

Noble County Jail

Annual Report for

2014

Month	Number Admitted	Average Daily Population	Average Female Population	Average Male Population
January	167	157	34	123
February	134	159	28	130
March	204	149	20	129
April	189	136	22	114
May	171	151	24	127
June	149	154	24	130
July	192	150	23	127
August	166	138	15	123
September	163	135	16	119
October	146	142	13	129
November	134	136	12	124
December	148	135	16	119
Total For 2014	1963	145	21	124
Total For 2013	2046	150	26	124

There were a total of 439 female offenders booked into the Noble County Jail in 2014.

There were a total of 1524 male offenders booked into the Noble County Jail in 2014.

There were a total of 1963 intakes in 2014 a decrease of 83 intakes from the 2013 total of 2046. Female intakes were down as well in 2014 to 439 a decrease of 103 from the total number of females that were admitted in 2013 of 542. Including new arrests and carry over from previous year the average length of stay of a person incarcerated in the Noble County Jail was 25.39 days an increase from 2013 total 20.84.

In 2014 there were a total 4 juveniles in custody of the Noble County Jail. 2 juveniles were carried over from 2013 and 2 new juvenile intakes. This is a decrease from a total of 6 juveniles in 2013.

The number of beds in 2014 was recalculated for a total of 263 operational beds.

Top 10 Bookings for 2014

1. Operating a Vehicle while Intoxicated – 554
This includes both misdemeanor and felony level OWI as well as OWI under a controlled substance
2. Battery – 214
This includes misdemeanor and Felony levels of Battery as well as to law enforcement and strangulation.
3. Theft - 169
This includes both theft and conversion charges
4. Driving while Suspended – 165
5. Possession of Marijuana – 127
6. Possession of Methamphetamine – 107
7. Possession of Paraphernalia – 99
8. Resisting Law Enforcement – 92
This is all levels of Resisting law enforcement misdemeanor and felony
9. Operating a Vehicle Never Receiving License – 57
10. Visiting or Maintaining a Common Nuisance – 55

During 2014 there were 95 individuals that were booked into the Noble County Jail for Body Attachment Warrants.

During 2014 there were 63 individuals that were booked into the Noble County Jail for holds for other jurisdictions throughout Indiana and the United states. Those individuals had no local charges and were held only for the other jurisdictions.

Transports

	Number of Transports	Miles Driven
Gray, James	986	31,983
Norden, Tonya	974	30,992
Walters, Jeremy	155	8,326
	Total Transports 2,115	Total Miles 71,301

There were a total of 2115 transports conducted by transport officers driving 71,301 miles in 2014.

There were 896 video courts conducted in 2014 an increase of 18 more than in 2013.

In 2014 there were 86 less transports than in 2013, while driving 1053 miles more. This does not include the miles driven or the number of transports done by Jail Officers throughout the year. Throughout 2014 there were numerous transports done by Jail Officers as well as the Work Release Coordinator.

Training

Training hours were down for 2014 to a total of 891.5 hours for all confinement officers. That is an average of 31.8 hours of training per jail officer.

In 2014 3 Sergeants attended the Basic Police Leadership course at the Ligonier Police Department. This is a basic leadership course for front line supervisors and is designed to build leadership.

Also in 2014 Sergeant Renkenberger attended the Krav Maga instructors course this allows Sergeant Renkenberger to be a Defensive Tactics instructor for the department. Sergeant Renkenberger is continuing his training in Martial Arts and additional areas of Defensive Tactics.

In 2014 several officers attended the Indiana Sheriff's Association Summer Conference in Fort Wayne, attending classes on running a Constitutional Jail and inmate's rights. Several officers also attended the Advanced Jail Officers Training provided by the Indiana Sheriff's Association and hosted by the Elkhart County Sheriff's Department.

Current Programs Offered

- Alcoholics Anonymous (Men's and Women's)
- YWCA Battered Women's Group
- Jail Chaplains-Process Group, Worship Services
- Visiting Clergy
- GED / HSE
- Community Ministerial
- Work Release

HSE (formally GED) has continued to be very successful. In late 2014 Doris Baker retired and Tammy Campbell has taken over as the Instructor for the program. In 2014 there were 14 students that participated in the GED / HSE classes with 5 earning their degree.

Additional Information

The Noble County Jail has continued electronic data transfer with the Social Security Administration. In 2014 the Auditor's Office received \$10,000.00 to be deposited to the County General Fund for incentive payments for incarcerated individuals. This Program stops individuals who are incarcerated from receiving Social Security Benefits after being sentenced.

There were no in-custody deaths, disturbances or escapes in 2014.

There was an attempted Suicide in January of 2014. Jail staff performing hourly checks located the individual and successfully resuscitated the inmate. The Inmate was treated and released from the hospital and was referred to mental health staff.

In early 2014 there was a failure of the computer in Central Control. This computer operated doors, intercoms and security equipment. The computer had a temporary fix until the entire system could be updated. In September 2014 the computers in Central and Satellite were replaced and upgrades done to the PLC. This upgrade was able to bring the controls up to current specifications.

In 2014 there were 2 new jail officers hired to fill vacancies.

Staffing levels remained the same for 2014 with six (6) confinement officers per shift. A staffing analysis was conducted at the recommendation of the State Jail Inspector in 2014. This analysis was conducted by Bill Wilson who provides different consultation services for county jails throughout the state. The staffing analysis objectively looks at several factors in running a constitutional jail and providing for safe and secure environment for staff and offenders. The analysis looks at duties performed the amount of staff required as well as the amount of time to conduct each task. The analysis also looks at staff time off and the relief factor. After the staffing analysis was completed a recommendation was made that 12 additional jail officers be hired to overcome current staffing shortfalls.

Additional Jail Information Regarding Repairs and Upgrades

In 2014 the Controls were upgraded by Stanley Security. The jail operated on keys for about 1 day while the upgrade took place. The upgrades to the PLC and software brought the jail up to current configurations.

The jail is still in need of major upgrades to the video system. The majority of the cameras are original and have very poor image quality. The image makes it difficult for staff to detect problems via the video system.

Repairs are up on two way radios used in the jail. These radios are approximately 12 years old at this time and we are seeing more issues with the cases and electronics. The last 2 years about 4 radios a year have required additional service during the preventative maintenance checks. The two way radios will also need looked at in the near future for replacement.

The jail will still need to look for options with the SCBA tanks in Central Control. The tanks are reaching the end of their service life and will require being replaced.