



# ALASKA RECIDIVISM & REENTRY

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## DOC AT A GLANCE

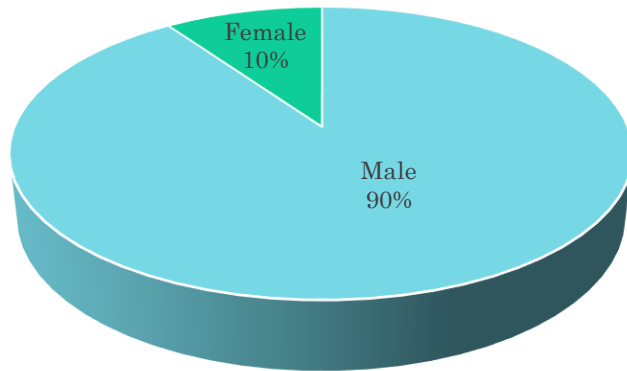
- Alaska is one of six states in the nation that operates a unified correctional system.
- 12 jails and prisons statewide.
- 13 field probation offices.
- 15 regional and community jail contracts.
- 7 contract community residential centers.
- Electronic monitoring programs in 7 communities

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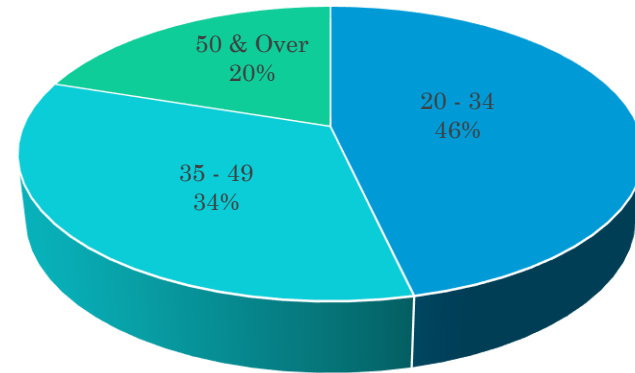
- DOC booked 31,533 offenders into its facilities in 2018
- As of December 31, 2018
  - 4437 offenders in jail or prison
    - 45% of DOC's population is unsentenced
  - 3,547 offenders on probation or parole
  - 967 offenders on pretrial supervision
  - 230 offenders in CRCs
  - 167 offenders on electronic monitoring

