

Annual Report, Prison Population Projections, & Policy Recommendations

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Duties and Responsibilities

- ▶ Legislative
 - ▶ Impacts during the session
 - ▶ Presentation to this committee
- ▶ State Statistical Analysis Center for Criminal Justice
 - Maintain database of sentencing journal entries, PSIs and probation revocation journal entries
- ► Maintain, monitor and update the Kansas Sentencing Guidelines Desk Reference Manual (DRM)
- Annual prison bed population and inmate classification projections for KDOC
- Annual Report

Duties and Responsibilities (cont'd)

- Administration of SB 123 payments to drug abuse treatment providers
- ▶ Private research requests
- Training and information resource for criminal justice agencies
 - Development of sentencing manuals and related training
 - ▶Q & A helpline

Staff

- ► Currently 14 team members
- ► Major functional areas:
 - Research and data maintenance
 - ▶SB 123 (provider payments and data tracking)
 - Legislative issues (bed impacts and special requests)
 - ▶Legal issues (JE revisions, PSI questions, DRM updates)

HSTORY

▶ 1988

- Prison overcrowding litigation
- Court Order Reduce Kansas prison population by 100 inmates per month
- Criminal Justice Coordinating Council
 - Recommended establishing the Kansas Sentencing Commission in 1989
- DISPARITY BASED ON RACE AND GEOGRAPHY
- PROPORTIONALITY
- TRUTH IN SENTENCING

- ▶ Sentencing Commission created 1989
- ► Mission Statement: The Kansas Sentencing Commission is charged with the development and maintenance of uniform sentencing guidelines that establish a range of presumptive sentences.
- ▶ Presumptive sentences are based upon the assumptions that:
 - ▶ Incarceration is reserved for the most serious offenders
 - ▶ Primary purposes of prison are incapacitation and punishment

Why Presumptive Guidelines?

- Establishes equity among offenders in typical cases
- Allows departures in atypical cases
- Allows for more certainty in predicting prison populations

► Annually

- Commission reviews and suggests legislative and administrative changes to the Governor and Legislature
- Our office tracks and reviews all relevant bills that are introduced and provides prison bed impacts
- Revisions made every year to reflect new or amended laws

SENTENCING RANGE - NONDRUG OFFENSES

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Probation Terms are-

36 months recommended for felonies classified in Severity Levels 1.5 24 months recommended for felonics classified in Severity Levels 6.7

18 months (up to) for felonies classified in Severity Level 8 12 months (up to) for felonies classified in Severity Levels 9-10

Postrelease Supervision Terms are: 36 months for feloniae classified in Severity Levels 1-4 24 months for feloniae classified in Severity Levels 5-6 12 months for felonice classified in Severity Levels 7-10

Postrelesse for felonies committed before 4/20/95 are: 24 months for felonies classified in Severity Levels 1-6 12 months for felonies classified in Severity Level 7-10

LEGEND Presumptive Probation Border Box Presumptive Imprisonment

SENTENCING RANGE- DRUG OFFENSES

Α	В	С	D	E	F	G	Н	1
3 + Person Felonies	2 Person Felonies	1 Person & 1 Nonperson Felony	1 Person Felony	3 + Nonperson Felonies	2 Nonperson Felonies	1 Nonperson Felony	2 + Misdemeanors	1 Misdemeanor No Record
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194	186	178	170	162	158	154	150	146
185	176	169	161	154	150	146	142	138
144	137	130	124	116	113	110	108	103
136	130	123	117	111	108	104	100	98
130	122	117	111	105	101	99	96	92
83	77	72	68	62	59	57	54	51
78	73	68	64	59	56	54	51	49
74	68	65	60	55	52	51	49	46
51	47	42	36	32	26	23	19	16
49	44	40	34	30	24	22	18	15
46	41	37	32	28	23	20	17	14
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Presumptive Probation

Border Box

Presumptive Imprisonment

•Fines not to exceed \$500,000 (SL1-SL2), \$300,000 (SL3-SL4), \$100,000 (SL5)

• Severity level of offense increases one level if controlled substance or analog is distributed or possessed w/ intent to distribute on or w/in 1000 ft of any school property.

	Distribute o	Distribute or Possess w/ intent to Distribute			_	_	_	_	_
Levels	Cocaine	Meth & Heroin	Marijuana	Manufacture (all)	Cultivate	Dosage Units	Postrelease	Probation	Good Time
I	≥1 kg	≥ 100 g	≥ 30 kg	2nd or Meth	>100 plants	>1000	36	36	15%
II	100 g - 1 kg	3.5 g - 100 g	450 g - 30 kg	1st	50-99 plants	100-999	36	36	15%
III	3.5 g - 100 g	1 g - 3.5 g	25 g - 450 g		5-49 plants	10-99	36	36	**20%
IV	< 3.5 g	< 1 g	< 25 g			<10	24	≤ 18	20%
V	Possession	Possession	Possession-3rd offense				12	*≤12	20%

