

**South Carolina Department of Corrections
Recidivism Rates of Inmates Released during FY2013 - FY2017**

	Year of Release				
	FY 2013	FY 2014	FY 2015	FY 2016	FY 2017
Total Number of Releases	9,623	9,485	9,354	9,147	9,305
Percentage of Releasees who Returned to SCDC:	Recidivism Rate by Year of Release				
	FY 2013	FY 2014	FY 2015	FY 2016	FY 2017
Within One Year or Less	6.2%	5.6%	5.8%	5.5%	5.0%
Within Two Years or Less	16.2%	15.2%	15.7%	14.2%	13.8%
Within Three Years or Less	23.1%	22.7%	22.3%	21.2%	20.2%
Within Four Years or Less	28.4%	27.6%	27.3%	n/a	n/a
Within Five Years or Less	31.8%	30.8%	n/a	n/a	n/a
Comparison of 3-Year Recidivism Rates by Inmate Attributes					
Attributes	FY 2013	FY 2014	FY 2015	FY 2016	FY 2017
Overall Rate	23.1%	22.7%	22.3%	21.2%	20.2%
Gender					
Males	24.1%	23.7%	23.1%	21.9%	21.1%
Females	15.2%	14.8%	16.2%	15.7%	13.6%
Type of Release					
Maxout (Expiration of Sentence)	19.0%	18.7%	18.6%	17.1%	17.4%
Parole	17.4%	19.0%	19.5%	16.8%	19.5%
Probation	32.2%	34.3%	31.3%	29.6%	27.0%
Community Supervision	14.7%	12.0%	12.9%	12.6%	10.2%
Supervised Reentry	36.1%	27.9%	25.1%	27.1%	22.0%
Youthful Offender Act* - Parole	37.7%	30.9%	31.9%	33.7%	36.1%
Youthful Offender Act* - Maxout	27.8%	25.0%	32.8%	24.7%	17.9%
Youthful Offender Act* - Intensive Supervision Parole	22.9%	28.9%	30.3%	30.6%	28.5%
Age at Release					
Under 25 Years	31.8%	28.5%	29.1%	31.4%	27.7%
25-30 Years	23.1%	23.4%	24.1%	20.7%	20.7%
31-40 Years	20.3%	21.9%	19.7%	21.3%	20.2%
Over 40 Years	19.8%	19.1%	19.2%	16.2%	15.7%
Program Participation					
Pre-Release	20.8%	20.8%	20.4%	19.9%	19.4%
Work Program	19.1%	22.6%	16.3%	15.8%	19.1%
Labor Crew	19.1%	21.9%	18.0%	17.4%	19.2%
Labor Crew/Work Program	19.1%	21.8%	18.0%	17.3%	19.2%
Prison Industry	13.5%	12.5%	13.4%	10.9%	11.7%
GED Earned in SCDC Education Program	21.7%	21.3%	17.3%	15.8%	15.3%
Sentence Type					
Youthful Offender Act*	35.6%	29.7%	30.8%	30.5%	29.4%
Straight-time	21.7%	21.9%	21.4%	20.3%	19.3%
Criminal History					
Had Conviction and/or Commitment	25.4%	25.6%	25.4%	22.8%	22.9%
Had Commitment	27.1%	26.8%	26.7%	23.4%	23.7%
No Known Priors	19.4%	18.0%	17.4%	18.6%	16.1%
Mental Health Classification at time of release					
Mentally Ill	25.9%	25.8%	24.4%	24.7%	20.6%
Non-Mentally Ill	22.8%	22.3%	22.1%	20.8%	20.1%

* Youthful Offender Act (YOA) inmates serve an indeterminate sentence of 1 to 6 years. "Intensive Supervision Parole" releases began in FY13; this parole program includes "first time" youthful offenders who undergo intensive programs/oversight while institutionalized and while on parole supervision.