Kentucky Department of Corrections 2024 ANNUAL REPORT



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The Department of Corrections annual report highlights statistical data while illustrating the Beshear-Coleman administration's commitment to public safety and second chances. It contains information of value in guiding public policy on important public safety issues, such as prosecution, treatment, corrections, crime prevention and reentry initiatives.

The Department of Corrections plays an essential role in preparing inmates for their life after release by providing addiction resources, job skills training, higher education and much more. The department's mission is to protect the citizens of the commonwealth and provide a safe, secure and humane environment for staff and offenders in carrying out the mandates of the legislative and judicial processes; and, to provide opportunities for offenders to acquire skills that facilitate noncriminal behavior.

By working together, the Team Kentucky is building a better commonwealth full of opportunities for all Kentuckians.

Since the beginning of his administration, Gov. Beshear has announced more than 1,100 private-sector new-location and expansion projects totaling over \$35 billion in announced investments, creating more than 60,500 jobs. This is the highest investment figure secured during the tenure of any governor in the commonwealth's history and \$14 billion more than the next highest total.

To build on these successes, the Governor is focused on investing in reentry programs.

Gov. Andy Beshear announced that Kentucky secured another low recidivism rate. Nearly 70% of people released from state custody over the past two years have not been re-incarcerated.

Since 2022, out of nearly 13,000 individuals released from state custody, 8,930 have not returned. For those inmates, the current recidivism rate is 30.81%, which is 1.6% lower than the prior year. Kentucky defines recidivism as re-incarceration within 24 months of release from custody. In 2020, the state recorded the lowest rate ever at 27.15%.

On Oct. 17, 2024, the Governor signed an <u>executive order</u> establishing the Governor's Council of Second Chance Employers, comprising 15 business and community leaders.

In April 2024, Gov. Beshear announced a <u>new website</u> to help Kentuckians seeking a second chance find a job, get an education or continue recovery. The site also connects business leaders with resources to help them hire second-chance talent.



In 2023, the Governor was joined by members of the Kentucky State Building and Construction Trades Council to launch the <u>Jobs on Day One initiative</u>, which aims to provide inmates with employable skills when they leave incarceration.

On his third day in office, Gov. Beshear restored voting rights to Kentuckians who had completed their sentences for nonviolent, nonsexual offenses. Now nearly 196,748 Kentuckians' voting rights have been restored.

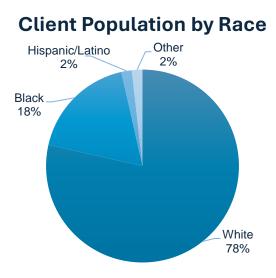




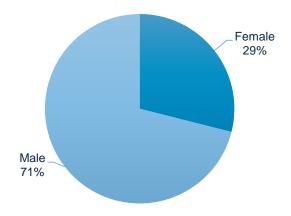




2024 Supervised Client Demographics



Client Population by Sex

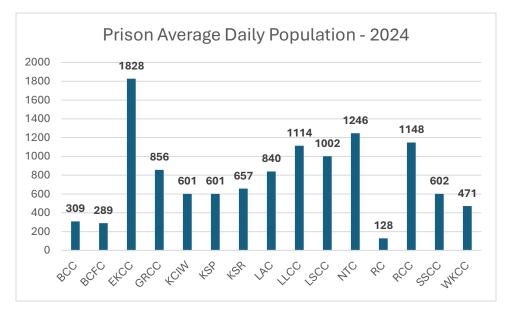


Client Population by Age UNDER 21 21 - 25 1% 7% 26 - 30 11% OVER 50 21% 31 - 35 46 - 50 12% 15% 36 - 40 41 - 45_ 17% 16%



ADULT INSTITUTIONS

The Beshear-Coleman administration has supported Kentucky's Adult Institutions staff and facilities and recognizes its importance in ensuring safety for the commonwealth's 120 counties. The administration also provided significant raises for security personnel, which dramatically decreased staff vacancies. Between the first round of raises approved in December 2021 and the pay increase signed into law, the Beshear-Coleman administration has raised correctional pay more than any administration. The Division of Adult Institutions oversees 14 correctional facilities that house over 60% of Kentucky's adult inmate population.



BELL COUNTY FORESTRY CAMP

Bell County Forestry Camp (BCFC) is situated on approximately 15 acres in rural Bell County and 14 miles southwest of the town of Pineville. It is a minimum-security facility with the capacity to house 300 adult male inmates. The facility employs 54 staff and has 14 contract employees who work in food service, medical services, and program facilitation.

