

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WELFARE
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MONTHLY STATISTICAL REPORT
MINNESOTA STATE INSTITUTIONS
MARCH, 1966

As of March 31, 1966 there were 13,421 persons in residence the institutions under the Department of Public Welfare, These included 6,217 mental hospital patients (5,916 mentally ill and 301 inebriates), 5,894 in institutions for the mentally retarded (6,079 on the books), 717 nursing home patients, 286 in the School for the Deaf, 110 in Gillette Hospital, 87 in Braille and Sight-Saving School, 61 in Glen Lake State Sanatorium, and 49 in the Minnesota Residential Treatment Center.

During March, 1966 the populations of almost all institutions either showed little or no change or decreased slightly, with an overall decrease of 104. The mental hospital population decreased by 61, with 54 fewer mentally ill and seven fewer inebriates while the resident population of the institutions for the mentally retarded showed a net decrease of 30 during the month.

During the past year the overall institution population has dropped by 845, with the greatest decrease, 656, among mental hospital patients with 662 fewer mentally ill (a decrease of a little over ten percent) and six more inebriates in residence than a year ago. All mental hospitals except Willmar have smaller populations than a year ago. The institutions for the mentally retarded had 155 fewer patients in residence March 31, 1966 than March 31, 1965, with the greatest decrease at Cambridge and an increase at Brainerd. Gillette Hospital, Glen Lake State Sanatorium and the Minnesota Residential Treatment Center also have fewer patients than a year ago while Oak Terrace Nursing Home has had a small population increase. (See Table I.)

In the first nine months of fiscal year 1965-66 a total of 3,393 mentally ill patients have entered state hospitals, 3,510 have been released and 381 have died. Compared with the same period a year ago, 97 more patients have entered and 186 more have been released while there have been 52 fewer deaths in hospital. So far this year 1,580 mentally ill patients have been admitted on a voluntary basis, 189 more than during the same period last year. So far this year 56 percent of all mentally ill admissions have been on a voluntary basis compared with 51 percent during the corresponding period a year ago. Among first admissions 47 percent were voluntary this year compared with 42 percent last year, and among readmissions 69 percent were voluntary this year against 63 percent last year.

In the institutions for the mentally retarded turnover in population has been much lower so far this year than last. During the first nine months of fiscal year 1965-66 a total of 176 patients have entered these institutions, 210 have been released and 72 have died. The 130 first admissions so far this year is less than half (134 less) the number of first admissions during the first nine months of 1964-65. There have been nine fewer readmissions and returns from trial placement, 69 fewer releases and the same number of deaths so far this year as during the same period last year.

The state nursing home populations have shown little change so far this fiscal year. Between July 1, 1965 and March 31, 1966 a total of 98 have been admitted (44 less than during the same period last year), twelve have been discharged (30 less than last year) and 81 have died (seven more than last year). With presently available space filled, patients can be admitted to state nursing homes only as vacancies occur through discharge or death.

