



Sex Offender Recidivism Study

Bureau of Justice Statistics

[Recidivism of Sex Offenders Released from State Prison: A 9-Year Follow-Up \(2005-14\)](#), compares released prisoners whose most serious commitment offense was rape or sexual assault to all other released prisoners, in terms of their characteristics and recidivism patterns.

The study tracks a representative sample of prisoners released in 2005 in 30 states and examines their arrests through 2014. (These states were responsible for 77 percent of all state prisoners released nationwide.)

State prisoners released in 2005 after serving time for rape or sexual assault were more than three times as likely as other released prisoners to be arrested for rape or sexual assault during the nine years following their release. An estimated 7.7 percent of released sex offenders were arrested for rape or sexual assault during the nine-year follow up period, compared to 2.3 percent of other released prisoners.

Access the report [here](#).

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