

Arizona Department of Corrections Rehabilitation and Reentry
Prison Rape Elimination Act (PREA)
Annual Report

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PREA Background

PREA was established in 2003 to address sexual abuse and sexual harassment of persons in the custody of U.S. correctional agencies. Major provisions of PREA include the development of standards for detection, prevention, reduction and punishment of sexual abuse and sexual harassment in confinement settings. The Act applies to all public and private institutions that house adult or juvenile offenders. On August 20, 2012, the PREA standards final rule became effective.

The Arizona Department of Corrections Rehabilitation and Reentry has a zero tolerance policy on issues pertaining to sexual abuse and sexual harassment involving inmates and is working continuously to develop and implement policies to prevent, detect, and respond to sexual misconduct allegations.

Definitions

Substantiated allegation means an allegation was investigated and determined to have occurred.

Unsubstantiated allegation means an allegation was investigated and the investigation produced insufficient evidence to make a final determination as to whether or not the event occurred.

Unfounded allegation means an allegation was investigated and determined not to have occurred.

2019 Analysis/Corrective Action

The Arizona Department of Corrections Rehabilitation and Reentry started year one cycle three of the PREA audit cycle. During this time period there were six ADCRR facilities that were scheduled to be PREA audited. However, prior to the completion of ASPC Safford and ASPC Douglas audits, agency response to the COVID-19 pandemic prohibited visitor entry for the safety of the inmates and the PREA auditor. ADCRR is happy to report that both of these facilities have since been audited, but will not be reported with 2019 statistics. All facilities audited during this time period met the required 45 provisions and were in full compliance with all aspects of the PREA standards. ASPC Phoenix, ASPC Perryville, ASPC Winslow, and the Maricopa Release Center (community confinement facility) were audited during year one, cycle three of the PREA audit cycle. ADCRR remains in the appeal process with the PREA Management Office for audits previously conducted at ASPC Lewis, ASPC Tucson, ASP Kingman (GEO Group), and CACF (GEO Group).

Analysis of the aggregated data collected during this time period continues to further illustrate the department's commitment to sexual safety in our facilities and a culture of zero tolerance that has become institutionalized. In ADCRR-managed facilities there were only five substantiated cases of sexual abuse/sexual harassment. This is a 50% reduction from ten total substantiated incidents reported in the 2018 annual report.

The ADCRR continues to strive for a prison system that remains safe for inmates, employees, contract staff and volunteers alike, through continued training, education and official PREA audits.

2020 Calendar Year: Will be added upon submittal to the Bureau of Justice Statistics (BJS).

2019 Calendar Year: Report based upon the Annual Survey of Sexual Victimization for the Arizona Department of Corrections Rehabilitation and Reentry						
	Allegations	Substantiated	Unsubstantiated	Unfounded	Ongoing Investigation	Sub-total Results
Inmate on Inmate Nonconsensual Sexual Acts	93	0	41	49	3	93
Inmate on Inmate Abusive Sexual Contacts	56	1	29	24	2	56
Inmate on Inmate Sexual Harassment	50	0	33	16	1	50
Staff Sexual Misconduct	105	4	52	43	6	105
Staff Sexual Harassment	63	0	30	29	4	63
Totals	367	5	185	161	16	367

2019 Calendar Year: Report based upon the Annual Survey of Sexual Victimization for ADCRR Contracted Private Prisons						
	Allegations	Substantiated	Unsubstantiated	Unfounded	Ongoing Investigation	Sub-total Results
Inmate on Inmate Sexual Abuse (Combined Nonconsensual Sexual Acts and Abusive Sexual Contact)	7	1	4	2	0	7
Inmate on Inmate Sexual Harassment	5	0	4	1	0	5
Staff Sexual Misconduct	16	2	4	10	0	16
Staff Sexual Harassment	2	0	1	1	0	2
Total	30	3	13	14	0	30

2018 Calendar Year: Report based upon the Annual Survey of Sexual Victimization for the Arizona Department of Corrections						
	Allegations	Substantiated	Unsubstantiated	Unfounded	Ongoing Investigation	Sub-total Results
Inmate on Inmate Nonconsensual Sexual Acts	127	3	49	69	6	127
Inmate on Inmate Abusive Sexual Contacts	89	0	49	39	1	89
Inmate on Inmate Sexual Harassment	58	1	26	30	1	58
Staff Sexual Misconduct	109	5	51	48	5	109
Staff Sexual Harassment	53	1	25	27	0	53
Totals	436	10	200	213	13	436

