

# WHO ENTERED SUBSTANCE ABUSE FELONY PUNISHMENT FACILITIES?

## SELECT DATA FOR FISCAL YEAR 2012 ADMISSIONS AN ISSUE BRIEF FROM LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD STAFF

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### OBJECTIVE

The Texas Department of Criminal Justice's (TDCJ) statutory mission is to provide public safety, promote positive change in offender behavior, reintegrate offenders into society, and assist victims of crime. TDCJ is organized into multiple divisions and organizational units. Five of the agency's divisions carry out its major responsibilities regarding offenders: the Community Justice Assistance Division, the Correctional Institutions Division, the Rehabilitation Programs Division, the Reentry and Integration Division, and the Parole Division.

### KEY FACTS

- ◆ 62.4 percent of Substance Abuse Felony Punishment Facility (SAFPF) participants were admitted as a modification of community supervision.
- ◆ 47.4 percent of substance abuse felony punishment facility participants were admitted for a drug or alcohol related offense.

### STATUTORY REFERENCES

Texas Government Code, Chapter 491

The data highlight offense and sentence characteristics of offenders admitted to substance abuse felony punishment facilities during fiscal year 2012. A Substance Abuse Felony Punishment Facility (SAFPF) is a facility that provides an intensive therapeutic community program for offenders who are sentenced by a judge as a condition of community supervision or as a modification of parole supervision. The data do not include characteristics of prison offenders, state jail offenders, or parole violators in Intermediate Sanction facilities. The data were extracted from individual-level records submitted by TDCJ Executive Services and may differ from the TDCJ Statistical Report due to methodological differences.

### SENTENCE LENGTH

A SAFPf is a program with a set length of stay. Offenders with regular needs sentenced by a judge as a condition of community supervision participate in the six-month program. Offenders with special needs sentenced by a judge as a condition of community supervision participate in the nine-month program. Offenders placed in the program as a modification of parole or community supervision may participate in a shorter program.

**FIG. 1**  
**ADMISSION TYPE OF THE SUBSTANCE ABUSE FELONY PUNISHMENT FACILITY PARTICIPANT ADMISSION POPULATION, FISCAL YEAR 2012**

ADMISSION TYPE	NUMBER	PERCENTAGE
Direct Sentence	49	0.8%
Original Condition of Community Supervision	1,740	27.2
Modification of Community Supervision	3,990	62.4
Parole Modification	619	9.6
<b>Total</b>	<b>6,398</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

NOTE: Percentages presented in this report do not always add to 100% due to rounding.  
SOURCE: Texas Department of Criminal Justice.

**OFFENSE**

**FIG. 2**  
**OFFENSE OF THE SUBSTANCE ABUSE FELONY PUNISHMENT FACILITY PARTICIPANT ADMISSION POPULATION, FISCAL YEAR 2012**

<b>OFFENSE</b>	<b>NUMBER</b>	<b>PERCENTAGE</b>
Homicide	30	0.5%
Kidnapping	12	0.2
Sexual Assault	0	0.0
Sexual Assault Against a Child	0	0.0
Indecency with a Child	0	0.0
Violent Sexual Offense	0	0.0
Robbery	329	5.1
Assault/Terroristic Threat	1,013	15.8
Arson	27	0.4
Burglary	830	13.0
Larceny	307	4.8
Stolen Vehicle	72	1.1
Forgery	154	2.4
Fraud	110	1.7
Stolen/Damaged Property	37	0.6
Drug – Possession	1,819	28.4
Drug – Delivery	400	6.3
Drug – Other	83	1.3
Commercialized/Other Sexual Offense	41	0.6
Sexual Offense Against a Child	0	0.0
Family Offense	59	0.9
Escape/Evading Arrest	102	1.6
Obstruction/Public Order	129	2.0
Failure to Register as a Sex Offender	0	0.0
Weapons Offense	72	1.1
DWI	731	11.4
Other	41	0.6
<b>Total</b>	<b>6,398</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

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