

Maryland Juvenile Justice Reform Council



Department of Juvenile Services

July 1, 2021

DJS COVID-19 FACILTY RESPONSE UPDATES

DJS has held 34
Vaccination Clinics
around the State
&
Vaccinated nearly
500 Staff and 70
Youth

DJS Continues to Implement
MDH and CDC Guidance and
Mitigation Strategies in
Detention & Committed
Facilities:

- ✓ Testing of Youth
- ✓ Universal Testing of Staff
 - ✓ Masking
 - ✓ Vaccination Clinics

Family
Visitation &
Activities

Facility Base Programming

MSDE
Teachers
Return for InPerson
Learning

Resume Off-Campus Activities

Home passes are permitted

DJS COVID-19 COMMUNITY RESPONSE OVERVIEW

Continuous Communication Strategies with Stakeholders and Executive Oversight Over All Out-of-Home Placements:

- ✓ Weekly Stakeholder Calls
- ✓ Weekly Executive Detention

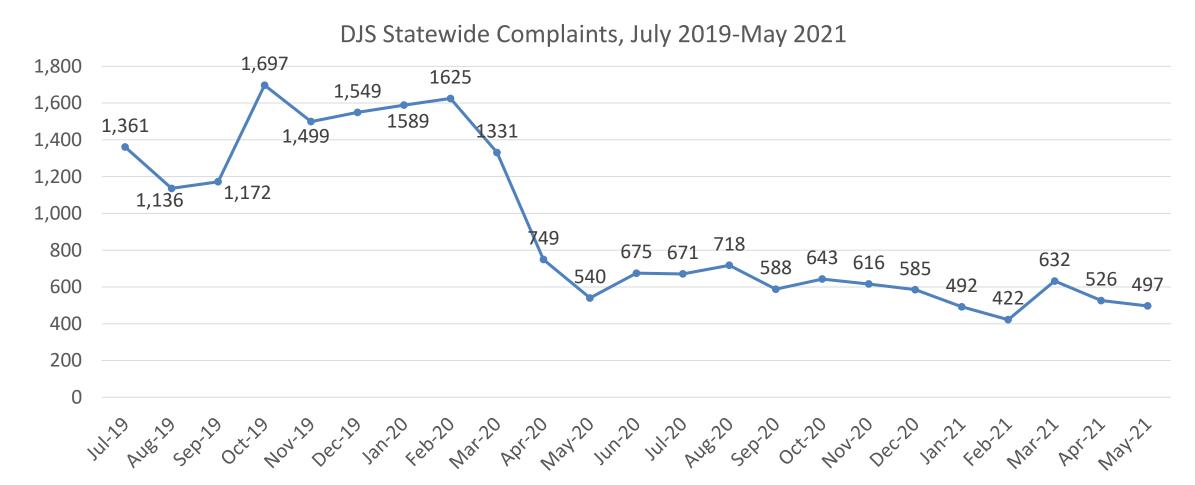
 Reviews
- ✓ 2x Monthly Reviews of all Committed Youth
- ✓ Continue to Leverage Virtual Contacts & Hearings when Appropriate

