#### South Carolina Department of Corrections Recidivism Rates of Inmates Released during FY2006 - FY2008

	Year of Release			
	FY 2006 FY 2007 FY 2			
Total Number of Releases	13,716	13,499	12,807	
Percentage of Releasees who Returned to SCDC:	Recidivism Rate by Year of Release			
	FY 2006	FY 2007	FY 2008	
Within One Year or Less	11.9%	13.1%	12.3%	
Within Two Years or Less	25.6%	25.7%	24.0%	
Within Three Years or Less	33.6%	33.5%	30.6%	

Comparison of 3-Year Recidivism Rates by Inmate Attributes								
Attributes	FY 2006	FY 2007	FY 2008					
Overall Rate	33.6%	33.5%	30.6%					
Gender	Gender							
Males	35.1%	35.1%	32.2%					
Females	22.3%	20.9%	18.5%					
Type of Release								
Maxout (Expiration of Sentence)	26.0%	25.6%	22.2%					
Parole	27.9%	26.3%	25.2%					
Probation	43.9%	43.5%	41.5%					
Community Supervision	32.6%	32.3%	24.9%					
Youthful Offender Act* - Parole	52.8%	54.1%	52.8%					
Youthful Offender Act* - Maxout	33.9%	40.4%	29.7%					
Age at Release								
Under 25 Years	45.1%	44.9%	43.2%					
25-30 Years	30.8%	31.0%	29.2%					
31-40 Years	31.7%	32.1%	28.2%					
Over 40 Years	27.2%	27.2%	23.3%					
Program Participation								
Pre-Release	31.5%	29.7%	25.0%					
Work Program	27.4%	24.8%	23.4%					
Labor Crew	28.8%	25.4%	23.3%					
Labor Crew/Work Program	28.6%	25.4%	23.3%					
Prison Industry	27.2%	26.4%	23.4%					
Addiction Treatment Unit (ATU)		34.6%	36.1%					
Shock Incarceration		46.8%	45.6%					
Sentence Type								
Youthful Offender Act*	51.2%	52.7%	50.6%					
Straight-time	31.2%	30.7%	27.5%					
Criminal History **								
Had Conviction and/or Commitment	36.4%	36.7%	32.9%					
Had Commitment	38.3%	38.2%	34.6%					
No Known Priors	27.9%	27.2%	26.4%					

<sup>\*</sup> Youthful Offender Act (YOA) inmates serve an indeterminate sentence of 1 to 6 years.

## South Carolina Department of Corrections Profile of Inmates in Institutional Count (Including Inmates on Authorized Absence) as of June 30, 2011

Characteristics	Male Populati	ion	Female Population		Total Population		
TOTAL Inmates Population	21,824		1,482	2	23,306		
	%		%		%		
Current Age							
Average Current Age	35.9		37.0		36.0		
21 & Under		8%		4%		8%	
22-25		3%		11%		13%	
26-35		4%		33%		34%	
36-55		0%		48%		40%	
56 and Over		6%		5%		6%	
Average Age at Admission	31.1		33.8		31.2		
Race		601		1201		cres	
Black White		6% 1%		43% 55%		65% 33%	
Other		1% 3%		2%		3%	
Citizenship		370		270		370	
Illegal Aliens		2%		1%		2%	
Citizens		8%		99%		98%	
Sentencing Data/Criminal History		0 /0		22 N		20 /0	
Admission Type:							
New New	7	8%		84%		78%	
Revocator		0%		15%		20%	
Other		1%		0.2%		1%	
With Current Violent Offense		0%		40%		59%	
With Prior Criminal History		5%		47%		64%	
With Prior Commitments		5%		30%		44%	
Average Sentence Length in Years	13.2	- ,-	8.4		12.9		
Average Time to Serve before Maxout <sup>2</sup>	5.7		3.6	100	5.5		
Sentences One Year or Less (excl. YOA)		4%		10%		4%	
Sentences More than 20 years (excl.lifers)		4%		8%		13%	
With Life Sentence		0%		6%		9%	
With YOA/Juvenile Sentence		5%		3%		5%	
On Death Row		2%		0%		0.2%	
Non-Parolable (includes TIS inmates)		1% 0%		35% 35%		50% 49%	
TIS Sentences (Truth-In-Sentencing)	3	0%		33%		49%	
Special Needs							
With Children <sup>3</sup>		4%		79%		65%	
With Convicted Disciplinaries in Last 12 Months		4%		20%		33%	
With Victim Witness Indicator		5%		48%		55%	
Sex Registry		6%		3%		15%	
Required DNA Testing		8%		91%		97%	
Chemical Dependent per SASSI/TCUDDS <sup>4</sup>	4	0%		52%		40%	
Education/Work							
Average Education Level at Intake	10.5		10.8		10.5		
Without HS/GED	5	8%		49%		57%	
Leading Most Serious Offense <sup>5</sup>							
	Dang. Drugs 18	%	Dang. Drugs	17%	Dang. Drugs	18%	
	Burglary 16	%	Homicide	16%	Burglary	15%	
	Homicide 15	5%	Burglary	10%	Homicide	15%	
	Robbery 14	%	Larceny	7%	Robbery	13%	
	Assault 99	%	Robbery	7%	Assault	9%	
Top Five Committing Counties							
		9%	Greenville	12%	Greenville	10%	
		1%	Spartanburg		Spartanburg	9%	
	Spartanburg 99		Horry	7%	Richland	9%	
		%	Richland	6%	Charleston	7%	
	York 6	5%	Lexington	6%	York	6%	
Mental Health Classification:							
No Mental Health Problem		7%		69%		86%	
Mentally Retarded		1%		0.3%		0.1%	
Mentally III		2%		28%		13%	
Not Available/Unknown	0.	6%		2.0%	L	0.7%	
<sup>1</sup> Excludes Lifers, Death-Row & YOA's							

