

**MOST SERIOUS OFFENSE\* OF  
INMATES ADMITTED TO SCDC FY 2009**

OFFENSE CLASSIFICATION	BLACK MALES		BLACK FEMALES		WHITE MALES		WHITE FEMALES		OTHER MALES		OTHER FEMALES		TOTAL	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
DANGEROUS DRUGS	1,823	24.7%	127	18.5%	452	11.5%	129	15.9%	85	23.2%	8	34.8%	2,624	19.9%
BURGLARY	1,036	14.0%	35	5.1%	844	21.4%	78	9.6%	42	11.4%	2	8.7%	2,037	15.4%
ASSAULT	803	10.9%	62	9.1%	398	10.1%	31	3.8%	54	14.7%	0	0.0%	1,348	10.2%
TRAFFIC OFFENSE	481	6.5%	46	6.7%	376	9.5%	71	8.8%	64	17.4%	3	13.0%	1,041	7.9%
LARCENY	402	5.5%	63	9.2%	295	7.5%	57	7.0%	9	2.5%	1	4.3%	827	6.3%
ROBBERY	624	8.5%	15	2.2%	137	3.5%	27	3.3%	17	4.6%	0	0.0%	820	6.2%
FRAUDULENT ACTIVITY	213	2.9%	156	22.8%	211	5.4%	157	19.4%	3	0.8%	5	21.7%	745	5.6%
FAMILY OFFENSE	301	4.1%	28	4.1%	242	6.1%	53	6.6%	10	2.7%	1	4.3%	635	4.8%
OBSTRUCTING POLICE	249	3.4%	19	2.8%	108	2.7%	32	4.0%	18	4.9%	0	0.0%	426	3.2%
STOLEN VEHICLE	208	2.8%	7	1.0%	149	3.8%	19	2.3%	7	1.9%	0	0.0%	390	3.0%
FORGERY/COUNTERFEITING	137	1.9%	61	8.9%	97	2.5%	74	9.1%	4	1.1%	2	8.7%	375	2.8%
WEAPON OFFENSE	288	3.9%	3	0.4%	55	1.4%	1	0.1%	5	1.4%	0	0.0%	352	2.7%
SEX OFFENSES	126	1.7%	3	0.4%	138	3.5%	4	0.5%	12	3.3%	0	0.0%	283	2.1%
HOMICIDE	175	2.4%	8	1.2%	64	1.6%	14	1.7%	11	3.0%	0	0.0%	272	2.1%
SEXUAL ASSAULT	107	1.5%	0	0.0%	116	2.9%	2	0.2%	13	3.5%	0	0.0%	238	1.8%
STOLEN PROPERTY	64	0.9%	7	1.0%	55	1.4%	8	1.0%	1	0.3%	0	0.0%	135	1.0%
KIDNAPPING	87	1.2%	2	0.3%	32	0.8%	3	0.4%	2	0.5%	0	0.0%	126	1.0%
ACCESSORY TO FELONY	71	1.0%	4	0.6%	27	0.7%	5	0.6%	1	0.3%	0	0.0%	108	0.8%
DAMAGED PROPERTY	41	0.6%	5	0.7%	45	1.1%	2	0.2%	1	0.3%	0	0.0%	94	0.7%
CRIMINAL CONSPIRACY	45	0.6%	6	0.9%	19	0.5%	4	0.5%	1	0.3%	0	0.0%	75	0.6%
ARSON	16	0.2%	1	0.1%	25	0.6%	3	0.4%	2	0.5%	0	0.0%	47	0.4%
FLIGHT/ESCAPE	22	0.3%	2	0.3%	10	0.3%	5	0.6%	1	0.3%	0	0.0%	40	0.3%
INVASION	10	0.1%	8	1.2%	10	0.3%	1	0.1%	2	0.5%	0	0.0%	31	0.2%
POSSESSION OF TOOLS	12	0.2%	0	0.0%	8	0.2%	1	0.1%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	21	0.2%
SMUGGLING	8	0.1%	2	0.3%	2	0.1%	4	0.5%	1	0.3%	0	0.0%	17	0.1%
COMMERCIALIZED SEX	0	0.0%	5	0.7%	0	0.0%	12	1.5%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	17	0.1%
PUBLIC PEACE	4	0.1%	1	0.1%	5	0.1%	3	0.4%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	13	0.1%
CRIME AGAINST PERSON	1	0.0%	6	0.9%	2	0.1%	4	0.5%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	13	0.1%
CONSERVATION	3	0.0%	1	0.1%	9	0.2%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	13	0.1%
OBSTRUCTING JUSTICE	6	0.1%	0	0.0%	1	0.0%	2	0.2%	0	0.0%	1	4.3%	10	0.1%
MISPRISON TO FELONY	5	0.1%	0	0.0%	1	0.0%	1	0.1%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	7	0.05%
DRUNKENNESS	4	0.1%	0	0.0%	1	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	5	0.04%
MISCONDUCT IN OFFICE	1	0.0%	1	0.1%	0	0.0%	1	0.1%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	3	0.02%
MISCELLANEOUS CHARGES	2	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	2	0.0%
GAMBLING	0	0.0%	1	0.1%	1	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	2	0.02%
EMBEZZLEMENT	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	1	0.1%	1	0.3%	0	0.0%	2	0.0%
OBSCENE MATERIAL	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	2	0.1%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	2	0.02%
HABITUAL OFFENDER	1	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	1	0.01%
LICENSE VIOLATION	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	1	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	1	0.01%
TAX REVENUE	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	1	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	1	0.01%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>7,376</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>685</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>3,939</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>809</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>367</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>13,199</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

\*Highlighted areas indicate most common offenses for each demographic group. Inmates often are committed to SCDC with many offenses, with each carrying a specific sentence, county of commitment, etc. To facilitate statistical reporting, SCDC determines a single "most serious offense" (MSO) for each inmate. Before August 2005, the offense with the longest sentence determined MSO. Effective August 2005, inmates' MSO is the offense with the highest severity level (i.e. offenses are classified between severity level 1 and 5, with 5 as the most severe). In cases where an inmate has multiple offenses at the same severity level, SCDC considers the category of each offense, where homicide offenses take precedence, followed by sex offenses and violent offenses. If multiple offenses exist within the same category, the offense with the longest sentence then determines MSO. Because of this definitional change, post-2005 MSO data cannot be compared to pre-2005 MSO data.

All percentages rounded.