# DEMOGRAPHICS (JULY 1, 2018)

Population by Gender



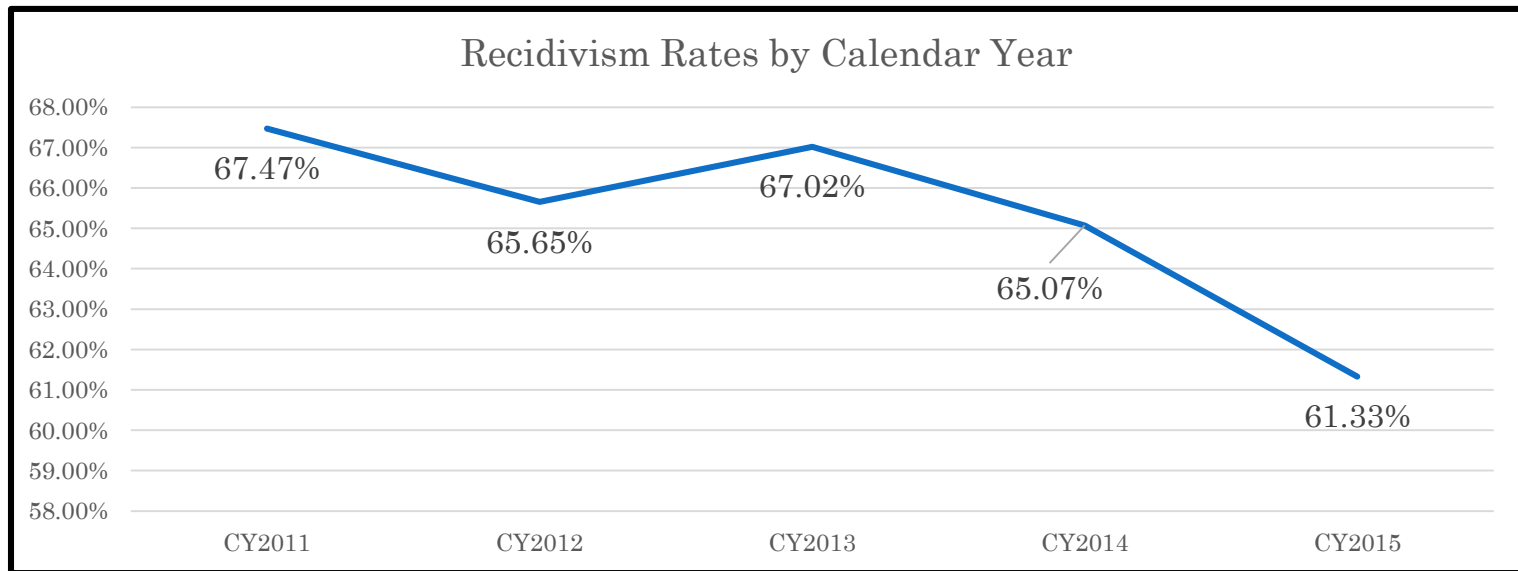
Population by Age



# RECIDIVISM

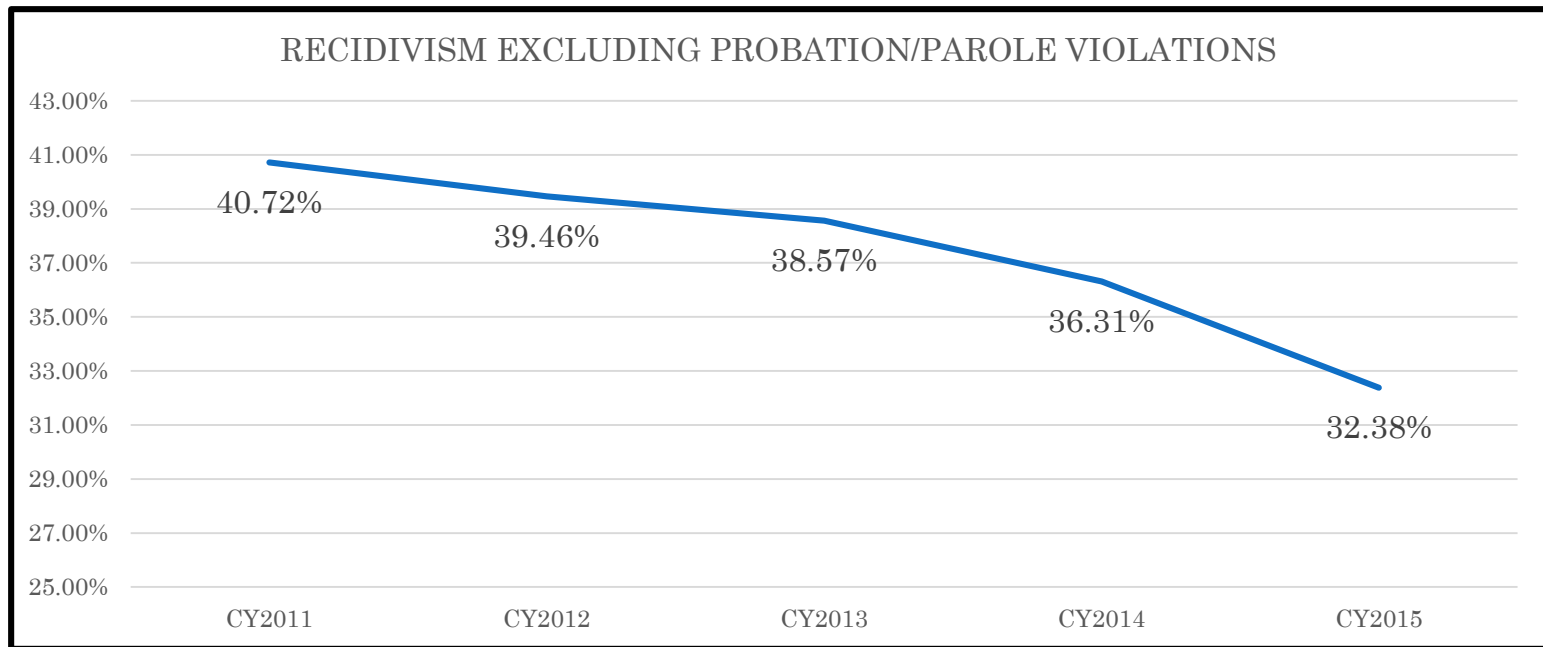
- An offender who is re-incarcerated within three years of release as a result of:
  - Parole or probation violations.
  - New felony crime.
  - New misdemeanor crime.

