

## Inmate Refusals to Attend Work or Programs

Included in the Department of Corrections' (SCDC) July 2, 2019 letter to the House Legislative Oversight Committee (LOC). This information was provided in response to the following question in LOC's June 13, 2019 letter to the Department of Corrections: "13. In regard to the increase in inmate refusals to attend programs in 2018, please provide the following: (a) potential causes; (b) any lessons learned as a result; and (c) any actions to help decrease those numbers."

In addition to providing the information in this document, SCDC provided the following response:

- SCDC does not track this data, i.e., causes, currently; however, SCDC plans to track this data going forward. SCDC notes there has been a decrease in these numbers in 2019. See attached chart which includes 2019 numbers.

**Charges and Convictions\* for SCDC Disciplinary Offenses 826, 827, and 829, June 1, 2018 through June 11, 2019**

\* Conviction status as of June 11, 2019

INCIDENT LOCATION	826 - REFUSING TO WORK		827 - REFUSING TO ATTEND COMPULSORY PROGRAM		829 - FAILURE TO WORK		TOTAL	
	CHARGES	CONVICTIONS	CHARGES	CONVICTIONS	CHARGES	CONVICTIONS	CHARGES	CONVICTIONS
ALLENDALE	1	0	6	7	0	0	7	7
GOODMAN	5	4	0	0	2	1	7	5
GRAHAM	8	3	14	15	0	0	22	18
JUST CARE INC(COLA CARE C	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
KERSHAW	0	0	2	0	1	0	3	0
KIRKLAND	2	1	0	0	1	0	3	1
LEE	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	1
LIVESAY	86	78	0	0	7	4	93	82
MACDOUGALL	7	1	1	0	0	0	8	1
MANNING	27	8	19	2	19	7	65	17
PALMER	26	5	0	0	17	3	43	8
PERRY	19	4	0	0	2	1	21	5
RIDGELAND	2	2	0	0	0	0	2	2
TRENTON	28	19	37	19	9	6	74	44
TURBEVILLE	16	7	36	13	1	0	53	20
TYGER RIVER	4	0	18	8	0	1	22	9
WALDEN	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
WATEREE RIVER	31	9	10	1	0	0	41	10
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>264</b>	<b>141</b>	<b>144</b>	<b>66</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>467</b>	<b>230</b>

**Inmates Charged with SCDC Disciplinary Offense 826, 827, or 829**  
**July 1, 2016 through June 11, 2019**

<b>Disciplinary Description</b>		<b>FY 2016</b>	<b>FY 2017</b>	<b>FY 2018</b>	<b>FY 2019</b>
826	Refusing to work	454	340	315	264
827	Refusing to attend compulsory program	288	143	208	144
829	Failure to work	80	76	46	59

***Definitions for Disciplinary Descriptions from SCDC Policy OP-22.14:***

**826 - Refusing to Work:** Refusing to begin or complete a work assignment without a legitimate reason, such as illness.

**827 - Refusing to Attend Compulsory Program:** The refusal of any inmate who scores below an eighth grade reading or math level to enroll/attend/participate in school and/or the refusal of any inmate to attend or participate in any compulsory (mandatory) program.

**829 - Failure to Work:** Failure to complete a reasonable amount of an inmate's work assignment within a reasonable period of time, or sleeping on the job.