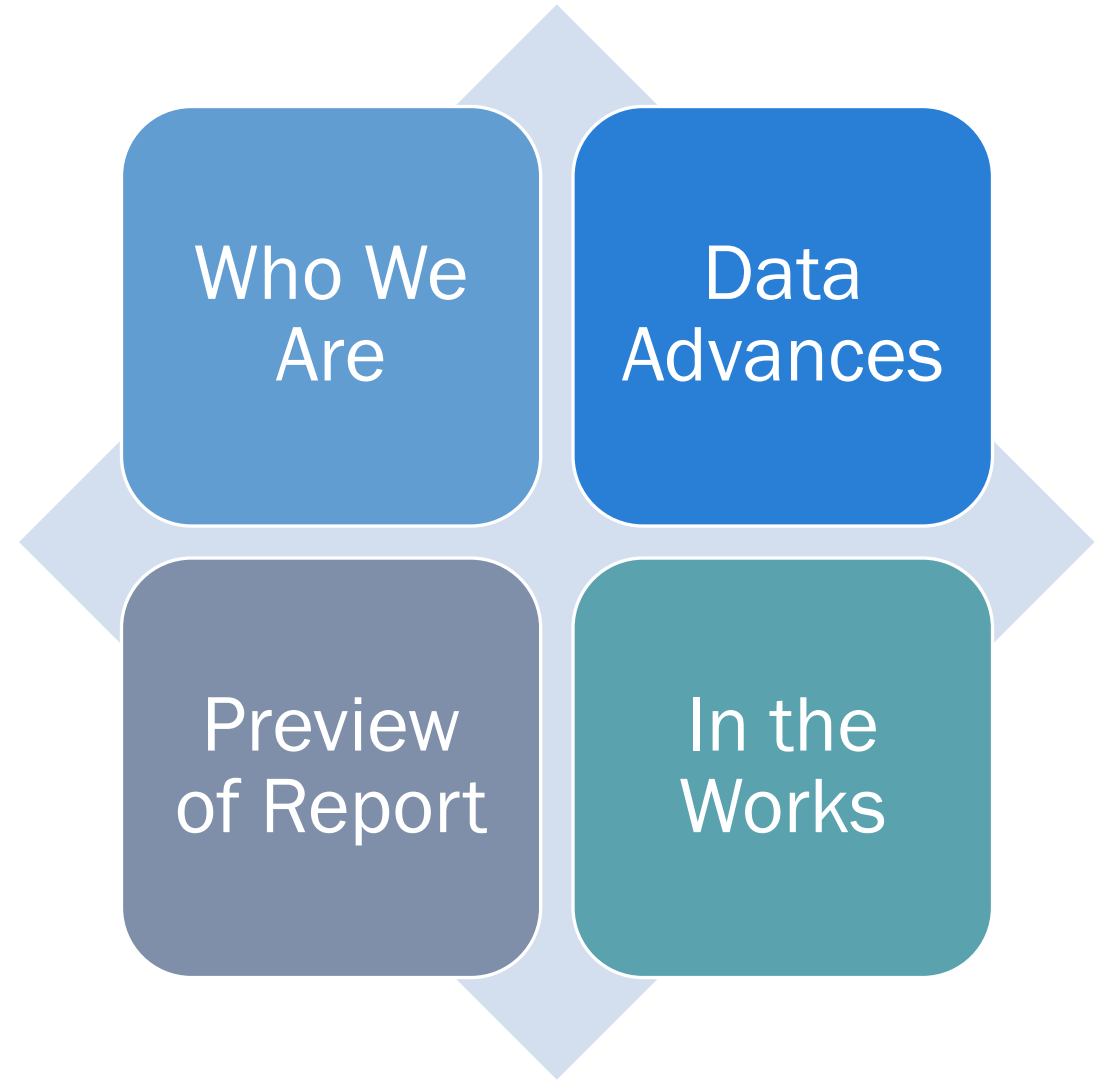


Presentation to Assembly Judiciary

NEVADA DEPARTMENT OF
SENTENCING POLICY

FEBRUARY 7, 2023

Today's Presentation



History and Staff

HISTORY

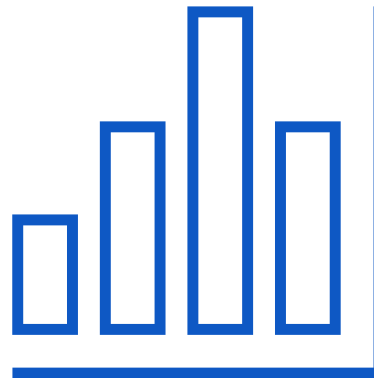
- Established in 2019
 - Nevada Department of Sentencing Policy (NDSP) was created as an independent agency to collect data to assist the Nevada Sentencing Commission in making data-driven recommendations
 - Nevada Sentencing Commission was moved from the Legislative Branch to NDSP

STAFF



Mission

Promote an equitable and reliable criminal justice system by providing reliable criminal justice data, practical fiscal analysis, and comprehensive policy resources to lawmakers, stakeholders, and the public to ensure Nevada's sentencing and corrections policies and the Nevada criminal justice system as a whole are effective, data-driven, and resource sensitive.



Core Values

We dedicate ourselves to data that is...



