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FOREWORD

The Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority is a state agency created in 1983 to promote community safety by providing public policymakers, criminal justice professionals and others with information, tools and technology needed to make effective decisions that improve the quality of criminal justice in Illinois. The Authority provides an objective system-wide forum for identifying critical problems in criminal justice, developing coordinated and cost-effective strategies, and implementing and evaluating solutions to those problems. The specific powers and duties of the Authority are delineated in the Illinois Criminal Justice Information Act (Illinois Compiled Statutes, Ch. 20, Sec. 393/7). Two of the Authority's many responsibilities are serving as a clearinghouse of information and research on criminal justice and undertaking research studies to improve the administration of criminal justice.

Since 1989, the Authority's Research and Analysis Unit has received funds under the federal Anti-Drug Abuse Act of 1988 to document the extent and nature of drug and violent crime in Illinois and the criminal justice system's response to these offenses. As a result of these efforts, the Authority has amassed a large amount of data measuring the extent and nature of drug and violent crime in Illinois and the impact these crimes have had on the criminal justice system. To put this information into the hands of Illinois' criminal justice policymakers in a useful summary format, the Authority's Research and Analysis Unit has developed profiles of the criminal justice system for each county in Illinois. In 1994, the Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority produced a series of reports detailing criminal justice system activity levels for each of Illinois' 102 counties. As a result of the positive response by local criminal justice officials, in 1996 the Authority updated and expanded the scope of these reports to reflect current criminal and juvenile justice activity. It is hoped that these 2004 updated reports will be as valuable, if not more, than the original versions. In addition to providing policymakers with an overview of activities across the components of the justice system in their county (law enforcement, courts and corrections), the profiles also provide perspective by including trends experienced in counties with similar population sizes.

While the data presented in this report are by no means inclusive of all indicators, they do provide a general overview of crime and the criminal justice system's response. In addition, these data are readily available and consistently defined through existing statewide data collection mechanisms.

The information presented in this profile has been provided to the Authority by a number of state agencies, specifically: the Illinois State Police, the Administrative Office of the Illinois Courts, the Illinois Department of Corrections, and the Illinois Department of Children and Family Services. The support and cooperation of these agencies and their staffs have helped make this report an informative and timely source of information on the activities of the criminal justice system in Illinois.



The Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority's Web-based clearinghouse of criminal justice data available at:

I. Introduction

Johnson County, located in southern Illinois, covers an area of 346 square miles and had a 2003 population of 12,951, according to estimates by the U.S. Department of Commerce's Bureau of the Census. Using these figures, Johnson County was the 18th smallest county in Illinois geographically, and but 18th smallest in terms of population. Combining these two measures, Johnson County had the 34th lowest population density per square mile among Illinois' 102 counties.

As with the previous reports, information specific to Johnson County is presented in comparison with similar counties. To provide more useful comparisons, counties have been separated into four types; 1) Cook County, 2) Collar counties, 3) urban counties (outside of Cook and the Collar counties), and 4) rural counties. Because of its size, Cook County is compared to the rest of the state. The Collar counties are the five that border Cook County (DuPage, Lake, Kane, McHenry, and Will). Urban and rural counties are defined by whether or not they lay within a Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA) (Appendix 1, page 24). Based on these definitions, there are 36 counties in Illinois that are part of a MSA (Cook, Collar, and urban counties) and 66 counties that are not part of a MSA (in other words, rural).

Recent changes to the standard definitions of MSAs have affected the classification of several Illinois counties. The United States Office of Management and Budget (OMB) defines metropolitan and micropolitan statistical areas according to published standards that are applied to Census Bureau data. The general concept of a metropolitan or micropolitan statistical area is that of a core area containing a substantial population nucleus, together with adjacent communities having a high degree of economic and social integration with that core. Currently defined metropolitan and micropolitan statistical areas are based on the application of 2000 standards to 2000 decennial census data and were announced by OMB on June 6, 2003.

Standard definitions of metropolitan areas have changed over time. The term "metropolitan area" (MA) was adopted in 1990 and referred collectively to metropolitan statistical areas (MSAs), consolidated metropolitan statistical areas (CMSAs), and primary metropolitan statistical areas (PMSAs). More recently, the term "core based statistical area" (CBSA) became effective in 2000 and refers collectively to metropolitan and micropolitan statistical areas.

