

Iowa  
State Board of Medical Examiners

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January 10, 1983

The Honorable Tom Slater, Chairman  
The Honorable Thomas Swartz, Chairman  
Senate and House Committees on State  
Government  
Iowa State Legislature  
State Capitol Building  
Des Moines, Iowa 50319

Dear Senator Slater and Representative Swartz:

This report is submitted in compliance with Section 258A.4(2) of the Code of Iowa.

A. The Board of Medical Examiners filed its rules relating to the duties of the Board on November 29, 1978, and these rules became effective on March 29, 1979.

Administrative rules adopted in 1982 relating to the duties of the Board of Medical Examiners are as follows:

1. Health 470-132.1 and 12(147A) "Advanced Emergency Medical Care". Extended the completion date of the EMT-D study program to December 31, 1982.
2. Health 470-136.5(148C) "Medical Examiners". Allows the Board to waive the three month period of direct supervision of a P.A. under certain circumstances when the P.A. is to be used in a remote clinic. Effective date was March 10, 1982.
3. Health 470-136.3, 4 and 11(148C) "Medical Examiners". Sets fees and provides for temporary and regular approval of physicians assistants and provides for biennial renewal of certification. Effective date was July 1, 1982.
4. Health 470-135.102(147) "Medical Examiners". Established dates for application to take FLEX examination and eliminated a free second examination if the first examination was failed. Effective date was July 2, 1982.
5. Health 470-135.102(147) "Medical Examiners". Established the requirements for taking the FLEX examination. Effective date was August 11, 1982.



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- 6. Health 470-135.204(147) "Medical Examiners". Prohibits the use of pre-signed prescriptions and the use of rubber stamps on prescriptions. Effective date was August 11, 1982.
- 7. Health 470-135.102(1) (147) "Medical Examiners". Set fees for taking the FLEX examination. Effective date was December 29, 1982.
- 8. Health 470-132.3(147A) "Medical Examiners". Set fees for certification and renewal of Advanced Emergency Medical Technicians. Effective date was December 29, 1982.
- 9. Health 470-132.12(147A) "Medical Examiners". Extends completion date for the EMT-D Study Program to December 31, 1983. Effective date was December 30, 1982.

B. Disciplinary Caseload

(1) Cases carried forward	
January 1, 1982 -----	456
(2) Cases opened in 1982 -----	290
(3) Cases closed in 1982 -----	278

C. Total number of cases open as of

January 1, 1983 ----- ~~468~~ 476.

D. Categories of complaints received during the year 1982.

Drug related -----	37
Alcohol related -----	2
Ethics and conduct -----	22
Competency -----	16
Mental problems -----	1
Insurance reports -----	175
License discipline from other states -----	9
Violation of probation -----	3
Practicing without license -----	20
Background -----	5
Total complaints received -----	<u>290</u>

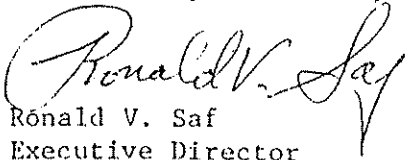
E. Categories of complaints closed during calendar year 1982.

	Total Number Closed	No Action	Sanction	Referred to Other Agencies
Drug related	47	14	33	
Alcohol related	7	4	3	
Ethics & Conduct	27	15	12	
Competency	33	19	14	
Mental problems	5	3	2	
Insurance reports	123	113	9	1
Lic. Disc. other states	6	0	6	
Violation of probation	2	1	1	
Practice without license	16	8	7	1
	<u>266</u>	<u>177</u>	<u>87</u>	<u>2</u>

Note: In addition, ten files were found to be duplicate files and closed and two files were closed when the physicians involved died. A total of 278 files were closed in 1982.

F.	Peer Review Committee Disciplinary Actions -----	0
G.	Judgements and settlements reviewed or investigated by the Board -----	130
H.	Number of formal disciplinary proceedings commenced before the Board or Court -----	22
I.	Number and type of sanctions imposed by the Board:	
	1. Permanent injunction prohibiting the practice of medicine (District Court) -----	1
	2. License revocations -----	3
	3. Licenses voluntarily surrendered -----	5
	4. License suspended three months and placed on five years probation -----	1
	5. License suspended six months and then placed on five years probation -----	1
	6. Licenses placed on five years probation -----	7
	7. Licenses placed on three years probation -----	1
	8. Licenses denied -----	4
	9. Licensee denied controlled drug privileges -----	1
	10. Licensee fined \$1000 and his controlled drug registration removed -----	1
	11. Licensee restricted to giving physicals only -----	1
	12. Licenses placed in indefinite suspension -----	1
	13. Licensees receiving letters of warning -----	64
	TOTAL	87
J.	Number and status of appeals to court ----- (Note: One appeal to District Court was dropped before the Court heard the case.)	0
K.	Number and type of Peer Review Committees registered by the Board -----	12
L.	Number of physicians who are in a probationary or restricted practice who function under the supervision of the Board as of December 31, 1982 -----	25

