

Illinois Department of Corrections Female Population Data on December 31, 2024¹

3-Year Recidivism Rates ²	%	% Minus Gate Violators ²
FY17 Exits	22.4%	21.1%
FY18 Exits	22.9%	21.4%
FY19 Exits	22.5%	21.5%

Holding Offense Category ³	N	%
Homicide	429	29.4%
Controlled Substance Violation	304	20.8%
Assault / Battery / Force / Harm	193	13.2%
DUI	90	6.2%
Weapons	66	4.5%
Sexual Assault / Rape	41	2.8%
Armed Robbery	40	2.7%
Retail Theft	37	2.5%
Residential Burglary	36	2.5%
Burglary	35	2.4%
Forgery / Deception / Fraud	33	2.3%
Robbery	29	2.0%
Motor Vehicle Theft	20	1.4%
Theft	19	1.3%
Sex Related Offense	15	1.0%
Arson	14	1.0%
Vehicle Code Violation	12	0.8%
Kidnapping / Restraint / Abduction	11	0.8%
Escape	10	0.7%
Home / Vehicular Invasion	8	0.5%
Government Offenses	6	0.4%
Armed Violence	5	0.3%
Damage to Property	4	0.3%
Disorderly Conduct / Mob Action	3	0.2%
Cannabis	1	0.1%
Total	1,461	100.0%

Admission History ⁵	Court ⁶	New Offense Violation ⁷	Technical Violation ⁸	Total
CY07	2,894	297	248	3,439
CY08	2,620	295	350	3,265
CY09	2,510	235	361	3,106
CY10	2,060	146	620	2,826
CY11	1,915	86	385	2,386
CY12	2,076	97	276	2,449
CY13	2,349	137	263	2,749
CY14	2,118	129	248	2,495
CY15	1,756	102	301	2,159
CY16	1,801	108	285	2,194
CY17	1,650	62	249	1,961
CY18	1,428	88	297	1,813
CY19	1,450	78	344	1,872
CY20	723	10	163	896
CY21	857	12	160	1,029
CY22	1,129	9	165	1,303
CY23	1,074	18	177	1,269
CY24	896	4	150	1,050

Race	N	%
White	809	55.4%
Black	487	33.3%
Hispanic	120	8.2%
Asian	8	0.5%
Native American	8	0.5%
Bi-Racial	23	1.6%
Unknown/Missing	6	0.4%
Total	1,461	100.0%

Average Age	39.9	39.9 Years	
Sentencing County ⁴	N	%	
Cook County	374	25.6%	
Collar Counties ⁴	152	10.4%	
Downstate Counties ⁴	932	63.8%	
Out of State	3	0.2%	
Total	1,461	100.0%	

Holding Offense Class ³		N	%
Murder	(20-60 years)	325	22.2%
Class X	(6-30 years)	298	20.4%
Class 1	(4-15 years)	223	15.3%
Class 2	(3-7 years)	300	20.5%
Class 3	(2-5 years)	196	13.4%
Class 4	(1-3 years)	119	8.1%
Sexually Dangerous Persons (SDP)		0	0.0%
	Total	1,461	100.0%

Holding Offense Type ³	N	%
Person	822	56.3%
Drug	367	25.1%
Property	200	13.7%
Sex	56	3.8%
Other	16	1.1%
Total	1,461	100.0%

Miscellaneous	N	%
Sex Offender Registrants ¹⁰	57	3.9%
Life Sentences	43	2.9%
Sexually Dangerous Persons (SDP)	0	0.0%
Indeterminate Sentences	1	0.1%

Admission Type	N	%
Court ⁶	1,369	93.7%
New Offense Violation ⁷	17	1.2%
Technical Violation ⁸	67	4.6%
Other ⁹	8	0.5%
Total	1,461	100.0%

Historical I	Population - End of CY*
CY	**Female Population
CY75	238
CY76	296
CY77	348
CY78	370
CY79	453
CY80	401
CY81	512
CY82	555
CY83	556
CY84	641
CY85	673
CY86	785
CY87	802
CY88	910
CY89	1,030
CY90	1,191
CY91	1,257
CY92	1,456
CY93	1,688
CY94	1,813
CY95	2,196
CY96	2,130
CY97	
CY98	2,430 2,634
CY99	2,789
***CY00	2,837
CY01	
CY02	2,738 2,507
CY03	2,700
CY04	2,750
CY05	·
CY06	2,725
	2,720
CY07	2,824
CY08	2,721
CY09	2,590
CY10	2,922
CY11	2,865
CY12	2,885
CY13	2,915
CY14	2,888
CY15	2,638
CY16	2,615
CY17	2,279
CY18	2,335
CY19	2,264
CY20	1,418
CY21	1,310
CY22	1,471
CY23	1,533
CY24	1,461

***The highest female population was 2,976 on November 16, 2000.

Collar Counties (5): DuPage, Kane, Lake, McHenry and Will.

Downstate Counties (96): Illinois counties other than Cook County and collar counties.

¹ For the purpose of this fact sheet, "Female" is the gender recorded in the tracking system of record at the individuals admission to IDOC custody. "Female" does not determine an individual's location.

² Recidivism rate indicates the percentage of individuals who return to IDOC within three years after release. The data represent those individuals released from IDOC in FY2017, FY2018, and FY2019. Gate violators indicate individuals who fail to release due to the inability to identify an approvable host site per statute. The recidivism rate will be updated when programming issues are resolved.

³ 'Holding' indicates the current offense the individual is serving time on, the offense is not necessarily the individuals most serious offense.

⁴ Sentencing County: County from which an individual was convicted and sentenced.

⁵ Admission to IDOC during each fiscal year (January 1 - December 31).

⁶ Court admission is defined as an adult admitted from criminal court who was not on MSR or parole at the time the offense occurred.

Court admission also includes other admission types not included in the new offense violations or technical violations categories.

⁷A new offense violation is defined as an adult readmitted from criminal court for a felony committed while on MSR or parole.

⁸ A technical violation is defined as an adult on MSR or parole readmitted because of an MSR or parole rule violation.

Other is defined as an adult who is admitted to IDOC from another custody or who has been returned to custody without having been sentenced.

¹⁰ Sex offender registrants are defined as individuals required to register under guidelines determined by statute, excludes prostitution.

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

^{**} As the Department continues to validate data some data elements are subject to change. Contact the Planning & Research Unit with any questions.