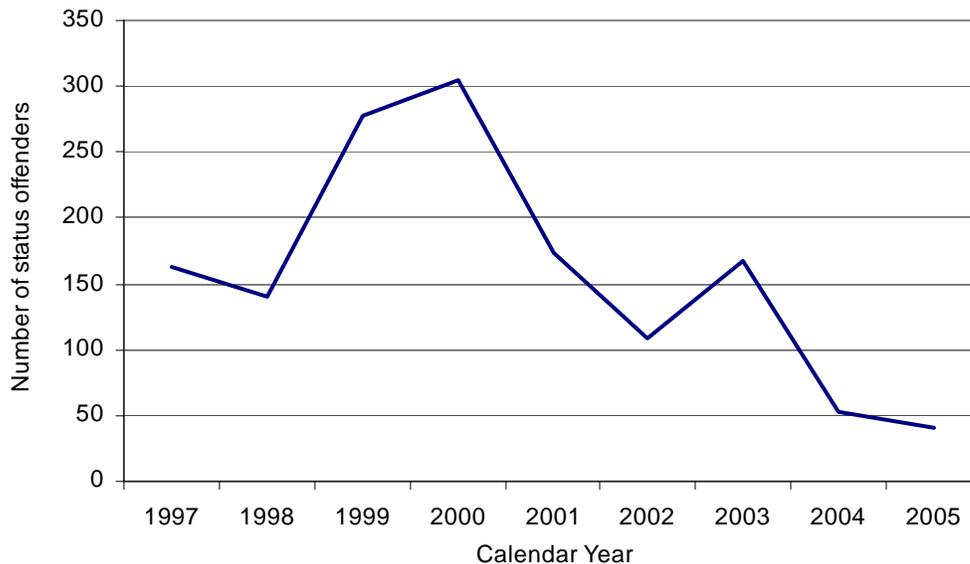


Status offenders in secure detention

States must meet four core requirements to receive federal **Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (JJDP) Act** funding. They include deinstitutionalization of status offenders, sight and sound separation of youth and adult offenders, removal of youth from adult jails and lockups, and reduction of minority over-representation in the juvenile justice system.

The deinstitutionalization of status offenders in Illinois is primarily a matter of keeping status offenders out of Illinois' detention centers. A **status offender** is a youth who commits a crime that would not be a crime if committed by an adult. Status offenses include underage drinking, truancy, smoking, or breaking curfew. *Figure 21* shows a declining number of institutionalized status offenders. The number of detained status offenders prior to 1997 was unavailable.

Figure 21
Youth status offenders detained in Illinois, 1997-2005



Source: Illinois Department of Human Services

Table 11
Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Act status offender violations in
detention facilities, 2005

County facility	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
Adams	0	1	2	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	5
Champaign	0	1	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4
Cook	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
DuPage	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Franklin	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Kane	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	2	4
Knox	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Lake	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
LaSalle	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Madison	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
McLean	0	3	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	1	6
Peoria	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sangamon	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
St. Clair	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
Vermilion	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	3
Will	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	2	0	0	5
Winnebago	0	1	2	4	0	2	1	1	0	0	0	0	11
Total	1	6	6	7	1	4	3	1	3	3	3	3	41

Source: Illinois Department of Human Services

Illinois recorded 41 violations for the detainment of status offenders in 2005. From 1997 to 2005, a 75 percent reduction was seen in the number of status offenders detained in Illinois. A total of 188 violations per year in this category would make Illinois non-compliant with the core requirement and ineligible for a portion of federal funding. *Table 11* shows the number of status offenders detained in violation of the JJDP Act in 2005.

Table 12
Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Act jail removal violations in municipal lock-ups, 2005

Municipal lockup	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
Alton	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	4
Arlington Heights	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
Aurora	0	0	2	1	2	1	1	4	1	1	1	2	16
Berwyn	1	0	2	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	6
Broadview	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
Carol Stream	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
Chicago	0	0	1	8	0	0	3	1	0	0	0	0	13
Chicago Heights	1	0	1	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	5
Chicago Ridge	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
Cicero	0	0	0	2	1	0	0	3	2	0	2	1	11
Evanston	0	0	1	1	1	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	6
Glendale Heights	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	2	0	0	1	0	4
Granite City	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Gurnee	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	2	0	0	1	0	4
Hodgkins	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Hoffman Estates	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	2
Markham	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Matteson	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Maywood	1	2	1	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	7
Naperville	0	2	3	0	0	2	2	1	3	3	1	1	18
Orland Park	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
Peoria	1	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4
Riverdale	0	0	0	0	1	4	0	0	0	0	0	1	6
Sauk Village	4	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6
Skokie	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Streamwood	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	3
Wauconda	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	3
Woodridge	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
Total	9	9	15	18	11	10	12	16	11	5	7	6	129

Source: Illinois Department of Human Services

Table 12 shows the number of youth placed in municipal jails and lockups in 2005 in violation of the Jail Removal Act (part of the JJDP Act). Violations of the Jail Removal Act occur when youth are held in municipal lock-ups for more than six hours.

Table 13
Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Act jail removal violations
in county jails, 2005

County jail	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
DeWitt	1	0	3	2	0	0	0	0	4	3	0	1	14
Iroquois	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
Jasper	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	3
Jersey	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Logan	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
Marion	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	1	4
Mason	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2
Massac	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
Ogle	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Perry	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Rock Island	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Schuyler	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	4
Stark	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
Washington	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	4
Woodford	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	2	1	1	0	1	7
Total	3	2	7	3	4	6	0	2	7	9	2	5	50

Source: Illinois Department of Human Services

Table 13 shows the number of youth placed in county jails in 2005 in violation of the Jail Removal Act.