



# Long Term Trends

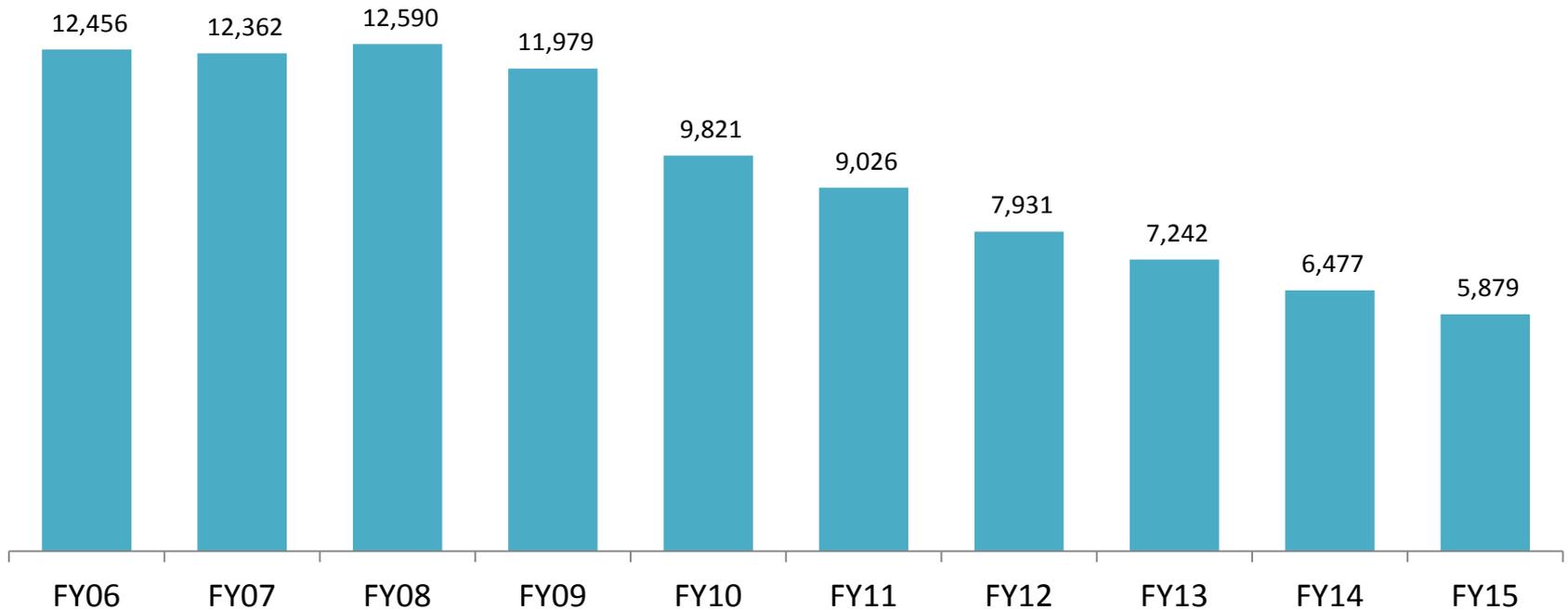
## **DJS Central Region:**

Counties of Baltimore, Carroll,  
Harford, and Howard

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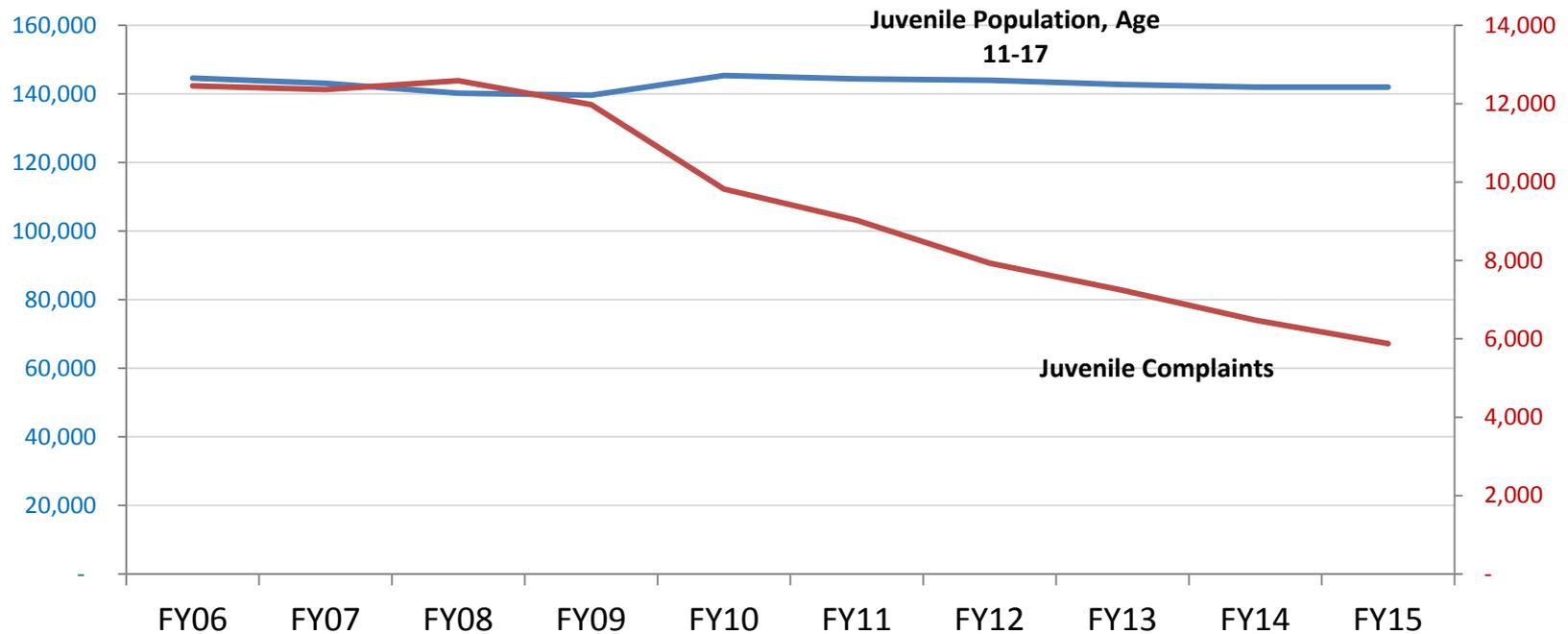
# Central Region Juvenile Complaints Have Declined Significantly

- Central Region complaints referred to DJS Intake declined 52.8% in ten years.
- Statewide complaints declined 56% over the same period.