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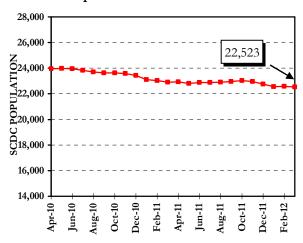
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Include inmates to be released to Community Supervision under Truth-in-Sentencing, excludes Lifers, Death-Row and

<sup>3</sup> Based on inmate self-reported information at intake

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Substance Abuse Subtle Screening Inventory (SASSI) stopped being used in January 1997. Currently Texas Christian

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> To facilitate statistical reporting, SCDC determines a single "most serious offense" (MSO) for each inmate as the

### SCDC Average Daily Facility Count per Month April 2010 – March 2012



### SCDC Count and Capacity as of March 15th 2012

	Operating	Physical	% of
	Cap.	Count	Capacity
Minimum Security	3,359	2,640	87.4%
Medium Security	10,049	10,086	99.2%
Maximum Security	8,896	8,475	91.9%
Female Institutions	1,780	1,366	80.2%
Agency Total	24,084	22,567	93.7%

Average Daily Inmate Population Fiscal Year 2005 - 2011								
Fiscal Year	SCDC Facilities	Other <sup>1</sup>	SCDC Jurisdiction	Change over Last Year	% Change over Last Year			
2005	22,905	855	23,760	-265	-1.1%			
2006	22,897	789	23,686	-74	-0.3%			
2007	23,375	763	24,138	452	1.9%			
2008	23,889	748	24,637	499	2.1%			
2009	24,017	717	24,734	97	0.4%			
2010	24,040	670	24,710	-24	-0.1%			
2011	23,293	646	23,939	-771	-3.1%			
1 Other Pl	lacements = Sp	ecial Place	ments + Design	nated Facilites				

### Admissions to SCDC Fiscal Years 2009 - 2011

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	FY:	2009	FY	2010	FY	2011	
ADMISSIONS	#	%	#	%	#	%	
NEW ADMISSIONS FROM							
COURT	9,778	74.1%	9,410	74.8%	8,250	75.8%	
Indeterminate Sentence (YOA)*	932	7.1%	926	7.4%	725	6.7%	
Straight Sentence (Non-YOA)	8,799	66.7%	8,436	67.0%	7,489	68.8%	
Other Jurisdictiction	47	0.4%	48	0.4%	36	0.3%	
PROBATION							
REVOCATIONS***	1,856	14.1%	1,766	14.0%	1,497	13.7%	
PAROLE REVOCATIONS	1,064	8.1%	999	7.9%	835	7.7%	
Youthful Offender Act (YOA)	706	5.3%	647	5.1%	510	4.7%	
NON-YOA	358	2.7%	352	2.8%	325	3.0%	
SF/EPA REVOCATIONS	38	0.3%	30	0.2%	28	0.3%	
COMMUNITY SUPV.							
REVOCATIONS	285	2.2%	269	2.1%	215	2.0%	
RE-SENTENCED	174	1.3%	111	0.9%	62	0.6%	
DEATH ROW	3	0.0%	1	0.0%	1	0.0%	
OTHER **	1	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	
TOTAL ADMISSIONS	13,199	100.0%	12,586	100.0%	10,888	100.0%	

- \* The Youthful Offender Act provides for indeterminate sentences of 1 6 years for offenders aged 1'
- \*\* These inmates include appeal bond denied, ICC, and other state inmates.
- \*\*\* Includes only those inmates released to probation from SCDC.

#### Most Serious Offense of SCDC Admissions Fiscal Years 2009 - 2011

OFFENSE CLASSIFICATION	FY 2009	FY 2010	FY 2011
DANGEROUS DRUGS	19.9%	19.5%	18.8%
BURGLARY	15.4%	15.7%	16.0%
ASSAULT	10.2%	10.4%	10.0%
TRAFFIC OFFENSE	7.9%	8.2%	7.5%
ROBBERY	6.2%	6.5%	6.5%
LARCENY	6.3%	6.4%	7.2%
FRAUDULENT ACTIVITY	5.6%	5.2%	4.8%
ALL OTHERS	28.5%	28.1%	29.2%
TOTAL ADMISSIONS	13,199	12,586	10,888

<sup>\*</sup> 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. 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).