Respectfully submitted,



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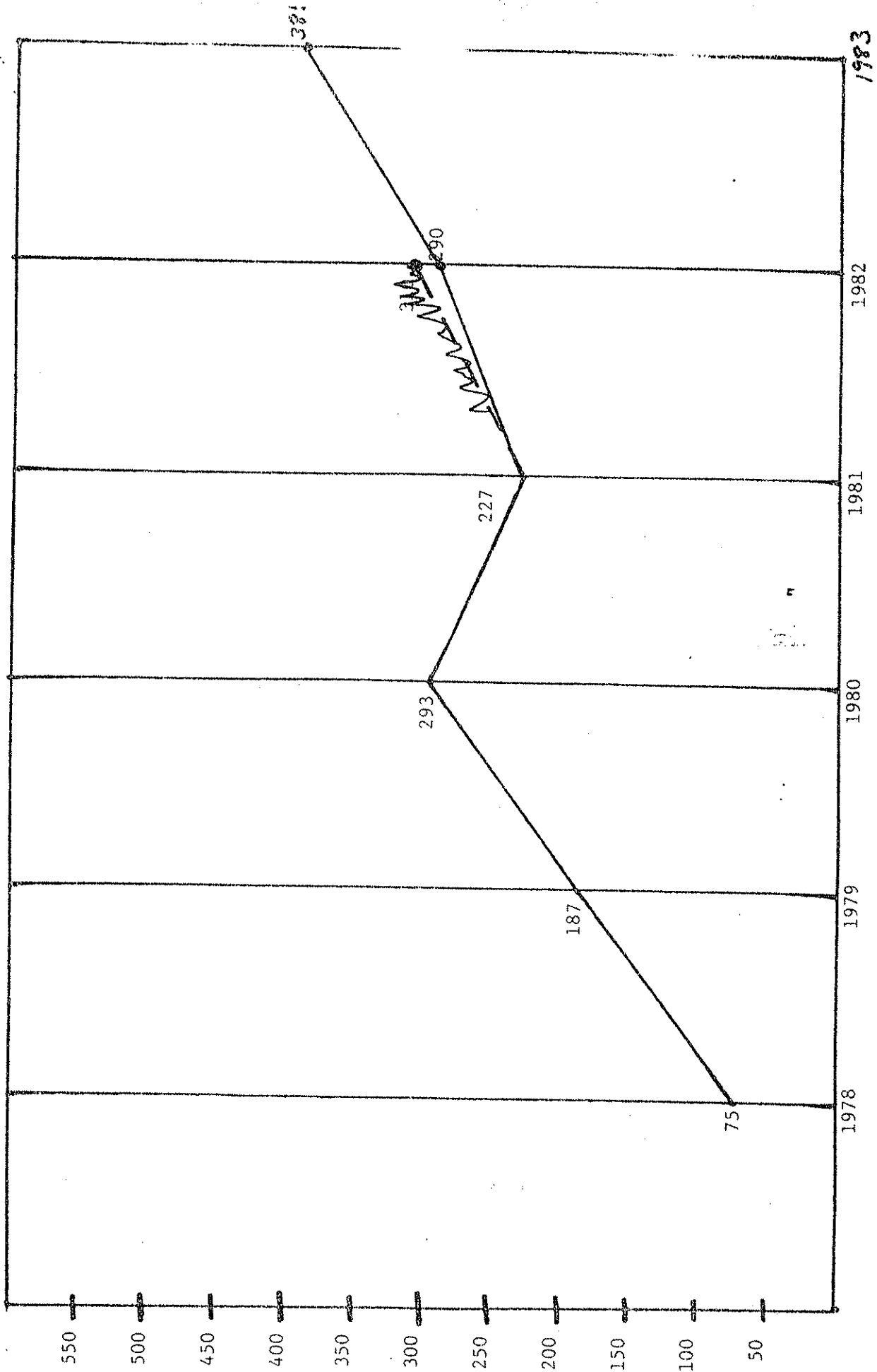