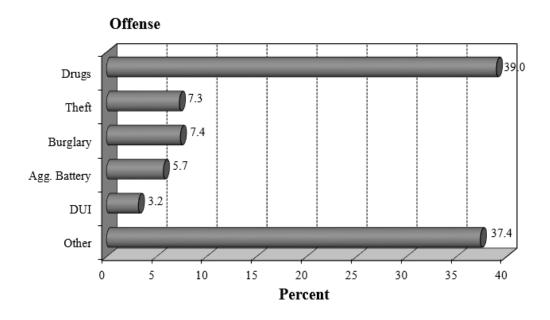
^{* ≤ 18} months for 2003 SB123 offenders

^{***} Retroactive application for offense committed on or after July 1, 2012

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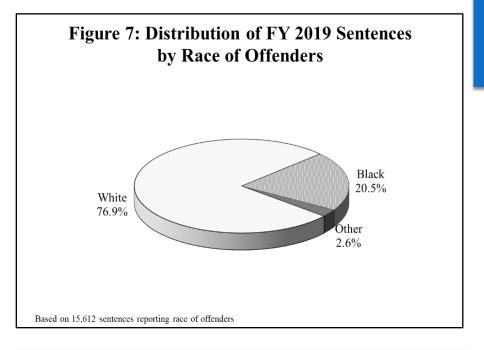
Top 5 Offenses

Figure 4: FY 2019 Top Five Offenses of Prison, Probation and Jail Sentences



Based on 15,614 prison, probation, DUI PIS and county jail sentences

Race & Gender Distribution



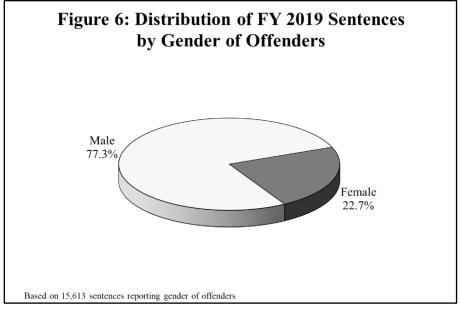
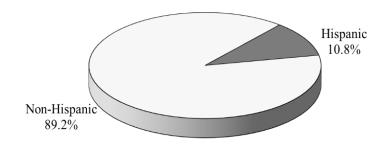
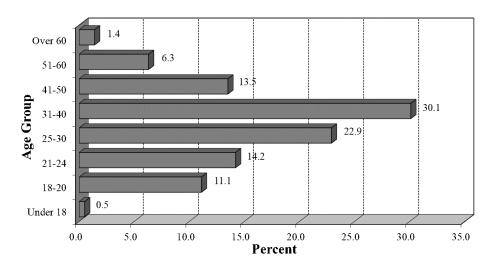


Figure 8: Distribution of FY 2019 Sentences by Ethnicity of Offenders



Based on 15,613 sentences reporting ethnicity of offenders

Figure 9: Distribution of FY 2019 Sentences by Age of Offenders



Based on 15,605 sentences reporting age of offenders at time of offense

Ethnicity & Age Distribution

Prison Sentences

In FY 2019, the total number of admissions to KDOC reached 6,388.

This was a decrease of 2% or 154 offenders when compared with FY 2018 (6,542 admissions).

Males continue to be the predominant offender group making up 82.8% of the offenders admitted to prison in FY 2019.

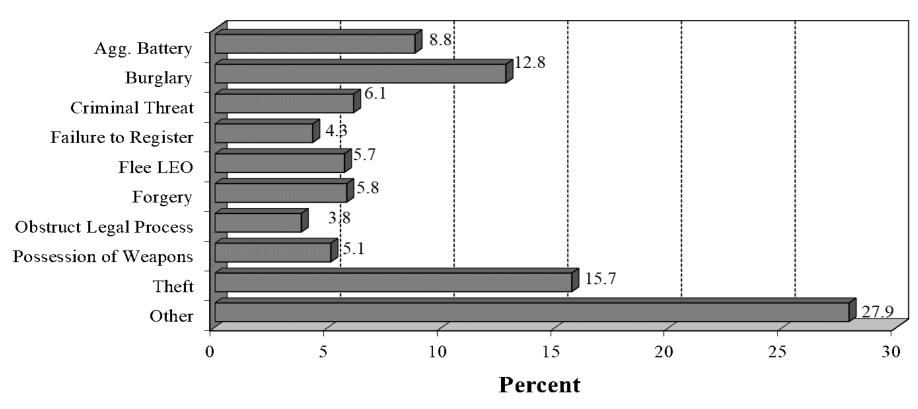
White offenders accounted for 73.2%, black offenders accounted for 23.3%, and other races represented 3.5% of the total admissions of FY 2019.

Probation Sentences

- During FY 2019, 8,712 probation sentences were reported to the Commission, an increase of 570 sentences or 6.5% compared with FY 2018 (8,142 sentences).
 - Of this number, 4,774 were nondrug sentences and 3,938 were drug sentences.

