

# Warren Correctional Institution Inspection Brief

## Correctional Institution Inspection Committee

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### Institution Profile

- Lebanon, Ohio (Warren County)
- Level 3 (close security)
- Population: 1,420 (as of 10/2013)
  - Capacity: 794
  - 54.1% Black, 44.6% White, 1.3% Other
  - Average age: 32.1
- WCI has traditionally been one of the less problematic Level 3 prisons, with fewer inmate complaints and a calmer atmosphere. However, in the past year it has reportedly received more disciplinary inmates and an influx of inmates on the mental health caseload, which both present challenges.

### Inspection Overview

**Safety and Security: Acceptable**

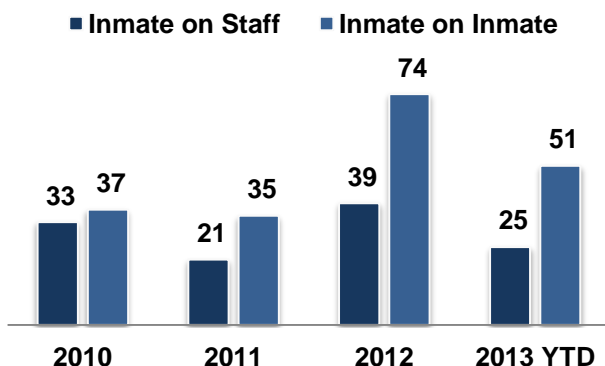
**Health and Wellbeing: Good**

**Fair Treatment: Acceptable**

**Reentry and Rehabilitation: Acceptable**

**Fiscal Accountability: Good**

### Assaults



### Key Findings

- **Assaults:** Total inmate-on-inmate assaults decreased by 15.0%, comparing the first six months of 2012 to 2013. Inmate-on-staff assaults decreased by 47.6%.
- **Fights:** The rate of rule 19 (fight) convictions increased by 31.0% from 2012 to 2013 and is the highest in the DRC.
- **Use of Force:** Total uses of force decreased by 13.9% between 2012 and 2013. The rate was lower than comparator prisons.
- **Control of Illegal Substances:** WCI reported a lower percentage of inmates testing positive for illegal substances than comparator prisons and the DRC average.
- **Healthcare:** There was zero backlog for both medical and mental health services.
- **Staff/Inmate Interactions:** Overall survey responses and observed interactions were positive.
- **Segregation:** Almost 10% of the total inmate population is in segregation and the unit raised concerns.
- **Access to Purposeful Activities:** WCI has a broad range of activities, but it is unclear what access the majority of inmates have to the activities.
- **Quality of Programming:** The total number of academic certificates achieved remained stable from FY 2012 to 2013, and the total number of GEDs passed increased.
- **Reentry Planning:** WCI has an accountability system to ensure reentry planning occurs for each inmate approaching release and the reentry resource center is operational.
- **Fiscal:** Overtime decreased from CY 2011 to 2012, vacancies and turnover were average; staff morale was average, although staff praised supervisors and the Warden.