BLACKBURN CORRECTIONAL COMPLEX

Blackburn Correctional Complex (BCC) is the largest minimum-security institution. This institution manages one of the nation's eight (8) Second Chances Farms for the Thoroughbred Retirement Foundation and the only one located in Kentucky. The farm is currently home to 50 thoroughbreds who are retired or have an otherwise limited athletic future. The institution also has a cattle farm operation, which includes approximately 84 head of cattle.



EASTERN KENTUCKY CORRECTIONAL COMPLEX

Eastern Kentucky Correctional Complex (EKCC) was constructed in two phases and houses minimum, medium, close, and maximum custody inmates. The institution's best security tool is controlled movement. Inmates move to and from their dormitories to work, school, gym, and yard every half hour.

GREEN RIVER CORRECTIONAL COMPLEX

The Green River Correctional Complex (GRCC) was built in August 1992 and was originally designed to house 550 inmates. The facility design is a direct supervision model, consisting of three medium security general population housing units with 444 double-bunked cells, a maximum-security segregation unit with 44 single-bunked cells, and a 50-bed open dorm-style minimum security unit.

KENTUCKY CORRECTIONAL INSTITUTION FOR WOMEN

The Kentucky Correctional Institution for Women (KCIW) is located on 270 acres in Shelby County with a campus-style setting with multiple housing units, double and single-bunked. It is considered a multi-custody facility as differential housing and programming must meet the needs of female felons serving one year to life, sentenced to death row, assigned to any custody level and those with physical disabilities, intellectual disabilities, and mental health issues.

KENTUCKY STATE PENITENTIARY

The Kentucky State Penitentiary (KSP) serves as the only maximum-security facility with an operational capacity of 914 beds. The housing average was 601 inmates in 2024. The institution has operated for over 130 years. The population includes a small protective custody unit, a large restrictive housing unit in two separate cellblocks, death row, general population and a 30-inmate minimum-security dormitory located outside the secure perimeter.

KENTUCKY STATE REFORMATORY

The Kentucky State Reformatory (KSR) is located in LaGrange, approximately 30 miles northeast of Louisville. The current institutional bed capacity is 1,051. There are five dormitories as well as 148 beds in the Correctional Psychiatric Treatment Unit. It is divided into a 50-bed program wing, a 25-bed program wing, a 50-bed stabilization wing and a 23-bed Restrictive Housing Unit. The Reformatory also maintains a 75-bed Nursing Care Facility, a 20-bed open wing maintained in the medical services building and a 50-bed open-wing Daily Assisted Living Unit. The primary mission is to provide extensive mental health and medical services to inmates within the system.

LEE ADJUSTMENT CENTER

Operating under a contract with the state, CoreCivic's Lee Adjustment Center (LAC) is an 866-bed medium security correctional facility housing adult male offenders. The facility is located in Beattyville, approximately 70 miles southeast of Lexington.



The property consists of approximately 98 acres with an estimated secure compound of about 11 acres. The secure facility is within a double perimeter fence equipped with an additional non-lethal electric stun fence. An onsite corrections employee provides daily oversight of the facility to ensure operations comply with departmental policies and contract requirements.

LITTLE SANDY CORRECTIONAL COMPLEX

Little Sandy Correctional Complex (LSCC) is a level 4 institution located in Elliott County. It is the state's most technologically advanced institution. The institution, which houses 1,050 inmates, includes two living units, a 100-bed minimum security unit, and a 118-bed restrictive housing unit. The institution operates under a direct supervision model that encourages staff and inmate interaction and allows the inmates to have direct access to staff when they have a concern.

LUTHER LUCKETT CORRECTIONAL COMPLEX

The Luther Luckett Correctional Complex (LLCC) was built in direct response to the 1980 Federal Consent Decree. The facility is unique in that it houses two separate institutions - Luther Luckett Correctional Complex which is operated by corrections and the Kentucky Correctional Psychiatric Center which is operated by the Cabinet for Health and Family Services. The two facilities share several resources and operate under a written shared services agreement.

NORTHPOINT TRAINING CENTER

Northpoint Training Center (NTC) is a medium-security correctional facility for adult male offenders located on 551 acres. The facility is located in northern Boyle County near Danville. It was initially conceived as a minimum-security institution for less than 500 inmates. The mission rapidly changed to the development of a medium-security institution with a proposed population of 700 inmates. The institution has expanded over the years to a bed capacity of 1,270. General population inmates are housed in open- bay dormitories within a secure perimeter. Restrictive Housing Unit inmates are housed in single cells in a 60-bed segregated structure separated from the main compound. There are 54 minimum-security inmates housed in dormitories outside the secure perimeter.

ROEDERER CORRECTIONAL COMPLEX

Roederer Correctional Complex (RCC) opened on August 28, 1976, as a 150-bed minimum-security work camp responsible for the farming operation of approximately 3,000 acres. Today, the institution has five separate units with a maximum capacity of 1,238 inmates. Additionally, it houses the controlled intake records office, which completes all felony sentence calculations.

