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## MEMORANDUM

To: Sheriff Bernie Giusto  
Christine Kirk, Executive Assistant

From: Wendy Lin-Kelly, Resource Analysis Unit

Date: May 29, 2006

RE: Bookings and Charges by Race – October to December 2005

### Bookings by Race

The table below is of Standard Bookings by Race by Charge Level: Felony, Misdemeanor, Holds, and Ordinance/Infractions/Violations (combined) as the primary charge. Primary charge is the most serious charge. The period reported is October to December 2005. 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%

### Total Standard Bookings by Charge Level and Race

	# Std Bkgs	Asian/Pacific Islander	American Indian/ Alaska Native	Hispanic/ Latino	Black/ African-American	White	Other/2 or More Races
<b>Oct 2005 – Dec 2005</b>							
Felony Bkgs	3,392	1.5%	1.3%	8.3%	26.3%	62.6%	N/A
Misdemeanor Bkgs	2,651	1.6%	1.6%	10.6%	26.1%	59.7%	
Hold* Bkgs	1,830	1.0%	0.8%	16.2%	13.1%	68.7%	
Ord/Infra/Viol	127	2.4%	13.4%	5.5%	8.7%	70.1%	
<b>Total Bookings</b>	<b>8,000</b>	<b>1.4%</b>	<b>1.6%</b>	<b>10.8%</b>	<b>23.0%</b>	<b>63.1%</b>	

\* Approx 69% County Holds, 20% US Marshal Holds, 6% State Holds, and 4% US Immigration Holds.

Note: .1% of standard bookings had unknown race.

Percentages for Multnomah County residential population by race vary from percentages of standard bookings by race. The Black/African American, Hispanic/ Latino, and American Indian/Alaska Native booked percentages are higher than their County population percentages while the Asian/Pacific Islander and White percentages booked are less than their population.

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 represents individuals, as people may be booked more than once.

Oct 2005 to Dec 2005	# Standard Bookings	Asian/Pacific Islander	American Indian/Alaska Native	Hispanic/Latino	Black/African-American	White
<b>Total Felony Bookings</b>	<b>3,392</b>	<b>1.5%</b>	<b>1.3%</b>	<b>8.3%</b>	<b>26.3%</b>	<b>62.6%</b>
<b>Felony Standard Bookings by Primary Charge and Race</b>						
Parole Violation/Post Prison Sup Viol	939	0.5%	2.0%	3.7%	27.8%	65.8%
Controlled Subst PCS	515	1.2%	0.4%	8.9%	23.5%	66.0%
Theft	376	4.0%	0.8%	8.5%	14.9%	71.8%
Assault	301	3.3%	1.0%	15.0%	26.9%	53.8%
Controlled Subst DCS	273	0.7%	0.7%	18.3%	35.2%	45.1%
Fugitive Hold	214	0.5%	1.9%	6.1%	26.2%	65.4%
Burglary	166	2.4%	3.0%	4.8%	22.3%	67.5%
Robbery	132	2.3%	2.3%	5.3%	40.9%	49.2%
Possession/Use Weap	80	1.3%	0.0%	8.8%	31.3%	58.8%
Forgery	59	0.0%	1.7%	10.2%	22.0%	66.1%
Sex Crimes	50	0.0%	0.0%	14.0%	22.0%	64.0%
Criminal Mischief	45	2.2%	0.0%	8.9%	6.7%	82.2%
Fail Reg Sex Offender	43	0.0%	2.3%	4.7%	30.2%	62.8%
Minor CS	41	0.0%	0.0%	12.2%	51.2%	36.6%
Rules of the Road	33	3.0%	0.0%	6.1%	33.3%	57.6%
Coercion	23	0.0%	0.0%	4.3%	17.4%	73.9%
Kidnapping	17	0.0%	0.0%	29.4%	5.9%	64.7%
Homicide	16	0.0%	0.0%	18.8%	56.3%	25.0%
DUII-Auto	9	11.1%	0.0%	11.1%	22.2%	55.6%
Other Felony Charges	60	0.0%	1.7%	3.3%	30.0%	65.0%

Other Felony Charges had less than 9 bookings per charge and include: Arson, Bribery, Controlled Substance, Controlled Subst MCS, Escape, Fail Chg Adr Sex Ofn, Firearm/Dev Pub Bldg, Intimidation, Obstruct Govt Admin, Off Against Family, Poss of a Stolen MV, Prostitution, Rec Sex Conduct Child, Sale Xfer Firearm, Stalking, State Hold, Traff/Stolen MV, and Trsn/Riot/Dis Conduct.

The White population percentage of those standard booked for the felony charge of Theft was 71.8%. The Black/African American population percentage for Robbery was over 40%. The Latino/Hispanic population percentage for Controlled Substance Distribution was 18.3%.

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.

