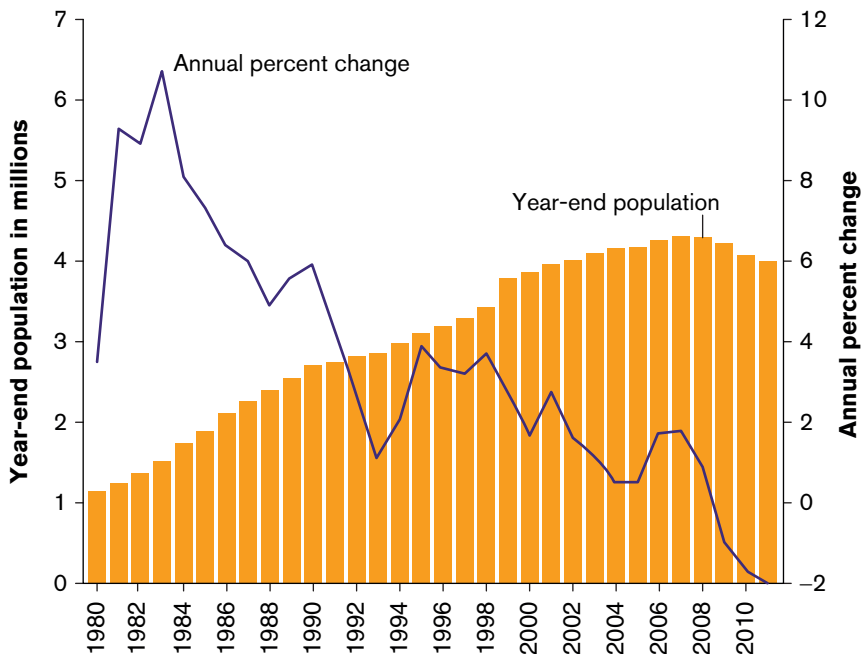


Figure 10.3 ■ Adults on Probation at Year End, 1980–2011



In recent years, the population serving a probationary status has decreased. What advantages does this bring to the taxpayer? What disadvantages? If you were a policymaker, would you sing the praises of this trend? Or would you campaign to change it?