Roederer is a dynamic facility, with three distinct areas. The Assessment and Classification Center processes all incoming male felons, except those sentenced to death row. It currently has 200 medium custody inmates permanently assigned to work in the maintenance department, kitchen, laundry, legal office, grievance office,



and other areas necessary for the daily operation of the facility. Additionally, the minimum security units have a maximum capacity of 308 inmates including a 200-bed Unit housing female inmates for controlled intake.

SOUTHEAST STATE CORRECTIONAL COMPLEX

In May 2020, Governor Andy Beshear announced the opening of Southeast State Correctional Complex (SSCC) a medium-security prison located in Floyd County. The 621-bed prison offers evidence-based programming including a substance abuse program and educational courses. Vocational courses are also offered, including carpentry and horticulture programs.

WESTERN KENTUCKY CORRECTIONAL COMPLEX

The Western Kentucky Correctional Complex (WKCC) was constructed in 1968 as a satellite facility of the Kentucky State Penitentiary. The institution can house a total of 693 inmates. It includes 44 cells with two additional observation cells in a special management unit. There are 477 medium-security male inmates housed in three open- wing dormitories within the secured perimeter and 200 minimum-security female inmates are housed in two open-wing dormitories outside of the secured perimeter at the Ross-Cash Center.

DIVISION OF ADDICTION SERVICES

The Division of Addiction Services is responsible for clinically assessing and providing treatment to offenders under state authority. In 2024, there were over 6,000 contracted treatment slots available through the Department of Corrections for individuals who were incarcerated or under probation or parole supervision.

Program Type	Treatment Slots
Prison SAP Beds	1,103
Jail SAP Beds	1,560
Reentry Service Centers (RSCs)	1,334
Recovery Kentucky Centers (RKCs)	840
Comprehensive Outpatient Treatment Program	1,470
(Community Mental Health Centers) CMHCs	
TOTAL	6,307

In 2024, the Division of Addiction Services conducted over 23,000 screening assessments for clients on probation or parole and made 16,355 referrals for treatment. That does not include the 1,888 clients that received follow up aftercare services when they entered the community after completing treatment. Additionally, corrections-approved addiction treatment programs were expanded to 111 providers with 391 locations in 80 counties and statewide telehealth options.



In 2024, there were a total of 9,431 SAP and SOAR Program Achievements.

2024 CERTIFICATE TYPE	COUNT
PSAP Completion (per KOMS)	49
SAMAT	114
SAP - VOA	23
SAP Completion - Comprehensive Outpatient	526
SAP Completion - Jail	1,329
SAP Completion - Prison	1,288
SAP Completion - RKC	672
SAP Completion - RSC	800
TOTAL DOC Approved	4,068
SAP Mentor	201
SAP-COD (Co-Occurring Disorder)	51
SAP-COD Mentor	1
SHARE - CO	27
SOAR	266
SOAR Mentor	17
Total Achievement entered in 2024:	9,432

DIVISION OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

The Division of Administrative Services provides support in the areas of budget, financial management, accounting, fixed asset management, insurance, fleet, procurement and internal financial audits.

The division processes accounts payable, accounts receivable and procurement documents, including travel vouchers for Community Services staff and Corrections management monthly. The division processed and/or approved over 30,000 eMARS documents in Fiscal Year 2024.

The Procurement Branch managed and issued over 100 contracts for the department in 2024. The branch also reviewed and approved over 5,500 purchases while ensuring all purchases met Finance Cabinet policy and procedure standards.

Upon the conclusion of each fiscal year, the Division of Administrative Services calculates the annual cost to incarcerate.



