



Long Term Trends

DJS Western Region:

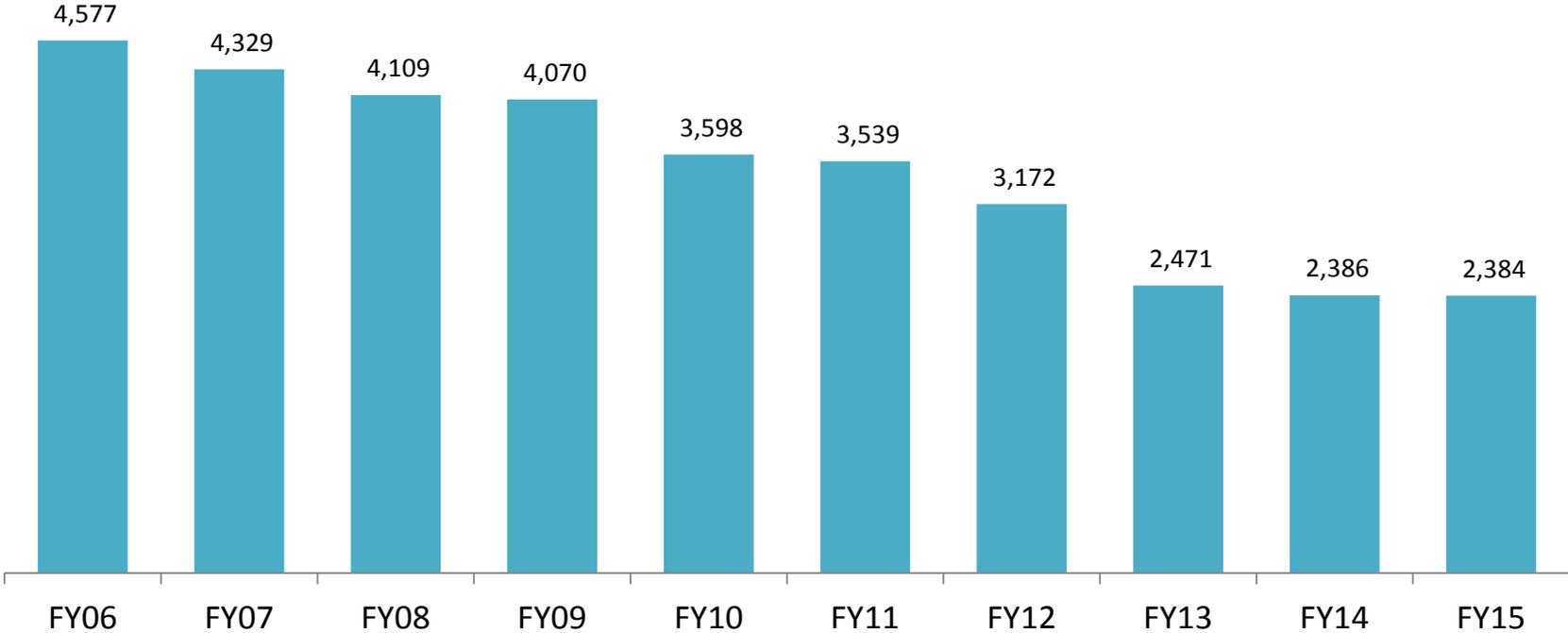
Counties of Allegany, Frederick,
Garrett and Washington

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Western Region Juvenile Complaints Have Declined Significantly

