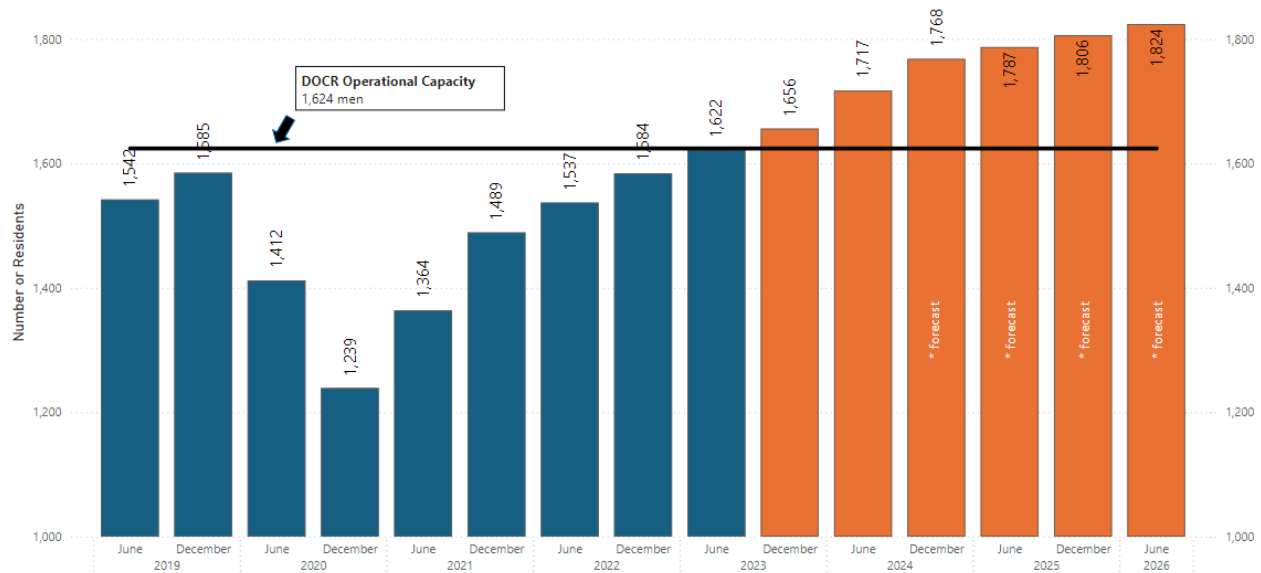


The North Dakota Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation (DOCR) maximum operational capacity for males is 1624. The female operational capacity increased from 224 to 262 on October 1, 2023, when a female treatment and recovery unit opened. The operational capacity for men and women includes the North Dakota State Penitentiary, James River Correctional Center, Missouri River Correctional Center, Heart River Correction Center, Dakota Women's Correctional and Rehabilitation Center (DWCRC), contractual treatment, transitional/community housing facilities, and contract beds in county and regional correctional facilities. When the average daily inmate population, specific to gender, for a discrete month exceeds the maximum operational capacity, the DOCR will implement the inmate admission prioritization plan the following month. The daily inmate population has exceeded operational capacity for the men since July 2023, however the DOCR has not implemented the inmate admission prioritization plan. Factors outside of agency control will continue to be the main determinate of DOCR prison population levels.

