

Recidivism for Individuals Sentenced to Probation

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 2019 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. The arrest cannot be for a crime committed before 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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Arrest

Arrest for Felony or Misdemeanor Offenses

Dispo. Yr	Cohort N	1 Year	2 Years	3 Years	4 Years	5 Years
2010	312	27.6%	39.4%	45.5%	52.6%	55.4%
2011	289	22.1%	35.6%	41.9%	46.4%	50.9%
2012	293	24.2%	36.5%	44.0%	50.5%	55.3%
2013	401	33.7%	46.1%	53.4%	57.1%	61.1%
2014	344	25.0%	39.2%	46.5%	52.0%	58.4%
2015	325	29.8%	41.5%	51.4%	55.1%	60.6%
2016	325	34.8%	45.5%	55.4%	60.0%	
2017	275	35.3%	46.5%	51.6%		
2018	284	44.0%	52.5%			
2019	267	46.8%				

Arrest for Felony Offenses

Dispo. Yr	Cohort N	1 Year	2 Years	3 Years	4 Years	5 Years
2010	312	11.9%	19.2%	23.4%	30.8%	34.3%
2011	289	6.9%	12.1%	16.6%	21.8%	27.3%
2012	293	8.2%	16.0%	21.2%	27.3%	32.8%
2013	401	13.0%	18.0%	23.9%	29.2%	33.9%
2014	344	11.6%	20.1%	24.7%	30.8%	35.8%
2015	325	15.7%	23.4%	32.6%	35.7%	39.4%
2016	325	17.5%	25.5%	34.2%	38.8%	
2017	275	23.3%	30.9%	35.6%		
2018	284	27.1%	35.6%			
2019	267	28.8%				

Arrest 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	312	3.8%	6.4%	8.0%	10.3%	12.2%
2011	289	2.4%	4.2%	4.8%	6.6%	8.0%
2012	293	3.1%	4.1%	5.8%	7.8%	8.9%
2013	401	3.0%	4.0%	5.2%	7.0%	9.5%
2014	344	2.6%	4.4%	6.4%	8.7%	10.8%
2015	325	3.1%	6.2%	7.4%	9.8%	11.7%
2016	325	5.8%	7.7%	8.9%	12.0%	
2017	275	5.5%	6.5%	9.8%		
2018	284	6.0%	9.9%			
2019	267	7.1%				

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Conviction

Conviction for Felony or Misdemeanor Offenses

Dispo. Yr	Cohort N	1 Year	2 Years	3 Years	4 Years	5 Years
2010	312	20.8%	32.1%	36.2%	42.0%	44.9%
2011	289	15.9%	25.6%	30.4%	34.9%	39.8%
2012	293	16.7%	28.0%	33.1%	39.9%	44.7%
2013	401	22.4%	30.4%	35.9%	39.7%	43.1%
2014	344	17.7%	29.1%	32.8%	37.5%	
2015	325	23.1%	31.1%	37.5%		
2016	325	25.2%	32.9%			
2017	275	25.1%				

Conviction for Felony Offenses

Dispo. Yr	Cohort N	1 Year	2 Years	3 Years	4 Years	5 Years
2010	312	4.8%	9.0%	11.9%	15.7%	17.0%
2011	289	3.8%	6.2%	9.0%	10.4%	11.8%
2012	293	3.4%	6.8%	8.9%	11.3%	13.7%
2013	401	4.5%	6.0%	7.5%	10.2%	11.7%
2014	344	4.9%	7.6%	9.0%	11.3%	
2015	325	5.5%	8.0%	10.5%		
2016	325	7.1%	9.5%			
2017	275	6.5%				

Conviction for Violent Felony Offenses

Dispo. Yr	Cohort N	1 Year	2 Years	3 Years	4 Years	5 Years
2010	312	0.6%	1.3%	1.6%	2.2%	2.2%
2011	289	0.3%	1.0%	1.0%	1.4%	1.4%
2012	293	0.3%	1.0%	1.0%	1.4%	1.4%
2013	401	0.2%	0.2%	0.5%	1.2%	1.7%
2014	344	0.3%	0.6%	0.9%	1.2%	
2015	325	0.0%	0.3%	0.9%		
2016	325	0.9%	1.2%			
2017	275	0.7%				

Conviction Resulting in Incarceration

Dispo. Yr	Cohort N	1 Year	2 Years	3 Years	4 Years	5 Years
2010	312	15.1%	23.1%	28.5%	33.0%	34.6%
2011	289	11.8%	15.9%	20.4%	23.2%	25.6%
2012	293	12.3%	20.5%	23.9%	27.6%	29.7%
2013	401	17.0%	22.2%	25.4%	28.7%	30.9%
2014	344	13.7%	22.1%	25.0%	28.8%	
2015	325	18.5%	24.9%	28.9%		
2016	325	19.4%	25.5%			
2017	275	20.0%				