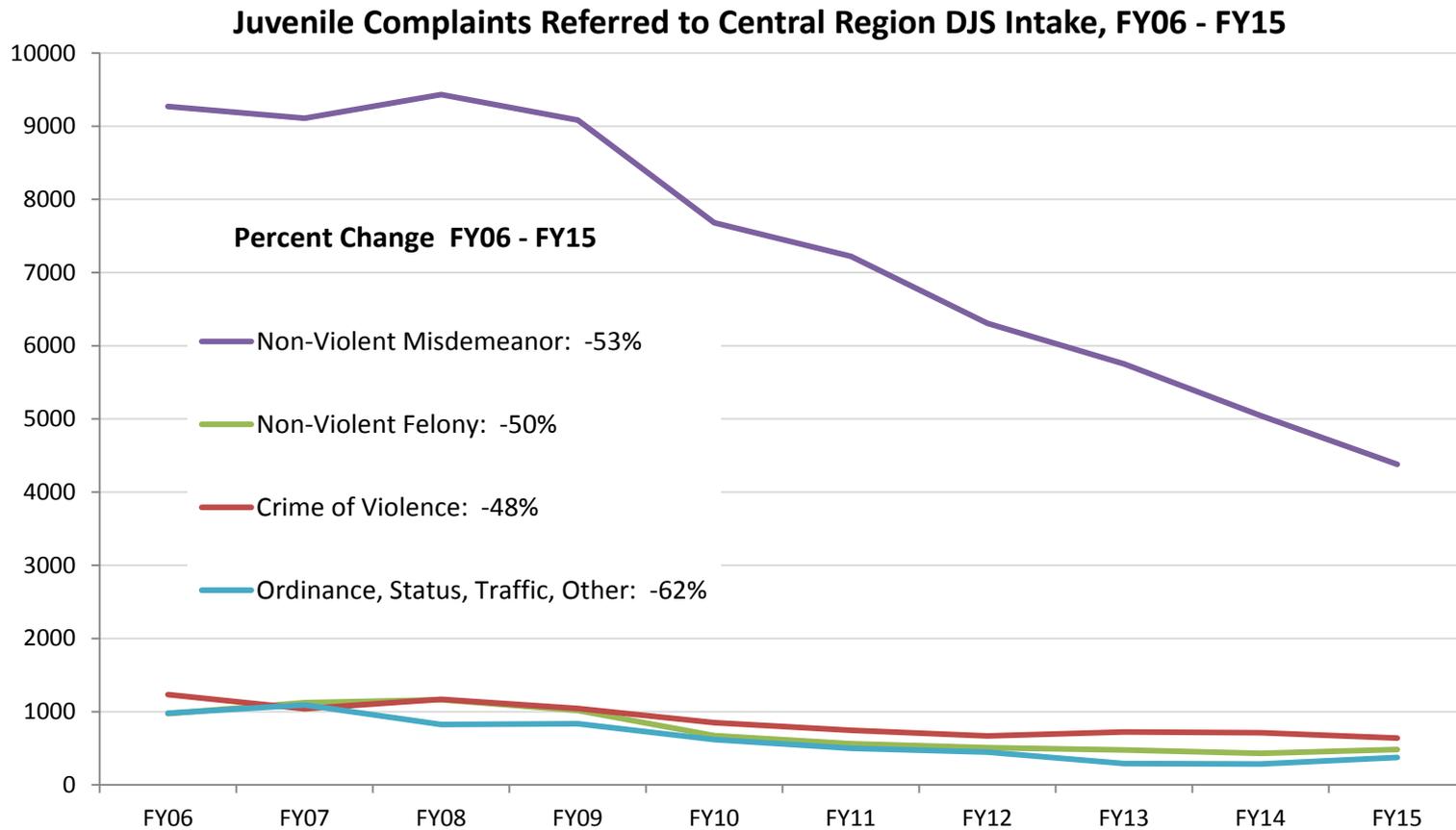
# Central Region Juvenile Complaints Declined Significantly, While The Overall Juvenile Population Has Remained Level

- Central Region overall juvenile population decreased 1.8% since FY06.