# ALASKA RECIDIVISM RATES



- After consistently being in the mid to upper 60th percentile, Alaska has begun to see a steady decline in recidivism.

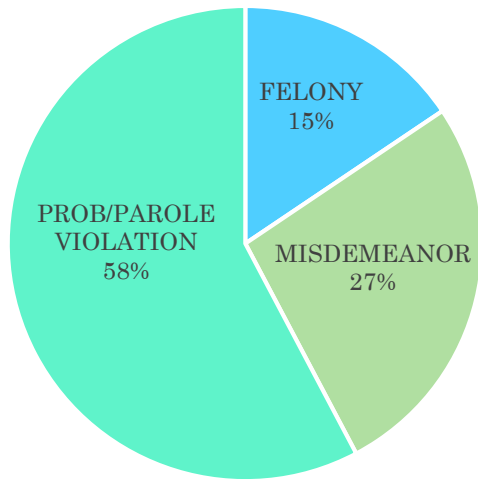
# RECIDIVISM – NEW CRIMES



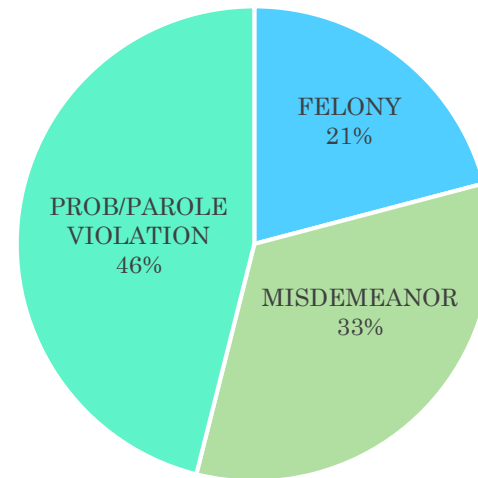
- The recidivism rate for new crimes is 32%.

