

Recidivism for Individuals Sentenced to Probation in New York State

The Recidivism for Individuals Sentenced to Probation Report details arrest, conviction and incarceration data for individuals who were sentenced to probation.

Cohort

This report analyzes the recidivism of individuals sentenced to probation from 2010 through 2018 for criminal convictions or Youthful Offender (YO) adjudications stemming from arrests for misdemeanor or felony offenses that required fingerprints to be taken.

- An individual may be counted in multiple cohort years but within each year, an individual is only counted once for their first probation sentence.
- An individual sentenced to “jail and probation”, also known as a split sentence, is included in the cohort based on the start date of their probation sentence.

Note: State law details the types of crimes that require fingerprints to be taken upon arrest (see CPL Article 160). YO status is granted by the court and results in a conviction being sealed and only available under limited circumstances (see CPL Article 720).

Outcome Measures

This report tracks arrests, convictions and incarceration that occurred after the probation start date. Follow-up periods range from one to five years, with earlier cohorts having longer follow-up windows.

Recidivism Types

- **Arrest:** Any arrest for felony or misdemeanor offense requiring fingerprints to be taken within the follow-up period.
- **Conviction:** Any arrest as defined above within the follow-up period that resulted in a conviction or YO adjudication. To allow for case processing time, conviction rates are not presented for the two most recent cohort years.
- **Incarceration:** Any criminal conviction or YO adjudication as defined above that resulted in a term of incarceration: prison, jail, jail + probation, or time served.

Individuals may have multiple recidivism events during the follow-up periods, but each person is only counted once for each recidivism type within each cohort.

Offense Types

Misdemeanor or Felony: Any misdemeanor or felony offense in state law that requires fingerprints to be taken upon arrest.

Felony offenses: Any felony level offense.

Violent Felony: Any felony offense included in state Penal Law Section 70.02, and Class A violent felonies.

Note: This report replaces the Probationer Felony Re-Arrest Rates Following Sentence to Probation Report. It uses updated data and methodology and as a result, comparisons should not be drawn between the data in each report.

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Broome
Arrest**

Arrested for Felony or Misdemeanor Offenses

Dispo. Yr	Cohort N	1 Year	2 Years	3 Years	4 Years	5 Years
2010	581	24.6%	36.5%	44.1%	50.6%	53.4%
2011	600	29.3%	39.2%	46.3%	51.3%	56.3%
2012	669	24.2%	33.9%	40.2%	44.7%	48.7%
2013	741	26.2%	37.4%	44.3%	51.1%	54.5%
2014	674	26.4%	38.4%	45.1%	49.3%	53.0%
2015	664	24.8%	36.9%	44.6%	50.3%	
2016	592	27.9%	38.3%	43.9%		
2017	616	30.4%	40.4%			
2018	512	32.2%				

Arrested for Felony Offenses

Dispo. Yr	Cohort N	1 Year	2 Years	3 Years	4 Years	5 Years
2010	581	11.9%	18.1%	22.4%	26.0%	29.1%
2011	600	12.2%	18.0%	22.3%	26.7%	31.0%
2012	669	9.9%	16.0%	20.3%	23.9%	28.0%
2013	741	12.3%	17.4%	22.3%	27.1%	30.6%
2014	674	12.0%	17.7%	21.8%	24.9%	27.6%
2015	664	10.7%	18.5%	23.3%	28.3%	
2016	592	12.7%	17.9%	23.3%		
2017	616	14.3%	21.1%			
2018	512	16.4%				

Arrested for Violent Felony Offenses (incl. VFO like Class A-1)

Dispo. Yr	Cohort N	1 Year	2 Years	3 Years	4 Years	5 Years
2010	581	4.0%	5.7%	7.2%	9.1%	10.5%
2011	600	4.0%	6.2%	8.0%	9.7%	11.2%
2012	669	2.7%	4.5%	5.5%	7.0%	8.4%
2013	741	3.6%	5.0%	7.6%	9.7%	10.3%
2014	674	3.1%	5.8%	7.1%	8.5%	9.6%
2015	664	4.4%	6.0%	7.4%	8.4%	
2016	592	3.2%	5.2%	6.3%		
2017	616	4.4%	6.0%			
2018	512	4.7%				

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Conviction**

Conviction of Felony or Misdemeanor Offenses

Dispo. Yr	Cohort N	1 Year	2 Years	3 Years	4 Years	5 Years
2010	581	17.4%	26.9%	34.9%	41.7%	46.3%
2011	600	20.2%	30.2%	36.5%	41.2%	46.5%
2012	669	16.9%	26.2%	31.5%	35.0%	38.9%
2013	741	17.1%	25.5%	31.4%	37.9%	41.4%
2014	674	18.7%	27.7%	34.4%	38.1%	41.2%
2015	664	17.6%	26.7%	32.1%	36.0%	
2016	592	16.7%	23.5%	28.4%		

Conviction of Felony Offenses

Dispo. Yr	Cohort N	1 Year	2 Years	3 Years	4 Years	5 Years
2010	581	6.5%	9.6%	13.3%	16.0%	18.2%
2011	600	5.8%	10.2%	13.2%	16.7%	19.0%
2012	669	5.4%	9.0%	11.4%	13.8%	15.1%
2013	741	6.7%	11.1%	14.0%	15.8%	17.4%
2014	674	6.8%	9.2%	11.4%	12.9%	14.1%
2015	664	6.2%	9.5%	12.3%	14.0%	
2016	592	5.6%	8.3%	11.1%		

Conviction of Violent Felony Offenses (incl. VFO like Class A-1)

Dispo. Yr	Cohort N	1 Year	2 Years	3 Years	4 Years	5 Years
2010	581	1.4%	1.7%	2.6%	3.6%	4.1%
2011	600	2.2%	3.3%	4.3%	4.8%	5.3%
2012	669	0.7%	1.3%	1.5%	1.9%	2.1%
2013	741	1.3%	2.4%	3.5%	4.2%	4.5%
2014	674	1.0%	2.1%	2.7%	2.8%	3.1%
2015	664	1.4%	1.7%	2.3%	2.3%	
2016	592	1.2%	1.9%	2.0%		

Conviction Leading to Incarceration

Dispo. Yr	Cohort N	1 Year	2 Years	3 Years	4 Years	5 Years
2010	581	10.5%	17.4%	22.5%	26.9%	29.3%
2011	600	12.3%	20.3%	24.5%	27.0%	30.2%
2012	669	11.4%	17.5%	21.4%	23.8%	26.2%
2013	741	10.4%	16.7%	21.3%	25.0%	27.1%
2014	674	11.3%	16.9%	20.3%	23.4%	25.8%
2015	664	11.1%	18.2%	21.7%	23.6%	
2016	592	11.3%	16.2%	20.4%		