

Juvenile Detention

Washington has 21 county-operated facilities, which are maintained by the juvenile courts, and one regional center maintained by a consortium of counties. Juveniles from all 39 counties are held in these 22 facilities.

Juveniles are held in local detention facilities to await court hearings or as sentenced offenders. Some facilities also hold juveniles sentenced to the State Juvenile Rehabilitation Administration.

Juvenile detention population figures used in this report were provided by the Office of the Administrator for the Courts. Population figures represent each entry into the detention database (episode), where a juvenile was held for four hours or longer. Juveniles who are over the age of 18 and who are under the jurisdiction of the juvenile court or who have been remanded to adult court are also included in the detention population data. A juvenile may be held in detention more than once within a year depending on the number of times the juvenile offends. Changes in the method of tabulation may account for differences in population data from previous years.

The number of admissions of juveniles to detention facilities in 2008 increased slightly, by almost three percent, from the number of juveniles admitted in 2007. From 1999 to 2008, the number of admissions of juveniles to detention facilities decreased by 16 percent.

Facilities that experienced an increase from 2007 to 2008 of over ten percent in the number of juveniles held in detention include: Chelan (13.8), Clallam (14.3), Grant (15.5), Island (24.0), Lewis (33.1), Okanogan (10.6), and Skagit (16.9). One facility experienced a decrease of over ten percent: Medical Lake (-17.8).

Race and Ethnic Distribution

Minority youth, age 10-17, representation in detention increased from 2007 to 2008 by 3.4 percent. Over the past five years, the percentage of minority youth in detention has steadily

increased annually, from 33.3 percent in 2004 to 40.9 percent in 2008 (an increase of 22.8 percent). Since 2002, the percentage of minority youth in detention has steadily increased annually, from 30.3 percent in 2000 to 40.9 percent in 2008 (a 35 percent increase from 2002 – 2008).

The race and ethnic distribution of the detention population during 2008 showed that 59 percent were White, 14 percent were Black, six percent were Native American, three percent were Asian/Pacific Islander, and 17 percent were Hispanic. Race or ethnicity was unknown or not reported for two percent of the detention population.

Gender

Females accounted for 28 percent of the detention population in 2008, a slight increase from 27.6 percent of the detention population in 2007. There was a steady increase in the percentage of female admissions to detention facilities from 1992 to 2006 – from 17.6 in 1992 to 29.2 in 2006.

TABLE 71
JUVENILE ADMISSIONS TO DETENTION FACILITIES
JANUARY 1 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2000 - 2009

FACILITY (also holds for)	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004	2003	2002	2001	2000	%	%
											Increase/ Decrease	Increase/ Decrease
											2008-09	2000-09
BENTON/FRANKLIN (Klickitat, Umatillo, Morrow, OR)	1,471	1,692	1,651	1,635	1,554	1,465	1,424	1,452	1,383	1,508	-13.1	-2.5
CHELAN	637	914	803	834	913	796	991	999	859	873	-30.3	-27.0
CLALLAM (San Juan, Jefferson Point No Point)	619	776	679	815	573	711	739	858	988	1,026	-20.2	-39.7
CLARK (Skamania)	2,008	2,106	1,929	1,863	2,004	1,778	1,766	1,787	1,766	1,563	-4.7	28.5
COWLITZ (Wahkiakum, Skamania, Columbia, OR, Clatsop, OR)	985	1,227	1,295	1,427	1,581	1,582	1,772	1,439	1,369	1,422	-19.7	-30.7
GRANT (Adams, Lincoln, Kittitas)	593	580	502	571	793	662	699	636	584	538	2.2	10.2
GRAYS HARBOR (Pacific, Wahkiakum)	792	755	775	886	962	1,003	979	947	919	1,015	4.9	-22.0
Island	278	279	225	180								-0.4
KING **	3,238	3,527	3,784	3,833	4,102	3,774	4,077	4,045	4,461	5,220	-8.2	-38.0
KITSAP (Jefferson, Suquamish Tribe)	1,504	1,584	1,577	1,528	1,595	1,648	1,690	1,688	1,748	1,791	-5.1	-16.0
LEWIS (Skamania, Pacific)	471	555	417	444	518	481	503	477	485	541	-15.1	-12.9
MASON*	323	511	474	424	424	435	435	471	510	490	-36.8	-34.1
MEDICAL LAKE* (Adams, Asotin, Douglas, Ferry, Lincoln, Pend Oreille, Spokane, Stevens, Whitman)	662	839	1,021	1,021	1,109	1,136	1,185	1,427	1,244	1,224	-21.1	-45.9
OKANOGAN	333	396	358	404	490	544	517	585	587	521	-15.9	-36.1
PIERCE	2,141	2,798	2,691	3,000	3,092	3,045	3,659	3,490	3,652	3,966	-23.5	-46.0
SKAGIT (Island, San Juan, Swinomish, Border Control)	562	642	549	617	798	746	734	829	854	1,104	-12.5	-49.1
SNOHOMISH (Island)	2,026	2,899	2,659	3,088	2,913	3,904	4,054	3,832	4,209	4,029	-30.1	-49.7
SPOKANE	1,609	1,900	1,953	2,089	2,225	2,323	2,580	2,689	2,339	2,364	-15.3	-31.9
THURSTON	1,160	1,269	1,260	1,353	1,338	1,315	1,368	1,450	1,341	1,469	-8.6	-21.0
WALLA WALLA (Columbia)	485	433	455	435	402	358	373	361	403	514	12.0	-5.6
WHATCOM (Island, San Juan, Lummi Indian Res.)	791	959	922	864	890	1,031	1,041	1,066	1,032	1,133	-17.5	-30.2
YAKIMA (Kittitas, Klickitat, Jefferson, Skamania)	1,309	1,553	1,429	1,485	1,509	1,727	1,852	1,856	2,165	2,067	-15.7	-36.7
TOTAL	23,997	28,194	27,408	28,796	29,785	30,464	32,438	32,384	32,898	34,378	-14.9	-30.2

