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## MEMORANDUM

To: Sheriff Bernie Giusto  
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From: Wendy Lin-Kelly, Resource Analysis Unit

Date: December 27, 2005

RE: Bookings and Charges by Race April to June 2005 (2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter)

### Bookings by Race

The table below is of Standard Bookings by Race by Charge Level: Felony, Misdemeanor, Holds, Ordinance/Infractions/Violations (combined), and Other as the primary charge. Primary charge is the most serious charge. The period reported here is the second quarter of calendar year 2005 (April to June). Reports are distributed quarterly.

Multnomah County Population Estimate (2003 American Community Survey)	Total Pop.	Asian/Pacific Islander	American Indian/ Alaska Native	Hispanic/Latino	Black/African-American	White	Other/2 or More Races
	661,125	7%	0.7%	9.0%	5.7%	74.8%	3.2%
<b>Total Standard Bookings by Charge Level and Race**</b>							
April 2005 – June 2005	# Std Bkgs	Asian/Pacific Islander	American Indian/ Alaska Native	Hispanic/Latino	Black/African-American	White	Other/2 or More Races
Felony Bkgs	3,681	1.5%	1.4%	8.3%	24.3%	64.5%	N/A
Misdemeanor Bkgs	2,703	1.8%	2.0%	11.0%	24.9%	60.3%	
Hold* Bkgs	1,938	1.7%	1.8%	16.8%	11.8%	67.9%	
Ord/Infra/Viol	93	3.2%	15.1%	11.8%	8.6%	61.3%	
Other	3	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	33.3%	66.7%	
<b>Total Bookings</b>	<b>8,418</b>	<b>1.7%</b>	<b>1.8%</b>	<b>11.2%</b>	<b>21.4%</b>	<b>63.9%</b>	

\* Approx 68% County Holds, 22% US Marshal Holds, 6% State Holds, 4% US Immigration Holds, and less than 1% Armed Forces and Juvenile Holds.

\*\* There were 3 bookings where the race was unknown.

Looking at data from the Census Bureau, Multnomah County residential population racial percentages are different from the racial percentages of those booked into jail<sup>1</sup>. The Black/African American booked population percentage is significantly higher than the Black/African American residential population percentage. This is seen most significantly in felony and misdemeanor bookings. Both the Asian/Pacific Islander and White populations percentage booked is less than their population percentage.

<sup>1</sup> Adult jail facilities only

The following table examines felony bookings by primary (most serious) charge and race. Highlighted areas in yellow indicate where percentages are over 10% above the average percentage by race for a standard felony booking. Blue indicates if the percentage is below 10% (not including 0.0%) of the average percentage of standard felony bookings by race. Two things to note are that some percentages are high due to the small number of bookings for that charge and that bookings do not represent individuals, as people may be booked more than once.

April 2005 to June 2005	# Standard Bookings	Asian/Pacific Islander	American Indian/Alaska Native	Hispanic/Latino	Black/African-American	White
<b>Total Felony Bookings</b>	<b>3,681</b>	<b>1.5%</b>	<b>1.4%</b>	<b>8.3%</b>	<b>24.3%</b>	<b>64.5%</b>
<b>Felony Standard Bookings by Primary Charge and Race</b>						
Parole Violation/Post Prison Sup Viol	983	0.6%	2.0%	2.7%	25.9%	68.7%
Controlled Subst PCS	538	0.9%	1.3%	8.7%	20.1%	69.0%
Theft	438	3.4%	0.7%	9.1%	13.2%	73.5%
Assault	340	4.1%	0.6%	14.7%	29.4%	51.2%
Controlled Subst DCS	260	1.2%	1.5%	15.8%	34.6%	46.9%
Fugitive Hold	233	0.9%	0.9%	6.0%	19.3%	72.5%
Burglary	204	0.5%	1.5%	9.8%	14.7%	73.5%
Robbery	136	1.5%	2.2%	6.6%	49.3%	40.4%
Possession/Use Weap	82	1.2%	0.0%	4.9%	35.4%	58.5%
Criminal Mischief	68	1.5%	2.9%	8.8%	13.2%	73.5%
Forgery	52	0.0%	0.0%	11.5%	28.8%	59.6%
Sex Crimes	49	6.1%	2.0%	8.2%	10.2%	73.5%
Other ORS: Fail Reg Sex Off, Poss Stol MV, Unlaw Obt Pub Assist	47	0.0%	4.3%	0.0%	23.4%	72.3%
Minor CS	40	0.0%	2.5%	17.5%	52.5%	27.5%
Kidnapping	40	0.0%	0.0%	22.5%	22.5%	55.0%
Rules of the Road	29	0.0%	0.0%	13.8%	20.7%	65.5%
Rape	24	0.0%	0.0%	20.8%	25.0%	54.2%
Coercion	23	0.0%	0.0%	4.3%	39.1%	56.5%
Homicide	19	0.0%	0.0%	42.1%	36.8%	21.1%
DUII-Auto	12	0.0%	0.0%	16.7%	0.0%	83.3%
Controlled Subst MCS	10	0.0%	0.0%	10.0%	0.0%	90.0%
Other Felony Charges	54	3.7%	0.0%	1.9%	25.9%	68.5%

