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SUMMARY

The primary purpose of Temporary Parole is to prepare the parolee to adjust to open society. Eighty percent of the applications and 75% of approvals were for the purpose of pre-release planning or social adjustment. The quality of commission actions in granting releases is indicated by the high rate of successful returns (96%). Rates of approval of applications were 48% by the Adult Corrections Commission and 63% by the Youth Conservation Commission. The total number of days requested were granted in 66% of the approved cases.

The characteristics of the applicants had a discernible relationship to the approval or denial of the request. The commissions granted releases to a larger percentage of drug law offenders and offenders against property than to offenders against persons. However, offenders against persons had a slightly higher rate of successful returns (97%) than did offenders against property (96%). There were no failures among drug law offenders.

Race appeared to be related to approval. American Indians had the highest rate of approvals (62%) followed by Blacks (57%) and Whites (50%). The rates of successful return were Indians 100%, Blacks 97% and Whites 95%.

MINNESOTA DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS
TEMPORARY PAROLE ANALYSIS
OCTOBER 16, 1971 through JUNE 30, 1972

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	COMMISSION ACTIONS					PAROLEE PERFORMANCE						
	NUMBER APPLICATIONS	DISAPPROVED		APPROVED		RETURNED AS SCHEDULED		FAILED TO RETURN WITHIN 5 DAYS OF SCHEDULED DATE				
		NO.	%	NO.	%	NO.	%	By Self NO.	In Custody NO.	Fugitive NO.	TOTAL	%
TOTAL	453	218	48.1	235	51.9	223	94.9	4	2	6	12	5.1
<u>JURISDICTION:</u>												
YOUTH CONSERVATION COMM.	116	43	37.1	73	62.9	70	96.0	1	2		3	4.0
ADULT CORRECTIONS COMM.	337	175	51.9	162	48.1	153	94.4	3		6	9	5.6
TOTAL	453	218	48.1	235	51.9	223	94.9	4	2	6	12	5.1
<u>INSTITUTION:</u>												
STATE PRISON	245	139	56.7	106	43.3	98	92.5	2	1	3	8	7.5
REFORMATORY FOR MEN	163	62	38.0	101	62.0	98	97.0	2		1	3	3.0
CORR. INST. FOR WOMEN	45	17	37.8	28	62.2	27	96.4		1		1	3.6
TOTAL	453	218	48.1	235	51.9	223	94.9	4	2	6	12	5.1
<u>CRIME TYPE:</u>												
HOMICIDE	37	23	62.2	14	37.8	14	100.0					
PERSON	111	55	49.5	56	50.5	53	94.6		2	1	3	5.4
THEFT	95	38	40.0	57	60.0	54	94.7	2		1	3	5.3
FORGERY	49	22	44.9	27	55.1	24	88.9	2		1	3	11.1
PROPERTY	88	44	50.0	44	50.0	43	97.7			1	1	2.3
SEX	11	9	81.8	2	18.2	2	100.0					
DRUG & LIQUOR	17	5	29.4	12	70.6	12	100.0					
OTHER FELONY OR GROSS MISDEMEANOR	8	1	12.5	7	87.5	6	85.7			1	1	14.3
UNREPORTED	37	21	56.8	16	43.2	15	93.8			1	1	6.3
TOTAL	453	218	48.1	235	51.9	223	94.9	4	2	6	12	5.1

REASON FOR REQUEST FOR APPROVED CASES

TOTAL	FAMILY		MEDICAL		SOC. ADJUST.		PRE. REL.		OTHER		TOTAL
	NO.	%	NO.	%	NO.	%	NO.	%	NO.	%	
	37	15.7	3	1.3	69	29.4	105	44.7	21	8.9	235

NUMBER OF DAYS APPROVED

TOTAL	1	%	2	%	3	%	4	%	5	%	Not Reported	%	TOTAL
	NO.		NO.		NO.		NO.		NO.		NO.		NO.
	4	1.7	9	3.8	101	43.0	3	1.3	113	48.1	5	2.1	235

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INTRODUCTION

The general purpose of the temporary parole program is to permit the incarcerated offender to leave the institution on his own recognizance for an approved period of time of up to five days. At the end of the approved period he must return to the institution. During his temporary parole the inmate is technically under the supervision of a state corrections agent.