2006 -2009 data obtained from new AOC JCS System. Prior data obtained from Juvis System.

*Detention data was reported by the court. Other county detention data was provided by the Office of the Administrator for the Courts.

TABLE 72
MINORITY DETENTION POPULATION
JANUARY 1 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2000-2009

FACILITY (also holds for)	Total Held 2009	Total Min. Held 2009	PERCENT MINORITY										% Change 2008-09	% Change 2000-09
			2009	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004	2003	2002	2001	2000		
BENTON/FRANKLIN (Klickitat, Umatillo, Morrow, OR)	1,471	916	62.3	61.8	53.0	55.8	53.5	50.8	44.8	45.3	42.6	39.1	0.7	59.3
CHELAN	637	324	50.9	44.9	46.0	42.8	33.2	34.3	31.4	35.0	32.2	32.2	13.4	58.0
CLALLAM (San Juan, Jefferson Jefferson, Point No Point)	619	148	23.9	23.3	24.2	28.6	17.6	24.5	23.5	23.2	17.9	12.0	2.5	99.2
CLARK (Skamania)	2,008	405	20.2	21.5	21.7	22.1	13.8	12.9	15.5	14.5	14.4	17.6	-6.0	14.6
COWLITZ (Wahkiakum, Skamania, Columbia, OR, Clatsop, OR)	985	262	26.6	24.8	24.2	18.8	20.4	19.7	17.3	14.7	13.4	16.0	7.4	66.2
GRANT (Adams, Lincoln, Kittitas)	593	341	57.5	51.7	53.2	51.3	48.9	47.1	44.3	45.8	46.2	34.8	11.2	65.2
GRAYS HARBOR (Adams, Pacific, Wahkiakum)	792	196	24.7	14.6	24.6	23.7	23.3	19.0	25.5	18.0	15.6	14.6	69.9	69.5
ISLAND	278	95	34.2	29.7	32.4	27.8							14.9	
KING **	3,238	2,146	66.3	66.4	62.5	59.6	58.0	53.9	53.8	50.2	50.8	50.3	-0.2	31.8
KITSAP (Jefferson, Suquamish Tribe)	1,504	528	35.1	30.4	30.4	32.3	26.5	23.4	24.5	21.4	20.6	16.5	15.6	112.8
LEWIS (Skamania, Pacific)	471	116	24.6	30.5	29.0	25.0	9.7	8.5	11.5	9.0	7.2	9.4	-19.1	162.0
MASON**	323	79	24.5	16.0	14.6	15.6	15.6	13.3	14.9	11.5	10.8	7.8	52.4	213.6
MEDICAL LAKE ** (Adams, Asotin, Douglas, Ferry, Lincoln, Pend Oreille, Spokane, Stevens, Whitman)	662	256	38.7	37.7	29.9	29.9	28.9	32.1	32.8	31.8	34.5	32.3	2.7	19.7
OKANOGAN	333	223	67.0	63.4	66.8	59.9	68.0	66.5	65.2	63.4	62.5	56.6	5.7	18.3
PIERCE	2,141	1,018	47.5	49.5	47.0	47.4	42.2	41.7	42.0	40.1	39.8	39.7	-3.9	19.8
SKAGIT (Island, San Juan, Swinomish, Border Control)	562	268	47.7	52.5	52.8	50.1	39.7	37.8	36.8	33.4	29.5	23.3	-9.2	104.7
SNOHOMISH (Island)	2,026	569	28.1	27.5	25.6	26.0	20.3	20.5	17.9	17.8	16.6	13.1	2.0	114.4
SPOKANE	1,609	432	26.8	26.1	23.6	23.8	19.3	19.7	21.0	21.3	20.1	18.2	3.1	47.5
THURSTON	1,160	361	31.1	27.3	26.7	25.6	23.2	20.0	15.3	16.5	20.7	16.6	13.8	87.5
WALLA WALLA (Columbia)	485	224	46.2	45.0	52.7	44.4	48.3	36.0	33.5	28.8	17.4	34.6	2.6	33.5
WHATCOM (Island, San Juan, Lummi Indian Res.)	791	355	44.9	36.7	33.4	36.2	36.0	33.0	28.4	22.4	18.8	21.4	22.3	109.7
YAKIMA (Kittitas, Klickitat, Jefferson, Skamania)	1,309	862	65.9	69.9	69.7	64.2	63.6	64.5	63.5	61.6	47.5	55.8	-5.8	18.0
TOTAL	23,997	10,124	42.2	40.9	39.5	38.5	35.1	33.3	32.7	30.3	28.7	29.2	3.2	44.5

