

Definition of Recidivism for Alaska

Recidivism can and has been defined by various researchers and agencies in Alaska in a variety of ways over the years, depending upon the purpose(s) of the inquiries.

The legislature has passed a statute directing the Alaska Criminal Justice Commission to report recidivism as follows:

44.19.647(a)(3):

(A) the percentage of inmates who return to prison within three years after release, broken down by offense type and risk level; and

(B) the percentage of inmates who return to prison within three years after release for a new criminal conviction, broken down by offense type and risk level.