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By jurisdiction, 1996

Jurisdiction	Year program began	Number of camps	Average number of inmates	Number of beds	Program length	Program assignment made by:	Voluntary or mandatory	Eligibility criteria
Alabama	1988	1	120	150	90 to 180 days	Sentencing judge, legislation	Voluntary	No age limits; males only; excludes sex crimes, first degree arson, robbery, and life without parole.
Arkansas	1990	1	160	180	105 days	Department of Corrections	Voluntary	First time in adult facility; sentence of 10 years or less; eligible for minimum security; in-State residence on release; no sex offenses.
California	1993	3 ^a	350	200 ^b	4 months ^c	Department of Corrections	Voluntary	First term, non-violent offenders; sentence not less than 12 months nor more than 36, with 24 months or less to serve; no age requirement.
Colorado	1991	1	110	100	90 to 120 days	Department of Corrections	Voluntary	Non-violent offenders; maximum 30 years of age; sentenced as adult; physically and mentally capable.
Delaware	1997 ^d	NA	NA	100	6 months	Sentencing judge, legislation, Department of Corrections, Attorney General	Voluntary	18 years or older; no violent offenses (past or current); male and female; resident of State; physically and mentally capable; remaining term not less than 9 nor more than 18 months at Level V.
Florida	1987	1	94	112	120 days minimum	Sentencing judge	NA	First-time non-violent offenders; ages 14 to 24; physically and psychologically capable.
Idaho	1989	1	292	292	180 days	Sentencing judge	Mandatory	Inmates sentenced to retained jurisdiction by judge. No requirements imposed by Department of Corrections.
Illinois	1990	3	641	644	120 days	Sentencing judge	Voluntary	Maximum sentence of 8 years; 17 to 35 years of age; maximum one prior incarceration; some serious offenses, escape risks excluded.
Kansas	1991	1	95	95	180 days	Sentencing judge, legislation, Department of Corrections	Mandatory	16 to 27 years of age; generally non-violent offenses (waiver possible); males only (female component planned).
Kentucky	1993	1	42	40 to 50 male; 10 female	17 weeks	Department of Corrections	Voluntary	First-time offenders; male and female; 17 to 29 years of age; non-violent felony; no loss of life in crime; no sex offenders; minimum 4 months until parole eligibility or serve out and can not exceed 10-year sentence.
Louisiana	1987	1	130	136	90 to 180 days	Sentencing judge, Department of Corrections	Voluntary	First and second offenders not previously incarcerated in State penitentiary; age 17 to 39; parole eligible; non-violent crimes; male and female; good mental/physical health; no escape history; no felony detainees; in-State residence plan for after-care.
Maryland	1990	1	272	200	180 days	Department of Corrections	Voluntary	Under age 36; first or second major incarceration; maximum sentence 10 years; non-violent offense; no prior adult escape; no open detainees; minimum or pre-release status; medically, physically, psychologically fit; no disciplinary segregation for previous 180 days; male and female.
Michigan	1988	1	319	360	90 days	Sentencing judge, legislation, Department of Corrections	Voluntary	NA
Minnesota	1992	1	51 ^e	72 male; 8 female	6 months	Legislation defines criteria; Department of Corrections applies guidelines	Voluntary	Combination statutory criteria and Department of Corrections guidelines. No age/gender restrictions; medical and psychological screen; serve down to or equal 36-month sentence; property offenses only; no prior person offenses in last 10 years.
Mississippi	1985	3	(f)	400	20 weeks	Sentencing judge, legislation, Department of Corrections	Mandatory	First-time incarceration; mentally and physically able; no sex offenses; no extensive juvenile history.

