sup>	6	2%	88%	60	5%	64%
11 <sup>th</sup>	4	2%	90%	44	4%	68%
12 <sup>th</sup>	9	4%	94%	108	10%	78%
13 <sup>th</sup>	2	1%	95%	26	2%	80%
14 <sup>th</sup>	6	2%	97%	84	8%	88%
15 <sup>th</sup>	1	0%	98%	15	1%	89%
16 <sup>th</sup>	1	0%	98%	16	1%	91%
17 <sup>th</sup>	0	.	98%	0	.	91%
18 <sup>th</sup>	0	.	98%	0	.	91%
19 <sup>th</sup>	2	1%	99%	38	3%	94%
20 <sup>th</sup>	2	1%	100%	40	4%	98%
...	0	.	100%	0	.	98%
26 <sup>th</sup>	1	0%	100%	26	2%	100%

Note: First admission means that, heretofore, a juvenile had never been admitted to Secure Detention, residential Level III, Level IV, Level V, or Division of Family Services (DFS) and Child Mental Health (CMH) programs that provide residential services. Included in the count of multiple admissions are those admitted to Secure Detention, residential Level III, Level IV, Level V, and DFS and CMH programs that provide residential services which are classified by DSCYF as crisis bed; mental health; residential group care; treatment center; residential Interagency Collaborative Team; residential treatment, mental health; and residential treatment, substance abuse.

**Admission Profile by Dispositional  
Level for Fourth Quarter 2008 NCCDC Admittees.**

Admissions	Number and percent of youth							
	Sec. Det.		L. V		L. IV		L. III	
	N.	%	N.	%	N.	%	N.	%
Total	241	100	241	100	241	100	241	100
No prior admissions	90	37	205	85	145	60	102	42
Multiple admissions	151	63	36	15	96	39	139	58
2 <sup>nd</sup>	59	24	23	10	18	7	40	17
3 <sup>rd</sup>	42	17	8	3	29	12	47	20
4 <sup>th</sup>	21	9	3	1	15	6	21	9
5 <sup>th</sup>	16	7	2	1	11	5	13	5
6 <sup>th</sup>	5	2	0	.	9	4	6	2
7 <sup>th</sup>	4	2	0	.	9	4	5	2
8 <sup>th</sup>	2	1	0	.	2	1	2	1
9 <sup>th</sup>	1	0	0	.	0	.	1	0
10 <sup>th</sup>	0	.	0	.	1	0	1	0
11 <sup>th</sup>	0	.	0	.	1	0	1	0
12 <sup>th</sup>	1	0	0	.	0	.	0	.
13 <sup>th</sup>	0	.	0	.	0	.	0	.
14 <sup>th</sup>	0	.	0	.	0	.	0	.
15 <sup>th</sup>	0	.	0	.	0	.	0	.
16 <sup>th</sup>	0	.	0	.	0	.	0	.
17 <sup>th</sup>	0	.	0	.	1	0	0	.

Note: Included in the count of multiple admissions are those admitted to Secure Detention (Sec. Det.), Level III, Level IV, Level V, and Division of Family Services and Child Mental Health programs that provide residential services which are classified by DSCYF as crisis bed; mental health; residential group care; treatment center; residential Interagency Collaborative Team; residential treatment, mental health; and residential treatment, substance abuse.

Reading this table: This table shows that 63 percent of youth admitted to the New Castle County Detention Center during the fourth quarter of 2008 had prior admissions to secure detention, 15 percent to Level V, 39 percent to Level IV, and 58 percent to Level III. Thirty-five of the 90 youth without prior detention admissions had prior admissions to Levels III, IV and/or V.

Leading Charge at Admission, Fourth Quarter 2008.

Detained felonies and misdemeanors, 10 Del.C. § 1007(a)(2)	Total	Gender Minority			
		F	M	W	M
Aggravated act of intimidation	1	0	1	0	1
Assault in a detention facility, causing injury	1	0	1	0	1
Assault in the first degree	1	0	1	0	1
Assault in the third degree	7	3	4	0	7
Breach of conditions of release, felony	1	0	1	0	1
Burglary in the second degree	14	2	12	4	10
Burglary in the second degree, attempted	2	0	2	0	2
Burglary in the third degree	1	0	1	0	1
Burglary in the third degree, attempted	1	0	1	0	1
Carrying a concealed dangerous instrument	3	0	3	0	3
Carrying a concealed deadly weapon	1	0	1	0	1
Distribution of a controlled substance within 300 feet of a park	1	0	1	0	1
Forgery in the second degree	1	1	0	0	1
Intimidation of a victim or witness	1	0	1	0	1
Possession of a deadly weapon by a person prohibited	1	0	1	0	1
Possession of a deadly weapon by a person prohibited, firearm	5	0	5	0	5
Possession of a deadly weapon during the commission of a felony	11	1	10	5	6
Possession of a firearm during the commission of a felony	6	0	6	0	6
Possession of a weapon in a safe school zone	2	1	1	1	1
Possession of burglar's tools	1	0	1	0	1
Possession with intent to deliver narcotics	3	0	3	0	3
Possession with intent to deliver non-narcotics	3	0	3	1	2
Rape in the second degree	2	0	2	0	2
Receiving stolen property, felony	10	0	10	0	10
Robbery in the first degree	19	1	18	3	16
Robbery in the first degree, attempted	5	0	5	1	4
Robbery in the second degree	6	0	6	1	5
Robbery in the second degree, attempted	2	1	1	0	2
Theft of a firearm	1	0	1	0	1
Theft of a motor vehicle	6	1	5	3	3
Theft, felony	1	0	1	1	0
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>120</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>109</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>100</b>

