



Cook County State's Attorney's Office (CCSAO) February 2024 Report Chicago Ward 1

All incidents for the below cases occurred within Chicago Ward 1. CCSAO data in this report does not include misdemeanor charges.

1. Adult Felony Review & Prosecution

a) Overall

In February 2024, the CCSAO reviewed and made a charging decision for 8 adult felony cases in Chicago Ward 1. 8 cases were approved resulting in a **100% approval rate**. Overall, the CCSAO prosecuted 4 cases, and 3 of those cases were filed by the CCSAO, not directly filed by law enforcement. Of these CCSAO-filed adult felony cases, 2 were convicted, a **67% conviction rate**. The overall cases, including law enforcement direct file cases, where the CCSAO is not making charging decisions, 2 were convicted, a **50% conviction rate**.

Area	Felony Review			Prosecution Overall			Prosecution of SAO Filed		
	Reviewed	Approved*	Approval Rate	Prosecuted**	Guilty	Conviction Rate	Prosecuted	Guilty	Conviction Rate
Chicago Ward 1	8	8	100%	4	2	50%	3	2	67%
Chicago	951	798	84%	752	464	62%	565	424	75%

b) Top Reviewed & Prosecuted Adult Felony Categories

Chicago Ward 1

Ranking	Top Reviewed Category	Reviewed	Approved	App. Rate	Top Prosecuted Category	Prosecuted	Guilty	Conv. Rate
1	Criminal Damage to Property	2	2	100%	Unlawful Use of Weapons	2	1	50%
2	Other Offense	1	1	100%	Burglary	1	1	100%
3	Reckless Discharge of Firearm	1	1	100%	Narcotics	1	0	0%
4	Theft	1	1	100%	--	--	--	--
5	Unlawful Use of Weapons	1	1	100%	--	--	--	--

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Ranking	Top Reviewed Category	Reviewed	Approved	App. Rate	Top Prosecuted Category	Prosecuted	Guilty	Conv. Rate
1	Unlawful Use of Weapons	358	326	91%	Unlawful Use of Weapons	280	204	73%
2	Retail Theft	83	60	72%	Narcotics	194	47	24%
3	Possession of Stolen Motor Vehicle	51	42	82%	Homicide	31	28	90%
4	Aggravated Battery Police Officer	49	43	88%	Burglary	25	21	84%
5	Sex Crimes	47	20	43%	Aggravated DUI	21	19	90%

c) Felony Review & Prosecution by Race

Race	Chicago Ward 1						Chicago					
	Reviewed	Approved	App. Rate	Prosecuted	Guilty	Conv. Rate	Reviewed	Approved	App. Rate	Prosecuted	Guilty	Conv. Rate
Black	4	4	100%	1	1	100%	563	480	85%	565	366	65%
White	1	1	100%	1	0	0%	78	66	85%	39	14	36%
Latinx	2	2	100%	0	0	--	157	132	84%	112	70	63%
Asian	0	0	--	0	0	--	5	4	80%	6	3	50%
Biracial	0	0	--	1	1	100%	10	10	100%	7	6	86%
Other	0	0	--	0	0	--	0	0	--	0	0	--
Unknown	1	1	100%	1	0	0%	200	161	81%	23	5	22%

2. Adult Felony Diversion

a) Overall



In February 2024, the CCSAO referred 0 defendants in Chicago Ward 1 to a diversion program. 1 defendant graduated from their diversion program and 0 defendants failed their diversion program. The overall graduation rate is 100%.

Area	Total Referral***	Total Graduated	Total Failed	Graduation Rate
Chicago Ward 1	0	1	0	100%
Chicago	77	45	9	83%

b) Top Diverted Adult Felony Categories

Chicago Ward 1

Ranking	Top Diverted Category	Total Referral	Total Graduated	Total Failed	Graduation Rate
1	Unlawful Use of Weapons	0	1	0	100%

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Ranking	Top Diverted Category	Total Referral	Total Graduated	Total Failed	Graduation Rate
1	Narcotics	33	33	9	79%
2	Unlawful Use of Weapons	23	7	0	100%
3	Aggravated Battery Police Officer	4	0	0	--
4	Armed Robbery	3	0	0	--
5	Criminal Damage to Property	2	0	0	--

c) Diversion by Race

Chicago Ward 1

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Race	Total Referral	Total Graduated	Total Failed	Graduation Rate	Total Referral	Total Graduated	Total Failed	Graduation Rate
Black	0	0	0	--	40	29	7	81%
White	0	0	0	--	8	3	2	60%
Latinx	0	0	0	--	12	9	0	100%
Asian	0	0	0	--	0	0	0	--
Biracial	0	0	0	--	2	0	0	--
Other	0	0	0	--	0	0	0	--
Unknown	0	1	0	100%	15	4	0	100%

3. Incidents & Arrests

Please note that numbers reported in this section are based on data provided by the Chicago Police Department (CPD) and includes misdemeanor and felony incidents. This data only reflects incidents that took place in Chicago Ward 1.

a) Overall

In February 2024, CPD received 427 criminal incident reports from Chicago Ward 1 and 19 incidents resulted in at least one offender being arrested. The overall arrest rate is 4%. In total, 20 offenders were arrested.