PRACTICAL



MEANINGFUL



SUSTAINABLE



UNBIASED AND
NON-PARTISAN



COLLABORATIVE



NEVADA-
FOCUSED

NSC and NLJRCC

- NDSP supports the Nevada Sentencing Commission (NSC) and Nevada Local Justice Reinvestment Coordinating Council (NLJRCCC) in fulfilling their statutory duties
- NSC meets monthly
- NLJRCC meets as needed
- NSC statutorily required to:
 - Evaluate the effectiveness and fiscal impact of various policies and practices regarding sentencing
 - Make data-driven recommendations for sentencing and corrections policies
- NLJRCC required to:
 - Advise NSC on actions needed to implement AB 236 (2019) at the local level
 - Administer grants to reduce recidivism, as funded by costs avoided

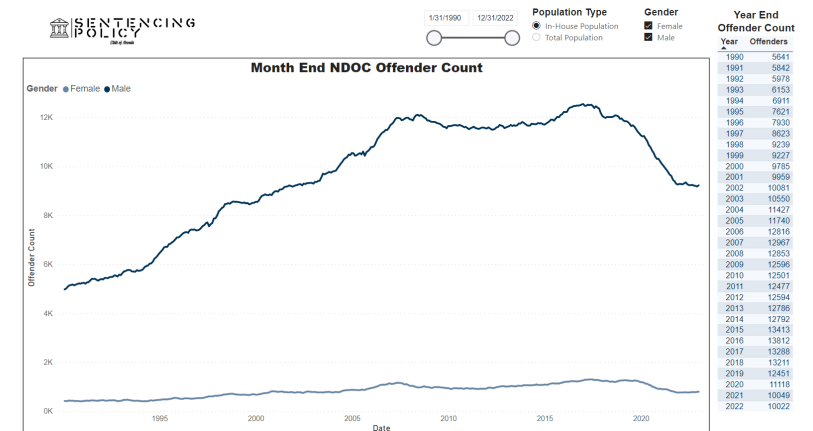
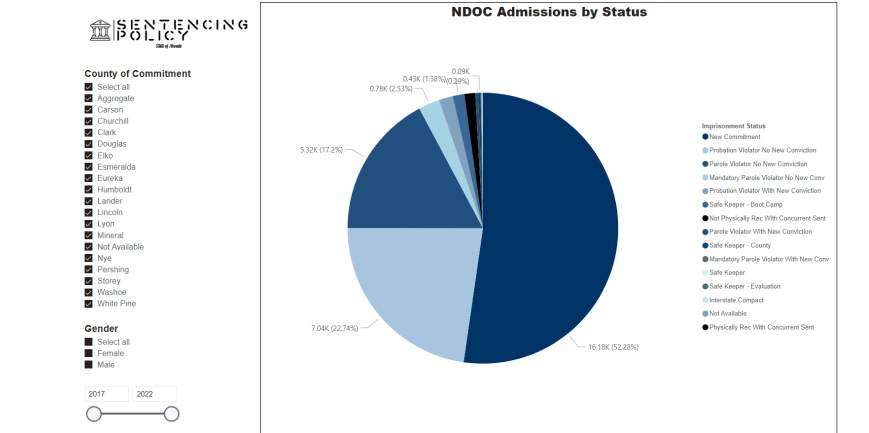
Criminal Justice Data Advances

- Created first interactive dashboard of prison population data
- Provide monthly snapshots and analysis of the prison population in our “Data Dispatches”
- Created a guide to understanding sentence credits
- Make Nevada-Focused data presentations to the Nevada Sentencing Commission and criminal justice stakeholders

Available on our website sentencing.nv.gov and visit “The Hub”

Dashboards

- Available at “The Hub” at sentencing.nv.gov
- Monthly Trends Dashboard
- Yearly Admissions and Releases Dashboard



Monthly Data Dispatches



NDSP Data Dispatch November 2022

This monthly fact sheet provides findings from the most recent data submitted to the Nevada Department of Sentencing Policy (NDSP) from the Nevada Department of Corrections (NDOC). The data submitted to NDSP is aggregated and analysis is conducted by NDSP staff. Visit <http://sentencing.nv.gov> and click on "The Hub" to access the "Trends Dashboard" for more prison population data.

Prison Population Snapshot

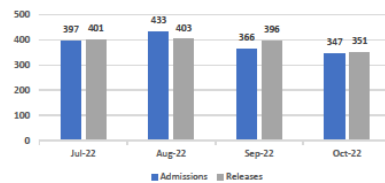
	In-House	Total
July 31, 2022	10,002	10,321
August 31, 2022	10,025	10,349
September 30, 2022	9,995	10,316
October 31, 2022	9,980	10,315

Total Population by Male and Female

	Male	Female
July 31, 2022	9,498	825
August 31, 2022	9,518	831
September 30, 2022	9,487	829
October 31, 2022	9,487	828

The above population does not include hospital, jail, escape, out-of-state, or residential confinement.

Comparison of Admissions and Releases



November Discoveries

- The prison population is below the projected population (according to projections used during the 2021 legislatively approved phase)
 - Projected in-house population: 11,255
 - Projected total population: 11,584



NDSP Data Dispatch December 2022

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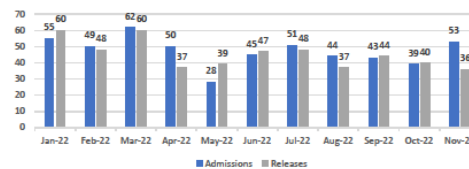
	In-House	Total
August 31, 2022	10,025	10,349
September 30, 2022	9,995	10,316
October 31, 2022	9,980	10,315
November 30, 2022	9,996	10,292

Total Population by Male and Female

	Male	Female
August 31, 2022	9,518	831
September 30, 2022	9,487	829
October 31, 2022	9,487	828
November 30, 2022	9,447	845

The above population does not include hospital, jail, escape, out-of-state, or residential confinement.

Comparison of Admissions and Releases - Female



December Discoveries

- Releases are still out pacing admissions
- The prison population declined again in November 2022
- There was a relative increase in the female prison population due to an increase in female admissions and a decrease in releases in November 2022
- Trends in female admissions and releases vary each month
- The majority of female admissions in November 2022 were new commitments
- The highest occurring offense groups among female admissions are violence and property

NDSP will continue to monitor admissions and releases



NDSP Data Dispatch January 2023

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Prison Population Snapshot

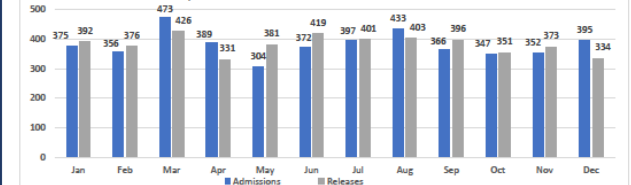
	In-House	Total
September 30, 2022	9,995	10,316
October 31, 2022	9,980	10,315
November 30, 2022	9,996	10,292
December 31, 2022	10,022	10,353

Total Population by Male and Female

	Male	Female
September 30, 2022	9,487	829
October 31, 2022	9,487	828
November 30, 2022	9,447	845
December 31, 2022	9,503	850

The above population does not include hospital, jail, escape, out-of-state, or residential confinement.