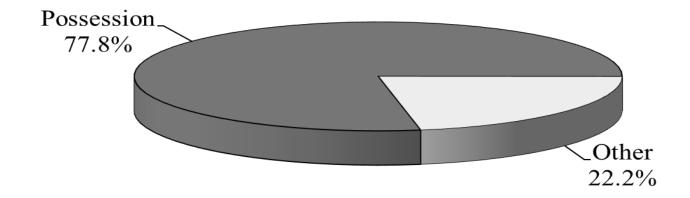
Figure 32: FY 2019 Top Ten Offenses for Probation Nondrug Sentences

Offenses



Based on 4,773 probation nondrug sentences

Figure 33: FY 2019 Probation Drug Sentences by Offense



Based on 3,939 probation drug sentences

DUI-PIS and County Jail Sentences

- In FY 2019, 514 DUI-PIS and county jail sentences were reported to the Commission.
 - ▶ Of this number, DUI-PIS accounted for 88.9% (457 sentences) and county jail accounted 11.1% (57 sentences).
 - > 97.3% (493 sentences) of the sentences were convicted of the crime of felony DUI
 - ▶ 0.2% (1 sentence) were convicted of animal cruelty;
 - ▶ and 2.5% (13 sentences) were convicted of the crime of domestic battery.
 - ▶ Johnson County imposed the most sentences of this group (146) representing 28.4%, followed by Sedgwick County with 59 sentences representing 11.5% of the total DUI PIS and county jail sentences imposed during FY 2019.

Overall Sentences by the Top Four Counties Prison, Probation and Jail - FY 2019

Percent 53.1 60 50 40 20.7 30 12.5 20 6.6 10 Sedgwick Other Counties Johnson Wyandotte Shawnee

