

## Solicitation of Child to Engage in Sexual Conduct: Sentenced 2019-2023

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**Information Requested:** Sentencing data for Solicitation of Child to Engage in Sexual Conduct, § 609.352 subd. 2.

**Analysis:**

- Sentenced 2019-2023
- Solicitation of Child to Engage in Sexual Conduct, § 609.352 subd. 2
- Excludes attempts under Minn. Stat. § 609.17 and conspiracies under Minn. Stat. § 609.175
- Departure rates by Criminal History Score

From 2019-2023, 36 cases were sentenced for Solicitation of Child to Engage in Sexual Conduct, § 609.352 subd. 2. 34 (87.2%) had a presumptive stayed disposition and five (12.8%) had a presumptive disposition of commit. Zero (0.0%) cases received a mitigated dispositional departure, and zero (0.0%) cases received an aggravated dispositional departure. Of the six people who received an executed prison sentence, one (16.7%) received a mitigated durational departure and zero (0.0%) received an aggravated durational departure.

**Table 1. Solicitation of Child to Engage in Sexual Conduct, § 609.352 subd. 2: Sentenced 2019-2023**

CHS	Total	Presumptive Disposition		Dispositional Departure			Durational Departure (prison only)		
		Stay	Commit	None	Aggravated	Mitigated	None	Aggravated	Mitigated
0	27	27	0	27	0	0	0	0	0
	100.0%	100.0%	0.0%	100.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
1	5	5	0	5	0	0	0	0	0
	100.0%	100.0%	0.0%	100.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	100.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
3	2	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	1
	100.0%	100.0%	0.0%	100.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	100.0%
4	1	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	0
	100.0%	0.0%	100.0%	100.0%	0.0%	0.0%	100.0%	0.0%	0.0%
5	3	0	3	3	0	0	3	0	0
	100.0%	0.0%	100.0%	100.0%	0.0%	0.0%	100.0%	0.0%	0.0%
6+	1	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	0
	100.0%	0.0%	100.0%	100.0%	0.0%	0.0%	100.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Total	39	34	5	39	0	0	5	0	1
	100.0%	87.2%	12.8%	100.0%	0.0%	0.0%	83.3%	0.0%	16.7%

MSGC did not receive data on the reason for the single mitigated durational departure. The prosecutor agreed to/recommended/did not object to the departure in this single case.