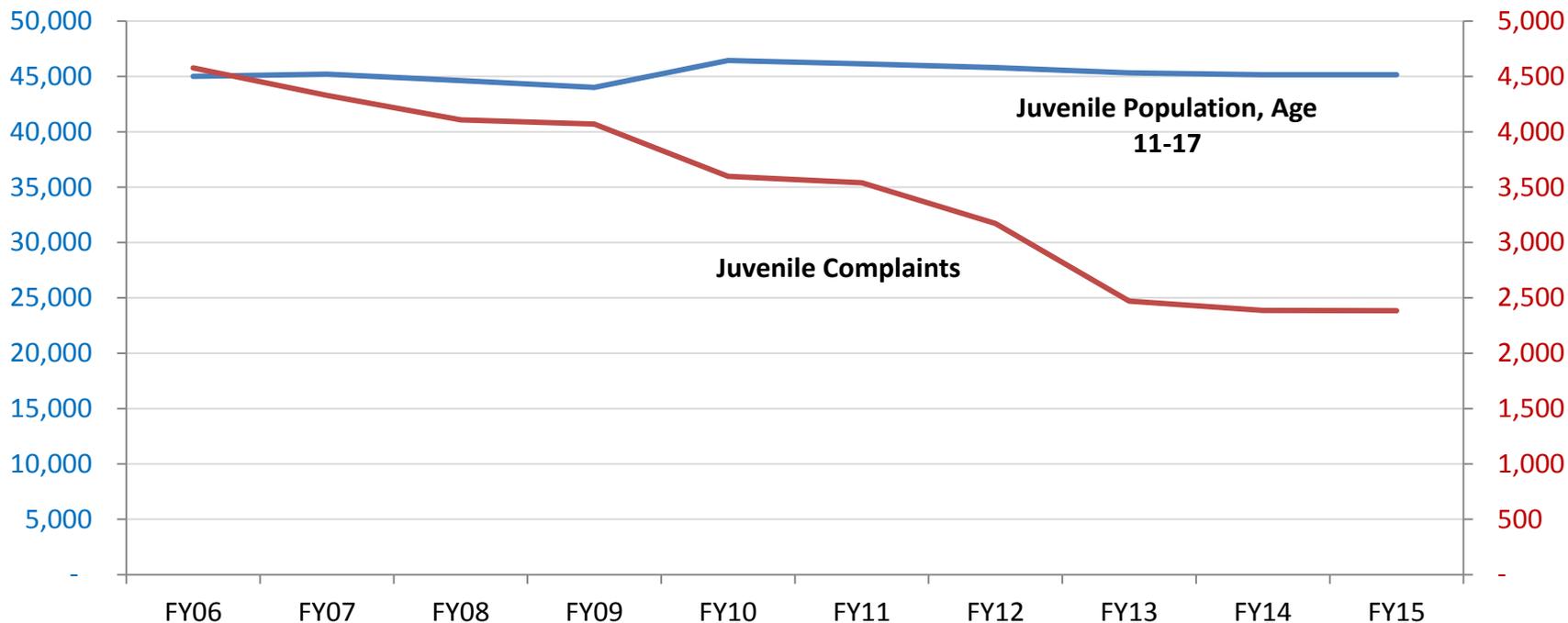
- Western Region complaints referred to DJS Intake declined 48% in ten years.
- Statewide complaints declined 56% over the same period.





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

- Western Region overall juvenile population decreased just 0.3% since FY06.
- Western Region juvenile complaints referred to DJS declined 48% over the same period.