Monthly Count of Male Residents and Physical Constraints

Month End Count & Operational Capacity

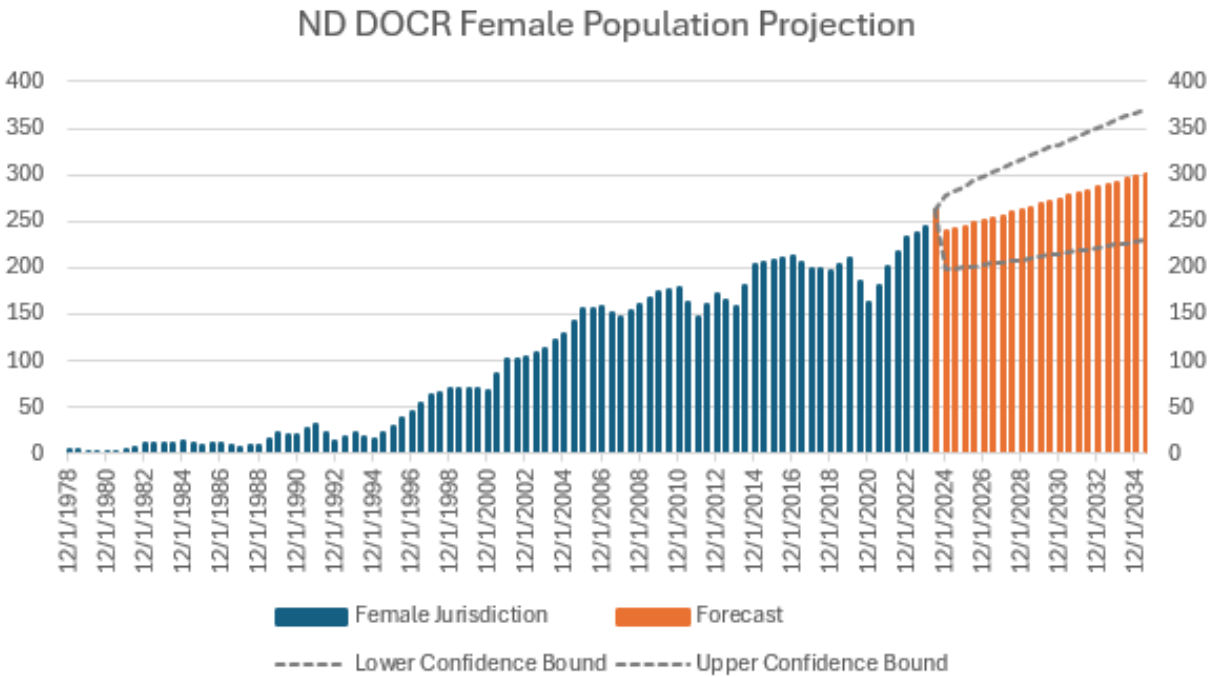
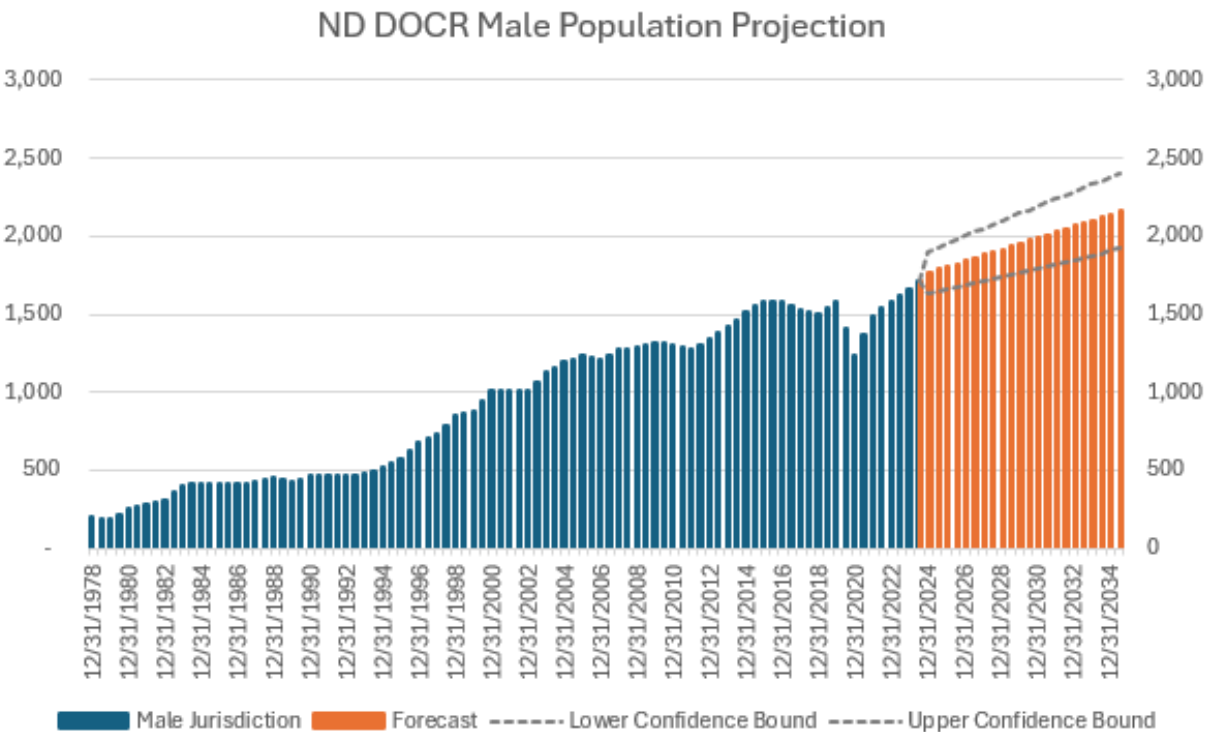


