



Illinois Department of Corrections

Individuals in Custody 50 Years of Age and Older on June 30, 2024

Age 50 yrs. & Older 3-Year Recidivism Rates ¹	%	% Minus Gate Violators ¹
FY17 Exits	32.7%	21.7%
FY18 Exits	30.5%	20.5%
FY19 Exits	27.6%	17.5%

Holding Offense Category ²	N	%
Homicide	2,387	36.6%
Sexual Assault / Rape	1,625	24.9%
Controlled Substance Violation	478	7.3%
Assault / Battery / Force / Harm	392	6.0%
Weapons	245	3.8%
DUI	179	2.7%
Sex Related Offense	175	2.7%
Armed Robbery	166	2.5%
Burglary	136	2.1%
Sexually Dangerous Persons (SDP)	104	1.6%
Residential Burglary	95	1.5%
Kidnapping	73	1.1%
Robbery	70	1.1%
Home / Vehicular Invasion	60	0.9%
Retail Theft	56	0.9%
Motor Vehicle Offenses	53	0.8%
Theft	41	0.6%
Arson	39	0.6%
Motor Vehicle Theft	36	0.6%
Forgery / Deception / Fraud	33	0.5%
Armed Violence	30	0.5%
Escape	14	0.2%
Criminal Trespass/Damage to Property	14	0.2%
Government Offenses	12	0.2%
Cannabis	7	0.1%
Disorderly Conduct / Mob Action	2	0.0%
Total	6,522	100.0%

Holding Offense Type ²	N	%
Person Crimes	3,486	53.4%
Sex Crimes	1,904	29.2%
Drug Crimes	636	9.8%
Property Crimes	475	7.3%
Other Crimes	21	0.3%
Total	6,522	100.0%

Miscellaneous	N	%
Life Sentences	1,073	16.5%
Sexually Dangerous Persons (SDP)	105	1.6%
Indeterminate Sentences	35	0.5%
Sex Offender Registrants ⁵	2,062	31.6%

Number of Illinois Incarcerations	N	%
1	3,014	46.2%
2	1,141	17.5%
3	766	11.7%
4	515	7.9%
5	345	5.3%
6 to 10	672	10.3%
11 or more	69	1.1%
Total	6,522	100.0%

Race	N	%
Black	3,188	48.9%
White	2,545	39.0%
Hispanic	736	11.3%
Asian	28	0.4%
American Indian	15	0.2%
Unknown	7	0.1%
Bi-Racial	3	0.0%
Total	6,522	100.0%

Sex ³	N	%
Male	6,250	95.8%
Female	272	4.2%
Total	6,522	100.0%

Sentencing County ⁴	N	%
Cook County	2,734	41.9%
Collar Counties ⁴	843	12.9%
Downstate Counties ⁴	2,921	44.8%
Out of State	24	0.4%
Total	6,522	100.0%

Holding Offense Class ²	N	%
Murder (20-60 years)	2,057	31.5%
Class X (6-30 years)	2,350	36.0%
Class 1 (4-15 years)	664	10.2%
Class 2 (3-7 years)	783	12.0%
Class 3 (2-5 years)	321	4.9%
Class 4 (1-3 years)	243	3.7%
Sexually Dangerous Persons (SDP)	104	1.6%
Total	6,522	100.0%

Age at Current Admission to IDOC	N	%
17	7	0.1%
18-20	85	1.3%
21-25	352	5.4%
26-30	417	6.4%
31-35	526	8.1%
36-40	669	10.3%
41-45	708	10.9%
46-50	1,031	15.8%
51 and Older	2,727	41.8%
Total	6,522	100.0%

Age at Sentencing	N	%
17 or Younger	8	0.1%
18-20	83	1.3%
21-25	349	5.4%
26-30	428	6.6%
31-35	543	8.3%
36-40	688	10.5%
41-45	748	11.5%
46-50	1,086	16.7%
51 and Older	2,589	39.7%
Total	6,522	100.0%

Current Age	N	%
50	478	7.3%
51	456	7.0%
52	452	6.9%
53	462	7.1%
54	421	6.5%
55	392	6.0%
56	354	5.4%
57	303	4.6%
58	339	5.2%
59	293	4.5%
60	294	4.5%
61	287	4.4%
62	280	4.3%
63	262	4.0%
64	198	3.0%
65	193	3.0%
66	154	2.4%
67	131	2.0%
68	133	2.0%
69	107	1.6%
70	88	1.3%
71	69	1.1%
72	66	1.0%
73	60	0.9%
74	44	0.7%
75	39	0.6%
76	38	0.6%
77	28	0.4%
78	24	0.4%
79	22	0.3%
80	12	0.2%
81	14	0.2%
82	5	0.1%
83	6	0.1%
84	5	0.1%
85	5	0.1%
86	3	0.0%
87	2	0.0%
88	0	0.0%
89	2	0.0%
90	1	0.0%
Total	6,522	100.0%

Average Age 58.7 Years

Total IDOC Population	IDOC Population 50 Yrs. & Older	% IDOC Population 50 Yrs. & Older
29,083	6,522	22.4%

¹ 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.

² 'Holding' indicates the current offense the individual is serving time on, the offense is not necessarily the individuals most serious offense.

³ 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. "Sex" does not determine an individual's location.

⁴ 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.

⁵ Sex offender registrants are defined as individuals required to register as a sex offender for having a sex 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.