

# Colorado Board of Parole



The mission of the Parole Board is to increase public safety by evaluating an individual's potential for successful reintegration to the community through the use of innovative evidence informed practices.



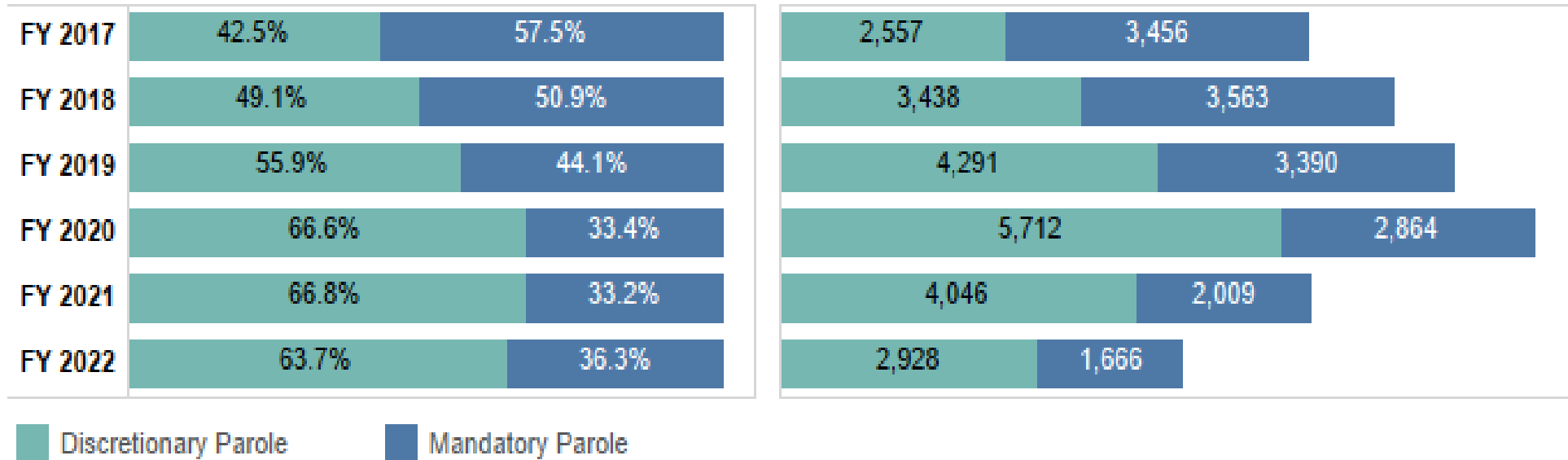
# Discretionary Parole

- The Parole Board strives to enhance public safety by critical evaluation and evidence-based practices to maximize the potential for each individual's successful reentry into society.
- Discretionary parole honors the foundational principle that people can change.



# Releases

## Discretionary and Mandatory Releases FY2017- FY2022





# Parole Eligibility

- The initial parole board hearing is scheduled three months prior to an inmate's parole eligibility date (PED). The PED calculation is completed by Colorado Department of Corrections' (CDOC's) Department of Time and Release.



**Table 4  
ESTIMATED AVERAGE LENGTH OF STAY (MONTHS)**

FELONY/TYPE	NEW COMMITMENTS		PAROLE RETURNS	
	MALE	FEMALE	MALE	FEMALE
F1	Life	Life	Life	-
Sex Offender Act	261.45	303.27	97.42	-
Habitual	139.51	-	65.45	-
F2 Extraordinary	199.17	158.33	82.63	13.33
F2 Sex	106.16	-	-	-
F2 Other	61.13	42.01	39.19	15.48
F3 Extraordinary	106.23	71.96	28.09	18.68
F3 Sex	100.22	15.93	45.37	-
F3 Other	45.69	42.47	33.09	14.7
F4 Extraordinary	37.49	28.96	26.16	24.53
F4 Sex	27.96	60.33	34.61	-
F4 Other	23.56	18.87	24.38	17.45
F5 Extraordinary	17.05	15.14	13.69	11.72
F5 Sex	18.82	-	15.18	-
F5 Other	14.02	10.25	16.89	12.27
F6 Extraordinary	9.81	11.03	12.99	5.83
F6 Sex	7.42	5.57	15.97	-
F6 Other	6.75	6.37	13.43	11.97

*\*Felony (F), Drug Felony (DF)*

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	MALE	FEMALE	MALE	FEMALE
DF 1 Extraordinary	85.26	76	57.6	-
DF 1	52.8	57.73	46.44	-
DF 2 Extraordinary	27.39	21.57	34.73	74.4
DF 2	31.17	-	-	-
DF 3 Extraordinary	12.58	12.68	11.59	-
DF 3	12.73	11.03	-	-
DF 4 Extraordinary	4.43	10.22	-	-
DF 4	4.07	4.05	8.21	8.11

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Source: [Colorado Department of Corrections Annual Statistical Report FY 2022](#)



# Decision Making

The Parole Board leverages numerous data points and tools to guide decision making, including:

- Risk and Readiness assessments:
  - Statistical predictions of behavior sort offenders into subgroups that have different rates of future offending probabilities.
    - Colorado Actuarial Risk Assessment Scale (CARAS)
    - Level of Supervision Inventory (LSI)
    - Colorado Transitional Accountability Plan/Ohio Risk Assessment System (CTAP/ORAS)
- Parole Board Release Guideline Instrument (PBRGI)
  - The PBRGI provides a decision matrix with two dimensions: the risk of recidivism and the readiness for parole.



# Questions ?

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