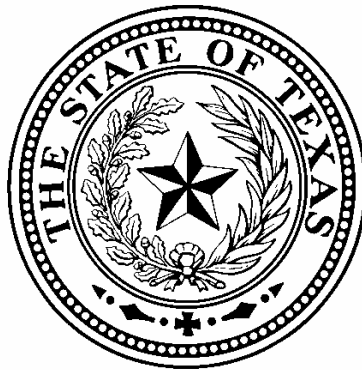


Historical Criminal Justice Statistics

Texas Youth Commission Offender Characteristics 2007



Legislative Budget Board



FY 2007 TYC Residential Offender Characteristics

The following data highlights general characteristics of juvenile offenders in Texas Youth Commission (TYC) facilities as of 8/31/2007, those admitted to facilities during the 2007 fiscal year, and those released during 2007 fiscal year. The data were extracted from individual-level records submitted to the LBB by TYC.

Age	On-Hand Population		FY 2007 Admissions		FY 2007 Releases	
	Age as of 08/31/2007		Age at Admission		Age at Release	
	Number of Offenders	% of Total	Number of Offenders	% of Total	Number of Offenders	% of Total
11 years	2	0.06%	5	0.17%	0	0.00%
12 years	6	0.17%	20	0.67%	1	0.02%
13 years	64	1.86%	93	3.11%	17	0.39%
14 years	198	5.74%	280	9.35%	68	1.55%
15 years	556	16.13%	674	22.51%	355	8.11%
16 years	986	28.60%	1,116	37.27%	848	19.38%
17 years	1,066	30.92%	604	20.17%	1,378	31.50%
18 years	463	13.43%	140	4.68%	958	21.90%
19 years	76	2.20%	47	1.57%	432	9.87%
20 years	31	0.90%	15	0.50%	316	7.22%
21 years	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	2	0.05%
Total	3,448	100.00%	2,994	100.00%	4,375	100.00%

Gender	On-Hand Population		FY 2007 Admissions		FY 2007 Releases	
	Number of Offenders	% of Total	Number of Offenders	% of Total	Number of Offenders	% of Total
Male	3,129	90.75%	2,730	91.18%	3,926	89.74%
Female	319	9.25%	264	8.82%	449	10.26%
Total	3,448	100.00%	2,994	100.00%	4,375	100.00%

Race	On-Hand Population		FY 2007 Admissions		FY 2007 Releases	
	Number of Offenders	% of Total	Number of Offenders	% of Total	Number of Offenders	% of Total
Black	1,268	36.77%	1,062	35.47%	1,509	34.49%
Hispanic	1,403	40.69%	1,319	44.05%	1,816	41.51%
White	747	21.66%	595	19.87%	1,021	23.34%
Other	30	0.87%	18	0.60%	29	0.66%
Total	3,448	100.00%	2,994	100.00%	4,375	100.00%



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Citizenship	On-Hand Population		FY 2007 Admissions		FY 2007 Releases	
	Number of Offenders	% of Total	Number of Offenders	% of Total	Number of Offenders	% of Total
United States	3,254	94.37%	2,833	94.62%	4,155	94.97%
Mexico	160	4.64%	139	4.64%	180	4.11%
Other	34	0.99%	22	0.73%	40	0.91%
Total	3,448	100.00%	2,994	100.00%	4,375	100.00%

Classification Type	On-Hand Population		FY 2007 Admissions		FY 2007 Releases	
	Number of Offenders	% of Total	Number of Offenders	% of Total	Number of Offenders	% of Total
Sentenced Offender	509	14.76%	182	6.08%	180	4.11%
Violent A	324	9.40%	109	3.64%	270	6.17%
Violent B	953	27.64%	678	22.65%	773	17.67%
Chronic Serious Offender	46	1.33%	38	1.27%	59	1.35%
Controlled Substance Dealer	40	1.16%	37	1.24%	46	1.05%
Firearms Offender	104	3.02%	91	3.04%	138	3.15%
Violation of CINS Probation	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	0	0.00%
General Offender	1,472	42.69%	1,859	62.09%	2,909	66.49%
Total	3,448	100.00%	2,994	100.00%	4,375	100.00%

The Texas Youth Commission General Administrative Policy Manual, Chapter 85, Subchapter B, Rule 23, defines the following offense classifications:

Sentenced Offenders: juveniles given a "determinate sentence" by the courts which, depending on behavior, may be completed in adult prison system.

Type A Violent Offenders: juveniles classified for committing or attempting murder, capital murder, aggravated sexual assault, or sexual assault.

Type B Violent Offenders: juveniles classified for committing or attempting a violent offense other than murder or sexual assault.

Chronic Serious Offenders: juveniles adjudicated on at least three separate occasions for having committed a felony.

Controlled Substance Dealers: juveniles classified for felony-level drug manufacturing or delivery.

Firearms Offenders: juveniles who possessed a firearm during the offense for which classified.

Violation of CINS Probation: juveniles who violated a condition of their Conduct Indicating a Need for Supervision probation.

General Offenders: All other juveniles - generally sent to TYC for non-violent or property crime offenses.



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Admission Type	On-Hand Population		FY 2007 Admissions		FY 2007 Releases	
	Number of Offenders	% of Total	Number of Offenders	% of Total	Number of Offenders	% of Total
New Commitment	3,142	91.13%	2,327	77.72%	3,514	80.32%
Recommitments	100	2.90%	130	4.34%	151	3.45%
New Felony Offense Parole Violator	53	1.54%	66	2.20%	57	1.30%
Misdemeanor or Technical Parole Violator	142	4.12%	385	12.86%	563	12.87%
Negative Movements	11	0.32%	86	2.87%	90	2.06%
Total	3,448	100.00%	2,994	100.00%	4,375	100.00%

New Commitments: juveniles committed to TYC for the first time.

Recommitments: juveniles previously committed to TYC who are again committed by the court.

New Felony Offense Parole Violators: juveniles revoked from parole for a new felony offense.

Misdemeanor or Technical Parole Violators: juveniles revoked from parole for a new misdemeanor offense or technical violation of parole.

Negative Movements: juveniles moved back into residential care from parole (not revoked or recommitted).