Oct 2005 to Dec 2005	# Standard Bookings	Asian/Pacific Islander	American Indian/Alaska Native	Hispanic/Latino	Black/African-American	White
Total Misd Bookings	2,651	1.6%	1.9%	10.6%	26.1%	59.7%
<b>Misdemeanor Standard Bookings by Primary Charge and Race</b>						
Assault	507	2.0%	1.0%	11.6%	21.9%	63.5%
DUII-Auto	493	2.2%	1.4%	23.3%	11.6%	61.3%
Controlled Subst PCS	314	0.3%	1.6%	2.5%	54.5%	41.1%
Theft	263	1.9%	3.8%	6.8%	24.7%	62.7%
Trsn/Riot/Dis Cnduct	213	0.5%	1.4%	6.1%	25.8%	66.2%
Burglary & Crim Tres	197	1.0%	5.1%	4.1%	24.4%	65.5%
Restraining Order Viol	131	3.8%	5.3%	7.6%	22.9%	60.3%
DFZ/PFZ Tres	88	1.1%	0.0%	5.7%	60.2%	33.0%
Obstruct Govt Admin	83	1.2%	1.2%	9.6%	31.3%	56.6%
Contempt Court	52	1.9%	0.0%	1.9%	13.5%	82.7%
Prostitution	49	2.0%	2.0%	18.4%	14.3%	63.3%
Possession/Use Weap	46	0.0%	0.0%	6.5%	17.4%	76.1%
Rules of the Road	44	0.0%	0.0%	34.1%	9.1%	56.8%
Criminal Mischief	34	5.9%	0.0%	2.9%	20.6%	70.6%
Rest Ord Violation - DV	21	0.0%	0.0%	9.5%	23.8%	66.7%
Sex Crimes	18	0.0%	0.0%	5.6%	38.9%	55.6%
Forgery	12	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	8.3%	91.7%
Fail Reg Sex Offender	11	0.0%	0.0%	9.1%	27.3%	63.6%
Stalking	11	0.0%	0.0%	9.1%	18.2%	72.7%
Escape	10	10.0%	0.0%	0.0%	50.0%	40.0%
Controlled Subst/Del & Att To Acquire	9	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	88.9%	11.1%
Other Misd Charges	45	0.0%	2.2%	8.9%	28.9%	60.0%

Other Misdemeanor Charges had less than 8 bookings per charge and include: Arson, Business & Comm Off, Controlled Subst DCS, Crimes Communication, Fail to Display ODL, False Info to Police, FTA on a Citation, Intimidation, Liquor and Alcohol, Littering, Minor CS, Misuse Public Restroom, Offense Against Animals, Off Against Family, Robbery, Using Lic of Another, and Vandalism of a Park.

The disparity between the average of all misdemeanor bookings and selected charges by race is significant with several charges. The Black/African American population percentage standard booked for the primary charge DFZ/PFZ trespass was 60.2% and Controlled Substance PCS was 54.5%. These are both much higher than Black/African American population percentage standard booked on any misdemeanor charge (26.1%).

The White population percentage of those booked standard for the charge of DFZ/PFZ trespass was 33.0% and for Controlled Substance PCS was 41.1%.

The White population percentage of those booked for the charge of Contempt of Court was 82.7%. The Latino/Hispanic population percentage of those booked for the charge of DUII – Auto was 23.3%.

### Comparisons with Previous Reports

The previous Booking and Charges by Race report covered the three month time period of July 2005 through September 2005.

The table below displays the data of the charge levels of felony, misdemeanor, hold, and ordinance/infractions/violations.

<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>

*Note: 3.2% of the population are Other/2 or More Races*

<b>Jul 2005 to Sep 2005</b>	<b># Standard Bookings</b>	<b>Asian/Pacific Islander</b>	<b>American Indian/Alaska Native</b>	<b>Hispanic/ Latino</b>	<b>Black or African- American</b>	<b>White</b>
<b>Felony Bkgs</b>	<b>3,816</b>	<b>1.3%</b>	<b>1.2%</b>	<b>7.9%</b>	<b>26.1%</b>	<b>63.6%</b>
<b>Misdemeanor Bkgs</b>	<b>3,132</b>	<b>1.8%</b>	<b>1.7%</b>	<b>10.8%</b>	<b>24.7%</b>	<b>61.0%</b>
<b>Hold Bkgs</b>	<b>1,914</b>	<b>1.5%</b>	<b>1.9%</b>	<b>14.8%</b>	<b>12.2%</b>	<b>69.6%</b>
<b>Ord/Infract/Viol Bkgs</b>	<b>133</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>15.0%</b>	<b>9.0%</b>	<b>10.5%</b>	<b>65.4%</b>

<b>Oct 2005 to Dec 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>3,392</b>	<b>1.5%</b>	<b>1.3%</b>	<b>8.3%</b>	<b>26.3%</b>	<b>62.6%</b>
<b>Misdemeanor Bkgs</b>	<b>2,651</b>	<b>1.6%</b>	<b>1.6%</b>	<b>10.6%</b>	<b>26.1%</b>	<b>59.7%</b>
<b>Hold Bkgs</b>	<b>1,830</b>	<b>1.0%</b>	<b>0.8%</b>	<b>16.2%</b>	<b>13.1%</b>	<b>68.7%</b>
<b>Ord/Infract/Viol Bkgs</b>	<b>127</b>	<b>2.4%</b>	<b>13.4%</b>	<b>5.5%</b>	<b>8.7%</b>	<b>70.1%</b>

When comparing data from the two consecutive time periods, no significant differences are shown with respect to race, although the total number of bookings from July to September (8995) decreased by almost 1000 during October to December (8000).