

OPM - Criminal Justice Policy & Planning Division

RREC Report: September 2018

Highlights

- According to data provided by the CT DOC, 406 offenders who earned and maintained at least 1 day of RREC discharged their sentences in September 2018. An additional 22 offenders, earned and subsequently forfeited all of the RREC they had earned.
- The amount of RREC awarded ranged from 1 to 686 days. The average discharged offender was awarded 83 days. 240 or 59% of offenders discharging with awarded RREC had 60 days or less.
- Discharges, both RREC related and otherwise are shrinking. Last year 17% more offenders discharged from the DOC.
- The 406 offenders who discharged in September with awarded RREC had served time for a wide range of offenses. There are 79 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	2018	2017	% Change	
	June	July	Aug	Sept	Sept	Monthly	Annual
All Sentenced Discharges	660	613	666	551	663	-17%	-17%
With Awarded RREC	497	383	478	406	487	-15%	-17%
Forfeited All Earned RREC	18	20	23	22	40		

TABLE 2 - Controlling offenses at discharge of offenders awarded RREC: September 2018

Controlling offense	Frequency	Controlling offense	Frequency	Controlling offense	Frequency
53A032	101	53A071	3	14-224	1
21A277A	32	53A181	3	53A125A	1
53A061	20	53A169	3	53A116	1
53A103	16	53A062	3	53A129D	1
53A049	13	53A063	2	53A070	1
14-227A	11	53A136	2	53A129C	1
53A125B	11	53A073A	2	53A108	1
53A124	9	53A139	2	53A114	1
53A223*	9	53A138	2	53A060A	1
21A278B	9	53A173	2	53-142K	1
21A279A	9	53A182	2	53A115	1
53A167A	9	53A222A	2	53-202C	1
53A134	8	53A060D	2	53A055	1
53A048	8	14-215C	2	53A151A	1
21A277B	7	SPECPAR	2	53A122	1
53A060	6	53A128D	2	53A172	1
53A217C	6	53A64BB	1	53A008	1
53A059	5	53A129B	1	53A094	1
53A217	5	53A174A	1	53A127F	1
53A135	5	29-038	1		
53A167C	5	29-037A	1		
53-021*	4	21A279B	1		
53-021	4	53A125	1		
29-035	4	53A056B	1		
53A095	4	21A278A	1		
53A107	4	53-206	1		
53A123	4	53A128	1		
53A102	3	14-227K	1		
54-076B	3	14-227G	1		
53A101	3	54-253	1		
				Total	406

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.