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

Highlights

- According to data provided by the CT DOC, 435 offenders who earned and maintained at least 1 day of RREC discharged their sentences in October 2018. An additional 40 offenders, earned and subsequently forfeited all of the RREC they had earned.
- The amount of RREC awarded ranged from 1 to 738 days. The average discharged offender was awarded 83 days. 253 or 58% of offenders discharging with awarded RREC had 60 days or less.
- Discharges, both RREC related and otherwise are shrinking. Last year 4% more offenders discharged from the DOC.
- The 435 offenders who discharged in October with awarded RREC had served time for a wide range of offenses. There are 71 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/RRE C_REPORT_SUMMARY.pdf

TABLES

TABLE 1 - Discharges

	2018	2018	2018	2018	2017	% Change	
	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Oct	Monthly	Annual
All Sentenced Discharges	613	666	551	621	650	13%	-4%
With Awarded RREC	383	478	406	435	473	7%	-8%
Forfeited All Earned RREC	20	23	22	40	29		

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TABLE 2 - Controlling offenses at discharge of offenders awarded

RREC: October 2018											
Controlling		Controlling		Controlling							
offense	Frequency	offense	Frequency	offense	Frequency						
53A032	99	53A071	4	53A055A	1						
21A277A	44	53A217C	4	53A072A	1						
53A061	22	53A073A	3	53A056	1						
14-227A	15	53A062	3	53A056B	1						
53A103	15	14-215C	3	53A058	1						
53A223*	14	53A136	3	53A059A	1						
21A279A	11	29-035A	3	53A060D	1						
21A277B	10	53A172	3	53A061A	1						
53A125B	10	53A107	3	53A087	1						
53A048	10	53A063	2	53A064	1						
53A134	9	53A102	2	53A128C	1						
53-021	8	53A070	2								
SPECPAR	7	53A113	2								
53A059	6	53A139	2								
53A167A	6	53A117	2								
53A122	6	53A119B	2								
53A049	6	53A64AA	2								
53A173	6	53A101	2								
29-035	6	53A095	2								
53A123	5	54-076B	2								
53A055	5	54-033D	1								
53A124	5	14-224	1								
53A060	5	53A212	1								
53A135	5	53A196F	1								
53A167C	5	53A182	1								
53A169	5	29-038	1								
53A181	5	53A155	1								
21A278B	5	53A222A	1								
53A217	4	53A138	1								
53A125A	4	53A096	1	Total	435						

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.