Community Offices are Re-opened Staff Work
Flexible
Hybrid
Schedules

Increase
CommunityBased
Contacts with
Youth

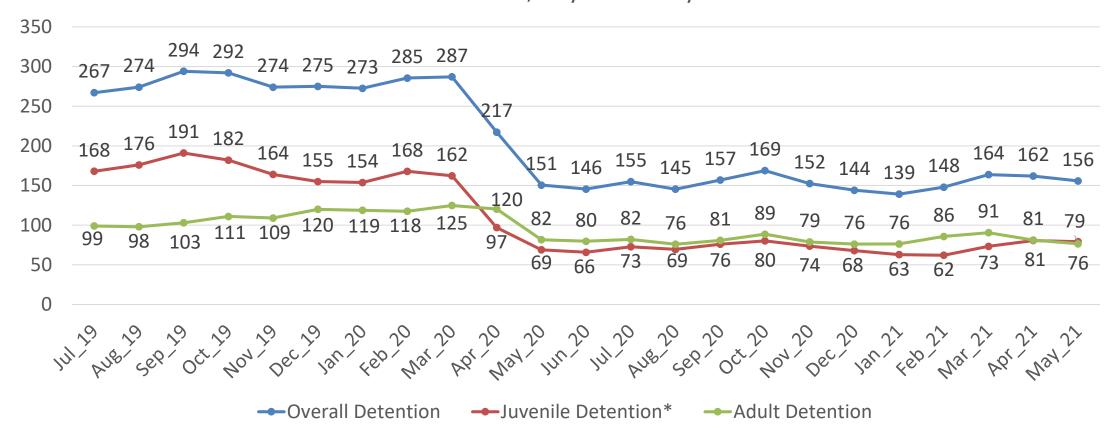
Resume In-Person Community Base Programming Prepare to Support Transitions Back to School

Statewide, DJS Complaints Dropped 68.7% Since January 2020



Detention ADP Down 42.9% Since January 2020

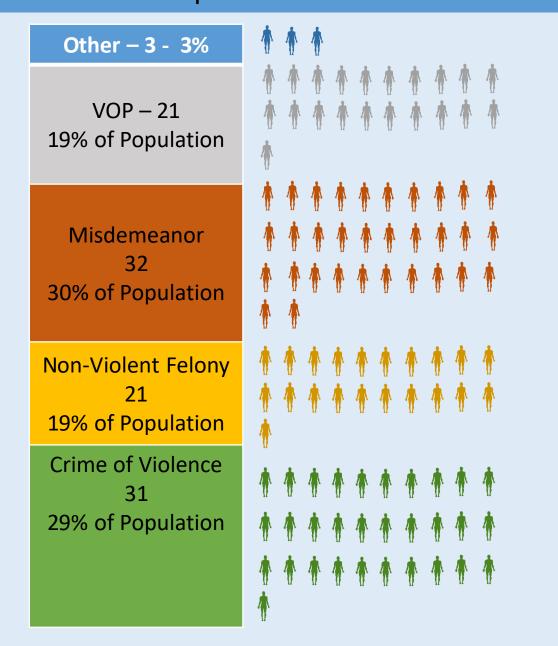
Detention ADP, July 2019-May 2021

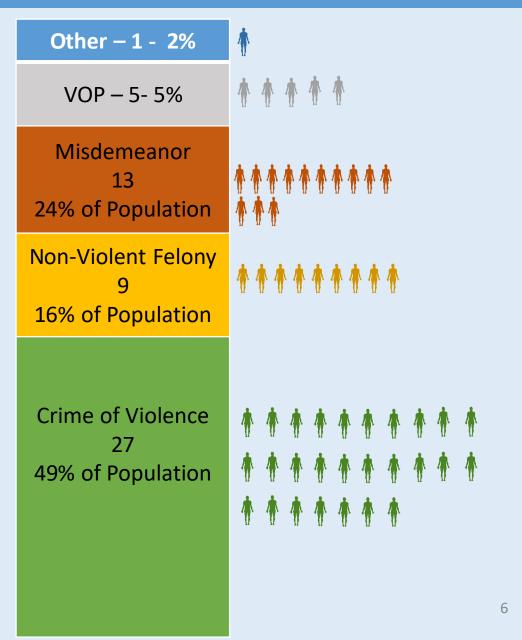


^{*} Juvenile detention includes both Pre-Disposition and Pending Placement detention.