The DOCR provides a weekly DOCR prison population report to sheriffs, correctional facility administrators, States Attorney Association, and other interested parties. In addition, when admission prioritization is in effect, admission approval reports are provided to sheriffs and correctional facility administrators on weekly basis. This report specifically identifies the person approved for admission to DOCR custody.

Prioritization was implemented for female admissions beginning March 2023 until the maximum operation capacity was recalculated on October 1, 2023. As a result of the increased operational capacity and implementing a strategic approach of admitting the remaining deferred status women into DWCRC, the DOCR exited the inmate admission prioritization plan in March 2024.

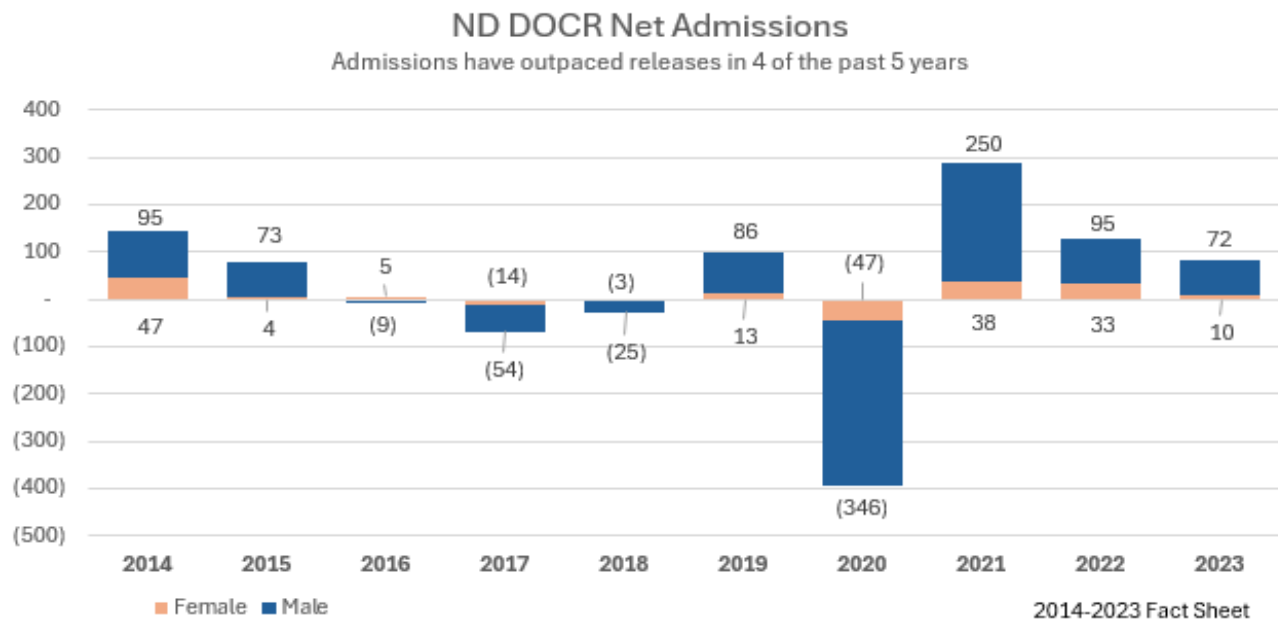
The DOCR continues to take action to mitigate population levels. Many of North Dakota's local county jails and correctional facilities are at or near their maximum operational capacities. Recruitment and retention of correctional officers is a major concern across the state worsening the situation for finding available space with our county partners. To avoid implementing prioritization and creating additional

capacity issues for our local corrections centers, we have partnered with McKenzie County Correctional Center to house approximately 50 male and 5 female residents. Due to continued population growth in 2024, we have also partnered with Heart of America Correctional and Treatment Center in Rugby, ND to house approximately 20 male residents as a second unit to meet the correctional demands on the DOCR. This decision has kept the male and female population out of prioritization keeping DOCR facility bed availability to the counties for those sentenced to the DOCR. This is a temporary solution to a rapidly growing issue.