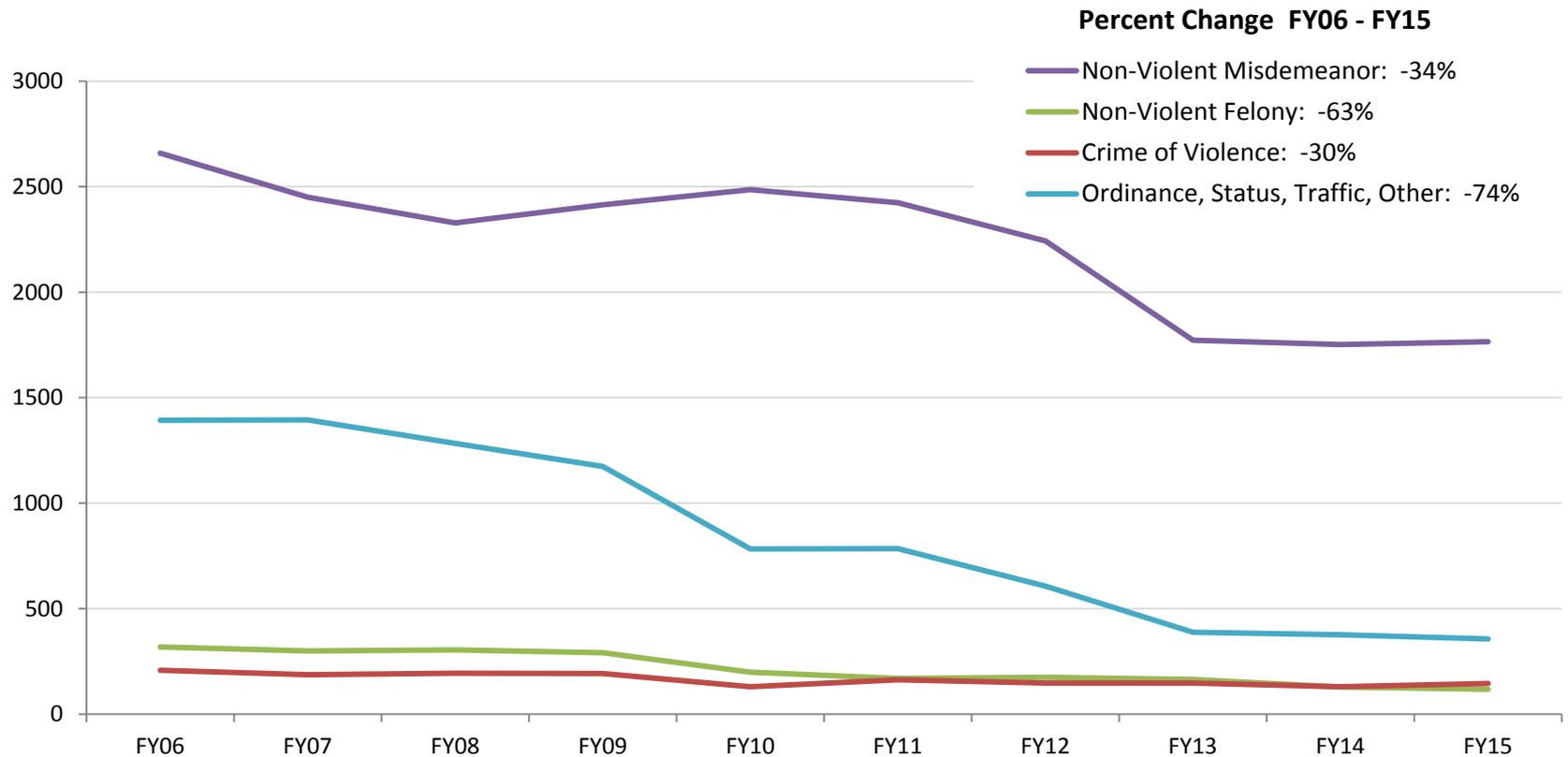




Western Region Juvenile Complaints Have Declined in All Categories

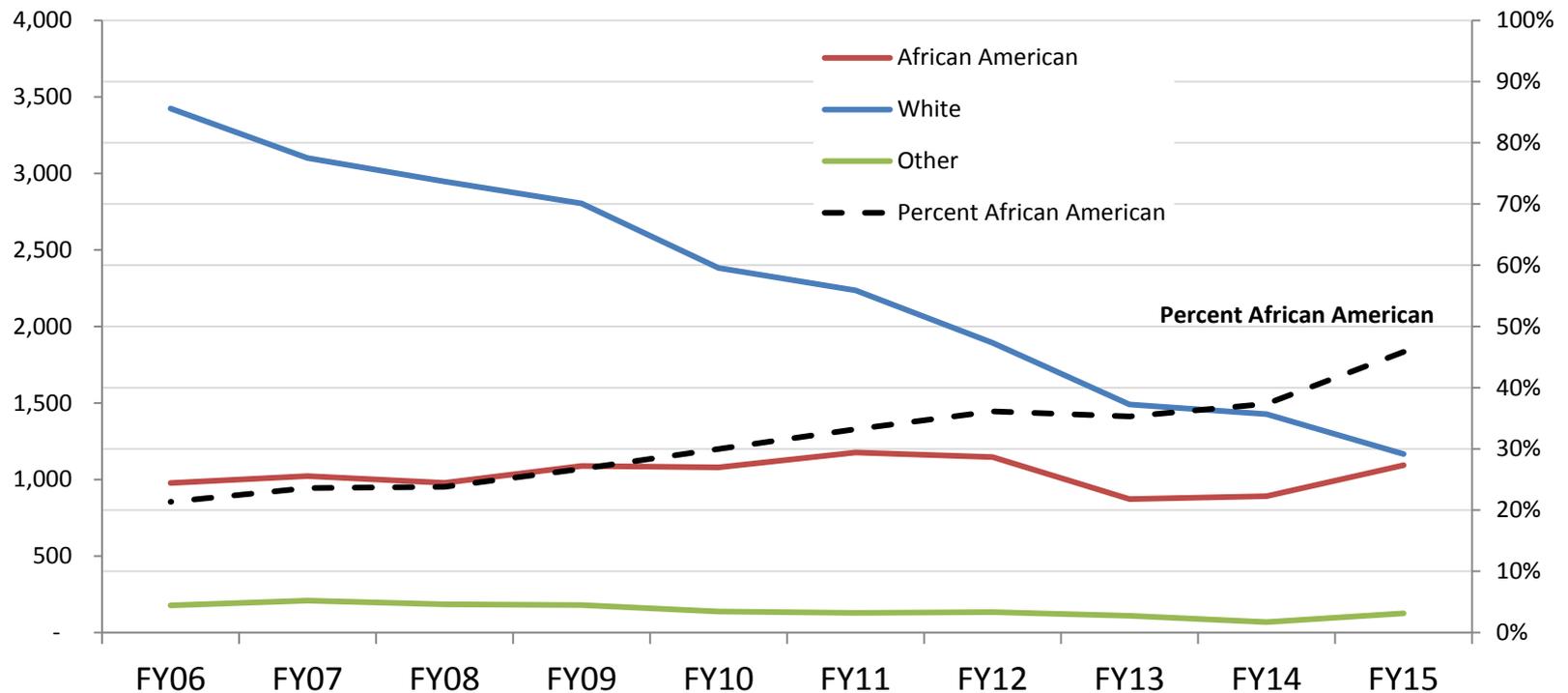
- Juvenile non-violent misdemeanor, which make up the greatest portion of offenses, dropped 34% between FY06 and FY15.
