South Carolina Department of Corrections						
Recidivism Rates of Inmates Re						
FY 2017 - FY 2019						
		ar of Relea				
7.10 1 67.1	FY 2017					
Total Number of Releases	9,305	8,585	7,519			
Percentage of Releasees who Returned to	Recidivism Rate by Year of Release					
SCDC:	FY 2017	FY 2018	FY 2019			
Within One Year or Less	5.0%	5.7%	5.8%			
Within Two Years or Less	13.8%	14.8%	12.1%			
Within Three Years or Less	20.2%	19.4%	17.8%			
Comparison of 3-Year Recidivism Rates	by Inmat	e Attribute	s			
Attributes	FY 2017		FY 2019			
Overall Rate	20.2%	19.4%	17.8%			
Gender						
Males	21.1%	20.1%	18.9%			
Females	13.6%	14.3%	10.2%			
Type of Release						
Maxout (Expiration of Sentence)	17.4%	15.2%	13.6%			
Parole	19.5%	18.5%	16.6%			
Probation	27.0%	29.7%	24.1%			
Community Supervision	10.2%	8.9%	9.5%			
Supervised Reentry	22.0%	19.4%	18.1%			
Youthful Offender Act* - Parole	36.1%	32.8%	25.2%			
Youthful Offender Act* - Maxout	17.9%	16.7%	15.1%			
Youthful Offender Act* - Intensive Supervision Parole	28.5%	28.1%	35.0%			
Age at Release						
Under 25 Years	27.7%	27.1%	27.5%			
25-30 Years	20.7%	19.8%	17.2%			
31-40 Years	20.2%	18.8%	17.5%			
Over 40 Years	15.7%	15.8%	13.5%			
Program Participation						
Pre-Release	19.4%	17.4%	14.3%			
Work Program	19.1%	15.8%	14.6%			
Labor Crew	19.2%	16.8%	15.3%			
Labor Crew/Work Program	19.2%	16.8%	15.4%			
Prison Industry	11.7%	10.4%	9.1%			
GED Earned in SCDC Education Program	15.3%	12.8%	13.4%			
Sentence Type						
Youthful Offender Act*	29.4%	27.2%	30.2%			
Straight-time	19.3%	18.6%	16.4%			
Criminal History						
Had Conviction and/or Commitment	22.9%	22.0%	19.6%			
Had Commitment	23.7%	22.1%	19.9%			
No Known Priors	16.1%	15.7%	15.3%			
Mental Health Classification at time of release						
Mentally Ill	20.6%	20.3%	18.7%			
Non-Mentally III	20.1%	19.2%	17.5%			

^{*} Youthful Offender Act (YOA) immates 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.

South Carolina Department of Corrections Profile of Inmates in Institutional Count (Including Inmates on Authorized Absence) as of June 30, 2022

Characteristics	Male Pop	Male Population		Female Population		Total Population	
TOTAL Inmates Population	14,85	14,859		1,126		35	
Current Age							
Average Current Age	40.8	3	39.5	,	40.7	7	
21 & Under	364	(2%)		(2%)	382	(2%)	
22-25	1,053	(7%)	72	(6%)	1,125	(7%)	
26-35	4,447	(30%)	373	(33%)	4,820	(30%)	
36-55	6,812	(46%)	542	(48%)	7,354	(46%)	
56 and Over	2,183	(15%)	121	(11%)	2,304	(14%)	
Average Age at Admission	32.9)	34.7	7	33.0)	
Race							
Black	9,020	(61%)	305	(27%)	9,325	(58%)	
White		(36%)		(70%)		(39%)	
Other	455	(3%)	30	(3%)	485	(3%)	
Citizenship							
Aliens	336	(2%)	10	(1%)	346	(2%)	
Citizens	14,471			(96%)	15,557		
Sentencing Data/Criminal History	14,471	(2770)	1,000	(7070)	15,557	(2770)	
Admission Type:	12 207	(020/)	004	(070/)	12 270	(0.40/)	
New	12,386			(87%)	13,370		
Revocator		(16%)		(12%)		(15%)	
Other		(1%)		(0%)		(1%)	
With Current Violent Offense	11,509			(58%)	12,165		
With Prior Criminal History		(57%)		(35%)		(55%)	
With Prior Commitments		(37%)		(16%)	5,614	(35%)	
Average Sentence Length in Years 1		16.7		11.8			
Average Time to Serve before Maxout 2	7.0		5.0		6.8		
Sentences One Year or Less (excl. YOA)		(2%)		(4%)		(2%)	
Sentences More than 20 years (excl.lifers)		(24%)		(15%)		(23%)	
With Life Sentence		(13%)		(6%)		(12%)	
With YOA/Juvenile Sentence		(2%)		(3%)		(2%)	
On Death Row		(0%)		(0%)		(0%)	
Non-Parolable (includes TIS inmates)		(67%)		(51%)	10,574		
TIS Sentences	9,749	(66%)	576	(51%)	10,325	(65%)	
Special Needs							
With Children 3		(66%)		(75%)	10,682		
With Convicted Disciplinaries in Last 12 Months		(27%)		(26%)		(27%)	
With Victim Witness Indicator	10,639			(57%)	11,281		
Sex Registry		(19%)		(3%)		(17%)	
Required DNA Testing	14,710			(97%)	15,802		
Chemical Dependent per SASSI/TCUDDS 4	4,452	(30%)	496	(44%)	4,948	(31%)	
Education/Work							
Average Education Level at Intake	10.6	j.	10.7	7	10.€	í	
Without HS/GED	8,136	(55%)	615	(55%)	8,751	(55%)	
Leading Most Serious Offense 5							
	Homicide	26%	Dang. Drugs	28%	Homicide	26	
	Dang. Drugs	16%	Homicide	26%	Dang. Drugs	17	
	Robbery	11%	Traffic Offens		Robbery	11'	
	Burglary		Robbery	5%	Burglary	11'	
	Sexual				Sexual		
	Assault	10%	Burglary	5%	Assault	10	
Top Five Committing Counties							
	Greenville		Greenville		Greenville	10	
	Spartanburg	9%			Spartanburg	9	
	Richland	7%			Richland	7	
	Charleston	7%			Charleston	7	
	Horry	6%	Lexington	5%	Horry	6	
Mental Health Classification							
No Mental Health Problem	10,531	(71%)	277	(25%)	10,808	(68%)	
Developmentally Disabled		(0%)		(0%)		(0%)	
Mentally III	4,179	(28%)	820	(73%)	4,999	(31%)	