The 2000 standards require that each CBSA must contain at least one urban area of 10,000 or more population. Each metropolitan statistical area must have at least one urbanized area of 50,000 or more inhabitants. Each micropolitan statistical area must have at least one urban cluster of at least 10,000 but less than 50,000 population.

Under the standards, the county (or counties) in which at least 50 percent of the population resides within urban areas of 10,000 or more population, or that contain at least 5,000 people residing within a single urban area of 10,000 or more population, is identified as a "central county" (counties). Additional "outlying counties" are included in the CBSA if they meet specified requirements regarding residents commuting to or from the central counties.

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Changes in the definitions of these statistical areas since the 1950 census have consisted chiefly of: 1) the recognition of new areas as they reached the minimum required city or urbanized area population, and 2) the addition of counties to existing areas due to new decennial census data. In some instances, formerly separate areas have been merged, components of an area have been transferred from one area to another, or components have been dropped from an area. The large majority of changes have taken place on the basis of decennial census data.

Because of these historical changes in geographic definitions, users must be cautious in comparing data for these statistical areas from different dates. For more information, contact the Population Distribution Branch at (301) 763-2419 (U. S. Census Bureau).

Based on these characteristics, Johnson County is one of Illinois' 66 rural counties. Throughout this report, the criminal justice activity trends experienced in Johnson County will be compared to those trends experienced in the other rural counties. This comparison will be realized through the calculation of rates for the activities being analyzed, with the number per 100,000 population the format for all the rates.

II. Law Enforcement Activities in Johnson County

One of the most commonly used indicators of the level of crime in a particular jurisdiction is the number of *Index offenses* reported to the police. There are eight separate offenses which constitute the Crime Index, including murder, criminal sexual assault, robbery, aggravated assault (violent Index offenses), burglary, theft, motor vehicle theft, and arson (property Index offenses). Although these eight offenses do not account for all crimes reported to the police, they are considered to be the most serious, frequent, pervasive, and consistently defined by different law enforcement agencies.

An indicator of the workload that law enforcement agencies place on other components of the justice system is the number of arrests made by police, including those for violent and property Index offenses and drug offenses. Unlike offenses, which are what police must respond to, arrests represent those offenders who may eventually be processed through other components of the justice system, including the courts, county jails, and state and local correctional programs.

Violent Index Offenses Reported to the Police in Johnson County

The number of violent Index offenses reported to the police increased 89 percent in Johnson County between 1994 and 2003, from 35 to 66. Aggravated assault offenses accounted for the majority (97 percent) of all violent Index offenses reported in Johnson County in 2003.

Between 1994 and 2003, the violent Index offense rate in Johnson County increased 73 percent, from 295 to 510 offenses per 100,000 population (Figure 1). During that same period, the violent Index offense rate in the other rural counties decreased 21 percent, from 434 to 345 offenses per 100,000 population. The 2003 violent Index offense rate in Johnson County was 48 percent higher than the rate in the other rural counties.

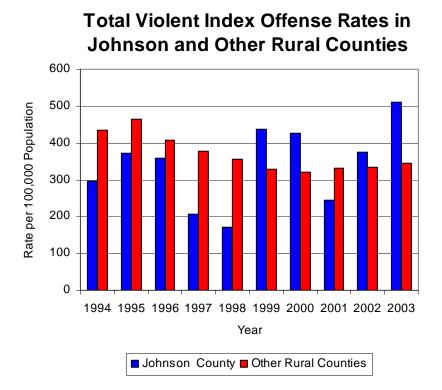


Figure 1

Source: ICJIA calculation using Illinois State Police and U.S. Census Bureau data

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Property Index Offenses Reported to the Police in Johnson County

Between 1994 and 2003, the number of property Index offenses reported to the police in Johnson County more than doubled, from 118 to 238. Thefts accounted for 61 percent of all property Index offenses reported in Johnson County during 2003.

Between 1994 and 2003, the property Index offense rate in Johnson County increased 85 percent, from 996 to 1,838 offenses per 100,000 population. During the same period, the property Index offense rate in the other rural counties decreased 7 percent, from 2,532 to 2,366 offenses per 100,000 population. Johnson County's 2003 property Index offense rate was 22 percent lower than the rate in the other rural counties (Figure 2).

