

Tennessee Department of Correction Monthly Jail Population Report

Single-day Snapshot – September 30, 2025

Total Jail Population 27,649

Total Male 23,341
Percent Male 84.0%

Total Female 4,308
Percent Female 16.0%

Total TDOC Backup 4,642

TDOC Backup includes convicted felons sentenced to TDOC but currently in a county jail. There is one exception included in "Other Convicted Felons" for anyone sentenced to TDOC, released to community supervision, returned for a violation and awaiting a revocation hearing.

Total Locally Sentenced 2,446

Those locally sentenced have been convicted of a felony and have been sentenced to serve their time in a local jail, workhouse or other facility. This is generally for sentences of less than a year or less than two years in counties with a contract with TDOC. The largest counties keep local sentences up to six years.

Total Other Convicted Felons 771

Other convicted felons include those who have been convicted but who are still awaiting sentencing and those who have been convicted and sentenced, subsequently released to community supervision, returned for a violation of supervision conditions and awaiting a revocation hearing.

Total Pre-Trial Felony Detainees 11,045

Total Pre-Trial Misdemeanor Detainees 4,192

Total Federal/Other Detainees: 1,363

Total Convicted Misdemeanants 3,190

Capacity is determined at annual inspection by Tennessee Corrections Institute officials in accordance with minimum standards for local correctional facilities, authorized pursuant to T.C.A. § 41-4-140. Facilities consistently operating over capacity may be required to submit a Plan of Action that is reasonably expected to eliminate fixed ratio deficiencies in that facility to remain certified.

Capacity %	Facilities	Offenders	% Offenders
100 Plus	22	9,520	34.4%
95 to < 100	7	2,426	8.8%
90 to < 95	14	3,015	10.9%

Capacity %	Facilities	Offenders	% Offenders
75 to < 90	27	5,539	20.0%
50 to < 75	31	4,937	17.9%
Less than 50	9	2,212	8.0%

Jail population data reported monthly by county jail personnel. Inspection and certification data reported quarterly by Tennessee Correctional Institute.