*2006-2009 data obtained from new AOC JCS System. Prior data obtained from Juvis System.

**2000-2005 data do not include Other Category, Unknown Category and Not Reported Category. All other years data include these categories.

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TABLE 73

**DETENTION POPULATION BY ETHNIC GROUP
JANUARY 1 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2009***

FACILITY (also holds for)	Ethnic Group						Unknown	Not Reported
	White	Black	Native American	Hispanic	Asian & Pacific Is.	Other		
BENTON/FRANKLIN (Klickitat, Umatillo, Morrow, OR)	555	74	4	822	10	0	6	0
CHELAN	313	5	15	266	0	0	38	0
CLALLAM (San Juan, Jefferson Point No Point)	471	14	75	46	0	0	13	0
CLARK (Skamania)	1,603	188	15	125	24	0	53	0
COWLITZ (Wahkiakum, Skamania, Columbia, OR, Clatsop, OR)	723	28	45	166	15	0	8	0
GRANT (Adams, Lincoln, Kittitas)	252	28	7	305	0	0	1	0
GRAYS HARBOR (Adams, Pacific, Wahkiakum)	596	21	61	51	8	0	55	0
ISLAND	183	17	10	27	33	0	8	0
KING *	1,092	1,358	121	420	239	0	8	0
KITSAP (Jefferson, Suquamish Tribe)	976	177	101	132	70	0	48	0
LEWIS (Skamania, Pacific)	355	16	4	28	1	0	67	0
MASON*	244	5	39	31	4	0	0	0
MEDICAL LAKE * (Adams, Asotin, Douglas, Ferry, Lincoln, Pend Oreille, Spokane, Stevens, Whitman)	406	20	100	128	0	0	8	0
OKANOGAN	110	11	131	75	1	0	5	0
PIERCE	1,123	643	66	197	109	0	3	0
SKAGIT (Island, San Juan, Swinomish, Border Control)	294	16	21	201	8	0	22	0
SNOHOMISH (Island)	1,457	209	80	199	66	0	15	0
SPOKANE	1,177	202	156	56	10	0	8	0
THURSTON	799	114	57	103	62	0	25	0
WALLA WALLA (Columbia)	261	17	7	144	0	0	56	0
WHATCOM (Island, San Juan, Lummi Indian Res.)	436	74	105	160	11	0	5	0
YAKIMA (Kittitas, Klickitat, Jefferson, Skamania)	447	52	91	649	0	0	70	0
TOTAL	13,873	3,289	1,311	4,331	671	0	522	0

*2006 - 2009 data obtained from new AOC JCS System. Prior data obtained from Juvis System.