- Central Region juvenile complaints referred to DJS declined 52.8% over the same period.



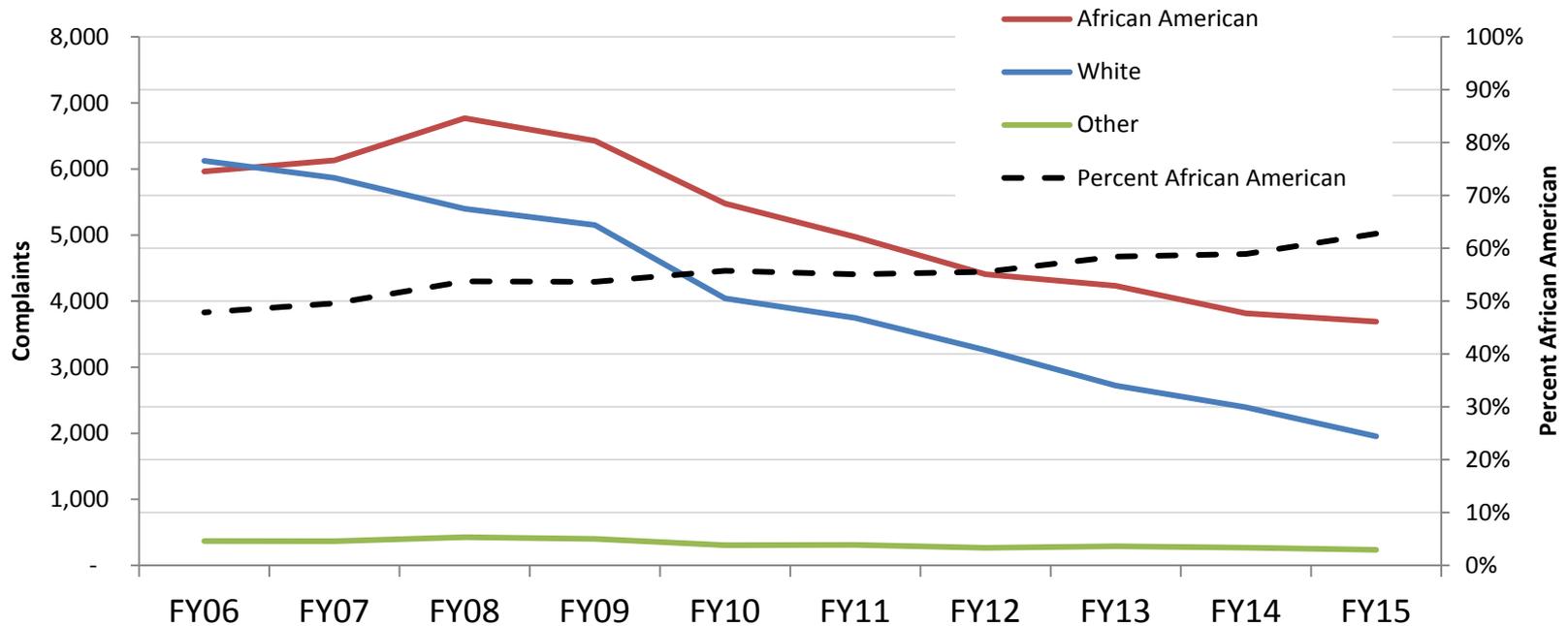
# Central Region Juvenile Complaints Have Declined in All Categories

