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# JUSTICE SYSTEM SCORECARD

## MONTHLY UPDATE



| MEASURE                                                   | GOAL    | MAY 2023<br>BASELINE | JUN<br>2026 | JUL<br>2026 | DELTA<br><i>(previous month vs.<br/>current month)</i> |
|-----------------------------------------------------------|---------|----------------------|-------------|-------------|--------------------------------------------------------|
| Average Length<br>of Stay                                 | 30 days | 71 days              | 59 days     | 37 days     | 22 day decrease                                        |
| Jail Population<br>Unindicted<br>without other<br>charges | 10%     | 34%                  | 13%         | 15%         | 2% increase                                            |
| Clearance Rate<br>for Felony<br>Criminal Cases            | 100%    | 72%                  | 91%         | 56%         | 35% decrease                                           |
| Felony Cases<br>Disposed within<br>180 Days               | 90%     | 25%                  | 37%         | 36%         | 1% decrease                                            |
| Felony Cases<br>Disposed within<br>365 Days               | 98%     | 63%                  | 66%         | 63%         | 3% decrease                                            |

*Average length of stay calculated only after individuals have been booked out of the jail and does not include currently incarcerated inmates*

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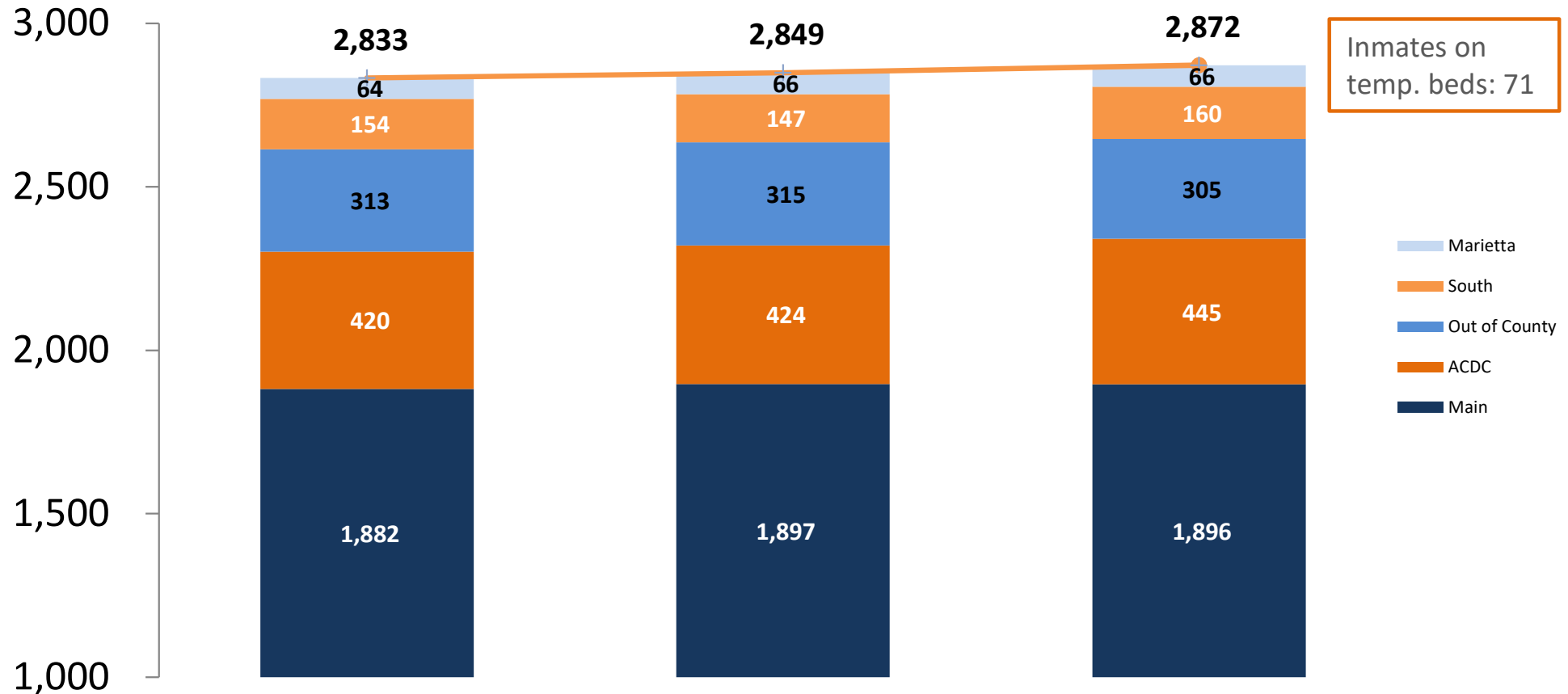
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# AVERAGE MONTHLY POPULATION

**2,993**  
as of 8/10/2026



|          | May  | June | July |
|----------|------|------|------|
| Book In  | 1871 | 1699 | 1827 |
| Book Out | 1891 | 1673 | 1769 |
| Net      | 20   | -26  | -58  |

