

New York City Department of Correction
Local Law 121 of 2016
Annual Report on Mentally Ill Incarcerated Individuals and Recidivism

Pursuant to Local Law 121 of 2016, the Department of Correction is required to submit to its website on an annual basis a report regarding mentally ill incarcerated individuals and recidivism. The table below provides data pursuant to the law’s subdivisions and compares current data with previous reporting periods.

Publishing Year	Reporting Period	The number of incarcerated individuals released by the Department to the community during the reporting period	The number of eligible incarcerated individuals ¹ released by the Department to the community during the reporting period	The percentage of incarcerated individuals released to the community by the Department who were eligible during the reporting period	The number and percentage of incarcerated individuals released to the community by the Department during the reporting period who returned to the custody of the Department within one year of their discharge		The number and percentage of eligible incarcerated individuals released to the community by the Department during the reporting period who returned to the custody of the Department within one year of their discharge	
CY 2017	CY 2015	38,836	8,391	21.6%	13,416	34.5%	4,050	48.3%
CY 2018	CY 2016	36,567	8,124	22.2%	12,574	34.4%	3,826	47.1%
CY 2019	CY 2017	33,529	7,680	22.9%	11,862	35.4%	3,668	47.8%
CY 2020	CY 2018	26,855	7,092	26.4%	9,580	35.7%	3,338	47.1%
CY 2021	CY 2019	21,774	5,592	25.7%	6,824	31.3%	2,261	40.4%

¹ Local Law 121 of 2016 defines “eligible [incarcerated individual]” as “an [incarcerated individual] whose period of confinement in a city correctional facility lasts 24 hours or longer, and who, during such confinement, receives treatment for a mental illness, but does not include [incarcerated individuals] seen by mental health staff on no more than two occasions during their confinement and assessed on the latter of those occasions as having no need for further treatment in any city correctional facility or upon their release from any such facility.”

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CY 2022	CY 2020	11,741	3,286	28.0%	3,178	27.1%	1,114	33.9%
CY 2023	CY 2021	10,784	2,747	25.5%	3,515	32.6%	1,092	39.8%
CY 2024	CY 2022	11,563	3,015	26.1%	3,823	33.1%	1,071	35.5%
CY 2025	CY 2023	13,304	3,448	25.9%	4,985	37.5%	1,636	47.4%