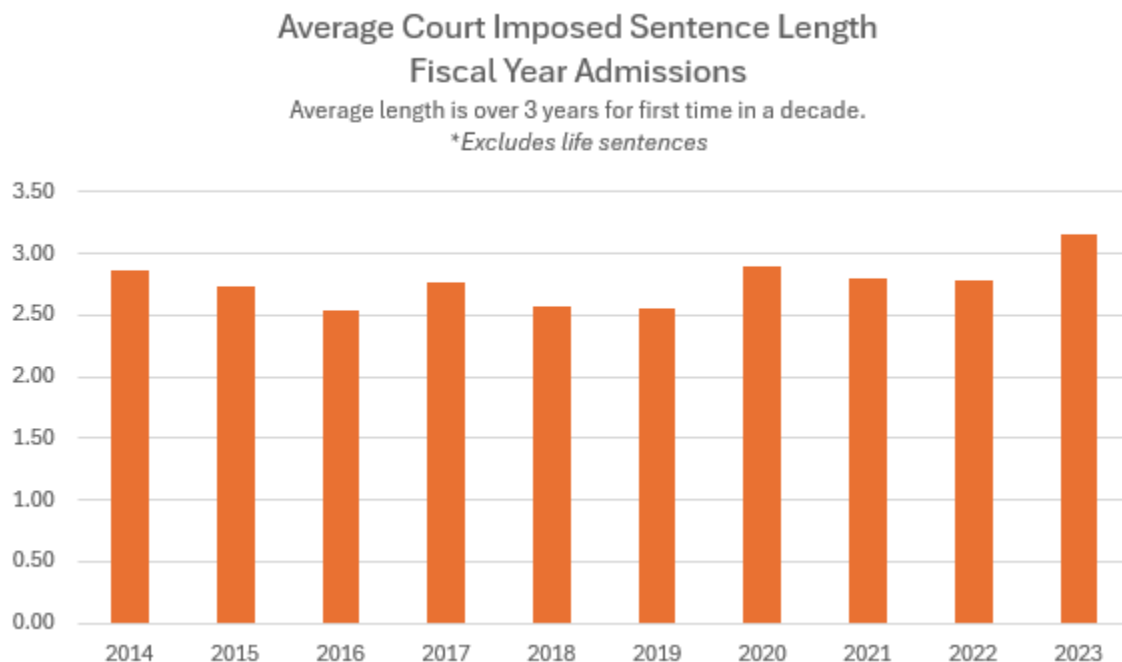


We have spent the past several months trying to determine what has changed since 2020 attributing to the population differences.

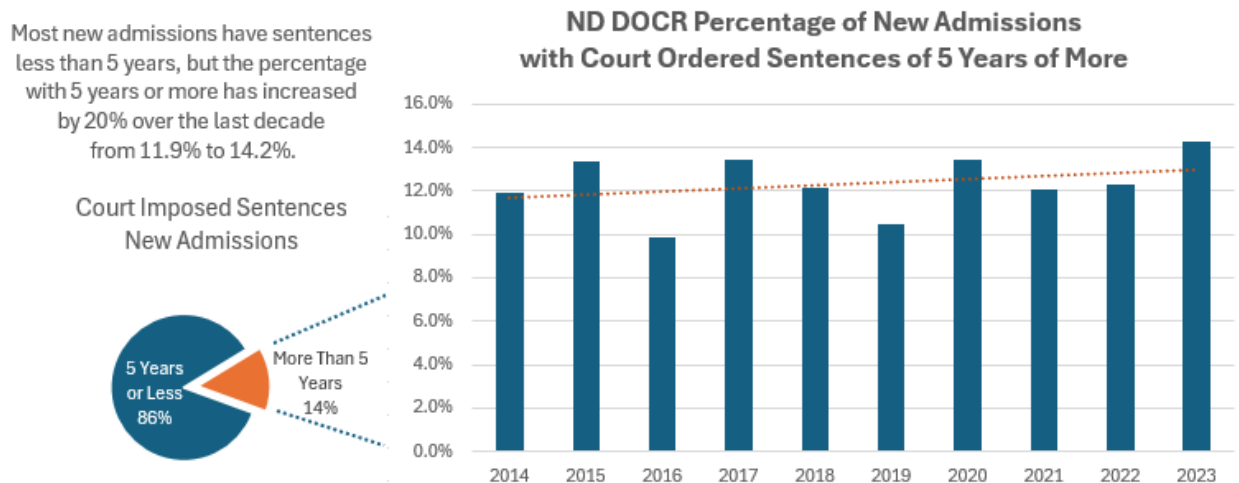
Admissions have outpaced releases four of the past five years with the exception of 2020 when we were responding to COVID. This was not the case in the previous five years where releases outpaced admissions.



