

**MOST SERIOUS OFFENSE\* OF INMATES  
ADMITTED FISCAL YEARS 2021 - 2025**

| OFFENSE<br>CLASSIFICATION | FY 2021      |             | FY 2022      |             | FY 2023      |             | FY 2024      |             | FY 2025      |             |
|---------------------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|-------------|
|                           | #            | %           | #            | %           | #            | %           | #            | %           | #            | %           |
| DRUG OFFENSES             | 907          | 23.3%       | 1,452        | 26.1%       | 1,641        | 28.6%       | 1,606        | 28.3%       | 1,725        | 28.3%       |
| BURGLARY                  | 559          | 14.3%       | 630          | 11.3%       | 581          | 10.1%       | 588          | 10.4%       | 512          | 8.4%        |
| ASSAULT                   | 371          | 9.5%        | 485          | 8.7%        | 560          | 9.8%        | 543          | 9.6%        | 609          | 10.0%       |
| FAMILY OFFENSE            | 385          | 9.9%        | 479          | 8.6%        | 523          | 9.1%        | 513          | 9.0%        | 571          | 9.4%        |
| LARCENY                   | 249          | 6.4%        | 353          | 6.4%        | 326          | 5.7%        | 346          | 6.1%        | 380          | 6.2%        |
| HOMICIDE                  | 151          | 3.9%        | 301          | 5.4%        | 306          | 5.3%        | 323          | 5.7%        | 347          | 5.7%        |
| TRAFFIC OFFENSE           | 164          | 4.2%        | 284          | 5.1%        | 246          | 4.3%        | 263          | 4.6%        | 298          | 4.9%        |
| ROBBERY                   | 223          | 5.7%        | 259          | 4.7%        | 269          | 4.7%        | 243          | 4.3%        | 239          | 3.9%        |
| WEAPON OFFENSE            | 174          | 4.5%        | 210          | 3.8%        | 258          | 4.5%        | 243          | 4.3%        | 300          | 4.9%        |
| SEXUAL ASSAULT            | 146          | 3.7%        | 217          | 3.9%        | 211          | 3.7%        | 213          | 3.8%        | 236          | 3.9%        |
| STOLEN VEHICLE            | 129          | 3.3%        | 153          | 2.8%        | 139          | 2.4%        | 137          | 2.4%        | 170          | 2.8%        |
| SEX OFFENSES              | 65           | 1.7%        | 135          | 2.4%        | 120          | 2.1%        | 144          | 2.5%        | 143          | 2.3%        |
| OBSTRUCTING POLICE        | 66           | 1.7%        | 98           | 1.8%        | 99           | 1.7%        | 91           | 1.6%        | 114          | 1.9%        |
| FRAUDULENT ACTIVITY       | 63           | 1.6%        | 86           | 1.5%        | 102          | 1.8%        | 78           | 1.4%        | 102          | 1.7%        |
| FORGERY/COUNTERFEIT       | 49           | 1.3%        | 59           | 1.1%        | 45           | 0.8%        | 51           | 0.9%        | 46           | 0.8%        |
| KIDNAPPING                | 29           | 0.7%        | 66           | 1.2%        | 59           | 1.0%        | 49           | 0.9%        | 35           | 0.6%        |
| STOLEN PROPERTY           | 26           | 0.7%        | 46           | 0.8%        | 35           | 0.6%        | 34           | 0.6%        | 29           | 0.5%        |
| FLIGHT/ESCAPE             | 24           | 0.6%        | 32           | 0.6%        | 33           | 0.6%        | 35           | 0.6%        | 27           | 0.4%        |
| ACCESSORY TO FELONY       | 16           | 0.4%        | 34           | 0.6%        | 35           | 0.6%        | 24           | 0.4%        | 33           | 0.5%        |
| ARSON                     | 22           | 0.6%        | 19           | 0.3%        | 23           | 0.4%        | 35           | 0.6%        | 31           | 0.5%        |