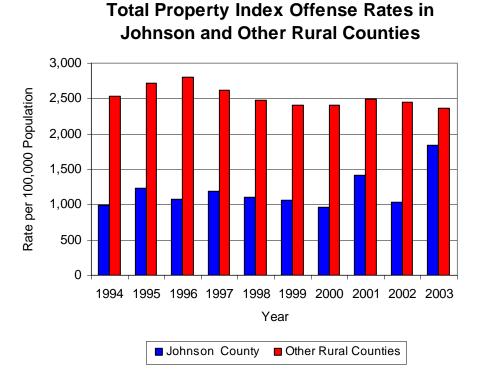


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Index Arrests by Johnson County Law Enforcement Agencies

Between 1994 and 2003, arrests for total Index offenses by law enforcement agencies in Johnson County more than doubled, from 61 to 129. The majority of Index arrests were for property Index offenses. Of the 129 Index arrests made in Johnson County during 2003, 43 percent were for violent Index crimes and 57 percent were for property Index crimes. Arrests for theft and aggravated assault accounted for the majority of property and violent Index arrests in Johnson County during 2003. Aggravated assaults accounted for 96 percent of all violent Index arrests, while thefts accounted for 55 percent of all property Index arrests.

Between 1994 and 2003, the Index arrest rate in Johnson County almost doubled, from 515 to 996 arrests per 100,000 population (Figure 3). On the other hand, during the same period, the Index arrest rate in the other rural counties decreased 17 percent, from 784 to 654 arrests per 100,000 population. In 2003, Johnson County's Index arrest rate was 52 percent higher than the Index arrest rate in the other rural counties.

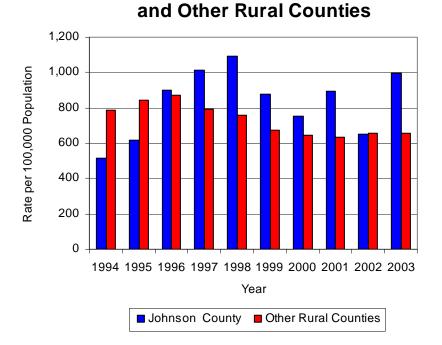


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Index Arrest Rates in Johnson

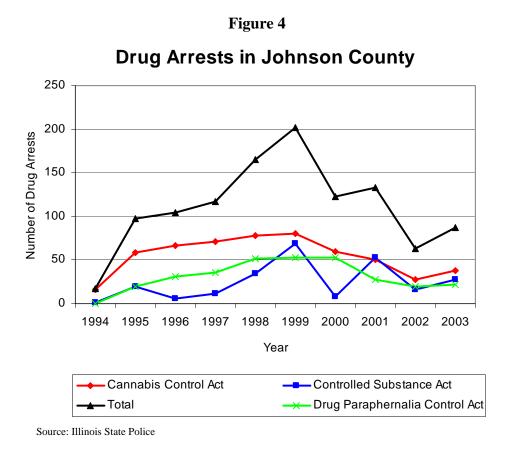
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Drug Offense Arrests in Johnson County

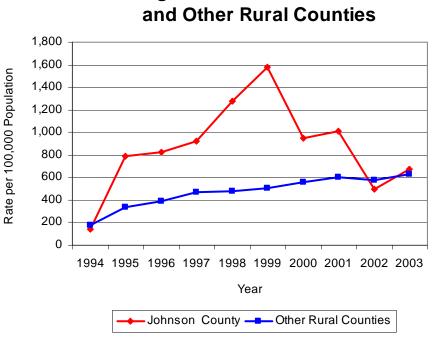
Between 1994 and 2003, arrests for total drug offenses (including violations of Illinois' Cannabis Control Act, Controlled Substances Act, Drug Paraphernalia Control Act, and the Hypodermic Syringes and Needles Act) increased dramatically in Johnson County, from 17 to 87 (Figure 4). Similar to other counties, total drug arrests in Jefferson County remained relatively stable between 1983 and the early 1990s, while increasing to a period high of 202 drug arrests in 1999 and decreasing nearly every year thereafter. Drug Paraphernalia Control Act violations accounted for the majority of the increase in total drug arrests, increasing from zero arrests in 1994 to 22 in 2003, or in other words, 25 percent of all drugs arrests in 2003.

Throughout most of the period, arrests for violations of Illinois' Cannabis Control Act (which prohibits the possession, sale, and cultivation of cannabis) in Johnson County have consistently out-numbered arrests for violations of the Controlled Substances Act (which prohibits the possession, sale, distribution, or manufacture of all other illegal drugs such as cocaine and opiates). Between 1994 and 2003, the number of arrests for violations of the Cannabis Control Act in Johnson County have more than doubled, from 16 to 38. Arrests for violations of the Controlled Substances Act, also increased significantly, from one in 1994 to 37 in 2003.



