

# DOCCS Incarcerated Individuals Under Custody Overview

## General Description

The Department of Corrections and Community Supervision's Office of Program Planning, Research and Evaluation produces monthly and annual reports based on snapshot data regarding incarcerated individuals under custody in DOCCS' facilities. This dataset represents demographic and legal characteristics of incarcerated individuals under custody in DOCCS' facilities at the end of the fiscal year (March 31).

## Data Collection Methodology

The dataset reflects data regarding incarcerated individuals under DOCCS' custody which are derived from the incarcerated individual movement system, which is used for operational purposes within the Department. The dataset is updated annually to reflect information regarding incarcerated individuals under custody as of the snapshot date. The dataset includes: snapshot year, latest admission type, county of indictment, gender, most serious crime, age, race/ethnicity, housing facility, and facility security level. Each record in the dataset represents an incarcerated individual.

## Statistical and Analytic Issues

The dataset is updated annually and reflects a snapshot of the incarcerated individual population as of March 31 of the snapshot year. This date represents the end of the fiscal year.

## Limitations of Data Use

The data represents incarcerated individuals only. Releasees incarcerated in DOCCS' facilities for treatment purposes are included in the "Releasees Under Supervision" Open Data NY dataset (<https://data.ny.gov/Public-Safety/Releasees-Under-Community-Supervision-Beginning-200/pmxm-gftz>). The dataset presents the most serious offense only (defined as the crime with the lengthiest maximum sentence) and the county of indictment represents the county associated with the most serious offense.