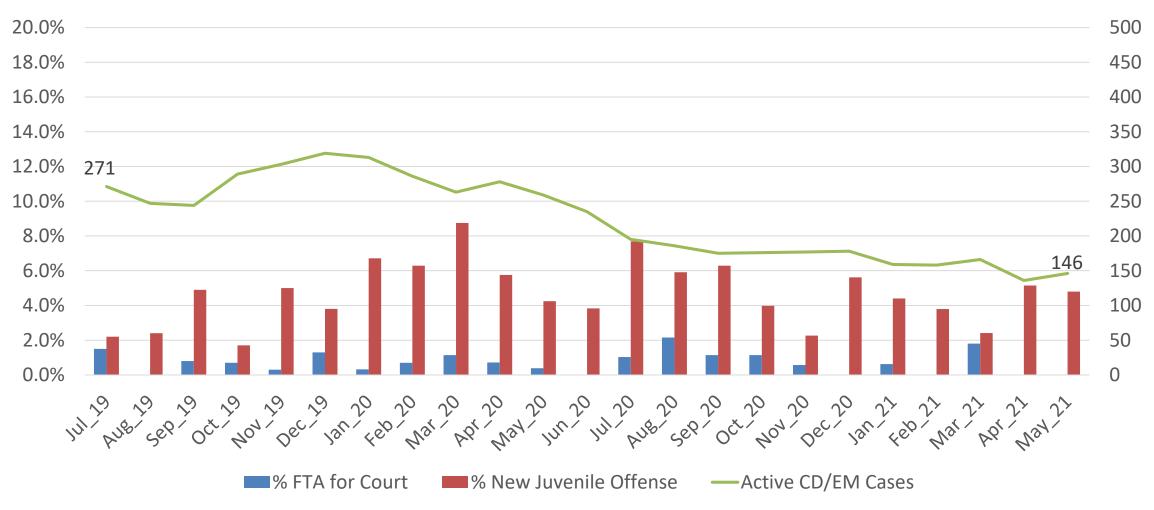
March 3rd Statewide Detention Population Total Juvenile Population - 108