2018 Calendar Year: Report based upon the Annual Survey of Sexual Victimization for Arizona Department of Corrections Contracted Private Prisons						
	Allegations	Substantiated	Unsubstantiated	Unfounded	Ongoing Investigation	Sub-total Results
Inmate on Inmate Sexual Abuse (Combined Nonconsensual Sexual Acts and Abusive Sexual Contact)	12	0	3	9	0	12
Inmate on Inmate Sexual Harassment	9	0	7	2	0	9
Staff Sexual Misconduct	11	0	7	4	0	11
Staff Sexual Harassment	3	0	3	0	0	3
Total	35	0	20	15	0	35

2017 Calendar Year: Report based upon the Annual Survey of Sexual Victimization for the Arizona Department of Corrections						
	Allegations	Substantiated	Unsubstantiated	Unfounded	Ongoing Investigation	Sub-total Results
Inmate on Inmate Nonconsensual Sexual Acts	83	3	28	52	0	83
Inmate on Inmate Abusive Sexual Contacts	36	2	13	21	0	36
Inmate on Inmate Sexual Harassment	29	0	5	24	0	29
Staff Sexual Misconduct	90	6	27	56	1	90
Staff Sexual Harassment	15	0	6	9	0	15
Totals	253	11	79	162	1	253

2017 Calendar Year: Report based upon the Annual Survey of Sexual Victimization for Arizona Department of Corrections Contracted Private Prisons						
	Allegations	Substantiated	Unsubstantiated	Unfounded	Ongoing Investigation	Sub-total Results
Inmate on Inmate Sexual Abuse (Combined Nonconsensual Sexual Acts and Abusive Sexual Contact)	7	1	3	3	0	7
Inmate on Inmate Sexual Harassment	5	1	4	0	0	5
Staff Sexual Misconduct	10	0	2	7	1	10
Staff Sexual Harassment	2	0	0	2	0	2
Total	24	2	9	12	1	24

2016 Calendar Year: Report based upon the Annual Survey of Sexual Victimization for the Arizona Department of Corrections						
	Allegations	Substantiated	Unsubstantiated	Unfounded	Ongoing Investigation	Sub-total Results
Inmate on Inmate Nonconsensual Sexual Acts	67	2	20	44	1	67
Inmate on Inmate Abusive Sexual Contacts	56	1	13	42	0	56
Inmate on Inmate Sexual Harassment	52	1	5	46	0	52
Staff Sexual Misconduct	94	6	20	68	0	94
Staff Sexual Harassment	20	1	1	18	0	20
Totals	289	11	59	218	1	289

2016 Calendar Year: Report based upon the Annual Survey of Sexual Victimization for Arizona Department of Corrections Contracted Private Prisons						
	Allegations	Substantiated	Unsubstantiated	Unfounded	Ongoing Investigation	Sub-total Results
Inmate on Inmate Sexual Abuse (Combined Nonconsensual Sexual Acts and Abusive Sexual Contact)	13	0	4	9	0	13
Inmate on Inmate Sexual Harassment	10	0	2	8	0	10
Staff Sexual Misconduct	7	1	3	3	0	7
Staff Sexual Harassment	6	1	2	3	0	6
Total	36	2	11	23	0	36

2015 Calendar Year: Report based upon the Annual Survey of Sexual Victimization for the Arizona Department of Corrections						
	Allegations	Substantiated	Unsubstantiated	Unfounded	Ongoing Investigation	Sub-total Results
Inmate on Inmate Nonconsensual Sexual Acts	83	0	17	*64	*2	83
Inmate on Inmate Abusive Sexual Contacts	47	0	3	44	0	47
Inmate on Inmate Sexual Harassment	37	0	*1	36	*0	37
Staff Sexual Misconduct	102	6	11	85	0	102
Staff Sexual Harassment	17	3	0	14	0	17
Totals	286	9	*32	*243	*2	286