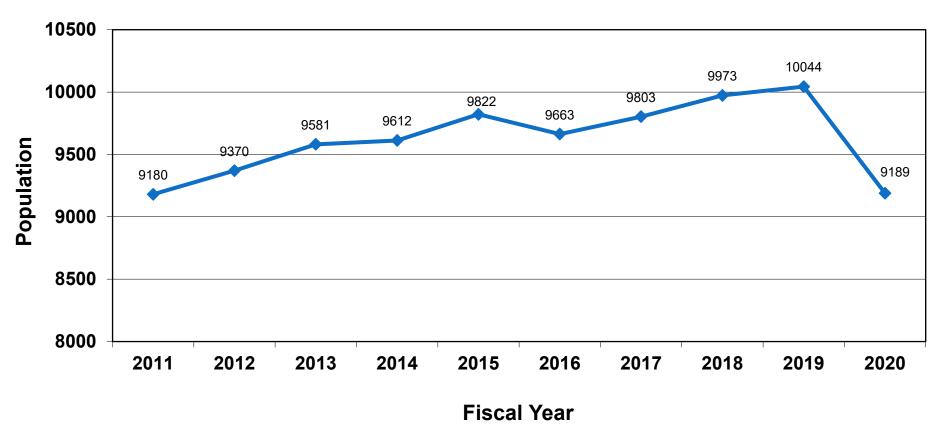
Based on 15,610 sentences

Four County Sentencing Trends

FY 2021 Prison Population Projections

KANSAS PRISON POPULATION TRENDS

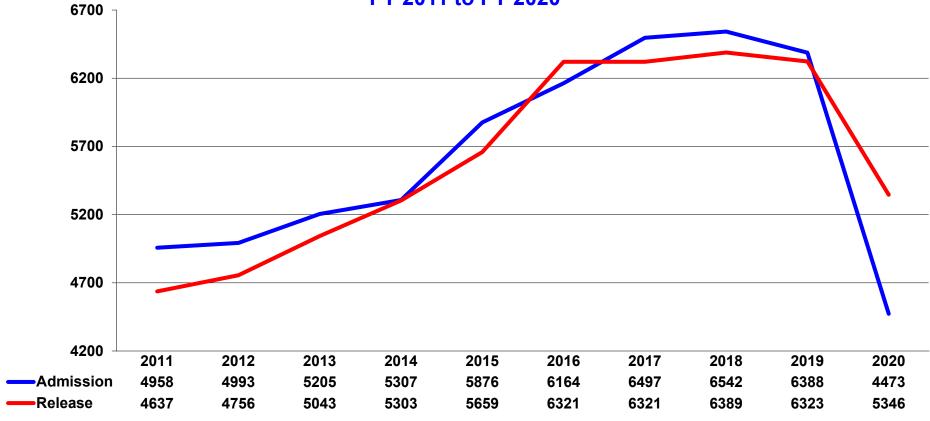
Total Prison Population



Source: KDOC prison population files

FY 2020 numbers low due to COVID-19 pandemic

Prison Admissions and Releases FY 2011 to FY 2020

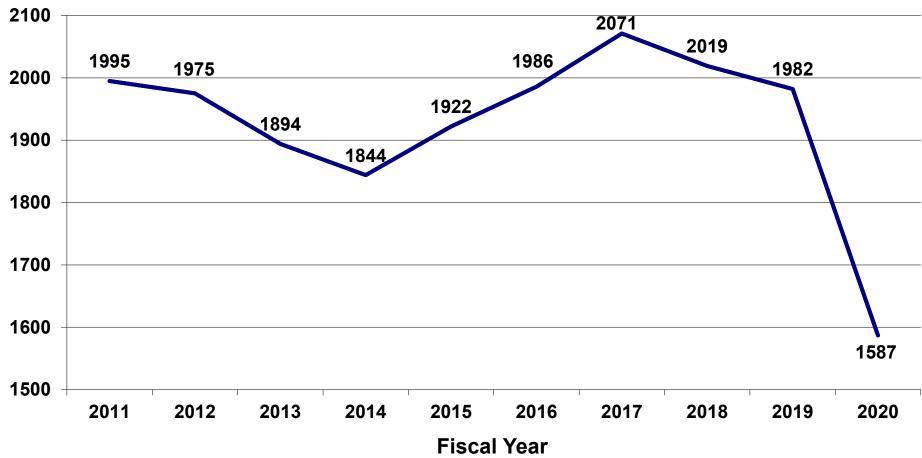


Fiscal Year

Source: KDOC admission and release files

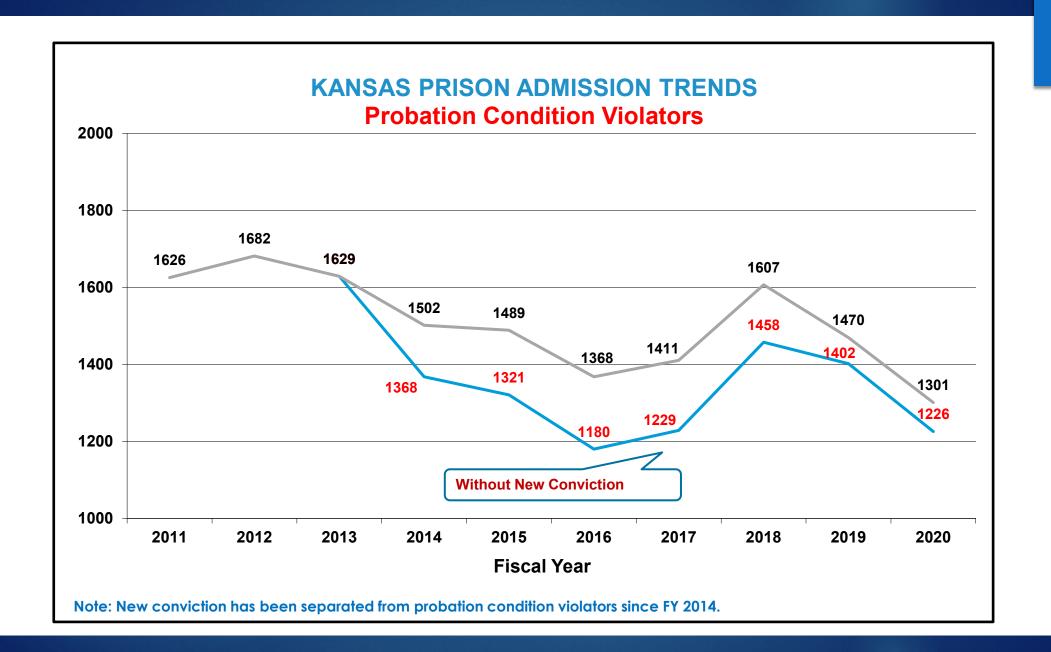
KANSAS PRISON ADMISSION TRENDS

Direct New Court Commitments



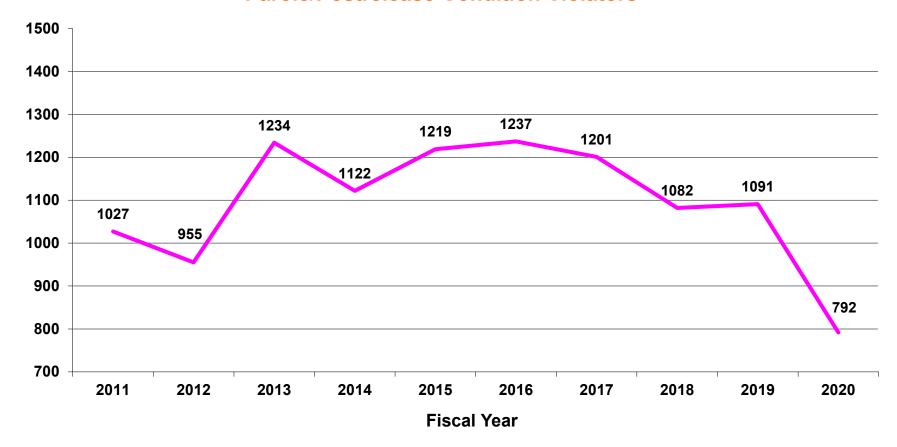
Source: KDOC admission files

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KANSAS PRISON ADMISSION TRENDS