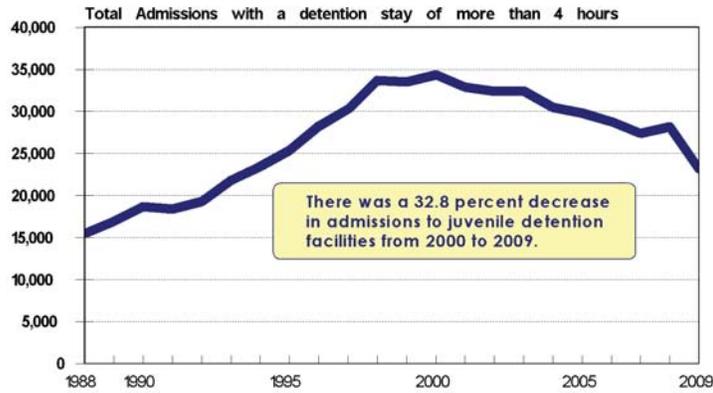
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TABLE 74

**ETHNIC DISTRIBUTION OF DETENTION POPULATION
JANUARY 1 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2000 - 2009**

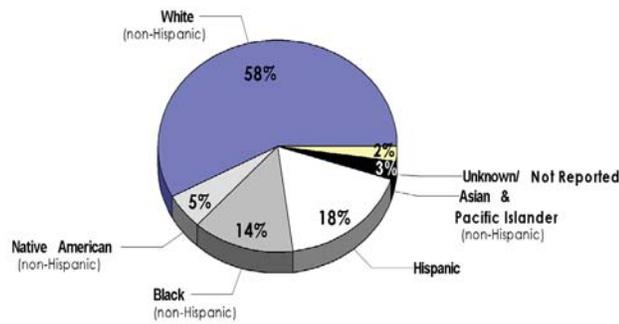
	White	Black	Native American	Asian & Pacific Is.	Hispanic	Other/ Not Reported	TOTAL
2009	13,873	3,289	1,311	671	4,331	522	23,997
	58%	14%	5%	3%	18%	2%	100%
2008	16,716	3,862	1,601	788	4,779	540	28,286
	58%	14%	5%	3%	18%	2%	100%
2007	16,487	3,797	1,611	767	4,129	605	27,396
	60%	14%	6%	3%	15%	2%	100%
2006	17,722	3,790	1,727	817	4,047	683	28,786
	62%	13%	6%	3%	14%	2%	100%
2005	18,472	3,729	1,876	848	3,992	848	29,765
	62%	13%	6%	3%	13%		97%
2004	19,505	3,481	1,935	811	3,894	807	30,433
	64%	11%	6%	3%	13%	3%	100%
2003	20,801	3,748	1,724	869	3,782	1,036	31,960
	65%	12%	5%	3%	12%	3%	100%
2002	21,452	3,698	1,779	903	3,541	1,398	32,771
	65%	11%	5%	3%	11%	4%	100%
2001	21,866	3,642	1,541	955	3,292	1,570	32,866
	67%	11%	5%	3%	10%	5%	100%
2000	23,132	3,966	1,741	3,446	1,049	990	34,324
	67%	12%	5%	3%	10%	3%	100%

Graph 38
Juvenile Admissions to Detention Facilities
 January 1 through December 31, 1988 - 2009



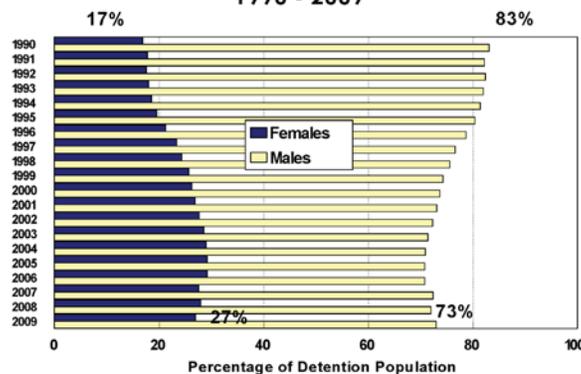
Source: Administrative Office of the Courts & county detention data sources; 2006 - 2009 AOC data obtained from new JCS system; prior data obtained from JUVIS system. Detention admission data for King County was revised to reflect 2002 data that was not reported in the prior year. AOC makes no representation as to the accuracy and completeness of the data except for court business purposes.