July 31st Statewide Detention Population Total Juvenile Detained Population - 43

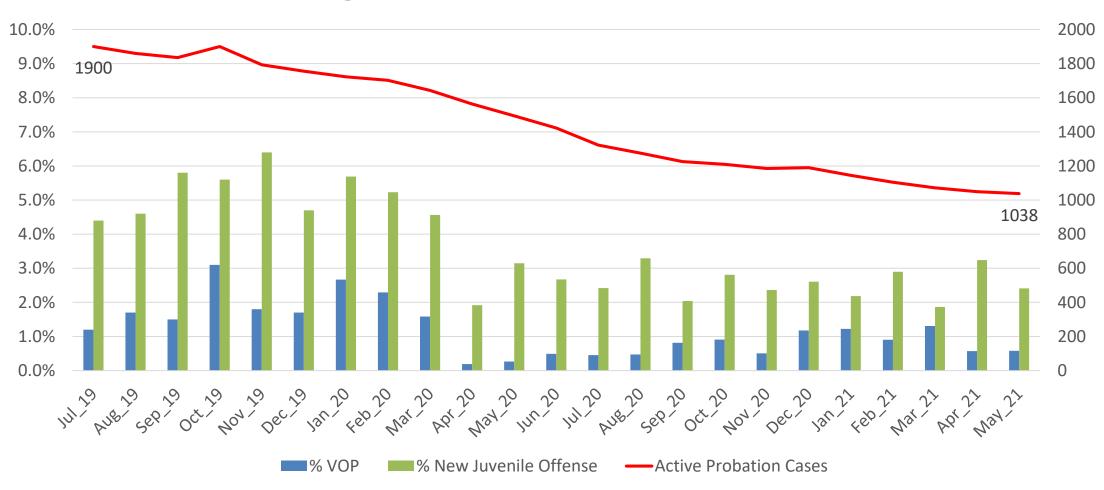




Failure to Appear and New Offenses Remain Low; CD/EM Cases Decline

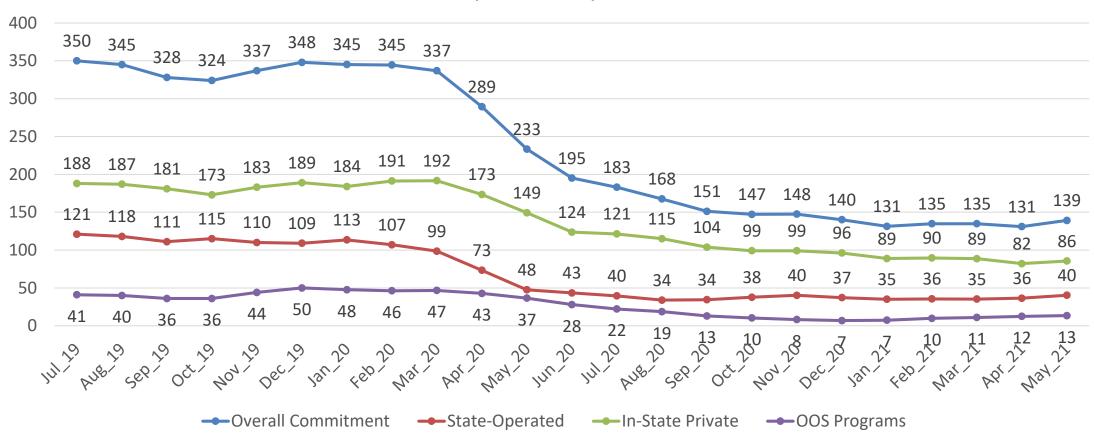


Violations and Arrests Drop Among Active Probation Cases

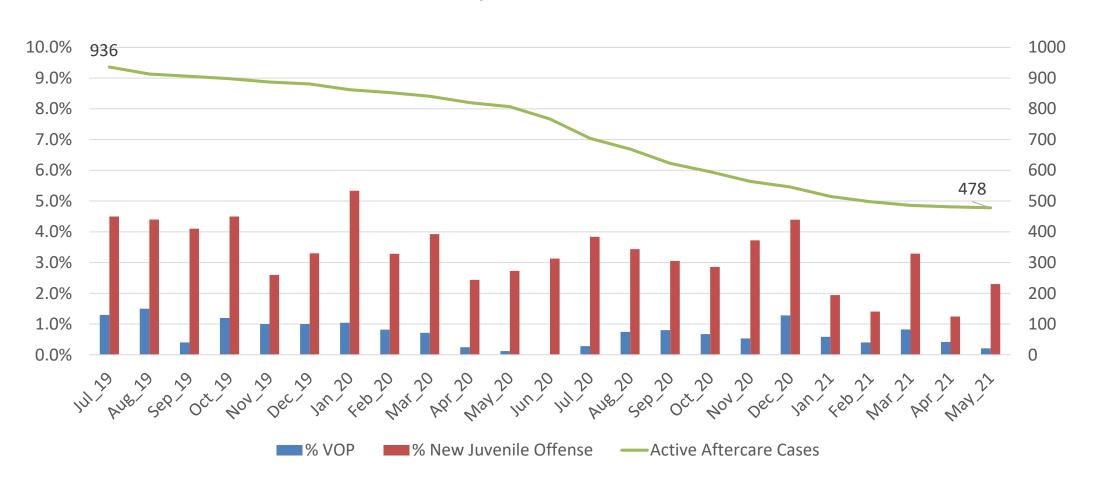


Commitment ADP Down 59.7% Since January 2020

Commitment ADP - Overall, DJS-Operated, and Private (In- and Out-of-State), July 2019-May 2021