Parole/Postrelease Condition Violators

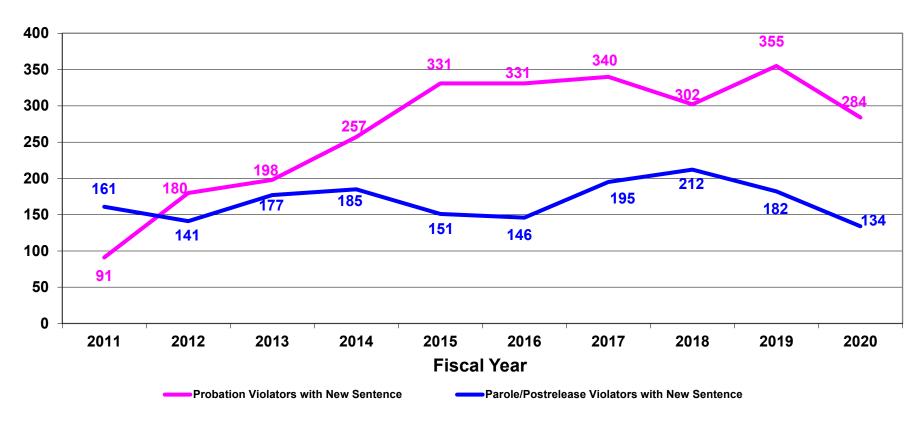


Source: KDOC admission files

Note: Including condition conditional-release violators

KANSAS PRISON ADMISSION TRENDS

Comparison between Probation and Parole/Postrelease Violators with New Sentence



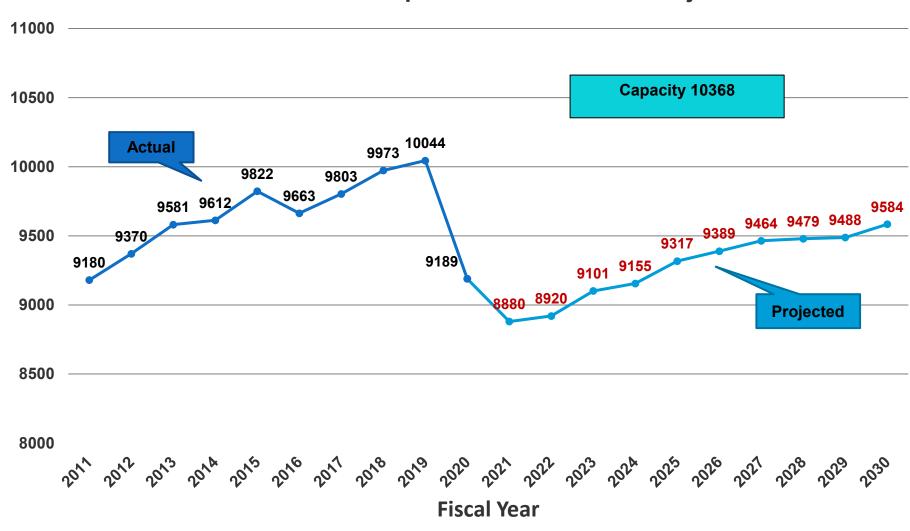
Source: KDOC admission files.

KDOC has changed probation violator with new sentence coding policy since FY 2011.

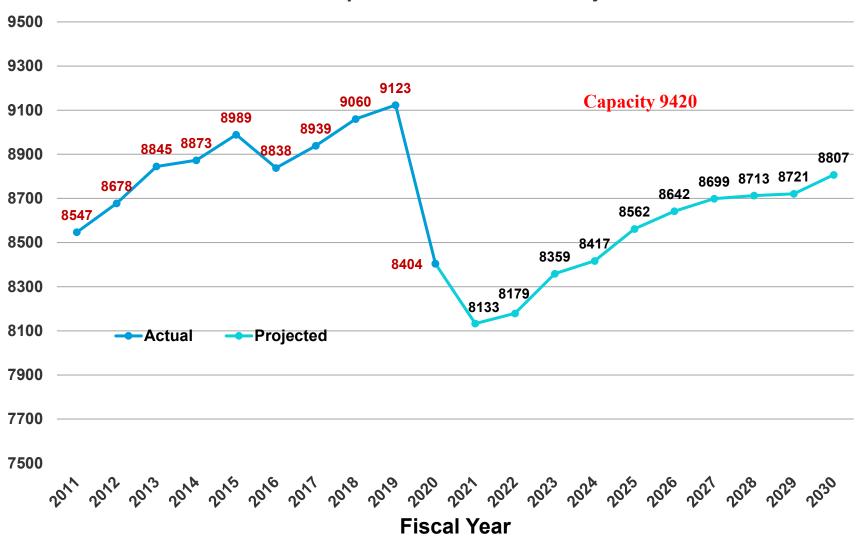
FY 2021 Prison Population Projection By Offender Group

