

REPORT TO THE LEGISLATURE
Pursuant to P.A. 207 of 2018
Section 925
Administrative Segregation Report

Section 925: By March 1, the department shall report to the senate and house appropriations subcommittees on corrections, the senate and house fiscal agencies, the legislative corrections ombudsman, and the state budget office on the annual number of prisoners in administrative segregation between October 1, 2017 and September 30, 2018, and the annual number of prisoners in administrative segregation between October 1, 2017 and September 30, 2018 who at any time during the current or prior prison term were diagnosed with serious mental illness or have a developmental disorder and the number of days each of the prisoners with serious mental illness or a developmental disorder have been confined to administrative segregation (Ad Seg). As used in this section:

(a) *"Administrative segregation" means confinement for maintenance of order or discipline to a cell or room apart from accommodations provided for inmates who are participating in programs of the facility.*

(ff) *"Serious mental illness" means that term as defined in section 100d(3) of the mental health code, 1974 PA 328, MCL 333.1100d.*

This report summarizes data compiled by Corrections Mental Health Program Support Services (CMHPSS) which includes cumulative and individual case data for serious mental illness (SMI) or development disorder (DD) as identified on the mental health caseload. This data is shaded in grey.

This report also summarizes data compiled using MDOC's Health Management Information System (HMIS) and Correctional Information Management System (CMIS) between October 1, 2007 and September 30, 2013. In August 2014 MDOC replaced this system with the Offender Management System (OMS). For Fiscal Year 2013-14 the report uses estimates from the CMIS data (not shaded). Since Fiscal Year 2014-15 the report uses data from OMNI and OMS.

It should be noted that the substantial decrease in the Daily Average Number of Prisoners w/SMI in Ad Seg from 2015-2016 to 2017-2018 while a slight increase in the total MDOC SMI population at large. The 2017-2018 year saw an overall increase in this population from 2,674 to 2,798 (124 or 5%) and the average number of SMI in Ad Seg declined from 59 to 14 (-45 or -76%).

The MDOC's Bureau of Healthcare and Correctional Facilities Administration have collaborated to address the needs of seriously mentally ill individuals in prison, and to avoid lengthy stays in Ad Seg. These efforts include increased availability of movement, recreation and treatment for the SMI in restricted housing situations (Interim Care Program, Secure Status Outpatient Program, Incentives in Segregation), early identification and referral of prisoners exhibiting signs of mental illness, increased use of involuntary commitment with mentally ill prisoners who are resistant to treatment, ongoing professional development aimed at improving assessment and treatment of SMI, and improved tracking and communication between custody and healthcare which reduces medically unnecessary transfers of prisoners.

In April of 2017, Director Washington formed a workgroup to address issues related to the use of long term segregation, including a plan to cease the use of administrative Segregation for prisoners with Serious Mental Illness. As of January 8, 2018, all prisoners with SMI are diverted to START by Security Classification when their behavior would otherwise result in Admin Seg placement, unless special approval is given by the Director. START is a therapeutic housing unit and program which teaches prisoners life and personal skills to help them avoid behaviors that require escalating security precautions, as well as address their overall mental health needs. Starting in January of 2018 the Department piloted the START units at two prisons to accomplish its initial goal to remove and divert all SMI prisoners from Ad Seg, as well as reduce the overall use of Ad Seg. Prior to START we had an average of thirty seriously mentally ill individuals in Ad Seg.

Fiscal Year	Total Number of Days for All Prisoners in Administrative Segregation	Daily Average Number of All Prisoners in Administrative Segregation	Total Number of Days for Prisoners w/SMI or DD in Administrative Segregation	Daily Average Number of Prisoners w/SMI or DD in Administrative Segregation
2007-2008	479,791	1,314	20,337	56
2008-2009	440,731	1,204	21,055	58
2009-2010	384,635	1,054	31,274	86
2010-2011	365,631	1,002	34,979	96
2011-2012	350,561	958	23,504	64
2012-2013	358,590	982	15,939	44
2013-2014	354,780	972	12,775	35
2014-2015	284,445	779	28,209	77
2015-2016	277,503	758	32,363	88
2016-2017	296,597	810	21,960	59
2017-2018	226,425	619	5,266	14