Temporary parole requests are reviewed and granted or denied by the appropriate commission. Reasons for granting temporary parole include, family emergencies, obtaining medical services not available in the institution, participating in the development of parole release plans, participating in social improvement programs, and participating in approved group interaction activities.

General qualifications for the inmate's eligibility for release are a good conduct record at the institution, a reduced custody status, and one year or less to his next scheduled appearance before the releasing authority.

Violators of temporary parole are processed in the same way as violators of standard parole.

The program was initiated on October 16, 1971. This report summarizes the experience from October 16, 1971 through June 30, 1972.

TEMPORARY PAROLE EXPERIENCE BY DAYS REQUESTED AND GRANTED

The releasing authorities approved 232 of the 447 applications. Of these 380 (85%) requested 5 days, 7 (2%) were for 2 days, 1 was for one day, and 2 did not specify the number of days requested.

Approved applications included 190 of the 380 for 5 days (50%), 2 of the 7 for 4 days (29%), 34 of 49 for 3 days (69%), and 6 of 8 for 2 days (75%). The one applying for 1 day and 2 not specifying the number of days were not approved.

Among the 232 approved applications, 154 (66%) were granted the number of days requested, 77 (33%) were granted fewer than requested and 1 was granted more than requested.

Approval of Applications by Number of Days Requested

Days Requested	Number Requested		Number Approved		Number Denied	
	#	%	#	%	#	%
Not Specified	2	0.4			2	100.0
1	1	0.2			1	100.0
2	8	1.8	6	75.0	2	25.0
3	49	11.0	34	69.4	15	30.6
4	7	1.6	2	28.6	5	71.4
5	380	85.0	190	50.0	190	50.0
Total	447	100.0	232	51.9	215	48.1

Days Granted by Days Requested

<u>DAYS GRANTED</u>	<u>DAYS REQUESTED</u>							
	<u>2</u>		<u>3</u>		<u>4</u>		<u>5</u>	<u>Total</u>
	<u>No.</u>	<u>%</u>	<u>No.</u>	<u>%</u>	<u>No.</u>	<u>%</u>	<u>No.</u>	<u>No.</u> <u>%</u>
5							<u>116</u> <u>61.0</u>	<u>116</u> <u>50.0</u>
4							3 1.6	3 1.3
3	1 16.7		<u>33</u> <u>97.1</u>		1 50.0		65 34.2	100 43.1
2	<u>5</u> <u>83.3</u>		1 2.9		1 50.0		2 1.1	9 3.9
1							4 2.1	4 1.7
TOTAL	6 2.6		34 14.6		2 0.9		190 81.9	232

REASON FOR APPLICATION BY INSTITUTION

Pre-release planning was the reason most often given for requesting temporary parole. For both youth & adult medical reasons or institution approved group activities were more likely to be approved by the commission than was pre-release planning. Only social improvement programs received a lower proportion of approvals.

The adult Commission was also less likely to approve release for family emergencies or for medical care than was the Youth Commission.

