



Mapping Prisoners and Offenders in Community Supervision



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Re-entry planning and mapping

- Municipalities and non-profit organizations contact CT DOC and OPM-CJPPD, with regularity, to request information on the number of offenders returning from prison to their communities
- Can graphical representation give us a better understanding of the issue?

Re-entry planning and mapping

- The DOC's RT system was not designed to track this information. As a result, there are lingering questions about the reliability of postincarceration information with respect to residence. Some information is no longer valid, having been provided at the offender's last admission.
 - Offenders may or may not return to the communities where they were living after prison for various reasons
 - Many prisoners are highly mobile as a result of unstable housing situations
 - Residence stipulations and program placements are often not in an offender's "home" community

Re-entry, community supervision and mapping

- Using CaseNotes data
- Unlike the RT system, CaseNotes was designed as a case management system. It is more adaptable than the RT system and is used by the DOC's office of Parole and Community Services to track their caseloads.
 - The upshot it offers the most reliable, up-todate information on the residences of exoffenders under DOC community supervision.
 - The down side we still do not have a reliable and timely source of residency information for many offenders who leave the DOC at the endof-sentence (EOS) with no supervision to follow.

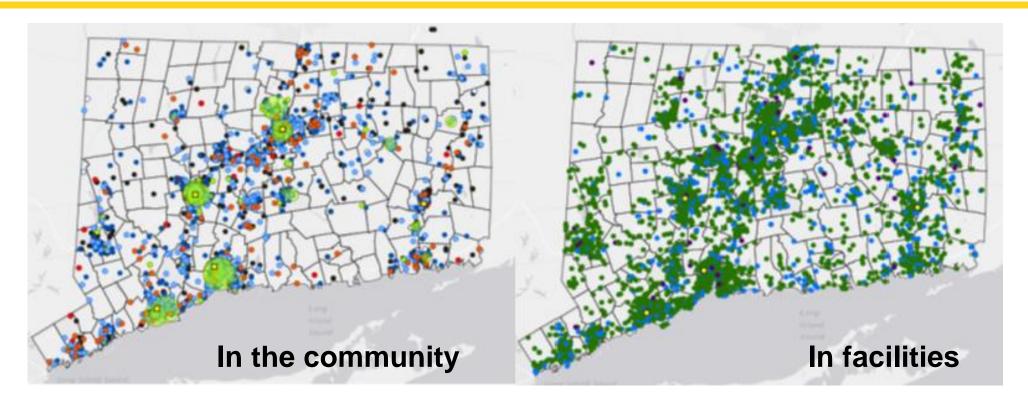
Re-entry, community supervision and mapping

- Over the last two years, CJPPD has developed a mapping capability.
- One of our goals is to expand the use of new, different sources of data and data visualization technology to educate policy makers, administrators and the public about the CJ system
 - Drug overdose maps (OCME)
 - Proposed sex-offender exclusion zone maps
 - 1,500-foot mandatory sentence mapping
- DOC MIS Unit provided OPM with CaseNotes data on all prisoners under supervision on April 4, 2016.
 Kendall Bobula mapped this data using ArcGIS.
- We are currently discussing potential uses for this type of mapping with DOC PCS.

Maps using CaseNotes and Inmate Query System data

- Offenders in DOC Community supervision
 - Parole, Halfway House, Special Parole, etc....
- Addresses of incarcerated prisoners
 - By legal status
- Prisoners by age and residence
 - Under 25
 - Under 21
- Prisoners by race and residence

Offenders in the community & in prison



- The facilities map plots the reported addresses of approximately 14,000 prisoners* incarcerated in state prisons and jails on April 26, 2016.
- The community map plots the place of residence of about 4,500
 offenders who were supervised the community by DOC on April 4, 2016.

^{*}does no include prisoners with no address, the homeless, or those with out-of-state addresses.





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