KY DOC Adult Institutions	*CTI Per Dav	*CTI Per Annum	**HB463 CTI	**HB463 Per Annum
Blackburn Correctional Complex	\$162.75			\$57,636.24
Bell County Forestry Camp	\$86.72	\$31,651.16		\$29,956.77
Eastern KY Correctional Complex	\$103.03		\$98.27	\$35,868.65
Green River Correctional Complex	\$134.40	\$49,054.43	\$129.38	
KY Correctional Institution for Women	\$130.49	\$47,630.16	\$125.46	\$45,793.18
KY State Penitentiary	\$215.25	\$78,567.02	\$209.69	\$76,537.42
KY State Reformatory	\$175.49	\$64,054.77	\$170.18	
Luther Luckett Correctional Complex	\$95.22	\$34,755.45	\$90.15	. ,
Little Sandy Correctional Complex	\$117.06	, ,	\$112.03	. ,
Northpoint Training Center	\$116.61	\$42,562.64	\$111.98	
Roederer Correctional Complex	\$92.25	\$33,670.09	\$87.44	\$31,915.59
Southeast State Correctional Complex	\$148.65	\$54,258.56	\$143.44	\$52,353.87
Western KY Correctional Complex	\$138.29	\$50,476.80	\$133.11	\$48,585.88
Lee Adjustment Center	\$98.06	\$35,790.73	\$93.42	\$34,098.04
Other Averages	-			
Total State Facility Average Cost	\$122.84	\$44,837.39	\$117.88	\$43,027.53
Total State Inmate Average Cost	\$89.57	\$32,694.62	\$86.00	\$31,391.15
County Jails without SAP (State Inmates)	\$47.43	\$17,313.27	\$45.70	\$16,680.19
County Jails with SAP (State Inmates)	\$57.43	\$20,963.27	\$55.70	\$20,330.19
Halfway Houses - Inmate Beds	\$37.28	\$13,607.25	\$35.62	\$13,002.86
***Halfway Houses - Probationer/Parolee Beds & Recovery Ky.	\$43.96	\$16,045.42	\$43.07	\$15,721.30
Electronic Monitoring	\$5.46	\$1,991.17	\$5.34	\$1,949.95
Probation & Parole - Cost to Supervise	\$4.88	\$1,779.39	\$4.76	\$1,738.21
State Institution Average Female	\$130.49	\$47,630.16	\$125.46	\$45,793.18
State Institution Average Medium non medical (male)	\$109.76	\$40,062.51	\$104.88	\$38,279.55
State Institution Average Medical (male and female)	\$156.25	\$57,030.06	\$151.18	\$55,181.52
Average Medical Cost per Inmate, Adult Institutions (state)	\$19.36	\$7,064.84	\$18.59	\$6,784.57
Average Substance Abuse Cost per Inmate-Institutions (state)	\$9.99	\$3,647.46	\$5.28	\$1,925.63
*Cost to Incarcerate includes Department Overhead (Central Office)				
**Calculated per provisions of HB463 (excludes Department Overhead/Cent	ral office)			

DIVISION OF COMPLIANCE

The Division of Compliance oversees the areas of Accreditation, PREA, Safety, Contract Management, and Program Credits.

Contract Management Branch

The Contact Management Branch oversees contract compliance for the Reentry Service Centers and Recovery Kentucky Centers. Throughout the year, staff complete announced and unannounced inspections at all contracted centers. In addition to inspections, staff in this branch focused on assisting with center staff training, supporting locations during emergencies, and ensuring offenders received the appropriate services while being housed at the centers. The branch provides oversight to 29 contracted facilities and 3 non-contracted for a total of 32 facilities.



Policy and Accreditation Branch

Staff in the Policy and Accreditation Branch facilitate the revision and procedural review of all Corrections Policies and Procedures (CPPs), as well as the Legislative Research Commission (LRC) approval process for departmental policies while following American Correctional Association (ACA) guidelines.

During 2024, the branch oversaw the revision and implementation of a total of 12 CPPs, encompassing both LRC and non-LRC policies. Furthermore, one new CPP, 20.3 Special Education, was developed. The branch also managed 18 internal audits and six (6) ACA re-accreditation audits throughout the year.

PREA Branch

The Prison Rape Elimination Act is responsible for developing, implementing and overseeing agency efforts to comply with the national standards as set forth by the United States Department of Justice (DOJ). During 2024, the branch conducted four (4) internal audits as well as nine (9) file reviews of facilities that were not scheduled for audits. The branch also oversaw three (3) external audits conducted by DOJ-certified PREA auditors. In addition, the branch conducted inspections of and reviewed DOJ audit reports for 32 contracted community facilities. Staff also oversaw the implementation of a PREA investigator refresher course taught by trained facilitators at each adult institution.

Program Credit Branch

The Program Credit Branch oversees quality assurance for DOC-approved programming across the state. This includes programming facilitated in jails, RSCs/RKCs, adult institutions, Probation and Parole offices, and approved community partners. Additionally, the Program Credit Branch is responsible for all program attendance, payments and resolving denied programming credits if possible. In 2024, 603 total program audits were conducted, 13,778 jail attendance rosters were entered, 1,438 payments were invoiced and 433 denied certificates were audited, of which 397 were resolved and credit awarded.

Safety Branch

This area is responsible for institutional safety policies and procedures, compliance programs, safety training, inspections and fire protection coordination. During 2024, the branch conducted safety inspections of the thirteen (13) state-run institutions as well as one (1) contracted institution, reviewed 300 accident investigations and 61 workplace violence investigations, and conducted fentanyl responder instructor classes to ensure all institutions would have staff able to facilitate the training at their locations.