Offender Group	2020*	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	# Change	% Change
Drug	1475	1396	1395	1429	1428	1449	1452	1472	1479	1465	1479	4	0.3%
N1 to N3	2494	2532	2526	2560	2556	2594	2623	2644	2665	2663	2681	187	7.5%
N4 to N6	1609	1666	1592	1553	1490	1490	1505	1512	1490	1488	1528	-81	-5.0%
N7 to N10	761	758	754	806	820	847	867	866	888	862	896	135	17.7%
Sanction	1	11	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	-1	-100.0%
Probation Condition Violators	1045	891	1031	1140	1243	1328	1355	1366	1369	1402	1402	357	34.2%
Offgrid Including Old Law Lifer	1440	1446	1452	1463	1472	1469	1461	1487	1484	1494	1484	44	3.1%
Parole/Post Release Violators	258	88	92	85	89	94	90	88	81	95	99	-159	-61.6%
Old Law Inmates	106	92	78	65	57	46	36	29	23	19	15	-91	-85.8%
Total	9189	8880	8920	9101	9155	9317	9389	9464	9479	9488	9584	395	4.3%

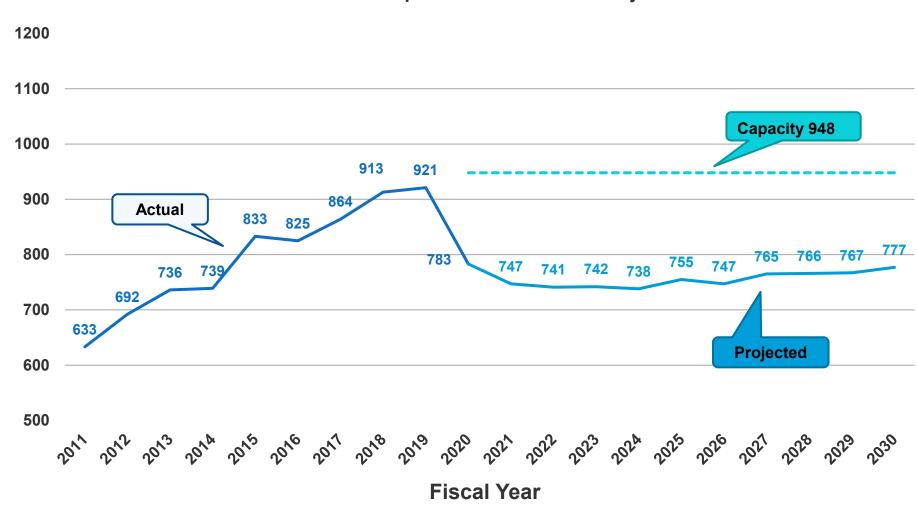
Kansas Prison Population - Actual and Projected



Male Prison Population - Actual and Projected



Female Prison Population - Actual and Projected



PRISON POPULATION MONTHLY MONITORING REPORT FY 2020 MODEL

Month/Year	Projected	Actual	Difference	Percent Error
July (2019)	10048	10036	12	0.12%
August (2019)	10035	9986	49	0.49%
September (2019)	10010	10000	10	0.10%
October (2019)	10033	10054	-21	-0.21%
November (2019)	10053	9989	64	0.64%
December (2019)	10030	9997	33	0.33%
January (2020)	10048	10003	45	0.45%
February (2020)	10071	10009	62	0.62%
March (2020)	10130	10031	99	0.99%
April (2020)*	10135	9758	377	3.86%
May (2020)*	10167	9449	718	7.60%
June (2020)*	10174	9189	985	10.72%

*Due to COVID-19

PRISON POPULATION MONTHLY MONITORING REPORT FY 2020 MODEL – (MALE)

Projected	Actual	Difference	Percent Error
9127	9123	4	0.04%
9114	9084	30	0.33%
9119	9089	30	-0.13%
9118	9130	-12	0.58%
9137	9084	53	0.13%
9111	9099	12	0.13%
9127	9115	12	0.54%
9145	9096	49	0.72%
9181	9115	66	0.99%
9187	8876	311	3.50%
9210	8615	595	6.91%
9227	8406	821	9.77%
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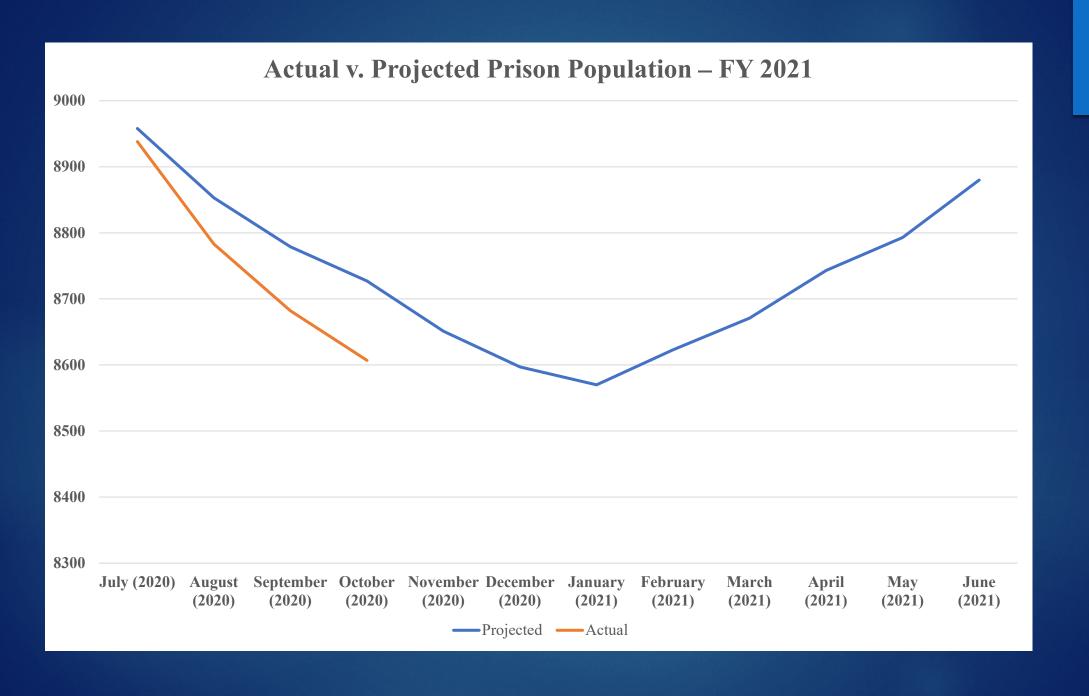
PRISON POPULATION MONTHLY MONITORING REPORT FY 2020 MODEL – (FEMALE)

