

Rhode Island Department of Corrections At a Glance

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RIDOC Facilities

Intake Service Center

Opened 1982 - Ave. Population (FY20): 824 - Capacity: 1,120 Cost per offender, per year (FY20): \$69,357

Minimum Security

Opened 1978 - Ave. Population (FY20): 199 - Capacity: 692 Cost per offender, per year (FY20): \$114,486

John J. Moran Medium Security

Opened 1992 - Ave. Population (FY20): 905 - Capacity: 1,126 Cost per offender, per year (FY20): \$68,006

Maximum Security

Opened 1878 - Ave. Population (FY20): 399 - Capacity: 426 Cost per offender, per year (FY20): \$84,626

High Security Center

Opened 1981 - Ave. Population (FY20): 87 - Capacity: 138 Cost per offender, per year (FY20): \$199,847

Women's Division

Opened 2010 - Ave. Population (FY20): 130 - Capacity: 281 Cost per offender, per year (FY20): \$133,439

Offender Statistics

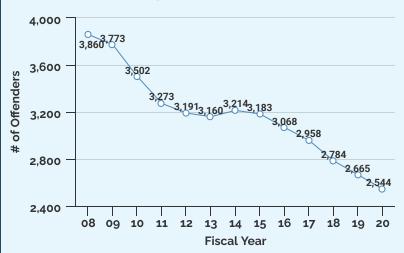
Offenders (as of June 30, 2020)

| | Awaiting Trial | Sentenced | Awaiting Trial | Sentenced |
|-----------------|-----------------------|-----------|-----------------------|-----------|
| | Females | Females | Males | Males |
| Race* | | | | |
| Black | 17% | 19% | 28% | 30% |
| White | 66% | 58% | 35% | 39% |
| Asian | 0% | 4% | 1% | 2% |
| Hispanic | 17% | 13% | 32% | 26% |
| Other | 0 | 6% | 4% | 3% |
| Age | | | | |
| under 20 | 3% | 0% | 1% | 1% |
| 20-29 | 43% | 17% | 35% | 27% |
| 30-39 | 27% | 49% | 35% | 30% |
| 40-49 | 24% | 28% | 17% | 19% |
| 50-59 | 3% | 2% | 10% | 15% |
| 60+ | 0% | 4% | 2% | 8% |
| | | | | |
| Offense Type** | | | | |
| Violent | 76% | 64% | 51% | 56% |
| Sex | 0% | 2% | 14% | 17% |
| B&E | 3% | 6% | 10% | 6% |
| Drug | 7% | 6% | 13% | 9% |
| Drug Possession | 7% | 6% | 3% | 1% |
| Weapons | 0% | 0% | 2% | 4% |
| Non-Violent | 7% | 16% | 7% | 7% |

^{*}RIDOC records Hispanic as race rather than 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.

Offender Population

Average Total Population



Population Trends

- RIDOC's average population declined by 34% from its peak in FY08 (3860) to FY20 (2,544).
- The average population decrease in FY20 can be largely attributed to the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic.
- As of June 30, 2020, 178 RI offenders are serving life and 28 are serving life without parole at the RIDOC.
- In RI, 158 out of every 100,000 residents are imprisoned, while nationally 431 out of 100,000 US residents are incarcerated (Bureau of Justice Statistics, Prisoners in 2018), which makes Rhode Island third lowest in the nation in terms of the rate of incarceration.

Commitments and Releases FY20

- Total commitments declined by 17% from FY19 (12,993) through FY20 (10,819).
- Of the 8,111 awaiting trial commitments, 36% were new commitments, 26% were probation violators (most having a new charge) and 23% were failure to appear to court.
- Of the 2,552 sentenced commitments, 69% were newly sentenced and 26% were committed due to a probation violation (the majority of which had a new charge).
- 81% of female and 67% of male sentenced commitments were sentenced to serve 6 months or less; however, the average sentence length of the FY20 sentenced commitments was 23.7 months.
- Total releases declined by 13% from FY19 (12,953) through FY20 (11,227).
- 86% of the 2,902 sentenced releases expired their sentence while 10% were paroled.
- Sentenced releases were most frequently reported returning to Providence (30%), Pawtucket (12%), Woonsocket (9%) or Cranston (8%).

Recidivism (CY2015 Cohort)

- At 3 years post-release, 47% of released individuals returned to the RIDOC as a sentenced offender. This is the lowest reported recidivism rate since RIDOC began tracking cohorts in 2004.
- 70% offenders returned for a new sentence, while 25% returned as probation violators and 4% returned for a parole violation.