Comparison of Admissions and Releases in 2022



January Discoveries

- In 2022 releases outpaced admissions
- An increase or decrease in either admissions or releases does not necessarily mean there will be an increase or decrease in the other
- Based on data, the highest admissions in 2022: March 2022 (473), August 2022 (433), and July 2022 (397)
- The highest releases in 2022: March 2022 (426), June 2022 (419), and August 2022 (403)

NDSP will continue to monitor admissions and releases

Measuring AB 236 Outcomes

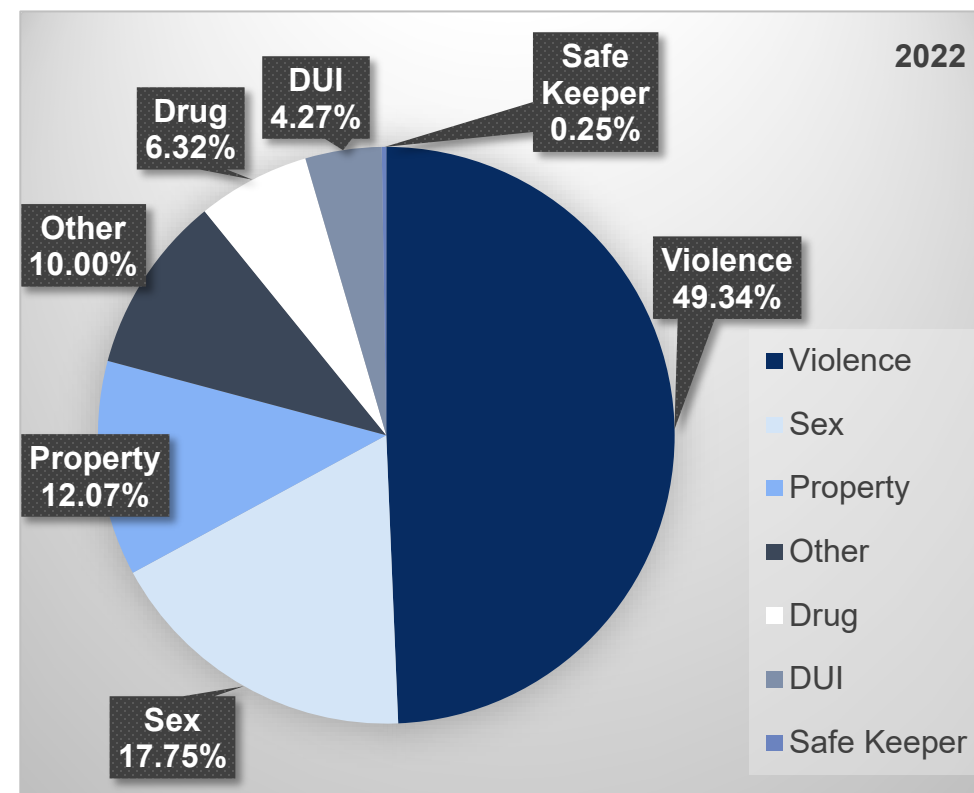
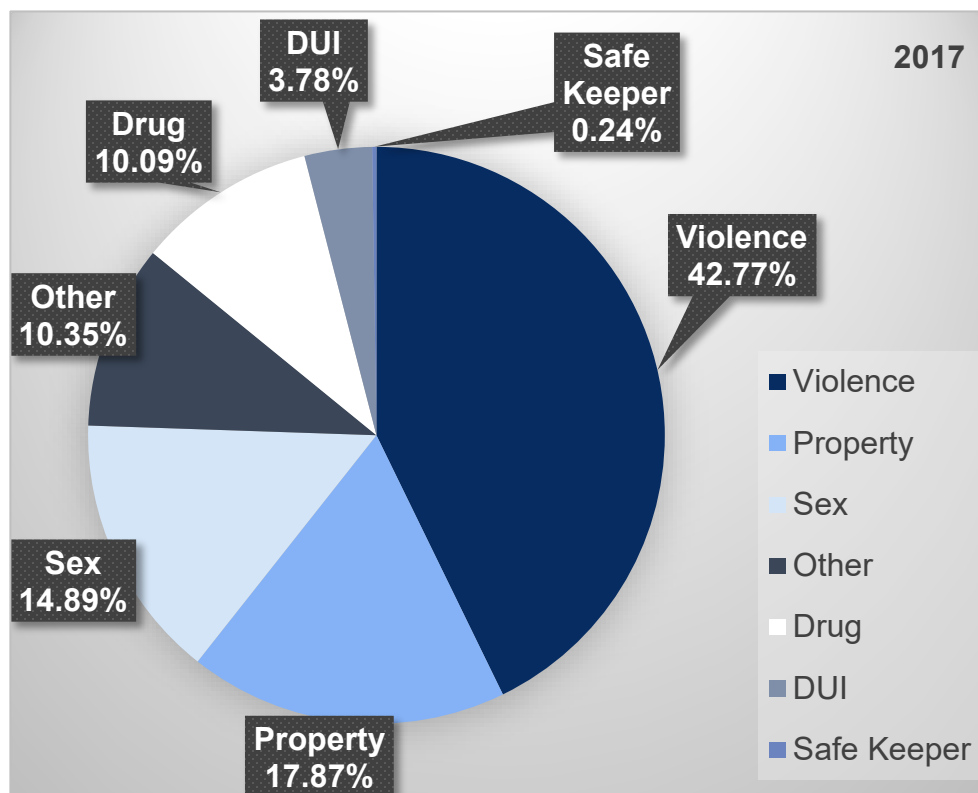
DATA PRESENTED AND ANALYZED