Graph 39
2009 Detention Population
 By Race and Ethnicity



* Percentages have been rounded.

Graph 40
Detention Population by Gender
 1990 - 2009



Source: AOC and county detention data sources; 2006 - 2009 Administrative Office of the Courts data obtained from new JCS system; prior data obtained from JUVIS; the AOC makes no representation as to the accuracy of the data

TABLE 75

**DETENTION POPULATION BY GENDER
JANUARY 1 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2000 - 2009**

FACILITY (Also Holds For)	Male 2009	Female 2009	TOTAL* 2009	Percent Female										% Change	
				2009	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004	2003	2002	2001	2000	Female 08-09	Female 2000-09
BENTON/FRANKLIN (Klickitat, Umatillo, Morrow, OR)	1,117	354	1,471	24.07	23.29	24.9	25.7	26.9	23.3	25.9	20.1	22.6	23.1	3.3	4.0
CHELAN	447	190	637	29.83	27.46	27.6	28.9	31.9	30.4	27.6	24.8	27.6	26.1	8.6	14.2
CLALLAM (San Juan, Jefferson Jefferson, Point No Point)	374	245	619	39.58	36.47	32.3	35.5	35.8	34.7	40.6	39.7	35.0	29.2	8.5	35.4
CLARK (Skamania)	1,527	481	2,008	23.95	25.59	23.4	27.3	25.2	23.9	26.0	22.3	19.1	21.9	-6.4	9.2
COWLITZ (Wahkiakum, Skamania, Columbia, OR.Clatsop, OR)	686	299	985	30.36	28.85	31.2	28.8	36.0	33.5	31.9	32.5	33.5	31.9	5.2	-4.7
GRANT (Adams, Lincoln, Kittitas)	413	180	593	30.35	30.00	25.5	31.4	26.9	25.4	28.0	24.4	26.0	19.7	1.2	54.1
GRAYS HARBOR (Adams, Pacific, Wahkiakum)	553	237	790	30.00	32.45	31.1	34.4	29.3	34.4	30.9	35.9	32.8	34.4	-7.6	-12.8
ISLAND	188	90	278	32.37	27.60	26.7	30.0								
KING **	2,354	884	3,238	27.30	27.42	28.4	28.4	27.3	28.3	28.6	26.2	25.5	22.4	-0.4	21.9
KITSAP (Jefferson, Suquamish Tribe)	1,096	408	1,504	27.13	28.43	25.8	27.0	26.1	26.1	27.5	25.0	28.0	22.4	-4.6	21.2
LEWIS (Skamania, Pacific)	348	123	471	26.11	30.27	28.8	34.5	35.3	32.4	25.2	27.0	29.7	29.2	-13.7	-10.6
MASON	215	108	323	33.44	26.03	36.9	36.1	36.1	35.4	35.4	29.3	30.2	34.5	28.5	-3.1
MEDICAL LAKE (Adams, Asotin, Douglas, Ferry, Lincoln, Pend Oreille, Spokane, Stevens, Whitman)	518	144	662	21.75	28.61	21.0	26.1	23.3	22.1	22.1	21.4	20.7	21.2	-24.0	2.4
OKANOGAN	249	84	333	25.23	29.04	29.3	28.2	31.6	33.8	35.4	29.4	27.9	29.0	-13.1	-13.0
PIERCE	1,606	535	2,141	24.99	26.88	28.8	30.6	31.3	28.2	28.0	26.5	24.3	24.9	-7.0	0.2
SKAGIT (Island, San Juan, Swinomish, Border Control)	450	112	562	19.93	22.43	23.9	27.4	31.4	22.7	24.0	27.4	26.8	31.2	-11.2	-36.0
SNOHOMISH (Island)	1,472	553	2,025	27.31	32.70	29.0	32.6	29.9	33.5	31.1	32.6	29.2	27.9	-16.5	-2.1
SPOKANE	1,224	385	1,609	23.93	24.95	25.7	24.7	25.9	26.8	26.9	29.5	30.4	25.2	-4.1	-4.9
THURSTON	777	380	1,157	32.84	33.75	29.4	30.0	33.6	32.5	30.9	31.2	26.7	29.1	-2.7	13.0
WALLA WALLA (Columbia)	374	111	485	22.89	24.94	35.4	32.9	29.2	33.8	31.4	26.5	21.8	25.1	-8.2	-8.8
WHATCOM (Island, San Juan, Lummi Indian Res.)	544	247	791	31.23	29.20	30.8	33.1	38.0	33.9	28.4	30.5	29.2	27.4	7.0	14.1
YAKIMA (Kittitas, Klickitat, Jefferson, Skamania)	985	324	1,309	24.75	23.39	24.3	24.3	23.8	25.6	25.3	26.4	25.5	24.7	5.8	0.3
TOTAL	17,517	6,474	23,991	26.99	27.98	27.6	29.2	29.2	29.0	28.6	27.7	26.9	26.3	-3.5	2.7