TABLE I: RESIDENT POPULATION - MINNESOTA STATE INSTITUTIONS - MARCH, 1966

| | Average Daily Resident Population March, 1966 | | Population Changes During March, 1966 | | Number of Resident Patients March 31, 1966 | | Change In Resident Population From: February 28 March 31 1966 | | |
|--|---|-------|---------------------------------------|----------|--|----------|---|----------|----------|
| | Total | Male | Female | Ent. (1) | Rel. (2) | Died (3) | Total | Male | Female |
| Total, all institutions | 13,432 | 7,036 | 6,396 | 731 | 753 | 60 | 13,421 | 7,017 | 6,404 |
| Total, Mental Hospitals (4) | 6,212 | 3,288 | 2,924 | 621 | 642 | 41 | 6,217 | 3,271 | 2,946 |
| Total, Mentally Ill (4) | 5,913 | 3,035 | 2,878 | 410 | 440 | 41 | 5,916 | 3,020 | 2,896 |
| Anoka | 773 | 399 | 374 | 76 | 83 | 9 | 781 | 399 | 382 |
| (Tb. Unit) | (35) | (27) | (8) | (-) | (1) | (-) | (35) | (27) | (8) |
| Fergus Falls | 1,152 | 614 | 538 | 44 | 79 | 3 | 1,135 | 604 | 531 |
| Hastings | 576 | 289 | 287 | 59 | 65 | 3 | 578 | 286 | 292 |
| Moose Lake (Mentally Ill) | 778 | 395 | 383 | 57 | 49 | 5 | 781 | 392 | 389 |
| Rochester | 688 | 321 | 367 | 109 | 88 | 6 | 698 | 325 | 373 |
| St. Peter | 1,227 | 565 | 662 | 20 | 34 | 10 | 1,221 | 561 | 660 |
| Minnesota Security Hospital | 147 | 147 | - | 11 | 10 | - | 146 | 146 | - |
| Willmar | 572 | 305 | 267 | 59 | 45 | 5 | 576 | 307 | 269 |
| Total, Inebriate Section (4) | 299 | 252 | 46 | 211 | 209 | - | 301 | 251 | 50 |
| Moose Lake | 66 | 66 | - | 46 | 45 | - | 60 | 60 | - |
| Willmar | 233 | 187 | 46 | 165 | 165 | - | 241 | 191 | 50 |
| Total, Mentally Retarded (5) | 5,906 | 3,184 | 2,722 | 23 | 23 | 8 | 5,894(6) | 3,183(6) | 2,711(6) |
| Brainerd | 1,326 | 738 | 588 | 7 | 5 | 3 | 1,325 | 738 | 587 |
| Cambridge | 1,556 | 828 | 728 | 5 | 14 | - | 1,557 | 829 | 728 |
| Lake Owasso (Annex to Cambridge) | 125 | - | 125 | 3 | 2 | - | 124 | - | 124 |
| Faribault | 2,686 | 1,496 | 1,190 | 11 | 15 | 5 | 2,672 | 1,491 | 1,181 |
| Owatonna | 183 | 122 | 61 | 2 | 1 | - | 186 | 125 | 61 |
| Shakopee | 30 | - | 30 | 2 | 1 | - | 30 | - | 30 |
| Braille & Sight Saving School | 87 | 54 | 33 | - | - | - | 87 | 54 | 33 |
| School for the Deaf | 286 | 153 | 133 | - | - | - | 286 | 153 | 133 |
| Gillette State Hospital | 114 | 51 | 63 | 66 | 74 | - | 110 | 49 | 61 |
| Minn. Residential Treatment Center (7) | 52 | 32 | 20 | 1 | - | - | 49 | 32 | 17 |
| Glen Lake State Sanatorium (8) | 58 | 39 | 19 | 11 | 5 | 3 | 61 | 41 | 20 |
| Ah-Gwah-Ching Nursing Home | 423 | 143 | 280 | - | - | 1 | 422 | 143 | 279 |
| Oak Terrace Nursing Home | 294 | 92 | 202 | 9 | 2 | 7 | 295 | 91 | 204 |
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1. Includes all admissions plus, for mental hospitals, returns from P.D., for mentally retarded returns from trial placement, and for individual mental hospitals and institutions for mentally retarded, permanent transfers in.
2. Includes all direct discharges and discharges from EV or UA, plus for mental hospitals, provisional discharges, and for mentally retarded, trial placements; and for individual mental hospitals and institutions for mentally retarded, permanent transfers out.
3. Includes deaths in institution only.
4. Figures for all periods prior to January, 1963, include Minnesota State Sanatorium tuberculosis and mentally ill patients.
5. Changes in total include St. Cloud A.D.U., which closed June 30, 1963.
6. Does not include 185 patients temporarily absent, 77 male and 108 female.
7. During the period February-September, 1961 there was no separate Children's Center.
8. Changes from 1961 are changes from State Sanatorium tuberculosis population.