- Presented preliminary findings at November 4, 2022, Nevada Sentencing Commission meeting
- Data analyzed
 - Compared December 31, 2022, total population to September 30, 2022, total population
 - Most serious offense
- Are we focusing our resources on serious and violent offenders?
- Serious and violent includes:
 - Sex and violence offense groups
 - All category A felonies

FINDINGS

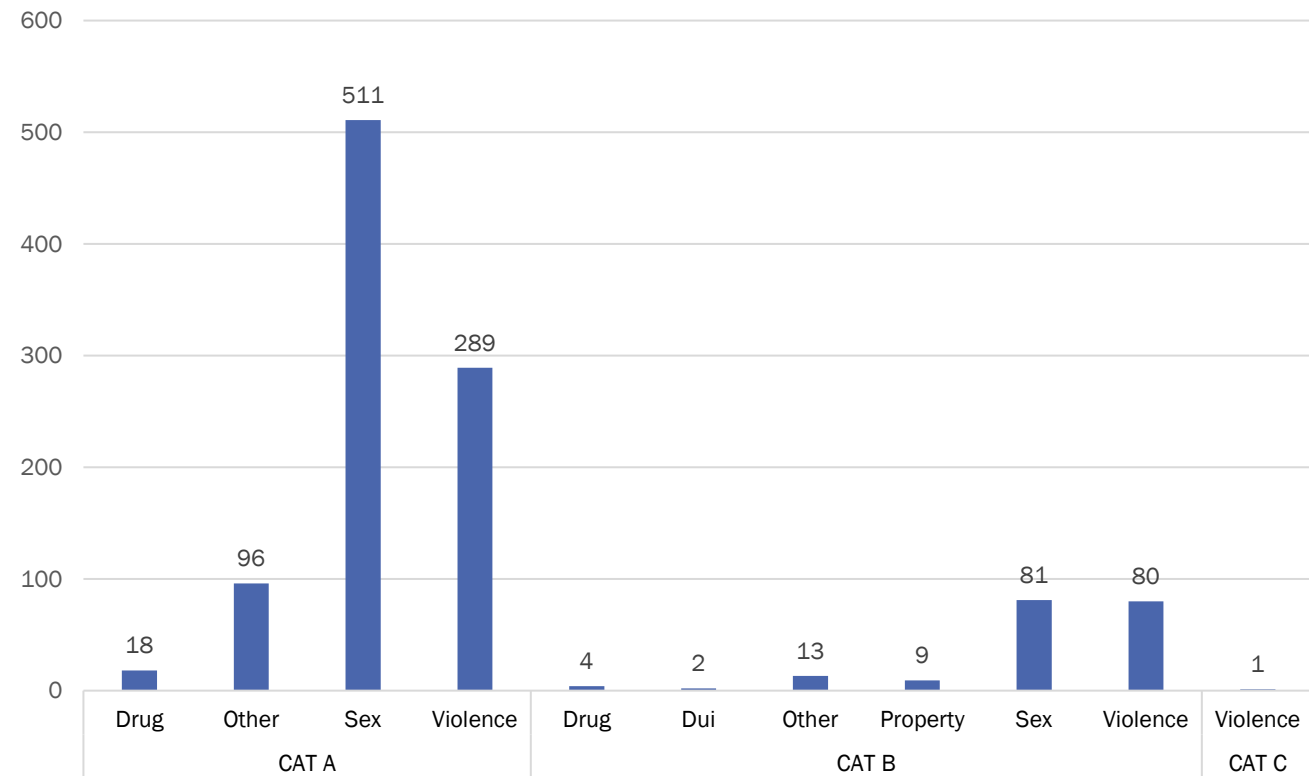
- Prison population started declining in 2017
- AB 236 reforms and COVID-19 enhanced the prison population decline
- The majority of those housed in prison were convicted of category A and B felonies
- The highest occurring offense groups among categories A and B are sex and violence
- Property and drug offense group totals and percentages decreased

Total Population by Offense Group 2017 and 2022 Comparison



Analysis of Aging Population

- Based on request from NSC member
- Presented to the Nevada Sentencing Commission on August 24, 2022 (starts on slide 10)
- Data analyzed
 - July 2022 Total Prison Population Data
 - 50+ years of age
 - Minimum sentence of 120 months or more
 - Felony category and offense group by most serious offense



Criminal History of Convicted Persons with Zero Prior Felonies

- Based on request from NSC members
- Analysis of criminal history of those admitted to prison who had zero prior felonies
- Presented to the Nevada Sentencing Commission on November 4, 2022 (starts on slide 29)
- Data analyzed
 - Total population on September 30, 2022
 - Most serious offense
- 5.31% of the total population are new commitments and have no priors
 - Total population: 10,318

09/30/2022		
Categories	Totals	Percentages
CAT A	203	37.04%
CAT B	312	56.93%
CAT C	24	4.38%
CAT D	9	1.64%
Grand Total	548	

09/30/2022		
Groups	Totals	Percentages
Violence	265	48.36%
Sex	191	34.85%
Drug	27	4.93%
DUI	26	4.74%
Other	21	3.83%
Property	18	3.28%
Grand Total	548	

Recidivism and Re-entry Project

1

Collecting qualitative data about parole violators and what they think would support their re-entry

2

Meeting with parole violators at Northern Nevada Correctional Center and High Desert State Prison

Medically-assisted treatment is needed. I've seen eight friends die from Fentanyl.

Need help with figuring out why we use. Using will lead to crime.

It takes too long to get into any program.

Need mentors or sponsors. Show me your friends and I'll show you your future.

I came in with nothing, I was put out with nothing.

I was released addicted.

Parole was never a place to go for help.

Centers and shelters are always in a terrible neighborhood—dangerous, drug-infested, and full of crime.



It seems like a setup.

Addiction—YUM!

Need housing that is not a ticket to come back to prison. If you go to the barber, you're gonna get your hair cut.