Month/Year	Projected	Actual	Difference	Percent Error
July (2019)	921	913	8	0.88%
August (2019)	921	902	19	2.11%
September (2019)	891	911	-20	-2.20%
October (2019)	915	924	-9	-0.97%
November (2019)	916	905	11	1.22%
December (2019)	919	898	21	2.34%
January (2020)	921	888	33	3.72%
February (2020)	926	913	13	1.42%
March (2020)	949	916	33	3.60%
April (2020)*	948	882	66	7.48%
May (2020)*	957	834	123	14.75%
June (2020)*	947	783	164	20.95%

^{*}Due to COVID-19

PRISON POPULATION MONTHLY MONITORING REPORT FY 2021 MODEL

Month/Year	Projected	Actual	Difference	Percent Error
July (2020)	8958	8938	20	0.22%
August (2020)	8853	8783	70	0.80%
September (2020)	8779	8682	97	1.12%
October (2020)	8727	8607	120	1.39%
November (2020)	8651			
December (2020)	8597			
January (2021)	8570			
February (2021)	8623			
March (2021)	8671			
April (2021)	8743			
May (2021)	8793			
June (2021)	8880			



PRISON POPULATION MONTHLY MONITORING REPORT FY 2021 MODEL – (MALE)

Month/Year	Projected	Actual	Difference	Percent Error
July (2020)	8183	8167	16	0.20%
August (2020)	8075	8020	55	0.69%
September (2020)	8015	7928	87	1.10%
October (2020)	7966	7853	113	1.44%
November (2020)	7904			
December (2020)	7866			
January (2021)	7854			
February (2021)	7904			
March (2021)	7949			
April (2021)	8010			
May (2021)	8045			
June (2021)	8133			

PRISON POPULATION MONTHLY MONITORING REPORT FY 2021 MODEL – (FEMALE)

Month/Year	Projected	Actual	Difference	Percent Error
July (2020)	775	771	4	0.52%
August (2020)	778	763	15	1.97%
September (2020)	764	754	10	1.33%
October (2020)	761	754	7	0.93%
November (2020)	747			
December (2020)	731			
January (2021)	716			
February (2021)	719			
March (2021)	722			
April (2021)	733			
May (2021)	748			
June (2021)	747			

KSSC Policy Recommendations

Incentivizing Offenders to Be Successful on Diversion

- Substance Abuse Treatment for Diverted Possession Offenders
 - Incentivizes offenders to comply with terms of diversion agreement by receiving statepaid treatment with supervision by Court Services or Community Corrections
 - No felony collateral consequences
 - Encourages prosecutors to divert simple possession offenders from system
 - ▶ Joint recommendation of KS Criminal Justice Reform Commission. 2020 HB 2708, as passed by the House 125-0

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Sentencing Drug Grid Modification to Reflect Sentencing Realities

- Expand Presumptive Probation and Border Boxes on Drug Grid
 - Expand presumptive probation to 3H-I, 4G-I, and 5A-D
 - Expand border box to 3G
 - More accurately reflects downward departure decisions that are already happening statewide
 - Supported by Council for State Governments Justice Center





FY2019 Felony Drug Sentences by Grid Cell

Criminal History Category

		Α	В	С	D	Е	F	G	Н	
Severity Level	D01	4	7	4	0	4	2	4	2	10
	D02	16	12	38	2	33	36	29	26	47
	D03	23	17	40	14	46	32	52	44	112
	D04	23	30	32	19	58	36	60	51	183
S	D05	207	243	473	137	584	306	537	442	641

Presumptive Prison

Border Box

Presumptive Probation

The grid cell for 5 drug grid sentences could not be determined due to missing criminal history information.

Source: CSG Justice Center analysis of Kansas Sentencing Commission felony sentencing data, September 2020.