Other Felony Charges had less than 10 bookings per charge and include: Escape, Arson, Obstruct Govt Admin, Stalking, Controlled Substance, Prostitution, Firearm/Dev Pub Bld, State Hold, Poss Pre Sub w/MCS, Rec Sex Conduct Child, Unlawful Poss of Body Armor, Perjury, Off Against Family, and Sale Xfer Firearm

During this three month time period, the Black/African American population percentage of standard bookings for Robbery and Minor with a Controlled Substance were both approximately 50%.

The White population percentage of standard bookings for Theft, Burglary, Criminal Mischief, and Sex Crimes were all at 73.5%.

The following table examines misdemeanor bookings by primary charge and race. Similar to the previous table, highlighted areas in yellow indicate where percentages are over 10% higher and blue indicate if the percentages are 10% (not including 0.0%) lower than the average percentage of misdemeanor standard bookings by race.

April 2005 to June 2005	# Standard Bookings	Asian/Pacific Islander	American Indian/Alaska Native	Hispanic/Latino	Black/African-American	White
<b>Total Misd Bookings</b>	<b>2,703</b>	<b>1.8%</b>	<b>2.0%</b>	<b>11.0%</b>	<b>24.9%</b>	<b>60.3%</b>
<b>Misdemeanor Standard Bookings by Primary Charge and Race</b>						
<b>Assault</b>	552	3.1%	2.5%	11.2%	22.5%	60.7%
<b>DUII-Auto</b>	499	1.8%	1.6%	20.4%	15.0%	61.1%
<b>Theft</b>	302	0.7%	4.3%	9.6%	22.8%	62.3%
<b>Controlled Subst PCS</b>	283	0.4%	0.7%	3.5%	43.1%	52.3%
<b>Dis Cnduct/Harrasmt/ Interfer Pub Trnsprt</b>	209	3.8%	1.0%	12.4%	22.0%	60.8%
<b>Trespass</b>	198	2.0%	1.5%	4.0%	21.7%	70.7%
<b>Restraining Order Viol</b>	148	2.0%	1.4%	10.8%	23.0%	62.8%
<b>Obstruct Govt Admin</b>	115	0.0%	3.5%	10.4%	36.5%	49.6%
<b>DFZ/PFZ Viol</b>	80	0.0%	1.3%	5.0%	58.8%	35.0%
<b>Rules of the Road</b>	58	0.0%	5.2%	10.3%	12.1%	72.4%
<b>Contempt Court</b>	50	4.0%	0.0%	2.0%	24.0%	70.0%
<b>Possession/Use Weap</b>	44	0.0%	0.0%	11.4%	25.0%	63.6%
<b>Criminal Mischief</b>	29	3.4%	0.0%	13.8%	31.0%	51.7%
<b>Forgery</b>	25	0.0%	0.0%	8.0%	4.0%	88.0%
<b>Sex Crimes</b>	18	0.0%	0.0%	11.1%	38.9%	50.0%
<b>Prostitution</b>	15	6.7%	6.7%	6.7%	13.3%	66.7%
<b>Del of Controlled Subst</b>	9	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	100.0%	0.0%
<b>Stalking</b>	9	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	22.2%	77.8%
<b>Other Misd Charges</b>	60	0.0%	3.3%	10.0%	20.0%	66.7%

Other Misdemeanor Charges had less than 9 bookings per charge and include: Escape, Littering, Off Against Family, Business & Comm Off, Freq Place Drugs Used, Fail Obey Officer, Misc Traffic, Fail Reg Sex Off, False Info, Judge Debt Exam, FTA Cite, Crimes Communic, Minor CS, Arson, Robbery, DUII-Boat, Misc

The Black/African American population percentages of standard bookings for misdemeanor drug-related charges are significantly high. Black/African American population percentages booked with the charge of Violating a Drug Free or Prostitution Free Zone was 58.8% and for the charge of Controlled Substance PCS was 43.1%. The White population percentage for Violating a Drug Free or Prostitution Free Zone was 35.0%.