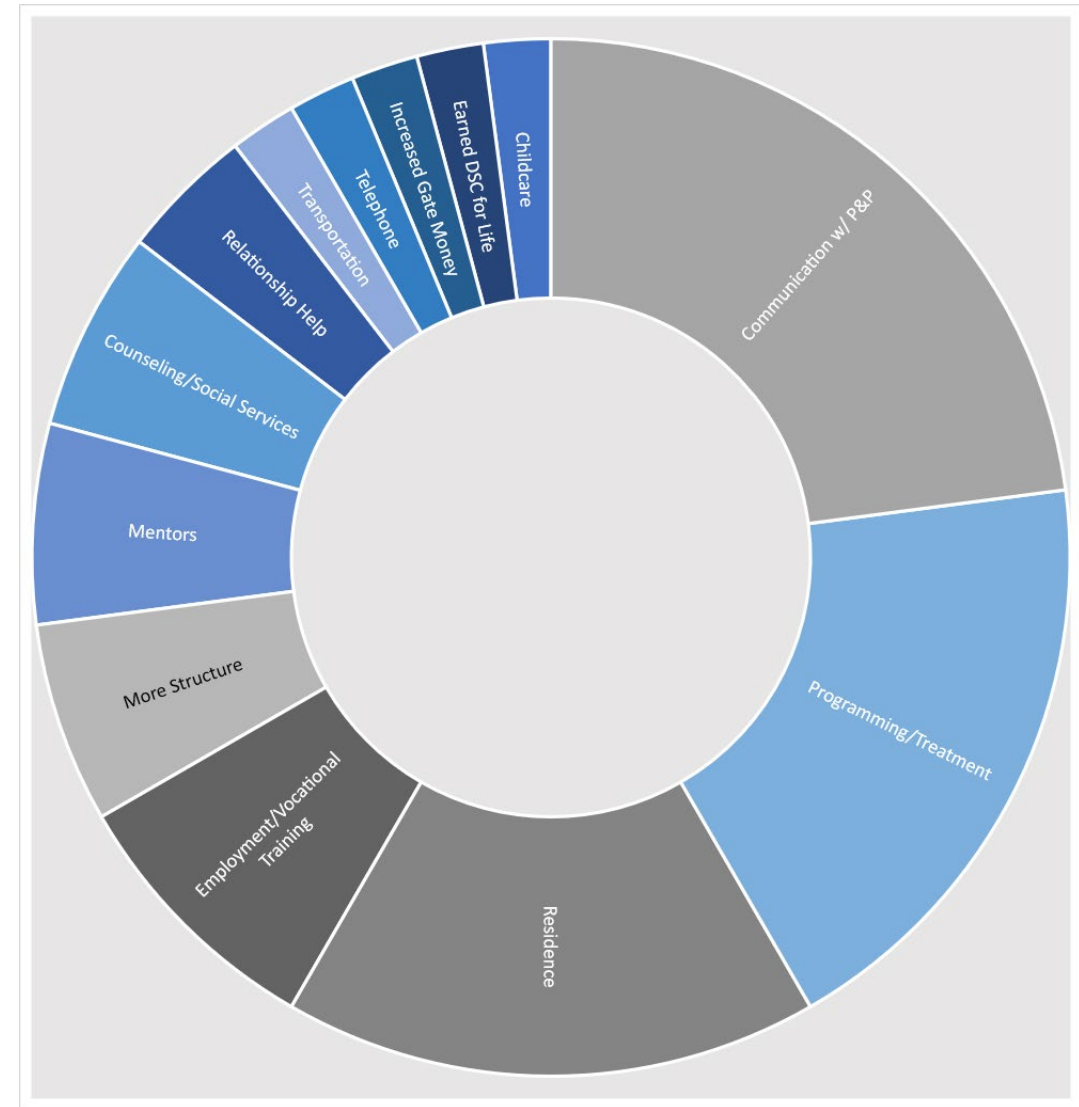
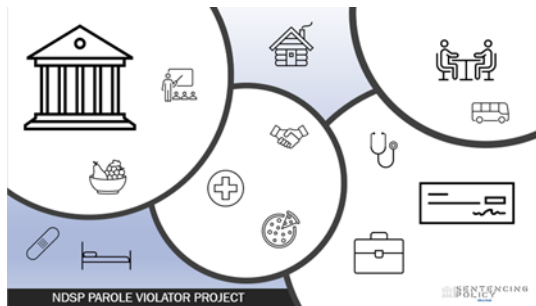
Waiting lists for help are too long; already back to the demons.

Anxiety drives familiarity.

I was in prison almost 22 years. Why wouldn't you give me resources? I'm going back to society.

Resources and Support Needs

We talked about resources and support earlier—What helped the most? What, if anything, would have made a bigger difference?



