MOST SERIOUS OFFENSE* DISTRIBUTION OF SCDC TOTAL INMATE POPULATION AS OF JUNE 30, 2025

OFFENSE	RI ACI	BLACK MALES BLAC			ACK FEMALES WHITE MALES			FEMALES	OTHE	OTHER MALES OTHER FEMALES			TOTAL	
CLASSIFICATION	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
HOMICIDE	3,098	32.0%	163	42.2%	1,095	19.3%	159	16.2%	97	19.3%	9	25.0%	4,621	26.7%
DRUG OFFENSES	1,629	16.8%	35	9.1%	1,362	24.0%	434	44.3%	117	23.3%	10	27.8%	3,587	20.7%
BURGLARY	743	7.7%	17	4.4%	627	11.0%	47	4.8%	26	5.2%	1	2.8%	1,461	8.5%
SEXUAL ASSAULT	574	5.9%	1	0.3%	763	13.4%	11	1.1%	98	19.5%	1	2.8%	1,448	8.4%
ROBBERY	1,067	11.0%	33	8.5%	253	4.5%	20	2.0%	15	3.0%	4	11.1%	1,392	8.1%
ASSAULT	758	7.8%	41	10.6%	346	6.1%	46	4.7%	47	9.4%	2	5.6%	1,240	7.2%
KIDNAPPING	641	6.6%	8	2.1%	183	3.2%	21	2.1%	4	0.8%	1	2.8%	858	5.0%
FAMILY OFFENSE	295	3.0%	23	6.0%	227	4.0%	55	5.6%	20	4.0%	0	0.0%	620	3.6%
TRAFFIC OFFENSE	180	1.9%	22	5.7%	208	3.7%	54	5.5%	43	8.6%	4	11.1%	511	3.0%
LARCENY	128	1.3%	10	2.6%	148	2.6%	37	3.8%	2	0.4%	2	5.6%	327	1.9%
WEAPON OFFENSE	176	1.8%	6	1.6%	74	1.3%	3	0.3%	4	0.4%	1	2.8%	264	1.5%
STOLEN VEHICLE	93	1.0%	3	0.8%	73	1.3%	17	1.7%	4	0.8%	0	0.0%	190	1.1%
SEX OFFENSES	80	0.8%	0	0.0%	77	1.4%	3	0.3%	5	1.0%	1	2.8%	166	1.0%
FRAUDULENT ACTIVITY	34	0.8%	3	0.0%	38	0.7%	14	1.4%	2	0.4%	0	0.0%	91	0.5%
OBSTRUCTING POLICE	39	0.4%	6	1.6%	31	0.7%	9	0.9%	1	0.4%	0	0.0%	86	0.5%
ARSON	27	0.4%	3	0.8%	42	0.5%	9	0.9%	2	0.2%	0	0.0%	83	0.5%
ACCESSORY TO FELONY	34	0.5%	3		12	0.7%	9	0.9%	1		0	0.0%	59	
	16		2	0.8%	18	0.2%	1		0	0.2%	0	0.0%	39	0.3%
FLIGHT/ESCAPE		0.2%		0.5%				0.1%						0.2%
FORGERY/COUNTERFEITING	14	0.1%	1	0.3%	10	0.2%	10	1.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	35	0.2%
PUBLIC PEACE	16	0.2%	1	0.3%	11	0.2%	7	0.2%	0	0.0%		0.0%		0.2%
STOLEN PROPERTY	6	0.1%	0	0.0%	17	0.3%		0.7%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	30	0.2%
INVASION OF PRIVACY	8	0.1%	0	0.0%	10	0.2%	1	0.1%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	19	0.1%
SMUGGLING	4	0.0%	1	0.3%	6	0.1%	4	0.4%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	15	0.1%
PROPERTY CRIME	5	0.1%	1	0.3%	7	0.1%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	13	0.1%
DAMAGED PROPERTY	3	0.0%	0	0.0%	7	0.1%	1	0.1%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	11	0.1%
CRIME AGAINST PERSON	1	0.0%	1	0.3%	3	0.1%	1	0.1%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	6	0.0%
CRIMINAL CONSPIRACY	1	0.0%	1	0.3%	2	0.0%	1	0.1%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	5	0.0%
OBSTRUCTING JUSTICE	2	0.0%	0	0.0%	3	0.1%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	5	0.0%
POSSESSION OF TOOLS	1	0.0%	0	0.0%	4	0.1%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	5	0.0%
OBSCENE MATERIALS	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	4	0.1%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	4	0.0%
CONSERVATION	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	1	0.0%	1	0.1%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	2	0.0%
MISPRISON TO FELONY	1	0.0%	0	0.0%	1	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	2	0.0%
COMMERCIALIZED SEX	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	0.1%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	1	0.0%
EMBEZZLEMENT	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	1	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	1	0.0%
EXTORTION	1	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	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%
TAX REVENUE	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	1	0.1%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	1	0.0%
Non-Jurisdictional Inmates**	15	0.2%	1	0.3%	17	0.3%	1	0.1%	14	2.8%	0	0.0%	48	0.3%
TOTAL	9,691	100.0%	386	100.0%	5,682	100.0%	980	100.0%	502	100.0%	36	100.0%	17,277	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.

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^{**}Includes Interstate Corrections Compact, county safekeepers, and pre-sentence observation.