Executive Summary

Total commitments to DYS increased by 1% from FY03 to FY04. There has been an 11% decline in commitments to DYS in the past 4 years. Felony commitments increased from 237 in FY03 to 268 in FY04, a 12% increase.

The average daily youth population in DYS custody was 735 in FY04 compared to an average daily population of 707 for FY03. This was an increase of 4% during FY04. Diversion services were provided to 2,554 juveniles during the fiscal year, compared with 2,739 served in FY03.

The age and sex of committed juveniles remained overwhelmingly males between 15 and 17 years of age. Of the committed youth, 78% were age 15 – 17. Males comprised 86% of all committed juveniles. From FY03 through FY04 there was an 18% decrease in the number of African-American commitments and a 15% increase commitments for Caucasian youth.

In FY04, DYS referred 135 incidents to the Arkansas State Police (ASP) Hotline. Of these incidents, 40 were accepted for investigation. Four cases were founded, comparable with four founded cases in FY03 also.

Of the 531 juveniles committed during Fiscal 2004, 95% were first-time commitments. In Fiscal 2003, 89% were first time commitments, reflecting a reduction of 6% in the number of recommitments.
**Population Profiles**
July 2003 - June 2004

**Total Population in DYS Custody**

*Total Youth Population is based on the population count on the first day of the month.*

**Population by Program Type**

- **AYSC Open Campus**
- **Serious Offender**
- **Alternate Placement**
- **Aftercare**
- **Intakes**
Profiles of Juveniles Committed
July 2003 - June 2004

Total Commitments

Average Bed Days

FY01 FY02 FY03 FY04

FY01 FY02 FY03 FY04
Profiles of Juveniles Committed  
July 2003 - June 2004

Commitments by Age

FY04 Commitments by Age

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Profiles of Juveniles Committed
July 2003 - June 2004

Commitments by Gender

FY04 Commitments by Gender
Profiles of Juveniles Committed
July 2003 - June 2004

Commitments by Race

FY04 Commitments by Race

Caucasian
African-American
Other

African American 45%
Caucasian 50%
Other 5%
Profiles of Juveniles Committed
July 2003 - June 2004

Commitments by Offense Group

FY04 Commitments by Offense Group

*There were 0 violations in FY04. That number is too small to plot on the chart.
INCIDENTS
Incidents Accepted by the Child Abuse Hotline
July 2003 - June 2004

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* Since the Hotline and the Investigations unit are two separate sections within the Arkansas State Police, the Hotline may accept an incident called in, then later the incident will not be investigated by the Investigations Unit after review of the circumstances. The DYS IAU never receives a follow-up on these reports to know whether they were ever investigated. Some of these incidents occurred prior to the juvenile being committed to DYS. The IAU does not receive notification of the findings in these incidents. Some incidents that are reported in one quarter may not be finalized by the State Police until sometime within the next quarter.
Incident Reports for FY 2004

Incidents Reported to Hotline for FY 2004
COMMITMENTS
All Juveniles Committed During the Fiscal Year

Recommitments encompass all juveniles previously released from DYS custody and committed again during the fiscal year.

Average Length of Stay in Days for Juveniles Released
July 2003 - June 2004
RECOMMENDED PLACEMENTS
Juveniles Who Were Assessed During the Fiscal Year

- **Properly and Timely Placed**
  Juvenile was placed in accordance with either Primary Recommendation or Secondary recommendation within 14 days of Assessment.

- **Properly Placed After Holding Period**
  Juvenile was placed with either Primary or Secondary Recommendation 14-30 days following Assessment.

- **Not Timely Placed**
  Juvenile was not placed with either Primary or Secondary Recommendation within 30 days of Assessment.

- **Not Properly Placed**
  Juvenile was placed within 30 days of assessment but was not placed at either Primary or Secondary Recommendation.

- **Not Properly and Not Timely Placed**
  Juvenile was not placed within 30 days of assessment and was not placed at either Primary or Secondary Recommendation.

- **Pending Placement**

The purple wedge represents juveniles not properly and or not timely placed and is split out in the pie chart to the right as described by the categories listed in the legend below.