



# The Commonwealth of Massachusetts Middlesex Sheriff's Office



## MEMORANDUM

To: Sheriff Peter J. Koutoujian  
From: PREA Coordinator Regina Faticanti  
Re: 2023 PREA Aggregated

In accordance with 115.88 Data Review for Corrective Action, the MSO completes an annual report in order to assess and improve the effectiveness of reduction of sexual abuse and sexual harassment. Through training in prevention, detection and response our policies and practices provide great assistance in completing the elimination of such acts.

The MSO may redact specific material from this and future PREA reports when the publication would present a clear and specific threat to the safety and security of the facility. Any redacted material must have a general statement to indicate that the material has been removed from the report.

The timeline for data collected shown in the below graph below is calendar year 2022.

During this time period there were a total of two (2) **Inmate on Inmate Nonconsensual Sexual Acts-** allegations up from one (1) in the previous year, one (1) substantiated and one (1) unfounded.

During this time period there were a total of twelve (12) **Inmate on Inmate Sexual Abuse-** allegations same as in the previous year, two (2) are substantiated, eight (8) unsubstantiated, and two (2) unfounded.

During this time period there were a total of ten (10) **Inmate on Inmate Sexual Harassment** allegations, up one (1) from last year, two (2) substantiated, eight (8) were unsubstantiated.

During this time period there were two (2) **Staff on Inmate Sexual Harassment** allegations up from one (1) in the previous year. Two (2) unsubstantiated.

During this time period there were a total of three (3) **Staff Sexual Misconduct Allegations** up one (1) in the previous year. Two (2) unsubstantiated and one (1) was unfounded.



## PREA Data Collection 2022

Category	Substantiated	Unsubstantiated	Unfounded	Total
Inmate-Inmate Non-Consensual Sexual Acts	1	0	1	2
Inmate-Inmate Sexual Abuse	2	8	2	12
Inmate-Inmate Sexual Harassment	2	8	0	10
Staff-Inmate Sexual Harassment	0	2	1	3
Staff Sexual Misconduct	0	2	0	2
Total	5	20	4	29

### Aggregated data on Sexual Abuse Allegations and Comparison to Prior Use

The MSO has a zero-tolerance policy for sexual abuse. As such every allegation, report and/or discovery of sexual activity is investigated as if a PREA event occurred. Only after a full investigation are events defined as PREA violation or otherwise (i.e., consensual but unauthorized sexual activity that does not qualify as PREA).