*2006 and 2007 data obtained from new AOC JCS System. Prior data obtained from Juvis System.

Total percentages for 1995 through 1997 have been revised from previous reports.

† These data do not include unknown/not reported categories (+6).

** King County data has been revised to reflect 2002 data that had not been reported in the prior year.

TABLE 76
Admissions to Juvenile Detention Facilities: *
Top 5 Detention Reasons by Gender, 2005 - 2009

	Detention Reason Description	Male	Detention Reason Description	Female
2009	Assault-4	2,494	Assault-4	1,292
	Probation Violation	1,460	Theft-3	607
	Theft-3	1,404	Probation Violation	522
	Minor Possess/Consume Liquor	838	***At-Risk Youth	453
	Residential Burglary	750	***Truancy	273
2008	Assault-4	2,832	Assault-4	1,554
	Probation Violation	1,572	Theft-3	766
	Theft-3	1,444	***Truancy	734
	Residential Burglary	1,012	***At-Risk Youth	637
	***Truancy	949	Probation Violation	573
2007	Assault-4	2,054	Assault-4	1,157
	Probation Violation	1,601	***Truancy	727
	Theft-3	1,200	***At-Risk Youth	677
	***Truancy	990	Theft-3	549
	Residential Burglary	738	Probation Violation	527
** 2006	Assault-4	2,012	Assault-4	1,234
	Probation Violation	1,497	***Truancy	797
	Theft-3	1,227	***At-Risk Youth	676
	***Truancy	1,057	Theft-3	631
	***At-Risk Youth	858	Probation Violation	562
** 2005	Assault-4	1,014	Assault-4	597
	Theft-3	584	***Truancy	437
	***Truancy	541	***At-Risk Youth	351
	Residential Burglary	393	Theft-3	272
	***At-Risk Youth	354	Take Vehicle w/o Permission-2	116

Detention admission = A detention stay/hold of 4 hours or longer.

Note: There may be more than one reason/offense related to a detention admission/episode; the above data includes all reasons related to each detention episode. For example, a single detention episode could have a Probation Violation, Theft-3 and Malicious Mischief charge -- all of these reasons were included, and sorted in providing the top offense/reasons for detention listed above.

* Does not include King, Mason, and Martin Hall juvenile detention facilities, or admissions to out-of-state juvenile facilities (in Oregon and Idaho).

** Washington State's Superior Court Juvenile Departments converted from the Juvenile Court Information System (JUVIS) to the Juvenile & Corrections System (JCS) between May 2005 and June 2006. Detention data from JUVIS was converted to conform to the JCS business rules, but fundamental differences exist between the two systems. The method for entering Detention Reasons and the overall but fundamental differences exist between the two systems. The method for entering Detention Reasons and the overall counts of Detention counts of Detention Reasons varies between systems.

*** The juvenile departments statewide have different data entry practices when it comes to how they track "Becca Bill" law cases (At-Risk Youth or Truancy Cases). If a youth is held in Detention on a Becca Bill law, it would be because of a violation against the original petition. The Truancy Detention Reason count is a total count of the following reasons: Truancy, Contempt - Truancy Juvenile, Truancy Petition - Juvenile, Punitive Contempt-Truancy and Punitive (Criminal) Contempt - Truancy. The At-Risk Youth Detention Reason is a total count of the following reasons: At-Risk Youth, At Risk Youth Petition, Contempt - At-Risk Youth, Punitive Contempt - At-Risk Youth and Punitive (Criminal) Contempt - At-Risk Youth. Source: Administrative Office of the Courts, updated February 2010.

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