*2015 BJS submitted statistics adjusted November, 2016

*2015 BJS submitted statistics adjusted February, 2017

2015 Calendar Year: Report based upon the Annual Survey of Sexual Victimization for Arizona Department of Corrections Contracted Private Prisons						
	Allegations	Substantiated	Unsubstantiated	Unfounded	Ongoing Investigation	Sub-total Results
Inmate on Inmate Sexual Abuse (Combined Nonconsensual Sexual Acts and Abusive Sexual Contact)	11	1	5	4	1	11
Inmate on Inmate Sexual Harassment	5	0	1	4	0	5
Staff Sexual Misconduct	5	0	1	4	0	5
Staff Sexual Harassment	7	0	2	5	0	7
Totals	28	1	9	17	1	28

2014 Calendar Year: Report based upon the Annual Survey of Sexual Victimization for the Arizona Department of Corrections						
	Allegations	Substantiated	Unsubstantiated	Unfounded	Ongoing Investigation	Sub-total Results
Inmate on Inmate Nonconsensual Sexual Acts	82	4*	22*	56	0*	82
Inmate on Inmate Abusive Sexual Contacts	33	0	2	31	0	33
Inmate on Inmate Sexual Harassment	19	0	4	15	0	19
Staff Sexual Misconduct	72	4	7	60	1	72
Staff Sexual Harassment	12	1	1	10	0	12
Totals	218	9*	36*	172	1*	218

*2014 BJS submitted statistics adjusted September, 2016

2014 Calendar Year: Report based upon the Annual Survey of Sexual Victimization for Arizona Department of Corrections Contracted Private Prisons						
	Allegations	Substantiated	Unsubstantiated	Unfounded	Ongoing Investigation	Sub-total Results
Inmate on Inmate Nonconsensual Sexual Acts	4	0	1	3	0	4
Inmate on Inmate Abusive Sexual Contacts	2	0	1	1	0	2
Inmate on Inmate Sexual Harassment	4	0	1	3	0	4
Staff Sexual Misconduct	6	0	3	3	0	6
Staff Sexual Harassment	5	0	3	2	0	5
Totals	21	0	9	12	0	21

2013 Calendar Year: Report based upon the Annual Survey of Sexual Victimization for the Arizona Department of Corrections						
	Allegations	Substantiated	Unsubstantiated	Unfounded	Ongoing Investigation	Sub-total Results
Inmate on Inmate Nonconsensual Sexual Acts	67	0	21*	46	0*	67
Inmate on Inmate Abusive Sexual Contacts	43	1	11	31	0	43
Inmate on Inmate Sexual Harassment	13	1	3	9	0	13
Staff Sexual Misconduct	48	4	17	27	0	48
Staff Sexual Harassment	1	1	0	0	0	1
Totals	172	7	52*	113	0*	172

*2013 BJS submitted statistics adjusted March, 2015

2013 Calendar Year: Report based upon the Annual Survey of Sexual Victimization for Arizona Department of Corrections Contracted Private Prisons						
	Allegations	Substantiated	Unsubstantiated	Unfounded	Ongoing Investigation	Sub-total Results
Inmate on Inmate Nonconsensual Sexual Acts	3	0	1	2	0	3
Inmate on Inmate Abusive Sexual Contacts	3	0	3	0	0	3
Inmate on Inmate Sexual Harassment	0	0	0	0	0	0
Staff Sexual Misconduct	1	1	0	0	0	1
Staff Sexual Harassment	0	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	7	1	4	2	0	7

2012 Calendar Year: Report based upon the Annual Survey of Sexual Violence for the Arizona Department of Corrections						
	Allegations	Substantiated	Unsubstantiated	Unfounded	Ongoing Investigation	Sub-total Results
Inmate on Inmate Nonconsensual Sexual Acts	54	0	40*	14	0*	54
Inmate on Inmate Abusive Sexual Contacts	30	0	16	14	0	30
Staff on Inmate Sexual Misconduct and Harassment	39	4	19	16	0	39
Totals	123	4	75*	44	0*	123

*2012 BJS submitted statistics adjusted June, 2014

2012 Calendar Year: Report based upon the Annual Survey of Sexual Violence for Arizona Department of Corrections Contracted Private Prisons						
	Allegations	Substantiated	Unsubstantiated	Unfounded	Ongoing Investigation	Sub-total Results
Inmate on Inmate Nonconsensual Sexual Acts	0	0	0	0	0	0
Inmate on Inmate Abusive Sexual Contacts	2	0	0	1	1	2
Staff on Inmate Sexual Misconduct and Harassment	3	1	0	2	0	3
Totals	5	1	0	3	1	5