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Subject: Recidivism rate for NT prisoners

QUESTION

What is the current recidivism rate for prisoners in the Northern Territory? For example, how many will go on to commit a subsequent offence within 12 months of being released?

ANSWER

The NT recidivism rate in 2019–20 in regard to sentenced prisoners released in 2017–18 who returned to prison with a new sanction within two years was 60.8%. This is an increase from 2018–19 for which the figure was 59.4% of such prisoners returned within two years.