



Colorado Department of Corrections



OFFENDERS SERVING LIFE SENTENCES

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Statistical Bulletin

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➤➤ 13% (2,640 inmates) of the CDOC inmate population as of 06/30/2012 are serving a life sentence <<<

➤➤ Three offenders remain under a sentence of death and are not included. <<<

◆◆ LIFE SENTENCES ◆◆

Offenses eligible for life sentences include class one felonies of first degree murder and first degree kidnapping, and offenses with special habitual enhancements. Life sentencing provisions are as follows:

- Life without parole eligibility – Class one felonies committed on or after Sept. 20, 1991 (CRS 17-22.5-104) are sentenced to life in prison without parole eligibility.
- Life with parole eligibility – (CRS 17-22.5-104)
 - Parole eligibility after 40 years – class one felonies committed on or after July 1, 1985, or convicted as adult following direct filing on or after July 1, 2006, and certain habitual enhancements.
 - Parole eligibility after 20 years – class one felonies and big habitual enhancements committed on or after July 1, 1977 but before July 1, 1985.
 - Parole eligibility after 10 years – class one felonies and big habitual enhancements committed before July 1, 1977.
- Indeterminate Sentences – Maximum sentence is life.
 - Sex Offenses
 - Lifetime Supervision – Crimes committed on or after November 1, 1998 (CRS 18-1.3-1001) with a minimum sentence in the presumptive range.
 - One day to life Colorado Sex Offenders Act – Offenders sentenced to a minimum sentence of 1 day. (CRS 18-1.3-904)
 - Pre-1979 - Offenders sentenced for crimes committed before July 1, 1979 with a fixed minimum sentence.

◆◆ INMATE POPULATION ◆◆

Sentence:	Number of Offenders	
	06/30/11	06/30/12
Life - without parole eligibility	578	602
Life - with 40 year parole eligibility	228	227
Life - with 20 year parole eligibility	123	113
Life - with 10 year parole eligibility	34	34
Subtotal	963	976
Indeterminate Sentence:		
Sex Offenders		
Lifetime Supervision	1,563	1,632
1 day to Life	29	29
Pre-1979	4	3
Subtotal	1,596	1,664
TOTAL - Life Maximum Sentence	2,559	2,640

Conviction as of June 30, 2012:

1 st degree murder	→	847
1 st degree kidnapping	→	17
Habitual offender	→	112
Sex offenders	→	1,661
Pre-1979 (various offenses)	→	3

❖ INMATE POPULATION SERVING LIFE SENTENCES ❖
❖ AS OF JUNE 30, 2012 ❖

FACILITY	Life w/o Parole Eligibility	Life w/ Parole Eligibility	Sex Offenders		Indeter- minate Pre-1979	TOTAL
			Lifetime	1 Day to Life		
CDOC FACILITIES:						
Arkansas Valley Correctional Facility	77	50	171	6		304
Arrowhead Correctional Center		2	98			100
Buena Vista Correctional Facility	48	8	62	1		119
Buena Vista Minimum Center						0
Centennial Correctional Facility	31	17	22	2		72
Colorado Correctional Center						0
Colorado State Penitentiary	70	21	54	1		146
Colorado Terr Correctional Facility	16	32	114	4	1	167
Delta Correctional Center						0
Denver Reception Diagnostic Center	1	6	22	1		30
Denver Women's Correctional Facility	21	5	14			40
Four Mile Correctional Center		9				9
Fremont Correctional Facility	17	24	531	4		576
La Vista Correctional Facility	8	8	11	1		28
Limon Correctional Facility	174	50	62			286
Rifle Correctional Center						0
San Carlos Correctional Facility	9	9	24		1	43
Skyline Correctional Center		5				5
Sterling Correctional Facility	116	64	100	1		281
Trinidad Correctional Facility		3				3
CONTRACT FACILITIES:						
Bent County Correctional Center		9	122	4		135
Cheyenne Mountain Reentry Center						0
Crowley County Correctional Facility		11	116	2		129
Kit Carson County Correctional Facility		10	78	2		90
OTHER:						
Community Corrections		7	24			31
Community ISP		12	4		1	17
Jail Backlog / Contracts						0
Other*	14	12	3			29
TOTAL	602	374	1,632	29	3	2,640

*Other includes non-custody populations: (27) interstate compact, (1) federal transfer, and (1) fugitive.