MOST SERIOUS OFFENSE* OF INMATES
ADMITTED FISCAL YEARS 2016 - 2020

OFFENSE CLASSIFICATION	FY 2016		FY 2017		FY 2018		FY 2019		FY 2020	
	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%
DANGEROUS DRUGS	1,852	21.1%	1,795	21.5%	1,735	22.9%	1,805	24.5%	1,476	25.1%
BURGLARY	1,340	15.2%	1,152	13.8%	1,109	14.6%	963	13.1%	742	12.6%
ASSAULT	737	8.4%	665	8.0%	673	8.9%	643	8.7%	446	7.6%
LARCENY	758	8.6%	749	9.0%	589	7.8%	558	7.6%	461	7.8%
FAMILY OFFENSE	551	6.3%	592	7.1%	574	7.6%	628	8.5%	541	9.2%
ROBBERY	523	5.9%	525	6.3%	440	5.8%	428	5.8%	299	5.1%
TRAFFIC OFFENSE	518	5.9%	505	6.0%	365	4.8%	330	4.5%	260	4.4%
WEAPON OFFENSE	322	3.7%	308	3.7%	287	3.8%	280	3.8%	229	3.9%
STOLEN VEHICLE	282	3.2%	282	3.4%	264	3.5%	260	3.5%	189	3.2%
HOMICIDE	259	2.9%	260	3.1%	277	3.7%	242	3.3%	229	3.9%
FRAUDULENT ACTIVITY	316	3.6%	286	3.4%	201	2.7%	184	2.5%	131	2.2%
SEXUAL ASSAULT	181	2.1%	250	3.0%	234	3.1%	231	3.1%	199	3.4%
OBSTRUCTING POLICE	219	2.5%	188	2.2%	150	2.0%	124	1.7%	116	2.0%
SEX OFFENSES	234	2.7%	143	1.7%	140	1.8%	141	1.9%	115	2.0%
FORGERY/COUNTERFEIT	200	2.3%	159	1.9%	144	1.9%	137	1.9%	112	1.9%
KIDNAPPING	88	1.0%	101	1.2%	87	1.1%	76	1.0%	74	1.3%
STOLEN PROPERTY	91	1.0%	79	0.9%	60	0.8%	75	1.0%	52	0.9%
ACCESSORY TO FELONY	45	0.5%	46	0.6%	27	0.4%	40	0.5%	38	0.6%
ARSON	43	0.5%	30	0.4%	29	0.4%	34	0.5%	30	0.5%
DAMAGE TO PROPERTY	42	0.5%	51	0.6%	24	0.3%	19	0.3%	12	0.2%
FLIGHT/ESCAPE	24	0.3%	34	0.4%	31	0.4%	25	0.3%	23	0.4%
INVASION OF PRIVACY	35	0.4%	31	0.4%	12	0.2%	29	0.4%	25	0.4%
CRIMINAL CONSPIRACY	33	0.4%	21	0.3%	28	0.4%	25	0.3%	20	0.3%
SMUGGLING	26	0.3%	24	0.3%	20	0.3%	19	0.3%	16	0.3%
PROPERTY CRIME	16	0.2%	21	0.3%	10	0.1%	22	0.3%	12	0.2%
CRIME AGAINST PERSON	15	0.2%	12	0.1%	15	0.2%	8	0.1%	10	0.2%
PUBLIC PEACE	15	0.2%	13	0.2%	9	0.1%	10	0.1%	7	0.1%
POSSESSION OF TOOLS	9	0.1%	7	0.1%	9	0.1%	4	0.1%	8	0.1%
OBSTRUCTING JUSTICE	3	0.0%	5	0.1%	11	0.1%	5	0.1%	3	0.1%
CONSERVATION	5	0.1%	8	0.1%	5	0.1%	2	0.0%	3	0.1%
MISPRISON TO FELONY	3	0.0%	4	0.0%	8	0.1%	5	0.1%	2	0.0%
OBSCENE MATERIAL	3	0.0%	2	0.0%	2	0.0%	1	0.0%	3	0.1%
EXTORTION	2	0.0%	1	0.0%	3	0.0%	2	0.0%	2	0.0%
GAMBLING	1	0.0%	2	0.0%	1	0.0%	3	0.0%	0	0.0%
DRUNKENNESS	2	0.0%	0	0.0%	1	0.0%	2	0.0%	1	0.0%
COMMERCIALIZED SEX	1	0.0%	2	0.0%	1	0.0%	0	0.0%	1	0.0%
EMBEZZLEMENT	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	1	0.0%	2	0.0%	1	0.0%
MISCONDUCT IN OFFICE	0	0.0%	1	0.0%	0	0.0%	1	0.0%	2	0.0%
HABITUAL OFFENDER	1	0.0%	2	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
COMPUTER CRIMES	2	0.0%	0	0.0%	1	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
LICENSE VIOLATION	1	0.0%	1	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
TAX REVENUE	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	1	0.0%
TOTAL	**8,798**	**100%**	**8,357**	**100%**	**7,577**	**100%**	**7,363**	**100%**	**5,891**	**100%**

* Highlighted areas indicate most common offenses for each fiscal year. 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.

Note: Percentages may not add up due to rounding.