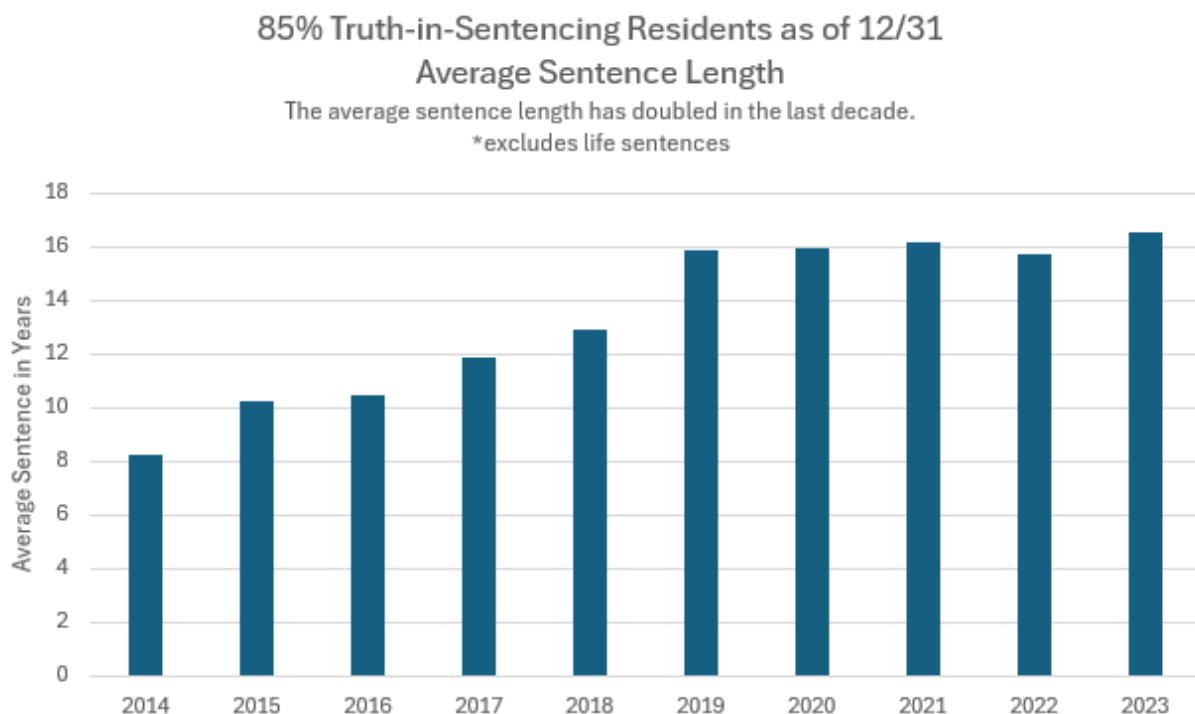
The average length of stay for controlling sentences has increased to over three years for the first time in a decade.



