



Department of Corrections

Prison Rape Elimination Act Annual Report – Calendar Year 2025

This Annual Report, in accordance with the federal Prison Rape Elimination Act (“PREA”) Standards for Adult Prisons and Jails, summarizes Calendar Year (“CY”) 2025 incident-based data and actions taken in CY 2025 by the Rhode Island Department of Corrections (“RIDOC”) and its facilities to improve its efforts to prevent, detect and respond to incidents of sexual abuse and/or sexual harassment.

Standards related to the collection and publication of data include: §115.87 Data Collection, §115.88 Data Review for Corrective Action, and §115.89 Data Storage, Publication and Destruction.

Data Collection Activities

The RIDOC has a zero tolerance policy for inmate sexual abuse and sexual harassment which is documented in detail in the RIDOC Policy 9.49 PREA Policy, available on the RIDOC website: <https://doc.ri.gov/more-resources/prison-rape-elimination-act-prea>.

All incidents of sexual abuse and sexual harassment, suspected or alleged, are documented in written incident reports, entered as Possible PREA (sexual abuse or sexual harassment by inmate or by staff) in the Facility Incident Database and investigated by either the Special Investigations Unit (“SIU”) or the Office of Inspections (“OI”). After the initial report of a Possible PREA, additional information is documented in the corresponding incident report in the Facility Incident Database, including, but not limited to, services received (i.e.- medical, mental health, emotional support services), retaliation monitoring, investigation outcome, as well as information from facility based Sexual Abuse Incident Reviews when required to be conducted.

It should be noted that pursuant to §115.78(g): “An agency may, in its discretion, prohibit all sexual activity between inmates and may discipline inmates for such activity. An agency may not, however, deem such activity to constitute sexual abuse if it determines that the activity is not coerced.” The RIDOC prohibits all sexual activity between inmates. All sexual activity between inmates is documented in an incident report in the Facility Incident Database as “Possible PREA Sexual Abuse by Inmate.” If sexual activity between inmates is found through an investigation by SIU to have been consensual, as of January 1, 2024, SIU returns a finding of “Not PREA” (prior to January 1, 2024, consensual sexual activity between inmates was determined after investigation by SIU to be “Unfounded” sexual abuse). This additional outcome, “Not PREA,” has been reflected in the Department’s data and published as a data set in its PREA Annual Reports since the CY 2024 PREA Annual Report.

The RIDOC PREA Coordinator reviews the data collected from the Facility Incident Database to (1) assess and improve the effectiveness of the RIDOC's sexual abuse and sexual harassment prevention, detection and response efforts and (2) prepare the annual report.

CY 2025 Data

CY 2025 Total All Facilities PREA-Related Incidents: 250

Possible PREA Sexual Abuse by Inmate (All Facilities)

Reported	Ongoing	Substantiated	Unfounded	Unsubstantiated	Not PREA
43	1	3	10	22	7

Possible PREA Sexual Abuse by Staff (All Facilities)

Reported	Ongoing	Substantiated	Unfounded	Unsubstantiated	Not PREA
45	0	0	32	13	0

Possible PREA Sexual Harassment by Inmate (All Facilities)

Reported	Ongoing	Substantiated	Unfounded	Unsubstantiated	Not PREA
63	0	7	9	46	1

Possible PREA Sexual Harassment by Staff (All Facilities)

Reported	Ongoing	Substantiated	Unfounded	Unsubstantiated	Not PREA
99	0	1	54	44	0

CY 2025 Total High Security Center PREA-Related Incidents: 61

Possible PREA Sexual Abuse by Inmate (High Security Center)

Reported	Ongoing	Substantiated	Unfounded	Unsubstantiated	Not PREA
0	0	0	0	0	0

Possible PREA Sexual Abuse by Staff (High Security Center)

Reported	Ongoing	Substantiated	Unfounded	Unsubstantiated	Not PREA
12	0	0	8	4	0

Possible PREA Sexual Harassment by Inmate (High Security Center)

Reported	Ongoing	Substantiated	Unfounded	Unsubstantiated	Not PREA
3	0	0	1	2	0

Possible PREA Sexual Harassment by Staff (High Security Center)