# AVERAGE MONTHLY JAIL POPULATION

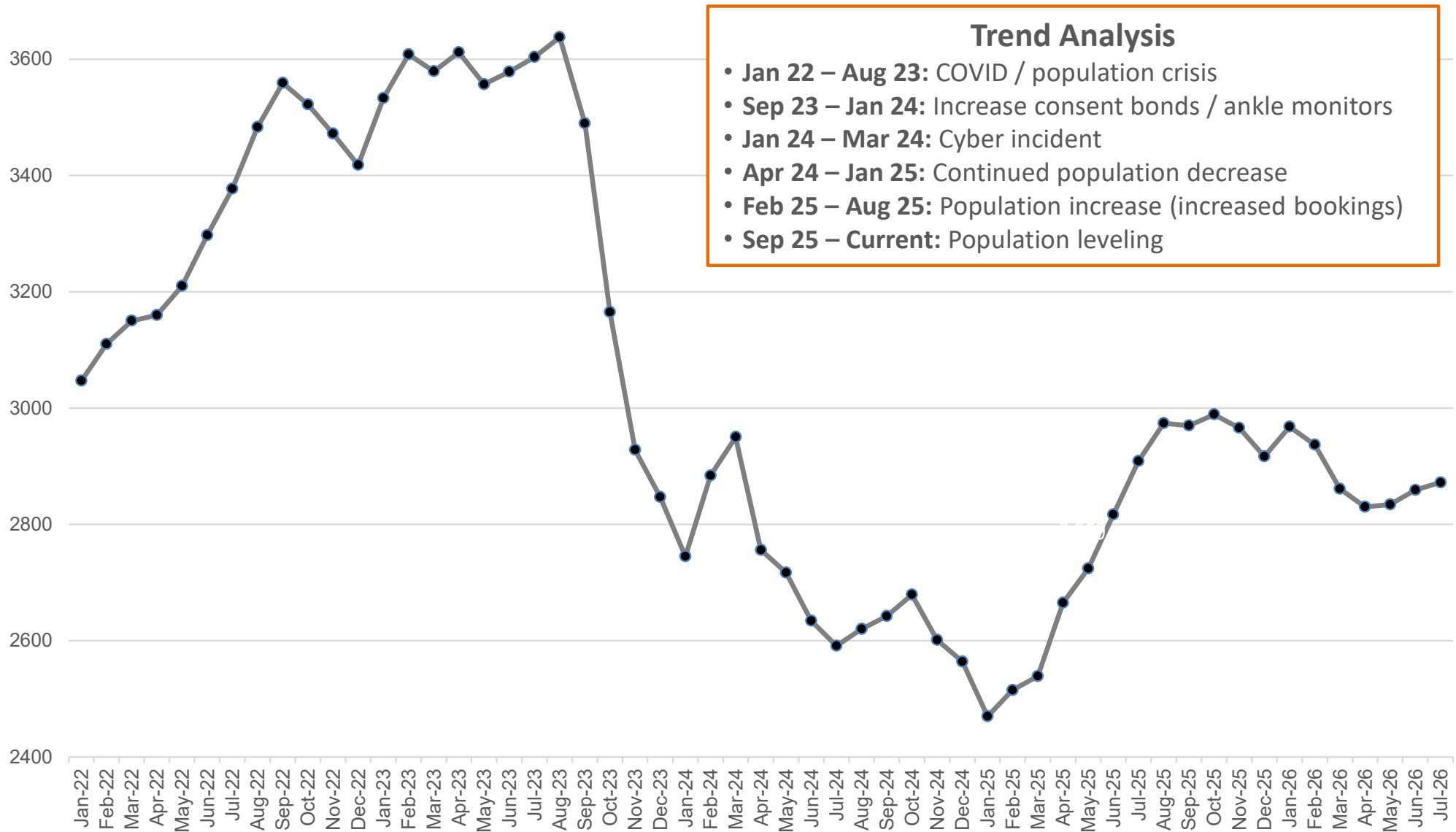
## POPULATION BY FACILITY



|                | MAY   | JUNE  | JULY  | 8/10/2026 |
|----------------|-------|-------|-------|-----------|
| Main           | 1,882 | 1,897 | 1,896 | 1,976     |
| ACDC           | 420   | 424   | 445   | 465       |
| Out of County  | 313   | 315   | 305   | 326       |
| South Annex    | 154   | 147   | 160   | 161       |
| Marietta Annex | 64    | 66    | 66    | 65        |
| TOTAL          | 2,833 | 2,849 | 2,872 | 2,993     |

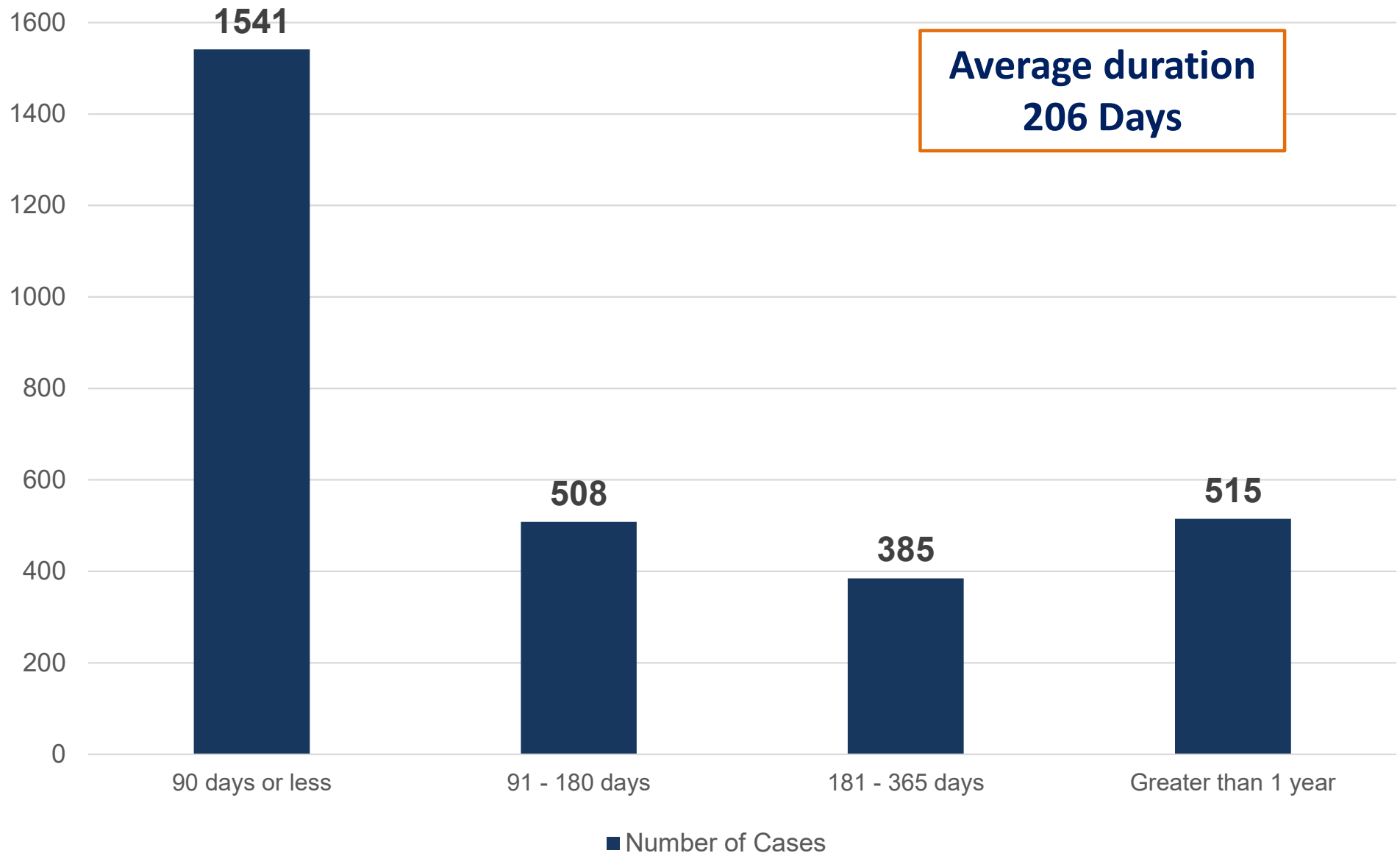
# AVERAGE JAIL POPULATION - ALL FACILITIES

