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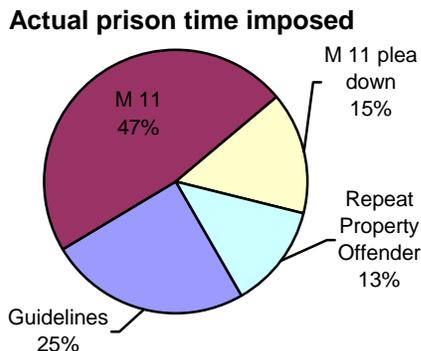
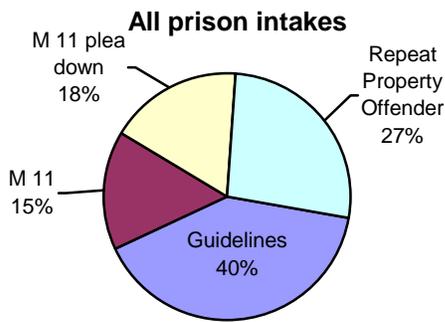
Sentencing Related to Measure 57

Overview

Oregon voters passed Measure 57 in November 2008 and with its passage, changed the sentencing of Oregon's drug and property offenders. This issue brief will give you an overview of sentencing in Oregon at the time of its passage.

Prison intakes vs. prison time served

These pie charts illustrate the difference between looking at which sentencing structure sends offenders to prison, and the amount of prison time imposed under Oregon's different sentencing schemes. For example, repeat property offenders are 27% of the total number of offenders sentenced to prison, but constitute 13% of total months of prison sentenced by a judge in 2007. Measure 57 will increase both the number of intakes and total months of prison repeat property offenders serve, and will decrease guideline sentences.



Sentencing of Felons 2000-2007

This table shows a historical trend of whether a sentenced felon is sent to prison, jail (local control), or receives probation. The majority of offenders convicted of felonies serve probation.

	Incarceration		1 year or less in Jail		Probation	
	Number	%	Number	%	Number	%
2000	3350	20.75	1458	9.03	11335	70.22
2001	3772	22.72	1487	8.96	11340	68.32
2002	4093	24.14	1496	8.82	11363	67.03
2003	4067	25.95	1244	7.94	10359	66.11
2004	4270	24.4	1554	8.88	11677	66.72
2005	4239	22.43	1643	8.69	13014	68.87
2006	4362	22.92	1653	8.69	13016	68.39
2007	4171	22.98	1516	8.35	12462	68.66

Property crime convictions 2000-2007

This table shows an upward trend in the number and percent of offenders sentenced to prison for property crimes that will be impacted by Measure 57, such as burglary, car theft, identity theft and larceny. Measure 57 will continue this trend of increased use of incarceration for property offenders.

Year	Incarceration		All
	Number	% to Prison	Number
2000	469	19%	2479
2001	605	21%	2855
2002	734	25%	2957
2003	720	27%	2624
2004	879	29%	2986
2005	985	30%	3258
2006	1008	27%	3670
2007	989	27%	3668

Drug crime convictions 2000-2007

This table shows the number and percentage of drug manufacturers and dealers sentenced to prison and the total number convicted of these crimes. This table does not include those convicted of drug possession. Measure 57 will increase the use of prison for those offenders who manufacture or deliver a large amount of heroin, ecstasy, cocaine, and methamphetamine or who have prior convictions for selling or manufacturing these illegal drugs.

Manufacturing/Delivery Convictions- Heroin, Cocaine, Meth, Ecstasy			
Year	Incarceration		All
	Number	% to Prison	Number
2000	505	26%	1956
2001	583	27%	2166
2002	663	30%	2227
2003	557	29%	1929
2004	512	26%	1953
2005	488	25%	1935
2006	495	26%	1877
2007	446	26%	1722

Oregon Felony Convictions by Most Common Offense, 2007

Below are the ten most common felony convictions in Oregon. This shows the number convicted regardless of whether the offender was sentenced to probation, jail, or prison. Measure 57 will increase the use of prison for Theft I, ID Theft, Unauthorized Use of a Vehicle, Burglary I, Delivery of Meth and Burglary II.

	Number
Possession of Meth	3306
Theft I	1256
ID Theft	859
Unauthorized Use of Vehicle	839
Burglary I	781
Delivery of Meth	595
Felony DV Assault	553
Possession of Controlled Substance, Schedule II (general)	547
Burglary II	540
Possession of Cocaine	516

Felons to prison by most common offense, 2007

Below is the list of the ten crimes that sent the most offenders to prison in 2007. This does not show offenders revoked to prison on a prior sentence. Measure 57 will increase the use of prison for the five most common intakes, and for Burglary II.

	Number
Burglary I	356
Unauthorized Use of Vehicle	289
ID Theft	282
Theft I	243
Delivery of Meth	205
Robbery II	179
DUII-Felon	168
Assault II	147
Burglary II	137
Sex Abuse I	127

**The mission of the
Oregon Department of Corrections
is to promote public safety by
holding offenders accountable for their
actions and reducing the risk of future
criminal behavior.**



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