Criminal History Categories

Α	3+ Person Felonies				
В	2 Person Felonies				
С	1 Person & 1 Nonperson Felonies				
D	1 Person Felony				
E	3+ Nonperson Felonies				
F	2 Nonperson Felonies				
G	1 Nonperson Felony				
Н	2+ Misdemeanors				
I	1 Misd. or No Record				

Amend the drug grid to better reflect actual sentencing and reduce downward departures by expanding presumptive probation and border box zones

zones **Current and Proposed Drug Grid Designations** Current Current Border to **New Probation New Border** Probation Probation SL Н Α D E F 2 3 4 5

Sentencing Proportionality for Drug Possession Offenses

- Simple drug possession proportional with SL 8 nondrug crimes
 - Decreases prison time for offenders sentenced for only possession, not sale, distribution or manufacture
 - Recognizes issue as public health over punishment. 2019 HB 2047
 - Maintains sentence length for adequate offender treatment
 - ▶ Joint recommendation of KS Criminal Justice Reform Commission

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Modify Offender Registries

▶ Offender Registration

- Remove drug offenders from registration. 2019 HB 2051
- Support Judicial Council's recommendations to reduce reporting requirements and penalties for violations. 2020 HB 2474
- No research supports use of registries to reduce recidivism
- Offenders have already served their punishment for the underlying crime that required registration.

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Sentence Proportionality of Offenders While on Supervision

- Unlawful Tampering with Electronic Equipment (SL 6)
 - ▶ If on felony supervision, SL 8. Class A misdemeanor if on misdemeanor supervision or civil court-ordered supervision
 - Makes felony crime severity proportional to that of Escape from Custody (SL8)
 - ▶ 2020 HB 2494, as passed out of House Corrections.
 - Joint recommendation of KS Criminal Justice Reform Commission





Sentencing Proportionality of Property Crimes

- ► Increase property crime felony thresholds from \$1,000 to \$1,500
 - ▶ Applicable to 11 property crimes
 - ▶ \$1,500 already threshold for theft (2016) and mistreatment of dependent adult (2018)
 - Makes other property crimes proportional. 2020 HB 2485 as passed by House Corrections.
 - ▶ Joint recommendation of KS Criminal Justice Reform Commission



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Clarifying Multiple Sentencing of Offenders

- Discretionary sentencing of offenders committing crimes while on bond
 - Allows for judicial discretion to run sentences consecutive or concurrent
 - Statutes effected KSA 21-6604(f)(4) and 21-6606(d)





Clarifying Prior Convictions for Special Sentencing Rules

- Determining prior convictions for drug crimes in same case
 - Current language inconsistent with other special sentencing rules
 - Amend language to allow only prior convictions to be eligible for use of Special Rule #26 in KSA 21-6805(f)(1)
 - ► Amend language to clarify that prior convictions required to be eligible for use of Special Rule #12 in KSA 21-6805(e)

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Incentivizing Offenders to Be Successful on Probation

- Allowing earned discharge credit while on probation
 - Allows for shortening of probation term if there is substantial compliance with terms of probation
 - Seven days credit for each 30-day compliance period
 - ► Similar to 2019 HB 2052
 - Joint recommendation of KS Criminal Justice Reform Commission

89, 147, or 196 FY2022 **150, 225, or 300** FY2031



More Effective Administration of SB 123 Probation Revocations

- Allows for efficient transfer of SB 123 probation to offender place of residence
 - Currently cases remain where crime occurred
 - Sending and receiving parties must agree to transfer jurisdiction
 - Allows local jurisdiction to manage public safety and needs of offender in their community and saves time and probation resources





Codify "Absconds from Supervision" Definition in Statute

- ▶ Define Absconder in KSA 22-2202(a) to assist probation and parole
 - "[k]nowingly avoiding supervision or knowingly making the defendant's whereabouts unknown to the defendant's supervising court services officer, community correctional services officer or parole officer."
 - Consistent with the holding of KS Supreme Court in <u>State v. Dooley</u>





Incentivizing Offenders to Be Successful in Prison

- Allowing earned discharge credit while in prison
 - ➤ Current 15%-20% good time credit modified to 25% for person felonies and 40% for nonperson felonies
 - Current eligible program credit would be modified from 120 days to 150 days
 - ➤ Similar to 2020 HB 2484 that passed House Corrections





Establish a More Robust KDOC Compassionate Release Policy

- Extend eligibility of incarcerated persons to be released
 - ► Those may be released with conditions likely to cause death within 120 days
 - Current eligibility is 30 days and one of, if not the most stringent, in the U.S.
 - Multiple KDOC criteria already in place for public safety consideration
 - ► Similar to 2020 HB 2469, as passed by the House 120-5





Sentencing Commission Membership

- Requiring KSSC legislative members to be members of Senate Judiciary and House Corrections and Juvenile Justice
 - Law currently allows for Senate and House leadership appointments of any member
 - Results in more engagement at the legislative committee level
 - ▶ Similar to 2020 HB 2493, passed by House Corrections

N/A FY2022N/A FY2031



Modification of Care and Treatment for Mentally III Persons Law

- Temporary custody hearing modification
 - Allows courts to prohibit possession of a firearm
 - Addresses public safety
 - Similar to 2020 HB 2551

N/A FY2022 N/A FY2031



QUESTIONS?

THANK YOU

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