

**Arizona Department of Corrections
Prison Rape Elimination Act (PREA)
Annual Report**

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 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.

2014 Analysis/Corrective Action

Completed PREA audits of five ADC facilities and one private contracted facility; all met with compliance to PREA standards by DOJ certified auditor.

Rape crisis advocate assistance for victims is provided by rape crisis centers near prison facilities or by specially selected staff trained by the State Coalition.

A “hotline” telephone system has been established with a private entity for inmates to use as an alternate method to report sexual abuse and sexual harassment.

Additional Arizona Criminal Justice Information System (ACJIS) terminal operators have been trained and certified to conduct background investigations of all current ADC employees and contractors at least every five years.

All investigators have completed additional required PREA training, “Conducting Sexual Abuse Investigations in Confinement Settings.”

Monitoring technology improvements have been made in facility areas that were determined to need enhancements. Blind spot reduction in facilities has been implemented; such as the addition of windows and removal or lowering of visual barrier obstructions in areas inmates work and program.

2015 Calendar Year: Will be added upon submittal to the Bureau of Justice Statistics (BJS).

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	3	21	56	2	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	8	35	172	3	218

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