

MOST SERIOUS OFFENSE* OF INMATES ADMITTED TO SCDC FY 2025

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	631	22.5%	24	13.0%	729	31.5%	290	49.3%	48	25.7%	3	27.3%	1,725	28.3%
ASSAULT	361	12.9%	25	13.6%	173	7.5%	23	3.9%	26	13.9%	1	9.1%	609	10.0%
FAMILY OFFENSE	259	9.2%	18	9.8%	221	9.5%	51	8.7%	21	11.2%	1	9.1%	571	9.4%
BURGLARY	212	7.5%	9	4.9%	249	10.8%	31	5.3%	11	5.9%	0	0.0%	512	8.4%
LARCENY	148	5.3%	19	10.3%	161	7.0%	47	8.0%	2	1.1%	3	27.3%	380	6.2%
HOMICIDE	238	8.5%	21	11.4%	66	2.9%	12	2.0%	10	5.3%	0	0.0%	347	5.7%
WEAPON OFFENSE	209	7.4%	9	4.9%	71	3.1%	6	1.0%	4	2.1%	1	9.1%	300	4.9%
TRAFFIC OFFENSE	125	4.5%	12	6.5%	110	4.8%	29	4.9%	21	11.2%	1	9.1%	298	4.9%
ROBBERY	184	6.6%	12	6.5%	34	1.5%	6	1.0%	3	1.6%	0	0.0%	239	3.9%
SEXUAL ASSAULT	73	2.6%	1	0.5%	128	5.5%	2	0.3%	32	17.1%	0	0.0%	236	3.9%
STOLEN VEHICLE	77	2.7%	7	3.8%	70	3.0%	13	2.2%	3	1.6%	0	0.0%	170	2.8%
SEX OFFENSES	73	2.6%	1	0.5%	65	2.8%	1	0.2%	2	1.1%	1	9.1%	143	2.3%
OBSTRUCTING POLICE	47	1.7%	5	2.7%	52	2.2%	9	1.5%	1	0.5%	0	0.0%	114	1.9%
FRAUDULENT ACTIVITY	33	1.2%	7	3.8%	43	1.9%	17	2.9%	2	1.1%	0	0.0%	102	1.7%
FORGERY/COUNTERFEIT	16	0.6%	1	0.5%	17	0.7%	12	2.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	46	0.8%
KIDNAPPING	27	1.0%	0	0.0%	6	0.3%	2	0.3%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	35	0.6%
ACCESSORY TO FELONY	19	0.7%	1	0.5%	9	0.4%	3	0.5%	1	0.5%	0	0.0%	33	0.5%
ARSON	8	0.3%	2	1.1%	16	0.7%	5	0.9%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	31	0.5%
PUBLIC PEACE	16	0.6%	1	0.5%	12	0.5%	2	0.3%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	31	0.5%
STOLEN PROPERTY	4	0.1%	0	0.0%	15	0.6%	10	1.7%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	29	0.5%
FLIGHT/ESCAPE	10	0.4%	4	2.2%	12	0.5%	1	0.2%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	27	0.4%
INVASION OF PRIVACY	11	0.4%	0	0.0%	13	0.6%	2	0.3%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	26	0.4%
PROPERTY CRIME	12	0.4%	1	0.5%	10	0.4%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	23	0.4%
DAMAGE TO PROPERTY	3	0.1%	0	0.0%	10	0.4%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	13	0.2%
SMUGGLING	3	0.1%	0	0.0%	4	0.2%	6	1.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	13	0.2%
OBSTRUCTING JUSTICE	5	0.2%	0	0.0%	6	0.3%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	11	0.2%
CRIMINAL CONSPIRACY	1	0.0%	1	0.5%	3	0.1%	2	0.3%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	7	0.1%
CONSERVATION	1	0.0%	0	0.0%	1	0.0%	3	0.5%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	5	0.1%
CRIME AGAINST PERSON	1	0.0%	2	1.1%	1	0.0%	1	0.2%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	5	0.1%
POSSESSION OF TOOLS	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	5	0.2%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	5	0.1%
OBSCENE MATERIAL	1	0.0%	0	0.0%	2	0.1%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	3	0.0%
COMPUTER CRIMES	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	1	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	1	0.0%
COSMETIC ADULTERATED	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	1	0.2%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	1	0.0%
MISCONDUCT IN OFFICE	0	0.0%	1	0.5%	0	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%	1	0.2%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	1	0.0%
TOTAL	2,808	100.0%	184	100.0%	2,315	100.0%	588	100.0%	187	100.0%	11	100.0%	6,093	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.