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Results: 1. For the first nine weeks of each group, dropout rates were:

- Group 1: Less than 5%
 - Group 2: 16%
 - Group 3: 19%
2. A sharp rise in the dropout rate (to over 20%) in the second 9 weeks for the First group, making it equal to the other 2 groups, occurred; this change was concomitant with the rapid increase in enrollment of the total center
 3. The eight dorms in Groups 1 had a high retention rate for the first 9 weeks; furthermore, the dorms in Group 2 had a low dropout rate for the first 5 weeks, although they were filled more quickly. After June 30 the entire sample had a much higher dropout rate.
 4. Therefore, the sudden increase in size of the whole camp, and the lessened emphasis on peer group enforcement programs, caused an increase in dropout rate in all 3 groups.

Further Information: Evaluation and Research Branch, Job Corps