

# OPM - Criminal Justice Policy & Planning Division

# RREC Report: August 2017

## Highlights

- According to data provided by the CT DOC, 495 offenders who earned and maintained at least 1 day of RREC discharged their sentences in August 2017. An additional 24 offenders, earned and subsequently forfeited all of the RREC they had earned.
- The amount of RREC awarded ranged from **1** to **648** days. The average discharged offender was awarded 87 days. 261 or 53% of offenders discharging with awarded RREC had 60 days or less.
- Discharges, both RREC related and otherwise are shrinking. Last August 71 more offenders discharged from the DOC.
- The 495 offenders who discharged in August with awarded RREC had served time for a wide range of offenses. There are 84 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](http://www.ct.gov/opm/lib/opm/RREC_REPORT_SUMMARY.pdf)

## TABLES

**TABLE 1 - Discharges**

|                           | 2017 | 2017 | 2017 | 2017 | 2016 | % Change |        |
|---------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|----------|--------|
|                           | May  | June | July | Aug  | Aug  | Monthly  | Annual |
| All Sentenced Discharges  | 765  | 720  | 686  | 685  | 756  | 0%       | -9%    |
| With Awarded RREC         | 539  | 565  | 500  | 495  | 524  | -1%      | -6%    |
| Forfeited All Earned RREC | 31   | 20   | 31   | 24   | 29   |          |        |

**TABLE 2 - Controlling offenses at discharge of offenders awarded RREC August 2017**

| Controlling offense | Frequency | Controlling offense | Frequency | Controlling offense | Frequency |
|---------------------|-----------|---------------------|-----------|---------------------|-----------|
| 53A032              | 127       | 21A278B             | 3         | 14-227K             | 1         |
| 21A277A             | 52        | 53A172              | 3         | 53-247              | 1         |
| 53A103              | 23        | 53A169              | 3         | 53A072A             | 1         |
| 53A048              | 15        | 53A070              | 3         | 29-035              | 1         |
| 14-227A             | 15        | 29-035A             | 3         | 53A129D             | 1         |
| 53A125B             | 14        | 53A125              | 3         | 21A278A             | 1         |
| 53A223*             | 14        | 53A102              | 2         | 53A073A             | 1         |
| 53A061              | 14        | 53A155              | 2         | 54-251              | 1         |
| 21A279A             | 12        | 53A181              | 2         | 53A130A             | 1         |
| 21A277B             | 12        | 21A277C             | 2         | 53A173              | 1         |
| 53A060              | 11        | 53-021*             | 2         | 14-222              | 1         |
| 53A049              | 10        | 53A130              | 2         | 53A182B             | 1         |
| 53A124              | 10        | 53A062              | 2         | 53A092A             | 1         |
| 53A217              | 9         | 53A055              | 2         | 21A279C             | 1         |
| 53A134              | 8         | 53A196E             | 2         | 53A061A             | 1         |
| 53-021              | 7         | 53A095              | 2         | 53A217C             | 1         |
| 53A167A             | 7         | 53A223B             | 2         | 53A139              | 1         |
| 53A122              | 6         | 53A64AA             | 2         | 14-222A             | 1         |
| 53A64BB             | 6         | 29-038              | 2         | 53A140              | 1         |
| 53A167C             | 6         | 53A063              | 1         | 53A-322             | 1         |
| 53A123              | 6         | 53A183B             | 1         | 53A151              | 1         |
| 53A059              | 5         | 14-224              | 1         | 53A101              | 1         |
| 54-076B             | 5         | 21A267              | 1         | 53A64CC             | 1         |
| 14-215C             | 5         | 53A222A             | 1         | 53A128D             | 1         |
| 53A136              | 4         | 53A125A             | 1         | 53A129C             | 1         |
| 53A135              | 4         | 21A279B             | 1         | 54-252              | 1         |
| 53A060D             | 4         | 53A071              | 1         | 53A107              | 1         |
| 53-206              | 3         | 53A117E             | 1         | 53A115              | 1         |

**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.