## Leading Charge at Admission, Fourth Quarter 2008.

Detained admissions for charges not referenced in 10 Del.C. § 1007	Total	Gender		Minority	
		F	M	W	M
Breach of conditions of release, misdemeanor	1	0	1	1	0
Conspiracy in the third degree	1	0	1	0	1
Criminal contempt	2	2	0	1	1
Criminal trespassing in the third degree	1	1	0	0	1
Disorderly conduct	1	0	1	0	1
Falsely reporting an incident	1	0	1	0	1
Menacing	1	0	1	0	1
Offensive touching	6	4	2	4	2
Possession of drug paraphernalia	1	0	1	1	0
Possession or use of a non-narcotic	1	0	1	0	1
Prostitution	1	1	0	1	0
Resisting arrest	3	0	3	0	3
Shoplifting, misdemeanor	1	0	1	0	1
Terroristic threatening, misdemeanor	3	0	3	2	1
Theft, misdemeanor	1	0	1	1	0
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>14</b>
<b>Administrative violations and holds</b>					
Administrative hold	5	3	2	1	4
Administrative hold, Aftercare revocation	1	0	1	0	1
Internal transfer	2	0	2	2	0
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>5</b>
<b>Violation of probation pursuant to 11 Del.C. § 4334</b>					
Violation of probation	32	10	22	7	25
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>25</b>
<b>Failure to appear, 10 Del.C. § 1007(a)(3)</b>					
Failure to appear in court	10	4	6	4	6
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>6</b>
<b>Repeated failure to comply</b>					
Criminal impersonation	1	1	0	1	0
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>

### Leading Charge at Admission, Fourth Quarter 2008.

Sentenced admissions pursuant to an adjudication	Total	Gender		Minority	
		F	M	W	M
Administrative hold	1	0	1	0	1
Administrative hold, return from program	2	0	2	1	1
Assault in the third degree	1	0	1	0	1
Burglary in the second degree	1	0	1	1	0
Criminal impersonation	1	0	1	0	1
Criminal trespassing in the first degree	1	0	1	1	0
Distribution of a controlled substance within 300 feet of a park	1	0	1	0	1
Drug Court violation	4	1	3	4	0
Failure to appear in court	1	0	1	0	1
Failure to obey an officer's signal	1	0	1	1	0
Internal transfer	1	0	1	1	0
Offensive touching	1	0	1	0	1
Robbery in the first degree	2	0	2	0	2
Theft of a firearm	2	0	2	2	0
Theft, felony	1	0	1	0	1
Unauthorized use of a motor vehicle	1	0	1	0	1
Violation of curfew	1	0	1	0	1
Violation of probation	22	7	15	9	13
Subtotal	45	8	37	20	25
Total	241	45	196	66	175

### Crime Category at Admission, Fourth Quarter 2008.

Category	Number	Percent
Violent felony	81	34
Violent misdemeanor	14	6
Nonviolent felony	36	15
Nonviolent misdemeanor	37	15
Traffic misdemeanor	1	0
Probation violation	54	22
Administrative hold/Aftercare revocation	12	5
Drug Court violation	4	2
Unclassified violations	2	1
Total	241	100

While 54 youth were admitted solely for a violation of probation (VOP), another 25 had a VOP and an arrest for another crime. A total of 79 youth were charged with a VOP.

Length of Stay on December 31, 2008.

LOS in intervals	<u>Youth</u>	<u>Length of Stay</u>		
	Number	Average	Median	Maximum
1 to 3 days	4	2	2	3
4 to 14 days	9	8	9	10
15 to 29 days	20	22	22	29
30 to 59 days	16	44	42	59
60 to 119 days	16	81	79	109
120 to 179 days	4	152	148	179
180 plus days	6	231	189	323
Summary	75	60	38	323

Legal Status by Average LOS on December 31, 2008.