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Missouri	1994	1	40 to 45	50	90 days	Sentencing judge	Mandatory	Age 18 to 26; male; first-time felon; no violent offenses; no serious health or mental problems.
Nevada	1991	1	73	73	190 days	Sentencing judge	Voluntary	Over age 18; physically fit; non-violent; no prior felony incarceration.
New York	1987	4	1,450	1,390 male; 180 female	180 days	Department of Corrections	Voluntary	Age 16 to 35; non-violent offender; 36 months or less to parole eligibility; screen on general suitability (criminal history and nature of current offense).
North Carolina	1989	2	240	360	90 to 120 days	Sentencing judge	Voluntary	Age 16 to 30; suspended sentence of 6 months or more; certified physically fit by medical evaluation.
Ohio	1991 (male); 1995 (female)	2	(g)	100 male; 40 female	(h)	Department of Corrections	Voluntary	18 to 30 years of age; good health; no serious offenses with weapons, no sex offenses; no violence or escape; no greater than third or fourth degree felony; first prison term of 30 days or more; no outstanding warrants, detainers, felony charges; medical, psychological, educational, and substance abuse assessment.
Oklahoma	1983 (male); 1991 (female)	2	148 males; 54 females	170 male; 101 female	90 to 120 days (males); 4 to 6 months (females)	Sentencing judge, Department of Corrections	Mandatory ^j	Males: age 18 to 23; non-violent, first-time offenses (some exceptions). Females: physically capable; history of drug involvement; eligible for release upon completion.
Pennsylvania	1992	1	130	158	6 months	Recommended by judge but assigned by Department of Corrections	Voluntary	Age 18 to 35; male or female; physical condition, criminal history/escape screen; positive adjustment while incarcerated; no detainers likely to result in additional sentence; psychological screen.
Rhode Island	1997 ^d	NA	NA	30	6 months ^j	Department of Corrections	Mandatory ^j	Age 17 to 35; males; non-violent offenses; sentence of 6 months to 3 years; no violent convictions; assessed for treatment needs.
South Carolina	1986 (Shock); 1995 (Boot Camp)	2	148 males; 16 females	216 male; 29 female	3 months (Shock); 6 months (Boot Camp)	Sentencing judge (Shock); Department of Corrections (Boot Camp)	Mandatory	Shock incarceration: age 17 to 29; first incarceration; non-violent; parole eligible in 2 years; male or female; 15-day medical/psychological evaluation. Youthful Offender Boot Camp: age 17 to 25; male and female; sentenced under Youthful Offender Act, 7 to 10 month category; non-violent; first incarceration; medically fit; no warrants.
South Dakota	1996 ^k	NA	NA	48	4 months	Department of Corrections	Voluntary	Age 15 to 19; initial commitment to Department of Corrections; no violent offenses; no serious health problems; not psychologically unstable or low cognitive functioning.
Tennessee	1989	1	142	150	90 to 120 days	Sentencing judge, but Department of Corrections can recommend	Mandatory	Sentenced to prison; age 18 to 35; term of 6 years or less (up to 12 for drug offenders); offense must not involve serious injury, sex offense, or minors; good physical/mental health; comprehend, follow instructions.
Texas	1989	2	250	500 male; 20 female	75 to 90 days	Sentencing judge	Mandatory	Male or female; age 17 to 25; physically/mentally capable; not convicted of State Jail felony or eligible for probation; no sex offenses or escapes.
Vermont	1993	1	85	100	3 to 6 months	Sentencing judge, Department of Corrections	Voluntary	Male; able to work.
Virginia	1991	1	57	100	89 days	Sentencing judge, Department of Corrections	Voluntary	Under age 25; non-violent felony; first incarceration; no term longer than 12 months or multiple terms in local facility; complete physical and mental exam; written consent of defendant to participate; determination by court of sentence of confinement (suspended).

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Washington	1993	1	150	180	4 months	Sentencing judge	Voluntary	Assessed for educational level, chemical dependencies, physical fitness, job interests, aptitudes, and skills.
Wisconsin	1991	1	70	75	6 months	Department of Corrections	Voluntary	Under age 31; no current conviction for crime against life or bodily injury; have identified substance abuse problem; no physical/psychological limitations; males.
Wyoming	1990	1	30	30	120 days	Sentencing judge	Voluntary	Under age 25; first-time adult incarceration; no capital offense.
Federal Bureau of Prisons	1990	2	321	324	180 days	Sentencing judge, Bureau of Prisons	Voluntary	Serving sentence of more than 12 but not more than 30 months; first period of incarceration or minor history of prior incarceration; not serving term of imprisonment for violent offense; appropriate for housing in minimum security; physically and mentally capable of participating; volunteer.

Note: This information was collected through a survey mailed to the Departments of Correction in the 50 States, the District of Columbia, and the Federal Bureau of Prisons. The survey was mailed in April 1996 and information was collected through July 1996. The following States did not have shock incarceration programs at the time of the survey: Connecticut, Hawaii, Indiana, Maine, Nebraska, New Jersey, New Mexico, North Dakota, Utah, West Virginia, and the District of Columbia. Iowa reported no boot camp-style facility but has had a shock probation program since 1987, involving incarceration for up to 90 days after which the sentencing judge reviews the case and either continues incarceration or releases the offender to probation. The following States did not respond to the survey: Alaska, Arizona, Georgia, Massachusetts, Montana, New Hampshire, and Oregon. The Source presents the information as submitted by the responding agencies. No attempt is made by the Source to verify the information received.

^cShock incarceration and intensive parole programs: 4 months; work training program: 2 months.

^dPlanned to open in 1997.

^eVaries.

^fCapacity.

^gPhase I: 80 to 100; Phase II: 40; Phase III: 220.

^hPhase I: 90 days; Phase II: 30 days; Phase III: 6 months to 1 year.

ⁱMost are court ordered; others are directed by Department of Corrections.

^jProposed.

^kPlanned to open late 1996.

^lMay also be serving sentence of more than 30 but not more than 60 months and be within 24 months of projected release date.

^aOne Boot Camp; two work training and parole camps.

^b200 program beds at San Quentin shock incarceration facility. Work training beds vary with each facility.

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