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Announcing Publication

Alaska Criminal Justice Data Analysis Commission

The Alaska Criminal Justice Data Analysis Commission (the Commission hereafter) is pleased to announce the publication of its *2026 Annual Report*.

The report provides recent data and research about Alaska's criminal justice system, including changes in the amount of reported crime throughout the state, a description of how the state courts handle criminal cases, and information about criminal convictions, incarceration, and recidivism. Topics of special interest include a report from the Department of Law about handling of sex offense cases, reports about the use of recidivism reduction funds from the state's tax on cannabis sales, and a summary of findings from the Data Commission's 2026 report about domestic violence cases in Alaska Courts.

The Commission was created by House Bill 291 and became effective on September 27, 2022. The Commission consists of sixteen members including representatives from the executive, legislative, and judicial branches of state government. The Alaska Judicial Council staffs the Commission.

The Commission’s research agenda and priorities are based on Article I, Sections 7 and 24 of the Alaska Constitution, and the issues of most pressing concern to the criminal justice system. The Commission is required to conduct data analysis, research, reports, or studies necessary to understand the functions, operations, and outcomes of

the criminal justice system, and to identify areas for improving the efficiency and effectiveness of the criminal justice system. The Commission also tracks and assesses outcomes and trends in the criminal justice system. The Commission submits an annual report to the governor and legislature on November 1 of each year, which began in 2023.

For further information regarding the Commission's annual report, contact the office of the Judicial Council at postmaster@ajc.state.ak.us, or call (907) 279-2526.

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