WHO EXITED SUBSTANCE ABUSE FELONY PUNISHMENT FACILITIES?

SELECT DATA FOR FISCAL YEAR 2011 RELEASES AN ISSUE BRIEF FROM LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD STAFF

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OBJECTIVE

The Texas Department of Criminal Justice's (TDCJ) statutory mission is to provide public safety, promote positive change in offender behavior, reintegrate offenders into society, and assist victims of crime. TDCJ is organized into multiple divisions and organizational units.

DEFINITIONS

• Other indicates special needs or participation in a program (not part of the general population).

KEY FACTS

- ♦ 87.2 percent of Substance Abuse Felony Punishment Facility (SAFPF) program participants were released to probation after completing the program.
- ◆ 94.0 percent of SAFPF program participants released served nine months or less at release.

STATUTORY REFERENCES

Texas Government Code, Chapter 491

The data highlight offense and sentence characteristics of offenders released from substance abuse felony punishment facilities during fiscal year 2011. A Substance Abuse Felony Punishment Facility (SAFPF) is a facility that provides an intensive therapeutic community program for offenders who are sentenced by a judge as a condition of community supervision or as a modification of parole or community supervision. The data do not include characteristics of prison offenders, state jail offenders, or parole violators in Intermediate Sanction facilities. The data were extracted from individual-level records submitted by Texas Department of Criminal Justice (TDCJ) Executive Services and may differ from the TDCJ Statistical Report due to methodological differences.

RELEASE TYPE

FIG. 1

RELEASE TYPE OF THE SAFPF RELEASE POPULATION, FISCAL YEAR 2011

RELEASE TYPE	NUMBER	PERCENTAGE
Release to Community Supervision	5,581	87.2%
Release to Parole	816	12.8
Total	6,397	100.0%

NOTE: Percentages presented in this report do not always add to 100% due to rounding. SOURCE: Texas Department of Criminal Justice.

CUSTODY LEVEL

FIG. 2

CUSTODY LEVEL OF THE SAFPF RELEASE POPULATION, FISCAL YEAR 2011

RELEASE TYPE	NUMBER	PERCENTAGE
Other	6,397	100.0%
Total	6,397	100.0%

NOTE: Percentages presented in this report do not always add to 100% due to rounding. SOURCE: Texas Department of Criminal Justice.

CUSTODY LEVEL BY RELEASE TYPE

FIG. 3

CUSTODY LEVEL BY RELEASE TYPE OF THE SAFPF RELEASE POPULATION, FISCAL YEAR 2011

CUSTODY LEVEL	RELEASE TO COMMUNITY SUPERVISION	RELEASE TO PAROLE	TOTAL
Other	5,581	816	6,397
Total	5,581	816	6,397

NOTE: Percentages presented in this report do not always add to 100% due to rounding. SOURCE: Texas Department of Criminal Justice.

TIME SERVED

FIG. 4
TIME SERVED OF THE SAFPF RELEASE POPULATION, FISCAL YEAR 2011

TIME SERVED	NUMBER	PERCENTAGE
6 Months and Less	2,554	39.9%
6 to 9 Months	3,458	54.1
10 to 12 Months	385	6.0
Total	6,397	100.0%

NOTE: Percentages presented in this report do not always add to 100% due to rounding. SOURCE: Texas Department of Criminal Justice.

USEFUL REFERENCES

Texas Department of Criminal Justice – Statistical Report FY2011 http://www.tdcj.state.tx.us/documents/Statistical_Report_FY2011.pdf

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