TABLE #1  
COMPLAINT FILES OPENED

--- Projected  
— Actual

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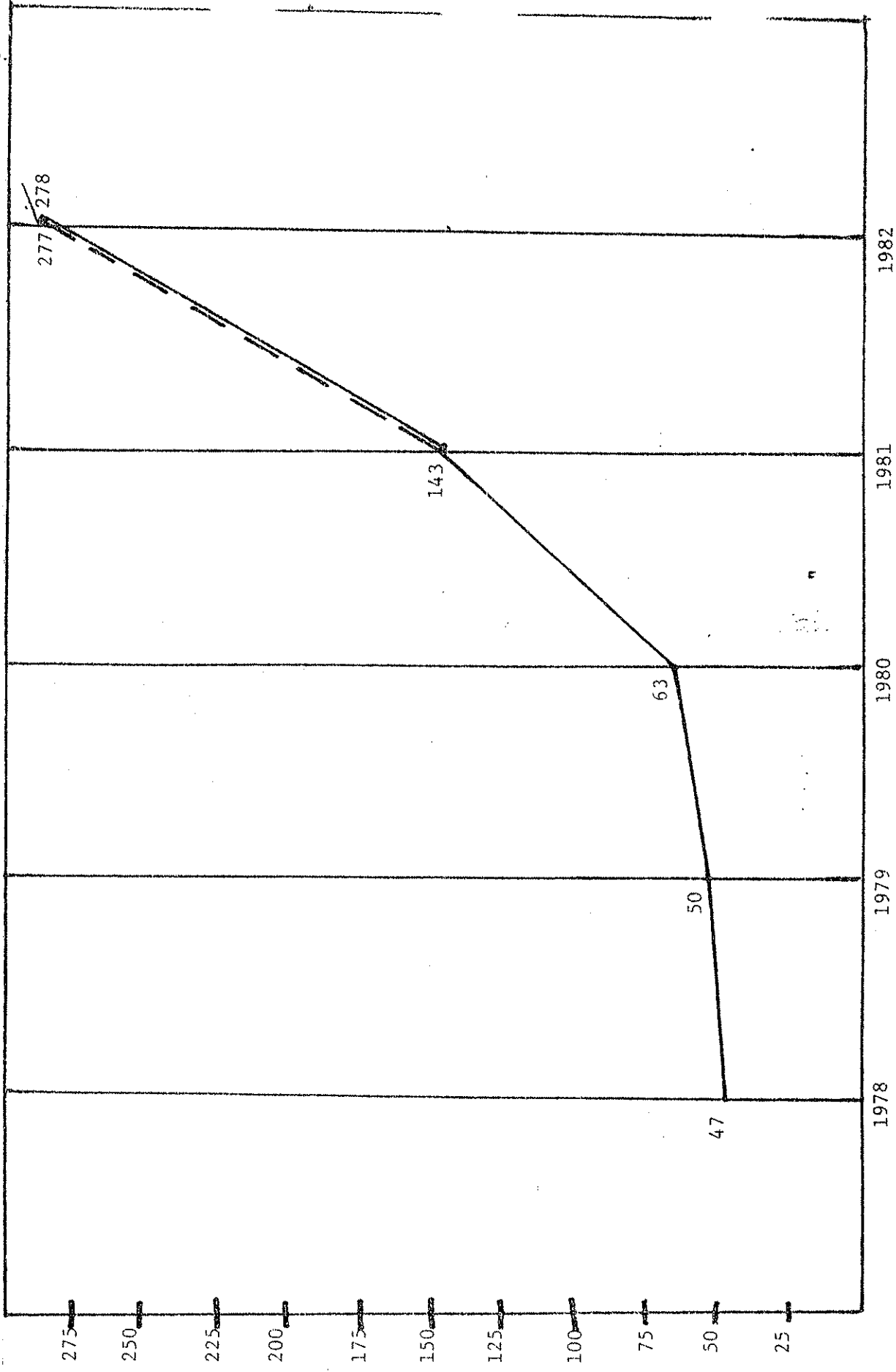
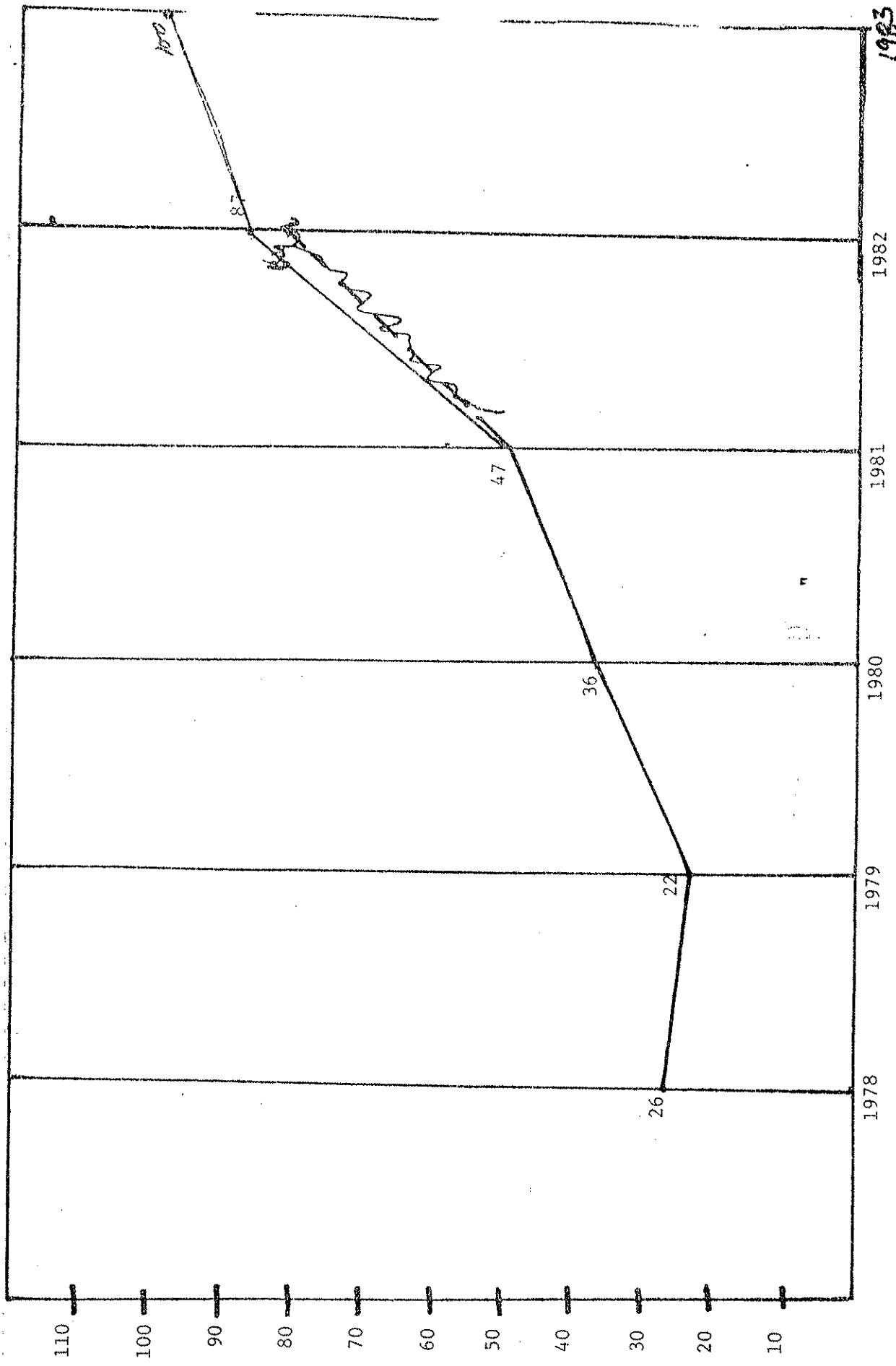


