

Only 24% of Week-2 is Training?

76% of our time does not make Marines.

Schedules, facilities and capacities must improve.

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"There's not enough training time" is a myth



- The 12-week Schedule is a strategic gift.
- We waste most of the time we have.
 - In Week-2, only **24%** of time is training.
 - In Week-5, only 14% of time is training.
 - Week-6, -7, and -8 are equally low
- Schedule decisions are critical.

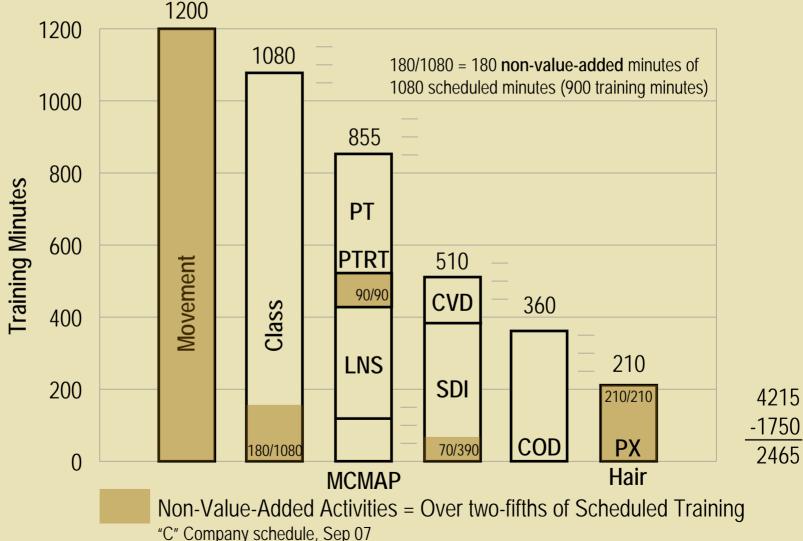
 Facilities decisions are training decisions.

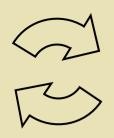
 Capacity decisions are haphazard.



Week-2: 4215 Training Minutes of 10,080 Only 2465 minutes make Marines: 24%







Week-2: Insights

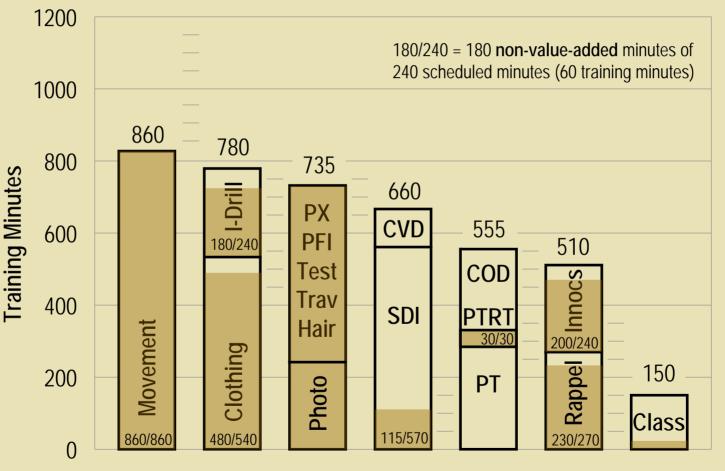


- *Movement:* (20) hours of non-training
- All movement is waste. All buses are waste.
 - Distant central facilities *increase* movement
 - Poor schedule decisions increase movement
 - Zig-zag: classroom to haircuts to theater
 - Once you go somewhere, stay there: Bring the trainers and the chow to the recruits.
- Recruit Jones was transformed during 2465 minutes of Week-2: 24%



Week-5: 4250 Training Minutes of 10,080 Only 1420 minutes make Marines: 14%





4250 -2830 1420



Non-Value-Added Activities = Two-thirds of Scheduled Training "B" schedule, Dec 07





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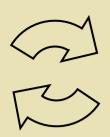
- Serial Events train two or three recruits at a time: Over (30) hrs of non-training.
- All waiting is waste. All lines are waste.
 - Inoculation, Rappelling, Clothing, Initial Drill:
 (200) minutes versus (1290) scheduled
 - Serial Event execution increases waiting
 - Large size of units increases waiting
 - Capacity of event *increases* waiting
- Movement: (14) hours of non-training
- Recruit Jones was transformed during 1420 minutes of Week-5: 14%



What is to be Done?



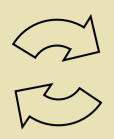
- Analyze one week to find movement waste
 - Schedule less movements, more effectively
 - Use facilities more effectively
 - Decentralize training facilities and instructors
 - Stay put: bring trainers, bring chow, to recruits
- Execute *serial events* more effectively
 - Standardize: Smaller units, more rotations
 - Increase and standardize capacity of each event:
 "Pool: 40 recruits qualify in one hour."
 - "Armory: 25 recruits per window per hour."



