

**MOST SERIOUS OFFENSE* OF
INMATES ADMITTED TO SCDC FY 2024**

OFFENSE CLASSIFICATION	BLACK MALES		BLACK FEMALES		WHITE MALES		WHITE FEMALES		OTHER MALES		OTHER FEMALES		TOTAL	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
DRUG OFFENSES	542	21.4%	23	13.6%	705	32.0%	306	50.6%	21	14.6%	9	39.1%	1,606	28.3%
BURGLARY	233	9.2%	13	7.7%	273	12.4%	53	8.8%	15	10.4%	1	4.3%	588	10.4%
ASSAULT	296	11.7%	29	17.2%	168	7.6%	25	4.1%	25	17.4%	0	0.0%	543	9.6%
FAMILY OFFENSE	257	10.2%	12	7.1%	193	8.8%	35	5.8%	15	10.4%	1	4.3%	513	9.0%
LARCENY	127	5.0%	19	11.2%	149	6.8%	49	8.1%	2	1.4%	0	0.0%	346	6.1%
HOMICIDE	216	8.5%	23	13.6%	60	2.7%	14	2.3%	8	5.6%	2	8.7%	323	5.7%
TRAFFIC OFFENSE	100	4.0%	9	5.3%	107	4.9%	29	4.8%	15	10.4%	3	13.0%	263	4.6%
ROBBERY	190	7.5%	11	6.5%	35	1.6%	2	0.3%	3	2.1%	2	8.7%	243	4.3%
WEAPON OFFENSE	172	6.8%	4	2.4%	62	2.8%	0	0.0%	4	2.8%	1	4.3%	243	4.3%
SEXUAL ASSAULT	84	3.3%	0	0.0%	113	5.1%	2	0.3%	14	9.7%	0	0.0%	213	3.8%
SEX OFFENSES	65	2.6%	1	0.6%	69	3.1%	2	0.3%	7	4.9%	0	0.0%	144	2.5%
STOLEN VEHICLE	45	1.8%	1	0.6%	71	3.2%	19	3.1%	1	0.7%	0	0.0%	137	2.4%
OBSTRUCTING POLICE	47	1.9%	8	4.7%	29	1.3%	6	1.0%	0	0.0%	1	4.3%	91	1.6%
FRAUDULENT ACTIVITY	22	0.9%	1	0.6%	31	1.4%	21	3.5%	3	2.1%	0	0.0%	78	1.4%
FORGERY/COUNTERFEIT	14	0.6%	3	1.8%	21	1.0%	12	2.0%	1	0.7%	0	0.0%	51	0.9%
KIDNAPPING	38	1.5%	0	0.0%	10	0.5%	1	0.2%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	49	0.9%
FLIGHT/ESCAPE	12	0.5%	3	1.8%	16	0.7%	3	0.5%	0	0.0%	1	4.3%	35	0.6%
ARSON	10	0.4%	1	0.6%	15	0.7%	5	0.8%	4	2.8%	0	0.0%	35	0.6%
STOLEN PROPERTY	6	0.2%	0	0.0%	22	1.0%	6	1.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	34	0.6%
ACCESSORY TO FELONY	14	0.6%	3	1.8%	2	0.1%	3	0.5%	1	0.7%	1	4.3%	24	0.4%
INVASION OF PRIVACY	8	0.3%	0	0.0%	15	0.7%	0	0.0%	1	0.7%	0	0.0%	24	0.4%
SMUGGLING	4	0.2%	1	0.6%	4	0.2%	7	1.2%	0	0.0%	1	4.3%	17	0.3%
PUBLIC PEACE	10	0.4%	2	1.2%	4	0.2%	0	0.0%	1	0.7%	0	0.0%	17	0.3%
CRIMINAL CONSPIRACY	5	0.2%	1	0.6%	8	0.4%	1	0.2%	1	0.7%	0	0.0%	16	0.3%
PROPERTY CRIME	5	0.2%	1	0.6%	5	0.2%	0	0.0%	1	0.7%	0	0.0%	12	0.2%
DAMAGE TO PROPERTY	2	0.1%	0	0.0%	7	0.3%	1	0.2%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	10	0.2%
POSSESSION OF TOOLS	2	0.1%	0	0.0%	3	0.1%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	5	0.1%
OBSTRUCTING JUSTICE	3	0.1%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	3	0.1%
CRIME AGAINST PERSON	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	2	0.1%	1	0.2%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	3	0.1%
MISPRISON TO FELONY	1	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	2	0.3%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	3	0.1%
OBSCENE MATERIAL	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	2	0.1%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	2	0.0%
CONSERVATION	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	1	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	1	0.0%
MISCELLANEOUS CHARGES	1	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	1	0.0%
LICENSE VIOLATION	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	1	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	1	0.0%
TAX REVENUE	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	1	0.7%	0	0.0%	1	0.0%
TOTAL	2,531	100.0%	169	100.0%	2,203	100.0%	605	100.0%	144	100.0%	23	100.0%	5,675	100.0%

*Highlighted areas indicate most common offenses for each demographic group. Inmates often are committed to SCDC with many offenses, with each carrying a specific sentence, county of commitment, etc. To facilitate statistical reporting, SCDC determines a single "most serious offense" (MSO) for each inmate. Before August 2005, the offense with the longest sentence determined MSO. Effective August 2005, inmates' MSO is the offense with the highest severity level (i.e. offenses are classified between severity level 1 and 5, with 5 as the most severe). In cases where an inmate has multiple offenses at the same severity level, SCDC considers the category of each offense, where homicide offenses take precedence, followed by sex offenses and violent offenses. If multiple offenses exist within the same category, the offense with the longest sentence then determines MSO. Because of this definitional change, post-2005 MSO data cannot be compared to pre-2005 MSO data.

Note: Percentages may not add up due to rounding.