

OPM - Criminal Justice Policy & Planning Division

RREC Report: October 2017

Highlights

- According to data provided by the CT DOC, 473 offenders who earned and maintained at least 1 day of RREC discharged their sentences in October 2017. An additional 29 offenders, earned and subsequently forfeited all of the RREC they had earned.
- The amount of RREC awarded ranged from **1** to **667** days. The average discharged offender was awarded 81 days. 258 or 55% of offenders discharging with awarded RREC had 60 days or less.
- Discharges, both RREC related and otherwise are shrinking. Last year 9% more offenders discharged from the DOC.
- The 473 offenders who discharged in October with awarded RREC had served time for a wide range of offenses. There are 76 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

	2017	2017	2017	2017	2016	% Change	
	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Oct	Monthly	Annual
All Sentenced Discharges	686	685	663	650	712	-2%	-9%
With Awarded RREC	500	495	487	473	491	-3%	-4%
Forfeited All Earned RREC	31	24	40	29	27		

TABLE 2 - Controlling offenses at discharge of offenders awarded RREC: October 2017

Controlling offense	Frequency	Controlling offense	Frequency	Controlling offense	Frequency
53A032	116	53A167C	3	54-251	1
21A277A	42	53A125	3	14-224	1
53A103	27	53A169	3	29-038	1
53A061	23	53A212	3	53A61AA	1
53A223*	21	53A64BB	3	53A070	1
14-227A	20	54-076B	3	53A125A	1
21A279A	16	53A181	2	53A128D	1
53A125B	13	53-202C	2	53A107	1
53A048	12	53-206	2	53A106	1
53A124	11	53-395	2	53A148	1
53A060	10	53A008	2	53A222A	1
53A049	9	29-035	2	53A166	1
53A134	7	14-215A	2	51-033	1
53-021	7	53A060D	2	53A060B	1
53A136	6	53A196E	2	53A056	1
53A173	6	14-222A	2	53A055	1
53A059	6	53A223B	2	53A217C	1
21A277B	6	53A135	2	53A095	1
53A101	5	53A063	2	53-021*	1
53A071	5	53A113	2	14-215	1
53A062	4	53A112	2		
53A167A	4	53A139	2		
53A217	4	14-215C	1		
53A123	4	53A223C	1		
53A172	4	21A279B	1		
53A102	3	21A267	1		
53A122	3	29-035A	1		
21A278B	3	21A257	1		
		TOTAL	473		

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.