- Juvenile non-violent misdemeanors, which make up the greatest portion of offenses, dropped 53% between FY06 and FY15.
- Juvenile crimes of violence have decreased 48% from FY06 to FY15.



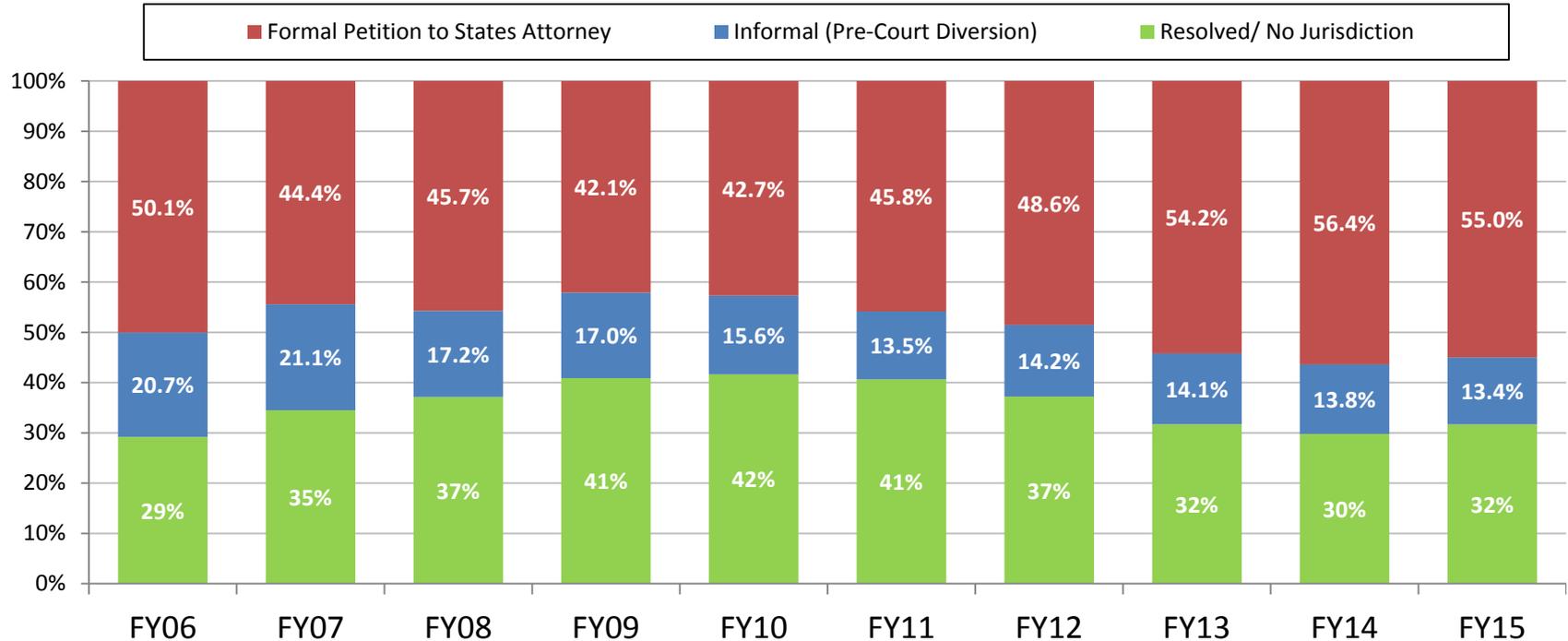
# Central Region Juvenile Complaints Have Declined for All Race/Ethnicities Since FY06