### Comparisons with Previous Reports

The previous Booking and Charges by Race report was written in June 2004 and covered the time period of November 2003 through May 15, 2004.

Comparing the data from this report, which covers April to June 2005, with data from November 2003 to May 2004 is difficult since two different methodologies were used to create the tables. This report was created using the cubes from DSS-J. Previous reports were created from queries on the DSS-J

dataset (using the program Cognos). How charges are described is different between the two methodologies, even though they use the same database. Using the DSS-J cubes allows for more standardization of the report. As these reports are produced quarterly, data will be examined over time for changes.

One area we can compare is the number of bookings that fall into the charge levels of felony, misdemeanor, hold, and ordinance/infractions/violations. The table below compares this data. Please note the length of the time periods are different.

<b>Multnomah County Population Estimate (2003 American Community Survey)</b>	<b>Total Pop.</b>	<b>Asian/Pacific Islander</b>	<b>American Indian/Alaska Native</b>	<b>Hispanic/Latino</b>	<b>Black/African-American</b>	<b>White</b>
	<b>661,125</b>	<b>7%</b>	<b>0.7%</b>	<b>9.0%</b>	<b>5.7%</b>	<b>74.8%</b>
<i>Note: 3.2% of the population are Other/2 or More Races</i>						
<b>April 2005 to June 2005</b>	<b># Standard Bookings</b>	<b>Asian/Pacific Islander</b>	<b>American Indian/Alaska Native</b>	<b>Hispanic/Latino</b>	<b>Black/African-American</b>	<b>White</b>
<b>Felony Bkgs</b>	<b>3,681</b>	<b>1.5%</b>	<b>1.4%</b>	<b>8.3%</b>	<b>24.3%</b>	<b>64.5%</b>
<b>Misdemeanor Bkgs</b>	<b>2,706</b>	<b>1.8%</b>	<b>2.0%</b>	<b>11.0%</b>	<b>24.9%</b>	<b>60.3%</b>
<b>Hold Bkgs</b>	<b>1,938</b>	<b>1.7%</b>	<b>1.8%</b>	<b>16.8%</b>	<b>11.8%</b>	<b>67.9%</b>
<b>Ord/Infract/Viol Bkgs</b>	<b>93</b>	<b>3.2%</b>	<b>15.1%</b>	<b>11.8%</b>	<b>8.6%</b>	<b>61.3%</b>

<b>November 2003 to May 15, 2004</b>	<b># Standard Bookings</b>	<b>Asian/Pacific Islander</b>	<b>American Indian/Alaska Native</b>	<b>Hispanic or Latino</b>	<b>Black or African-American</b>	<b>White</b>
<b>Felony Bkgs</b>	<b>7,053</b>	<b>1.5%</b>	<b>1.4%</b>	<b>6.7%</b>	<b>25.5%</b>	<b>64.8%</b>
<b>Misdemeanor Bkgs</b>	<b>5,344</b>	<b>1.8%</b>	<b>2.1%</b>	<b>8.4%</b>	<b>23.2%</b>	<b>64.5%</b>
<b>Hold Bkgs</b>	<b>4,111</b>	<b>1.4%</b>	<b>1.8%</b>	<b>13.6%</b>	<b>11.1%</b>	<b>72.1%</b>
<b>Ord/Infract/Viol Bkgs</b>	<b>174</b>	<b>1.7%</b>	<b>11.5%</b>	<b>6.3%</b>	<b>7.5%</b>	<b>73.0%</b>

Most notable in comparing the data from two reports is that the Hispanic/ Latino population percentage of standard bookings has increased in all categories but Ord/Infract/Viol bookings. The White population percentage of standard bookings has decreased in all categories.