

Board of Correction

Monthly Review: Visit Restrictions January 2017

	January 2017
Total Number of Visitors	20647
Total Number of Visits	15457
Visits Per Inmate Per Month	1.65

I. Restrictions on Inmates

a. Inmates with Non-Contact Restrictions

	July 2016 ¹	December 2016	January 2017
Number of people on non-contact list	267	256	274
Number of people with duration restrictions (% of all people with			
restrictions)	158 (59%)	189 (74%)	185 (68%)
Average length of restriction among non-duration restrictions			
(days)	184	186	184
Average length of restriction served among duration			
restrictions (days)	206	173	188
Median length of restriction served among duration restrictions			
(days)	179	120	135
Number of restrictions on the non-contact list which have a visit	148 (55%)		
nexus (% of all non-contact restrictions)	146 (33%)	98 (38%)	114 (42%)
Number of duration restrictions on the non-contact list which			
have a visit nexus (% of all non-contact duration restrictions)	41 (26%)	33 (17%)	28 (15%)

¹ The Department of Correction maintains a list of all people in jail who are restricted to non-contact, or "booth," visits (the "non-contact list"). This report section presents analyses of this list on July 23, 2016 (six months back), December 15, 2016 (one month back), and January 23, 2017. The date of analysis for December was moved due to availability of DOC data.

b. Reasons for Non-Contact Restrictions²

	Number of Restrictions (% of Non-Contact Restrictions)				
	July 2016	December 2016	January 2017		
Dangerous Contraband (Weapon)	73 (27%)	65 (25%)	70 (26%)		
Dangerous Contraband (Slashing or Stabbing and Weapon)	83 (31%)	120 (47%)	112 (41%)		
Drug/Tobacco Contraband	92 (34%)	61 (24%)	78 (28%)		
Other (includes assault on staff, fight on visit floor, and other types of contraband)	19 (7%)	10 (4%)	14 (5%)		

c. Reasons for Non-Contact Duration Restrictions

	Number of Restrictions (% of Non-Contact Duration Restrictions)				
	July 2016	December 2016	January 2017		
Dangerous Contraband (Weapon)	73 (46%)	65 (34%)	69 (37%)		
Dangerous Contraband (Slashing or Stabbing and Weapon)	80 (51%)	119 (63%)	111 (60%)		
Drug/Tobacco Contraband	0 (0%)	1 (0%)	1 (1%)		
Other (includes assault on staff, fight on visit floor, and other types of contraband)	5 (3%)	5 (3%)	4 (2%)		

d. Six-Month Reviews of Duration Non-Contact Restrictions³

	July 2016	December 2016	January 2017
Number of people with non-contact duration restrictions who			
have served six months or more on the non-contact list ("review			
eligible people")	79	72	75
Number of review eligible people who received an appeal in the			
previous six months (% of review eligible people)	х	28 (39%)	30 (40%)
Number of six-month reviews received by the Board	х	19	2
Number of six-month reviews which resulted in amended			
restriction	X	0	0
Average length of restriction served among review eligible people			
(days)	332	329	337
Median length of restriction served among review eligible people			
(days)	284	317	322

² This chart includes the reasons for both determinate restrictions (ie 180 days) and duration restrictions. Chart I(c), below, analyzes duration restrictions as a subset of this group.

³ If an inmate has been restricted to non-contact visits for a period greater than six months, he should receive periodic review of such restriction. The review shall be conducted not less than once every six months. DOC Teletype Order No. HQ-02613-0, http://www.nyc.gov/html/doc/downloads/pdf/2007R-B Inmate Visit Procedures 11 15.pdf#page=46. In November 2016, the Department began providing the Board with a copy of each six-month row conducted.

e. Inmate Non-Contact Restrictions Administered in January 2017

	Duration of	New	Notices Received
Reason	Restriction	Restrictions	by BOC
Dangerous Contraband (Weapon or			
Slashing)*	Duration	14	5
Drug/Tobacco Contraband	180 days	18	18
Fight on Visit Floor	180 days	5	4
TOTAL		37	27

