



Inmate Profile

as of December 31, 2009

The following is a brief overview of those inmates in the custody of the Pennsylvania Department of Corrections as of December 31, 2009. This information includes basic demographics, committing county, and assessment results.

Profile of an Inmate	
Male	
Number	48,656
Average Age	37
Race	50% Black 38% White 11% Hispanic 1% Other
Marital Status	14% Married 86% Single
Offense	54% Violent 21% Drugs 13% Property 13% Other
Average Minimum Sentence	6.1 years
Average Maximum Sentence	13.9 years
Female	
Number	2,831
Average Age	38
Race	33% Black 58% White 7% Hispanic 1% Other
Marital Status	15% Married 85% Single
Offense	36% Violent 27% Drugs 23% Property 14% Other
Average Minimum Sentence	3.6 years
Average Maximum Sentence	8.6 years

Committing County

Committing County	%	Committing County	%	Committing County	%
ADAMS	0.6%	ELK	0.1%	MONTOUR	0.1%
ALLEGHENY	7.6%	ERIE	2.8%	NORTHAMPTON	1.7%
ARMS TRONG	0.2%	FAYETTE	1.4%	NORTHUMBERLAND	0.6%
BEAVER	0.6%	FOREST	0.0%	PERRY	0.3%
BEDFORD	0.3%	FRANKLIN	1.0%	PHILADELPHIA	30.7%
BERKS	3.6%	FULTON	0.1%	PIKE	0.3%
BLAIR	1.1%	GREENE	0.2%	POTTER	0.1%
BRADFORD	0.5%	HUNTINGDON	0.2%	SCHUYLKILL	0.8%
BUCKS	2.4%	INDIANA	0.3%	SNYDER	0.3%
BUTLER	0.8%	JEFFERSON	0.4%	SOMERSET	0.3%
CAMBRIA	0.5%	JUNIATA	0.1%	SULLIVAN	0.0%
CAMERON	0.0%	LACKAWANNA	2.1%	SUSQUEHANNA	0.2%
CARBON	0.2%	LANCASTER	3.0%	TIOGA	0.2%
CENTRE	0.5%	LAWRENCE	0.6%	UNION	0.3%
CHESTER	2.4%	LEBANON	1.4%	VENANGO	0.7%
CLARION	0.2%	LEHIGH	2.6%	WARREN	0.3%
CLEARFIELD	0.8%	LUZERNE	1.8%	WASHINGTON	0.9%
CLINTON	0.2%	LYCOMING	1.2%	WAYNE	0.4%
COLUMBIA	0.2%	MCKEAN	0.2%	WESTMORELAND	1.2%
CRAWFORD	0.6%	MERCER	0.7%	WYOMING	0.2%
CUMBERLAND	0.7%	MIFFLIN	0.3%	YORK	3.7%
DAUPHIN	4.2%	MONTGOMERY	3.1%	OUT OF STATE	0.1%
DELAWARE	3.8%	MONROE	0.7%		

Assessment Results

At the time they were received into the DOC's Diagnostic & Classification Centers:

- 71% had a drug and/or alcohol problem
- 20.5% had mental health needs
- 78% read below the 12th grade level
- 73% were assessed as a medium to high risk of criminally re-offending
- 59% were assessed as holding significant criminal thinking errors
- 65% were assessed as having significant anger/hostility problems

"Our mission is to protect the public by confining persons committed to our custody in safe, secure facilities, and to provide opportunities for inmates to acquire the skills and values necessary to become productive law-abiding citizens; while respecting the rights of crime victims."

Edward G. Rendell
Governor

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Inmate Accountability & Responsibility

Inmates working in Community Work Programs produced almost \$45M in savings to local communities since 1995

Since 1998, over \$38M has been collected in fines, costs and restitution

The Inmate General Welfare Fund supports inmate related activities

Since 1998, \$3.4M has been collected for medical co-pay

The Community Work Program (CWP)

The CWP engages inmates in work projects that benefit non-profit organizations, local communities, and other state agencies. Since 1995, the program has realized a cost reduction of almost \$47M to the community.

Projects in FY 2008-09	Hours worked	Net Savings
DCNR	22,230	\$ 325,080
Fed Gov't	3,224	\$119,379
Local Gov't	76,583	\$ 475,554
Non-Profit	275,847	\$ 1,772,276
PennDot	89,578	\$ 249,262
SCI's	41,508	\$ 270,431
Other	<u>21,287</u>	<u>\$ 203,577</u>
Total	530,257	\$ 3,415,559

Inmate General Welfare Fund (IGWF)

IGWF is a fund to support the activities and needs of the inmates. The revenue for IGWF is derived primarily from phone commissions, profits from commissary sales and interest earned for investments.

IGWF funds (approximately \$5M each year) are used to support the following:

- Activities Area (Athletics, Recreation, Movies)
- Library
- Visiting Room
- Chapel
- Overtime Transfer
- Major Purchases (Purchases over \$5,500, including paving recreation area & repairing gym floors)
- Community Corrections
- Inmate Idleness Programs (includes Artists, Craft Instruction, Wellness & Speakers)
- Family Resource Programs (Includes family counseling, Read to your Children, Visiting Room Programs)

Act 84 Payments

Inmate payments under Act 84 are comprised of court costs, fines, and restitution to victims. Between October 1998 and December 2009, over \$38M has been collected from inmates. If an inmate has an account balance over \$10 (payrolls and gifts), they are required to relinquish the following:

- 10% is given to crime victims
- 20% is applied to court costs, fines, and penalties

Medical Co-payments

Inmates pay a co-payment of \$5.00 for certain medical visits and some initial medications. The medical co-payment increased from \$2.00 in 1998 to \$4.00 in 2005 and then increased to \$5.00 in 2007. Approximately \$3.4M has been collected since 1998.