	<u>Detained</u>		<u>Sentenced</u>		<u>Total</u>	
	No.	LOS	No.	LOS	No.	LOS
Family Court	37	34	13	30	50	33
30 days or less	23	14	9	19	32	15
31 days or more	14	68	4	56	18	65
Superior Court	25	114	0	.	25	114
120 days or less	16	65	0	.	16	65
121 days or more	9	201	0	.	9	201
Total	62	66	13	30	75	60

Youth's Involvement on December 31, 2008.

<u>Detained</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>LOS in days</u>
Aftercare	13	40
Probation	3	105
Serious Juvenile Offender and Comprehensive Aftercare Program	1	27
Division of Child Mental Health	2	19
Division of Family Services	3	56
Family Court detainees	37	34
Superior Court detainees	25	114
<u>Sentenced</u>		
Division of Family Services	1	16
Division of Child Mental Health	1	36
Family Court	13	30
Superior Court	0	.

Population Demographics on December 31, 2008.

Race/ethnicity and age	Gender		Total	
	Female	Male	Number	Percent
African American				
13	0	1	1	1
14	3	3	6	8
15	1	15	16	21
16	0	19	19	25
17	0	19	19	25
Subtotal	4	57	61	81
Hispanic				
17	0	1	1	1
Subtotal	0	1	1	1
White				
13	0	1	1	1
14	1	0	1	1
15	1	2	3	4
16	1	3	4	5
17	0	4	4	5
Subtotal	3	10	13	17
Total	7	68	75	100

Releases, Fourth Quarter 2008.

To whom released/program	Number	Percent	LOS in days	
			Mean	Max.
Releases to the community				
Child Mental Health	1	0	36	36
Child Mental Health, Net (Delaware), Inc.	1	0	8	8
Community Services, Camelot Non-Secure Detention	29	12	4	29
Community Services, Camelot shelter	3	1	6	16
Community Services, Peoples Place II, Non-Secure Det.	13	5	3	16
Community Services, Project Stay Free Day Treatment	3	1	14	36
Community Services, Project Stay Free EM	10	4	41	147
Community Services, Project Stay Free ICCP	3	1	18	48
Community Services, Providence, Non-Secure Detention	8	3	4	8
Community Services, VisionQuest FICM	1	0	2	2
Division Of Family Services	8	3	35	73
Parent	49	20	34	316
Relative	7	3	50	169
Self	3	1	22	36
Releases to the community subtotal	139	57	22	316
Releases to a secure placement				
Child Mental Health, Middletown Manor RTC	1	0	26	26
Child Mental Health, Red Lion RTC	1	0	2	2
Child Mental Health, Therapeutic Center At Fox Chase	1	0	76	76
Community Services, Coastal Harbor Treatment Center	1	0	76	76
Community Services, Glen Mills Schools	2	1	128	238
Community Services, Springfield Academy	2	1	27	51
Community Services, Summit Academy	1	0	12	12
Community Services, Today Inc.	2	1	25	27
Community Services, University Behavioral Center	1	0	124	124
Community Services, Today, Inc., Short Term Drug Abuse	1	0	29	29
Community Services, Kids Peace, Mesabi Academy	1	0	27	27
Department of Correction, General Population	2	1	218	280
Department of Correction, Home Confinement	1	0	43	43
Department of Correction, YCOP	8	3	115	280
U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement	1	0	20	20
YRS, Ferris School for Boys	27	10	77	492
YRS, Grace Cottage	10	4	11	37
YRS, Mowlds Cottage	15	6	15	79
YRS, Snowden Cottage	20	8	28	79
YRS, Stevenson House Detention Center	6	2	3	5
Releases to a secure placement subtotal	104	43	49	492
Total releases	243	100	34	492

Legal Status by Average LOS at Release, Fourth Quarter 2008.

	<u>Detained</u>		<u>Sentenced</u>		<u>Total</u>	
	No.	LOS	No.	LOS	No.	LOS
Family Court	103	9	126	36	229	24
30 days or less	95	4	76	13	171	8
31 days or more	8	79	50	72	58	73
Superior Court	6	191	8	181	14	185
120 days or less	1	113	3	16	4	41
121 days or more	5	207	5	280	10	243
Total	109	19	134	45	243	34

Crime Category at Release, Fourth Quarter 2008.

Category	Number	Percent	<u>LOS in days</u>	
			Mean	Maximum
Violent felony	68	28	1	65
Violent misdemeanor	22	9	1	27
Non-violent felony	33	14	1	37
Non-violent misdemeanor	46	19	1	19
Traffic misdemeanor	5	2	14	29
Unclassified violations	3	1	1	15
Probation violation	57	23	1	14
Drug Court violation	4	2	1	6
Administrative hold/Aftercare revocation	5	2	2	8
Total	243	100	1	34