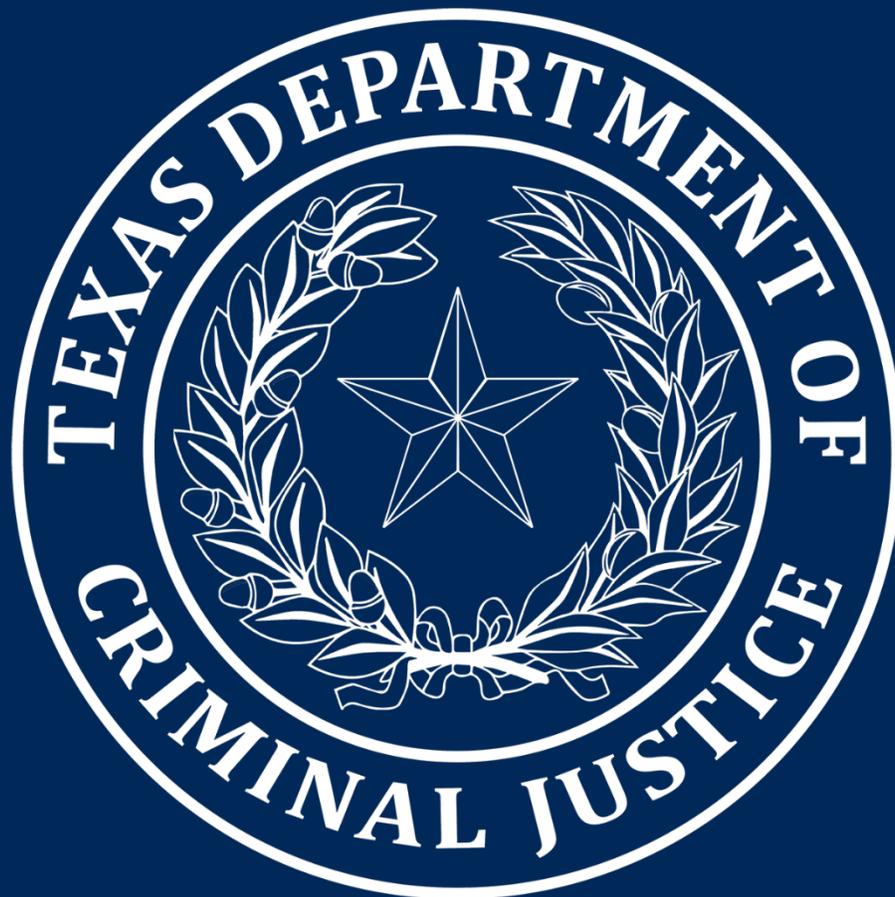


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Been in the Conservatorship of
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Overview

Texas Government Code § 501.023 requires the Texas Department of Criminal Justice (TDCJ) to assess whether an incoming inmate has been in the conservatorship of a state agency responsible for providing child protective services and to report the number of inmates identified during the diagnostic process, disaggregated by age, and the number of inmates who have not previously served a term of imprisonment.

The TDCJ established a Memorandum of Understanding with the Texas Department of Family and Protective Services (DFPS) to receive data of individuals who were in DFPS conservatorship for verification purposes. The TDCJ began receiving the data effective Fiscal Year (FY) 2020.

During FY 2023 there were 3,310 inmates received by the TDCJ who were verified as having been in conservatorship in Texas at some time. This represents approximately 6.1% of the inmates received during the fiscal year. Aggregate statistical information regarding their age, county of conviction, gender, offense of record, and race is included in this report.

Of the 3,310 inmates received in FY 2023 by the TDCJ who were verified as having been in conservatorship in Texas, 1,352 inmates, or approximately 40.8%, had not previously served a term of imprisonment.

Inmates received who were verified as having been in the conservatorship of child protective services in Texas

The TDCJ receives data from DFPS to cross-reference with inmates received into the TDCJ to identify which inmates had been under DFPS conservatorship.

Information collected in FY 2023 indicated that 3,310, or approximately 6.1% of the inmates received by the TDCJ during the fiscal year, had previously been in the conservatorship of the child protective services agency.

It should be noted that 1,587 inmates who upon intake claimed having been in conservatorship could not be verified according to the shared DFPS data and are not included in this report.



The following is a breakdown of the current demographics of those inmates.

| Race | Male | Female | Total |
|-------------------|--------------|---------------|--------------|
| Black | 953 | 179 | 1,132 |
| Hispanic | 950 | 189 | 1,139 |
| White | 772 | 261 | 1,033 |
| Other and Unknown | 4 | 2 | 6 |
| Total | 2,679 | 631 | 3,310 |

