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OFFENSE CLASSIFICATION	BLACK MALES		BLACK FEMALES		WHITE MALES		WHITE FEMALES		OTHER MALES		OTHER FEMALES		TOTAL	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
DANGEROUS DRUGS	1,305	22.0%	72	13.5%	464	13.4%	125	18.2%	75	28.2%	3	33.3%	2,044	18.8%
BURGLARY	928	15.7%	22	4.1%	692	20.0%	76	11.1%	26	9.8%	1	11.1%	1,745	16.0%
ASSAULT	653	11.0%	55	10.3%	324	9.3%	33	4.8%	21	7.9%	0	0.0%	1,086	10.0%
TRAFFIC OFFENSE	377	6.4%	37	7.0%	287	8.3%	52	7.6%	64	24.1%	1	11.1%	818	7.5%
LARCENY	344	5.8%	58	10.9%	312	9.0%	70	10.2%	5	1.9%	0	0.0%	789	7.2%
ROBBERY	535	9.0%	23	4.3%	124	3.6%	17	2.5%	12	4.5%	0	0.0%	711	6.5%
FAMILY OFFENSE	281	4.7%	25	4.7%	196	5.7%	51	7.4%	9	3.4%	1	11.1%	563	5.2%
FRAUDULENT ACTIVITY	153	2.6%	106	19.9%	164	4.7%	97	14.1%	3	1.1%	0	0.0%	523	4.8%
OBSTRUCTING POLICE	221	3.7%	25	4.7%	102	2.9%	21	3.1%	7	2.6%	0	0.0%	376	3.5%
FORGERY/COUNTERFEITING	108	1.8%	53	10.0%	93	2.7%	61	8.9%	3	1.1%	0	0.0%	318	2.9%
STOLEN VEHICLE	153	2.6%	7	1.3%	120	3.5%	14	2.0%	1	0.4%	0	0.0%	295	2.7%
WEAPON OFFENSE	217	3.7%	2	0.4%	46	1.3%	6	0.9%	1	0.4%	1	11.1%	273	2.5%
SEX OFFENSES	102	1.7%	0	0.0%	132	3.8%	4	0.6%	5	1.9%	0	0.0%	243	2.2%
HOMICIDE	148	2.5%	7	1.3%	59	1.7%	11	1.6%	8	3.0%	0	0.0%	233	2.1%
SEXUAL ASSAULT	100	1.7%	0	0.0%	98	2.8%	3	0.4%	12	4.5%	0	0.0%	213	2.0%
STOLEN PROPERTY	56	0.9%	1	0.2%	54	1.6%	5	0.7%	2	0.8%	2	22.2%	120	1.1%
DAMAGED PROPERTY	37	0.6%	1	0.2%	54	1.6%	2	0.3%	2	0.8%	0	0.0%	96	0.9%
KIDNAPPING	57	1.0%	1	0.2%	23	0.7%	3	0.4%	1	0.4%	0	0.0%	85	0.8%
ACCESSORY TO FELONY	48	0.8%	6	1.1%	14	0.4%	11	1.6%	1	0.4%	0	0.0%	80	0.7%
CRIMINAL CONSPIRACY	17	0.3%	4	0.8%	19	0.5%	5	0.7%	3	1.1%	0	0.0%	48	0.4%
ARSON	11	0.2%	3	0.6%	21	0.6%	0	0.0%	3	1.1%	0	0.0%	38	0.3%
INVASION	15	0.3%	6	1.1%	15	0.4%	1	0.1%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	37	0.3%
FLIGHT/ESCAPE	14	0.2%	2	0.4%	11	0.3%	1	0.1%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	28	0.3%
CRIME AGAINST PERSON	2	0.0%	6	1.1%	8	0.2%	6	0.9%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	22	0.2%
PUBLIC PEACE	9	0.2%	0	0.0%	7	0.2%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	16	0.1%
POSSESSION OF TOOLS	7	0.1%	0	0.0%	7	0.2%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	14	0.1%
SMUGGLING	10	0.2%	0	0.0%	2	0.1%	1	0.1%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	13	0.1%
OBSTRUCTING JUSTICE	6	0.1%	3	0.6%	4	0.1%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	13	0.1%
COMMERCIALIZED SEX	0	0.0%	4	0.8%	0	0.0%	8	1.2%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	12	0.1%
CONSERVATION	4	0.1%	1	0.2%	4	0.1%	1	0.1%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	10	0.1%
MISPRISON TO FELONY	1	0.0%	0	0.0%	4	0.1%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	5	0.05%
DRUNKENNESS	3	0.1%	1	0.2%	1	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	5	0.05%
PROPERTY CRIME	1	0.0%	0	0.0%	1	0.0%	0	0.0%	2	0.8%	0	0.0%	4	0.04%
GAMBLING	3	0.1%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	3	0.03%
EMBEZZLEMENT	0	0.0%	1	0.2%	0	0.0%	1	0.1%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	2	0.02%
TAX REVENUE	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	2	0.1%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	2	0.0%
LIQUOR	1	0.0%	0	0.0%	1	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	2	0.02%
OBSCENE MATERIAL	2	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	2	0.02%
MISC CHARGES	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	1	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	1	0.0%
TOTAL	5,929	100.0%	532	100.0%	3,466	100.0%	686	100.0%	266	100.0%	9	100.0%	10,888	100.0%

*Highlighted areas indicate most common offenses for each demographic group. Inmates often are committed to SCDC with many offenses, with each carrying a specific sentence, county of commitment, etc. To facilitate statistical reporting, SCDC determines a single "most serious offense" (MSO) for each inmate. Before August 2005, the offense with the longest sentence determined MSO. Effective August 2005, inmates' MSO is the offense with the highest severity level (i.e. offenses are classified between severity level 1 and 5, with 5 as the most severe). In cases where an inmate has multiple offenses at the same severity level, SCDC considers the category of each offense, where homicide offenses take precedence, followed by sex offenses and violent offenses. If multiple offenses exist within the same category, the offense with the longest sentence then determines MSO. Because of this definitional change, post-2005 MSO data cannot be compared to pre-2005 MSO data.

All percentages rounded.