



Illinois Department of Corrections
Male Adult Inmate Population on December 31, 2020

3-Year Recidivism Rates ¹	%
FY15 Exits	41.3%
FY16 Exits	43.1%
FY17 Exits	43.0%

Offense Category	N	%
Homicide	7,646	27.5%
Sexual Assault / Rape	4,419	15.9%
Assault / Battery / Force / Harm	2,938	10.6%
Controlled Substance Violation	2,582	9.3%
Weapons	2,419	8.7%
Armed Robbery	1,884	6.8%
Residential Burglary	795	2.9%
Burglary	773	2.8%
Robbery	702	2.5%
Sex Related Offense	682	2.5%
DUI	569	2.0%
Home / Vehicular Invasion	326	1.2%
Kidnapping / Restraint / Abduction	299	1.1%
Motor Vehicle Theft	294	1.1%
Theft	213	0.8%
Armed Violence	192	0.7%
Sexually Dangerous Persons (SDP)	158	0.6%
Retail Theft	154	0.6%
Vehicle Code Violation	148	0.5%
Escape	141	0.5%
Arson	114	0.4%
Forgery / Deception / Fraud	110	0.4%
Cannabis	104	0.4%
Government Offenses	87	0.3%
Damage to Property	40	0.1%
Disorderly Conduct / Mob Action	16	0.1%
Habitual Offender	1	0.0%
Total	27,806	100.0%

Admission History ⁴	Court ⁵	New Offense Violation ⁶	Technical Violation ⁷	Total
CY04	21,476	3,621	10,020	35,117
CY05	22,538	3,201	10,097	35,836
CY06	22,235	3,138	8,884	34,257
CY07	22,452	3,438	6,395	32,285
CY08	21,674	3,295	7,893	32,862
CY09	22,005	3,049	9,105	34,159
CY10	18,196	2,314	10,926	31,436
CY11	18,212	1,605	8,900	28,717
CY12	19,509	1,617	7,132	28,258
CY13	19,492	1,775	6,923	28,190
CY14	18,735	1,640	6,865	27,240
CY15	16,397	1,564	7,000	24,961
CY16	15,082	1,766	6,662	23,510
CY17	14,803	1,383	6,368	22,554
CY18	13,084	1,160	6,821	21,065
CY19	12,616	1,174	6,345	20,135
CY20	6,327	429	3,983	10,739

Race	N	%
Black	15,401	55.4%
White	8,486	30.5%
Hispanic	3,713	13.4%
Asian	95	0.3%
Native American	35	0.1%
Unknown/Missing	47	0.2%
Bi-Racial	29	0.1%
Total	27,806	100.0%

Average Age	39.9 Years
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Sentencing County ²	N	%
Cook County	12,371	44.5%
Collar Counties ²	3,253	11.7%
Downstate Counties ²	12,135	43.6%
Out of State	47	0.2%
Total	27,806	100.0%

Offense Class ³	N	%
Murder (20-60 years)	6,103	21.9%
Class X (6-30 years)	10,170	36.6%
Class 1 (4-15 years)	3,744	13.5%
Class 2 (3-7 years)	4,607	16.6%
Class 3 (2-5 years)	1,816	6.5%
Class 4 (1-3 years)	1,206	4.3%
Contempt of Court	2	0.0%
Sexually Dangerous Persons (SDP)	158	0.6%
Total	27,806	100.0%

Offense Type	N	%
Person	16,671	60.0%
Drug	3,149	11.3%
Property	2,565	9.2%
Sex	5,259	18.9%
Other	162	0.6%
Total	27,806	100.0%

Miscellaneous	N	%
Sex Offender Registrants ⁹	5,562	20.0%
Life Sentences	1,535	5.5%
Sexually Dangerous Persons (SDP)	158	0.6%
Indeterminate Sentences	62	0.2%

Admission Type	N	%
Court ⁵	23,699	85.2%
New Offense Violation ⁶	1,512	5.4%
Technical Violation ⁷	2,446	8.8%
Other ⁸	149	0.5%
Total	27,806	100.0%

Historical Population - End of CY*	
CY	**Male Population
CY75	7,872
CY76	9,706
CY77	10,487
CY78	10,150
CY79	11,234
CY80	12,080
CY81	13,465
CY82	13,320
CY83	15,206
CY84	16,546
CY85	17,961
CY86	19,034
CY87	19,464
CY88	20,280
CY89	23,706
CY90	26,343
CY91	27,794
CY92	30,175
CY93	32,797
CY94	34,704
CY95	35,443
CY96	36,585
CY97	38,333
CY98	40,376
CY99	41,837
CY00	42,397
CY01	41,570
CY02	40,146
CY03	40,718
CY04	41,304
CY05	42,194
CY06	42,386
CY07	42,391
CY08	42,753
CY09	42,569
CY10	45,504
CY11	45,562
***CY12	46,173
CY13	45,737
CY14	45,390
CY15	43,032
CY16	40,999
CY17	39,148
CY18	37,580
CY19	35,995
CY20	27,806

***The highest male inmate population was 46,586 on November 20, 2012.

¹ Recidivism rate indicates the percentage of inmates who return to IDOC within three years after release. The data represent those inmates released from IDOC in FY2015, FY2016, and FY2017.

² Sentencing County: County where the crime occurred and the inmate was committed.
Collar Counties (5): DuPage, Kane, Lake, McHenry and Will.
Downstate Counties (96): Illinois counties other than Cook County and collar counties.

³ Sentence length does not include extended sentence or any additional sentencing factors that extend beyond the single holding offense class, including life sentences.

⁴ Admission to IDOC during each calendar year (January 1 - December 31).

⁵ Court admission is defined as an adult admitted from criminal court who was not on MSR/Parole when the crime occurred.

⁶ A new offense violation is defined as an adult who was on MSR/Parole and has been convicted of a new offense that is different from their current holding offense.

⁷ A technical violation is defined as an adult on MSR/parole readmitted because of an MSR/parole rule violation or readmitted with new charges pending.

⁸ Other is defined as an adult admitted to IDOC custody for something other than an MSR/Parole violation, including admission from other custody or violation of some other form of release.

⁹ Sex offender registrants 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.

* End of CY population is the population on the last day of the Calendar Year, December 31st.

** In December, 2015 IDOC initiated a major IT transition, moving from a DOS-based offender tracking system to a modern, web-based tracking system. 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.