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Between 1994 and 2003, the arrest rate for all drug law violations in Johnson County increased nearly four-fold, from 143 to 672 per 100,000 population (Figure 5). The total drug arrest rate in the other rural counties more than tripled between 1994 and 2003, from 181 to 632 per 100,000 population. In 2003, the drug arrest rate in Johnson County was 6 percent higher than the rate in the other rural counties.





Drug Arrest Rates in Johnson

Source: ICJIA calculation using Illinois State Police and U.S. Census Bureau data

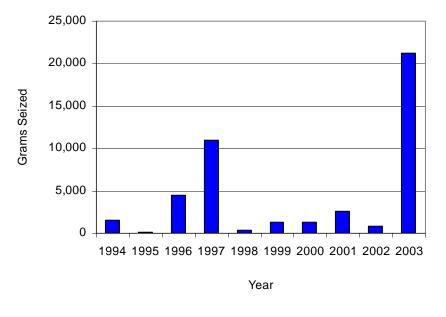
Drugs Seized in Johnson County

Drugs seized by law enforcement agencies are another indicator of the extent and nature of the illegal drug trade in a jurisdiction. When illegal drugs are seized by law enforcement agencies in Illinois, they are submitted to a crime lab for analysis. Most agencies submit drugs to one of the Illinois State Police crime labs. These labs record the quantity of drugs submitted from each county. This section discusses the quantities of illegal drugs seized and submitted to the Illinois State Police from law enforcement agencies in Johnson County.

Cannabis Seized in Johnson County

Cannabis accounts for the majority of drugs seized in Johnson County and in most Illinois jurisdictions. Although there were large variations in the number of grams of cannabis seized between 1994 and 2003, the quantity of cannabis seized in Johnson County increased dramatically, from 1,552 grams to 21,168 grams (Figure 6).





Cannabis Seized in Johnson County

Source: Illinois State Police

During the period between 1994 and 2003, the quantity of cannabis seized in the other rural counties decreased 59 percent, from 606,597 grams to 251,475 grams. In 2003, Johnson County had a cannabis seizure rate of 163,448 grams per 100,000 population, dramatically higher than the rate of 14,989 grams per 100,000 population in the other rural counties.

Cocaine and Methamphetamine Seized in Johnson County

During the past decade, it is clear that methamphetamine "activity" in the state has increased dramatically and has become a significant drug problem in many jurisdictions. Further, the extent to which law enforcement agencies are encountering methamphetamine has also dispersed across a large area of the state, with most of this being fueled by activities taking place in Illinois' rural jurisdictions.

The quantity of cocaine seized in Johnson County was limited between 1994 and 2003, while the quantity of methamphetamine seized increased dramatically. The quantity of cocaine seized in Johnson County decreased between 1994 and 2003, from eight grams to less than one gram. Between 1994 and 2003, the amount of methamphetamine seized increased dramatically, from three grams to 167 grams (Figure 7).

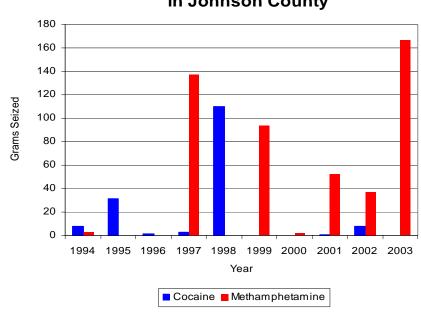


Figure 7 Cocaine* and Methamphetamine Seized in Johnson County

The quantity of cocaine seized in the other rural counties decreased during the period analyzed, while the amount of methamphetamine seized increased dramatically. Between 1994 and 2003, the amount of cocaine seized decreased 79 percent in the other rural counties, from 71,271 grams to 15,170 grams, while the quantity of methamphetamine seized increased from 2,616 grams to 13,051 grams. In 2003, less than one gram of cocaine per 100,000 population were seized in Johnson County, compared to the rate of 904 grams of cocaine per 100,000 population seized in the other rural counties. In 2003, 1,286 grams of methamphetamine per 100,000 population were seized in Johnson County, 65 percent higher than the rate of 778 grams of methamphetamine seized per 100,000 population in the other rural counties.

