

OPM - Criminal Justice Policy & Planning Division

RREC Report: January 2019

Highlights

- According to data provided by the CT DOC, 404 offenders who earned and maintained at least 1 day of RREC discharged their sentences in January 2019. An additional 28 offenders, earned and subsequently forfeited all of the RREC they had earned.
- The amount of RREC awarded ranged from 1 to 705 days. The average discharged offender was awarded 85 days. 229 or 57% of offenders discharging with awarded RREC had 60 days or less.
- Discharges, both RREC related and otherwise are shrinking. Last year 10% more offenders discharged from the DOC.
- The 404 offenders who discharged in January with awarded RREC had served time for a wide range of offenses. There are 78 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	2018	2018	2019	2018	% Change	
	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Jan	Monthly	Annual
All Sentenced Discharges	621	622	590	549	613	-7%	-10%
With Awarded RREC	435	452	461	404	455	-12%	-11%
Forfeited All Earned RREC	40	35	28	28	30		

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

Controlling offense	Frequency	Controlling offense	Frequency	Controlling offense	Frequency
53A032	101	53A123	3	53A64CC	1
21A277A	44	53A124	3	53A61AA	1
14-227A	16	53A169	3	53A223C	1
53A061	14	53A167A	3	53A196E	1
53A049	13	53A135	3	53A189A	1
53A134	12	53A096	2	53A108	1
53A103	11	14-215C	2	53A172	1
53A125B	9	14-223	2	53A063	1
53A173	8	53A182	2	53A139	1
53A059	8	21A278B	2	53A130	1
53A217	7	53A217C	2	53A127F	1
53A223*	7	53A136	2	53A112	1
29-035	6	53A107	2	53A111	1
21A279A	6	53A008	2	14-215A	1
53A062	5	53A129D	2	53A101	1
53A060D	5	53A056B	2	53A082	1
53A060	5	53A181	2	53A073A	1
53-021	5	53A129C	2	53A183B	1
53A167C	5	53-021*	2		
53A223A	5	53A125	2		
21A277B	5	53-202B	1		
53A122	4	21A266	1		
53A64BB	4	53A055	1		
53A071	4	53A055A	1		
53A095	4	14-227K	1		
53A048	4	29-035A	1		
53A102	4	53A155	1		
53A223B	4	54-280A	1		
14-224	3	54-252	1		
SPECPAR	3	54-076B	1		
				Total	404

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.