| County of Conviction | Prison | SAFP | State Jail | Total |
|-----------------------------|---------------|-------------|-------------------|--------------|
| Harris | 381 | 17 | 43 | 441 |
| Bexar | 247 | 15 | 28 | 290 |
| Dallas | 193 | 54 | 32 | 279 |
| Tarrant | 149 | 8 | 24 | 181 |
| Hidalgo | 72 | 6 | 10 | 88 |
| Montgomery | 51 | 1 | 21 | 73 |
| Travis | 53 | 8 | 8 | 69 |
| Smith | 50 | 4 | 8 | 62 |
| Potter | 46 | 2 | 7 | 55 |
| Nueces | 35 | 14 | 3 | 52 |
| Lubbock | 45 | 1 | 2 | 48 |
| McLennan | 35 | 5 | 8 | 48 |
| Brazos | 37 | 0 | 8 | 45 |
| Galveston | 40 | 0 | 4 | 44 |
| Taylor | 33 | 2 | 9 | 44 |
| Bell | 35 | 1 | 5 | 41 |
| Jefferson | 23 | 5 | 13 | 41 |
| Ector | 27 | 4 | 7 | 38 |
| Cameron | 24 | 4 | 9 | 37 |
| Wichita | 27 | 0 | 10 | 37 |
| Lamar | 19 | 4 | 13 | 36 |
| Williamson | 22 | 0 | 14 | 36 |
| Hays | 26 | 1 | 7 | 34 |
| Nacogdoches | 24 | 0 | 8 | 32 |
| Collin | 26 | 1 | 4 | 31 |
| El Paso | 23 | 3 | 4 | 30 |
| Guadalupe | 21 | 5 | 3 | 29 |
| Parker | 19 | 2 | 8 | 29 |
| Brazoria | 24 | 0 | 4 | 28 |
| Brown | 22 | 4 | 2 | 28 |
| Grayson | 19 | 2 | 7 | 28 |
| Johnson | 13 | 8 | 7 | 28 |
| Tom Green | 23 | 1 | 4 | 28 |



| County of Conviction cont. | Prison | SAFP | State Jail | Total |
|----------------------------|--------------|------------|------------|--------------|
| Gregg | 15 | 2 | 7 | 24 |
| Denton | 20 | 0 | 1 | 21 |
| Midland | 14 | 2 | 4 | 20 |
| Counties with Less Than 20 | 577 | 84 | 174 | 835 |
| Total | 2,510 | 270 | 530 | 3,310 |

| Age at Time of Receive | Male | Female | Total |
|------------------------|--------------|------------|--------------|
| 14-16 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| 17-18 | 65 | 5 | 70 |
| 19-20 | 216 | 31 | 247 |
| 21-24 | 578 | 111 | 689 |
| 25-29 | 590 | 129 | 719 |
| 30-39 | 938 | 258 | 1196 |
| 40-49 | 270 | 84 | 354 |
| 50-59 | 20 | 13 | 33 |
| 60+ | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| Total | 2,679 | 631 | 3,310 |

| Offense of Record | Prison | SAFP | State Jail | Total |
|--|--------|------|------------|-------|
| Homicide | 98 | 1 | 0 | 99 |
| Kidnapping | 17 | 0 | 1 | 18 |
| Sexual Assault | 15 | 0 | 0 | 15 |
| Sexual Assault Against a Child | 78 | 0 | 0 | 78 |
| Indecency with a Child | 28 | 0 | 0 | 28 |
| Other Violent Sexual Offenses | 11 | 0 | 0 | 11 |
| Robbery | 282 | 21 | 0 | 303 |
| Assault/Terroristic Threat/Trafficking | 646 | 61 | 5 | 712 |
| Arson | 14 | 4 | 1 | 19 |
| Burglary | 180 | 13 | 51 | 244 |
| Larceny | 52 | 11 | 101 | 164 |
| Stolen Vehicle | 15 | 9 | 77 | 101 |
| Forgery | 10 | 2 | 4 | 16 |
| Fraud | 42 | 10 | 25 | 77 |
| Stolen/Damaged Property | 2 | 3 | 7 | 12 |
| Drug-Delivery | 126 | 20 | 6 | 152 |
| Drug-Possession | 304 | 81 | 192 | 577 |
| Failure to Register as a Sex Offender | 40 | 0 | 7 | 47 |
| Family Offense | 24 | 6 | 9 | 39 |
| Commercialized/Sex Offense | 11 | 0 | 3 | 14 |
| Obstruction/Public Order | 108 | 4 | 5 | 117 |
| Escape | 164 | 15 | 29 | 208 |



| Offense of Record cont. | Prison | SAFP | State Jail | Total |
|-------------------------|--------------|------------|------------|--------------|
| Weapons Offenses | 184 | 4 | 3 | 191 |
| DWI | 26 | 3 | 4 | 33 |
| Other | 33 | 2 | 0 | 35 |
| Total | 2,510 | 270 | 530 | 3,310 |

An inmate's offense of record is the offense which incarcerates the inmate for the longest period of time.

Inmates received by the TDCJ during the fiscal year who had previously been in the conservatorship of child protective services in Texas who had not previously served a term of imprisonment in TDCJ

The TDCJ receives data from DFPS to cross-reference with inmates received into the TDCJ to identify which inmates had been under DFPS conservatorship.

Information collected in FY 2023 indicated that 1,352, or approximately 40.8% of the inmates received by the TDCJ during the fiscal year who had previously been in the conservatorship of a child protective services agency, had not previously served a term of imprisonment.

The following is a breakdown of the current demographics of those inmates.

| Age at Time of Receive | Male | Female | Total |
|------------------------|--------------|------------|--------------|
| 14-16 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| 17-18 | 62 | 5 | 67 |
| 19-20 | 191 | 26 | 217 |
| 21-24 | 399 | 81 | 480 |
| 25-29 | 211 | 82 | 293 |
| 30-39 | 164 | 82 | 246 |
| 40-49 | 22 | 22 | 44 |
| 50-59 | 3 | 1 | 4 |
| 60+ | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Total | 1,053 | 299 | 1,352 |



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