^{**}Offense type is categorized by the most serious offense type for the current incarceration. Offenders may be serving or awaiting trial on multiple offenses but only their most serious offense type is reflected in this chart.



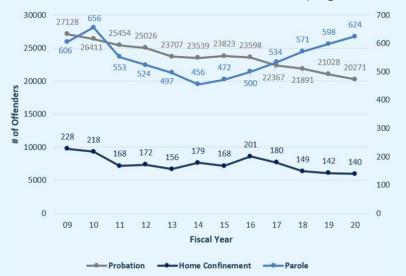
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Community Corrections

Community Corrections includes Probation and Parole (P&P) and offenders on Home Confinement (HC). Offenders may be sentenced to, classified to, await trial or serve civil purges on HC.



Probation and Parole

- RI's P&P population peaked in FY09 at 27,734. Since then, the population has decreased by 25% to 20,895 (FY20).
- 1 of every 57 adult residents in RI is on probation or parole.
- RI ranks 4th in the nation and 1st in the Northeast in the number of probationers per 100,000 adult residents (data as of 2018).
- The cost per offender on an active caseload is \$2,267 per year.

Offenders (as of June 30, 2020)

| | Offenders (as of June 30, 2020) | | | |
|-----------------|---------------------------------|--------|---------------------|--|
| | Probation | Parole | Home Confinement | |
| Race* | | | | |
| Black | 21.7% | 23.3% | 14.0% | |
| White | 50.0% | 45.0% | 58.1% | |
| Asian | 1.2% | 3.4% | 0.0% | |
| Hispanic | 22.3% | 27.0% | 24.0% | |
| Other | 4.8% | 1.3% | 3.9% | |
| Age | | | | |
| under 20 | 0.3% | 0.2% | 1.5% | |
| 20-29 | 18.9% | 22.0% | 39.5% | |
| 30-39 | 28.8% | 31.3% | 25.6% | |
| 40-49 | 21.7% | 21.1% | 17.8% | |
| 50-59 | 19.4% | 12.4% | 7.8% | |
| 60+ | 10.9% | 13.0% | 7.8% | |
| Offense Type** | | | | |
| Violent | 35.7% | 52.9% | 24.0% | |
| Sex | 6.8% | 19.3% | 25.6% | |
| B&E | 8.3% | 4.6% | 0.0% | |
| Drug | 13.3% | 13.7% | 17.0% | |
| Drug Possession | 8.0% | 1.7% | 4.7% | |
| Weapons | 2.4% | 3.7% | 3.1% | |
| Non-Violent | 27.5% | 4.1% | 25.6% | |

Home Confinement

- This program began in 1989. Over 10,000 people have participated in the program since records became computerized in 1995.
- From its peak in FY08 (235), the HC population has decreased by 40% (140 in FY20),
- The cost per offender is \$19,155 per year.

Programming / Education

The RIDOC offers hundreds of programs that range from educational, parenting, anger or substance abuse management to religion or emotional intelligence. Offenders can be enrolled in multiple programs throughout the year and in FY20, there were 5,520 program completions including:

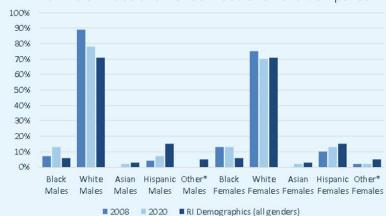
- 1191 college courses;
- 137 parenting courses;
- 527 cognitive restructuring/anger management courses;
- 166 domestic violence prevention courses; and
- 513 overcoming substance abuse or addiction courses.

During the 19-20 school year there were:

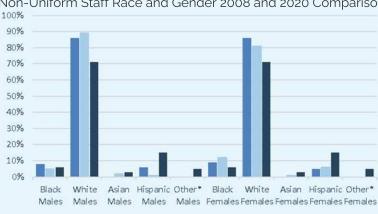
- 18 offenders who received their GED and
- 9 offenders who received an Associate Degree from CCRI.

Employee Statistics

Uniform Staff Race and Gender 2008 and 2020 Comparison



Non-Uniform Staff Race and Gender 2008 and 2020 Comparison



Note: Other combines those who self-identified themselves as American Indian, Alaskan Native, Native Hawaiian, Other Pacific Islander or 2 or more races.

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■ 2008 ■ 2020 ■ RI Demographics (all genders)

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