| INVASION OF PRIVACY       | 14           | 0.4%        | 27           | 0.5%        | 14           | 0.2%        | 24           | 0.4%        | 26           | 0.4%        |
| PUBLIC PEACE              | 6            | 0.2%        | 27           | 0.5%        | 21           | 0.4%        | 17           | 0.3%        | 31           | 0.5%        |
| PROPERTY CRIME            | 14           | 0.4%        | 18           | 0.3%        | 17           | 0.3%        | 12           | 0.2%        | 23           | 0.4%        |
| SMUGGLING                 | 9            | 0.2%        | 20           | 0.4%        | 22           | 0.4%        | 17           | 0.3%        | 13           | 0.2%        |
| DAMAGE TO PROPERTY        | 11           | 0.3%        | 20           | 0.4%        | 11           | 0.2%        | 10           | 0.2%        | 13           | 0.2%        |
| CRIMINAL CONSPIRACY       | 11           | 0.3%        | 12           | 0.2%        | 14           | 0.2%        | 16           | 0.3%        | 7            | 0.1%        |
| OBSTRUCTING JUSTICE       | 0            | 0.0%        | 13           | 0.2%        | 8            | 0.1%        | 3            | 0.1%        | 11           | 0.2%        |
| POSSESSION OF TOOLS       | 5            | 0.1%        | 3            | 0.1%        | 4            | 0.1%        | 5            | 0.1%        | 5            | 0.1%        |
| CRIME AGAINST PERSON      | 4            | 0.1%        | 1            | 0.0%        | 8            | 0.1%        | 3            | 0.1%        | 5            | 0.1%        |
| OBSCENE MATERIAL          | 0            | 0.0%        | 3            | 0.1%        | 5            | 0.1%        | 2            | 0.0%        | 3            | 0.0%        |
| CONSERVATION              | 1            | 0.0%        | 1            | 0.0%        | 3            | 0.1%        | 1            | 0.0%        | 5            | 0.1%        |
| MISPRISON TO FELONY       | 1            | 0.0%        | 2            | 0.0%        | 1            | 0.0%        | 3            | 0.1%        | 0            | 0.0%        |
| MISCONDUCT IN OFFICE      | 0            | 0.0%        | 4            | 0.1%        | 1            | 0.0%        | 0            | 0.0%        | 1            | 0.0%        |
| EXTORTION                 | 0            | 0.0%        | 2            | 0.0%        | 1            | 0.0%        | 0            | 0.0%        | 0            | 0.0%        |
| MISCELLANEOUS CHARGES     | 1            | 0.0%        | 1            | 0.0%        | 0            | 0.0%        | 1            | 0.0%        | 0            | 0.0%        |
| COSMETIC ADULTERATED      | 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%        | 1            | 0.0%        | 1            | 0.0%        |
| COMMERCIALIZED SEX        | 1            | 0.0%        | 0            | 0.0%        | 1            | 0.0%        | 0            | 0.0%        | 0            | 0.0%        |
| EMBEZZLEMENT              | 1            | 0.0%        | 0            | 0.0%        | 1            | 0.0%        | 0            | 0.0%        | 0            | 0.0%        |
| COMPUTER CRIMES           | 0            | 0.0%        | 0            | 0.0%        | 0            | 0.0%        | 0            | 0.0%        | 1            | 0.0%        |
| DRUNKENNESS               | 1            | 0.0%        | 0            | 0.0%        | 0            | 0.0%        | 0            | 0.0%        | 0            | 0.0%        |
| GAMBLING                  | 0            | 0.0%        | 1            | 0.0%        | 0            | 0.0%        | 0            | 0.0%        | 0            | 0.0%        |
| LICENSE VIOLATION         | 0            | 0.0%        | 0            | 0.0%        | 0            | 0.0%        | 1            | 0.0%        | 0            | 0.0%        |
| <b>TOTAL</b>              | <b>3,899</b> | <b>100%</b> | <b>5,553</b> | <b>100%</b> | <b>5,743</b> | <b>100%</b> | <b>5,675</b> | <b>100%</b> | <b>6,093</b> | <b>100%</b> |

\* Highlighted areas indicate most common offenses for each fiscal year. 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.