Characteristics in Inmate Release Dataset

Included in the Department of Corrections' (SCDC) May 24, 2019 letter to the House Legislative Oversight Committee (LOC). This information was provided in response to the following question in LOC's May 16, 2019 letter to the Department of Corrections: "50. What factors can the agency utilize to track recidivism (e.g., inmates who enter SCDC with college education, inmates who participate in a particular pre-release program)?"

In addition to providing the information in this document, SCDC provided the following response:
- Any inmate characteristic or data element that is stored with the inmate release data set can be used to compute a recidivism rate. Examples include release type, age, gender, education level, mental health classification, etc.

Description of Elements for Releases Dataset

INMNO   SCDC Identification number

RELEASE   Release Type for the fiscal year release.

CHG_DTE   Date of Release for the fiscal year release.

DOB   Date of Birth

FBI   FBI Identification Number

LOCATION   Location code for location released to.

LINST   Previous institution code from the movement prior to the release.

LSTADDTE   Last Admission Date – The latest admission date for the inmate (based on the date the releases dataset was generated).

LSTADMTY   Last Admission Type – The latest admission reason (based on the date the releases data set was generated.)

MAXDTE   Maxout Date – the projected release date for expiration of sentence from SCDC service (the last date calculated at time of release).

MSO   Most Serious Offense Code.

MSOCNTY   Most Serious Offense County Code (based on county of MSO).

MSODESC   Most Serious Offense Description (MSO).

MULTVIND   Multiple Violent Offender Indicator – Department of Parole, Probation, and Pardon Services determination that inmate is non-parolable due to subsequent violent convictions.

NAME   Inmate Name (last, first middle)

PROBIND   Probation Indicator (shows "Y" if inmate has any one offense with a probation requirement).

RACE   Race

SEX   Sex

SEXREG   Sex Offender Registry Indicator Y/N – (has at least one offense under the sex offender registry legislation).

SID   State Identification Number (used by SLED – South Carolina Law Enforcement)

SSDATE   Sentence Start Date – the date the offender's service time begins.

SSN   Social Security Number

TOTFLYR   Total Full Sentence (including suspended time) **years** field. This sentence is calculated when any data affecting release date calculations is altered (done in batch program nightly).

TOTFLMO   Total Full Sentence (including suspended time) **months** field. This sentence is calculated when any data affecting release date calculations is altered (done in batch program nightly).

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VIOCLASS   Defines the inmate as violent if he has at least one violent conviction in his criminal history, regardless of the effective date (contains "V" for violent, "N" for non-violent)

VIOLSTATU   Defines the inmate as violent if he has at least one violent conviction in his current commitment, per the effective date. Contains "V" for violent, "N" for non-violent, or "U" for unclassified (meaning there was no definition for violent at the time the crime was committed, i.e., offenses committed before 6/3/86).

RELEASES FROM SCDC BASE POPULATION FY 2018

RELEASES	BLACK MALES		BLACK FEMALES		WHITE MALES		WHITE FEMALES		OTHER MALES		OTHER FEMALES		TOTAL	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
EXPIRATION OF SENTENCE (LESS GOOD TIME &WORK/EDUCATION	1,362	33.2%	110	41.5%	1,170	36.3%	356	43.6%	63	39.4%	6	46.2%	3,067	35.7%
MAXOUT - YOA	45	1.1%	1	0.4%	17	0.5%	1	0.1%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	64	0.7%
PLACED ON PROBATION	592	14.4%	51	19.2%	764	23.7%	230	28.2%	21	13.1%	1	7.7%	1,659	19.3%
PAROLED TO INTENSIVE SUPERVISION SERVICES*	315	7.7%	14	5.3%	130	4.0%	27	3.3%	6	3.8%	0	0.0%	492	5.7%
PAROLED BY YOA PAROLE BOARD**	127	3.1%	4	1.5%	58	1.8%	2	0.2%	2	1.3%	0	0.0%	193	2.2%
PAROLED BY DPPPS**	549	13.4%	37	14.0%	474	14.7%	141	17.3%	15	9.4%	3	23.1%	1,219	14.2%
RE-SENTENCED	2	0.0%	3	1.1%	0	0.0%	1	0.1%	1	0.6%	0	0.0%	7	0.1%
COMMUNITY SUPERVISION RELEASE (UNDER TRUTH-IN-SENTENCING STATUTE)	595	14.5%	20	7.5%	264	8.2%	29	3.5%	46	28.8%	3	23.1%	957	11.1%
SUPERVISED RE-ENTRY	432	10.5%	21	7.9%	293	9.1%	30	3.7%	6	3.8%	0	0.0%	782	9.1%
DEATH	63	1.5%	4	1.5%	47	1.5%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	114	1.3%
DEATH-EXECUTED	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
RELEASED TO EPA	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
COURT ORDERED, PAID FINE, APPEAL BOND, PARDON, AND REMANDED TO COUNTY	24	0.6%	0	0.0%	7	0.2%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	31	0.4%
TOTAL RELEASES	**4,106**	**100.0%**	**265**	**100.0%**	**3,224**	**100.0%**	**817**	**100.0%**	**160**	**100.0%**	**13**	**100.0%**	**8,585**	**100.0%**

Note: Percentages may not add up due to rounding.

* Intensive Supervision Administrative Release Authority (ISARA) assumed YOA Parole Board duties on February 1, 2013.

** The Youthful Offender Act provides for indeterminate sentences of 1 - 6 years for offenders aged 17 - 25.

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