Preview of 2017-2022 Prison Population Analysis

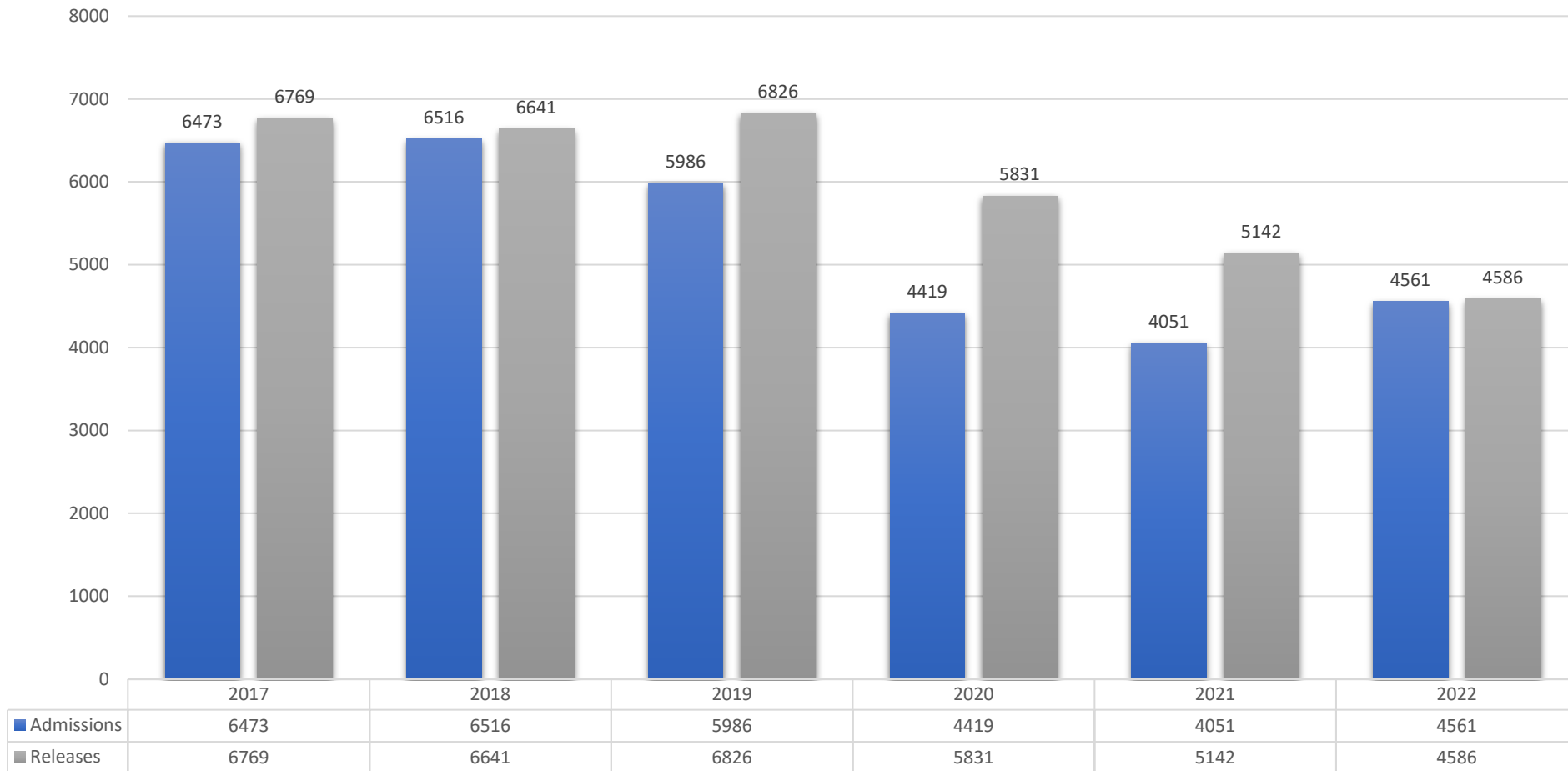
DETAILS OF FORTHCOMING REPORT

- Report analyzes the prison population from 2017 to 2022
- Data includes:
 - Total population
 - Admissions
 - Releases
- Detailed analysis by:
 - Offense group
 - Felony category
 - Female population

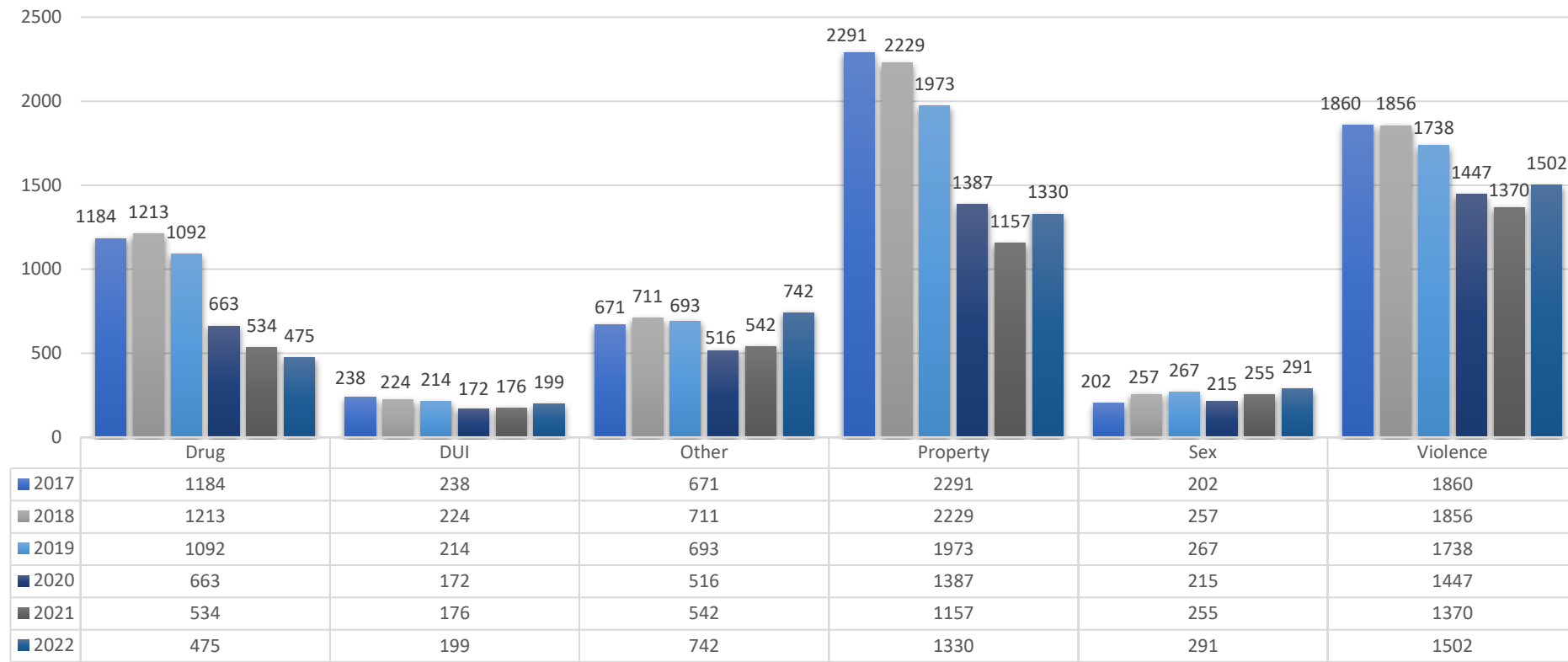
PREVIEW OF DATA INCLUDES

- Comparison of admissions and releases
- Admissions by offense group
- Admissions: Imprisonment status totals and percentages
- Releases by offense group
- Female admission trends
- Female admissions: new commitments by offense group