Source: Illinois State Police *Cocaine totals include both powder and crack cocaine

III. Adult and Juvenile Court Activity in Johnson County

Although Illinois has one of the best court reporting systems in the country, the Administrative Office of the Illinois Courts only collects information regarding the aggregate number of court filings, dispositions, and probation caseloads. Currently, there are no statewide data available on court filings, dispositions, and convictions by offense type. However, detailed offense data are available from the Illinois Department of Corrections for those convicted felons sentenced to prison.

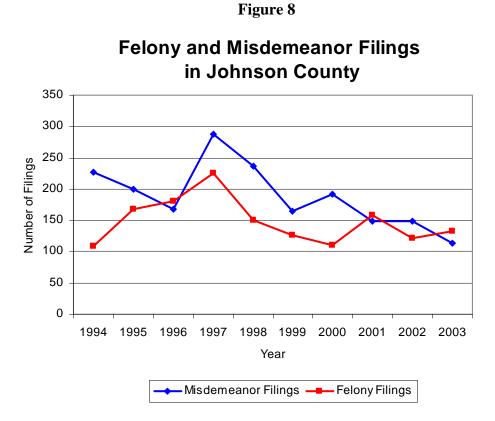
Trends in the number of delinquency petitions filed and adjudicated in juvenile court are also presented. Illinois statutes define delinquency offenses as those committed by someone younger than 17 years old that would be considered crimes if committed by someone 17 years of age or older.

In Illinois, county probation departments are overseen by the Administrative Office of the Illinois Courts' Probation Division. This section also presents data on active misdemeanor and felony adult caseloads and the number of juveniles under the supervision of the probation departments in Johnson County and the other rural counties.

Misdemeanor and Felony Filings in Johnson County

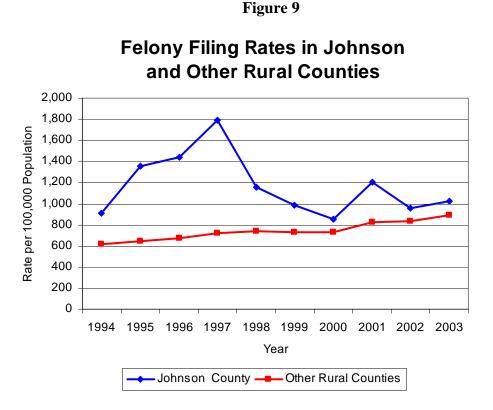
The Administrative Office of the Illinois Courts reports data on criminal court cases in two categories: misdemeanors and felonies. After screening a case and deciding it warrants further action, the state's attorney must file formal charges in court. Misdemeanor cases are less serious than felonies and can be punished by a probation sentence of one year or less and less than one year of incarceration. Felony cases, on the other hand, are more serious and can be punished by a probation term up to four years and incarceration for more than one year. When comparing the number of filings across time and across counties, it should be noted that differences in reporting practices exist. For example, when two or more defendants are involved in a single case, some state's attorneys file a single case charging all defendants, while others file a separate case for each suspect.

In 2003, felony and misdemeanor court filings accounted for nearly 4 percent of all filings in Johnson County's courts (civil, traffic, family, and other). Between 1994 and 2003, the number of felony filings in Johnson County increased 22 percent, from 108 to 132 (Figure 8). During the same period, misdemeanor filings decreased 50 percent, from 227 in 1994 to 113 in 2003. In 2003, felony filings out-numbered misdemeanor filings.



Source: Administrative Office of the Illinois Courts

Between 1994 and 2003, the felony-filing rate in Johnson County increased 12 percent, from 911 to 1,019 cases per 100,000 population (Figure 9). During the same period, the felony-filing rate in the other rural counties increased 45 percent during this period, from 612 to 888 cases per 100,000 population. In 2003, the felony-filing rate in Johnson County was 15 percent higher than the rate in the other rural counties.

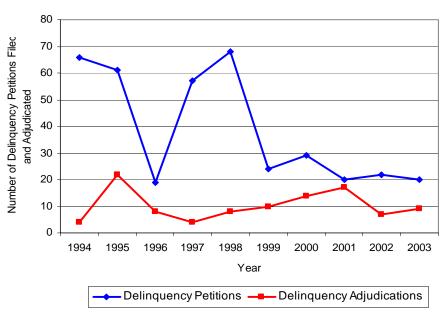


Source: Administrative Office of the Illinois Courts and U.S. Census Bureau data

Illinois' juvenile court system differs in several key aspects from the adult criminal court system. One aspect revolves around the difference in treatment between juveniles and adults: the juvenile court process is somewhat less formal and adversarial; authorities are given much more latitude in determining the proper response to each case. Traditionally, the terminology used to describe juvenile proceedings has been less harsh than that used for the adult criminal process. For example, Illinois' juvenile courts accept "petitions of delinquency" rather than misdemeanor or felony criminal complaints. However, pursuant to the Juvenile Court Reform Act of 1998, criminal court terms, such as "trial" and "sentencing," have replaced the less harsh "adjudicatory hearing" and "dispositional hearing" terms.