- Juvenile crimes of violence have decreased 30% from FY06 to FY15.

Juvenile Complaints Referred to Western Region DJS Intake, FY06 - FY15



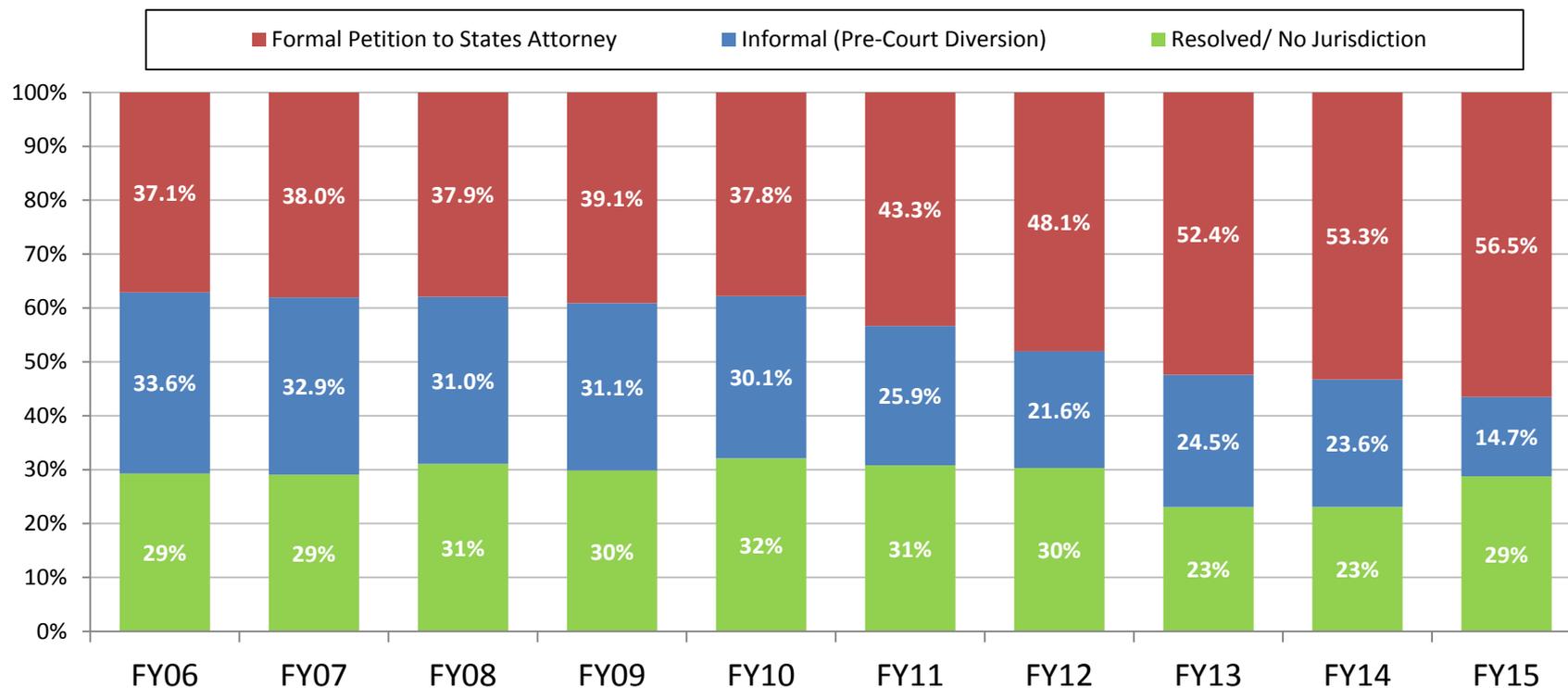
Western Region Juvenile Complaints Have Declined for All Race/Ethnicities Since FY06