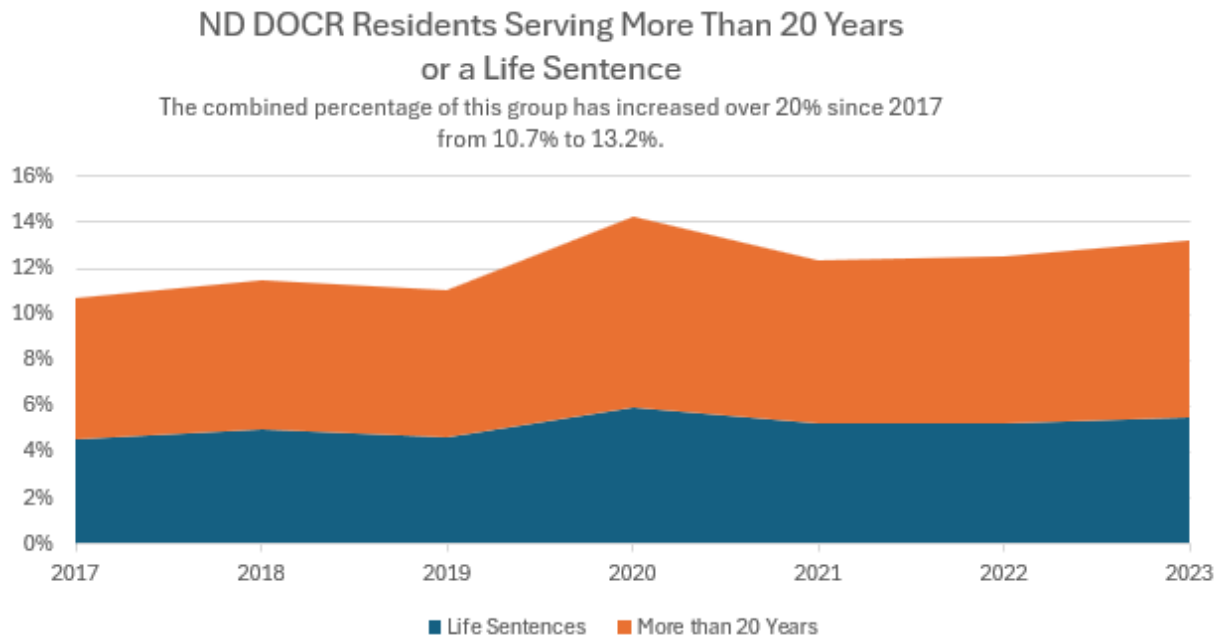
While over 85% of new admissions over the past decade have court-imposed sentences of 5 years or less, that percentage is declining. New Admissions with court-imposed sentences of 5 years or more has increased 20%, from nearly 12% to 14.2% over the decade.



The average sentence length for Truth-In-Sentencing (TIS) has doubled from 8 years in 2014 to 16.56 years in 2023. The number of inmates having 85% TIS is about the same hovering around 300 which is 6% lower than the high of 318 in 2014.



- Residents with 20 years or more is at its decade high number of 28.
- There are currently 105 residents with life sentences (48 with parole and 57 without parole)



*The percentage change in 2020 was due to COVID and the population reduction plan to keep residents and team members safe inside our prisons.

Over the last decade, non-sexual violent offenders are the only group to see an increased percentage in admissions from 21.4% in 2014 to 33.8% in 2023.

	2014	2023
Violent Offenders (Non-Sexual)	21.5%	33.8%
Sex Offenders	6.4%	6.1%
Drug & Alcohol Offender	40.4%	35.9%
Property & Other Public Order Offenders	31.7%	24.3%

The DOCR continues to compensate the counties as required by NDCC for all DOCR sentenced individuals that are being held in local correctional centers. The fiscal impact of the quick and unexpected growth of DOCR incarceration is having a significant impact on the DOCR's budget. We are projecting being deficient before the end of the current biennium. We anticipate the incarceration rates in North Dakota will continue to rise based on current trends and will be asking for a significant increase in our 2025-2027 budget to cover the cost associated with overflow housing in county jails due to exceeding our operational budget capacity.

We would like to express our gratitude to our local correctional partners for assisting the DOCR by partnering and providing reentry opportunities for individuals, cooperating during prioritization, and providing additional beds for overflow due to current population counts.

The pages following contain statistics on inmate admissions for the 2023-2025 biennium.

Corrections and Rehabilitation
Actual Average Population by Facility / Program - Men
2023 - 2025

