South Carolina Department of Corrections						
Recidivism Rates of Inmates Released during FY 2012 - FY 2014						
Year of Release						
		FY 2014				
Total Number of Releases	11,409	9,623	9,485			
		sm Rate by				
Percentage of Releasees who Returned to SCDC:		Release				
SCDC:	FY 2012	FY 2013	FY 2014			
Within One Year or Less	6.2%	6.2%	5.6%			
Within Two Years or Less	15.5%	16.2%	15.2%			
Within Three Years or Less	22.4%	23.1%	22.7%			
Comparison of 3-Year Recidivism Rates	by Inmate	e Attribute	s			
Attributes	FY 2012	FY 2013	FY 2014			
Overall Rate	22.4%	23.1%	22.7%			
Gender						
Males	23.3%	24.1%	23.7%			
Females	15.2%	15.2%	14.8%			
Type of Release						
Maxout (Expiration of Sentence)	17.7%	19.0%	18.7%			
Parole	18.3%	17.4%	19.0%			
Probation	31.8%	32.2%	34.3%			
Community Supervision	14.0%	14.7%	12.0%			
Supervised Reentry	n/a	36.1%	27.9%			
Youthful Offender Act* - Parole	38.4%	37.7%	30.9%			
Youthful Offender Act* - Maxout	23.0%	27.8%	25.0%			
Youthful Offender Act* - Intensive Supervision Parole	n/a	22.9%	28.9%			
Age at Release						
Under 25 Years	32.0%	31.8%	28.5%			
25-30 Years	23.6%	23.1%	23.4%			
31-40 Years	19.9%	20.3%	21.9%			
Over 40 Years	17.0%	19.8%	19.1%			
Program Participation						
Pre-Release	21.6%	20.8%	20.8%			
Work Program	17.9%	19.1%	22.6%			
Labor Crew	17.8%	19.1%	21.9%			
Labor Crew/Work Program	17.8%	19.1%	21.8%			
Prison Industry	14.6%	13.5%	12.5%			
GED Earned in SCDC Education Program	21.4%	21.7%	21.3%			
Sentence Type						
Youthful Offender Act*	36.9%	35.6%	29.7%			
Straight-time	20.7%	21.7%	21.9%			
Criminal History						
Had Conviction and/or Commitment	24.7%	25.4%	25.6%			
Had Commitment	26.4%	27.1%	26.8%			
No Known Priors	18.6%	19.4%	18.0%			
Mental Health Classification at time of release						
Mentally III	26.4%	25.9%	25.8%			
Non-Mentally Ill	21.9%	22.8%	22.3%			

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" youthlu offenders who undergo intensive programs/oversioth while institutionalized and while on parole supervision.

#### **South Carolina Department of Corrections Profile of Inmates in Institutional Count** (Including Inmates on Authorized Absence) as of June 30, 2017 Male Population **Total Population** Characteristics TOTAL Inmates Population 18,538 1,451 19,989 Current Age Average Current Age 38.2 37.4 38.1 21 & Under 846 (5%) 44 (3%) 890 (4%) 22-25 1,952 (11%) 142 (10%) 2,094 (10%) 26-35 6,096 (33%) 536 (37%) 6,632 (33%) 36-55 634 (44%) 8,367 (42%) 56 and Over 1.911 (10%) 95 (7%) 2,006 (10%) Average Age at Admission 31.9 32.0 Race 11,646 (63%) 462 (32%) 12,108 (61%) White 7.308 (37%) Other 539 (3%) 34 (2%) 573 (3%) Citizenship 432 (2%) 17 (1%) 449 (2%) Aliens 19,530 (98%) Citizens 18.096 (98%) 1.434 (99%) Sentencing Data/Criminal History Admission Type: New 15,112 (82%) 1,287 (89%) 16,399 (82%) 3,265 (18%) Revocator 162 (11%) 3,427 (17%) Other 161 (1%) 2 (0%) 163 (1%) With Current Violent Offense 12 916 (70%) 678 (47%) 13 594 (68%) With Prior Criminal History 11,095 (60%) 605 (42%) 11,700 (59%) With Prior Commitments 8,061 (43%) 401 (28%) 8,462 (42%) 14.8 9.6 14.4 Average Sentence Length in Years 1 4.0 6.3 Average Time to Serve before Maxout 6.5 75 (5%) 422 (2%) 497 (2%) Sentences One Year or Less (excl. YOA) 3.494 (19%) 153 (11%) 3.647 (18%) Sentences More than 20 years (excl. lifers) With YOA/Juvenile Sentence 614 (3%) 47 (3%) 661 (3%) 0 (0%) 37 (0%) On Death Row Non-Parolable (includes TIS inmates) 10,570 (57% 544 (37%) 11.114 (56%) TIS Sentences 10 331 (56%) 542 (37%) 10.873 (54%) Special Needs With Children 3 1,160 (80%) With Convicted Disciplinaries in Last 12 Months 6.508 (35%) 6.895 (34%) 387 (27%) With Victim Witness Indicator 12.553 (68%) 808 (56%) 13,361 (67%) Sex Registry 3.213 (17%) 44 (3%) 3.257 (16%) 19,594 (98%) Required DNA Testing Chemical Dependent per SASSI/TCUDDS 4 6,926 (35%) Education/Work Average Education Level at Intake 10.6 Without HS/GED 9,463 (51% 625 (43%) 10,088 (50%) Leading Most Serious Offense 5 ang, Drugs 15% Homicide Dang, Drugs Top Five Committing Counties

