Parole: Israel Prison Rehabilitation Authority

Number of Clients in RASHA (Israel Prison Rehabilitation Authority) by Type of Imprisonment and Release: Comparative View for 2017-2021

Data by Year:

2017: 1,816 Total

• Full Release: 268

• Administrative Early Release: 558

• One-Third Release (parole): 990

2018: 1,843 Total

• Full Release: 301

• Administrative Early Release: 574

• One-Third Release (parole): 968

2019: 1,850 Total

• Full Release: 338

• Administrative Early Release: 562

• One-Third Release (parole): 950

2020: 1,446 Total

• Full Release: 343

Administrative Early Release: 460

• One-Third Release (parole): 643

2021: 1,547 Total

• Full Release: 431

• Administrative Early Release: 469

• One-Third Release (parole): 647

Explanation

"Total" refers to the total number of clients treated by RASHA (Israel Prison Rehabilitation Authority) for each year from 2017 to 2021. This total includes all clients across the three categories of release: Full Release, Administrative Early Release, and One-Third Release. It does not necessarily represent the total number of prisoners released from prison in Israel, but rather the total number of individuals under RASHA's rehabilitation programs or supervision for that particular year.

In Israel, early release that is not part of the one-third release program is typically the result of administrative release. This type of release is different from the standard one-third release. It takes into account prison overcrowding.

One-third release, on the other hand, is a more structured form of early release where prisoners become eligible for release after serving two-thirds of their sentence, subject to certain conditions and approval processes. One-Third Release is determined by several key criteria, including good behavior in prison and active participation in prison rehabilitation programs. Prisoners must demonstrate compliance with prison rules and engage in various rehabilitation activities such as psychological treatment, vocational training, or educational courses. A crucial factor is evaluating the risk the prisoner may pose to society if released, including the likelihood of reoffending. These criteria aim to ensure the prisoner is prepared for reintegration and that early release does not endanger public safety.

Those released under the One-Third Release program through RASHA are effectively on conditional release (licensed prisoner), which is equivalent to **prisoner on parole.** This means that while they are no longer incarcerated, they must adhere to certain conditions and restrictions during their release period. During this parole-like period, individuals are under supervision and must comply with specific terms set by the authorities to maintain their freedom. If they violate these conditions, they may be returned to prison.

Prisoners who are treated by RASHA under Full Release or Administrative Early Release receive treatment on a **voluntary** basis.

Average supervision period (prisoners on parole): 9.5 months (6 months for short-term imprisonments).

RASHA (Israel Prison Rehabilitation Authority) Client Data 2018-2020

Year	Total Patients	Supervised	Voluntary	Women	Men	Jews	Non- Jews	Youth	Adults
2018	3,317	2,524	793	104	3,213	~50%	~50%	~190	~3,127
2019	3,272	2,504	768	86	3,186	~50%	~50%	364	2,908
2020	3,793	2,925	868	132	3,661	53%	47%	383	3,410

Percentage of patients in RASHA Main offense category

25.8%	Drugs
16.8%	Violence
11.2%	Property
10.9%	Sex
10.0%	Fraud and economic
8.6%	Against human life
7.6%	Weapons and criminal organizations
4.8%	Robbery
4.3%	Licensing and traffic offenses
100.0%	Total

Notes:

The percentages represent the proportion of patients or inmates in RASHA for each main offense category. The categories are listed in descending order of prevalence.

Clients under supervision of private entities:

Out of 1,164 early releases in 2021, 1,008 were released to RASHA programs and 156 to private programs (86.6%).

Number of violations:

2018: 81 (10 license revocations)2019: 159 (9 license revocations)2020: 151 (8 license revocations)