

Rhode Island Department of Corrections At a Glance

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RIDOC Facilities

Intake Service Center

Opened 1982 - Avg. Population (FY22): 763 - Capacity: 1,148 Cost per offender in FY22: \$81,584

Minimum Security

Opened 1978 - Avg. Population (FY22): 123 - Capacity: 710 Cost per offender in FY22: \$157,267

John J. Moran Medium Security

Opened 1992 - Avg. Population (FY22): 753 - Capacity: 1,153 Cost per offender in FY22: \$82,236

Maximum Security

Opened 1878 - Avg. Population (FY22): 312 - Capacity: 466 Cost per offender in FY22: \$100,909

High Security Center

Opened 1981 - Avg. Population (FY22): 80 - Capacity: 166 Cost per offender in FY22: \$225,259

Women's Division

Opened 2010 - Avg. Population (FY22): 101 - Capacity: 213 Cost per offender in FY22: \$170,296

Community Corrections

Community Corrections includes Probation and Parole (P&P) and offenders on Home Confinement (HC). HC consists of offenders who are sentenced to, classified to, awaiting trial on, or serving Parole on HC.

Probation and Parole

- RI's P&P population peaked in FY09 at 27,734. Since then, the population has decreased by 33% to 18,460 at the end of FY22.
- RI has the 3rd highest probation rate in the nation, and ranks 1st in the number of those on Community Confinement Supervision per 100,000 adult residents, according to BJS.

Home Confinement

- This program began in 1989. Over 10,000 people have participated in the program since records became computerized in 1995. These include adjudicated individuals, civil purges, parolees, and pre-trial offenders.
- From its peak in FY08 (235), the HC population has decreased by 31.5% (161) in 2022.

Employee Statistics

Race	Custodial Staff		Non-Custodial Staff	
(as of 7/19/22)	Males	Females	Males	Females
Black	102	11	9	36
White	595	69	176	227
Asian	13	2	4	3
Hispanic or Latino	62	12	8	25
Other	4	3	0	0
Total	776	97	197	291

*Other includes those who identified as American Indian, Alaskan Native, Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander, or identified as two or more races.

Offender Statistics

Offenders (as of 6/30/2022)						
Race	Females	%	Males	%		
Black	34	1.6	590	28.1		
White	103	4.9	756	36		
Asian	0	0	17	0.8		
Hispanic	19	0.9	490	23.4		
American Indian	0	0	21	1		
Other	14	0.7	51	2.4		
Total	170	8.1	1928	91.9		

Note: RIDOC records Hispanic as a race rather than an ethnicity. We cannot determine whether offenders identifying themselves as Hispanic are white or black. Those identifying themselves as white or black may also be Hispanic.

Population Trends

- RIDOC's average population declined by 42%, from its peak of 3,860 in FY08 to 2,229 in FY22.
- RIDOC's total population was projected to increase by 3% from the end of FY19 to the end of FY22. It actually decreased by 15% due to the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Commitments and Releases FY22

- There were 7,991 awaiting trial and 2, 101 sentenced commitments in FY22. Total commitments declined by 22% from FY19 (12,993) through FY22 (10,092).
- Of the awaiting trial commitments, 52% were new commitments, 17% were probation violators (most having a new charge), and 22% were committed due to a failure to appear in court.
- Of the sentenced commitments, 92% were newly sentenced and 4% were committed due to a probation violation (the majority of which had a new charge).
- 82% of female and 66% of male sentenced commitments were sentenced to serve 6 months or less.
- 92% of sentenced commitments were newly sentenced and an additional 4% were paroled.
- There were 7,813 awaiting trial and 2,067 sentenced releases. Total releases declined by 24% from FY19 (12,953) through FY22 (9,880).
- 88% of sentenced releases expired their sentence while 10% were paroled.
- A majority of sentenced releases reported returning to Providence (26%), Pawtucket (9%), Woonsocket (9%), or Cranston (8%).
- Sentenced commitments in FY22 had an average sentence length of 15 months.
- On average, those who expired their 1-3 year sentence in FY22 served 73% of that sentence.

Those Serving Life in FY22

- 177 RI offenders are serving life at the ACI, 19 are serving out of state, and 1 is at the Eleanor Slater Forensic Hospital Unit.
- 28 RI offenders are serving life without parole at the ACI while 3 are serving out of state.

Recidivism (CY2018 Cohort)

- By 3 years post-release, 48% of released individuals had returned to the RIDOC as a sentenced offender. This represents a 3% decrease in recidivism when compared with the CY17 cohort.
- 73% of offenders returned to serve a new sentence. 21% returned as probation violators, and 6% returned for a parole violation.