¹ Excludes Lifers, Death-Row & YOA's

NOTE: Percentages may not add up due to rounding.

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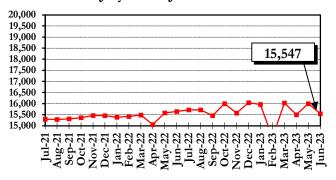
² Include inmates to be released to Community Supervision under Truth-in-Sentencing, excludes Lifers, Death-Row and YOA's

³ Based on inmate self-reported information at intake

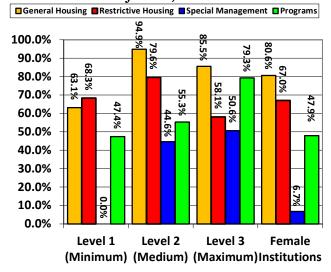
⁴ Substance Abuse Subtle Screening Inventory (SASSI) stopped being used in January 1997. Currently Texas Christian University Drug Dependency Screen (TCUDDS) is used.

⁵ 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.

SCDC Average Daily Facility Count per Month July 2021 – June 2023



Bedspace Utilization Rates by Housing Type June 15, 2023



Average Daily Inmate Population per Year Fiscal Year 2014 - 2022							
Fiscal Year	SCDC Facilities	Other ¹	SCDC Jurisdiction	Change over Last Year	% Change over Last Year		
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%		
2018	19,559	686	20,245	-890	-4.2%		
2019	18,743	673	19,416	-829	-4.1%		
2020	18,171	664	18,835	-581	-3.0%		
2021	15,807	594	16,401	-2,434	-12.9%		
2022	15,437	533	15,970	-431	-2.6%		
1 Other Pla	cements = Spec	ial Placeme	ents + Designated	l Facilites	•		

Admissions to SCDC Fiscal Years 2020 – 2022

	FY	FY 2020 FY 2021		FY	2022	
ADMISSIONS	#	%	#	%	#	%
NEW ADMISSIONS FROM						
COURT	4,834	82.1%	3,071	78.8%	4,616	83.1%
Indeterminate Sentence (YOA)*	342	5.8%	184	4.7%	234	4.2%
Straight Sentence (Non-YOA)	4,458	75.7%	2,868	73.6%	4,353	78.4%
Other Jurisdictiction	34	0.6%	19	0.5%	29	0.5%
PROBATION						
REVOCATIONS***	545	9.3%	386	9.9%	451	8.1%
PAROLE REVOCATIONS	247	4.2%	191	4.9%	241	4.4%
Youthful Offender Act (YOA)	25	0.4%	38	1.0%	47	0.8%
NON-YOA	222	3.8%	153	3.9%	194	3.5%
ISS REVOCATIONS	171	2.9%	178	4.6%	127	2.3%
SUPERVISED RE-ENTRY						
REVOCATIONS	14	0.2%	23	0.6%	30	0.5%
SF/EPA REVOCATIONS	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
COMMUNITY SUPV.						
REVOCATIONS	71	1.2%	44	1.1%	75	1.4%
RE-SENTENCED	9	0.2%	6	0.2%	12	0.2%
DEATH ROW	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
OTHER **	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	1	0.0%
TOTAL ADMISSIONS	5,891	100.00%	3,899	100.00%	5,553	100.10%

- All percentages rounded where possible
- *The Youthful Offender Act provides for indeterminate sentences of 1-6 years for offenders aged 17-25.
- ** These inmates include appeal bond denied, ICC, and other state inmates.
- ** Death Row admissions figures represent placements to death row, includes new admissions, resentenced and
- *** Includes only those inmates released to probation from SCDC.

