

Auburn Prison Psychological Evaluation Reports B0065

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Overview of the Records

Repository: New York State Archives

Summary: This series consists of psychologists' reports of the mental

conditions of incarcerated individuals and recommendations for work assignments. Folders usually include psychologists' examination report, guidance and recommendation form; most files also include Auburn Prison Classification Clinic Psychologists' Report. Information includes the incarcerated individual's name; number; date admitted; age; intelligence

score; general adaptability score; personality traits; handedness;

language used in home; birthplace; parents' birthplace;

education; years in U.S.; mental and educational ages; I.Q. and

other test results; and impressions.

Creator: Auburn Prison

Title: Psychological evaluation reports

Quantity: 1.5 cubic feet

Inclusive Date: approximately 1935-1942

Series: B0065

Arrangement

Alphabetic by name of incarcerated individual.

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Scope and Content Note

These are reports by psychologists of the mental conditions of incarcerated individuals and recommendations for work assignments. The Correction Law required classification clinic staff to determine the physical and mental condition of people sent to prison.

A folder for each incarcerated individual usually contains a psychologists' guidance and recommendation form, giving the date; name, number, and age; intelligence score; general

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adaptability score; what work he could do best; work desired; and personality traits. Most files also include an Auburn Prison Classification Clinic Psychologists' Report, giving date; consecutive number; by whom referred; age; handedness; language used in home; birthplace; birthplace of father and mother; school grade completed; years in U.S.; years in north; mental age; I.Q.; results of tests; and remarks.

The folders may also contain psychologists' examination reports giving name and number; date admitted; date of test; examiner; age; mental age; rating; school grade completed; scholastic achievement; education age; test results; comments on test findings; and impressions. There are also some checklists of jobs preferred. The folders usually contain results of tests such as the Army Group Examination of Stanford Language and Arithmetic tests.

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Other Finding Aids

Available at Repository

Container list is available at the repository.

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Use of Records

Access Restrictions

Summary information on adult incarcerated individuals is disclosable under law. State Archives staff will review records containing probation, parole, medical, and juvenile criminal history data and disclose information pursuant to the Freedom of Information Law and Personal Privacy Protection Law. The identity of victims of sex crimes is not disclosable. Unless a specific law forbids disclosure indefinitely, all records must be disclosed after 75 years.

Access Terms

- Diagnosing
- Reports
- Prison psychology
- Correctional institutions

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- Prisons
- New York (State)
- Mental health
- Imprisonment
- Criminal justice, Administration of
- New York (State). Department of Correctional Services
- New York (State). Department of Correction
- Auburn Correctional Facility