DIVISION OF CORRECTIONS TRAINING

The Division of Corrections Training is tasked with developing, coordinating, and conducting training for correctional officers, uniformed supervisors, and non-security staff within the 13 state-run adult institutions, Central Office, and Kentucky Correctional Industries, as well as annual training for elected/appointed jailers and their staff.

In 2024, the Division of Corrections Training saw a total of over 2,600 students receive instruction from the four (4) regional training centers. This included 1,116 security staff, 839 program staff and 722 contract and jail staff. Staff presented over 8,274 hours of training including institutional pre-service academies, firearms, firearm instructor, basic life support and CPR, supervisor workshops, train the trainer courses, taser, less lethal weapons and deputy jailer in-service. Institutional pre-service academy finished 2024 with an 83.74% graduation rate.

DIVISION OF EDUCATION

The Beshear-Coleman administration is an education-first administration and has worked to ensure Kentuckians of all ages and economic status have access to education, including those in state custody. Education is critical for offenders returning to communities and the workforce. The division's workforce of 93 employees focuses primarily on two areas of responsibility: Adult Education and Career and Technical Education. The division also provides oversight of ancillary courses and postsecondary partnerships.

In 2024, Adult institutions completed the following achievements:

- 215 GEDs
- 63 associate degrees
- 5 bachelor's degrees
- 341 Career and Technical completions
- 141 ancillary completions

Additionally, there were 300 jail-obtained GEDs in which the Education Division awarded educational good-time, resulting in a cost avoidance of 27,000 days of incarceration.

In 2024, Probation and Parole supervised clients earned

- 80 GEDs
- 2 high school diplomas
- 11 college degrees
- 2 skills diplomas include (1) CDL and (1) Barbering



DIVISION OF HEALTH SERVICES

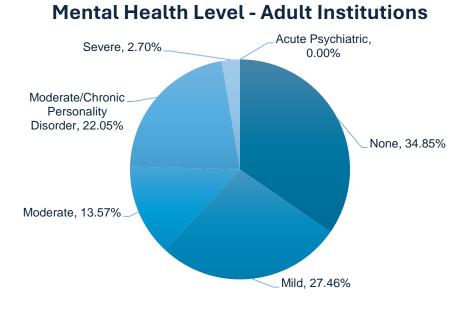
The Division of Health Services provides administrative oversight and direction for all aspects of inmate health care. In 2024, 21% of the population received a flu vaccine and 56% were vaccinated for COVID-19.

In 2024, 5,351 HIV tests were performed with 14 positive results. Acute Hepatitis Panels were conducted on 1,267 new intakes. Three (3) of the six (6) inmates reviewed by the Parole Board for early medical parole consideration were given early medical parole. In support of the nationwide effort to eliminate Hepatitis C, 123 individuals were prescribed antiviral therapy.

Mental Health

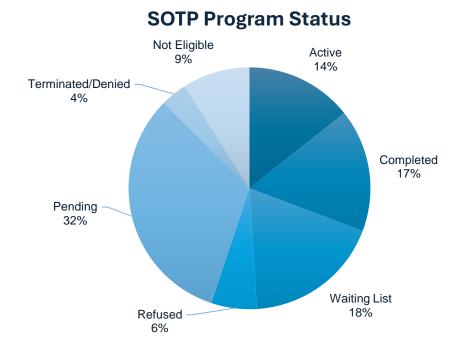
The Health Services Division employs 37 licensed mental health practitioners and 16 social service clinicians to provide clinical and support services. On average, mental health staff provide 9,479 service encounters (group, individual, crisis management, SMU/RHU appraisals) per month to offenders.

Outpatient Psychiatric Services has eight full-time psychiatric providers in adult institutions. It is responsible for prescribing psychotropic medications to inmates with complex mental health needs. On average, psychiatric practitioners provide 1,570 service encounters per month to offenders.





The Sex Offender Treatment Program provides treatment to approximately 1,000 offenders at any given time. In Adult Institutions, 26% of offenders have been convicted of a sex crime. On average, Social Service Clinicians within the program conduct 434 intake assessments per year, conduct approximately 110 treatment groups per week, and complete over 500 Comprehensive Sex Offender Presentence Evaluations for Kentucky's courts per year.



DIVISION OF LOCAL FACILITIES

The Division of Local Facilities provides support and technical assistance to local jails' operations, policy and procedure development, training, and construction review and consultation, and ensures compliance with the Kentucky Jail Standards.

The Division of Local Facilities works with county jailers and other local officials regarding the operation of 77 county and regional jails across the state. Under KRS 532.100, certain classes of felony offenders are required to serve their sentences in county or regional jails rather than in state prisons. In 2024, these 77 facilities housed an average total of 19,667 prisoners per month, with an average of 7,457 being state prisoners.

