

# SIU Authorizations: October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2024 to December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2024

## (Quarterly Report Q3)

National SIU authorizations increased in the third quarter of the 2024 to 2025 fiscal year.

### Background

As part of a quarterly series highlighting trends in Structured Intervention Units (SIUs) within the Correctional Service of Canada (CSC), the current analysis examines SIU authorizations in the third quarter (Q3) of the 2024 to 2025 fiscal year (i.e., October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2024, to December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2024).

### Overview of Authorizations

In Q3 of the 2024 to 2025 fiscal year:

- There were 706 new authorizations to an SIU, an increase from 612 in quarter 2 (and a decrease from the quarterly average of 722 in the 2023 to 2024 fiscal year).
- The average number of new monthly authorizations in Q3 was 235, representing around 1.6% of the in-custody population.
- Most (96%) authorizations occurred at men's institutions.

### Regional Trends

Average monthly SIU authorizations in Q3 represented 1.4% of the in-custody population in the Atlantic region, 2.6% in the Quebec region, 1.7% in the Ontario region, 1.0% in the Prairie region, and 1.4% in the Pacific region.

A majority of SIU authorizations in all regions commenced at an SIU site rather than a Restricted Movement (RM) site.<sup>1</sup> However, in the Ontario region, 47% of authorizations commenced at a RM site (compared to 16% to 30% in other regions).

### Authorization Reason

In Q3, 49% of authorizations were justified under 34.1 A (security) of the [Corrections and Conditional Release Act \(CCRA\)](#); a decrease from the percentage in Q1 and Q2 (53%), while 46% were

justified under 34.1 B (safety). Authorizations justified under 34.1 C (investigation) remained relatively uncommon (5%). Regional variation with respect to trends in transfer reason is presented in Table 2.

Table 1. SIU Authorization Count per Month by Region, 2024 to 2025 Fiscal Year Q3.

Month	Region					Total
	Atlantic	Quebec	Ontario	Prairie	Pacific	
Oct.	11	102	61	45	21	240
Nov.	18	75	86	44	26	249
Dec.	26	64	59	41	27	217
Total	55	241	206	130	74	706

Table 2. SIU Authorization Reason by Region, 2024 to 2025 Fiscal Year Q3.

Reason	Region					Total
	Atlantic	Quebec	Ontario	Prairie	Pacific	
34.1 A	15	154	83	62	32	346
34.1 B	38	87	95	66	36	322
34.1 C	2	0	28	2	6	38
Total	55	241	206	130	74	706

### Discussion

SIU authorization counts increased in the third quarter of the 2024 to 2025 fiscal year; trends remained marked by regional variation. Consistent with ongoing trends, authorizations remained highest in the Quebec region, with the majority justified under 34.1 A (security) of the CCRA.

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<sup>1</sup> Not all institutions have an SIU. Inmates who are incarcerated at a non-SIU site who have been authorized to transfer to an SIU can be subject to restricted movement for up to five working days. See: [Commissioner's Directive 711](#).