# RECIDIVISM – BY OFFENSE

Return to Incarceration – 6 months



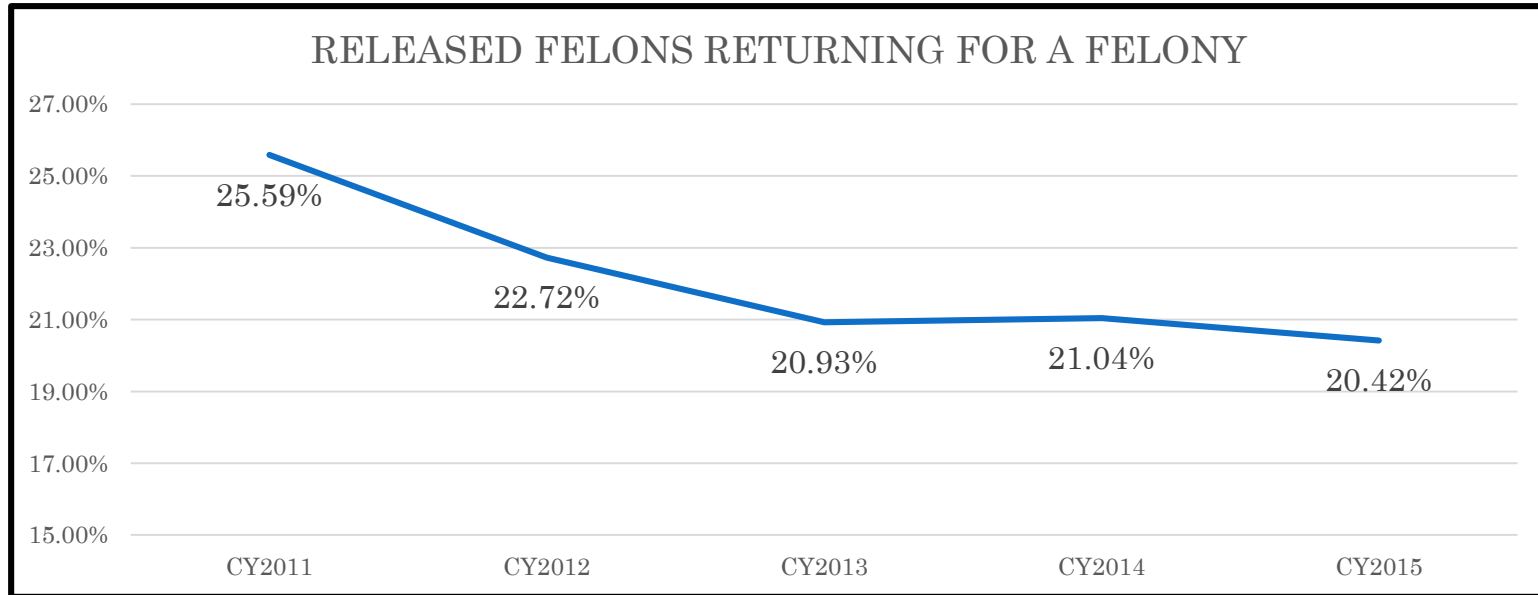
Return to Incarceration – 3 years



- 58% of those who return to custody within six months, return because of technical violations.
- 46% of those who return to custody within three years, return because of technical probation violations.



# FELONY RECIDIVISM



- 20% of offenders released from DOC facilities return on new felony charges within three years of release.

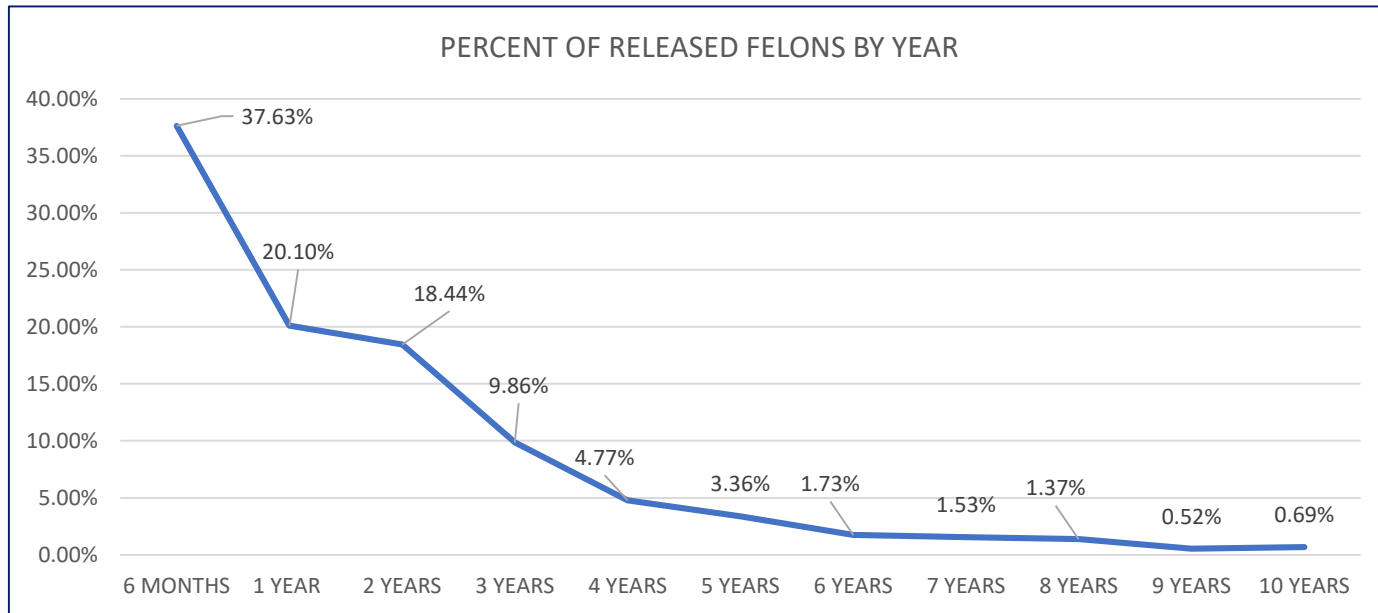
# WHEN ARE PEOPLE MOST LIKELY TO RETURN?