Temporary Parole Experience by Reason for
Application, by Institution

<u>INST:</u>	<u>REASON</u>	<u>APPLIED</u>		<u>APPROVED</u>		<u>FAILURES</u>	
		<u>NO.</u>	<u>% OF TOTAL</u>	<u>NO.</u>	<u>% OF TOTAL</u>	<u>NO.</u>	<u>% OF TOTAL</u>
MSP	Family	57	23.7	29	50.9	3	10.3
	Medical	2	0.8	1	50.0		
	Pre-rel. Plans	115	47.7	48	41.7	3	6.2
	Social Adjust.	67	27.8	24	35.8		
	TOTAL MSP	241	100.0	102	42.3	6	5.9
SRM	Family	9	5.6	8	88.9		
	Medical	2	1.3	2	100.0		
	Pre-rel. Plans	88	54.6	52	59.1	1	1.9
	Social Adjust.	48	29.8	27	56.2	1	3.7
	Inst. Approv. Group	14	8.7	12	85.7		
	TOTAL SRM	161	100.0	101	62.7	2	2.0
MCIW	Family	3	6.7	3	100.0		
	Medical	1	2.2	1	100.0		
	Pre-rel. Plans	6	13.3	5	83.3		
	Social Adjust.	35	77.8	20	57.1	1	5.0
	TOTAL MCIW	45	100.0	29	64.4	1	3.4
ALL INSTITUTIONS							
	Family	69	15.5	40	58.0	3	7.5
	Medical	5	1.1	4	80.0		
	Pre-rel. Plans	209	46.7	105	50.2	4	3.8
	Social Adjust.	150	33.6	71	47.3	2	2.8
	Inst. Approv. Group	14	3.1	12	85.7		
	TOTAL	447	100.0	232	51.9	9	3.9

Temporary Parole Experience by Reason for
Application and Institution (ACC)

INST:	REASON	APPLIED		APPROVED		FAILURES	
		NO.	% OF TOTAL	NO.	% APPROVED	NO.	% FAILURES
MSP	Family	57	24.3	29	50.9	3	10.3
	Medical	2	0.9	1	50.0		
	Pre-release Plan	111	47.2	47	42.3	3	
	Social Adjust.	65	27.6	24	36.9		
	TOTAL MSP	235	100.0	101	43.0	6	
SRM	Family	5	8.0	5	100.0		
	Pre-release Plan	30	48.4	15	50.0		
	Social Adjust.	20	32.3	10	50.0	1	10.0
	Inst. Approv. Gp.	7	11.3	5	71.4		
	TOTAL SRM	62	100.0	35	56.5	1	2.9
MCIW	Family	2	5.7	2	100.0		
	Medical	1	2.9	1	100.0		
	Pre-release Plan	5	14.3	5	100.0		
	Social Adjust.	27	77.1	15	55.6		
	TOTAL MCIW	35	100.0	23	65.7		
ACC ALL INSTITUTIONS							
	Family	64	19.3	36	56.2	3	8.3
	Medical	3	0.9	2	66.7		
	Pre-release Plan	146	44.9	67	45.9	3	4.5
	Social Adjust.	109	32.8	49	45.1	1	2.0
	Inst. Approv. Gp.	7	2.1	5	71.4		
	TOTAL ACC	332	100.0	159	47.9	7	4.4

Temporary Parole Experience by Reason for
Application, by Institution
(YCC Only)

<u>INST.:</u>	<u>REASON</u>	<u>APPLIED</u>		<u>APPROVED</u>		<u>FAILURES</u>	
		<u>NO.</u>	<u>% OF TOTAL</u>	<u>NO.</u>	<u>% OF TOTAL</u>	<u>NO.</u>	<u>% OF TOTAL</u>
MSP:	Pre-rel. Plans	4	66.7	1	25.0		
	Social Adjust.	2	33.3				
	TOTAL MSP	6	100.0	1	16.7		
SRM:	Family	4	4.0	3	75.0		
	Medical	2	2.0	2	100.0		
	Pre-rel. Plans	58	58.6	37	63.8	1	2.7
	Social Adjust.	28	28.3	17	60.7		
	Inst. Approv. Group	7	7.1	7	100.0		
	TOTAL SRM	99	100.0	66	66.7	1	1.5
MCIW:	Family	1	10.0	1	100.0		
	Pre-rel. Plans	1	10.0				
	Social Adjust.	8	80.0	5	62.5	1	20.0
	TOTAL MCIW	10	100.0	6	60.0	1	16.7
YCC ALL INST.	Family	5	4.4	4	80.0		
	Medical	2	1.7	2	100.0		
	Pre-rel. Plans	63	54.8	38	60.3	1	2.6
	Social Adjust.	38	33.0	22	57.9	1	4.5
	Inst. Approv. Group	7	6.1	7	100.0		
	TOTAL YCC	115	100.0	73	63.5	2	2.7

TEMPORARY PAROLE EXPERIENCE BY TYPE OF COMMITTING OFFENSE

Among the 232 inmates whose applications for temporary parole were approved, there was a wide variety of offenses for which they had been convicted and sentenced.