Between 1994 and 2003, the number of juvenile delinquency petitions filed in Johnson County decreased 70 percent, from 66 to 20 (Figure 10). In 2003, 45 percent of the juveniles named in delinquency petitions were adjudicated delinquent. Between 1994 and 2003, delinquency adjudications increased from four to nine.

Figure 10



Juvenile Delinquency Petitions Filed and Adjudicated in Johnson County

Source: Administrative Office of the Illinois Courts

Between 1994 and 2003, the delinquency petition-filing rate in Johnson County decreased 67 percent, from 6,402 to 2,081 per 100,000 juveniles. During the same period, the delinquency petition-filing rate in the other rural counties increased 14 percent, from 1,985 to 2,267 petitions per 100,000 juveniles. In 2003, the delinquency petition-filing rate in Johnson County was 8 percent lower than the rate in the other rural counties.

Anyone convicted of a felony in Illinois can be sentenced either to prison or probation, or receive a conditional discharge. A number of factors influence the type and length of sentence imposed on convicted felons, including the severity of the crime, the offender's criminal and social history, safety of the community, and legislation affecting certain types of offenses. For some types of convictions a sentence to prison is required by state statute.

Between 1994 and 2003, the number of offenders convicted of a felony and sentenced in Johnson County increased 37 percent, from 63 to 86 (Figure 11). The number of convicted felons sentenced to probation during this period increased from 27 to 39, and the number of felony prison sentences increased 8 percent, from 36 to 39. As a result, felony probation sentences increased as a proportion of total felony sentences, increasing from 43 percent in 1994 to 45 percent in 2003. Between 1994 and 2003, the proportion of felons sentenced to prison decreased from 57 percent to 45 percent. In 2003, 10 percent of convicted felons were sentenced to something other than prison or probation.

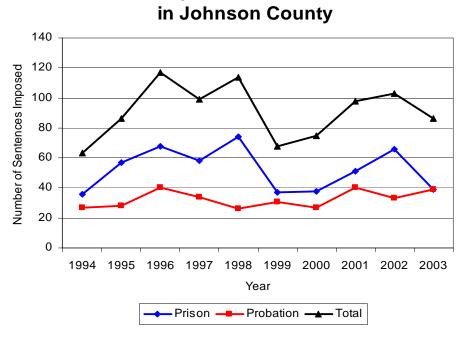


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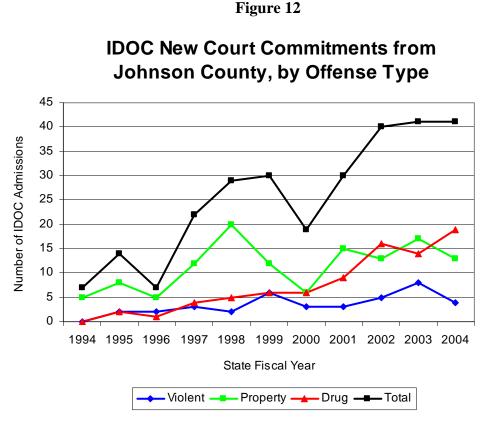
Sentences Imposed on Felons Convicted

Source: Administrative Office of the Illinois Courts

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Adult Prison Admissions from Johnson County

Between State Fiscal Years (SFYs) 1994 and 2004, the number of admissions to the Illinois Department of Corrections' Adult Division from Johnson County increased nearly five-fold, from seven to 41 (Figure 12). The number of admissions increased for all offense types. The number of violent offender admissions increased from zero in SFY 1994 to four in SFY 2004, while the number of property offender admissions more than doubled, from five to 13, during the same period. The number of admissions by drug offenders increased from zero in SFY 1994 to 19 in SFY 2004.