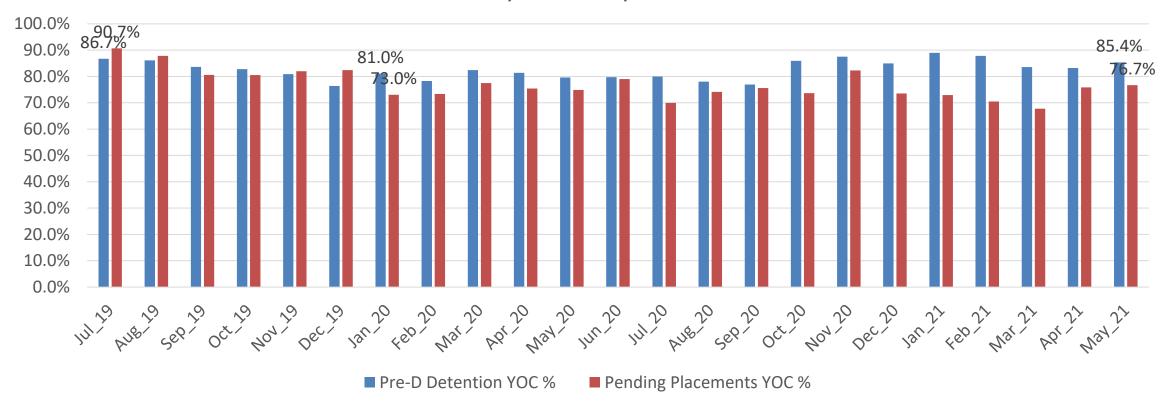


Reentry From Commitment Cases Show Declines in Arrests/Violations of Probation



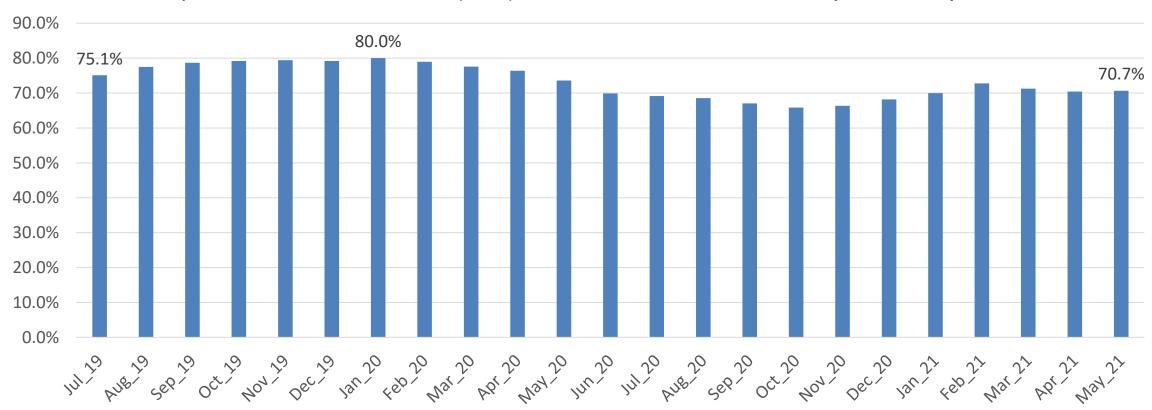
Youth of Color Up Slightly as Proportion of Detention ADP Since Jan. 2020

Youth of Color as a Percentage of Detention ADP (Pre-D, Pending Placement), July 2019-May 2021



Proportion of Youth of Color in Commitment Facilities Down 9.3 Points Since Jan. 2020

Proportion of Youth of Color (YOC) in Commitment Facilities, July 2019-May 2021



DJS Re-Organization

Creates smaller regions

Focuses on Collaboration

Expands Community Connections

Equitably Distributes Leadership Teams

Region 1

Dorchester, Somerset, Wicomico, Worcester

Region 2

Caroline, Cecil, Kent, Queen Anne's, Talbot

Region 3

Baltimore & Harford

Region 4

Allegany, Garrett, Washington

Region 5

Anne Arundel, Carroll, Howard

Region 6

Frederick, Montgomery

Region 7

Calvert, Charles, Prince George's, St. Mary's

Region 8

Baltimore City

