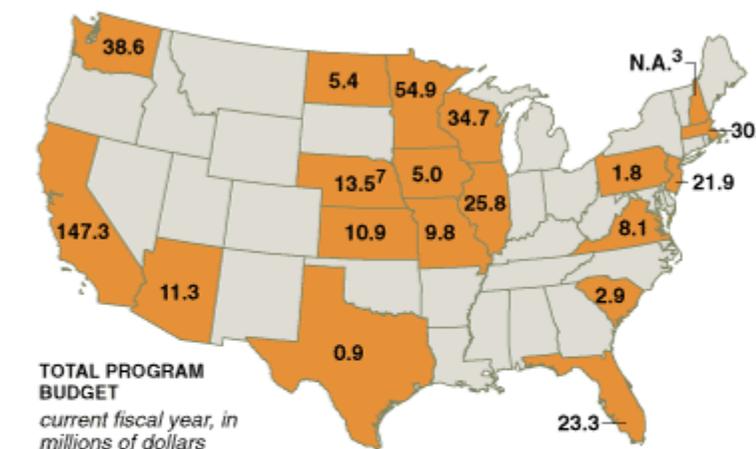
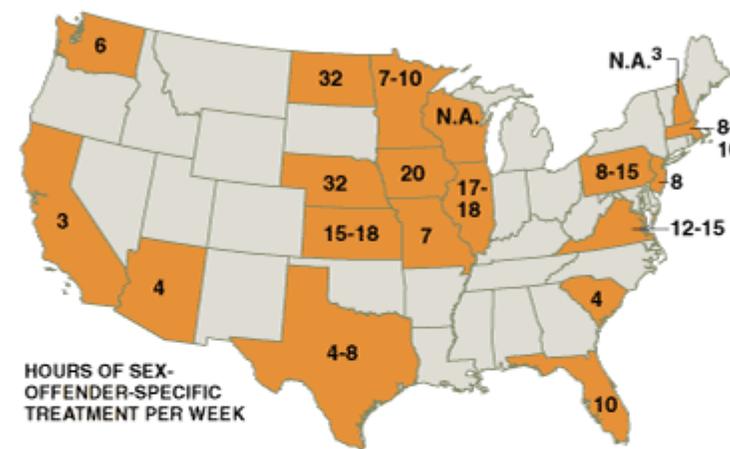


## A Profile of Civil Commitment Around the Country

New York, which announced on Thursday its intention to establish a civil commitment program, would be the 20th state where sex offenders can be held beyond their prison terms in civil court proceedings. In principle, the offenders are treated and rehabilitated so they can be released back into communities, though many never are. Here is a survey of existing programs around the country.



STATE	COMMITTED PEOPLE	YEAR LAW PASSED	YOUNGEST	OLDEST	AVERAGE AGE	PERCENTAGE OVER 60	ANY WOMEN	COMMITTED POPULATION ("OTHER" RACES NOT SHOWN)			TOTAL EVER FULLY DISCHARGED	ON CONDITIONAL SUPERVISED OR TRANSITIONAL RELEASE	AVERAGE COST PER PERSON COMMITTED	AVERAGE PER-INMATE COST (PRISON/JAIL) <sup>9</sup>	TOTAL CIVIL COMMITMENT BUDGET (millions)
								WHITE	BLACK	HISPANIC					
Arizona	71	1995	23	68	48	11	never	75%	9	15	81	69	\$110,000	\$20,564	\$11.3
California	443	1995	28	86	52	25	1	63	22	11	59	3	166,000	43,000	147.3
Florida	240	1998	20	87	46	13	never	65	34	1	7	12	41,845	19,000	23.3
Illinois	169	1997	22 <sup>5</sup>	77 <sup>5</sup>	44 <sup>4</sup>	9	1 in past	70 <sup>4</sup>	27 <sup>4</sup>		2	18	88,000	21,700	25.8
Iowa	65	1998	22	84	45	17	never	80	17	2	9	4	70,000	23,002	5.0
Kansas	159	1994	21	92	43	14	never	93	3	3	13	8	69,070 <sup>7</sup>	22,630	10.9
Massachusetts <sup>1</sup>	105	1999	20	79	42	7	never	78	12	6	4	0	48,396 <sup>8</sup>	43,026	30.7
Minnesota	342	1994	20	81	44	13	1	79	14	3	0	0	141,255	29,240	54.9
Missouri	79	1999	23	83	49	30	1 in past	84	14		1	0	73,724	14,538	9.8
Nebraska <sup>2</sup>	10	2006	25	50	38	0	0 since '06	70	10	20	0 <sup>2</sup>	0 <sup>2</sup>	100,000	26,031	13.5 <sup>10</sup>
New Hampshire <sup>3</sup>	0	2006	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.			n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	31,140	n.a.
New Jersey	342	1998	24	72	47	13	never	48	42	10	13	8	67,000	35,000	21.9
North Dakota	37	1997	22	68	36	8	never	78	6	4	0	0	94,728	27,391	5.4
Pennsylvania	9	2003	21 <sup>6</sup>	23 <sup>6</sup>	21	0	never	78	11		0	0	180,000	31,363	1.8
South Carolina	70	1998	18	72	43	14	never	68	32		32	0	41,176 <sup>7</sup>	15,156	2.9
Texas <sup>4</sup>	66	1999	30	77	39	9	never	55	21	24	0	n.a. <sup>4</sup>	32,000 <sup>7</sup>	15,527	0.9
Virginia	37	1999	27	68	47	16	never	50	44	3	1	3	140,000	23,123	8.1
Washington	167	1990	21	80	47	16	1	81	13	1	4	12	127,632	29,055	38.6
Wisconsin	283	1994	18	102	45	14	never	69	23	2	26	17	102,500	27,600	34.7

<sup>1</sup> Massachusetts figures include those committed since 1999; excludes those committed earlier under a different law. <sup>2</sup> Except for its total budget, all figures for Nebraska include only those committed since July 2006; they exclude those committed earlier under a different type of law. <sup>3</sup> New Hampshire's law was passed in 2006 and the program is in the process of beginning. <sup>4</sup> Texas's program is the only one in the nation that is outpatient only; there is no commitment center. <sup>5</sup> Data on the makeup of Illinois's committed population includes those awaiting commitment trials. <sup>6</sup> Pennsylvania's program is aimed exclusively at young offenders. <sup>7</sup> These states could not include some secondary costs, like transportation, security, food and facilities expenses; those costs are excluded from these figures. <sup>8</sup> Massachusetts's figure includes some legal expenses not included in other states' figures. <sup>9</sup> Most recent year available. <sup>10</sup> Nebraska's total budget figure includes those committed under earlier laws and some prisoners at the treatment center.