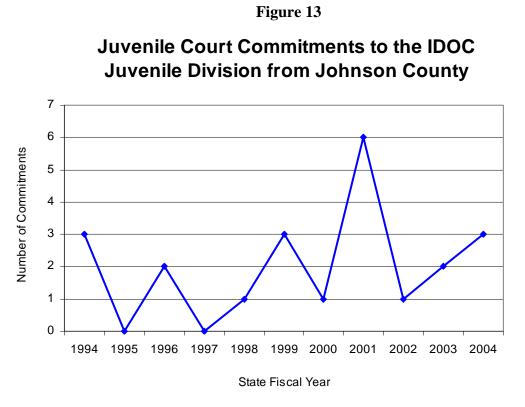
Source: Illinois Department of Corrections

In SFY 2004, violent offenders accounted for 10 percent of all IDOC admissions from Johnson County, compared to zero percent in SFY 1994, while property offenders accounted for 32 percent in SFY 2004, compared to 71 percent in SFY 1994. Between SFYs 1994 and 2004, drug offender admissions increased from zero percent to 46 percent of all IDOC admissions from Johnson County.

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Juvenile Court Commitments to the Illinois Department of Corrections

The Illinois Department of Corrections' Juvenile Division provides long-term custody for youths, 13 to 17 years old, who have been found delinquent by the juvenile court and committed to the IDOC. Youths may remain in an IDOC juvenile facility until they are 21. While the number of court commitments to the IDOC's Juvenile Division from Johnson County remained stable between SFYs 1994 and 2004 at three, there were 22 juvenile court commitments during the period (Figure 13).



Source: Illinois Department of Corrections

In SFY 2004, the commitment rate to the IDOC's Juvenile Division from Johnson County was 321 commitments per 100,000 juveniles, 40 percent higher than the rate of 229 commitments per 100,000 juveniles in the other rural counties.

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Adult and Juvenile Probation Caseloads in Johnson County

Between December 31, 1994 and December 31, 2003, the number of active adult probation cases in Johnson County decreased 10 percent, from 70 to 63 (Figure 14). In 2003, felony offenders accounted for 63 percent of Johnson County's active adult probation caseload. Between 1994 and 2003, the number of juveniles supervised by the Johnson County Juvenile Probation Department increased slightly, from 15 to 20. By comparison, the number of active adult probation cases in the other rural counties increased 39 percent between 1994 and 2003, while the juvenile probation caseloads remained stable.

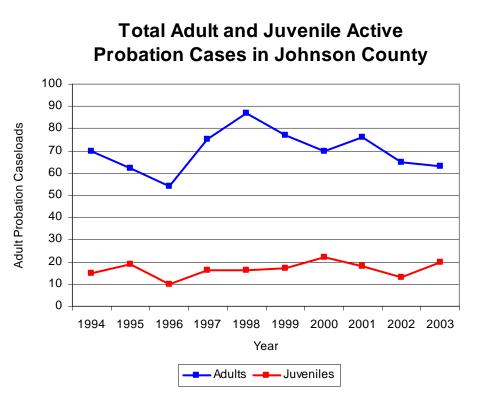


Figure 14

Source: Administrative Office of the Illinois Courts

The active adult probation caseload rate per 100,000 population in Johnson County decreased 18 percent between 1994 and 2003, from 591 to 486 cases per 100,000 population. During that same period, the active adult probation caseload rate increased 41 percent in the other rural counties, from 746 to 1,048 cases per 100,000 population. In 2003, the active adult probation caseload rate in Johnson County was 54 percent lower than in the other rural counties.

IV. Indicators of Child Abuse and Neglect in Johnson County

Substance-Exposed Infants in Johnson County

Illinois continues to experience the effects of prenatal substance abuse. In Illinois, if a baby is born and thought to have been exposed to illegal substances or alcohol, either through observation by physicians or toxicology tests, the case is reported to the Illinois Department of Children and Family Services (DCFS). These cases are then investigated by DCFS to verify the child's prenatal exposure to either alcohol or illegal substances. Between State Fiscal Years 1994 and 2004, 96 of Illinois' 102 counties reported at least one case of a substance-exposed infant.

Between State Fiscal Years 1994 and 2004, there was one reported, but not verified, case of a substance-exposed infant in Johnson County. During the same period, the number of reported cases of substance-exposed infants in the other rural counties increased 24 percent, from 82 to 102, while the number of verified cases of substance-exposed infants increased 43 percent, from 44 to 63.