A majority of those state prisoners are Class D and Class C inmates who are eligible to be housed in the county jails and who participate in various programming. Controlled Intake prisoners make up the next largest population of state inmates housed in county jails.



In 2024, the department paid county jails a total of \$98,431,999.36 for housing state inmates. While this is a substantial cost, the per diem rate is significantly lower than the average daily cost of housing an inmate in a state-operated prison facility. The per diem rate of \$35.34 per inmate is comprised of \$33.19 for housing and \$2.15 for medical.

Division staff conducted more than 150 routine and special jail inspections on 77 jail facilities.

DIVISION OF OFFENDER INFORMATION SERVICES

Information and Technology Branch

The Information and Technology Branch supports and maintains the systems that are driven by the business needs of the department, including the Kentucky Offender Management System and custom applications. It also serves as the liaison for outside applications. The branch provides ad-hoc reporting and data analytics to users in the field and outside researchers.

Offender Information Services Branch

The primary responsibility of the Offender Information Services Branch is to ensure accurate sentence calculations and expiration dates for the state inmate, as well as the offender population serving on mandatory reentry supervision, parole supervision and sex offender post-incarceration supervision.

In 2024, Offender Information Services completed over 20,000 initial audits for new commitments to the Department of Corrections. This includes a thorough review of all sentencing orders, jail credit and parole eligibility to ensure all calculations are correct.

The branch consists of five smaller sections, including sentence calculation, sentence credit, parole review, jail management and the community placement office.

The **Community Placement** section is responsible for bridging the gap for inmates upon release from incarceration to community supervision. Staff in this section work closely with the Division of Probation and Parole, the Division of Addiction Services and each institution to ensure that offenders are released in a manner that best supports their needs.

The **Jail Management** section serves as the institutional records office for all state inmates housed in county jails and community service centers.

The Parole Review section assists in the preparation of discharge certificates when an



offender completes a sentence while on supervision; the calculation and application of parole supervision credit when an offender returns to custody because of a violation of supervision; review of inmate files before parole hearings; and reviewing inmates for release onto mandatory reentry supervision.

The **Sentence Calculation** section provides quality assurance by conducting internal audits of inmate sentence calculation. The section also provides subject matter expertise concerning credits that incarcerated inmates and offenders on supervision are eligible to earn.

DIVISION OF OPERATIONS & PROGRAM SERVICES

The Division of Operations and Program Services provides centralized management of the necessary daily operational functions within adult institutions.

Food Service Branch

The goal of the Food Service Branch is to provide each inmate with a wholesome and nutritious diet within a set budgetary allowance. Meals are prepared and served under strict sanitary conditions according to regulations set by the Kentucky Department for Health Services and ACA standards, including food service and sanitation standards. This branch monitors the Food Service Contract.

In 2024, the branch provided 11,856,216 inmate meals, an additional 48,744 kosher meals, and 168,647 staff meals, for a total of \$16,200,187 in cost. Over 56 sanitation inspections and 28 kitchen operations reviews, including follow-up inspections, were conducted in 2024.

Emergency Management

To create a better, safer Kentucky as pledged by Gov. Beshear, Emergency Management ensures the department is ready to effectively respond to threats, critical incidents and natural disasters. The branch conducts and coordinates incident management activities to ensure the safety of the public and protect correctional staff and inmates from violence. Additionally, Emergency Management oversees the use of force review process for the institutions and manages allowable force-related equipment and munitions. Lastly, it helps coordinate specialty training as it relates to our Emergency Control Units.

Capital Construction and Maintenance Branch

The Capital Construction Maintenance Branch provides architectural, engineering and maintenance/construction support to the department.

The branch manages the construction and maintenance activity of 644 buildings, with a



total occupied area of 4.9 million square feet and a building age range of one to 131 years. The staff also performs environmental audits for all 13 state-run institutions.

DIVISION OF PAROLE BOARD SUPPORT SERVICES

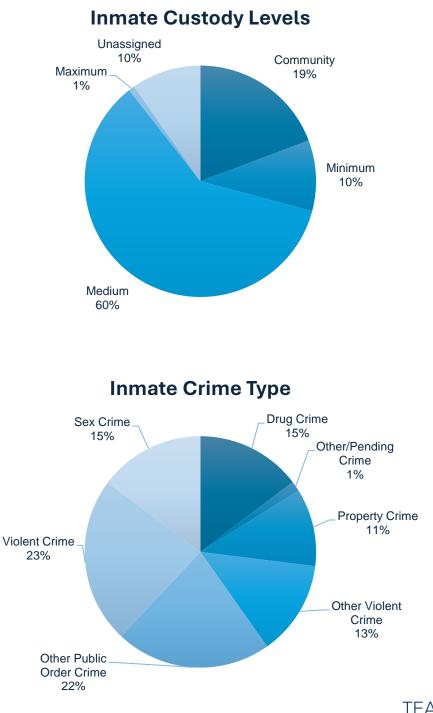
The Division of Parole Board Support Services is responsible for all administrative duties of the Kentucky Parole Board. In 2024, the division completed 14,630 parole risk assessments, scheduled 13,042 parole eligibility hearings/reviews, issued 3,639 parole violation warrants, scheduled 2,553 parole revocation hearings and reviewed and processed 3,948 revocation hearing waivers.