- Complaints for African American youth declined 38.1%, and declined 68.1% for white youth.
- African American youth comprise 63% of complaints, up from 48% in FY06.
- African American youth comprise 24.3% of the general population.



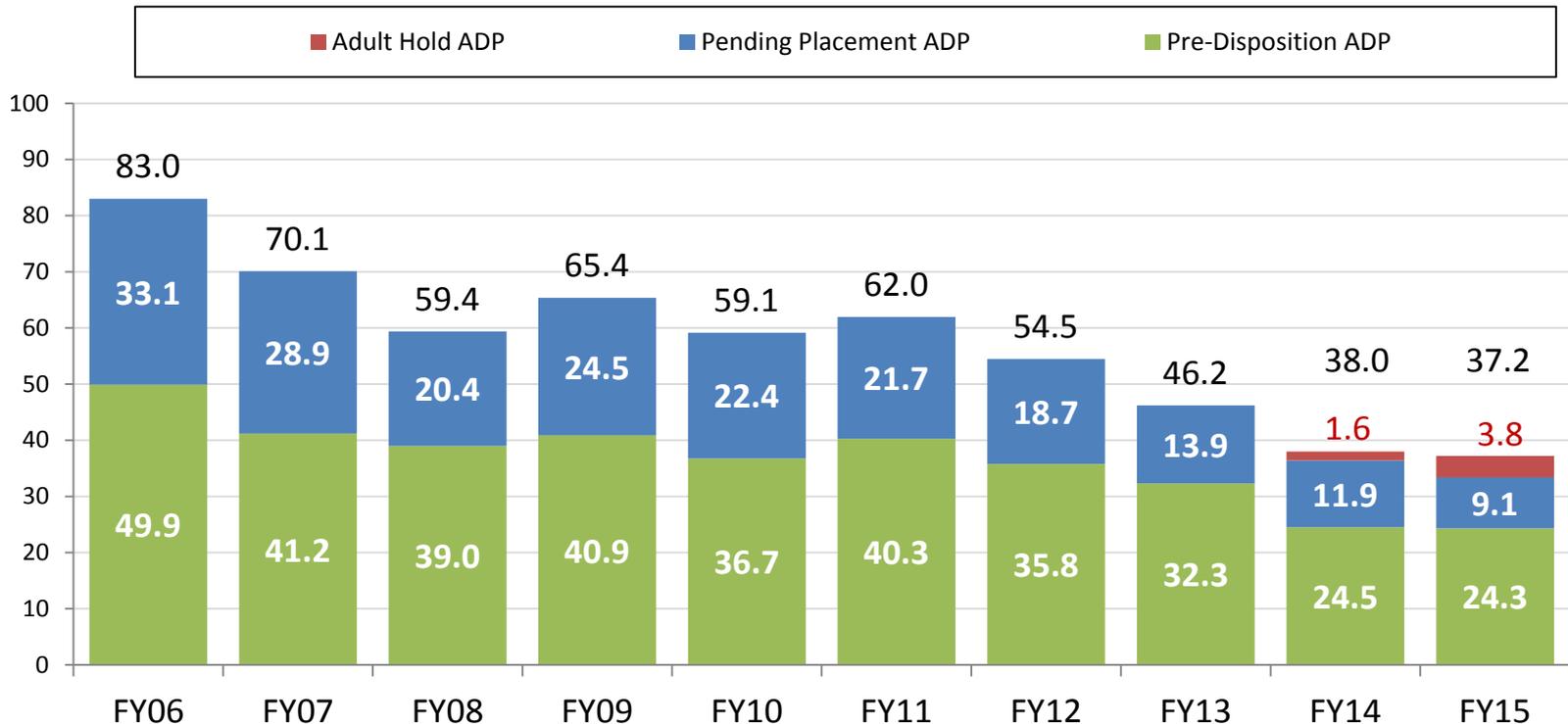
# The Proportion of Central Region Complaints Referred to Court Increased

