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Report on Deadly Tecumseh Prison Riot Released

LINCOLN, Neb. (AP) - A report investigating a deadly riot at a Nebraska prison says too many inmates were outside their cells at the time of the incident.

The report distributed Monday says multiple inmates at Tecumseh State Correctional Institution were released simultaneously for medication distribution. That led to a large gathering in the prison courtyard.

There were 57 staff members at the facility, the minimum allowed for monitoring the 1,024 inmates.

The report, written by an administrator for the Washington state corrections department, recommends that facility personnel change several procedures. That includes adding more rules for dispensing inmate medication and monitoring inmates.

The May 10 uprising led to the death of two inmates. The facility remains on lockdown, although inmates have been allowed to have visitors and some access to outdoor recreation yards.

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