

TECHNICAL VIOLATOR PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY CORRECTION

The Department of Community Correction has three Technical Violator Programs, which are housed at the Southeast Center in Pine Bluff, the Southwest Center in Texarkana and the Omega Technical Violator Center in Malvern. The TVP was developed to correct the behavior of parolees who have violated their conditions of release but have not been charged with new offenses.

Females are housed at the Southeast Center, and males are housed at the Southwest Center or the Omega Center. They are eligible to sign a waiver to a 60 or 90-day program in lieu of remaining in the county jail or being returned to prison. The Parole Board has the authority to send offenders to a TVP if they do not waive.

The treatment program for TVPs is divided into the orientation, treatment and re-entry phases. Orientation ensures each offender is aware of program rules/regulations and its expectations. Failure to comply can result in transfer from the program to prison.

All TVP centers use *A New Freedom* curriculum, which is a comprehensive behavioral health and substance abuse treatment program for adult populations. Lesson plans, participant workbooks, videos and activities for individual and group sessions are provided. Programs are readily tailored to specific objectives, and many of these resources are available in gender-specific and Spanish versions. The resources are appropriate for individual use, and an extensive and comprehensive community reintegration component is provided.

Omega – 300 male beds

- Job Preparedness, Relapse Prevention, Victim Impact and the Certified Workability Program (offered through the College of the Ouachitas)
- NA/AA and Spiritual programming offered weekly by volunteers
- GED or Literacy courses are required for any resident without a GED

Southwest – 96 male beds

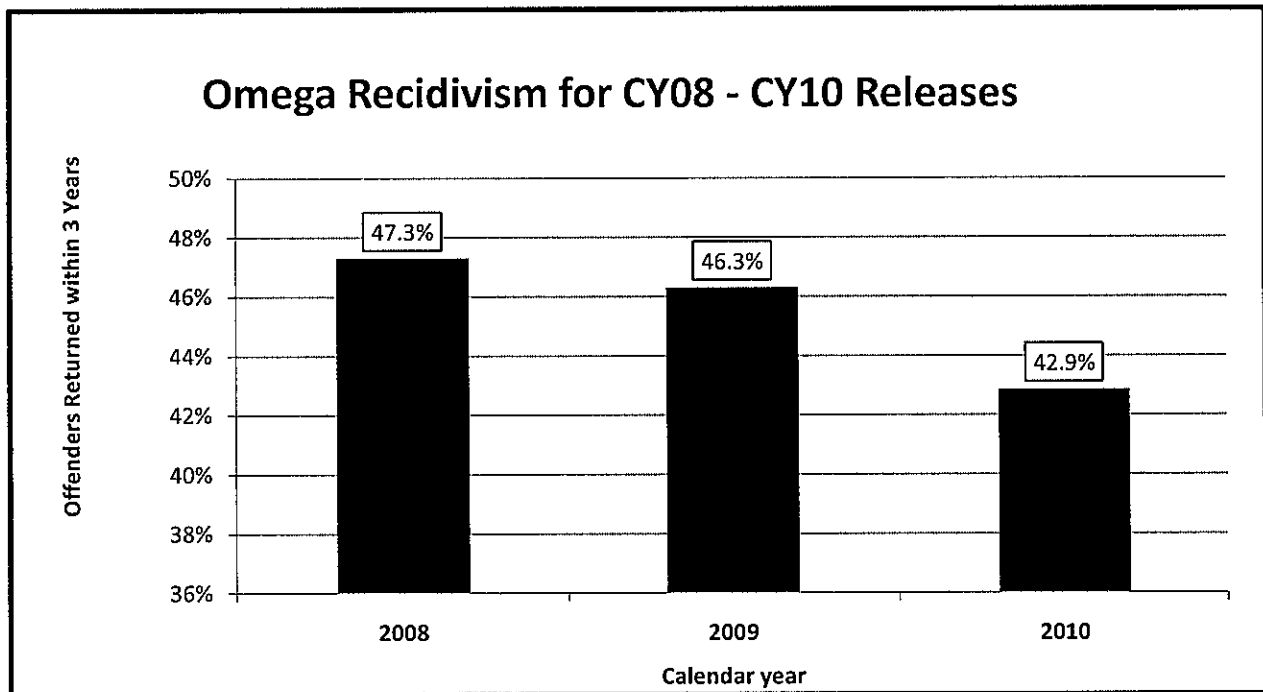
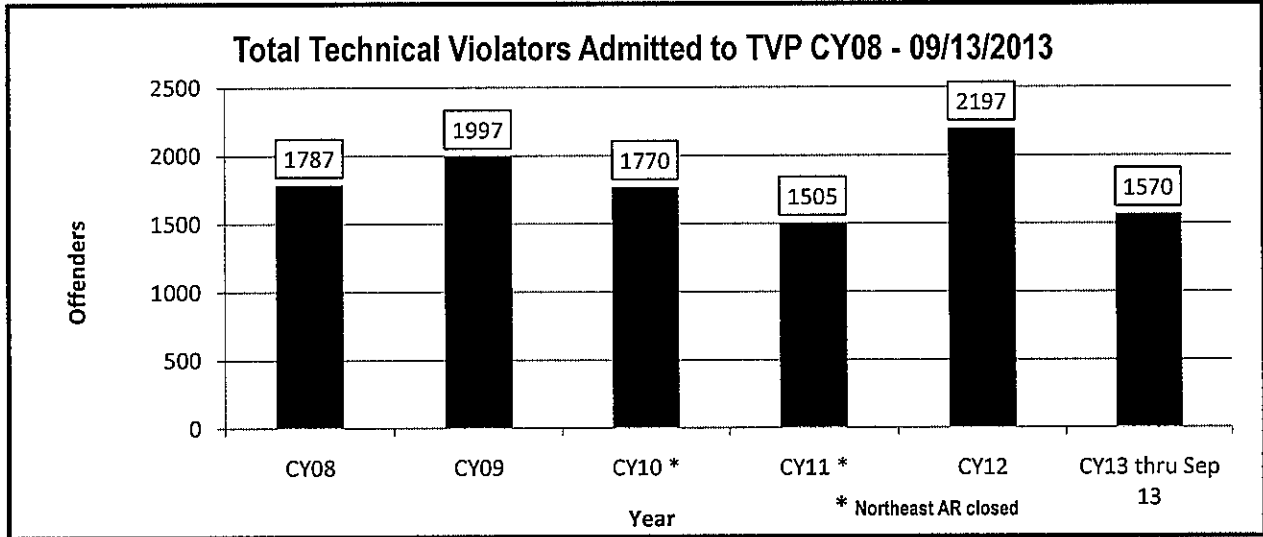
- Alcohol and Drug Education, Cognitive Behavior, Peer Group Support, Process Groups, Anger Management, Relapse Prevention, 12 Steps
- Special Topic Courses: Employment, Parenting, Problem Solving, Guilt/Shame and Remorse; Relationship Boundaries; Defining Strengths and Weaknesses; and Commitment to Change
- GED Program

Southeast – 75 female beds

- Cognitive Behavior Therapy, Life Skills, Relapse Prevention, Community Work Crews, Peer Support and Process groups
- Spiritual support
- GED program

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	2008	2009	2010
Released	1,593	1,613	1,610
Returned	754	747	690
Rate	47.3%	46.3%	42.8%