- 55.0% of Central Region complaints were referred to court by DJS Intake in FY15, 4.9% more than in FY06. Statewide 50.9% were referred to court.
- 13.4% of Central Region complaints were diverted to an informal DJS pre-court case. Statewide 16.6% were diverted.



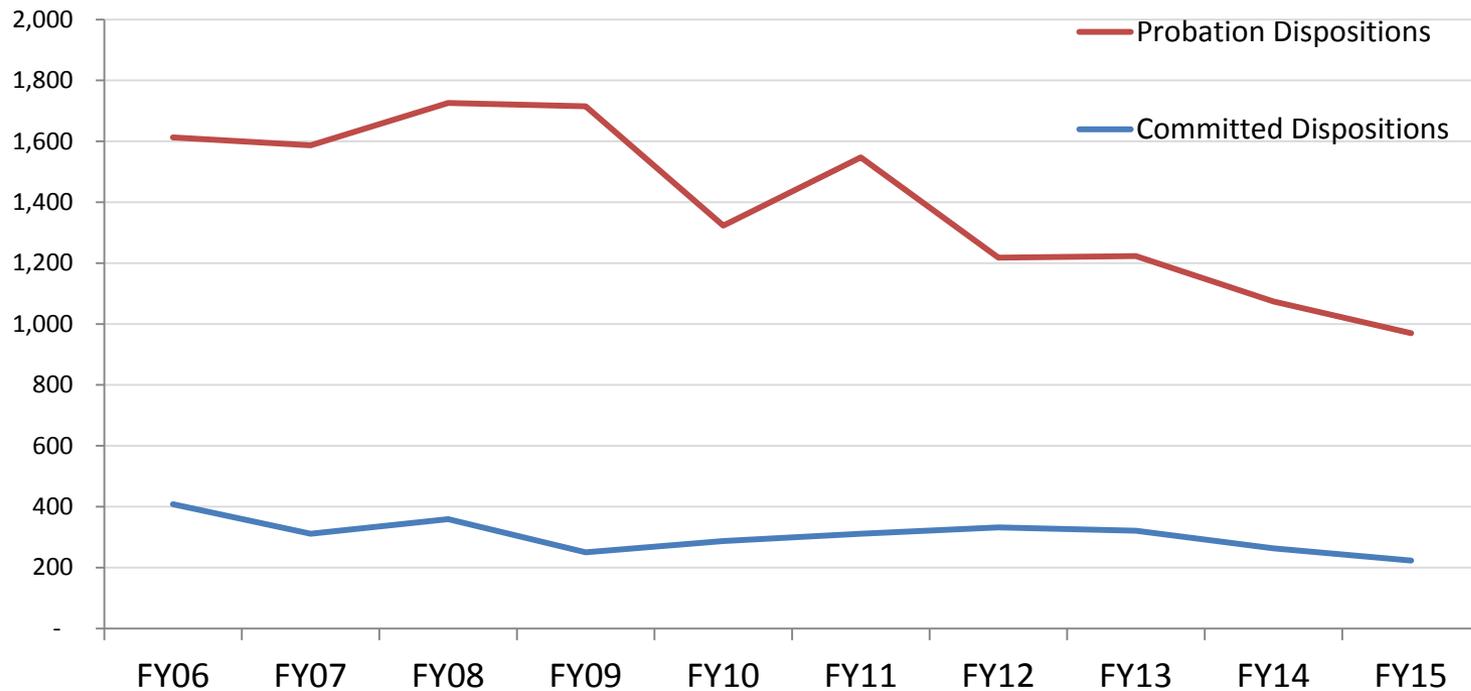
# Central Region Detention Population Declined Significantly

- Central Region daily population in DJS detention declined 55.2% in ten years, to 37.2 in FY15. The statewide population declined 36.7% over the same period.
- Pre-Disposition ADP declined 51.3% in ten years.
- Pending Placement population declined 76.5% in ten years.
- Cases detained for the Adult Court now make up 5.4% of the DJS detained population in Central Region.