## TRENDS



# LENGTH OF STAY FOR CURRENTLY INCARCERATED INMATES IN JAIL

AS OF 8/3/2026

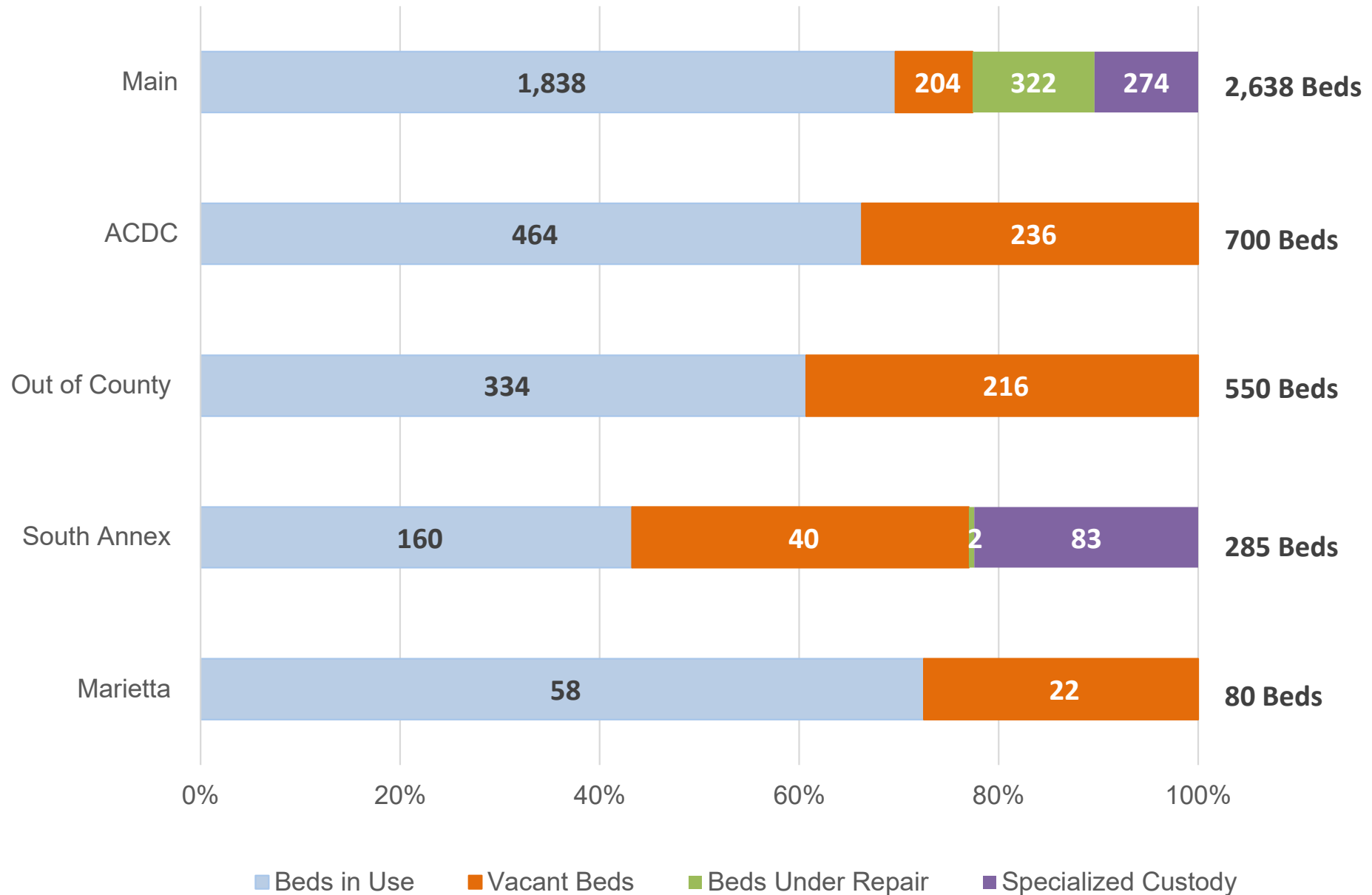




# JAIL POPULATION FACILITY UTILIZATION

AS OF 8/6/2026

**Specialized Custody:** inmate classification, competency, discipline, protective custody



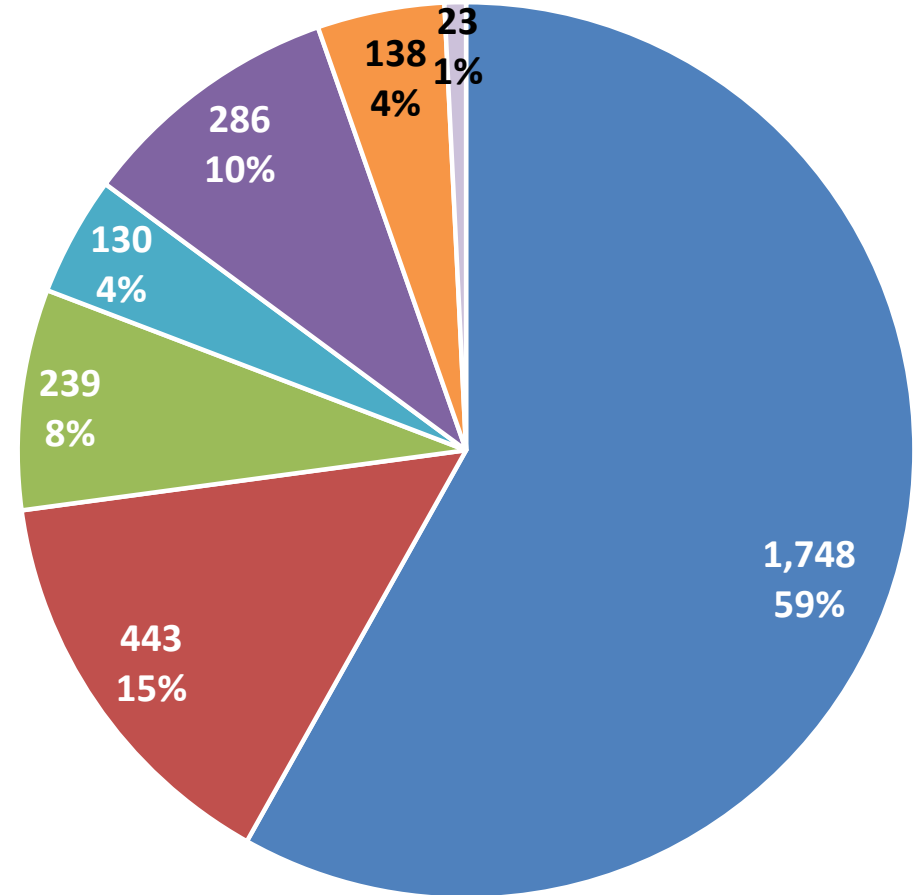
# JAIL POPULATION

## FULL INMATE ANALYSIS

AS OF 8/6/2026

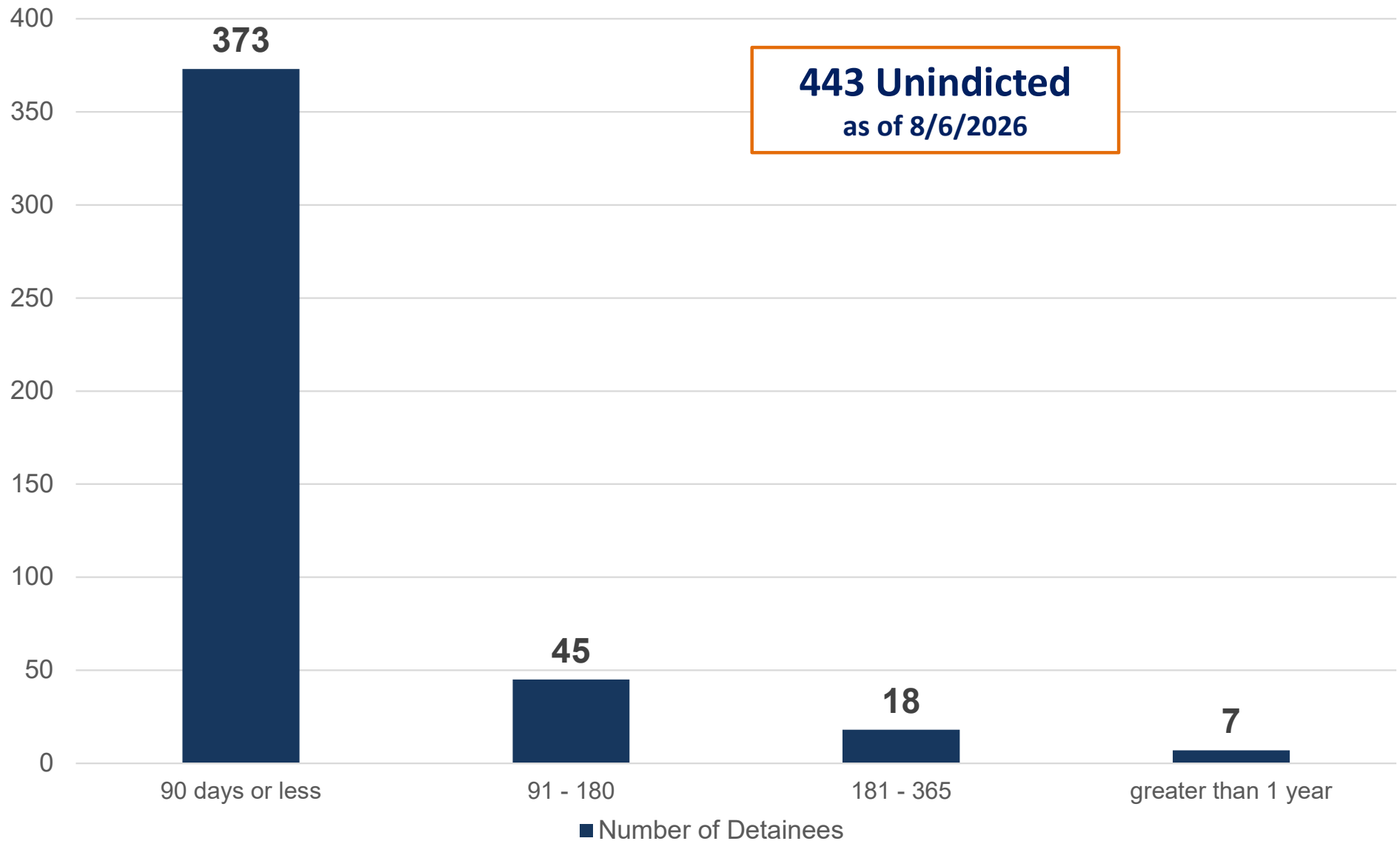


| Status               | Number of Inmates |             |
|----------------------|-------------------|-------------|
| Unindicted           | 443               | 15%         |
| Unaccused            | 23                | 1%          |
| Indicted             | 1,748             | 59%         |
| Accused              | 239               | 8%          |
| Accused and Indicted | 286               | 10%         |
| Serving Sentence/CPO | 138               | 4%          |
| Other Hold Condition | 130               | 4%          |
| <b>TOTAL</b>         | <b>3,007</b>      | <b>100%</b> |