2017-2022 Comparison of Admissions and Releases



2017-2022 Admissions by Offense Group

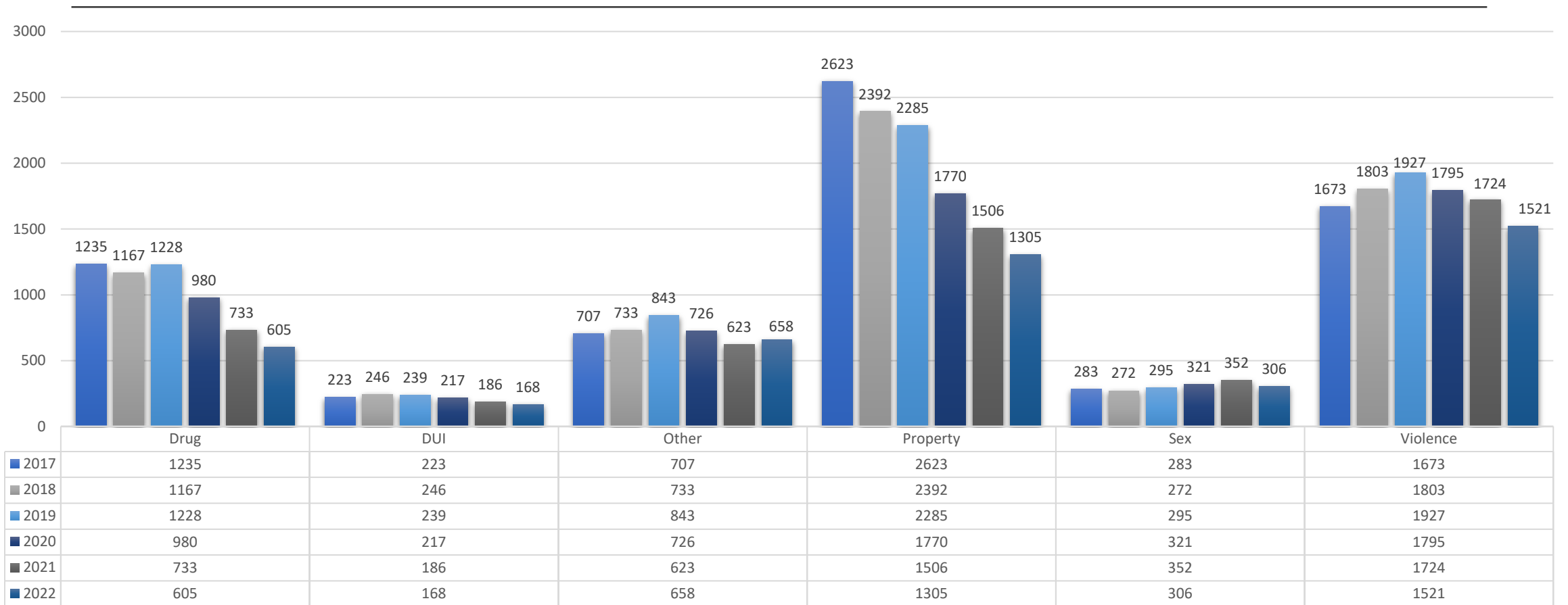


Admissions: Imprisonment Status Totals and Percentage

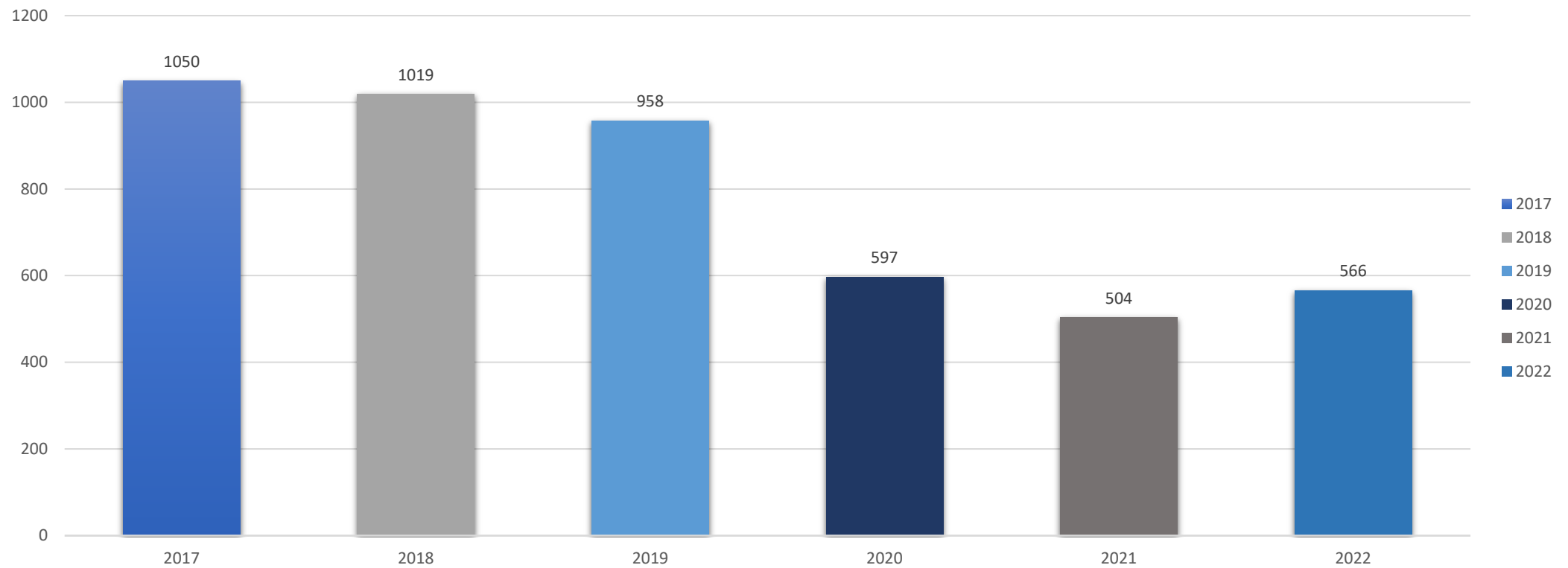
Imprisonment Status	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
New Commitment	3338	3350	3001	2199	1963	2329
Probation Violator No New Conviction	1572	1407	1320	1013	814	910
Parole Violator No New Conviction	644	921	954	832	946	1025
Parole Housing Unit	394	357	295	13	0	0
Mandatory Parole Violator No New Conv	133	145	159	126	108	111
Probation Violator With New Conviction	70	80	65	112	95	96
Safe Keeper - Boot Camp	186	145	69	25	1	1
Not Physically Rec With Concurrent Sent	78	51	75	58	91	48
Parole Violator With New Conviction	18	19	25	17	16	15
Safe Keeper - County	21	19	5	15	13	18
Mandatory Parole Violator With New Conv	8	6	7	4	0	4
Safe Keeper	5	7	4	5	4	4
Safe Keeper - Evaluation	6	6	3	0	0	0
Interstate Compact	0	2	1	0	0	0
Unavailable	0	0	3	0	0	0
Physically Rec With Concurrent Sent	0	1	0	0	0	0
Grand Total	6473	6516	5986	4419	4051	4561

