OPM - Criminal Justice Policy & Planning Division RREC Report: December 2019

Highlights

- According to data provided by the CT DOC, 407 offenders who earned and maintained at least 1 day of RREC discharged their sentences in December 2019. An additional 22 offenders earned and subsequently forfeited all RREC they had earned.
- The amount of RREC awarded ranged from 1 to 764 days. The average discharged offender was awarded 86 days. 252 or 62% of offenders discharging with awarded RREC had 60 days or less.
- All sentenced discharges dropped year over year in the month of December; RREC related discharges declined more than all discharges did.
- Offenders who discharged in December with awarded RREC served time for a wide range of offenses. There are 82 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

	2019	2019	2019	2019	2018	% Change	
	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Dec	Monthly	Annual
All Sentenced Discharges	582	593	551	556	590	1%	-6%
With Awarded RREC	415	373	425	407	461	-4%	-12%
Forfeited All Earned RREC	13	17	16	22	28		

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TABLE 2 - Controlling offenses at discharge of offenders awarded RREC: December 2019

Controlling		Controlling		Controlling		
offense	Frequency	offense	Frequency	offense	Frequency	
53A032	100	53A102	3	53A155	1	
21A277A	37	53A64BB	3	53A128C	1	
53A103	18	53A167C	3	53A128	1	
53A223*	14	51-164R	2	53A126A	1	
14-227A	13	53A060A	2	53A125	1	
53A061	13	53A072A	2	53A174A	1	
21A279A	10	53A223B	2	SPECPAR	1	
53-021	10	53A060D	2	53A181	1	
53A060	8	53A107	2	53A063	1	
53A048	8	53A070	2	53A106	1	
53A049	8	54-076B	2	53A196B	1	
53A071	7	21A278B	2	53A183	1	
53A136	7	53A125A	2	53A096	1	
53A217	7	53A139	2	53A095	1	
53A122	7	53A135	2	53A088	1	
21A277B	6	53-206C	1	53A183B	1	
53A173	6	53A196D	1	53A151	1	
53A125B	6	53A222	1	53A070B	1	
53A134	6	53A222A	1	53A108	1	
53A059	6	53A223	1	53A189A	1	
53A062	5	14-223	1	53A061A	1	
53A169	5	53A64CC	1	14-215C	1	
53-021*	4	53A008	1			
29-038	4	29-035A	1			
53A101	4	54-253	1			
53A123	4	54-252	1			
53A124	4	54-169	1			
53A167A	4	53A223A	1			
14-224	3	53A182	1			
53-206	3	53A138	1	Total	407	

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.