### Average Sentence Length of SCDC Admissions Fiscal Years 2009 - 2011

	FY 2009	FY 2010	FY 2011
Average Sentence Length	4 Yrs.	4 Yrs.	4 Yrs.
	1 Mos.	2 Mos.	2 Mos.

### Time Served by SCDC Inmates Released Fiscal Years 2009 – 2011

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TIME SERVED	FY	2009	FY	2010	FY	2011			
TIMESERVED	#	%	#	%	#	%			
3 Months or Less	1,601	11.9%	1,505	11.8%	1,384	11.5%			
3 Months 1 Day-6 Months	2,455	18.2%	2,253	17.7%	1,974	16.4%			
6 Months 1 Day-9 Months	1,680	12.5%	1,527	12.0%	1,302	10.8%			
9 Months 1 Day-1 Year	1,743	13.0%	1,552	12.2%	1,474	12.3%			
1 Year 1 Day-5 Years	4,866	36.2%	4,768	37.4%	4,693	39.0%			
5 Years 1 Day-10 Years	766	5.7%	751	5.9%	788	6.6%			
10 Years 1 Day-15 Years	226	1.7%	248	1.9%	285	2.4%			
15 Years 1 Day-20 Years	84	0.6%	97	0.8%	87	0.7%			
20 Years 1 Day-25 Years	16	0.1%	28	0.2%	22	0.2%			
25 Years 1 Day-30 Years	13	0.1%	9	0.1%	10	0.1%			
Over 30 Years	4	0.03%	6	0.05%	5	0.04%			
TOTAL RELEASES	13,454	100.0%	12,744	100.0%	12,024	100.0%			
Average Time Served	1 Year	9 Months	In I						

This average does not include inmates with life, death, you sentences and inmates released on paid fine, remanded appeal, court order, pardon, resentenced, or death.

#### Releases from SCDC by Type Fiscal Years 2009 - 2011

	FY 2009		FY:	2010	FY 2	2011	
RELEASES	#	%	#	%	#	%	
EXPIRATION OF SENTENCE/							
LESS GOOD TIME	7,158	53.2%	6,761	53.1%	6,111	50.8%	
MAXOUT - YOA	150	1.1%	148	1.2%	125	1.0%	
PLACED ON PROBATION	2,809	20.9%	2,720	21.3%	2,448	20.4%	
PAROLED BY YOA PAROLE BOARD	1,576	11.7%	1,458	11.4%	1,387	11.5%	
PAROLED BY DPPPS*	467	3.5%	447	3.5%	779	6.5%	
RE-SENTENCED	146	1.1%	104	0.8%	57	0.5%	
RELEASED FROM EPA/SF II	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	
COMMUNITY SUPERVISION	1,044	7.8%	1,014	8.0%	1,026	8.5%	
DEATH	57	0.4%	63	0.5%	63	0.5%	
DEATH-EXECUTED	3	0.02%	0	0.0%	1	0.0%	
OTHER **	44	0.3%	29	0.2%	27	0.2%	
TOTAL RELEASES	13,454	100.0%	12,744	100.0%	12,024	100.0%	

<sup>\*</sup> Department of Probation, Parole, and Pardon Services.

#### **South Carolina Department of Corrections** Cost Per Inmate\* **Fiscal Years 2007-2011** Based on State Funds Spent Based on All Funds Spent\*\*\* Annual Cost Per Inmate Per Inmate Per Inmate \$14,093 \$38.61 \$16,432 \$45.02 2008 \$14,344 \$39.19 \$16,462 \$44.98 \$14,545 \$16,312 \$44.69 2009 \$39.85 2010 \$14,445 \* \$39.58 \*\* \$15,963 \$43.73 2011 \$14,409 \* \$39.48 \*\* \$16,406 \$44.95

Based on 365 days per year, except leap year when 366 days are used.

<sup>\*\*</sup> These releases include court ordered, paid fine, appeal bond, pardon, remanded to county and released on furlough

<sup>\*</sup>Calculation of the SCDC per inmate costs is based on the average number of inmates in SCDC facilities and a small number of authorized absences and does not include state inmates held in designated facilities, institutional diversionary programs, or other nor SCDC locations.

<sup>\*\*</sup>In FY 210 and FY 2011 SCDC received \$22,000,000 and \$40,480,008, respectively, from funds distributed to the states via the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) of 2009. These funds are included in the State Fund figures shown above. The FY 2010 cost figures have been revised from previous postings.

<sup>\*\*\*</sup>State, Federal and Special Revenues (Excludes Permanent Improvement, Purchases for Resale, Canteen, Prison Industries, Improvement Enterprise Funds, and Interest and Principle Payments)