OPM - Criminal Justice Policy & Planning Division RREC Report: May 2018

Highlights

- According to data provided by the CT DOC, 448 offenders who earned and maintained at least 1 day of RREC discharged their sentences in May 2018. An additional 32 offenders, earned and subsequently forfeited all of the RREC they had earned.
- The amount of RREC awarded ranged from 1 to 696 days. The average discharged offender was awarded 84 days. 248 or 55% of offenders discharging with awarded RREC had 60 days or less.
- Discharges, both RREC related and otherwise are shrinking. Last year 10% more offenders discharged from the DOC.
- The 448 offenders who discharged in May with awarded RREC had served time for a wide range of offenses. There are 77 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: <u>http://www.ct.gov/opm/lib/opm</u> /RREC_REPORT_SUMMARY.pdf

TABLES

TABLE 1 - Discharges

	2018	2018	2018	2018	2017	% Change	
	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	May	Monthly	Annual
All Sentenced Discharges	572	700	633	686	765	8%	-10%
With Awarded RREC	422	519	475	448	539	-6%	-17%
Forfeited All Earned RREC	13	29	28	32	31		

TABLE 2 - Controlling offenses at discharge of offenders awarded

RREC: May 2018									
Controlling		Controlling		Controlling					
offense	Frequency	offense	Frequency	offense	Frequency				
53A032	122	53A123	3	53A129D	1				
21A277A	41	53A063	3	53A119B	1				
14-227A	20	53A64BB	3	53A115	1				
53A103	19	53A223A	3	14-215	1				
53A061	17	53A181	3	53A139	1				
53A048	14	53A172	3	53A092	1				
53A134	13	53A169	3	53A196F	1				
53A223*	13	53A136	3	53A082	1				
53A124	10	53-021*	2	53A223B	1				
53A060	9	53A107	2	53A071	1				
21A279A	9	53-206	2	53A140	1				
53A125B	7	54-076B	2	53A061A	1				
53A135	7	14-223	2	53A181K	1				
53A167C	6	53A117	2	53A125	1				
53A049	6	53A116	2	53A182	1				
21A277B	6	53A095	2	53A212	1				
53A173	6	14-224	2	53A088	1				
53A070	5	29-017	1						
53A167A	5	54-280A	1						
53-021	5	53A181L	1						
53A059	5	54-252	1						
53A062	4	53A64CC	1						
53A217C	4	31-071G	1						
53A101	4	51-033	1						
53A217	4	53A61AA	1						
21A278B	3	14-227K	1						
53A060D	3	14-222A	1						
53A102	3	14-215C	1						
53A055	3	29-035	1						
53A122	3	53A073A	1	Total	448				

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.