II. Restrictions on Visitors Administered This Month

Reason	Prescribed Limitation	Restrictions	Notices Received
Arrest	180	3	2
	365	21	21
	180	10	10
Contraband	365	1	0
Unruly	90	1	1
	180	4	4
TOTAL		40	38

One-Day Visitor Denials

Reason	Denials
Failed Ion Scan	130
K-9 Alert	112
Security Reason	80
Inappropriate Attire	69
Refuse to Obey D.O.C. Rules and Regulations	42
Other	11
TOTAL	446

One-Day Visitor Cancellations

Reason	Cancellations
Visitor refused to wait	54
Inmate Refused Visit	63
Lockdown	18
Hospital/Clinic - Medical	14
Transfer	24
Inmate Fight – Pending Investigation	28
Wrong Inmate	6
Out to Court	6
Package Only	5
Other	4
TOTAL	223

III. Restrictions on Visitors Administered This Month (By Facility)

Facility ⁴	Visits	Visitors	Visitor Arrests	% of Visits Resulting in Arrest	One- Day Denials	One-Day Cancellations	Visitor Restrictions	% of Visits Resulting in Restrictions	Average Daily Population (ADP)
AMKC	2,721	3,295	3	0.11%	79	7	9	0.33%	2,113
BHPW	115	172	0	0.00%	0	1	0	0.00%	62
BKHD	1,349	1,762	1	0.07%	15	39	3	0.22%	606
EHPW	20	26	0	0.00%					11
EMTC	1,366	1,802	0	0.00%	29	2	2	0.15%	1,157
GMDC	1,244	1,795	2	0.16%	34	33	1	0.08%	662
GRVC	1,216	1,482	0	0.00%	58	10	1	0.08%	640
MDC	1,786	2,514	2	0.11%	46	68	3	0.17%	772
NIC	110	149	0	0.00%	6	1	0	0.00%	97
OBCC	1,920	2,680	7	0.36%	46	33	14	0.73%	1,122
RMSC	745	1,012	0	0.00%	79	10	6	0.81%	579
RNDC	727	967	0	0.00%	39	4	1	0.14%	714
VCBC	2,032	2,878	0	0.00%	6	15	0	0.00%	779
WEST	106	113	0	0.00%	9	0	0	0.00%	45
TOTAL	15,457	20,647	15	0.10%	446	223	40	0.26%	9,359

⁴ Information on DOC facilities is available at https://www1.nyc.gov/site/doc/about/facilities.page.

IV. BOC Visit Appeals and Complaints Received This Month

a. Visit Restriction Appeals Received by BOC

Category	Decision	Appeals	Avg. Business Days to Resolve ⁵
Assault of Staff	Denied	2	8.5
	Granted	1	11
Assault of Visitor	Denied	1	36
Contraband - Drug	Denied	2	13
	Denied	1	11
	Granted	2	24.5
Contraband - Weapon	Pending	1	
	Denied	1	19
Contraband - Other	Granted	1	7
Disrespect/Aggression	Denied	3	7.7
	Granted	2	5.5
	Penalty Corrected	1	2
Slashing/Stabbing	Denied	3	10
	Granted	3	15.7
	Pending	1	
TOTAL	Denied	13	12.5
	Granted	9	13.9
	Penalty Corrected	1	2
	Pending	2	
	TOTAL	25	12.6

Facility	Visit Appeals
AMKC	8
BHPW	
BKHD	1
EHPW	
EMTC	
GMDC	2
GRVC	5
MDC	1
NIC	
ОВСС	4
RMSC	3
RNDC	
VCBC	
WEST	1
TOTAL	25

b. Visit-Related Complaints Received by BOC (Non-Appeals)⁶

Facility	Visit Complaints
AMKC	2
BHPW	
BKHD	
EHPW	
EMTC	
GMDC	
GRVC	
MDC	
NIC	
OBCC	1
RMSC	
RNDC	
VCBC	
WEST	
TOTAL	3

⁵ BOC Minimum Standard 1-09(i) requires the Board issues a written decision within five business days after receiving an appeal. When good cause to extend the time period exists, the Board may issue a single extension not to exceed ten business days.

⁶ Examples of visit-related complaints include improper searches, harassment by staff, and long wait times.