Out of the total of 447 applications, 165 (37%) were from inmates convicted of crimes against persons. Of these, 46% were approved. There were 252 applications (56%) from inmates convicted of offenses against property; 54% were approved.

It is evident that the commission was more likely to approve applications of property offenders than person offenders. However, an analysis of performance on temporary parole indicates that person offenders were less likely to fail than property offenders (1.2% compared with 3.7%). It is probable however, that more intensive screening of person offenders may account for this difference.

TEMPORARY PAROLE BY OFFENSE TYPE

OFFENSE TYPE	APPLICATIONS		APPROVED		FAILED	
	NO.	%	NO.	%	NO.	%
AGAINST PERSON						
Homicide	37	8.3	13	35.1		
Assaults, Robbery	112	25.0	58	51.8	2	3.4
Sex	16	3.6	5	31.2		
TOTAL	165	36.9	76	46.1	2	1.2
AGAINST PROPERTY						
Theft	101	12.3	58	57.4	1	1.0
Forgery	55	21.5	30	54.5	2	6.7
Other Property	96	3.6	47	49.0	2	4.3
TOTAL	252	37.4	133	53.6	5	3.7
DRUGS & LIQUOR	20	4.5	14	70.0		
OTHER OFFENSES	10	2.2	7	70.0	2	20.0
GRAND TOTAL	447	100.0	232	51.9	9	3.8

TEMPORARY PAROLE BY JURISDICTION, INSTITUTION AND RACE

Although a higher proportion of YCC applicants were granted temporary parole, the percent who failed was lower than that of adults. The failure rate by race, particularly for YCC institutions, is not very meaningful because of the few number of cases.

Temporary Parole Performance by Jurisdiction, Institution & Race YCC

<u>JURIS.</u>	<u>INST.</u>	<u>RACE</u>	<u>APPLIED</u>		<u>APPROVED</u>		<u>FAILED</u>	
			<u>NO.</u>	<u>%</u>	<u>NO.</u>	<u>%</u>	<u>NO.</u>	<u>%</u>
YCC	MSP	Black	1	16.7				
		White	5	83.3	1	20.0		
		TOTAL	6	100.0	1	16.7		
	SRM	Blank	1	1.0	1	100.0		
		Am. Indian	5	5.1	4	80.0		
		Black	14	14.1	10	71.4	1	10.0
		White	79	79.8	51	64.6		
		TOTAL	99	100.0	66	66.7	1	1.5
	MCIW	Am. Indian	1	10.0				
		Black	2	20.0	1	50.0		
		White	7	70.0	5	71.4	1	20.0
		TOTAL	10	100.0	6	60.0	1	16.7
ALL YCC		Blank	1	0.9	1	100.0		
		Am. Indian	6	5.2	4	66.7		
		Black	17	14.8	11	64.7	1	9.1
		White	91	79.1	57	62.6	1	1.7
		TOTAL	115	100.0	73	63.5	2	2.7

Temporary Parole Performance by Jurisdiction, Institution & Race
ACC

<u>JURIS:</u>	<u>INST:</u>	<u>RACE</u>	<u>APPLIED</u>		<u>APPROVED</u>		<u>FAILED</u>	
			<u>NO.</u>	<u>%</u>	<u>NO.</u>	<u>%</u>	<u>NO.</u>	<u>%</u>
ACC	MSP	Blank	7	3.0	4	57.1		
		Am. Indian	11	4.7	6	54.5		
		Black	37	15.7	18	48.6		
		White	180	76.6	73	40.6	6	8.2
		TOTAL	235	100.0	101	43.0	6	5.9
	SRM	Am. Indian	3	4.8	2	66.7		
		Black	8	12.9	6	75.0		
		White	51	82.3	27	52.9	1	3.7
		TOTAL	62	100.0	35	56.6	1	2.9
	MCIW	Blank	1	2.9				
		Am. Indian	1	2.9	1	100.0		
		Black	7	20.0	4	57.1		
		White	26	74.2	18	69.2		
		TOTAL	35	100.0	23	65.7		
ALL ACC		Blank	8	2.4	4	50.0		
		Am. Indian	15	4.5	9	60.0		
		Black	52	15.7	28	53.8		
		White	257	77.4	118	45.9	7	5.9
		TOTAL	332	100.0	159	47.9	7	4.4