Train 20% more Recruits on 20% More Tasks with 20% Less People in 20% Less Time



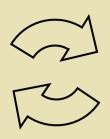
- Re-Design Swimming. 85% pass in 4 hours.
- Re-Design Team week. Cut Overtraining.
- Schedule fewer turnovers to cut delays.
- Find waste *inside* events. Combine events.
- Increase DI instructor responsibilities.
- Use local classrooms to cut movements.
- Standardize unit size and event throughput.
- Cut non-training events and visits.
- Train leaders to recognize waste.



Why Save Hours?



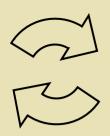
- More quality training for the Marine Corps
 - Recruits are better-trained on existing tasks
 - New tasks, new instruction can be added
 - More recruits can be trained
- Less ad-hoc, off-schedule, irregular events
- Saves Marine instructor man-hours
- Save money, Saves Civilian FTE
- Stronger entry-level training process



(1) Hour = Half a Million Dollars



- (1) recruit training hour costs ~\$25.00
 - \$52,326 training cost per recruit / 86 days =\$608 per day / 24 hours =\$25 / hour
- (1) training hour x 19,500 recruits per year
 - = \$487,500

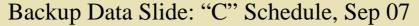


Handouts For Further Information



- Learn to See Waste
- Lean Training Ideas
- The concepts of *waste* and *value-added* are part of the *Lean Manufacturing* discipline:
 - Lean Thinking
 - Lean for Dummies
 - Lean Six Sigma for Service

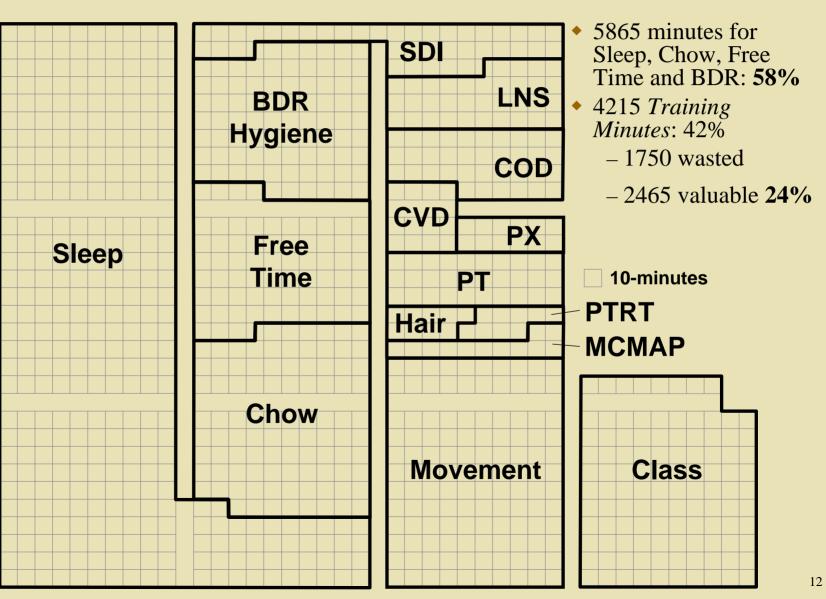
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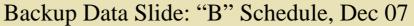




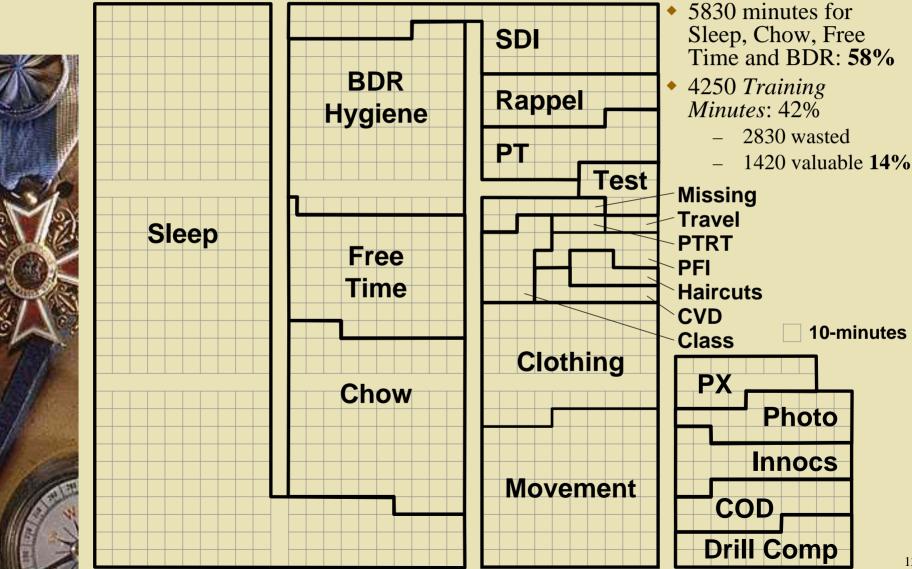
Week-2: 10,080 Minutes



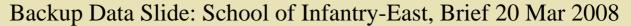




Week-5: 10,080 Minutes









All Transportation is Waste



- FY07: SOI-E drove 550,881 vehicle miles
 - At 15mph average on-base:
 - -550,881 miles = 2,203,524 minutes driving
- 36,725 Hours of wasted time
 - Plus waiting, loading, and unloading
- How many man-hours?
- How much training could have been done?

