



Illinois Department of Corrections

3-Year Recidivism Rates

Offense Type	FY10 Exits	FY11 Exits	FY12 Exits	FY13 Exits	FY14 Exits	FY15 Exits	Change¹ FY10-FY15
Person	53.8%	50.0%	47.1%	45.3%	44.0%	41.5%	-12.2%
Property	52.9%	50.6%	48.8%	45.8%	45.1%	40.1%	-12.9%
Drug	44.3%	40.4%	38.0%	36.7%	35.5%	33.5%	-10.8%
Sex	69.1%	64.2%	68.2%	60.3%	59.7%	57.3%	-11.8%
Other	51.5%	47.5%	46.9%	45.7%	45.1%	43.1%	-8.4%
Holding Class							
Murder	31.7%	29.5%	29.0%	25.5%	20.1%	14.2%	-17.6%
Class X	50.1%	47.5%	47.4%	40.2%	39.4%	36.4%	-13.7%
Class 1	47.5%	46.3%	46.8%	42.5%	43.1%	38.8%	-8.8%
Class 2	55.4%	54.0%	51.4%	47.1%	48.5%	44.6%	-10.8%
Class 3	52.7%	50.5%	47.2%	44.9%	42.1%	40.5%	-12.2%
Class 4	51.4%	45.0%	43.8%	43.4%	40.7%	37.9%	-13.5%
Sentencing County²							
Cook	54.6%	50.4%	49.2%	46.5%	44.9%	41.4%	-13.2%
Collar	45.6%	40.7%	39.8%	37.5%	36.0%	34.3%	-11.2%
Downstate	49.6%	47.9%	46.0%	42.7%	42.6%	39.4%	-10.3%
Age at Exit							
Under 21	66.3%	65.2%	60.2%	59.9%	57.8%	55.8%	-10.4%
21 to 25	57.6%	54.3%	52.8%	51.9%	49.8%	47.9%	-9.6%
26 to 30	50.2%	47.3%	47.5%	44.6%	44.4%	41.4%	-8.8%
31 to 35	48.2%	44.2%	43.3%	40.2%	39.7%	37.3%	-10.9%
36 to 55	48.9%	45.1%	43.2%	39.1%	38.3%	34.7%	-14.2%
56 and Older	39.1%	35.6%	36.6%	33.3%	31.5%	28.9%	-10.3%
Gender							
Male	53.1%	49.7%	48.4%	45.7%	44.6%	41.3%	-11.8%
Female	36.2%	32.3%	28.7%	25.6%	25.3%	23.8%	-12.5%
Race							
Black	56.3%	52.8%	51.4%	48.7%	47.0%	43.2%	-13.0%
White	48.0%	44.7%	43.3%	39.6%	39.8%	37.3%	-10.7%
Hispanic	39.1%	34.6%	34.4%	32.2%	30.8%	29.0%	-10.1%
Other	35.7%	41.1%	29.9%	33.6%	33.1%	31.0%	-4.7%
Type of Readmission							
New Sentence	19.5%	20.9%	20.7%	20.9%	19.0%	16.5%	-3.0%
Technical Violation	32.2%	27.4%	26.1%	23.0%	24.0%	23.4%	-8.8%
Time in Community before Readmission							
One Year or Less	34.7%	30.4%	29.1%	26.2%	25.8%	25.3%	-9.4%
Two Years or Less	46.1%	41.9%	40.6%	38.1%	37.3%	36.3%	-9.9%
Three Years or Less	51.7%	48.3%	46.9%	43.9%	43.0%	39.9%	-11.8%
Total	51.7%	48.3%	46.9%	43.9%	43.0%	39.9%	-11.8%

*The recidivism rate is calculated as the percentage of adult inmates released to parole, MSR or discharge during a specified year who are returned to IDOC for a prison sentence for a new felony conviction or a technical violation within three years of their release.

¹Decimals have been rounded to the nearest tenth; as a result, percentages in this column may yield slightly different results when using subtraction.

²Sentencing County: County from which inmate was convicted and sentenced, and where court documents were obtained. Collar Counties (5): DuPage, Kane, Lake, McHenry and Will. Downstate Counties (96): Illinois counties other than Cook County and collar counties.