TABLE #2  
COMPLAINT FILES CLOSED

--- -- Projected  
—— Actual



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TABLE #3  
 SANCTIONS ISSUED

1978 1979 1980 1981 1982 1983

110  
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90  
80  
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60  
50  
40  
30  
20  
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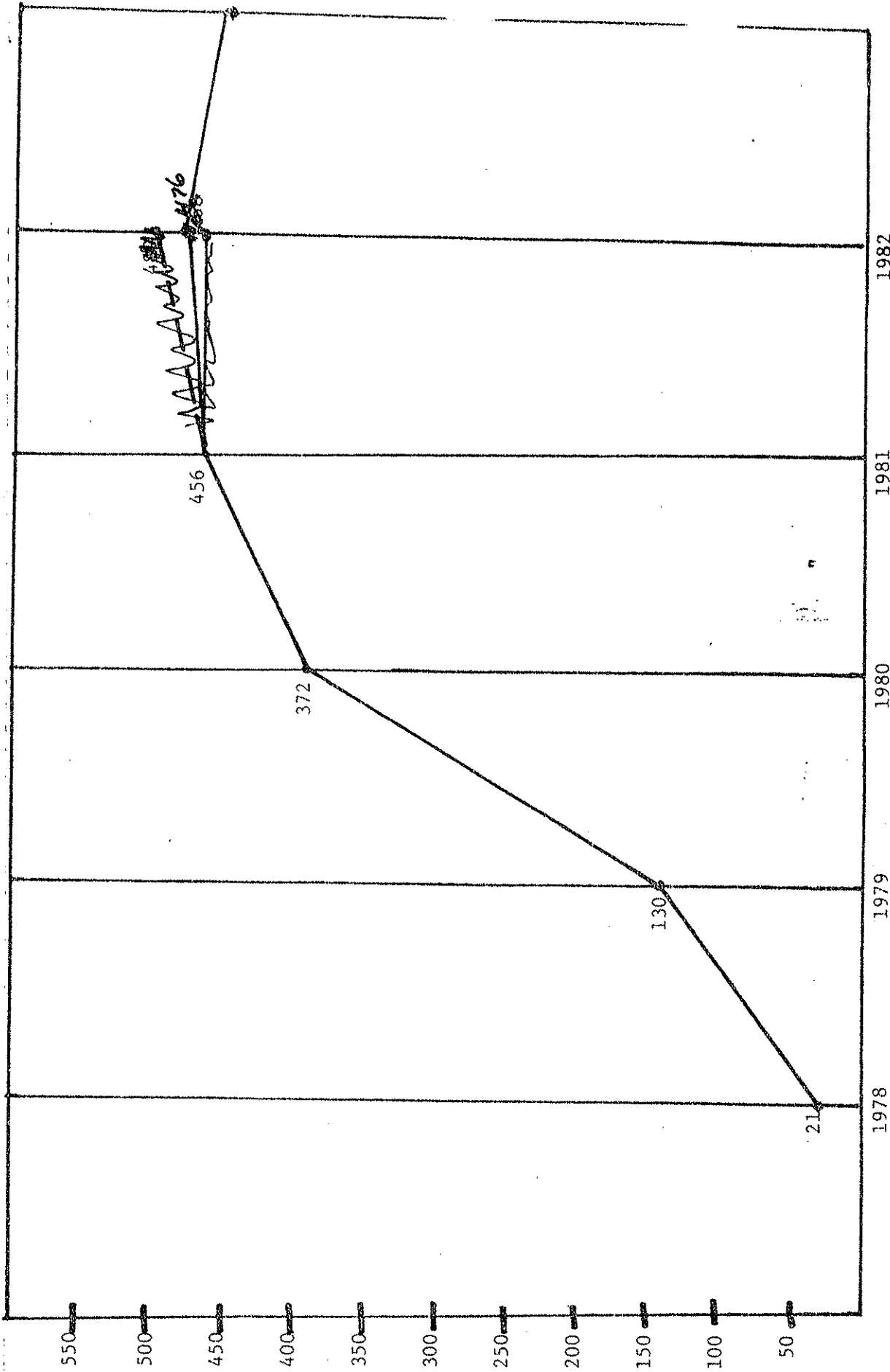


TABLE #4  
BACKLOG OF FILES

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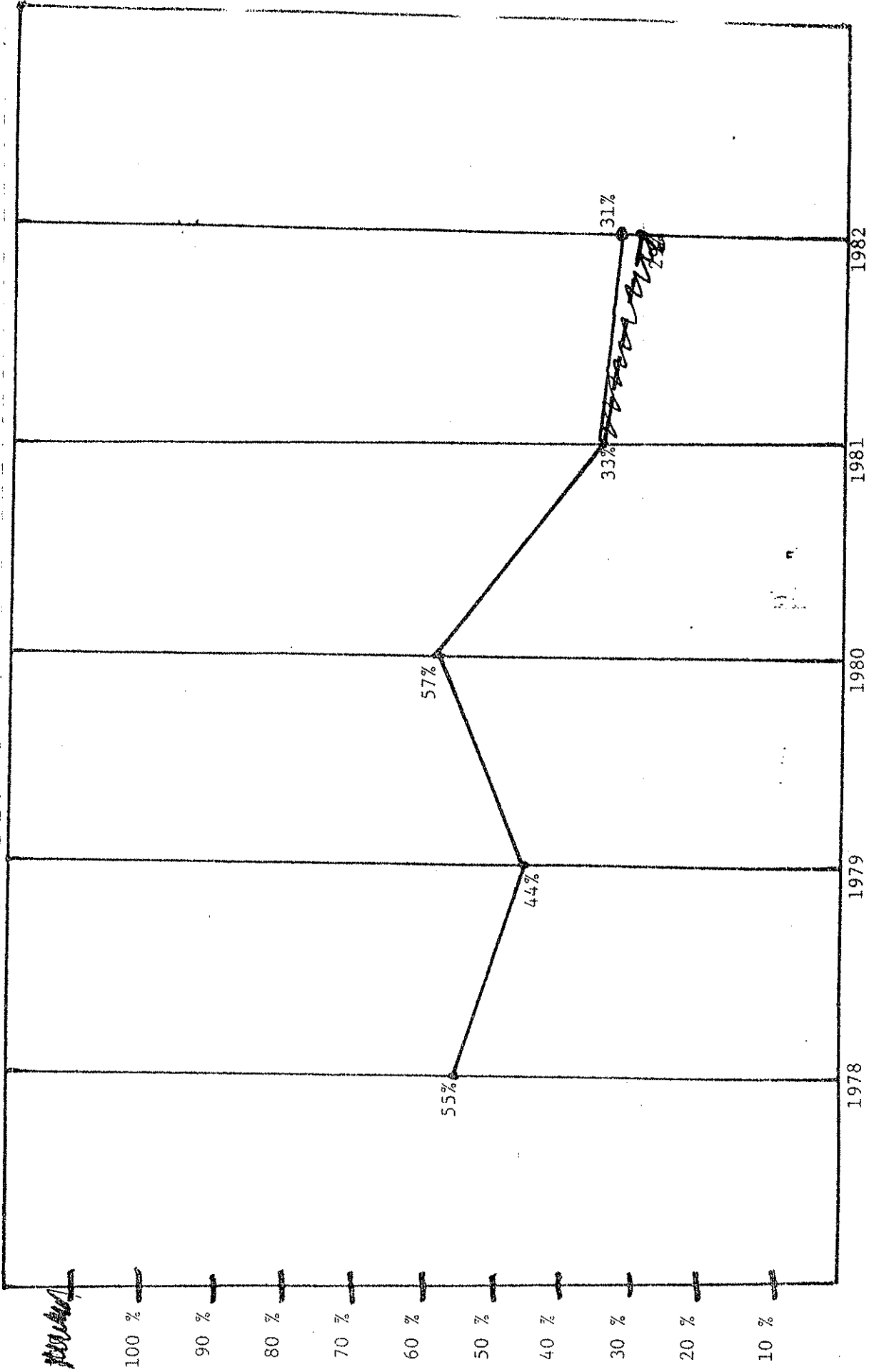