- Complaints for African American youth increased 11.9%, and declined 65.9% for white youth.
- African American youth comprise 46.0% of complaints, up from 21.0% in FY06.
- African American youth comprise 10.2% of the general population.



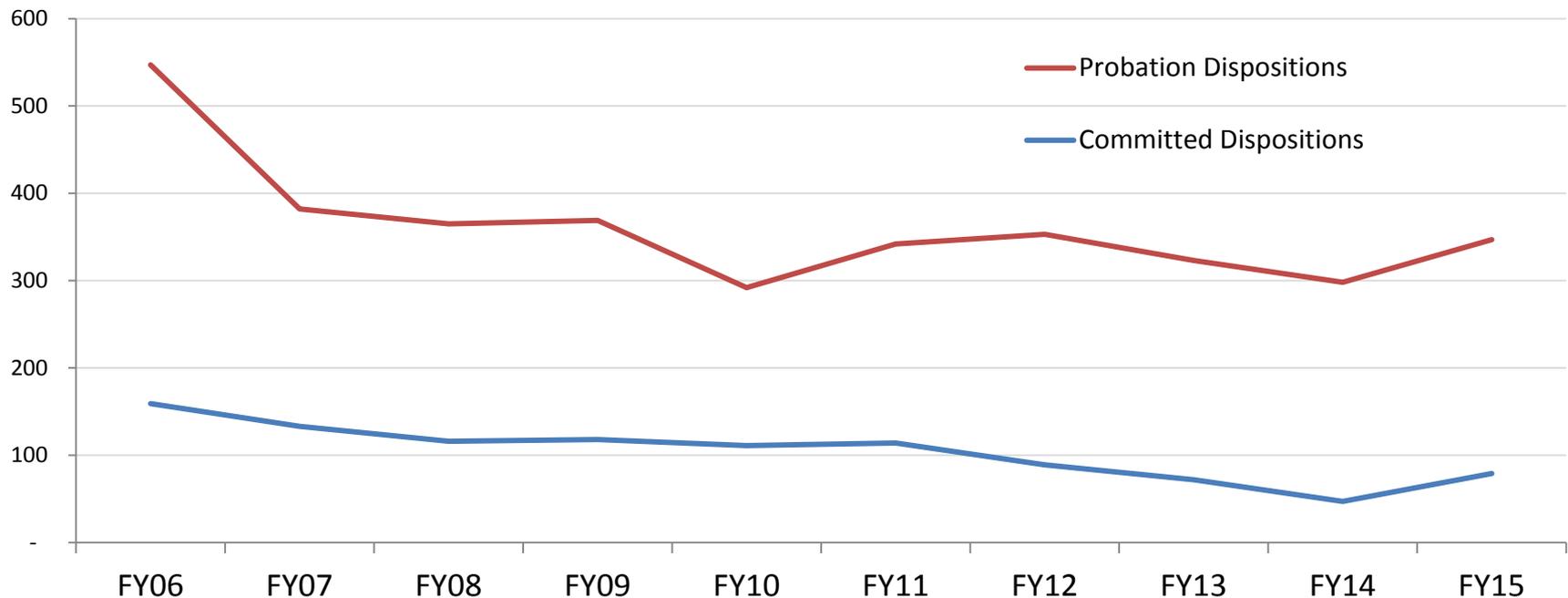
The Proportion of Western Region Complaints Referred to Court Increased

