

decision of the board. Release conditions are the same as those for parole. An inmate may choose to remain in the institution to complete his sentence; if he later changes his mind he will be released on mandatory supervision.

The decision of the board about any inmate is based on reports it receives from the police, the judge and various people at the institution who deal with him. Reports may also be obtained from a psychologist or a psychiatrist. A community investigation is made to gather information about his family and background, his work record and his relationship with the community. These reports help the board assess whether the offender can lead a law abiding life.

In 1976 the board granted 2,136 full paroles. This number together with those already on parole meant that there were 5,694 inmates at liberty in Canada for part or all of the year. Similarly, with the granting of 2,027 day paroles there were 2,697 inmates on day parole during the year, and with 2,531 inmates released on mandatory supervision there were 4,245 offenders at liberty for part or all of the year. There were 336 revocations of full parole and 579 of mandatory supervision in 1976. A total of 1,976 day paroles were either terminated or completed. There were 444 forfeitures of full paroles, 56 of day paroles and 699 of mandatory supervision releases.

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