TABLE #5  
 PERCENTAGE OF CASES CLOSED WITH SANCTIONS

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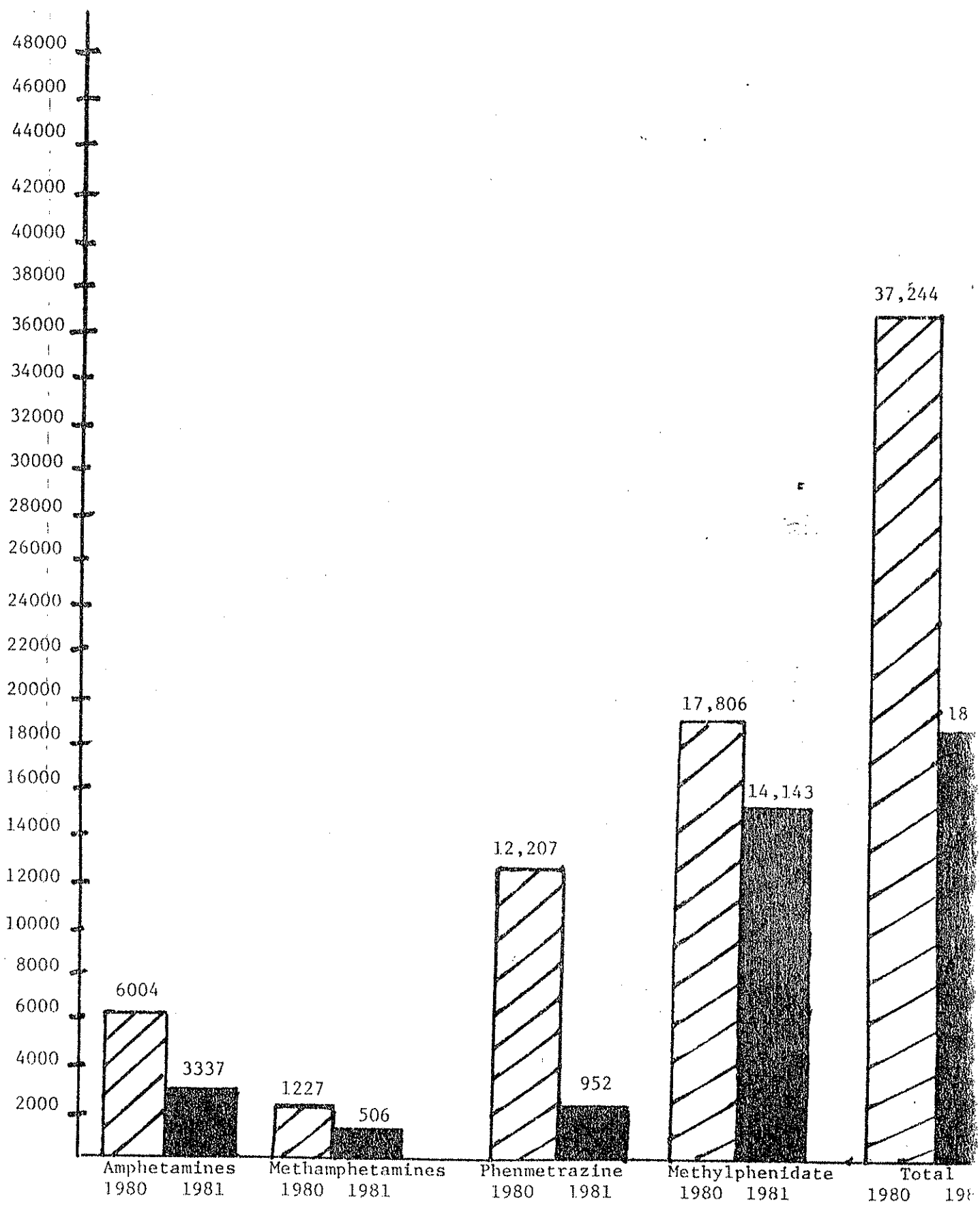