No Mental Health Problen

Developmentally Disabled

Not Available/Unknown

18 (0%)

2,650 (14%)

538 (3%)

662 (46%)

1 (0%)

709 (49%)

19 (0%)

3,359 (17%)

617 (3%)

Mentally Ill

Mental Health Classification

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.

# THE SOUTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS

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Excludes Lifers, Death-Row & YOA's

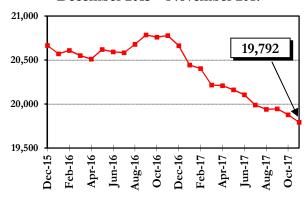
Include inmates to be released to Community Supervision under Truth-in-Sentencing, excludes Lifers, Death-Row and

YOA's

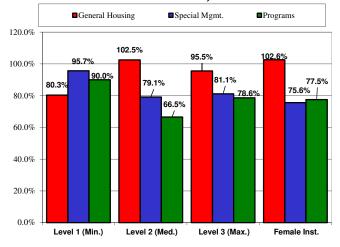
Based on inmate self-reported information at intake

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

#### SCDC Average Daily Facility Count per Month December 2015 – November 2017



#### Bedspace Utilization Rates by Housing Type November 15, 2017



	Average Daily Inmate Population Fiscal Year 2010 - 2017							
Fiscal Year	SCDC Facilities	Other <sup>1</sup>	SCDC Jurisdiction	Change over Last Year	% Change over Last Year			
2010	24,040	670	24,710	-24	-0.1%			
2011	23,293	646	23,939	-771	-3.1%			
2012	22,711	623	23,334	-605	-2.5%			
2013	22,088	592	22,680	-654	-2.8%			
2014	21,712	603	22,315	-365	-1.6%			
2015	21,183	590	21,773	-542	-2.4%			
2016	20,671	623	21,294	-479	-2.2%			
2017	20,483	652	21,135	-159	-0.7%			

#### Admissions to SCDC Fiscal Years 2015 - 2017

	FY 2015 FY 2		FY 2015 FY 2016		FY 2016 FY 2017		2017
ADMISSIONS	#	%	#	%	#	%	
NEW ADMISSIONS FROM COURT	7,026	81.20%	7,112	80.84%	6,999	80.8%	
Indeterminate Sentence (YOA)*	554	6.40%	582		,	6.6%	
Straight Sentence (Non-YOA) Other Jurisdictiction	6,459 13	74.60% 0.20%	6,493 37		6,317	73.8%	
PROBATION REVOCATIONS***	1,029	11.90%	1,088				
PAROLE REVOCATIONS  Youthful Offender Act (YOA)	<b>357</b> 189	<b>4.10%</b> 2.20%	290 125			3.3% 1.4%	
NON-YOA ISS REVOCATIONS	168 <b>106</b>	1.90% <b>1.20%</b>	165 <b>154</b>			1.9% 1.8%	
SUPERVISED RE-ENTRY REVOCATIONS	24	0.30%	36			0.4%	
SF/EPA REVOCATIONS COMMUNITY SUPV. REVOCATIONS	104	0.00%	113	0.00%		0.0%	
RE-SENTENCED	8	0.10%	5	0.06%		0.1%	
DEATH ROW	0	0.00%	0	0.00%		0.0%	
OTHER **  TOTAL ADMISSIONS	8,656	0.00%	8,798	0.00% 100.00%		0.0%	

All percentages rounded where possible.

#### Most Serious Offense of SCDC Admissions Fiscal Years 2015 - 2017

1 15041 1 0415 2015 2017							
OFFENSE CLASSIFICATION	FY 2015	FY 2016	FY 2017				
DANGEROUS DRUGS	19.8%	21.1%	21.5%				
BURGLARY	15.6%	15.2%	13.8%				
LARCENY	9.7%	8.6%	9.0%				
ASSAULT	8.5%	8.4%	8.0%				
TRAFFIC OFFENSE	6.5%	5.9%	6.0%				
ROBBERY	6.0%	5.9%	6.3%				
FAMILY OFFENSE	5.5%	6.3%	7.1%				
ALL OTHERS	28.3%	28.6%	28.3%				
TOTAL ADMISSIONS	8,656	8,798	8,357				

<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 2015 - 2017

	FY 2015	FY 2016	FY 2017
Average Sentence Length	4 Yrs.	4 Yrs.	4 Yrs.
	4 Mos.	4 Mos.	6 Mos.

