



Ohio Department of Youth Services Recidivism Fact Sheet

Recidivism defined:

The number of youth who are returned to the Ohio Department of Youth Services (DYS) or incarcerated in the Ohio Department of Rehabilitation and Correction (DRC) within one, two, and three years of release from a DYS correctional facility.

One-Year Recidivism

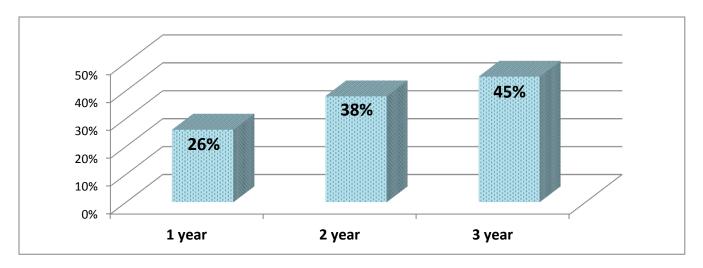
There were 697 youth released from DYS juvenile correctional facilities during 2012. Of these, **26.0%** either returned to DYS or were admitted to DRC within one year of their release date.

Two-Year Recidivism

There were 898 youth released from DYS during 2011. The two-year recidivism rate of these youth was 38.0%.

Three-Year Recidivism

Of the 1,230 youth released during 2010, **45.0**% recidivated within three years of their release date. This rate has dropped six years in a row and set a new low in each of the last four years.



Education matters

When youth were released in 2012 from facilities with either a GED or a diploma, their recidivism rate is 13.4% after one year, compared to 31.6% for those without a GED or diploma. For those released in 2011, those with a GED or diploma had a 29.3% rate after two years, compared to a rate of 41.2% for those not achieving that level of education.

Lighthouse Youth Center Paint Creek

When separating out youth released from the Lighthouse Youth Center Paint Creek, a contracted facility for DYS youth, one sees even greater success. The latest rates are 8.7% for one year (2012 releases), 18.6% for two years (2011), and 22.2% for three years (2010).