

SEX OFFENDER RECIDIVISM STUDIES

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[“Paroling people who committed serious crimes: What is the actual risk?”, Dec 2014](#)

Citizens Alliance on Prisons & Public Spending

Michigan MDOC sex offenders paroled from 2007 through the first quarter of 2010

A study of 4,109 people who had been serving for a sex offense, 32 (0.8 percent) returned to prison for a new sex offense.

Sex Crime Return to Incarceration: 0.8% (less than 1 percent)

[“Sex Offender Recidivism in Connecticut”, 2012](#)

State of Connecticut, Office of Policy & Management

Study of 746 Male Offenders released from prison in 2005 – 5–year study

Re–arrest rate: 3.6% after 5–year follow–up

Re–conviction: 2.7% after 5–year follow–up

[“A Model of Static and Dynamic Sex Offender Risk Assessment”, 2011](#)

Vermont Department of Corrections

Study of 759 adult male offenders under community supervision

Re–arrest rate: 4.6% after 3–year follow–up

[“Sexual Assault Trends & Sex Offender Recidivism in Maine”, 2010](#)

Maine Statistical Analysis Center, USM Muskie School of Public Service

Study of 552 Male Offenders released from prison between 2004 and 2008

Re–conviction: 3.8% after 3–year follow–up

[“Evaluating the Effectiveness of Sex Offender Registration and Notification Policies for Reducing Sexual Violence against Women”, 2010](#)

Medical University of South Carolina

Study of 490 Male Offenders over a mean follow–up period of 8.4 years

Re–arrest rate: 8%

Re–conviction: 4%

[“Adult Institutions Outcome Evaluation Report”, 2010](#)

California Department of Corrections And Rehabilitation
Study of 7,011 Male Sex Offenders released from prison

Re-conviction: 5% after 3-year follow-up

[“Improving State Criminal History Records: Recidivism of Sex Offenders Released in 2001”, 2009](#)

Justice Research & Statistics Association

A Study of recidivism rates for 2,493 sex offenders released from prison in 9 states in 2001 – a 3-year follow-up study

**Recidivism rates: AK 3.4%, AZ 2.3%, DE 3.8%, IL 2.4%, IA 3.9%,
NM 1.8%, SC 4%, TN 0%, UT 9%**

[“Recidivism of Alaska Sex Offenders”, 2008](#)

Alaska Justice Forum, University of Alaska, Anchorage

A Study of 232 Offenders released from prison in 2001 – a 3-year follow-up study

Re-arrest rate: 3.4%

[“Recidivism of Paroled Sex Offenders – Ten \(10\) Year Study”, 2008](#)

California Sex Offender Management Board

A Study of 3,577 sex offenders released from CDCR prisons in 1997 and followed through the end of 2007

Returned to Custody due to new sex offense: 3.38%

[“Recidivism Rates Compared 2005 – 2007”, 2008](#)

Indiana Department of Correction

A Study of 339 sex offenders released from IDOC facilities in 2002, 382 released in 2003 and 387 released in 2004 and followed for 3 years

Recidivism rates: 2002 – 5.3%; 2003 – 5.2%; 2004 – 5.7%

[“Sex Offender Populations, Recidivism and Actuarial Assessment”, 2007](#)

New York State Division of Probation and Correctional Alternatives

A Study of 19,827 offenders on the New York State registry on March 31, 2005 that examined recidivism up to 8 years from time of registration date

Recidivism Rate: 8%

["Sex Offender Recidivism", 2007](#)

Arizona Department of Corrections

A study of 3,205 sex offenders released from Arizona correctional facilities over a 15-year period between 1984 and 1998 with an average follow-up period of 6.85 years.

Recidivism Rate: 5.5%

["Sex Offender Recidivism in Minnesota", 2007](#)

Minnesota Department of Corrections

A study of 3,166 sex offenders released from Minnesota Correctional Facilities between 1990 and 2002 with an average follow-up period of 8.4 years

Re-arrest rate: 12%

Re-Conviction Rate: 10%

Re-incarceration: 7%

["Criminal Recidivism in Alaska", 2007](#)

Alaska Judicial Council

A Study that included 162 sex offenders charged and convicted of a sexual offense in 1999 and examined for 3 years following release

Re-Conviction Rate: 3%

["Sex Offender Sentencing in Washington State: Recidivism Rates", 2005](#)

Washington State Institute for Public Policy

A study of 4,091 sex offenders either released from prison or community supervision from 1994 to 1998 and examined for 5 years

Sex Crime Recidivism Rate: 2.7%

["Recidivism of Sex Offenders Released from Prison in 1994", 2003](#)

United States Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Statistics

A Study of 9,691 sex offenders released from prisons in 15 states in 1994 and followed for 3 years.

Sex Crime Re-arrest Rate: 5.3%

Sex Crime Re-conviction Rate: 3.5%

["Ten Year Recidivism Follow-up of 1989 Sex Offender Releases", 2001](#)

Ohio Department of Rehabilitation and Correction

A study of 879 sex offenders released from prison in 1989 and followed for 10 years

Sex Crime Return to Incarceration: 8%

Sexually Related Parole Violations: 3%