In 2024, Victim Services Branch Staff were placed under the Division of Parole Board Support. Victim Services ensures victim and prosecutor notifications are received as required by statute, KRS 439.340. There were 285 victim hearings conducted in 2024. This division is also responsible for the Parole Board Sanction Caseload (PBS). In 2024, there were a total of 81 new Parole Board Sanctions offers. 64 participants successful completed their PBS supervision.



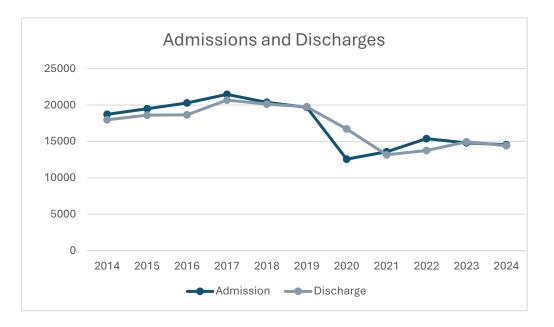
DIVISION OF POPULATION MANAGEMENT

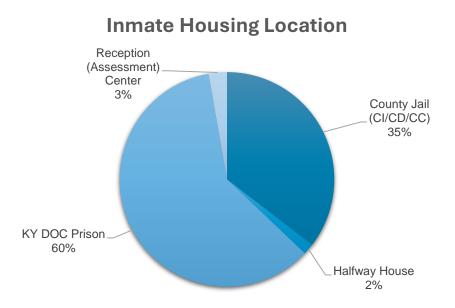
The Population Management Division is responsible for overseeing classification actions in all state institutions, contract facilities and full-service county jails. Inmate custody levels are determined through an objective-based risk instrument that was developed with the assistance of the National Institute of Corrections.





The Division of Population Management oversaw the movement of over 8,600 inmates in and out of Assessment Centers and over 10,000 initial jail classifications. The quick processing of these offenders contributed to a 26% decrease in inmates on controlled intake between January and December 2024.







DIVISION OF PROBATION AND PAROLE

The Division of Probation and Parole supervises offenders who are either placed on probation by the courts, released on parole by the parole board, or transferred via interstate compact for supervision in Kentucky. A dedicated professional team— comprising managerial, supervisory, officer and administrative staff—operates across all 120 counties in Kentucky. The division is organized into 4 regions, 20 districts, and 55 field offices to ensure comprehensive coverage.

As of December 31, 2024, the Division of Probation and Parole supervised 48,243 active offenders on community or administrative supervision. This group included 10,469 parolees (21.7%) released by the Parole Board, 37,730 probationers or pretrial diversions (78.2%) placed on supervision by the court, and 44 individuals enrolled in the Women's Medical Release program. The specialized Women's Medical Release program supports pregnant women with substance abuse disorders related to KRS Chapter 218A. offenses.

Throughout 2024, the supervised population decreased by 2.5%, showcasing the structure, expertise and commitment of the professional team in fostering successful client reintegration. Programs such as work-for-time credit and education credits have provided offenders opportunities to reduce their supervision time, contingent upon approval from releasing authorities. The program credit system allowed individuals to earn credits through preapproved programs while enabling officers to dedicate additional resources to higher-risk offenders needing more focused guidance and support.



Beyond community supervision, significant administrative efforts are essential to meet daily obligations, ensuring ongoing success. In 2024, the division achieved remarkable milestones, including completing 14,012 full pre-sentence investigations (PSIs), 6,504 supplemental PSIs, and 5,815 post-PSI investigations. These tasks were carried out by a dedicated team of six (6) PSI Investigators and 71 specialized PSI Officers. Additionally, the division conducted 14,213 community parole plan investigations and 1,134 home incarceration plans. It also processed 25,024 in-state transfer requests and registered 4,710 individuals through the SOR registry.



DIVISION OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS

The Division of Public Affairs represents the Beshear-Coleman administration's priority of government transparency by responding to media and open record requests. This office provides media-related training across the department in an effort to maintain an administration-wide culture of public accountability. In 2024, the division processed 285 open records requests. Many of these involved complex inquiries that resulted in hundreds of responsive pages.

