

Cook County State's Attorney's Office (CCSAO) January 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 January 2024, the CCSAO reviewed and made a charging decision for 7 adult felony cases in Chicago Ward 1. 5 cases were approved resulting in a **71% approval rate.** Overall, the CCSAO prosecuted 6 cases, and 3 of those cases were filed by the CCSAO, not directly filed by law enforcement. Of these CCSAO-filed adult felony cases, 1 was convicted, a **33% conviction rate.** The overall cases, including law enforcement direct file cases, where the CCSAO is not making charging decisions, 1 were convicted, a **17% conviction rate.**

	Felony Review			Prosecution Overall			Prosecution of SAO Filed		
Area	Reviewed	Approved*	Approval Rate	Prosecuted**	Guilty	Conviction Rate	Prosecuted	Guilty	Conviction Rate
Chicago Ward 1	7	5	71%	6	1	17%	3	1	33%
Chicago	900	725	81%	877	532	61%	665	490	74%

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	Unlawful Use of Weapons	3	3	100%	Narcotics	3	0	0%
2	Failure to Register as a Sex Offender	1	1	100%	Burglary	2	1	50%
3	Homicide	1	1	100%	Residential Burglary	1	0	0%
4	Retail Theft	1	0	0%				
5	Theft	1	0	0%				

Chicago

Ranking	Top Reviewed Category	Reviewed	Approved	App. Rate	Top Prosecuted Category	Prosecuted	Guilty	Conv. Rate
1	Unlawful Use of Weapons	387	327	84%	Unlawful Use of Weapons	313	243	78%
2	Retail Theft	66	38	58%	Narcotics	224	48	21%
3	Sex Crimes	43	25	58%	Homicide	39	36	92%
4	Aggravated Battery Police Officer	42	37	88%	Burglary	34	25	74%
5	Homicide	38	29	76%	Aggravated Battery Police Officer	33	27	82%

c) Felony Review & Prosecution by Race

	Chicago Ward 1					Chicago						
Race	Reviewed	Approved	App. Rate	Prosecuted	Guilty	Conv. Rate	Reviewed	Approved	App. Rate	Prosecuted	Guilty	Conv. Rate
Black	1	1	100%	3	0	0%	507	433	85%	634	398	63%
White	0	0		2	1	50%	44	32	73%	71	37	52%
Latinx	3	3	100%	1	0	0%	157	122	78%	112	73	65%
Asian	0	0		0	0		7	7	100%	11	3	27%
Biracial	0	0		0	0		2	2	100%	11	9	82%
Other	0	0		0	0		0	0		1	0	0%
Unknown	3	1	33%	0	0		237	178	75%	36	11	31%



2. Adult Felony Diversion

a) Overall

In January 2024, the CCSAO referred 1 defendant in Chicago Ward 1 to a diversion program. 0 defendants graduated from their diversion program and 0 defendants failed their diversion program.

Area	Total Referral***	Total Graduated	Total Failed	Graduation Rate
Chicago Ward 1	1	0	0	
Chicago	81	46	20	70%

b) Top Diverted Adult Felony Categories

Chicago	Ward 1				
Ranking	Top Diverted Category	Total Referral	Total Graduated	Total Failed	Graduation Rate
1	Burglary	1	1 0		
Chicago					
Ranking	Top Diverted Category	Total Referral	Total Graduated	Total Failed	Graduation Rate
1	Unlawful Use of Weapons	22	9	1	90%
2	Narcotics	13	29	9	76%
3	Retail Theft	11	4	1	80%
4	Burglary	10	0	1	0%
5	Aggravated Battery Police Officer	8	0	4	0%

c) Diversion by Race

Chicago Ward 1

Chicago

Race	Total Referral	Total Graduated	Total Failed	Graduation Rate	Total Referral	Total Graduated	Total Failed	Graduation Rate
Black	0	0	0		39	24	17	59%
White	1	0	0		14	7	2	78%
Latinx	0	0	0		11	8	0	100%
Asian	0	0	0		1	2	0	100%
Biracial	0	0	0		0	0	0	
Other	0	0	0		0	0	0	
Unknown	0	0	0		16	5	1	83%

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 January 2024, CPD received 437 criminal incident reports from Chicago Ward 1 and 38 incidents resulted in at least one offender being arrested. The overall arrest rate is 9%. In total, 43 offenders were arrested.

Area	Reported Incidents	Incidents with Arrest	Arrest Rate****	Arrested Offenders
Chicago Ward 1	437	38	9%	43



b) Top Reported & Top Arrested Incidents

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Ranking	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*****	168	10	6%	12	Theft	168	10	6%	12	
2	Motor Vehicle Theft	44	0	0%	0	Assault	17	8	47%	8	
3	Criminal Damage	42	0	0%	0	Domestic Violence	16	5	31%	5	
4	Traffic - Hit and Run	38	0	0%	0	Battery	15	3	20%	3	
5	Deceptive Practice	23	0	0%	0	Criminal Trespass	9	2	22%	3	

c) Violent Incidents

Violent Incident Category	Reported Incidents	Incidents with Arrest	Arrest Rate	Arrested Offenders
Robbery	2	1	50%	3
Assault	17	8	47%	8
Domestic Violence	16	5	31%	5
Battery	15	3	20%	3
Armed Robbery	16	0	0%	0
Reckless Firearm Discharge	3	0	0%	0
Sex Crimes	2	0	0%	0
Vehicular Hijacking	1	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'ed 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 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.