Imprisonment Status	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
New Commitment	51.57%	51.41%	50.13%	49.76%	48.46%	51.06%
Probation Violator No New Conviction	24.29%	21.59%	22.05%	22.92%	20.09%	19.95%
Parole Violator No New Conviction	9.95%	14.13%	15.94%	18.83%	23.35%	22.47%
Parole Housing Unit	6.09%	5.48%	4.93%	0.29%	0.00%	0.00%
Mandatory Parole Violator No New Conv	2.05%	2.23%	2.66%	2.85%	2.67%	2.43%
Probation Violator With New Conviction	1.08%	1.23%	1.09%	2.53%	2.35%	2.10%
Safe Keeper - Boot Camp	2.87%	2.23%	1.15%	0.57%	0.02%	0.02%
Not Physically Rec With Concurrent Sent	1.21%	0.78%	1.25%	1.31%	2.25%	1.05%
Parole Violator With New Conviction	0.28%	0.29%	0.42%	0.38%	0.39%	0.33%
Safe Keeper - County	0.32%	0.29%	0.08%	0.34%	0.32%	0.39%
Mandatory Parole Violator With New Conv	0.12%	0.09%	0.12%	0.09%	0.00%	0.09%
Safe Keeper	0.08%	0.11%	0.07%	0.11%	0.10%	0.09%
Safe Keeper - Evaluation	0.09%	0.09%	0.05%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
Interstate Compact	0.00%	0.03%	0.02%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
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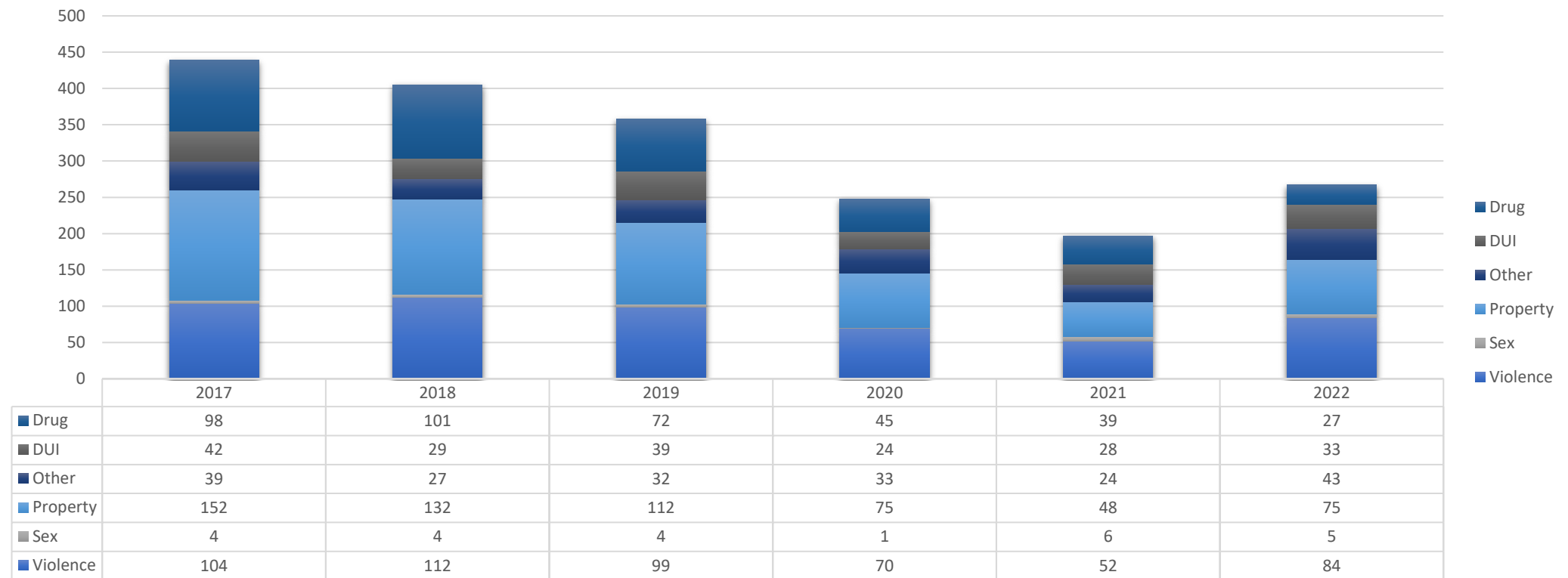
2017-2022 Releases by Offense Group



Female Admission Trends



Female Admissions: New Commitments by Offense Group



In the Works

Identifying type of drug for drug offenses

Identifying type of burglary for burglary offenses

Full data analysis of temporary revocations

Data analysis to assist legislators in developing BDRs and bills

Your request here _____



Questions