TABLE #6  
ANORECTIC DRUG USAGE IN IOWA 1980-1981

TOTAL NUMBER OF FEDERATION LICENSING EXAMINATIONS (FLEX) PER YEAR

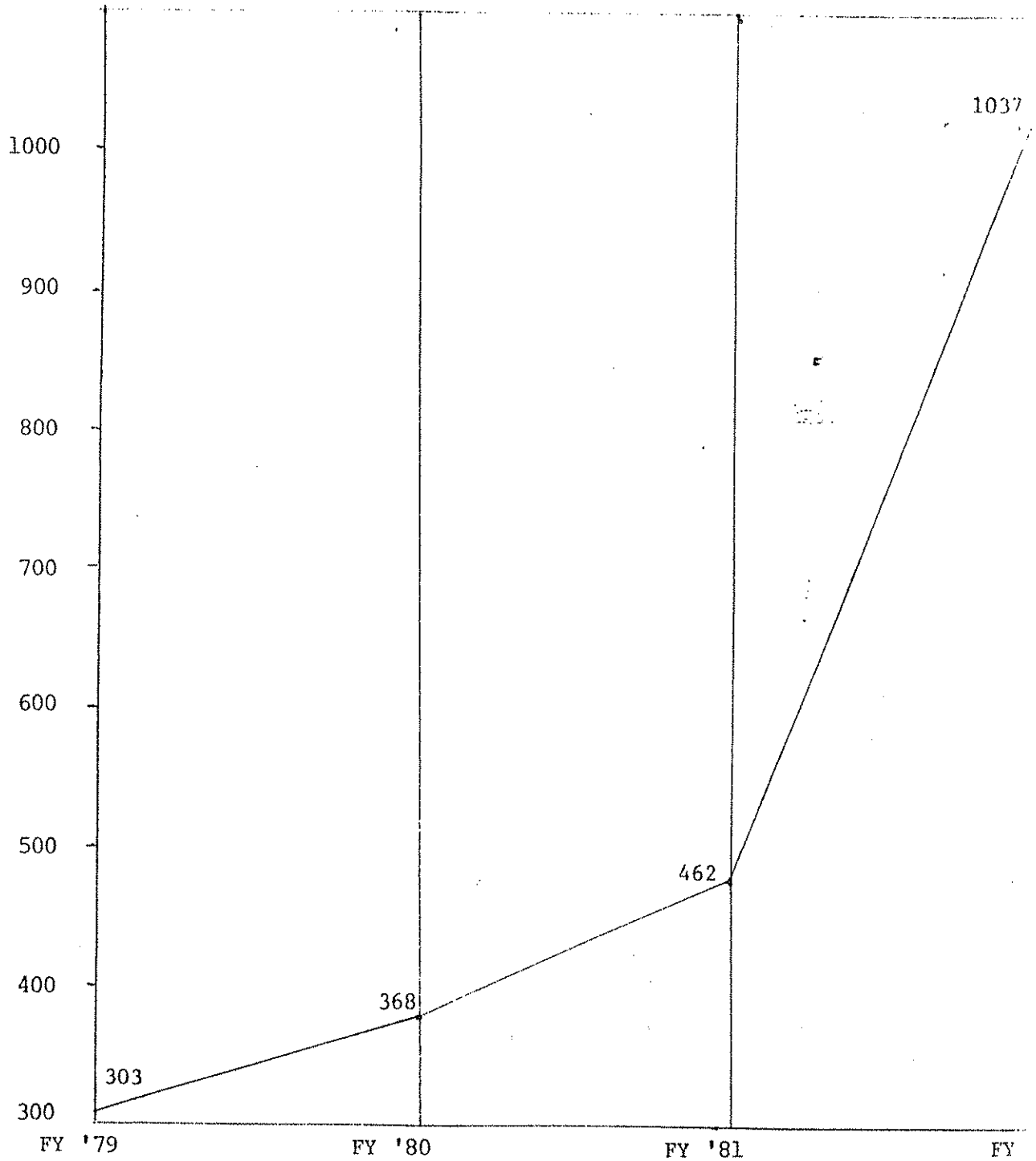
