



**Inmates Who Have  
Been in the Conservatorship of  
Child Protective Services  
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## Overview

Texas Government Code § 501.023 requires the Texas Department of Criminal Justice (TDCJ) to assess whether an incoming inmate has been in the conservatorship of a state agency responsible for providing child protective services and to report the number of inmates identified during the diagnostic process, disaggregated by age, and the number of inmates who have not previously served a term of imprisonment.

The TDCJ established a Memorandum of Understanding with the Texas Department of Family and Protective Services (DFPS) to obtain data of individuals who were in DFPS conservatorship for verification purposes. The TDCJ began receiving the data effective Fiscal Year (FY) 2020.

During FY 2025, there were 3,542 inmates received by the TDCJ who were verified as having been in conservatorship in Texas at some time. This number represents approximately 6.3% of the inmates received during the fiscal year. Aggregate statistical information regarding their age, county of conviction, gender, offense of record, and race is included in this report.

Of the 3,542 inmates received by the TDCJ in FY 2025 who were verified as having been in conservatorship in Texas, approximately 43.1%, or 1,525 inmates had not previously served a term of imprisonment.

## Inmates received who were verified as having been in the conservatorship of child protective services in Texas

The TDCJ obtains data from DFPS to cross-reference the inmates received by the TDCJ for identification of inmates previously under DFPS conservatorship.

It is important to note that 1,785 inmates who claimed at intake to have been in Texas conservatorship, or in another state, could not be verified using the shared DFPS data and are not included in this report.

Information collected in FY 2025 indicated that 3,542, or approximately 6.3%, of the inmates received by the TDCJ during the fiscal year had previously been in the conservatorship of the child protective services agency.

The following is a breakdown of the current demographics of those inmates.

<b>Race</b>	<b>Male</b>	<b>Female</b>	<b>Total</b>
Black	1,060	199	1,259
Hispanic	894	155	1,049
White	880	340	1,220
Other and Unknown	10	4	14
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,844</b>	<b>698</b>	<b>3,542</b>

<b>County of Conviction</b>	<b>Prison</b>	<b>SAFP</b>	<b>State Jail</b>	<b>Total</b>
Harris	345	27	64	436
Dallas	213	46	31	290
Bexar	244	15	30	289
Tarrant	163	10	21	194
Hidalgo	79	7	16	102
Travis	60	6	11	77
Bell	61	4	10	75
Lubbock	64	4	5	73
Montgomery	56	1	12	69
Potter	51	5	11	67
Nueces	36	14	15	65
McLennan	45	0	12	57
Smith	37	2	13	52
Tom Green	30	9	13	52
Galveston	40	2	7	49
Wichita	33	1	14	48
El Paso	44	1	2	47
Brazos	38	2	5	45
Jefferson	26	7	11	44
Ector	31	2	10	43
Collin	34	0	7	41
Cameron	31	2	6	39
Taylor	28	4	7	39
Williamson	26	0	8	34
Grayson	23	3	7	33
Brazoria	24	1	4	29
Bowie	11	6	10	27
Angelina	13	8	5	26
Gregg	14	2	8	24
Henderson	19	0	5	24
Johnson	14	8	2	24

County of Conviction	Prison	SAFP	State Jail	Total
Parker	21	0	3	24
Guadalupe	13	8	2	23
Randall	17	3	2	22
Coryell	15	2	4	21
Denton	20	0	1	21
Orange	14	1	5	20
Counties with Less Than 20	629	102	166	897
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,662</b>	<b>315</b>	<b>565</b>	<b>3,542</b>

Age at Time of Receive	Male	Female	Total
14-16	2	0	2
17-18	65	7	72
19-20	186	27	213
21-24	519	101	620
25-29	632	162	794
30-39	1022	298	1320
40-49	364	88	452
50-59	49	13	62
60+	5	2	7
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,844</b>	<b>698</b>	<b>3,542</b>

Offense of Record	Prison	SAFP	State Jail	Total
Homicide	90	0	0	90
Kidnapping	10	0	0	10
Sexual Assault	27	0	0	27
Sexual Assault Against a Child	92	0	0	92
Indecency with a Child	41	0	1	42
Other Violent Sexual Offenses	22	0	0	22
Robbery	242	10	0	252
Assault/Terroristic Threat/Trafficking	685	81	10	776
Arson	15	4	2	21
Burglary	160	21	40	221
Larceny	58	10	125	193
Stolen Vehicle	15	4	58	77
Forgery	5	2	6	13
Fraud	40	3	26	69
Stolen/Damaged Property	2	1	16	19
Drug-Delivery	141	13	2	156
Drug-Possession	373	117	198	688
Failure to Register as a Sex Offender	50	0	4	54

Offense of Record	Prison	SAFP	State Jail	Total
Family Offense	30	12	12	54
Commercialized/Sex Offense	16	1	4	21
Obstruction/Public Order	123	12	12	147
Escape	193	10	29	232
Weapons Offenses	169	8	3	180
DWI	32	5	12	49
Other	31	1	5	37
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,662</b>	<b>315</b>	<b>565</b>	<b>3,542</b>

*An inmate's offense of record is the offense which incarcerates the inmate for the longest period of time.*

### **Inmates received by the TDCJ during the fiscal year who had previously been in the conservatorship of child protective services in Texas who had not previously served a term of imprisonment in TDCJ**

The TDCJ obtains data from DFPS to cross-reference the inmates received by the TDCJ for identification of inmates previously under DFPS conservatorship.

Information collected in FY 2025 indicated that 1,525 inmates, or approximately 43.1% of those received by the TDCJ during the fiscal year who had previously been in the conservatorship of a child protective services agency, had not previously served a term of imprisonment.

The following is a breakdown of the current demographics of those inmates.

Age at Time of Receive	Male	Female	Total
14-16	2	0	2
17-18	64	6	70
19-20	162	21	183
21-24	388	77	465
25-29	290	103	393
30-39	195	141	336
40-49	44	22	66
50-59	7	2	9
60+	1	0	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,153</b>	<b>372</b>	<b>1,525</b>



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