Reported	Ongoing	Substantiated	Unfounded	Unsubstantiated	Not PREA
46	0	0	24	22	0

CY 2025 Total Maximum Security PREA-Related Incidents: 31

Possible PREA Sexual Abuse by Inmate (Maximum Security)

Reported	Ongoing	Substantiated	Unfounded	Unsubstantiated	Not PREA
1	0	0	1	0	0

Possible PREA Sexual Abuse by Staff (Maximum Security)

Reported	Ongoing	Substantiated	Unfounded	Unsubstantiated	Not PREA
4	0	0	3	1	0

Possible PREA Sexual Harassment by Inmate (Maximum Security)

Reported	Ongoing	Substantiated	Unfounded	Unsubstantiated	Not PREA
4	0	0	1	3	0

Possible PREA Sexual Harassment by Staff (Maximum Security)

Reported	Ongoing	Substantiated	Unfounded	Unsubstantiated	Not PREA
22	0	1	15	6	0

CY 2025 Total Medium Security PREA-Related Incidents: 45

Possible PREA Sexual Abuse by Inmate (Medium Security)

Reported	Ongoing	Substantiated	Unfounded	Unsubstantiated	Not PREA
10	0	2	3	5	0

Possible PREA Sexual Abuse by Staff (Medium Security)

Reported	Ongoing	Substantiated	Unfounded	Unsubstantiated	Not PREA
3	0	0	2	1	0

Possible PREA Sexual Harassment by Inmate (Medium Security)

Reported	Ongoing	Substantiated	Unfounded	Unsubstantiated	Not PREA
18	0	1	3	14	0

Possible PREA Sexual Harassment by Staff (Medium Security)

Reported	Ongoing	Substantiated	Unfounded	Unsubstantiated	Not PREA
14	0	0	7	7	0

CY 2025 Total Minimum Security PREA-Related Incidents: 1**Possible PREA Sexual Abuse by Inmate (Minimum Security)**

Reported	Ongoing	Substantiated	Unfounded	Unsubstantiated	Not PREA
0	0	0	0	0	0

Possible PREA Sexual Abuse by Staff (Minimum Security)

Reported	Ongoing	Substantiated	Unfounded	Unsubstantiated	Not PREA
1	0	0	0	1	0

Possible PREA Sexual Harassment by Inmate (Minimum Security)

Reported	Ongoing	Substantiated	Unfounded	Unsubstantiated	Not PREA
0	0	0	0	0	0

Possible PREA Sexual Harassment by Staff (Minimum Security)

Reported	Ongoing	Substantiated	Unfounded	Unsubstantiated	Not PREA
0	0	0	0	0	0

CY 2025 Total Intake Service Center PREA-Related Incidents: 56**Possible PREA Sexual Abuse by Inmate (Intake Service Center)**

Reported	Ongoing	Substantiated	Unfounded	Unsubstantiated	Not PREA
13	1	0	3	9	0

Possible PREA Sexual Abuse by Staff (Intake Service Center)

Reported	Ongoing	Substantiated	Unfounded	Unsubstantiated	Not PREA
15	0	0	11	4	0

Possible PREA Sexual Harassment by Inmate (Intake Service Center)

Reported	Ongoing	Substantiated	Unfounded	Unsubstantiated	Not PREA
17	0	1	1	14	1

Possible PREA Sexual Harassment by Staff (Intake Service Center)

Reported	Ongoing	Substantiated	Unfounded	Unsubstantiated	Not PREA
11	0	0	4	7	0

CY 2025 Total Women's Facility PREA-Related Incidents: 56

Possible PREA Sexual Abuse by Inmate (Women's Facility)

Reported	Ongoing	Substantiated	Unfounded	Unsubstantiated	Not PREA
19	0	1	3	8	7

Possible PREA Sexual Abuse by Staff (Women's Facility)

Reported	Ongoing	Substantiated	Unfounded	Unsubstantiated	Not PREA
10	0	0	8	2	0

Possible PREA Sexual Harassment by Inmate (Women's Facility)

