

OPM - Criminal Justice Policy & Planning Division

RREC Report: April 2016

Highlights

- According to data provided by the CT DOC, **541** offenders discharged their sentences in April 2016; **521** had been awarded at least one day of RREC.
- The amount of RREC awarded ranged from **1** day to **571** days. The average discharged offender was awarded **90.8** days. 279 or 53.5% of offenders awarded RREC were awarded 60 days or less.
- Discharges continue to trend down. Total monthly discharges dropped 13%, but year over year, they fell 27%. See Table 1.
- The 521 offenders who discharged in April with awarded RREC had served time for a wide range of offenses. There are 81 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 link below.

http://www.ct.gov/opm/lib/opm/cjppd/cjresearch/rrecreport/rrec_report_february_2016.pdf

TABLES

TABLE 1 - Discharges

	2016		2016		2015	% Change	
	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	Apr	Monthly	Annual
Discharges with RREC	563	560	603	521	741	-14%	-30%
Discharges without RREC	107	126	20	20	97	0%	-79%
Total Discharges	670	686	623	541	741	-13%	-27%

TABLE 2 - Controlling offenses at discharge of offenders awarded RREC April 2016

Controlling offense	Frequency	Controlling offense	Frequency	Controlling offense	Frequency
53A032	120	53A107	4	21A277C	1
21A277A	48	53A063	4	14-223	1
53A223*	27	53A173	4	54-280A	1
53A103	24	53A124	4	PURGE	1
21A279A	22	53A167A	3	53A172	1
14-227A	19	53A070	3	14-215A	1
53A048	18	53A179A	3	53A082	1
53A061	15	53A062	3	53A182	1
53A125B	14	21A279B	3	53A119B	1
53A134	13	54-252	3	53A117	1
SPECPAR	10	53A181	3	53A196F	1
53A135	9	53A123	3	53A212	1
53A122	8	29-035	2	14-215	1
53A049	7	53-021*	2	53A101	1
53-021	7	53A64CC	2	53A055	1
53A102	6	29-038	2	53A087	1
21A277B	6	29-035A	2	53A008	1
53A060	6	53A095	2	53A128C	1
54-076B	6	53A125	2	53A129D	1
53A217	6	53A056	2	53A130	1
53A071	5	14-215C	2	53A174	1
21A278B	5	53A217C	2	53A223A	1
53A167C	5	53A116	2	53A223B	1
53A136	5	53A060D	2	53A138	1
14-224	4	53A073A	2	53A096	1
21A279C	4	53A155	1		
53A64BB	4	53-202C	1		
53A059	4	53A169	1		
				Total	521

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.