# UNINDICTED JAIL POPULATION

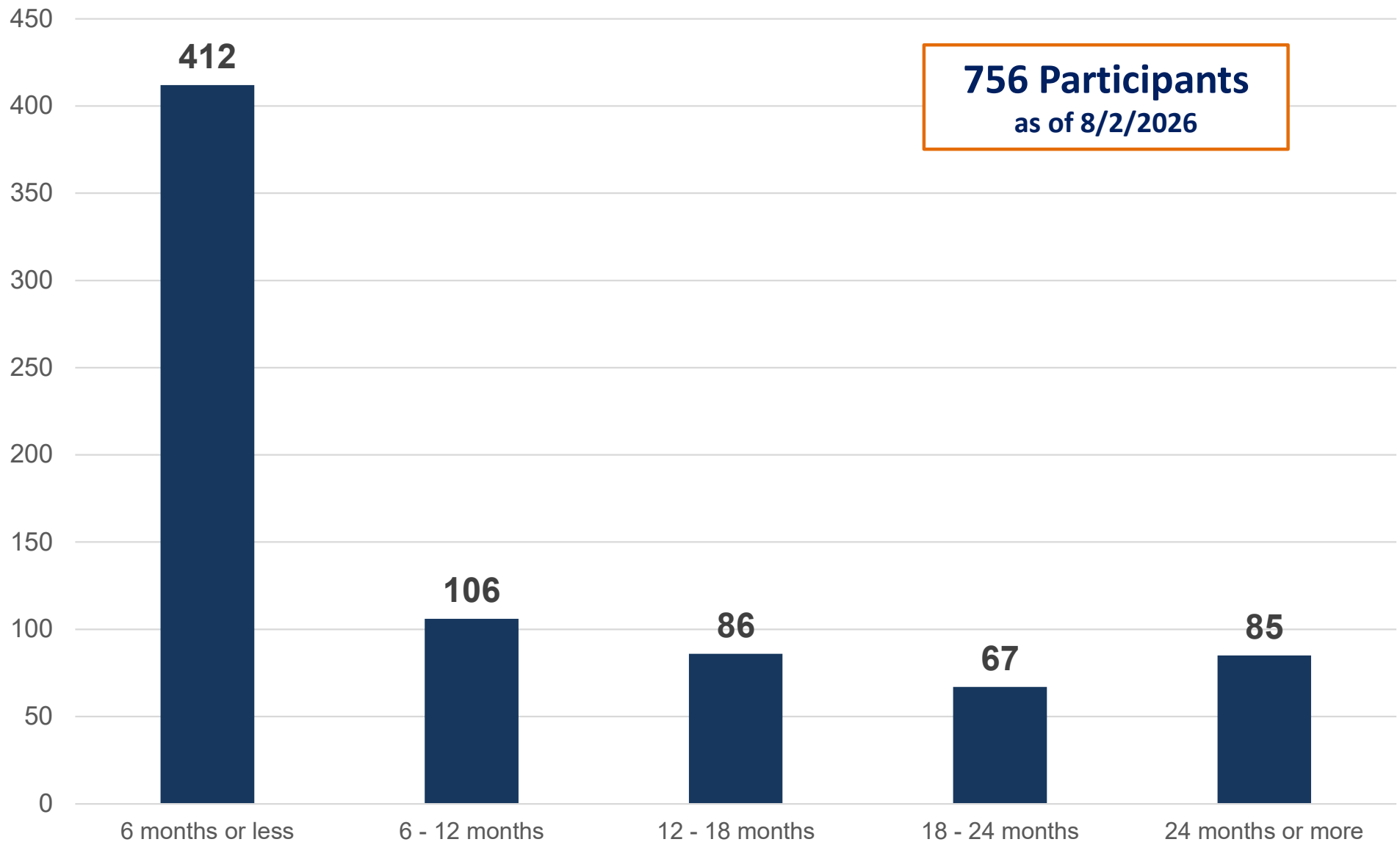
## DAYS IN JAIL



*Excludes detainees with pending indicted cases and holds (Probation Violations, Failure to Appear and foreign and/or other agency holds).*

# ELECTRONIC MONITORING UPDATE

## MONTHS ON MONITOR AS OF 8/2/2026



# ELECTRONIC MONITORING UPDATE

## 6 MONTH ROLLING PARTICIPATION



|          | 6 months<br>or less | 6 – 12<br>months | 12 – 18<br>months | 18 – 24<br>months | Greater<br>than 24<br>months | TOTAL | % less<br>than<br>1 year | % greater<br>than<br>1 year |
|----------|---------------------|------------------|-------------------|-------------------|------------------------------|-------|--------------------------|-----------------------------|
| JUL 2026 | 412                 | 106              | 86                | 67                | 85                           | 756   | 69%                      | 31%                         |
| JUN 2026 | 376                 | 101              | 91                | 56                | 85                           | 709   | 67%                      | 33%                         |
| MAY 2026 | 337                 | 106              | 93                | 51                | 86                           | 673   | 66%                      | 34%                         |
| APR 2026 | 269                 | 103              | 94                | 71                | 64                           | 601   | 62%                      | 38%                         |
| MAR 2026 | 227                 | 112              | 98                | 72                | 67                           | 576   | 59%                      | 41%                         |
| FEB 2026 | 184                 | 122              | 102               | 74                | 70                           | 552   | 55%                      | 45%                         |

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# JAIL INITIATIVES

## SHERIFF RECRUITMENT AND HIRING

AS OF 8/11/2026



| 2026 Jail Unit Activity |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |       |
|-------------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-------|
|                         | Jan | Feb | Mar | Apr | May | Jun | Jul | Aug | Total |
| Jail Unit Hiring        | 19  | 5   | 3   | 15  | 2   | 11  | 18  | TBD | 73    |
| Jail Unit Separation*   | 2   | 5   | 6   | 11  | 6   | 4   | 5   | TBD | 39    |
| Net New Hires           |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     | 34    |

Source - County HR System

| Whalls Recruitment and Hiring Activity Report |     |     |      |      |     |      |     |      |     |      |     |      |      |      |       |
|-----------------------------------------------|-----|-----|------|------|-----|------|-----|------|-----|------|-----|------|------|------|-------|
|                                               | Jan | Feb | Mar  |      | Apr |      | May |      | Jun |      | Jul |      |      | Aug  |       |
|                                               |     |     | 11th | 25th | 8th | 22nd | 6th | 20th | 3rd | 17th | 1st | 15th | 29th | 12th | Total |
| Completed packets received by Whalls          | 311 | 123 | 70   | 50   | 47  | 49   | 38  | 44   | 94  | 129  | 100 | 96   | 77   | 48   | 1,276 |
| Completed packets sent to FCSO                | 35  | 13  | 32   | 49   | 21  | 18   | 13  | 11   | 10  | 11   | 21  | 17   | 31   | 32   | 314   |
| Whalls new hires                              | 0   | 1   | 0    | 0    | 3   | 1    | 0   | 6    | 1   | 3    | 5   | 9    | 5    | 0    | 34    |

| Applicant-to-Hire Forecast             |         |                            |
|----------------------------------------|---------|----------------------------|
| Current Applicant-to-Hire Rate (CATHR) | 2.8     | 1 hire per 36 applications |
| Industry benchmark CATHR               | 3.5 – 5 | 1 hire per 28 applications |