SIX-MONTH, ONE-YEAR, TWO-YEAR AND THREE-YEAR RECIDIVISM RATES

YEAR	RELEASES	RETURNED WITHIN 6 MONTHS	RETURNED WITHIN 1 YEAR	RETURNED WITHIN 2 YEARS	RETURNED WITHIN 3 YEARS	6-MONTH RATE	ONE YEAR RATE	TWO YEAR RATE	THREE YEAR RATE
CY2011	4,055	1,058	1,780	2,431	2,736	26.09%	43.90%	59.95%	67.47%
CY2012	4,469	1,057	1,850	2,589	2,934	23.65%	41.40%	57.93%	65.65%
CY2013	4,266	1,065	1,866	2,573	2,859	24.97%	43.74%	60.31%	67.02%
CY2014	4,008	1,010	1,731	2,380	2,608	25.20%	43.19%	59.38%	65.07%
CY2015	3,773	967	1,564	2,119	2,314	25.63%	41.45%	56.16%	61.33%

- In any given year, approximately 25% of releases will return to incarceration within 6 months.
- Over 40% will return within one year.

# LONG-TERM RETURNS



- The highest risk for recidivism is within 6 months of release.
- After 3 years, the number of returns to incarceration drops considerably.
- Less than 6% will return between six and ten years post-release.

# PUBLIC SAFETY & PLANNING FOR REENTRY

- Recidivism reduction is an important part of the state's public safety mission.
- Reducing recidivism reduces taxpayer spending on prisons.
- Reentry planning helps offenders successfully resume family and community responsibilities.

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- The Department has put programs in place to address the criminogenic risk factors associated with recidivism.

# RECIDIVISM REDUCTION GOALS

- Protect the public.
- Return offenders to our communities ready to work, go to school and have healthy families.

# A PLAN TO ADDRESS NEEDS

Successful reentry begins upon admission and continues through incarceration, release, community supervision and ultimately the unsupervised and successful reintegration into the community.

- Assessing criminogenic needs
  - Anti-social values/beliefs/cognition
  - Anti-social companions
  - Anti-social personality or temperament
  - Family and/or marital
  - Substance abuse
  - Employment
  - Education
  - Leisure and/or recreation
  
- Offender Management Plan (OMP)
  - A roadmap to determine what programs are needed while in custody.
  - A means of measuring a prisoner's readiness for reentry.

# REENTRY & REHABILITATIVE PROGRAMS

- Reentry coalitions & reentry centers
- Transitional housing programs
- Tenant Based Rental Assistance
- Education programs
- Vocational rehabilitation and job training programs
- Chaplaincy, faith communities & mentoring
- Reentry classes
- Parenting classes
- Alternatives to Violence
- Mental health treatment
  - Acute, subacute and crisis intervention
- Sex offender treatment & polygraphs
- Anger management
- Domestic violence programming
- Probationer Accountability with Certain Enforcement – PACE
- Substance abuse treatment
  - Assessment
  - Psychoeducation
  - Intensive outpatient
  - Residential
  - Dual diagnosis programs
  - Medication assisted treatment
    - Vivitrol
    - Methadone bridging
  - Narcan distribution
  - CRC-specific IOP
  - Peer support programs

QUESTIONS?