



Board of Correction

Monthly Review:

Visit Restrictions February 2017

	February 2017
Total Number of Visitors	19,863
Total Number of Visits	14,845
Visits Per Inmate Per Month	1.56
Number of Visit Days	20

I. Restrictions on Inmates

a. Inmates with Non-Contact Restrictions

	August 2016 ¹	January 2017	February 2017
Number of people on non-contact list	267	274	276
Number of people with duration restrictions (% of all people with restrictions)	158 (59%)	185 (68%)	182 (66%)
Average length of restriction among non-duration restrictions (days)	184	184	188
Average length of restriction served among duration restrictions (days)	237	188	193
Median length of restriction served among duration restrictions (days)	210	135	137
Number of restrictions on the non-contact list which have a visit nexus (% of all non-contact restrictions)	148 (55%)	114 (42%)	115 (42%)
Number of duration restrictions on the non-contact list which have a visit nexus (% of all non-contact duration restrictions)	41 (26%)	28 (15%)	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)		
	August 2016	January 2017	February 2017
Dangerous Contraband (Weapon)	73 (27%)	70 (26%)	64 (23%)
Dangerous Contraband (Slashing or Stabbing and Weapon)	84 (31%)	112 (41%)	119 (43%)
Drug/Tobacco Contraband	91 (34%)	78 (28%)	76 (28%)
Other (includes assault on staff, fight on visit floor, and other types of contraband)	19 (7%)	14 (5%)	17 (6%)

c. Reasons for Non-Contact Duration Restrictions

	Number of Restrictions (% of Non-Contact Duration Restrictions)		
	August 2016	January 2017	February 2017
Dangerous Contraband (Weapon)	73 (46%)	69 (37%)	63 (35%)
Dangerous Contraband (Slashing or Stabbing and Weapon)	80 (51%)	111 (60%)	118 (65%)
Drug/Tobacco Contraband	0 (0%)	1 (1%)	0 (0%)
Other (includes assault on staff, fight on visit floor, and other types of contraband)	5 (3%)	4 (2%)	1 (1%)

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

	August 2016	January 2017	February 2017
Number of people with non-contact duration restrictions who have served six months or more on the non-contact list ("review eligible people")	84	75	73
Number of review eligible people who received an appeal in the previous six months (% of review eligible people)	x	30 (40%)	49 (67%)
Number of six-month reviews conducted this month and received by the Board	1	2	25
Number of six-month reviews which resulted in amended restriction	0	0	0
Average length of restriction served among review eligible people (days)	353	337	356

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.

Median length of restriction served among review eligible people (days)	308	322	342
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e. Inmate Non-Contact Restrictions Administered in February 2017

Reason	Duration of Restriction	New Restrictions	Notices Received by BOC
Dangerous Contraband (Weapon or Slashing)*	Duration	13	5
Drug/Tobacco Contraband	180 days	14	14
Other	180 days	1	1
TOTAL		28	20

II. Restrictions on Visitors Administered in February 2017

Reason	Prescribed Limitation	Restrictions	Notices Received
Arrest	365	21	16
Contraband	180	11	10
Unruly	180	3	3
TOTAL		35	29

One-Day Visitor Denials

Reason	Denials
Failed Ion Scan	129
K-9 Alert	127
Security Reason	83
Inappropriate Attire	62
Refuse to Obey D.O.C. Rules and Regulations	57
With Visitor Who Was Denied	5
Non-Contact (Booth)	5
Other	10
TOTAL	478

One-Day Visitor Cancellations

Reason	Cancellations
Visitor refused to wait	79
Inmate Refused Visit	59
Lockdown	26
Transfer	18
Inmate Fight – Pending Investigation	11
Hospital/Clinic - Medical	5
Inmate Being Discharged	3
Out to Court	2
Package Only	1
TOTAL	204

III. Restrictions on Visitors Administered in February 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	2,389	2,917	0	0.00%	80	15	3	0.13%	2,122
BHPW	77	115	0	0.00%	0	2	0	0.00%	60
BKHD	1,237	1,698	7	0.57%	16	39	7	0.57%	593
EHPW	29	52	0	0.00%					11
EMTC	1,229	1,627	0	0.00%	27	9	1	0.08%	1,174
GMDC	1,332	1,851	1	0.08%	47	9	6	0.45%	643
GRVC	1,293	1,620	4	0.31%	69	18	5	0.39%	667
MDC	1,697	2,353	2	0.12%	42	55	4	0.24%	768
NIC	145	204	0	0.00%	6	2	0	0.00%	106
OBCC	1,857	2,654	1	0.05%	46	31	1	0.05%	1,142
RMSC	770	1,000	1	0.13%	83	11	6	0.78%	610
RNDC	682	855	0	0.00%	51	3	0	0.00%	718
VCBC	1,954	2,777	2	0.10%	7	10	2	0.10%	822
WEST	154	140	1	0.65%	3	0	0	0.00%	49
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TOTAL	14,845	19,863	19	0.13%	478	204	35	0.24%	9,486

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 February 2017

a. Visit Restriction Appeals Received by BOC

Category	Decision	Appeals	Avg. Business Days to Resolve ⁵
Contraband - Drug	Denied	1	10
	Granted	1	8
Contraband – Weapon	Denied	2	23
	Moot	1	
	Pending	1	
Contraband – Other	Denied	1	7
	Penalty Modified	1	10
Disrespect/Aggression	Denied	5	10.4
	Granted	1	13
	Penalty Corrected	1	21
Slashing/Stabbing	Denied	3	21
Unknown	Granted	3	13
Other	Denied	1	20
	Granted	1	33
	Penalty Modified	1	1
	Moot	1	
TOTAL	Denied	13	15.2
	Granted	6	15.5
	Penalty Corrected	1	21
	Penalty Modified	2	5.5
	Moot	2	
	Pending	1	
	TOTAL	25	14.7

Facility	Visit Appeals
AMKC	8
BHPW	1
BKHD	2
EHPW	
EMTC	
GMDC	
GRVC	3
MDC	6
NIC	1
OBCC	
RMSC	1
RNDC	1
SOD	2
VCBC	
WEST	
TOTAL	25

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

Facility	Visit Complaints
AMKC	2
BHPW	
BKHD	1
EHPW	
EMTC	
GMDC	
GRVC	2
MDC	
NIC	1
OBCC	1
RMSC	
RNDC	
VCBC	
WEST	
Other	2
TOTAL	9

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.