Area	Reported Incidents	Incidents with Arrest	Arrest Rate****	Arrested Offenders
Chicago Ward 1	427	19	4%	20



b) Top Reported & Top Arrested Incidents

Ranking	Top Reported					Top Arrested				
	Top Reported Category****	Reported Incidents	Incidents with Arrest	Arrest Rate	Arrested Offenders	Top Arrested Category	Reported Incidents	Incidents with Arrest	Arrest Rate	Arrested Offenders
1	Theft*****	174	2	1%	2	Deceptive Practice	18	3	17%	3
2	Criminal Damage	47	1	2%	1	Battery	39	3	8%	3
3	Battery	39	3	8%	3	Motor Vehicle Theft	36	2	6%	3
4	Motor Vehicle Theft	36	2	6%	3	Theft	174	2	1%	2
5	Traffic - Hit and Run	36	1	3%	1	Traffic - Hit and Run	36	1	3%	1

c) Violent Incidents

Violent Incident Category	Reported Incidents	Incidents with Arrest	Arrest Rate	Arrested Offenders
Armed Robbery	4	1	25%	1
Sex Crimes	4	1	25%	1
Battery	39	3	8%	3
Assault	17	1	6%	1
Domestic Violence	18	1	6%	1
Robbery	6	0	0%	0

* The CCSAO's first contact with a felony case typically occurs through the Felony Review process. If an arresting agency decides to charge the arrestee with a felony, the CCSAO's Felony Review Unit (FRU) must be contacted to **review the evidence** and decide whether charges can be filed. Law enforcement can only directly file felonies under limited circumstances, such as narcotics cases, non-felony traffic offenses, and misdemeanors. Once the review process is complete, the FRU will either **approve** or **decline** to file the charges or choose to **continue** the case for the police to further investigate. **Approve**: Sufficient facts and evidence support felony charges. **Decline**: the evidence presented is insufficient to support felony charges. If felony charges are not approved by the CCSAO, police can refile the case as a misdemeanor. If initial charges are declined, the CCSAO can review additional evidence if presented in the future. The **approval rate** is calculated by dividing the number of approved cases by the total number of reviewed cases. For example, the FRU reviewed 55 robbery cases - approved 50 and declined 5. The approval rate would be 50 / (50+5) = 91%. Sometimes the FRU will determine that there is not enough information yet from law enforcement to approve or decline charges, so they will classify the case as a Continued Investigation (CI). CI'd case numbers are not included here.

** **Prosecuted**: A case is moved through the system to a conclusion of guilty or not guilty; **Guilty**: defendant was determined to be guilty of criminal charges; **Conviction rate**: Number of guilty dispositions (plea of guilty, finding of guilty, or verdict of guilty) divided by the number of cases prosecuted. Cases that reached disposition during this year may have been initiated prior to this timeframe.

*** Diversion can occur at many points throughout the criminal justice process. As the prosecuting body for Cook County, diversion for the CCSAO refers to connecting defendants to services and programs (e.g., assistance with substance abuse, employment, mental health treatment, etc.), rather than sentencing them to time in custody. Assistant State's Attorneys screen cases and refer eligible defendants to diversion programs. There are pre-plea and post-plea court-based diversion programs available in Cook County; five are pre-plea diversion programs overseen by the CCSAO, and three are post-plea programs overseen by the Office of the Chief Judge. [Learn more about Cook County diversion programs](#). **Referral** is the number of individuals referred to a diversion program. **Graduated** is the number of individuals who successfully completed a diversion program. **Failed** is the number of people who either dropped out of a diversion program or were disqualified from the program (for example getting rearrested). The **graduation rate** is defined as the number of graduates divided by the number of individuals who either graduated or failed a program.

**** **Arrest Rate**: Number of criminal incidents that resulted in at least one offender being arrested divided by the total number of reported criminal incidents.

***** Reported Incidents are categorized by the CPD using [Illinois Uniform Crime Reporting \(IUCR\) Codes](#). Exception: An incident is categorized as **Shooting** when the incident report mentioned people being shot. Shooting incidents commonly include homicide, reckless discharge of firearm, etc.

***** Theft includes, but is not limited to: Under \$500, Retail Theft, Pocket-Picking, and Purse Snatching.