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Child Abuse and Neglect Cases Reported and Verified in Johnson County

Recent research on the relationship between maltreatment of youth and delinquency has revealed an important distinction between child maltreatment and adolescent maltreatment. Using data from the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention's Program of Research on the Causes and Correlates of Delinquency, researchers have found that youth that were abused during childhood (12 years of age or less) were no more likely to become delinquent than youth who were not abused, but youth who were abused during adolescence (after age 12) were significantly more likely to be delinquent.¹ While prior child abuse may not be linked to juvenile delinquency, studies examining prior child abuse have shown that childhood victimization may be linked to other poor outcomes in youth, including low academic achievement, teenage parenthood (particularly for females), drug use, and symptoms of mental illness.² Additionally, research examining adolescent victimization (including physical and sexual assaults) and adult outcomes has found a correlation between previous victimization and substance abuse, depression, and post-traumatic stress disorder in adulthood.³ In Illinois, DCFS investigates reported cases of child abuse.

Between State Fiscal Years 1994 and 2004, the number of child abuse and neglect cases reported in Johnson County increased 36 percent, from 98 to 133 (Figure 15). During that same period, 301 cases, or 27 percent of all cases reported, were verified by a DCFS investigation. Verified cases of child abuse and neglect in Johnson County increased 22 percent between SFYs 1994 and 2004, from 27 to 33.

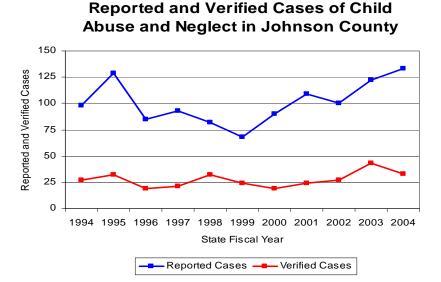


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Source: Illinois Department of Children and Family Services

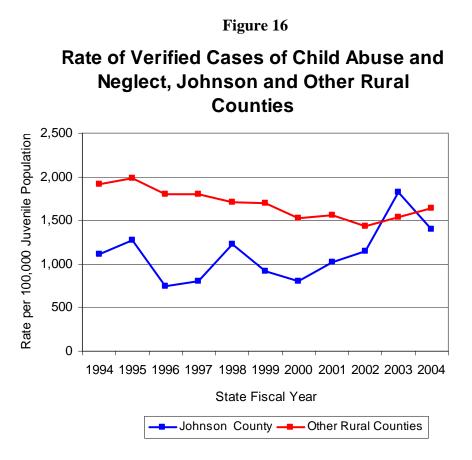
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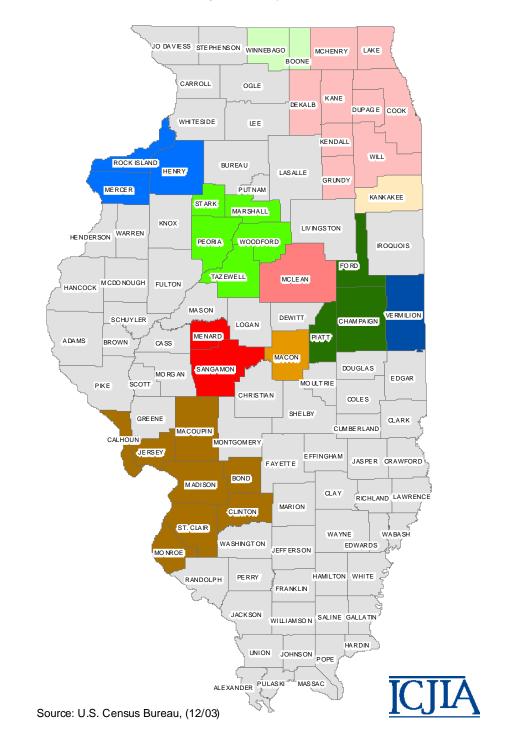
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Between State Fiscal Years 1994 and 2004, the rate of verified cases of child abuse and neglect in Johnson County increased from 1,113 to 1,397 per 100,000 juveniles, a 25 percent increase (Figure 16). During the same period, the rate of verified child abuse and neglect cases decreased 14 percent in the other rural counties, from 1,914 to 1,636 per 100,000 juveniles. In SFY 2004, the rate of verified cases of child abuse and neglect in Johnson County was 15 percent lower than in the other rural counties.



Source: ICJIA calculation using Illinois Department of Children and Family Services and U.S. Census Bureau data

V. Appendix I (Map of Illinois Counties within a Metropolitan Statistical Area)



Illinois Counties, by Metropolitan Statistical Area*

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