# JAIL INITIATIVES

## POPULATION REDUCTION INITIATIVES



| ITEM                                                                         | DESCRIPTION                                                                                                                                                                   | BOC UPDATE                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | TARGET POPULATION IMPACT                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Increase ankle monitor utilization</b>                                    | Increase use of County-funded ankle monitors for eligible participants                                                                                                        | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>End of July: 756 total participants</li> <li>Monthly increases: 25 in April, 70 in May, 36 in June, and 47 in July</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                | <b>20-25 people placed on monitors per month</b>                                                                                                                                                                         |
| <b>Implement automated text reminders</b>                                    | Text reminders reduce FTAs, target 25% reduction -- initial rollout will include Superior Court criminal cases being calendared 14 days out                                   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>COSMC and Tyler are finalizing configuration and opt-in processes to receive messages</li> <li>Opt-in process is manually intensive with for Clerk's staff, working on further automation</li> <li>Anticipated launch: August 2026</li> </ul>                                                                                | <b>Up to 20 fewer people booked on FTAs per month</b>                                                                                                                                                                    |
| <b>Establish bond review calendar</b>                                        | Establish a Bond Review Calendar for people unindicted with bonds <\$10K and 90 - 120 day length of stay                                                                      | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>First two calendars held August 3rd and 10th with 21 people</li> <li>8 bonds reduced and 3 cases dismissed</li> <li>Next calendar set for August 24</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                               | <b>80-130 people reviewed for expedited release per month</b>                                                                                                                                                            |
| <b>Maintain consolidated trial and motions calendar</b>                      | Maintain monthly Consolidated Trial and Motions Calendars for serious felony cases ready for trial                                                                            | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Staffing needs assessed, funding subject to mid-year budget review</li> <li>Anticipated launch: Fall 2026</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                         | <b>15 – 20 expedited trials per month</b>                                                                                                                                                                                |
| <b>Stand up Arrest and Warrant Review Hub at Fulton County Jail</b>          | A pre-booking intercept at the jail entrance offering greater Diversion Center utilization, reduced jail inflow, and low-level warrant resolution                             | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Georgia Justice Project is drafting standing order for State Court judges to hear low-level warrant resolution cases, expected Aug 14</li> <li>Next step is adoption of the standing order by State Court bench</li> <li>Working with DREAM and Pretrial Supervision on moving staff from trailer to 515 Fairburn</li> </ul> | <b>*Up to* 290 diversions per month, including *up to* 83 bookings due to warrants avoided per month</b>                                                                                                                 |
| <b>Reduce forensic evidence processing backlogs through third party labs</b> | GBI backlogs for sexual assault, drug, and ballistics evidence significantly increase length of stay – funding for private lab testing and expert witness testimony is needed | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Funding dependent on mid-year budget review</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Up to 2,000 current drug cases eliminated</b></li> <li><b>156 more sexual assault kits processed per year</b></li> <li><b>40 ballistics cases disposed annually</b></li> </ul> |



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# DIVERSIONS AND SERVICES

## MONTH OF MAY AS OF 7/31/2026



| Jurisdiction  | Number of Diversions |             |
|---------------|----------------------|-------------|
| Atlanta       | 180                  | 60%         |
| Fulton PD     | 73                   | 24%         |
| MARTA         | 30                   | 10%         |
| Sandy Springs | 5                    | 2%          |
| Georgia Tech  | 4                    | 1%          |
| Fairburn      | 3                    | 1%          |
| East Point    | 2                    | 1%          |
| GWCC          | 1                    | <1%         |
| <b>TOTAL</b>  | <b>298</b>           | <b>100%</b> |

| Charges            | Number of Diversions |             |
|--------------------|----------------------|-------------|
| Criminal Trespass  | 127                  | 43%         |
| Substance Related  | 33                   | 11%         |
| Pedestrian Related | 32                   | 11%         |
| Loitering          | 24                   | 8%          |
| Disorderly Conduct | 21                   | 7%          |
| Soliciting Money   | 21                   | 7%          |
| Shoplifting        | 16                   | 5%          |
| Public Indecency   | 6                    | 2%          |
| Violence Related   | 4                    | 1%          |
| Criminal Attempt   | 3                    | 1%          |
| Littering          | 3                    | 1%          |
| Pandering          | 3                    | 1%          |
| Urban Camping      | 3                    | 1%          |
| Other              | 2                    | 1%          |
| <b>TOTAL</b>       | <b>298</b>           | <b>100%</b> |

| Connected Services | Count      |             |
|--------------------|------------|-------------|
| Mental Health Care | 218        | 32%         |
| Housing            | 193        | 29%         |
| Case Management    | 120        | 11%         |
| Income Support     | 56         | 8%          |
| Health Care        | 52         | 8%          |
| Substance Abuse    | 38         | 6%          |
| <b>TOTAL</b>       | <b>677</b> | <b>100%</b> |