TABLE III: INSTITUTIONS FOR MENTALLY RETARDED - POPULATION MOVEMENTS - MARCH, 1966

| | Total | Male | Female | Brainerd | Cam- bridge | Lake Owasso* | Fari- bault | Owa- tonna | Shak- opee |
|---|--------|-------|--------|----------|----------------|-----------------|----------------|---------------|---------------|
| Average daily population, March, 1966: | | | | | | | | | |
| On books | | | | | | | | | |
| In residence | 6,082 | 3,258 | 2,824 | 1,363 | 1,604 | 128 | 2,769 | 188 | 30 |
| Total population, March 31, 1966: | 5,906 | 3,184 | 2,722 | 1,326 | 1,556 | 125 | 2,686 | 183 | 30 |
| On books | | | | | | | | | |
| In residence | 6,079 | 3,260 | 2,819 | 1,366 | 1,604 | 126 | 2,764 | 189 | 30 |
| On trial placement | 5,894 | 3,183 | 2,711 | 1,325 | 1,557 | 124 | 2,672 | 186 | 30 |
| On extended visit | 139 | 54 | 85 | 30 | 39 | 2 | 65 | 3 | - |
| On unauthorized absence | 38 | 18 | 20 | 11 | 5 | - | 22 | - | - |
| On unauthorized absence | 8 | 5 | 3 | - | 3 | - | 5 | - | - |
| Major population changes during March: | | | | | | | | | |
| First admissions to state system | 16+1 | 10 | 6+1 | 2+1 | 3 | - | 9 | 2 | - |
| Readmissions | 4 | 2 | 2 | 4 | - | - | - | - | - |
| Returns from trial placement | 3 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 1 | - | 1 | - | - |
| Transfers in*** | 49 | 22 | 27 | 2 | 21 | 5 | 15 | 4 | 2 |
| Transfers out*** | 62 | 24 | 38 | 7 | 24 | 6 | 19 | 5 | 1 |
| Disch. from inst., ext. visit, and unauth. abs. | 3+1 | 1+1 | 2 | -+1 | 1 | - | 2 | - | - |
| Trial placements | 20 | 5 | 15 | 4 | 5 | - | 11 | - | - |
| Deaths in institution | 8 | 6 | 2 | 3 | - | - | 5 | - | - |
| Other significant changes during March: | | | | | | | | | |
| Extended visits | 51 | 28 | 23 | 15 | 10 | - | 26 | - | - |
| Unauth. absences from institution | 11 | 8 | 3 | - | 4 | - | 6 | 1 | - |
| Disch. from trial placement | 14 | 7 | 7 | 2 | 4 | 2 | 4 | 2 | - |
| Deaths on leave | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Reported 7-1-65 to 3-31-66 (fiscal year to date): | | | | | | | | | |
| First admissions to state system | 130+20 | 78+6 | 52+14 | 20+14 | 37+1 | - | 52+5 | 21 | - |
| Readm. plus ret. from trial placement | 46 | 25 | 21 | 10 | 18 | - | 12 | 6 | - |
| Releases** | 210+26 | 103+9 | 107+17 | 35+18 | 54+1 | 5 | 67+7 | 49 | - |
| Deaths in institution | 72 | 39 | 33 | 21 | 23 | - | 27 | - | 1 |
| Change from same period one year ago in: | | | | | | | | | |
| First admissions to state system | -134 | -82 | -52 | -39 | -47 | 0 | -36 | -9 | -3 |
| Readm. plus ret. from trial placement | -9 | +2 | -11 | -5 | -2 | 0 | -3 | +1 | 0 |
| Releases*** | -69 | -38 | -31 | -2 | -29 | +4 | -44 | +2 | 0 |
| Deaths in residence | 0 | -1 | +1 | -4 | +7 | 0 | -4 | 0 | +1 |
| Change 3-31-66 from 6-30-65 in population: | | | | | | | | | |
| On books | -186 | -86 | -100 | +74 | -180 | -2 | -47 | -34 | +3 |
| In residence plus temporary leave | -164 | -67 | -97 | +71 | -171 | -3 | -43 | -21 | +3 |
| On trial placement | -22 | -19 | -3 | +3 | -9 | +1 | -4 | -13 | 0 |

* Annex to Cambridge.

** Releases include discharges and trial placements either direct or from extended visit or unauthorized absence.

*** Includes 42 temporary medical transfers in and 47 temporary medical transfers out.

NOTE: Figures in small type are temporary placements. They are not included in the figures shown for regular admissions and discharges.