TEMPORARY PAROLE EXPERIENCE BY RACIAL DISTRIBUTION

A question has been raised about minority racial discrimination (Black and Indian) in the granting of temporary parole during the period October 16, 1971 through June 30, 1972. An Analysis of the foregoing table indicates that there was no evidence of racial discrimination. However, Whites and Blacks were more likely to apply for temporary parole than were Indians.

Of the total applications (447) received, 232 or 51.9% were approved. Sixty-nine applications were received from Blacks and 39 approved (56.5%). Twenty-one applications were received from Indians and 13 approved (61.9%). Three-hundred-forty-eight Whites applied and 175 were approved (50.3%).

The performance on temporary parole indicates that no Indians violated their parole, 1 Black of 39 (2.6%) violated, and 8 of 175 Whites (4.6%) violated.

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TEMPORARY PAROLE EXPERIENCE BY RACIAL DISTRIBUTION
OCTOBER 16, 1971 through JUNE 30, 1972

INST. -	RACE	June 30, 1971 Population		Applications Received		Percentile Ratio of Applications Rec'd to Population	Applications Approved		Percentile Ratio of Approved Applications to Population	Percent of Appli- cations Received and Approved	Number of Violations
		NO.	%	NO.	% of Total	%	NO.	% of Total	%	%	
MSP:	Am. Indian	66	7.0	11	4.6	16.7	6	5.9	9.1	54.5	6
	Black	168	17.9	38	15.8	22.6	18	17.6	10.7	47.3	
	White	703	74.8	185	76.7	26.3	74	72.6	10.5	40.0	
	Spanish Am.	2	0.2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
	Other	1	0.1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
	Not Reported	-	-	7	2.9	-	4	3.9	-	57.1	
	TOTAL	940	100.0	241	100.0	25.6	102	100.0	10.9	42.3	6
SRM:	Am. Indian	60	9.6	8	5.0	13.3	6	5.9	10.0	75.0	1
	Black	91	14.7	22	13.7	24.2	16	15.9	17.6	72.7	
	White	463	74.6	130	80.7	28.1	78	77.2	16.8	60.0	
	Spanish Am.	5	0.9	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
	Other	1	0.2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
	Not Reported	-	-	1	0.6	-	1	1.0	-	100.0	
	TOTAL	620	100.0	161	100.0	26.0	101	100.0	16.3	62.7	1
MCIW:	Am. Indian	7	13.2	2	4.5	28.6	1	3.4	14.3	50.0	1
	Black	6	11.3	9	20.0	150.0	5	17.3	83.3	55.6	
	White	39	73.6	33	73.3	84.6	23	79.3	59.0	59.0	
	Spanish Am.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
	Other	1	1.9	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
	Not Reported	-	-	1	2.2	-	-	-	-	-	
	TOTAL	53	100.0	45	100.0	84.9	29	100.0	54.7	54.7	1
ALL INSTI- TUTIONS	Am. Indian	133	8.3	21	4.7	15.8	13	5.6	9.8	61.9	8
	Black	265	16.4	69	15.4	26.0	39	16.8	14.7	56.5	
	White	1205	74.7	348	77.8	28.9	175	75.4	14.5	50.3	
	Spanish Am.	7	0.4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
	Other	3	0.2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
	Not Reported	-	-	9	2.1	-	5	2.2	-	56.0	
	TOTAL	1613	100.0	447	100.0	27.7	232	100.0	14.4	51.9	9

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