

Alternatives to Detention (ATD)

DJS has a variety of programs designed to safely supervise and monitor youth in the community as an alternative to detention. ATDs include Community Detention (CD) – with or without Electronic/GPS Monitoring (EM) – and DJS-managed Evening Reporting Centers (ERC) serving females and males. In addition, DJS collaborates with private programs to provide additional ERC programming. These ERC programs include the Pre-Adjudication Coordination and Transition Center (PACT) for Baltimore City males, and Lead for Life, Inc., for males in Montgomery and Wicomico counties. Shelter beds may also serve as an ATD in circumstances where release-eligible youth are unable to return home. ATD programs are assigned either by DJS intake staff for the appropriate risk level youth presented for detention (placements must be reviewed by the juvenile court the next court day) or by the juvenile court directly. These alternatives allow youth to remain in the home or a shelter care program and to continue with school or work and maintain community ties, support systems, or alternative care. Youth on ATD supervision are expected to appear for scheduled hearings and not have any new arrests.

ADMISSIONS (ADM), ADP, AND ALOS BY PROGRAM TYPE AND REGION, FY 2021⁺

Region of Residence	ADM	ADP	ALOS*
R-I - Baltimore City	447	58.0	44.0
CD	77	6.6	26.5
CD/EM	204	24.9	45.9
ERC	109	14.3	42.0
PACT	40	10.5	80.1
Shelter Care	17	1.6	37.3
R-II - Central	194	23.7	47.4
CD	24	2.2	37.9
CD/EM	130	17.8	52.1
ERC	31	3.0	39.4
Shelter Care	9	0.6	24.1
R-III - Western	58	6.7	44.0
CD/EM	54	6.4	44.4
Shelter Care	4	0.3	31.4
R-IV - Eastern	122	18.4	52.2
CD	12	1.4	11.8
CD/EM	94	12.3	49.5
ERC	11	3.4	99.5
Shelter Care (Seasonal)	5	1.4	123.3
R-V - Southern	88	16.0	72.4
CD	7	0.8	48
CD/EM	61	12.9	84.8
ERC	20	2.3	37.8
Shelter Care	0	0.0	9.0
R-VI - Metro	139	23.1	69.5
CD	2	0.1	19.2
CD/EM	56	9.0	70.0
ERC	76	13.0	69.6
Shelter Care	5	1.0	78.6
Out-of-State	19	2.3	42.8
Total CD	122	11.0	28.4
Total CD/EM**	610	85.0	54.6
Total ERC**	253	36.6	51.4
Total PACT	40	10.5	80.1
Total Shelter Care**	42	5.0	48.2

⁺Youth can be in multiple ATDs simultaneously.

*ALOS is measured in days.

**Totals include out-of-state youth (see page 149 for breakdown).

- *Region of Residence (FY 2021):*
 - Over half (55.4%) of ATD program youth came from Baltimore City and Central Regions combined.
- *Average Length of Stay (ALOS) FY 2019-2021:*
 - CD increased from 19.9 days to 28.4 days.
 - CD/EM increased from 32.4 days to 54.6 days.
 - ERC increased from 37.3 days to 51.4 days.
 - PACT increased from 48.3 days to 80.1 days.
 - Shelter Care increased from 28.0 days to 48.2 days.
- *Average Daily Population (ADP) FY 2019-2021:*
 - CD decreased 23.3%.
 - CD/EM decreased 39.5%.
 - ERC increased 48.1%.
 - PACT increased 34.5%.
 - Shelter Care decreased 40.8%.
- *ATD Program Youth:*
 - The total number of ATD youth decreased 48.7% between FY 2019 and FY 2021 and decreased 37.4% between FY 2020 and FY 2021.
- *Most Serious Offense Trends FY 2019-2021:*
 - CD and CD/EM: the percentage of crimes of violence increased from 31.2% to 41.1%; the percentage of felonies decreased from 20.9% to 20.7%.
 - ERC: the percentage of crimes of violence increased from 40.2% to 45.8%; the percentage of felonies increased from 29.9% to 30.4%.
 - PACT: the percentage of crimes of violence increased from 32.1% to 55.0%; the percentage of felonies decreased from 50.9% to 25.0%.
 - Shelter Care: the percentage of crimes of violence decreased from 30.8% to 28.6%; the percentage of felonies increased from 16.2% to 23.8%.
- See pages 148 and 149 for specific program names and locations as well as Admissions, ADP, and ALOS data by Program Type and County for FY 2021.

