



Illinois Department of Corrections

Individuals in Custody 50 Years of Age and Older on December 31, 2021

Age 50 yrs. & Older 3-Year Recidivism Rates ¹	%
FY16 Exits	32.5%
FY17 Exits	32.7%
FY18 Exits	30.5%

Offense Category	N	%
Homicide	2,376	37.4%
Sexual Assault / Rape	1,590	25.0%
Controlled Substance Violation	392	6.2%
Assault / Battery / Force / Harm	308	4.8%
Armed Robbery	237	3.7%
DUI	193	3.0%
Sex Related Offense	192	3.0%
Burglary	176	2.8%
Weapons	143	2.3%
Residential Burglary	114	1.8%
Sexually Dangerous Persons (SDP)	106	1.7%
Robbery	86	1.4%
Kidnapping	74	1.2%
Home / Vehicular Invasion	72	1.1%
Retail Theft	45	0.7%
Motor Vehicle Offenses	43	0.7%
Theft	40	0.6%
Armed Violence	33	0.5%
Arson	33	0.5%
Motor Vehicle Theft	29	0.5%
Forgery / Deception / Fraud	25	0.4%
Government Offenses	13	0.2%
Escape	11	0.2%
Cannabis	10	0.2%
Criminal Trespass/Damage to Property	9	0.1%
Disorderly Conduct	1	0.0%
Habitual Criminal	1	0.0%
Total	6,352	100.0%

Offense Type	N	%
Person Crimes	3,393	53.4%
Sex Crimes	1,888	29.7%
Drug Crimes	562	8.8%
Property Crimes	492	7.7%
Other Crimes	17	0.3%
Total	6,352	100.0%

Miscellaneous	N	%
Life Sentences	1,031	16.2%
Sexually Dangerous Persons (SDP)	106	1.7%
Indeterminate Sentences	46	0.7%
Sex Offenders ⁴	1,633	25.7%

Number of Illinois Incarcerations	N	%
1	3,004	47.3%
2	1,090	17.2%
3	750	11.8%
4	478	7.5%
5	304	4.8%
6 to 10	674	10.6%
11 or more	52	0.8%
Total	6,352	100.0%

Race	N	%
Black	3,143	49.5%
White	2,428	38.2%
Hispanic	729	11.5%
Asian	32	0.5%
American Indian	13	0.2%
Unknown	5	0.1%
Bi-Racial	2	0.0%
Total	6,352	100.0%

Sex ²	N	%
Female	249	3.9%
Male	6,103	96.1%
Total	6,352	100.0%

Sentencing County ³	N	%
Cook County	2,832	44.6%
Collar Counties ³	829	13.1%
Downstate Counties ³	2,669	42.0%
Out of State	22	0.3%
Total	6,352	100.0%

Offense Class / Sentence Range	N	%
Murder (20-60 years)	2,044	32.2%
Class X (6-30 years)	2,315	36.4%
Class 1 (4-15 years)	641	10.1%
Class 2 (3-7 years)	748	11.8%
Class 3 (2-5 years)	274	4.3%
Class 4 (1-3 years)	224	3.5%
Sexually Dangerous Persons (SDP)	106	1.7%
Total	6,352	100.0%

Age at Current Admission to IDOC	N	%
17	5	0.1%
18-20	89	1.4%
21-25	345	5.4%
26-30	430	6.8%
31-35	549	8.6%
36-40	642	10.1%
41-45	751	11.8%
46-50	1,097	17.3%
51 and Older	2,444	38.5%
Total	6,352	100.0%

Age at Sentencing	N	%
16-17	6	0.1%
18-20	86	1.4%
21-25	351	5.5%
26-30	441	6.9%
31-35	562	8.8%
36-40	661	10.4%
41-45	796	12.5%
46-50	1,156	18.2%
51 and Older	2,293	36.1%
Missing	0	0.0%
Total	6,352	100.0%

Current Age	N	%
50	524	8.2%
51	538	8.5%
52	435	6.8%
53	453	7.1%
54	385	6.1%
55	377	5.9%
56	354	5.6%
57	349	5.5%
58	330	5.2%
59	311	4.9%
60	346	5.4%
61	262	4.1%
62	233	3.7%
63	208	3.3%
64	164	2.6%
65	138	2.2%
66	163	2.6%
67	127	2.0%
68	100	1.6%
69	93	1.5%
70	89	1.4%
71	61	1.0%
72	57	0.9%
73	39	0.6%
74	44	0.7%
75	35	0.6%
76	37	0.6%
77	21	0.3%
78	12	0.2%
79	14	0.2%
80	9	0.1%
81	11	0.2%
82	11	0.2%
83	7	0.1%
84	5	0.1%
85	3	0.0%
86	3	0.0%
87	1	0.0%
88	3	0.0%
Total	6,352	100.0%

Average Age 58.2 Years

Total IDOC Population	IDOC Population 50 Yrs. & Older	% IDOC Population 50 Yrs. & Older
27,970	6,352	22.7%

¹ Recidivism rates indicate the percentage of offenders who return to IDOC within three years after release. The data represent those offenders released from IDOC in FY2016, FY2017, and FY2018.

² For the purpose of this fact sheet, "Sex" is the gender recorded in the tracking system of record at the individuals admission to IDOC custody.

³ Sentencing County: County from which offender was convicted and sentenced. It will not always be the county in which the crime occurred.

Collar Counties (5): DuPage, Kane, Lake, McHenry and Will. Downstate Counties (96): Illinois counties other than Cook County and collar counties.

⁴ Sex offenders are defined as inmates required to register as a sex offender for having a sex offense or a murderer/violence against youth offense on the sentencing order; excluding prostitution.

** In December, 2015 IDOC initiated a major IT transition, moving from a DOS-based offender tracking system to a modern, web-based tracking system. During the transition, some traditional measures will contain missing values due to a combination of factors, which include quality control issues with data entry and missing data for fields that are no longer required within the system. In addition, basic coding and program logic is still being reviewed and corrected. Moving forward, the Department continues to validate certain data measures and all elements are subject to change as more information becomes available. Contact the Planning & Research Unit with any questions.