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As I was reading the textbook *American Corrections*, the chapter had focused on probations and the types that were exhibited and how successful they were. As I was watching one of the videos about Riverside County and how they implemented kiosk machines in terms of reporting. The video explained that the machines helped with the load of work that probation officers had to deal with and how the machines had helped in terms of self-reporting. It had a 91% success rate in terms of reporting which is considerably very good considering that these were mainly low risk or no risk clients. While I was reading the textbook, I wanted to determine if probation is actually successful to these clients and with the studies that are done – it seems to work. “A few case factors predicted the likelihood of new criminal behavior (carrying guns or using drugs or alcohol) but, overall, the entire sample exhibited a large and abrupt reduction in criminal activity immediately following being placed on probation” (Reisig, 223) which means that

it lowered the risk of criminality and with self-reporting, it shows that it less risky and in both ways are working.