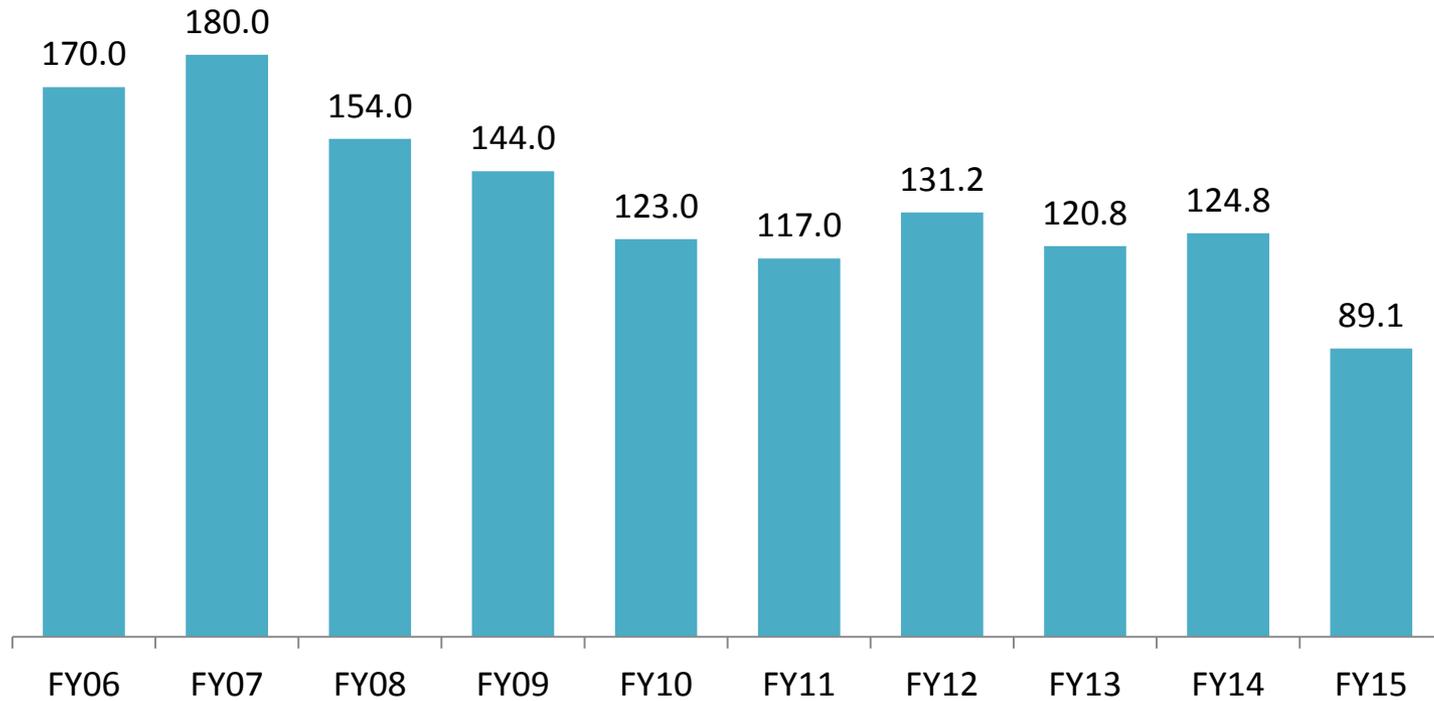
# Central Region Juvenile Probation and Commitment Orders Declined

- Central Region Juvenile probation orders declined 39.9% in ten years. Statewide probation orders declined 49.1% over the same period.
- Central Region juvenile commitments declined 45.3% in ten years. Statewide commitments declined 49.2% over the same period.



