



**PA Department of Corrections  
House Appropriations Follow Up Questions**

**1. How many incarcerated individuals have what is considered a “chronic medical condition”?**

Below is a breakdown per facility of individuals diagnosed with a chronic medical condition which is defined in DOC policy as “a disease process that requires care and treatment over a long period and usually is not cured. Examples of chronic illness include asthma, heart disease, diabetes, hypertension, and some physical disabilities that limit a person’s normal functions”.

Summary of Chronic Inmates Per Site

	Total Population	Chronic DX Count	Percent
Albion	1,991	994	50%
Benner	1,677	871	52%
Cambridge Springs	824	547	66%
Camp Hill	2,188	1,020	47%
Chester	1,083	543	50%
Coal Township	1,575	763	48%
Dallas	1,751	980	56%
Fayette	1,941	1,015	52%
Forest	2,095	883	42%
Frackville	990	478	48%
Greene	1,458	660	45%
Houtzdale	2,280	1,081	47%
Huntingdon	1,535	774	50%
Laurel Highlands	1,137	710	62%
Mahanoy	2,021	1,077	53%
Mercer	923	514	56%
Muncy	1,004	663	66%
Phoenix	2,922	1,532	52%
Pine Grove	901	330	37%
Quehanna	380	181	48%
Rockview	1,766	913	52%
Smithfield	1,170	542	46%
Somerset	1,868	951	51%
Waymart	779	490	63%
<b>DOC Total</b>	<b>36,259</b>	<b>18,512</b>	<b>51%</b>

**2. What is the total average cost of a DOC employee, including all benefits?**

Total average salary for DOC employees who are eligible to retire at age 50/55 and have care custody and control of the incarcerated population.			
AVERAGE SALARY - Age 50/55			TOTAL
OPTION 1	TOTAL SALARY	TOTAL BEN	SALARY & BEN
H1 - COT	\$42,273	\$39,368	\$82,000
H1 - CO1	\$62,509	\$50,185	\$113,000
H1 - CO2	\$77,096	\$57,981	\$135,000
H3 - CO3	\$83,589	\$61,452	\$145,000
H3 - CO4	\$101,902	\$71,240	\$173,000
H3 - CO5	\$120,861	\$81,374	\$202,000
All Other H1	\$62,777	\$50,328	\$113,000
All Other H3	\$107,569	\$74,269	\$182,000

Total average salary for DOC employees who are eligible for retirement at age 60/65 and do not have care custody and control of the incarcerated population.			
AVERAGE SALARY - Age 60/65			TOTAL
OPTION 1	TOTAL SALARY	TOTAL BEN	SALARY & BEN
Medical Care ( 10011)	\$ 70,882	\$ 51,442	\$ 122,000
Education (10012)	\$ 69,350	\$ 50,692	\$ 120,000
SCI (10013)	\$ 62,449	\$ 47,317	\$ 110,000
GGO (10014)	\$ 81,951	\$ 56,856	\$ 139,000
OVA ( 10014)	\$ 64,811	\$ 48,472	\$ 113,000
GGO - Parole (10014)	\$ 66,066	\$ 49,086	\$ 115,000
Supervision (11116)	\$ 65,758	\$ 48,936	\$ 115,000
Board (11117)	\$ 81,984	\$ 56,872	\$ 139,000
SOAB (11119)	\$ 73,489	\$ 52,717	\$ 126,000
CI (20234)	\$ 70,297	\$ 51,156	\$ 121,000

**3. How many employees used the full 60 day COVID leave authorized under Act 17?**

To date, three employees have used the full 60 day COVID leave.

#### 4. What was the average length of leave used under Act 17?

Average length of days: 9.31 days

Average length for hours: 74.45 hours

#### 5. What is the average cost of a geriatric incarcerated person?

DOC calculates average costs of our population per facility. We are not able to do so specifically for a certain age group; however we can compare our total statewide average cost per day of **\$163.28 / day (\$59,598/year)** with a facility like Laurel Highlands which has a high percentage of geriatric individuals which is **\$308.56/ day (\$112,625/year)**.

#### 6. What was the total spend on COVID from DOC?

In FY20-21, the DOC was allocated **\$1.275B in Coronavirus Relief Fund** dollars to cover salaries and benefits for staff performing duties that have significantly changed due to COVID-19 mitigation efforts. We have also received **\$4M (FY19-20) from the Department of Justice (DOJ)** for reopening SCI-Retreat as our intake and quarantine prison at the beginning of the pandemic. We will receive **approximately \$30M from the DOH/CDC** for COVID-19 testing of staff and inmates. Finally, we are projecting to receive a total of **\$198M** for COVID-19 related costs that were reimbursed through FEMA.

#### 7. What are the costs of the long-term care units

The Department determines costs per facility and not per housing unit so we do not have specific costs for just the long-term care units. However, SCI Laurel Highlands has more skilled care and personal care beds than any other SCI. The average cost per individual housed at SCI Laurel Highlands is \$308.56 per day or \$112,625 annually. Statewide average cost per person is \$163.28 per day or \$59,598 annually.