### Diversion Breakdown

**271** unique individuals  
**23** guests diverted 2 times  
**4** guests diverted 3+ times

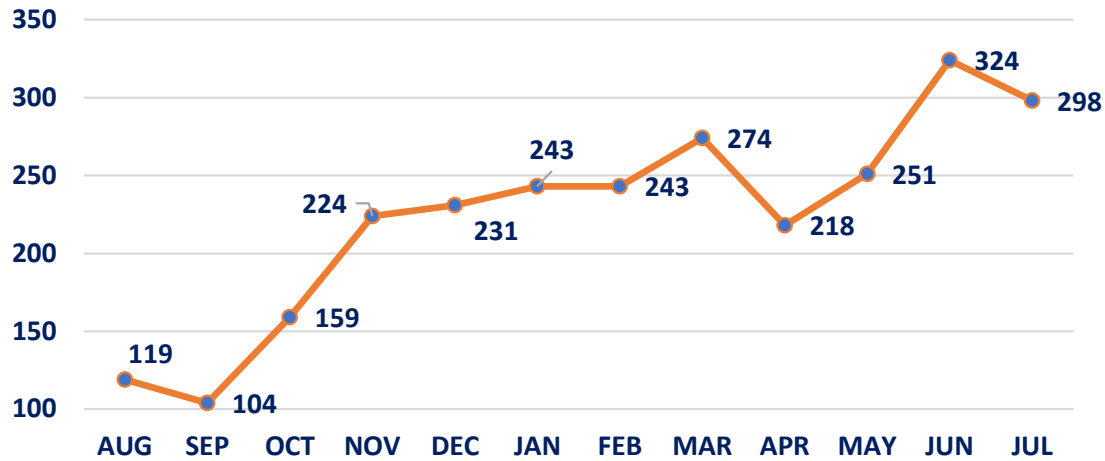
# DIVERSION TRENDS

## DIVERSIONS AND DISCHARGES AS OF 7/31/2026

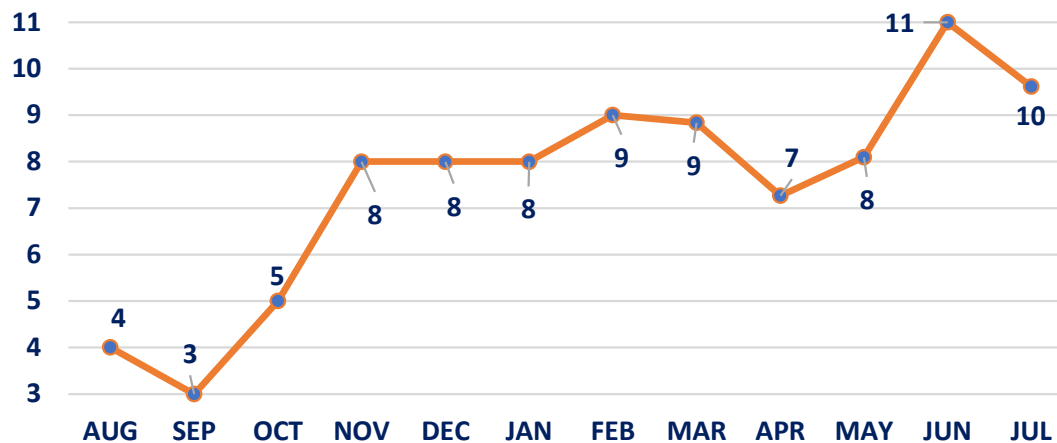


All time diversions  
**3,365**

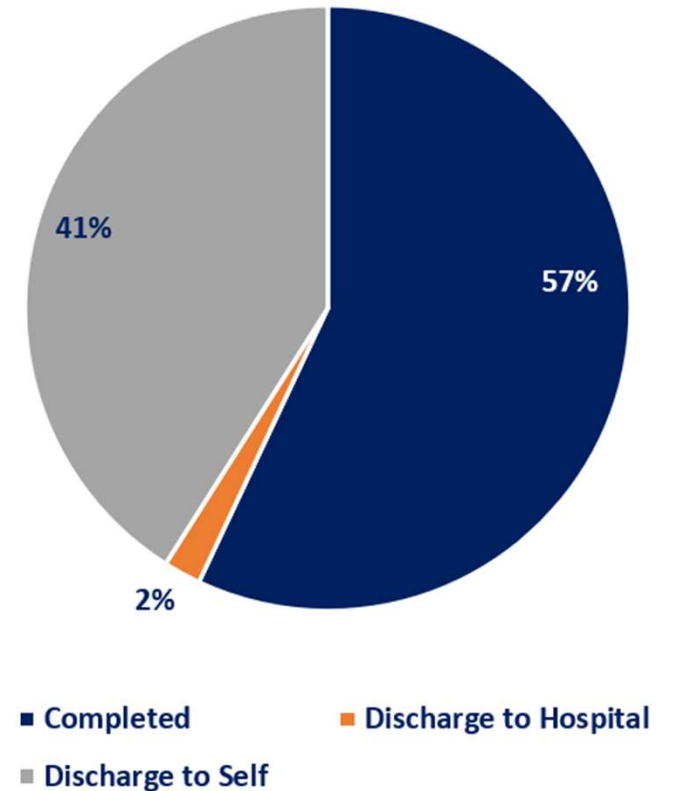
Rolling 12 Month Diversions



Rolling 12 Month Average Daily Census



July Discharges

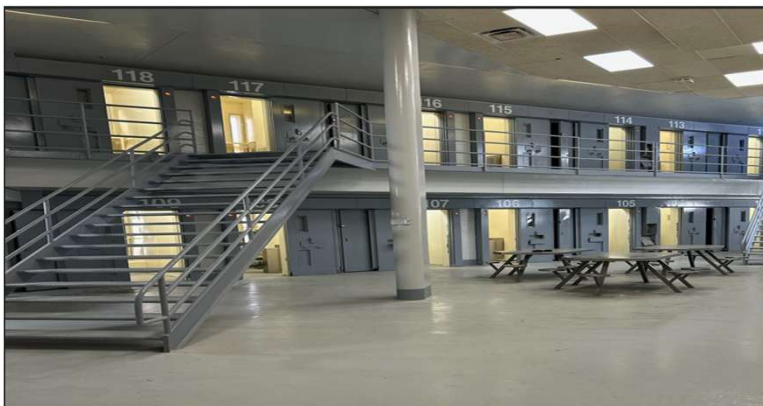
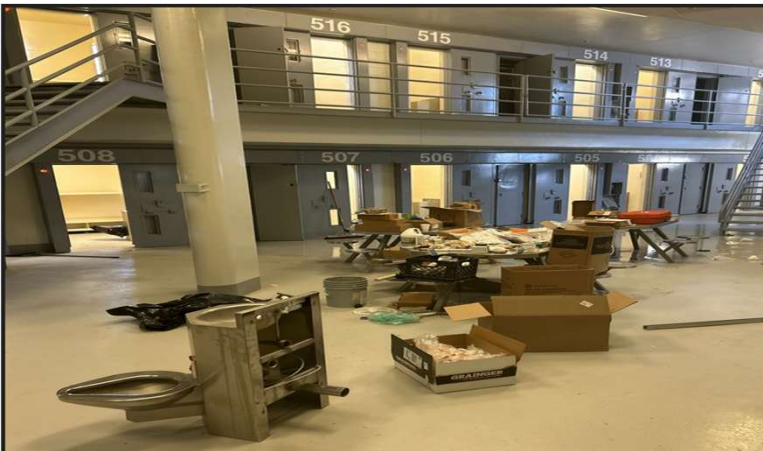




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## **JAIL MAINTENANCE UPDATE**

# Jail Maintenance Blitz



- **11 of 13** housing units completed = **85%**
  - Final 2 units were initially slated for “phase 2 of blitz”. Enhanced jail maintenance precludes need for phase 2.
  - Classification concerns preclude use of 5 South for high-risk residents
- **7 North Zone 600:** Fire on 12/12/2025 requires major mechanical and aesthetic remediation. Projected completion: 9/26
- Upcoming blitz area: **6 South**
  - **No completion projection at this time**
  - Anticipated to begin in September based on fire remediation of 7 North



# Jail Maintenance Performance

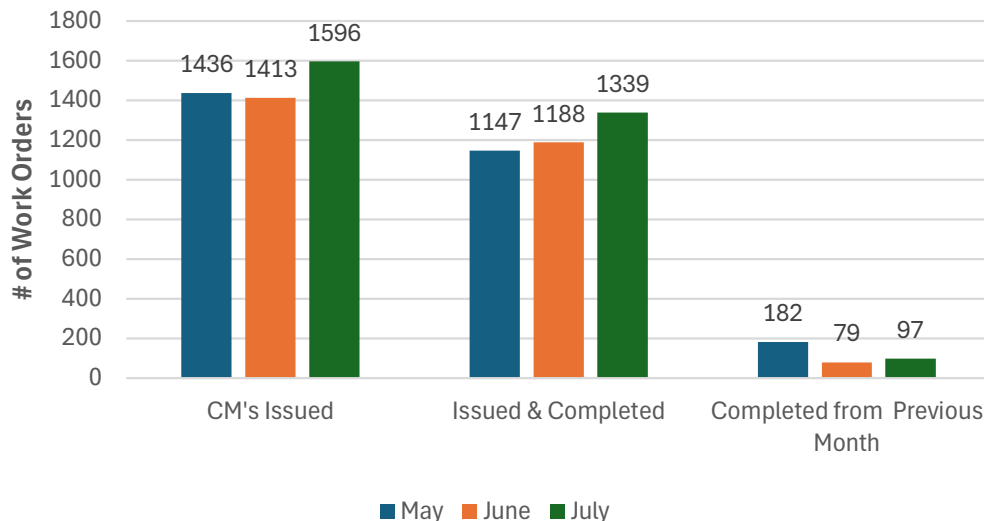
Thru 8/11/2026

- **Corrective Maintenance (July 2026)**
  - 1,339 of 1,596 issued & completed: **84%**
  - 97 July CM's completed in August = **90%**
  - 1,467 total CM work orders completed in June
  - 57% of new work orders due to vandalism
- **Preventive Maintenance (July 2026)**
  - 255 of 284 PM's scheduled & completed: **90%**
- **Open Work Orders > 30 days = 652**
  - Upcoming blitz areas: **354**
  - Blitz areas require units to be vacant