ASSIST is a live database; therefore, updates made subsequent to these data being run will not be included. Percentages may not add to 100% due to rounding. Data may not be comparable to previous *Data Resource Guides* due to methodology changes. VOPs are categorized by the original offense.

ADMISSIONS BY OFFENSE TYPE*, FY 2021

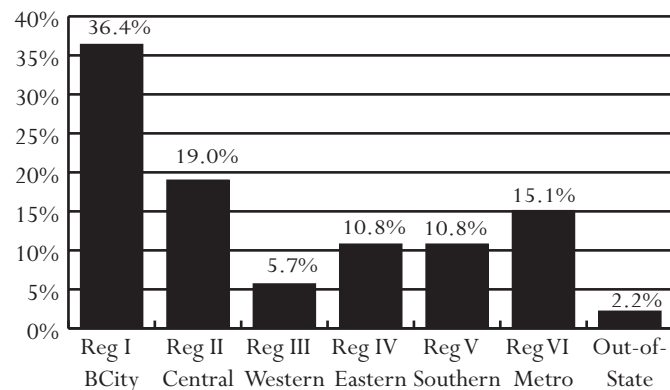
Most Serious Alleged Offense	CD & CD/EM**	ERC	PACT	Shelter Care
Arson	0.7%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Auto Theft/Unauth Use	10.8%	15.8%	12.5%	14.3%
Burglary/Break & Ent.	6.6%	7.5%	0.0%	4.8%
Carjacking	13.6%	15.0%	20.0%	7.1%
Child Abuse	0.1%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Cons. to Commit Offense	0.3%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Deadly Weapon	1.9%	0.8%	0.0%	0.0%
Disturbing the Peace	0.6%	0.4%	0.0%	0.0%
First Degree Assault-Felony	10.6%	7.9%	10.0%	7.1%
Handgun Violation	6.8%	6.7%	22.5%	0.0%
Malicious Destruction	1.6%	1.2%	0.0%	0.0%
Motor Vehicle/Traffic	1.4%	0.4%	0.0%	0.0%
Murder	2.3%	0.0%	2.5%	0.0%
Narcotics Distribution	5.0%	9.1%	10.0%	2.4%
Narcotics Possession	1.9%	1.2%	0.0%	0.0%
Other ¹	4.2%	1.2%	0.0%	4.8%
Resisting Arrest	0.6%	0.8%	0.0%	0.0%
Robbery	8.3%	13.4%	17.5%	9.5%
Second Degree Assault-Misd	12.2%	8.3%	2.5%	31.0%
Sex Offense	1.9%	2.8%	0.0%	4.8%
Theft	7.0%	6.7%	2.5%	11.9%
Trespassing	1.3%	0.8%	0.0%	0.0%
Unspecified Misdem.	0.3%	0.0%	0.0%	2.4%
Total Admissions	696	253	40	42

* A single admission may involve multiple offenses.

¹“Other” includes Alcoholic Beverage Violation, BB Gun/Pellet Gun, Cruelty to Animals, False Report, Forgery, Harassment, Motor Vehicle Tampering, Reckless Endangerment, Runaway, Stalking, Threat of Mass Violence, Truant, Ungovernable, and Violation of Local Ordinance.

** Admissions counts are for CD/EM program as a whole, including CD alone and CD with EM.

YOUTH COUNT BY REGION OF RESIDENCE*, FY 2021



* Includes CD, CD/EM, ERC, PACT, and Shelter Care

ADMISSIONS BY OFFENSE CATEGORY*, FY 2021

Offense Category (of the Most Serious Alleged Offense)	CD & CD/EM**	ERC	PACT	Shelter Care
Crime of Violence⁺	41.1%	45.8%	55.0%	28.6%
Felony	20.7%	30.4%	25.0%	23.8%
- Person-to-Person	1.4%	1.2%	0.0%	2.4%
- Property	13.9%	20.2%	15.0%	19.0%
- Drugs	5.0%	9.1%	10.0%	2.4%
- Unspecified	0.3%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Misdemeanor	35.2%	22.9%	20.0%	45.2%
- Person-to-Person	22.6%	16.2%	20.0%	33.3%
- Property	11.2%	5.9%	0.0%	9.5%
- Drugs	1.1%	0.8%	0.0%	0.0%
- Unspecified	0.3%	0.0%	0.0%	2.4%
Ordinance Offenses	0.1%	0.4%	0.0%	0.0%
Citations	1.0%	0.4%	0.0%	0.0%
CINS	1.9%	0.0%	0.0%	2.4%
Interstate/Missing	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Total Admissions	696	253	40	42

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⁺ See Appendices K and R for COV and other offense classifications.

