

Table 1: Violations of Conditions of Release, Number of Charges Disposed

		Violation of Conditions of Release, Total Charges, Disposed By Year and County, and Percent of all Charges									
		2012		2013		2014		2015		Totals	
		N	% of Total	N	% of Total	N	% of Total	N	% of Total	N	% of Total
County Charge Filed	ADDISON	71	6%	103	7%	62	6%	55	7%	291	7%
	BENNINGTON	802	28%	576	19%	552	21%	500	22%	2430	23%
	CALEDONIA	208	16%	237	13%	159	10%	177	15%	781	13%
	CHITTENDEN	575	9%	689	10%	625	8%	462	8%	2351	9%
	ESSEX	33	13%	42	19%	34	22%	6	4%	115	14%
	FRANKLIN	156	7%	122	6%	144	8%	134	8%	556	7%
	GRAND ISLE	5	3%	28	15%	12	6%	16	8%	61	8%
	LAMOILLE	73	7%	72	8%	91	10%	97	12%	333	9%
	ORANGE	22	3%	28	4%	50	8%	70	8%	170	6%
	ORLEANS	98	8%	97	8%	126	13%	51	6%	372	9%
	RUTLAND	274	8%	333	10%	320	11%	180	8%	1107	9%
	WASHINGTON	334	12%	241	10%	272	12%	163	9%	1010	11%
	WINDHAM	316	12%	307	11%	376	14%	462	19%	1461	14%
	WINDSOR	137	6%	181	7%	192	9%	161	8%	671	8%
Total		3104	11%	3056	10%	3015	11%	2534	11%	11709	11%

Overall, Violations of Conditions of Release accounted for 11% of all criminal charges disposed of in Vermont Superior Court, Criminal Division during the four year period of 2012 to 2015. Bennington County had the highest percentage of VCOR charges, with nearly one quarter of all criminal charges disposed for VCOR.

Table 2: Violations of Conditions of Release, Rate per 1,000 Adults

		Violations of Conditions of Release, Charges, People and Rate per 1,000 Adult Population											
		2012			2013			2014			2015		
		Charges	People	Rate	Charges	People	Rate	Charges	People	Rate	Charges	People	Rate
	ADDISON	71	42	1	103	81	3	62	52	2	55	37	1
	BENNINGTON	802	80	3	576	163	6	552	181	6	500	157	5
	CALEDONIA	208	58	2	237	140	6	159	103	4	177	83	3
	CHITTENDEN	575	268	2	689	536	4	625	497	4	462	378	3
	ESSEX	33	3	1	42	4	1	34	11	2	6	5	1
	FRANKLIN	156	80	2	122	100	3	144	108	3	134	101	3
	GRAND ISLE	5	4	1	28	22	4	12	11	2	16	9	2
	LAMOILLE	73	38	2	72	65	3	91	82	4	97	85	4
	ORANGE	22	18	1	28	22	1	50	38	2	70	46	2
	ORLEANS	98	48	2	97	64	3	126	81	4	51	39	2
	RUTLAND	274	123	2	333	252	5	320	262	5	180	137	3
	WASHINGTON	334	131	3	241	169	4	272	178	4	163	112	2
	WINDHAM	316	100	3	307	144	4	376	138	4	462	168	5
	WINDSOR	137	79	2	181	137	3	192	134	3	161	120	3
Total		3104	1072	2	3056	1899	4	3015	1876	4	2534	1477	3

This table illustrates the rate at which the adult population of the county is charged with Violations of Conditions of Release. The population calculations are based on 2012 estimates from the Department of Health. A person can be charged with VCOR more than once in a year, therefore this table is best interpreted as an estimate.

Table 3: Violations of Conditions of Release, Cases with only VCOR and No New Substantive Criminal Charge

		Total Cases with Violations of Conditions of Release, By County, With Number of Cases with Only Charges of VCOR Filed, By Percent of VCOR cases														
		2012			2013			2014			2015			Totals		
		Cases ¹	VCOR Only	%	Cases	VCOR Only	%	Cases	VCOR Only	%	Cases	VCOR Only	%	Cases	VCOR Only	%
	ADDISON	42	5	12%	81	33	41%	52	23	44%	37	14	38%	212	75	35%
	BENNINGTON	80	3	4%	163	114	70%	181	130	72%	157	112	71%	581	359	62%
	CALEDONIA	58	4	7%	140	96	69%	103	74	72%	83	64	77%	384	238	62%
	CHITTENDEN	268	16	6%	536	279	52%	497	230	46%	378	173	46%	1679	698	42%
	ESSEX	3	0	0%	4	1	25%	11	7	64%	5	4	80%	23	12	52%
	FRANKLIN	80	3	4%	100	49	49%	108	41	38%	101	40	40%	389	133	34%
	GRAND ISLE	4	0	0%	22	14	64%	11	5	45%	9	5	56%	46	24	52%
	LAMOILLE	38	0	0%	65	36	55%	82	54	66%	85	57	67%	270	147	54%
	ORANGE	18	0	0%	22	11	50%	38	22	58%	46	26	57%	124	59	48%
	ORLEANS	48	2	4%	64	29	45%	81	49	60%	39	20	51%	232	100	43%
	RUTLAND	123	12	10%	252	150	60%	262	179	68%	137	100	73%	774	441	57%
	WASHINGTON	131	8	6%	169	93	55%	178	115	65%	112	74	66%	590	290	49%
	WINDHAM	100	6	6%	144	80	56%	138	77	56%	168	100	60%	550	263	48%
	WINDSOR	79	5	6%	137	66	48%	134	64	48%	120	60	50%	470	195	41%
Total		1072	64	6%	1899	1051	55%	1876	1070	57%	1477	849	57%	6324	3034	48%

Table 3 attempts to capture the percent of criminal cases where VCOR was charged, but no other substantive criminal charge was also charged. It is possible that in cases where there was no substantive criminal charge, the defendant was charged only for a technical violation of the conditions of release.

¹ Case defined as all charges filed for arraignment against the defendant on the same day. This captures charges where another substantive crime was charged on the same day, but under a different docket number.

Table 4: Average Number of VCOR Counts per Case, By County

	Mean # Counts
Addison	1.37
Bennington	4.18
Caledonia	2.03
Chittenden	1.40
Essex	5.00
Franklin	1.43
Grand Isle	1.33
Lamoille	1.23
Orange	1.37
Orleans	1.60
Rutland	1.43
Washington	1.71
Windham	2.66
Windsor	1.43

Ninety three percent of cases had 3 or fewer VCOR counts per case. However, the range of number of counts was from 1 to 304 counts in one case. One percent of all cases had 10 or more charges of VCOR. A quick review of the dockets in the high count cases suggests that defendants are being charged a new charge for each day they are in violation of the conditions.