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FORECASTING UPDATE

The first half of FY09 has shown a steady decline in the offender population of local jails. Not only is offender population decreasing, the population consistently falls below that forecasted.

The following table illustrates Forecasted vs. Actual Jail Populations for Local Responsible inmates in FY09.

FY09 Local Responsible Offenders

<u>Month</u>	<u>Forecast</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Difference</u>
July	20,337	20,297	40
August	20,570	20,477	93
Sept	20,786	20,505	281
Oct	20,821	20,235	586
Nov	20,705	19,829	876
Dec	20,089	19,242	847

The following table illustrates a month by month comparison of Local Responsible inmate populations for the first half of FY08 and FY09.

FY08-FY09 Monthly Comparison of LR Population

	<u>FY08 LR</u>	<u>FY09 LR</u>	<u>% Change</u>
July	20,765	20,297	-2.25%
August	20,749	20,477	-1.31%
Sept	21,027	20,505	-2.48%
Oct	20,865	20,235	-3.02%
Nov	20,488	19,829	-3.22%
Dec	19,698	19,242	-2.32%

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Forecasting Updates

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The following table illustrates a comparison of sub-populations each month from July through December, 2008.

FY09 July-Dec Comparison of Sub-Populations

	Pre-Trial	Sentenced w/ Pending	LR Felons	Misdemeanants	SR Felons	Federal	Ordinance	Total
July	8,731	5,469	3,322	2,774	5,523	2,209	467.18	28,497
August	8,995	5,462	3,256	2,762	5,465	2,187	478.43	28,608
Sept	8,960	5,529	3,215	2,798	5,321	2,191	465.86	28,484
Oct	8,415	5,669	3,244	2,890	5,464	2,110	431.59	28,226
Nov	8,334	5,572	3,156	2,765	5,872	1,902	442.76	28,046
Dec	8,103	5,571	2,961	2,605	6,115	1,903	395.51	27,656
July/Dec Diff	-628	102	-360	-169	592	-306	-72	-841
July/Dec % Change	-7.19%	1.86%	-10.85%	-6.08%	10.72%	-13.85%	-15.34%	-3.04%

ORDINANCE REPORTING
'M' TO 'O' SUBSTITUTIONS

Most cities and counties have adopted local ordinances which parallel Code of Virginia statutes. The following procedure is the preferred method of recording local ordinance violations to LIDS.

As most ordinance violation codes are non-specific, the preferred method of reporting an ordinance violation is to use the state misdemeanor VCC, substituting the 'M' in the VCC with an 'O', and ensuring that Offense Type is recorded as 'O' in LIDS. The only time an **ORD** code should be used is when there is no misdemeanor VCC to mimic the ordinance.

Ex: An offender is arrested on a first offense simple assault ordinance. The ordinance code for assault, **ORD9961S9** gives no indication as to the type of assault perpetrated. However, the misdemeanor VCC, **ASL1358M1** makes it clear that assault type was **first offense, simple assault against family member**. In this instance the **ASL1358M1** should be recorded as **ASL1358O1**, to allow for a specific description while also denoting the offense as an ordinance.

Please be sure to download the VCC database from the Compensation Board website to your jail management system at least annually. This will not only facilitate ordinance reporting but will also ensure that your jms is equipped with all of the latest and updated VCC's.

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QUESTIONS/SUGGESTIONS

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