In 2024, Public Affairs created over 270 different video, graphic and photo projects for Facebook and Instagram, highlighting job vacancies, distinguished employees, programs and the administration's successful reentry efforts. These projects received 356,700 views and reached an audience of 153,900.

Legislation, Grants and Research

During the 2024 legislative session, the legislative liaison provided a review and impact statements on approximately 160 filed bills that had the potential to impact corrections.

The grants office manages an estimated \$5 million in grant funding. In 2024, the department completed a Prison Rape Elimination Act (PREA) grant project. This funding was used to replace the antiquated camera system at Northpoint Training Center.

This office supports research opportunities and letters of support to many external agencies. Some of these include: Goodwill Industries of Kentucky, University of Louisville, and University of Kentucky.

Ombudsman

In 2024, approximately 365 grievances were researched and responded to by the Commissioner's Office. The total number of grievances filed throughout DOC was approximately 7,073. A total of approximately 730 were found in favor or partially in favor of the offender and did not require review by the Commissioner's Office.

Kentucky State Corrections Commission

Per KRS 196.701, the department provides administrative support to the Kentucky State Corrections Commission. The commission is comprised of 20 members appointed by the Governor. Through the commission, local community corrections boards can apply to receive funding for alternatives to incarceration. Nine (9) grantees received funding for Fiscal Year 2025, for a total disbursement of \$647,500.

Victim Services Branch

The Victim Services Branch provides a broad range of information-related services to Kentuckians who have been a victim of crime. Staff assist victims with explanations of inmate release dates and release type; restitution information; service referrals; victim rights services; and hearing notifications. This branch manages the Kentucky VINE



system, which encompasses two victim notification services: Offender Status and Protective Orders. Additionally, the branch has a staff member who travels the state to promote and train other criminal justice professionals and victim service agencies on VINE services and office functions.



DIVISION OF REENTRY SERVICES

A priority of the Beshear-Coleman administration is to increase public safety, deter crime and reduce recidivism through second chances.

Every day, the Division of Reentry Services reaffirms its commitment to creating a commonwealth where every single Kentuckian has the right to feel safe in their community, workplace and school by providing second-chance opportunities for inmates upon release to their community. Recidivism, as defined by the Department of Corrections, is reincarceration within 24 months of release from custody. Reincarceration is defined as a new felony commitment or a return to custody from a technical violation of supervision.

2022 released with 24 months review period	Recidivism
Total releases	12907
Not recidivated	8930
Total recidivated	3977
New commitment recidivism	12.84%
Technical recidivism	17.97%
Total recidivism	30.81%

Reentry begins on day one in prison. A risk and needs assessment is conducted on offenders upon commitment to the Department of Corrections. The assessment is used to provide services intended to address the offender's criminogenic needs.

Inmate Population Risk Level			
Low	31.24%		
Low/Moderate	2.51%		
Moderate	43.90%		
High	20.31%		
Very High	1.47%		
Not Assessed	0.57%		

Supervision Population Risk Level		
Low	33.57%	
Low/Moderate	10.57%	
Moderate	45.19%	
High	4.65%	
Very High	0.28%	
Not Assessed	5.73%	



Reentry Coordinators are located in prisons, county jails and Probation and Parole offices. The Division of Reentry Services delivers all reentry programming to community clients, as well as the majority of reentry programming to inmates while in prison. Reentry Coordinators in prisons and jails conduct a Reentry Needs Checklist prior to and during release to facilitate successful reintegration into the community.

The Division of Reentry Services works in collaboration with the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet to provide state identification to offenders before release from prison. The project is funded by the Kentucky Chamber of Commerce and the Kentucky Opioid Response Effort. In 2024, the Division of Reentry Services processed 2,585 Kentucky state identification applications in all 14 state prisons and in 20 county and regional jails.

The Division of Reentry Services employs eleven Reentry Employment Program Administrators to provide employment and job skills training services for offenders on supervision with Probation and Parole. In 2024, Reentry staff conducted 5,554 employment assessments and subsequent referrals to direct employment and/or a job skills training program.

KENTUCKY CORRECTIONAL INDUSTRIES

The goal of Kentucky Correctional Industries is to help offenders have a lifeline upon release and to provide the opportunity to develop marketable job skills through hands-on experience in various industries. Kentucky Correctional Industries is comprised of 15 industries, 1 PIECP, and four (4) farm operations. This division has produced quality goods and services for government agencies, private businesses, and Kentuckians for more than 70 years.

The Prison Industries Enhancement Certification Program (PIECP) is located at the Kentucky Correctional Institution for Women. Since the start of the program, five (5) offenders have been released from this program and have successfully reentered their communities.