<sup>\*</sup> This average does not include inmates with life, death, YOA sentences and inmates released on paid fine, remanded appeal, court order, pardon, resentenced, or death.

#### Time Served by SCDC Inmates Released Fiscal Years 2015 – 2017

TIME CEDATED	FY 2	2015	FY 2016		FY 2	FY 2017	
TIME SERVED	#	%	#	# %		%	
3 Months or Less	794	8.5%	741	8.1%	659	7.1%	
3 Months 1 Day-6 Months	1,252	13.4%	1,234	13.5%	1,154	12.4%	
6 Months 1 Day-9 Months	1,184	12.7%	1,133	12.4%	1,165	12.5%	
9 Months 1 Day-1 Year	897	9.6%	749	8.2%	979	10.5%	
1 Year 1 Day-5 Years	3,943	42.2%	3,812	41.7%	4,125	44.3%	
5 Years 1 Day-10 Years	819	8.8%	922	10.1%	748	8.0%	
10 Years 1 Day-15 Years	267	2.9%	332	3.6%	274	2.9%	
15 Years 1 Day-20 Years	110	1.2%	140	1.5%	127	1.4%	
20 Years 1 Day-25 Years	42	0.4%	46	0.5%	35	0.4%	
25 Years 1 Day-30 Years	23	0.2%	13	0.1%	15	0.2%	
Over 30 Years	23	0.25%	25	0.27%	24	0.3%	
TOTAL RELEASES	9,354	100.0%	9,147	100.0%	9,305	100.0%	
Average Time Served	2 Years 5	5 Months	2 Years 8 Months		ths 2 Years 5 Months		

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

#### Releases from SCDC by Type Fiscal Years 2015 - 2017

	FY 2015		FY 2016		FY 2017	
RELEASES	#	%	#	%	#	%
EXPIRATION OF SENTENCE/						
LESS GOOD TIME	3,948	42.2%	3,920	42.9%	3,919	42.1%
MAXOUT - YOA	57	0.6%	98	1.1%	96	1.0%
PLACED ON PROBATION	1,983	21.2%	1,895	20.7%	1,831	19.7%
PAROLED TO INTENSIVE SUPERVISION SERVICES*	638	6.8%	552	6.0%	513	5.5%
PAROLED BY YOA PAROLE BOARD**	198	2.1%	180	2.0%	199	2.1%
PAROLED BY DPPPS***	790	8.4%	655	7.2%	820	8.8%
RE-SENTENCED	11	0.1%	15	0.2%	17	0.2%
COMMUNITY SUPERVISION	1,097	11.7%	1,033	11.3%	985	10.6%
SUPERVISED RE-ENTRY	528	5.6%	692	7.6%	812	8.7%
DEATH	72	0.8%	86	0.9%	86	0.9%
DEATH-EXECUTED	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
RELEASED TO EPA	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
OTHER ****	32	0.3%	21	0.2%	27	0.3%
TOTAL RELEASES	9,354	100.0%	9,147	100.0%	9,305	100.0%

<sup>\*</sup> Intensive Supervision Administrative Release Authority (ISARA) assumed YOA Parole Board duties on February 1,

South Carolina Department of Corrections Cost Per Inmate* Fiscal Years 2012-2017							
	Based on State	e Funds Spent	Based on All Fi	unds Spent***			
Fiscal Year	Annual Cost Per Inmate	Daily Cost Per Inmate	Annual Cost Per Inmate	Daily Cost Per Inmate			
2012	\$15,316	\$41.85	\$17,343	\$47.38			
2013	\$16,542	\$45.32	\$18,299	\$50.13			
2014	\$17,357	\$47.55	\$19,137	\$52.43			
2015	\$17,872	\$48.96	\$19,728	\$54.05			
2016	\$18,119	\$49.50	\$19,935	\$54.47			
2017	\$19,054	\$52.20	\$20,925	\$57.33			

\*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 non-SCDC locations.]

<sup>\*</sup>The Youthful Offender Act provides for indeterminate sentences of 1- 6 years for offenders aged 17-25.

<sup>\*\*</sup> These inmates include appeal bond denied, ICC, and other state inmates.

<sup>\*\*</sup> Death Row admissions figures represent placements to death row, includes new admissions, resentenced and returned inmates

<sup>\*\*\*</sup> Includes only those inmates released to probation from SCDC.

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