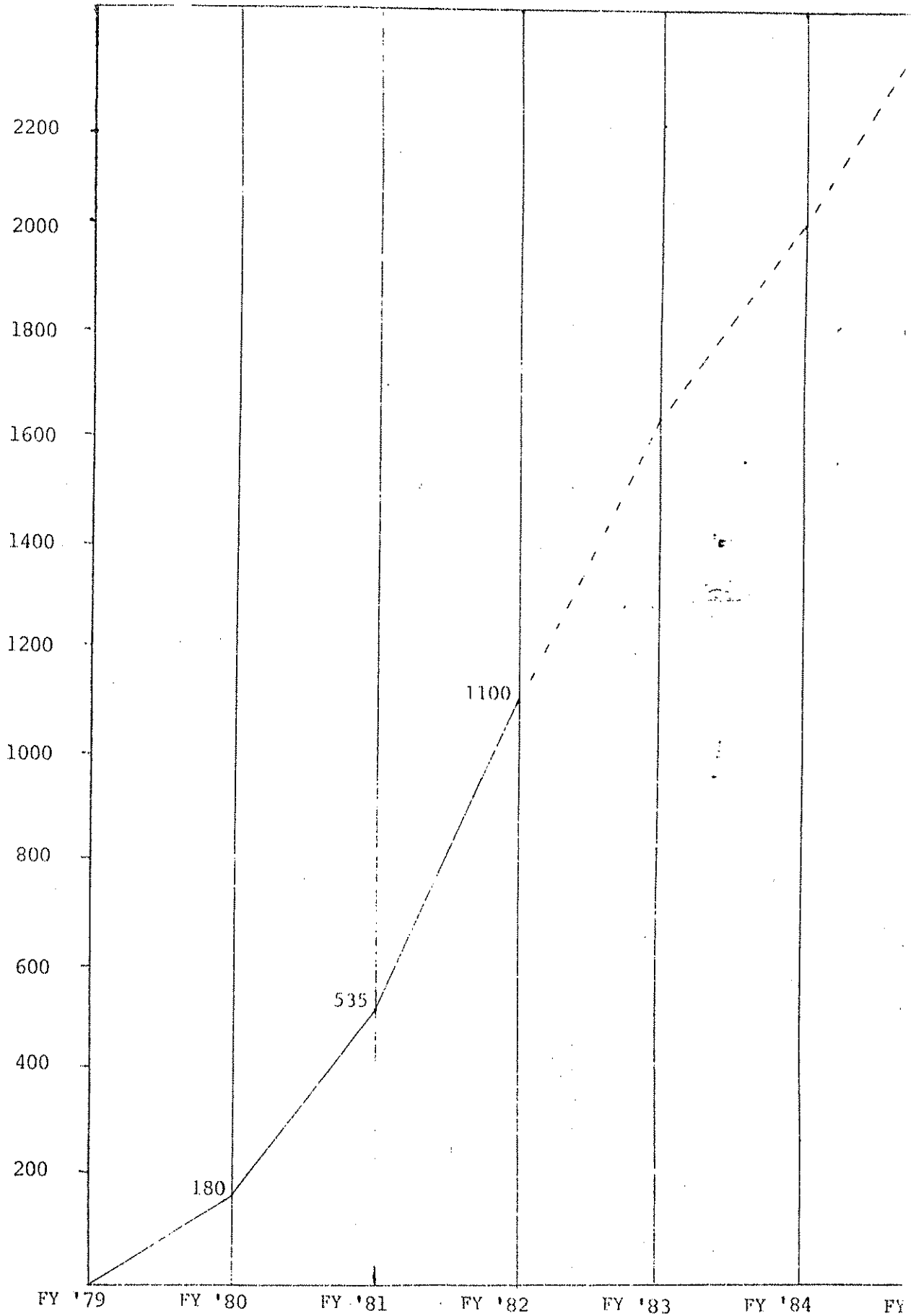


TABLE #7

ADVANCED EMT & PARAMEDIC CERTIFICATION



Actual = —————

Estimated = - - - - -

Total advanced EMT's and paramedics certified.

TABLE #8