

# Toledo Correctional Institution Inspection Brief

## Correctional Institution Inspection Committee

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### Institution Profile

- Toledo, Ohio (Lucas County)
- Level 3/4 (close/maximum)
- Population: 1,053 (as of October 2015)
  - 60.3% Black, 36.5% White, 3.2% Other
  - Average age: 34.2
- TOCI has experienced significant change over the past several years. In 2012, the facility added maximum security inmates and double-celled the close security inmates. Violence – including four homicides – resulted. In response, the DRC decreased the inmate population and increased staffing, among other measures that have drastically improved the prison since that time.

### Inspection Overview

**Safety and Security: Good**

**Health and Wellbeing: Acceptable**

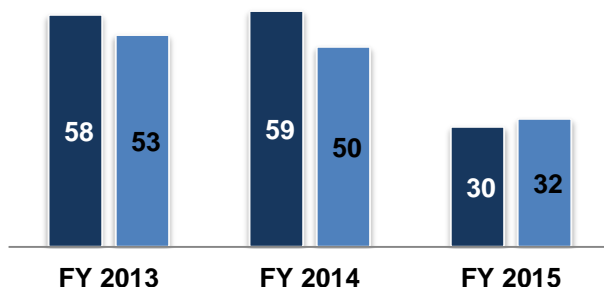
**Fair Treatment: Good**

**Reentry and Rehabilitation: Exceptional**

**Fiscal Accountability: Good**

### Assaults

■ Inmate on Staff ■ Inmate on Inmate



### Key Findings

- **Violence:** The rate of inmate disciplinary convictions for assaults decreased by 24.1 percent during CY 2014 in comparison to CY 2013. Fights and disturbances also decreased.
- **Use of Force:** Accountability, including video documentation, has increased and overall uses of force have decreased. However, several incidents were deemed unjustified by DRC staff.
- **Unit Conditions:** Each of the units appeared clean, with few maintenance concerns.
- **Medical Services:** Staffing appears sufficient; however, there were small backlogs for inmate appointments.
- **Mental Health:** Staffing appeared to be adequate and there were no reported backlogs.
- **Staff/Inmate Interactions:** Survey results were mixed.
- **Segregation:** TOCI has proactively worked to reduce its segregation population and increase out-of-cell time, including programming.
- **Reentry Planning:** Release planning documentation was excellent and staff attend local reentry coalitions and hold reentry/job fairs. However, reentry preparation for maximum security inmates in particular could be improved.
- **Literacy:** Academic enrollment has improved, although still below comparator prisons. Library access is acceptable.
- **Fiscal:** Total utility costs and overtime have decreased. TOCI also graduates a large number of inmates from an environmental literacy program. Officer survey results were negative, though.