Most Serious Offense of SCDC Admissions Fiscal Years 2020 - 2022

OFFENSE CLASSIFICATION	FY 2020	FY 2021	FY 2022
DANGEROUS DRUGS	25.1%	23.3%	26.1%
BURGLARY	12.6%	14.3%	11.3%
ASSAULT	7.6%	9.5%	8.7%
FAMILY OFFENSE	9.2%	9.9%	8.6%
LARCENY	7.8%	6.4%	6.4%
ROBBERY	5.1%	5.7%	4.7%
TRAFFIC OFFENSE	4.4%	4.2%	5.1%
ALL OTHERS	28.2%	26.7%	28.9%
TOTAL ADMISSIONS	5,891	3,899	5,553

Average Sentence Length of SCDC Admissions Fiscal Years 2020 – 2022

	FY 2020	FY 2021	FY 2022
Average Sentence Length	4 Yrs.	5 Yrs.	5 Yrs.
	8 Mos.	1 Mos.	5 Mos.

^{*} 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.

Fiscal Years 2020 – 2022

TIME SERVED	FY 2	2020	FY 2	FY 2021		2022
TIME SERVED	#	%	#	%	#	%
3 Months or Less	300	4.0%	160	2.8%	242	4.7%
3 Months 1 Day-6 Months	733	9.8%	377	6.6%	487	9.5%
6 Months 1 Day-9 Months	924	12.4%	537	9.4%	585	11.5%
9 Months 1 Day-1 Year	831	11.2%	547	9.6%	507	9.9%
1 Year 1 Day-5 Years	3,573	48.0%	2,994	52.5%	2,182	42.7%
5 Years 1 Day-10 Years	588	7.9%	568	10.0%	577	11.3%
10 Years 1 Day-15 Years	252	3.4%	279	4.9%	271	5.3%
15 Years 1 Day-20 Years	125	1.7%	103	1.8%	130	2.5%
20 Years 1 Day-25 Years	60	0.8%	59	1.0%	52	1.0%
25 Years 1 Day-30 Years	24	0.3%	35	0.6%	42	0.8%
Over 30 Years	35	0.5%	47	0.8%	31	0.6%
TOTAL RELEASES	7,445	100.0%	5,706	100.0%	5,106	100.0%
Average Time Served	2 Years 8	8 Months	3 Years 3 Months		3 Years	7 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 2020 – 2022

	FY 2	2020	FY 2021		FY 2	2022	
RELEASES	#	%	#	%	#	%	
EXPIRATION OF SENTENCE/							
LESS GOOD TIME	2,778	37.3%	1,774	31.1%	1,689	33.1%	
MAXOUT - YOA	83	1.1%	46	0.8%	77	1.5%	
PLACED ON PROBATION	1,416	19.0%	965	16.9%	919	18.0%	
PAROLED TO INTENSIVE							
SUPERVISION SERVICES*	455	6.1%	281	4.9%	307	6.0%	
PAROLED BY YOA PAROLE BOARD**	133	1.8%	49	0.9%	60	1.2%	
PAROLED BY DPPPS***	931	12.5%	808	14.2%	318	6.2%	
RE-SENTENCED	0	0.0%	1	0.0%	1	0.0%	
COMMUNITY SUPERVISION	900	12.1%	922	16.2%	936	18.3%	
SUPERVISED RE-ENTRY	636	8.5%	720	12.6%	685	13.4%	
DEATH	82	1.1%	123	2.2%	92	1.8%	
DEATH-EXECUTED	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	
RELEASED TO EPA	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	
OTHER ****	31	0.4%	17	0.3%	22	0.4%	
TOTAL RELEASES	7,445	100.0%	5,706	100.0%	5,106	100.0%	

^{*} Intensive Supervision Administrative Release Authority (ISARA) assumed YOA Parole Board duties on February 1, 2013

South Carolina Department of Corrections Cost Per Inmate* Fiscal Years 2018-2022

	Based on State	Funds Spent	Based on All Funds Spent**		
Fiscal Year	Annual Cost Per Inmate	Daily Cost Per Inmate	Annual Cost Per Inmate	Daily Cost Per Inmate	
2018	\$21,756	\$59.61	\$23,712	\$64.96	
2019	\$23,673	\$64.86	\$25,836	\$70.78	
2020	\$24,510	\$66.97	\$26,627	\$72.75	
2021	\$27,883	\$76.39	\$30,187	\$82.70	
2022	\$30,044	\$82.31	\$32,247	\$88.35	

*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.

^{**} The Youthful Offender Act provides for indeterminate sentences of 1 - 6 years for offenders aged 17 - 25.

^{***} Department of Probation, Parole, and Pardon Services.

^{****} These releases include court ordered, paid fine, appeal bond, pardon, remanded to county and released on furlough