Low Percentage Training Days at Parris Island
Extracts from Series Commander's Log Books, 1st RTBn 2007

T-Day	Date	Unit	Training Event	Scheduled	Actual	Percent Training	Notes on Individual Rct Training Time
TD-10	070330	D	Shots / Haircuts / Remedial Training	0530-1200			Shots 11m + Haircuts 1m = 12m of training in 300m [4%] then 90m of non-value-added remedial training
TD-10	070330	D	COD / SDI Time	1230-1630			120m of COD in the afternoon 232m training this day in 600m [35%]
TD-13	080603	С	Movement / Chow	1130-1230	1030-1230	None	Finish MCMAP at 1030. Move <i>past</i> RTF to chow hall, then back. Move 20m + chow 20m in 120m.
TD-17	070407	D	History IV	1030-1200	1030-1110		40m of class 50m of COD
TD-20	070411	D	Pool: Brief / CWS-4	1300-1700		25%	Majority of Rcts ~85% qualify in 60m Remediation goes 24 more hours through TD-25
TD-23	070414	D	SDI Time / Core Values	1330-1630		33%	Actually 60m CV, 2h COD
TD-24	071217	B Lead	Gas Chamber	180m	105m	58%	Individual Rct training much less
TD-24	071217	B Lead	Rappel Tower	270m	150m	55%	Individual Rct 1m on Rappel tower + instruction
TD-24	071217	B Foll	Haircuts	60m	14m	23%	(Move 10m), Wait 19m, Haircuts 14m 1m per Rct [2%]
TD-24	071217	B Foll	Gas Chamber	180m	219m	Exceeded Schedule	(Move 44m), Wait 67m, Gear issue 29m, Class 86m, Gas 37m. 100m per Rct
TD-24	071217	B Foll	Rappel Tower	255m	82m	32%	(Move 9m), Gear issue 9, Class 40m, Wait 99m, Rappel Entire Series 42m (1m per Rct x 4 stations)
TD-26	071219	B Foll	Photos	240m	176m	73%	Entire Series 176m, Each Rct 11m [5%]
TD-26	070418	D	Photos	1300-1700 240m	1300-1500 120m	50%	11m per Rct [5%] 120m COD to fill time
TD-26	070419	D	O-2 Clothing	0700-1700	0700-1700		33m per Rct [6%]
TD-27	071220	B Lead	O-2 Clothing	540m	240m	44%	300m unused
TD-27	071220	B Foll	PX Call	120m	0941-1015 34m	28%	(Move 10m), Wait 29m, PX Call 34m
TD-27	071220	B Foll	Photo	240m	84m	35%	Each Rct 11m [5%]

T-Day	Date	Unit	Training Event	Scheduled	Actual	Percent Training	Notes on Individual Rct Training Time
TD-28	071221	B Lead	Inoculations	240m	75m	31%	Unused 165m Each Rct 11m [5%]
TD-28	071221	B Foll	PFI	90m	24m	27%	(Move 19m), Wait 49m, PFIs 24m
TD-28	071221	B Foll	Inoculations	240m	53m	22%	(Move 9m), Wait 81m, Inoculations 53m Each Rct 11m [5%]
TD-50	070516	D	Table 2	0600-1630	0845-1200	31%	Done five hours early
TD-51	070517	D	BWT: Combat Moves	0700-1700	0700-1500	80%	Done two hours early Wait five hours (including chow) for night class
TD-52	070518	D	BWT: IA Drills / Assault	0700-1630 570m	0700-1430 450m	79%	Done two hours early
TD-63	070531	D	Performance Testing	0700-1100 240m	0700-0830 90m	38%	Done 2.5 hours early Each Rct 16m [6%]

"B" Series Commanders' Notes on TD-24 through TD-2	8 Trends
"B" Lead (5) Events: TD-24 through TD-28, December 2007:	Serial Events, where 1 recruit trains at each of a limited number of stations, are the worst time-wasters:
Total Training Time Scheduled: 24:30 1470m Total Time Training 10:00 600m [41%] Total Time Wasted 14:30 870m [59%]	Haircuts = 1m Pugil Sticks = 19m Rappel = 51m Inoculations = 11m Photo = 11m
"B" Follow: 182 Recruits (9) Events: TD-24 through TD-28, December 2007:	Prac App Test = 16m SAW = 5m AT-4 = 6m
Total Training Time Scheduled: 1785m Total Time Used 1242m	O-Course = 4m
Total Time Wasted 543m	Also Confidence Course, Orders, Pay Bills, and Travel. Recruits train during small slice of multi-hour training blocks. Reduce the scheduled unit to
Training Activities 843 [47%] Waiting 399 [22%]	platoon (not company), increase the capacity of each event, and repeat the event multiple times.
Movement Time 117m	2. Waiting, for units, for instructors, for transportation, wastes time. Complex schedules, with too many organizations, are the fault.