

REPORT TO THE LEGISLATURE
Pursuant to P.A. 87 of 2021
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, 2020 and September 30, 2021, and the annual number of prisoners in administrative segregation between October 1, 2020 and September 30, 2021 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.

Due to the continued efforts of the Michigan Department of Corrections, 2020-2021 showed a continued decline in the total number of prisoner days spent in administrative segregation. Importantly, while the number of days spent in administrative segregation for all prisoners declined by roughly 7%, the decline for severely mentally ill (SMI) prisoners was more pronounced at 65%. The Department achieved its lowest total and SMI administrative segregation populations in the 14-year history of this report through the continued use of strategies such as SMART units to divert prisoners with mental health and protection concerns from long-term segregation, the development and piloting of new review processes prior to the placement of prisoners into administrative segregation and the safe reduction of administrative segregation capacity.

In comparison to 2007-2008 when this report was first created, the total time spent in administrative segregation by MDOC prisoners has been reduced by over 325,000 days for the most recent year, or a 68% reduction. For the subpopulation of prisoners with severe mental illness or developmental disabilities, total time in segregation during the year has been reduced by 19,000 days compared to 2007-2008, or 95%.

At the direction of Director Washington and in accordance with the Department's strategic plan, a multi-disciplinary team has continued to meet throughout 2020-2021 to discuss and develop additional strategies to safely reduce time spent in segregation, improve the environment and operations of these units, and provide staff in these units with the resources and support to ensure their physical and mental wellness.

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	55.6
2008-2009	440,731	1,204	21,055	57.7
2009-2010	384,635	1,054	31,274	85.7
2010-2011	365,631	1,002	34,979	95.8
2011-2012	350,561	958	23,504	64.2
2012-2013	358,590	982	15,939	43.7
2013-2014	354,780	972	12,775	35.0
2014-2015	284,445	779	28,209	77.3
2015-2016	277,503	758	32,363	88.4
2016-2017	296,597	810	21,960	60.2
2017-2018	226,425	619	5,266	14.4
2018-2019	222,486	549	1,386	3.8
2019-2020	165,107	451	2,967	8.1
2020-2021	153,542	421	1,032	2.8