- 56.5% of Western Region complaints were referred to court by DJS Intake in FY15, 19.4% more than in FY06. Statewide 50.9% were referred to court.
- 14.7% of Western Region complaints were diverted to an informal DJS pre-court case. Statewide 16.6% were diverted.



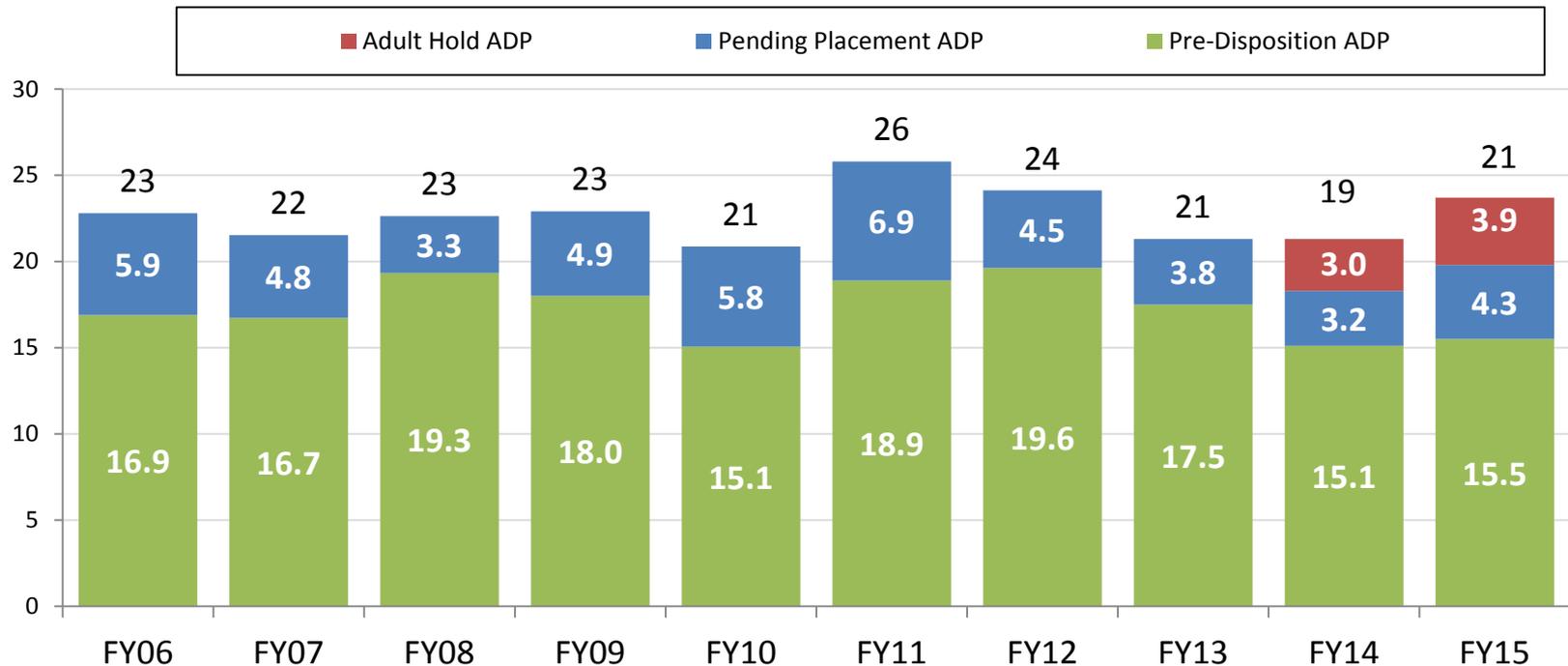
Western Region Juvenile Probation and Commitment Orders Have Declined

- Western Region Juvenile probation orders declined 37.6% in ten years.
- Western Region juvenile commitments declined 50.3% in ten years.
- Both types of court orders have increased slightly in the most recent year in the Western Region.



