

Board of Correction

Monthly Review: Visit Restrictions April 2017

	April 2017
Total Number of Visitors	21,961
Total Number of Visits	16,411
Visits Per Inmate Per Month	1.77
Visit Days	22

I. Restrictions on Inmates

a. Inmates with Non-Contact Restrictions

	October 2016 ¹	March 2017	April 2017
Number of people on non-contact list	284	269	261
Number of people with duration restrictions (% of all people with restrictions)	191 (67%)	181 (67%)	179 (69%)
Average length of restriction among non-duration restrictions (days)	188	187	194
Average length of restriction served among duration restrictions (days)	181	195	186
Median length of restriction served among duration restrictions (days)	134	150	131
Number of restrictions on the non-contact list which have a visit nexus (% of all non-contact restrictions)	127 (45%)	110 (41%)	104 (40%)
Number of duration restrictions on the non-contact list which have a visit nexus (% of all non-contact duration restrictions)	39 (20%)	26 (14%)	27 (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 August 23, 2016 (six months back), January 23, 2017 (one month back), and February 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)				
	October 2016	March 2017	April 2017		
Dangerous Contraband (Weapon)	72 (25%)	66 (25%)	67 (26%)		
Dangerous Contraband (Slashing or					
Stabbing)	110 (39%)	115 (43%)	113 (43%)		
Drug/Tobacco Contraband	87 (31%)	73 (27%)	65 (25%)		
Other (includes assault on staff, fight on					
visit floor, and other types of contraband)	15 (5%)	15 (6%)	16 (6%)		

c. Reasons for Non-Contact Duration Restrictions

	Number of Restrictions (% of Non-Contact Duration Restrictions)				
	October 2016	March 2017	April 2017		
Dangerous Contraband (Weapon)	71 (37%)	65 (36%)	66 (37%)		
Dangerous Contraband (Slashing or Stabbing)	108 (57%)	115 (64%)	113 (63%)		
Drug/Tobacco Contraband	2 (1%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)		
Other (includes assault on staff, fight on visit floor, and other types of contraband)	10 (5%)	1 (1%)	0 (0%)		

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

	October 2016	March 2017	April 2017
Number of people with non-contact duration restrictions who			
have served six months or more on the non-contact list ("review			
eligible people")	77	72	71
Number of review eligible people who received an appeal in the			
previous six months (% of review eligible people)	3 (39%)	45 (63%)	58 (82%)
Number of six-month reviews conducted this month and received			
by the Board	2	4	9
Number of six-month reviews which resulted in amended			
restriction	0	0	0
Average length of restriction served among review eligible people			
(days)	345	368	366
Median length of restriction served among review eligible people			
(days)	332	356	359

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.

a. Inmate Non-Contact Restrictions Administered in April 2017

Reason	Duration of Restriction	New Restrictions	Notices Received by BOC
Dangerous Contraband (Weapon or			
Slashing)*	Duration	26	11
Drug/Tobacco Contraband	180 days	12	10
Fight on Visit Floor	180 days	1	0
TOTAL		39	21

II. Restrictions on Visitors Administered in April 2017

Reason	Prescribed Limitation	Restrictions	Notices Received
Arrest	180	3	3
	275	1	1
	365	14	14
Contraband	60	1	1
	180	12	12
	365	5	5
Unruly	90	6	6
	180	1	1
	365	1	1
TOTAL		44	44

One-Day Visitor Denials

Reason	Denials
Failed Ion Scan	144
K-9 Alert	78
Refuse to Obey D.O.C. Rules and Regulations	68
Inappropriate Attire	66
Security Reason	62
Non-Contact (Booth)	8
Other	6
TOTAL	434

One-Day Visitor Cancellations

Reason	Cancellations
Visitor refused to wait	58
Inmate Refused Visit	56
Lockdown	49
Transfer	32
Inmate Fight – Pending Investigation	18
Hospital/Clinic - Medical	10
Package Only	5
Wrong Inmate	3
Wrong Visit Day	2
Out to Court	1
TOTAL	234

III. Restrictions on Visitors Administered in April 2017(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	2,702	3,297	2	0.07%	45	5	8	0.30%	2,053
BHPW	103	148	0	0.00%	0	0	0	0.00%	54
BKHD	1,172	1,734	2	0.17%	25	46	4	0.34%	548
EHPW	12	16	0	0.00%	0	0	0	0.00%	7
EMTC	1,573	2,175	0	0.00%	22	10	3	0.19%	1,246
1GMDC	1,248	1,736	2	0.16%	26	17	6	0.48%	580
GRVC	1,652	2,059	0	0.00%	67	16	0	0.00%	683
MDC	1,861	2,614	3	0.16%	39	47	8	0.43%	751
NIC	146	209	0	0.00%	2	0	1	0.68%	107
OBCC	1,920	2,608	2	0.10%	66	56	4	0.21%	1,108
RMSC	914	1,144	2	0.22%	96	4	9	0.98%	575
RNDC	805	1,125	0	0.00%	43	10	0	0.00%	698
VCBC	2,125	2,946	0	0.00%	2	23	1	0.05%	791
WEST	178	150	0	0.00%	1	0	0	0.00%	49
TOTAL	16,411	21,961	13	0.08%	434	234	44	0.27%	9,251

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

IV. BOC Visit Appeals and Complaints Received in April 2017

a. Visit Restriction Appeals Received by BOC

Cottonia	Barisian	A	Avg. Business Days to
Category	Decision	Appeals	Resolve ⁵
Assault of Staff	Denied	1	15
Contraband - Drug	Granted	2	11
Contraband - Weapon	Denied	1	10
	Granted	2	15.5
Contraband - Other	Penalty Modified	2	4.5
Disrespect/Aggression	Denied	3	9.7
	Granted	1	6
	Penalty Corrected	2	6
Slashing/Stabbing	Denied	1	14
	Granted	2	10.5
	Pending	2	
Unknown	Penalty Modified	1	25
Other	Denied	1	14
	Penalty Modified	1	18
	Denied	7	11.6
	Granted	7	11.4
	Penalty Corrected	2	6
	Penalty Modified	4	13
	Pending	2	
	TOTAL	22	15

Facility	Visit Appeals
AMKC	3
BHPW	
BKHD	
EHPW	
EMTC	
GMDC	3
GRVC	1
MDC	5
NIC	
OBCC	4
RMSC	2
RNDC	
SOD	2
VCBC	1
WEST	1
TOTAL	22

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

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