

**MOST SERIOUS OFFENSE* OF INMATES
ADMITTED FISCAL YEARS 2019 - 2023**

OFFENSE CLASSIFICATION	FY 2019		FY 2020		FY 2021		FY 2022		FY 2023	
	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%
DANGEROUS DRUGS	1,805	24.5%	1,476	25.1%	907	23.3%	1,452	26.1%	1,641	28.6%
BURGLARY	963	13.1%	742	12.6%	559	14.3%	630	11.3%	581	10.1%
FAMILY OFFENSE	628	8.5%	541	9.2%	385	9.9%	479	8.6%	523	9.1%
ASSAULT	643	8.7%	446	7.6%	371	9.5%	485	8.7%	560	9.8%
LARCENY	558	7.6%	461	7.8%	249	6.4%	353	6.4%	326	5.7%
ROBBERY	428	5.8%	299	5.1%	223	5.7%	259	4.7%	269	4.7%
TRAFFIC OFFENSE	330	4.5%	260	4.4%	164	4.2%	284	5.1%	246	4.3%
HOMICIDE	242	3.3%	229	3.9%	151	3.9%	301	5.4%	306	5.3%
WEAPON OFFENSE	280	3.8%	229	3.9%	174	4.5%	210	3.8%	258	4.5%
SEXUAL ASSAULT	231	3.1%	199	3.4%	146	3.7%	217	3.9%	211	3.7%
STOLEN VEHICLE	260	3.5%	189	3.2%	129	3.3%	153	2.8%	139	2.4%
SEX OFFENSES	141	1.9%	115	2.0%	65	1.7%	135	2.4%	120	2.1%
FRAUDULENT ACTIVITY	184	2.5%	131	2.2%	63	1.6%	86	1.5%	102	1.8%
OBSTRUCTING POLICE	124	1.7%	116	2.0%	66	1.7%	98	1.8%	99	1.7%
FORGERY/COUNTERFEIT	137	1.9%	112	1.9%	49	1.3%	59	1.1%	45	0.8%
KIDNAPPING	76	1.0%	74	1.3%	29	0.7%	66	1.2%	59	1.0%
STOLEN PROPERTY	75	1.0%	52	0.9%	26	0.7%	46	0.8%	35	0.6%
ACCESSORY TO FELONY	40	0.5%	38	0.6%	16	0.4%	34	0.6%	35	0.6%
FLIGHT/ESCAPE	25	0.3%	23	0.4%	24	0.6%	32	0.6%	33	0.6%
ARSON	34	0.5%	30	0.5%	22	0.6%	19	0.3%	23	0.4%
INVASION OF PRIVACY	29	0.4%	25	0.4%	14	0.4%	27	0.5%	14	0.2%
SMUGGLING	19	0.3%	16	0.3%	9	0.2%	20	0.4%	22	0.4%
PROPERTY CRIME	22	0.3%	12	0.2%	14	0.4%	18	0.3%	17	0.3%
CRIMINAL CONSPIRACY	25	0.3%	20	0.3%	11	0.3%	12	0.2%	14	0.2%
DAMAGE TO PROPERTY	19	0.3%	12	0.2%	11	0.3%	20	0.4%	11	0.2%
PUBLIC PEACE	10	0.1%	7	0.1%	6	0.2%	27	0.5%	21	0.4%
CRIME AGAINST PERSON	8	0.1%	10	0.2%	4	0.1%	1	0.0%	8	0.1%
OBSTRUCTING JUSTICE	5	0.1%	3	0.1%	0	0.0%	13	0.2%	8	0.1%
POSSESSION OF TOOLS	4	0.1%	8	0.1%	5	0.1%	3	0.1%	4	0.1%
OBSCENE MATERIAL	1	0.0%	3	0.1%	0	0.0%	3	0.1%	5	0.1%
MISPRISON TO FELONY	5	0.1%	2	0.0%	1	0.0%	2	0.0%	1	0.0%
CONSERVATION	2	0.0%	3	0.1%	1	0.0%	1	0.0%	3	0.1%
MISCONDUCT IN OFFICE	1	0.0%	2	0.0%	0	0.0%	4	0.1%	1	0.0%
EXTORTION	2	0.0%	2	0.0%	0	0.0%	2	0.0%	1	0.0%
EMBEZZLEMENT	2	0.0%	1	0.0%	1	0.0%	0	0.0%	1	0.0%
DRUNKENNESS	2	0.0%	1	0.0%	1	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
GAMBLING	3	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	1	0.0%	0	0.0%
COMMERCIALIZED SEX	0	0.0%	1	0.0%	1	0.0%	0	0.0%	1	0.0%
MISCELLANEOUS CHARGES	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	1	0.0%	1	0.0%	0	0.0%
COSMETIC ADULTERATED	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	1	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
TAX REVENUE	0	0.0%	1	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
TOTAL	7,363	100%	5,891	100%	3,899	100%	5,553	100%	5,743	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.