Month	NDSP \1	JRCC \2	MRCC \3	Interstate Compact \4	Transition	County \6				Total DOCR Population	Deferred Admission \7	(a)	(b)	(a) - (b)
						Holds	Work Release	Rugby	McKenzie			Total Population	23-25 Est Population	
Jul 2023 ADP	798	476	188	17	99	12	22	-	13	1,625	-	1,625	1,531	94
Aug 2023 ADP	793	478	188	17	105	14	20	-	30	1,645	-	1,645	1,532	113
Sep 2023 ADP	793	473	188	17	101	17	16	-	37	1,641	-	1,641	1,534	107
Oct 2023 ADP	791	473	188	18	110	13	14	-	37	1,645	-	1,645	1,535	110
Nov 2023 ADP	813	476	189	18	103	15	12	-	35	1,659	-	1,659	1,537	122
Dec 2023 ADP	814	475	189	19	95	25	13	-	34	1,663	-	1,663	1,538	125
Jan 2024 ADP	801	472	188	19	100	28	18	-	35	1,661	-	1,661	1,540	121
Feb 2024 ADP	810	473	188	19	95	28	18	-	38	1,669	-	1,669	1,541	128
Mar 2024 ADP	814	474	188	19	91	26	17	-	39	1,669	-	1,669	1,543	126
Apr 2024 ADP	825	474	188	19	98	34	18	-	43	1,699	-	1,699	1,544	155
May 2024 ADP	827	477	190	19	103	37	17	-	49	1,719	-	1,719	1,545	174
Jun 2024 ADP	811	480	193	19	110	33	15	5	52	1,718	-	1,718	1,547	171
Jul 2024 ADP	803	480	194	19	115	29	20	21	53	1,734	-	1,734	1,549	185
Aug 2024 ADP	814	481	193	20	121	29	20	20	53	1,753	-	1,753	1,551	202
Sep 2024 ADP													1,554	-
Oct 2024 ADP													1,556	-
Nov 2024 ADP													1,559	-
Dec 2024 ADP													1,561	-
Jan 2025 ADP													1,564	-
Feb 2025 ADP													1,566	-
Mar 2025 ADP													1,568	-
Apr 2025 ADP													1,571	-
May 2025 ADP													1,573	-
Jun 2025 ADP													1,576	-
23-25 Bien Ave.	808	476	189	18	103	24	17	3	39	1,679	-	1,679	1,551	128

\1 - North Dakota State Penitentiary (count includes inmates on temporary leave status and juveniles sentenced as adults being held at YCC)

\2 - James River Correctional Center (count includes people on temporary leave status)

\3 - Missouri River Correctional Center

\4 - People housed out-of-state with either Bureau of Prison or other States

\6 - People housed in county / regional jail facilities (includes Parole Violators, Work Release, McKenzie County and Rugby Heart of America)

\7 - People in county jail awaiting DOCR admission

Corrections and Rehabilitation
Actual Average Population by Facility / Program - Women
2023 - 2025

Month	DWCRC \1	DADC \2	HRCC	Transition	CPP \6	Holds \3	Interstate Compact \4	WTRU \7	Total DOCR Population	Deferred Admission \5	(a) Total Population	(b) 23-25 Est. Population	(a) - (b)
Jul 2023 ADP	130	4	49	39	-	4	-	-	225	28	254	223	31
Aug 2023 ADP	123	5	52	36	-	8	-	-	225	21	246	223	23
Sep 2023 ADP	125	7	54	36	-	9	-	1	232	21	254	224	30
Oct 2023 ADP	123	5	48	35	-	13	-	13	237	19	256	224	32
Nov 2023 ADP	121	5	47	41	-	12	-	19	244	16	260	225	35
Dec 2023 ADP	121	10	55	34	-	10	-	19	248	7	256	226	30
Jan 2024 ADP	122	11	51	32	-	6	-	19	241	18	259	226	33
Feb 2024 ADP	124	11	50	37	-	9	-	20	251	4	256	227	29
Mar 2024 ADP	123	12	53	38	-	11	-	19	257	-	257	227	30
Apr 2024 ADP	126	13	52	31	-	17	-	20	259	-	259	228	31
May 2024 ADP	125	12	50	34	-	22	-	20	263	-	263	228	35
Jun 2024 ADP	124	11	51	37	-	21	-	19	263	-	263	229	34
Jul 2024 ADP	118	10	53	43	-	17	-	20	261	-	261	229	32
Aug 2024 ADP	120	10	50	42	-	15	-	20	258	-	258	230	28
Sep 2024 ADP	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	230	
Oct 2024 ADP	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	231	
Nov 2024 ADP	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	232	
Dec 2024 ADP	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	232	
Jan 2025 ADP	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	233	
Feb 2025 ADP	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	233	
Mar 2025 ADP	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	234	
Apr 2025 ADP	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	234	
May 2025 ADP	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	235	
Jun 2025 ADP	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	235	
23-25 Bien Ave.	123	9	51	37	-	12	-	15	247	10	257	226	31

- \1 - Dakota Women's Correctional Rehabilitation Center
 \2 - People at Dickinson Adult Detention Center
 \3 - People housed in county / regional jail facilities
 \4 - People housed out-of-state with either Bureau of Prison or other States
 \5 - People in county jail awaiting DOCR admission
 \6 - Community Placement Program
 \7 - Women's Treatment & Recovery Unit at Bismarck Transition Center