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YOUTH COUNT BY DEMOGRAPHICS*, FY 2019-2021

Demographics	FY2019	FY2020	FY2021
Race/Ethnicity			
Black	79.1%	76.6%	78.9%
White	14.9%	14.9%	13.1%
Hispanic/Other	5.9%	8.5%	8.0%
Sex			
Male	84.9%	84.1%	88.0%
Female	15.1%	15.9%	12.0%
Age			
11 and under	0.9%	1.1%	0.4%
12	2.1%	2.2%	2.5%
13	6.4%	7.8%	4.5%
14	10.5%	12.9%	13.3%
15	21.5%	20.7%	23.6%
16	24.2%	22.7%	23.2%
17	26.4%	24.8%	24.2%
18-20	8.0%	7.8%	8.3%
Total Youth¹	1,395	1,143	715

* Includes CD, CD/EM, ERC, PACT, and Shelter Care

¹ Total represents a count of youth served, since youth may be served by multiple ATD programs.

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ALTERNATIVES TO DETENTION AND SHELTER CARE BY REGION/COUNTY, FY 2021

Region I - Baltimore City	Location
Baltimore City Community Detention	Baltimore City
Baltimore City Electronic Monitoring	Baltimore City
Baltimore City Evening Reporting Center	Baltimore City
Baltimore City PACT Center	Baltimore City
Region II - Central	
Baltimore County Community Detention	Baltimore Co.
Baltimore County Electronic Monitoring	Baltimore Co.
Carroll County Community Detention	Carroll
Carroll County Electronic Monitoring	Carroll
Children's Home (Group Home)*	Baltimore Co.
Harford County Community Detention	Harford
Harford County Electronic Monitoring	Harford
Howard County Community Detention	Howard
Howard County Electronic Monitoring	Howard
MAGIC- Unity Home for Girls (Group Home)*	Baltimore Co.
The Board of Child Care - Sh. Term High Inten. GH*	Baltimore Co.
Region III - Western	
Allegany County Community Detention	Allegany
Allegany County Electronic Monitoring	Allegany
Frederick County Community Detention	Frederick
Frederick County Electronic Monitoring	Frederick
Garrett County Community Detention	Garrett
Garrett County Electronic Monitoring	Garrett
Washington County Community Detention	Washington
Washington County Electronic Monitoring	Washington

*This facility, which is a group home, is used for short-term or shelter placements as needed and based on bed availability.

Region IV - Eastern Shore	Location
Caroline County Community Detention	Caroline
Caroline County Electronic Monitoring	Caroline
Cecil County Community Detention	Cecil
Cecil County Electronic Monitoring	Cecil
DJS Assessment Unit - Eastern Shore	Worcester
Dorchester County Community Detention	Dorchester
Dorchester County Electronic Monitoring	Dorchester
Kent County Community Detention	Kent
Kent County Electronic Monitoring	Kent
Queen Anne's County Community Detention	Qn. Anne's
Queen Anne's County Electronic Monitoring	Qn. Anne's
Somerset County Community Detention	Somerset
Somerset County Electronic Monitoring	Somerset
Talbot County Community Detention	Talbot
Talbot County Electronic Monitoring	Talbot
Wicomico County Community Detention	Wicomico
Wicomico County Electronic Monitoring	Wicomico
Worcester County Community Detention	Worcester
Worcester County Electronic Monitoring	Worcester
Region V - Southern	
Anne Arundel County Community Detention	An. Arundel
Anne Arundel County Electronic Monitoring	An. Arundel
Calvert County Community Detention	Calvert
Calvert County Electronic Monitoring	Calvert
Charles County Community Detention	Charles
Charles County Electronic Monitoring	Charles
St. Mary's County Community Detention	St. Mary's
St. Mary's County Electronic Monitoring	St. Mary's
Region VI - Metro	
Hearts & Homes for Youth, Inc (Kemp Mill GH)*ERC	Montgomery
Montgomery County Community Detention	Montgomery
Montgomery County Electronic Monitoring	Montgomery
Montgomery County Evening Reporting Center	Montgomery
Prince George's County Community Detention	Pr. George's
Prince George's County Electronic Monitoring	Pr. George's
Prince George's County Evening Reporting Center	Pr. George's