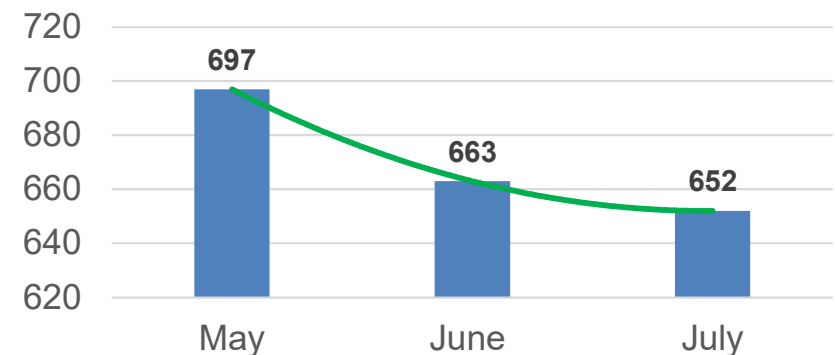


**Recent Fence Line Breach**

## 3-Month Overview



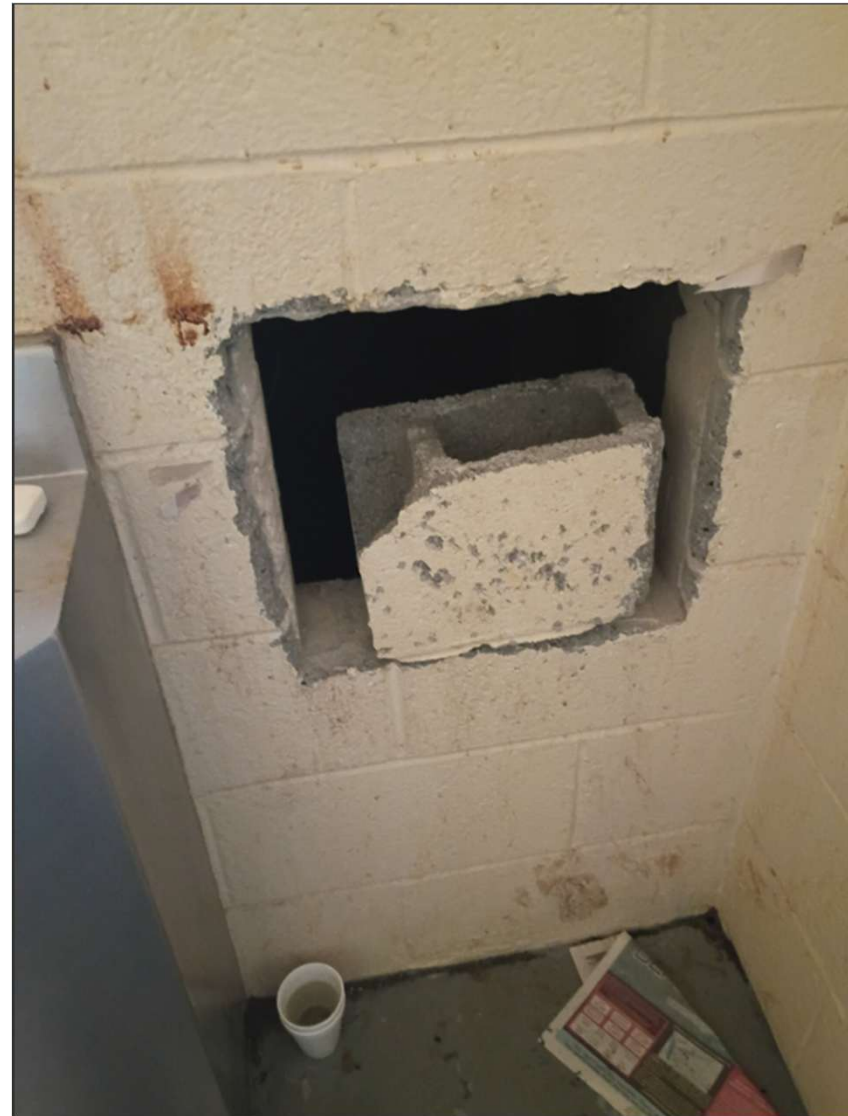
## Work Order Backlog By Month



# Jail Maintenance - Bed Availability

- Out of service due to active/scheduled repairs

| Location                     | # of Beds  |
|------------------------------|------------|
| 1 North                      | 4          |
| 2 South                      | 2          |
| 4 North                      | 2          |
| 5 North                      | 4          |
| 6 North<br>(scheduled blitz) | 43         |
| 6 South<br>(scheduled blitz) | 67         |
| 7 North (Fire)               | 198        |
| 7 South                      | 2          |
| <b>TOTAL</b>                 | <b>322</b> |



**Vandalized Cell Wall  
Leading to Pipe Chase**

# Current Projects/Initiatives

| DESCRIPTION                                | COST               | STATUS                                                                              |
|--------------------------------------------|--------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Fire Alarm System Upgrade                  | \$3,307,533        | In progress<br>Projected completion: <b>September 2026</b> .                        |
| Perimeter Fencing Upgrade                  | \$365,039          | Project kickoff scheduled for 8/26                                                  |
| Jail South Annex Cell Lighting Replacement | \$410,304          | Installation begins 10/5<br>Material lead time: 8-10 weeks                          |
| Suicide Prevention Unit                    | \$771,900.45       | Contract execution in progress.                                                     |
| Jail Shower Cleaning                       | \$209,000          | Work commences on 8/24                                                              |
| Elevator Modernization                     | \$1,652,000        | Recommendation being prepared for 1 <sup>st</sup> September agenda.                 |
| HVAC: Air Handler Refurbishment            | \$1,567,480        | In progress.<br>Projected completion: November 2026                                 |
| HVAC: Controls Upgrade                     | \$129,991          | In Progress<br>Projected completion: November 2026                                  |
| HVAC: Chiller Replacement                  | \$738,223          | In Progress.. Material lead time 14-16 weeks<br>Projected completion: December 2026 |
| <b>TOTAL</b>                               | <b>\$7,583,990</b> |                                                                                     |