

OPM - Criminal Justice Policy & Planning Division

RREC Report: March 2019

Highlights

- According to data provided by the CT DOC, 430 offenders who earned and maintained at least 1 day of RREC discharged their sentences in March 2019. An additional 21 offenders, earned and subsequently forfeited all of the RREC they had earned.
 - The amount of RREC awarded ranged from 1 to 610 days. The average discharged offender was awarded 79 days. 258 or 60% of offenders discharging with awarded RREC had 60 days or less.
 - Discharges, were down considerably in the month of March. Both RREC related and otherwise shrunk by double digits.
 - The 430 offenders who discharged in March with awarded RREC had served time for a wide range of offenses. There are 77 controlling offenses associated with these discharges. The offenses and frequencies are listed in Table 2.
- This report builds on the initial summary report published In February 2016 by this office. That report is available at the following link:
http://www.ct.gov/opm/lib/opm/RREC_REPORT_SUMMARY.pdf

TABLES

TABLE 1 - Discharges

	2018	2019	2019	2019	2018	% Change	
	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Mar	Monthly	Annual
All Sentenced Discharges	590	549	596	601	700	1%	-14%
With Awarded RREC	461	404	420	430	519	2%	-17%
Forfeited All Earned RREC	28	28	22	21	29		

TABLE 2 - Controlling offenses at discharge of offenders awarded RREC: March 2019

Controlling offense	Frequency	Controlling offense	Frequency	Controlling offense	Frequency
53A032	123	53A223A	3	14-223	1
21A277A	26	53A135	3	53A196D	1
53A103	22	53A181	3	53A151	1
53A124	14	53-021*	3	53-202C	1
14-227A	13	53A136	3	53A087	1
53A061	12	53A102	3	53A129D	1
53A049	11	53A073A	3	53A129C	1
53A125B	10	29-035	2	53A128C	1
53A223*	10	53A055A	2	53A059A	1
21A279A	10	14-215C	2	53A119B	1
21A277B	9	53A064	2	53A111	1
53A134	9	53A070	2	53A061A	1
53A123	8	53A060D	2	53A063	1
53A167A	7	53A117	2	14-215	1
SPECPAR	7	54-076B	2	53A092	1
53A125	6	53A101	2	53A070B	1
53A060	6	53A222A	2	53A138	1
53A062	5	53A172	2		
53A048	5	53A125A	2		
53A059	5	53A095	2		
53A107	4	53A122	2		
53A217C	4	51-164R	1		
53-021	4	51-033A	1		
21A278B	4	29-035A	1		
53A167C	4	53A157B	1		
53A169	4	21A277C	1		
53A130	4	53A008	1		
53A173	3	53A196E	1		
53A071	3	14-227K	1		
53A223B	3	53A61AA	1		
		Total	430		

Releases and discharges: In CT DOC parlance, a “discharge” occurs when an offender is no longer in the custody of the Commissioner of Correction. A “release” has an entirely different meaning. Prisoners are discharged at the end of their sentences. Prisoners in a community supervision program, like parole or transitional supervision, for example, have been released from a prison facility but they remain under the custody of the DOC until they “discharge” at the conclusion of their sentences. RREC is only applied toward a prisoner’s eventual **discharge** date.

Awarded RREC: This analysis does not account for forfeited or revoked credits. The Commissioner has the ability to revoke credits for a variety of reasons and frequently exercises that authority. The total credits earned by an individual offender may have been more than what was ultimately awarded. In addition, some of the credits may have been earned after release but before discharge. The only way to determine whether RREC had any impact on a **release** must be done on a case-by-case basis.