Reported	Ongoing	Substantiated	Unfounded	Unsubstantiated	Not PREA
21	0	5	3	13	0

Possible PREA Sexual Harassment by Staff (Women's Facility)

Reported	Ongoing	Substantiated	Unfounded	Unsubstantiated	Not PREA
6	0	0	4	2	0

Comparative Data Analysis

In CY 2025, the number of PREA allegations reported to RIDOC and investigated by RIDOC increased by eighty-one (81) from CY 2024. There were two hundred and fifty (250) PREA allegations reported and investigated in CY 2025 compared to one hundred and sixty-nine (169) PREA allegations reported and investigated in CY 2024. While the number of PREA allegations reported to RIDOC in CY 2025 increased, investigation outcomes did not demonstrate a significant increase in the number of substantiated incidents of sexual abuse or sexual harassment. The majority of investigation outcomes remained either unfounded or unsubstantiated.

At the time of this report, only one (1) investigation remains ongoing with SIU from CY 2025. The remaining two hundred and forty-nine (249) investigations from CY 2025 resulted in investigative outcomes from SIU and OI: substantiated, unfounded, unsubstantiated or Not PREA, as reported herein.

RIDOC incident data and investigative findings, as confirmed by the annual findings of federally certified PREA Auditors, demonstrate that RIDOC leadership continues to prioritize a culture of sexual safety and that the RIDOC has clear PREA reporting mechanisms in place that inmates, staff and the public know how to utilize. As summarized in this annual report, RIDOC's incident data and investigative findings further demonstrate that all reports of sexual abuse and sexual harassment are documented, and that all Possible PREA incidents, suspected and alleged, are taken seriously and investigated. RIDOC's fostering of a robust reporting culture paired with thorough investigations by highly trained SIU investigators and OI inspectors ensures that victims are provided with the medical and mental health services they need while also acting as a deterrent for sexual predators.

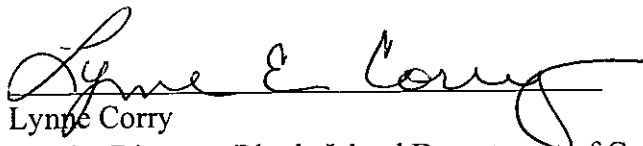
CY 2025 Corrective Actions

In CY 2025, PREA Audits were conducted at two (2) RIDOC facilities: Medium Security and Minimum Security. RIDOC completed all of the required audit activities for each facility, including, but not limited to, full on-site reviews and in-person interviews with staff and inmates by the federally certified PREA Auditor. The federally certified PREA Auditor found that both facilities were compliant with the PREA Standards for Adult Prisons and Jails, each facility was found to have exceeded multiple standards, and neither facility required corrective action.

Although corrective action has not been required of the RIDOC in recent years by a federally certified PREA Auditor, RIDOC continued to maintain its efforts to ensure continued compliance with the PREA Standards for Adult Prisons and Jails throughout CY 2025 and specifically to “assess and improve the effectiveness of its sexual abuse prevention, detection, and response policies, practices, and training” in compliance with PREA Standard § 115.88 by:

- Monitoring the increase in reported PREA allegations in CY 2025 and responding with updated PREA Education for all current and future inmates in September 2025.
- Providing additional PREA reporting methods for inmates utilizing inmate tablets.
- Participating in and completing the inaugural National PREA Resource Center PREA Academy Investigations Training by one (1) SIU Investigator.
- Updating the Facility Incident Database to collect additional PREA incident related information.
- Updating INFACETS as part of the Department’s ongoing effort to separate those inmates identified of being at high risk of being sexually victimized from those identified of being at high risk of being sexually abusive.
- Launching STRIDOC (Strategic Tracking, Reviewing and Identifying of Data to Optimize Corrections), providing leadership with real-time data to inform decision-making. Incident data, including, but not limited to, PREA incident data, is now incorporated into the CompStat model, strengthening accountability and transparency.

RIDOC continues to be committed to full compliance with the PREA Standards for Adult Prisons and Jails and continues to dedicate resources to improve and sustain its efforts to prevent, detect and respond to all incidents of sexual abuse and/or sexual harassment.



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