

CORECIVIC

INVESTOR RISK BRIEF

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Regulatory scrutiny

U.S. federal and international regulatory authorities advanced costly investigations.

- In May 2025, the Ranking Member of the Senate Judiciary Committee **increased federal oversight** of CoreCivic, demanding business and contracting data in a long-term fight over public transparency.
- In July 2025, the United Kingdom advanced **investigations into Barclays and HSBC over passive investments in CoreCivic through index funds**, alleged to violate the Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development's human rights guidelines.

Local opposition

Local opposition to CoreCivic facilities shows growing long-term reputational risk.

- In June 2025, a New Mexico's **sitting U.S. Senator called for closure of the Torrance County Detention Facility**, bringing a local campaign into the national mainstream.
- In June 2025, a TN District Attorney and sheriff called for **ending CoreCivic's contract** at TN's largest prison following a riot linked to inadequate staffing practices. In July 2025, TN **Republican state legislators joined calls for ousting CoreCivic** and a deeper investigation into the issue.
- In July 2025, the city of Leavenworth, KS **won a preliminary injunction** against opening of CoreCivic facility.

Labor and wage litigation

CoreCivic's labor and wage practices expose it to nationwide legal liability.

- In July 2025, CoreCivic **petitioned a TN federal court** for more time to reach a settlement for an undisclosed sum of **a class action lawsuit alleging overtime wage violations** under the federal Fair Labor Standards Act and state wage laws. The plaintiffs represent a nationwide and state classes of CoreCivic employees.

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FreeCap Financial is a research company that provides investors and money managers with intelligent, racial justice-oriented data that helps them leverage capital markets to dismantle the prison industrial complex—a necessary step to end mass incarceration.



Liability for chronic understaffing

- In May 2025, a federal court in Tennessee scheduled trial in **a wrongful death suit for a man killed at a CoreCivic facility** due to security failures caused by understaffing.
- In May 2025, an incarcerated man sued CoreCivic after he was **sexually assaulted** at TN's Trousdale Turner Correction Center, a facility under investigation by the Department of Justice for high rates of violence and death.
- In June 2025, national media reported a lawsuit against for insufficient staffing that caused the **murder of a man one day prior to scheduled release** from a CoreCivic facility in Clifton, TN.
- In July 2025, **CoreCivic settled a medical negligence suit** for an undisclosed sum stemming from failure to treat an abdominal abscess of a man incarcerated at AZ's Saguaro Correctional Center.

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