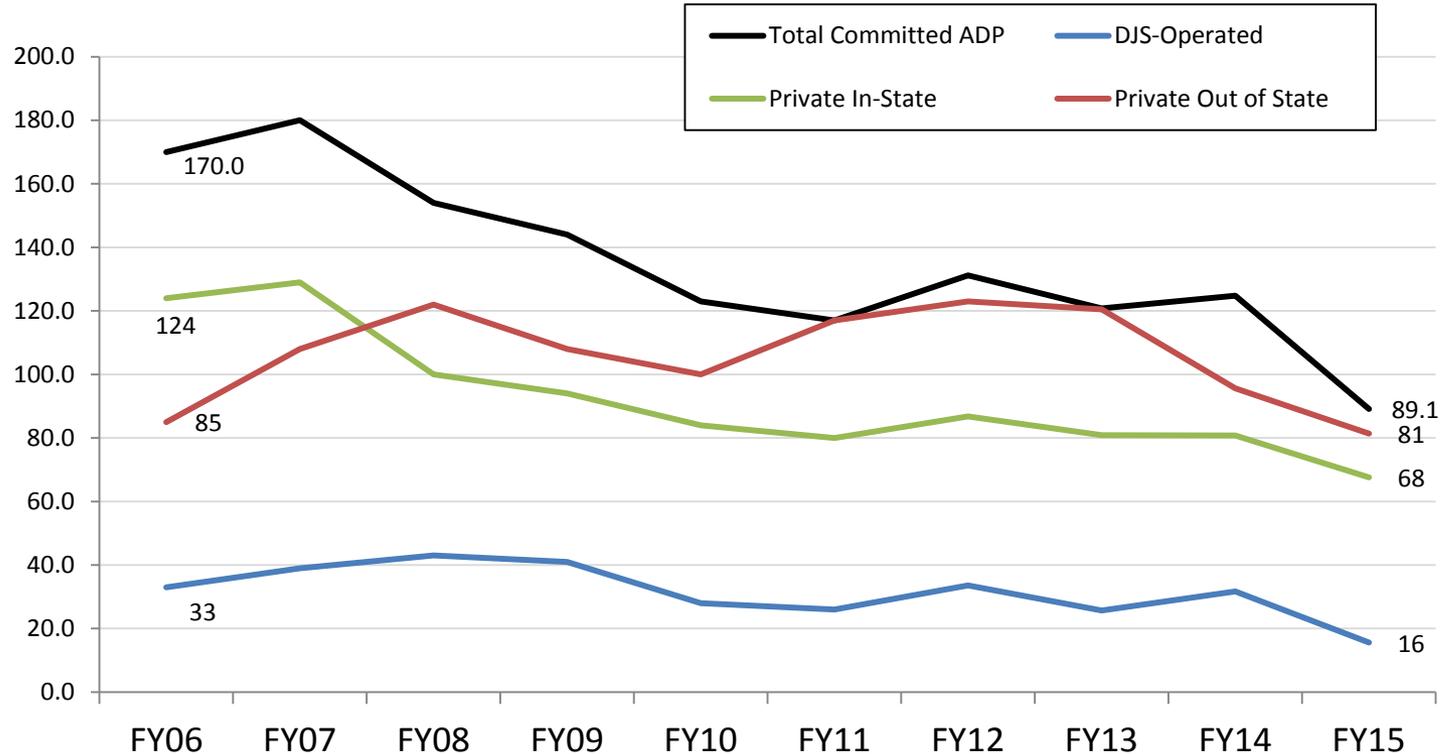
# Central Region Committed Youth Population Has Declined

- Overall daily population of Central Region youth committed by the juvenile court to out of home placement declined 47.6% over ten years, from 170 in FY06 to 89.1 in FY15.
- Statewide average committed population declined 32.7% over the same period.



# Committed Youth Population Has Declined

- Overall committed Out-of- Home population has declined 47.6% since FY06.
- DJS-Operated ADP decreased 51.5%, and Private In-State has declined 45.2% since FY06.
- Out of State committed average population declined 4.7% since FY06.



# Recidivism Rates for Central Region DJS Committed Youth Have Increased Somewhat in Recent Years

- 19.4% of youth released from committed placement in FY14 had a new offense within a year, resulting in a delinquent adjudication or criminal conviction. This is up five points from 14.4% in FY12.
- The Statewide rate declined 1.9 points.