ADMISSIONS (ADM), ADP*, AND ALOS FOR ALTERNATIVES TO DETENTION BY REGION/COUNTY OF RESIDENCE, FY 2021

Region/ County	CD ¹			CD/EM ¹			ERC			PACT			Shelter		
	ADM	ADP	ALOS	ADM	ADP	ALOS	ADM	ADP	ALOS	ADM	ADP	ALOS	ADM	ADP	ALOS
R-I- Balt. City	77	6.6	26.5	204	24.9	45.9	109	14.3	42.0	40	10.5	80.1	17	1.6	37.3
Baltimore City	77	6.6	26.5	204	24.9	45.9	109	14.3	42.0	40	10.5	80.1	17	1.6	37.3
R-II- Central	24	2.2	37.9	130	17.8	52.1	31	3.0	39.4	0	0.0	0.0	9	0.6	24.1
Baltimore Co.	22	2.0	39.5	87	12.7	54.5	26	2.7	42.0	0	0.0	0.0	3	0.2	22.0
Carroll	0	0.0	0.0	6	0.4	35.1	1	0.1	31.1	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0
Harford	2	0.2	3.2	23	3.2	48.1	2	0.1	18.7	0	0.0	0.0	4	0.3	24.9
Howard	0	0.0	0.0	14	1.6	49.7	2	0.2	29.1	0	0.0	0.0	2	0.1	25.6
R-III- Western	0	0.0	0.0	54	6.4	44.4	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	4	0.3	31.4
Allegany	0	0.0	0.0	19	2.1	40.8	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	2	0.1	2.1
Frederick	0	0.0	0.0	21	2.7	47.3	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	1	0.1	0.0
Garrett	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.2	126.1	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0
Washington	0	0.0	0.0	14	1.4	39.4	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	1	0.2	60.7
R-IV- Eastern	12	1.4	11.8	94	12.3	49.5	11	3.4	99.5	0	0.0	0.0	5	1.4	123.3
Caroline	1	0.3	120.9	3	0.8	98.7	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0
Cecil	1	0.0	0.7	4	0.5	57.3	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	1	0.6	187.0
Dorchester	5	0.0	2.0	23	2.0	34.9	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0
Kent	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0
Queen Anne's	1	0.0	1.1	3	0.5	52.3	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0
Somerset	1	0.0	1.1	8	2.2	90.1	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0
Talbot	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.1	138.0
Wicomico	3	1.0	2.5	33	2.9	31.6	11	3.4	99.5	0	0.0	0.0	4	0.7	52.3
Worcester	0	0.0	0.0	20	3.3	62.5	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0
R-V- Southern	7	0.8	48.0	61	12.9	84.8	20	2.3	37.8	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	9.0
Anne Arundel	6	0.8	54.8	32	7.4	97.6	19	2.2	37.2	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0
Calvert	0	0.0	0.0	9	1.9	33.5	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0
Charles	0	0.0	0.0	14	2.5	85.1	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	9.0
St. Mary's	1	0.0	0.6	6	1.1	45.1	1	0.1	50.2	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0
R-VI- Metro	2	0.1	19.2	56	9.0	70.0	76	13.0	69.6	0	0.0	0.0	5	1.0	78.6
Montgomery	2	0.1	19.2	26	3.0	58.4	24	6.4	97.7	0	0.0	0.0	3	0.2	19.6
Prince George's	0	0.0	0.0	30	6.0	79.5	52	6.5	58.2	0	0.0	0.0	2	0.8	137.6
Out-of-State	0	0.0	0.0	11	1.7	52.7	6	0.5	33.0	0	0.0	0.0	2	0.0	8.0
Statewide	122	11.0	28.4	610	85.0	54.6	253	36.6	51.4	40	10.5	80.1	42	5.0	48.2

*ADP may not add to total due to rounding.

¹The offense tables on the other ATD pages report CD/EM combined, so if a youth is transferred from CD to EM or vice versa, the youth is counted as one admission. This table separates out CD from CD/EM, so the sum of this total will be slightly higher than the offense table totals presented on the other ATD pages.