Western Region Detention Population Declined Slightly

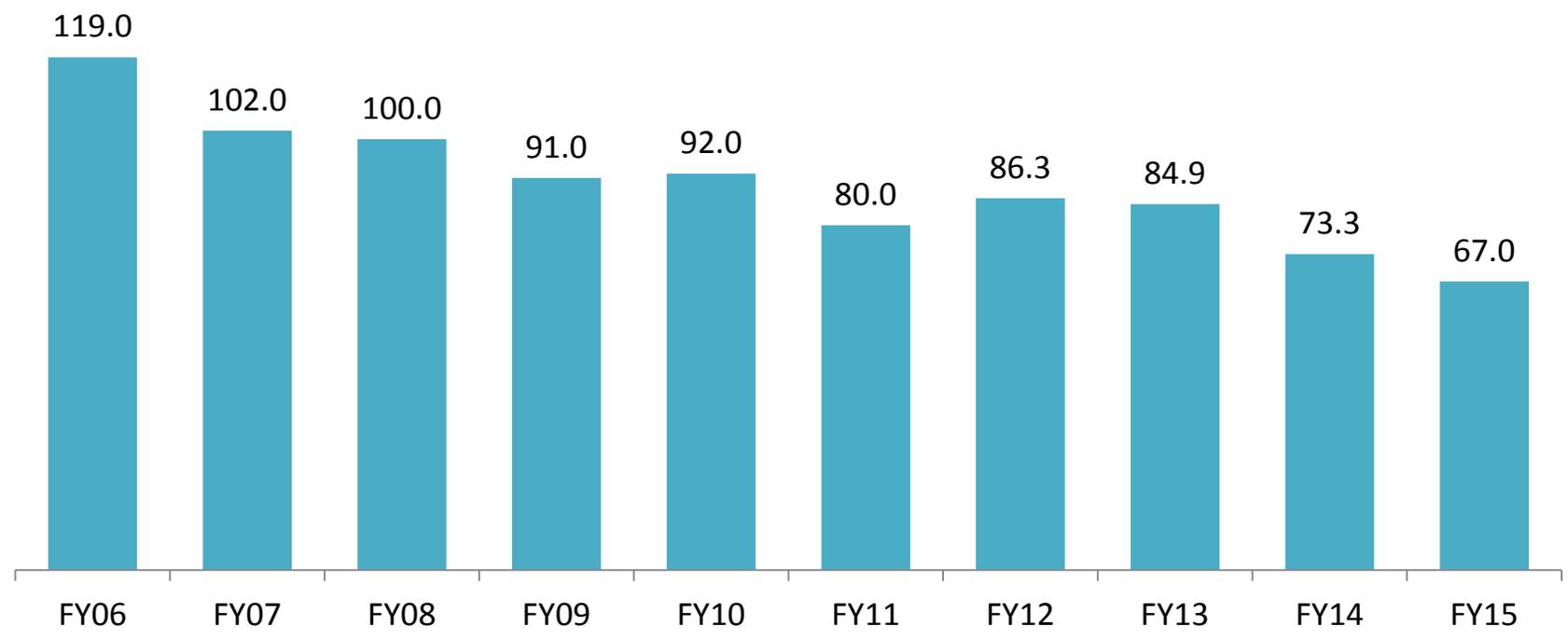
- Western Region daily population in DJS detention decreased 8.7% in ten years, to 21.0 in FY15. The statewide population declined 36.7% over the same period.
- Western Region pre-disposition ADP decreased 8.3%, and pending placement population declined 27.1% in ten years.
- Cases detained for the adult court now make up 18.6% of the DJS detained population in Western Region.





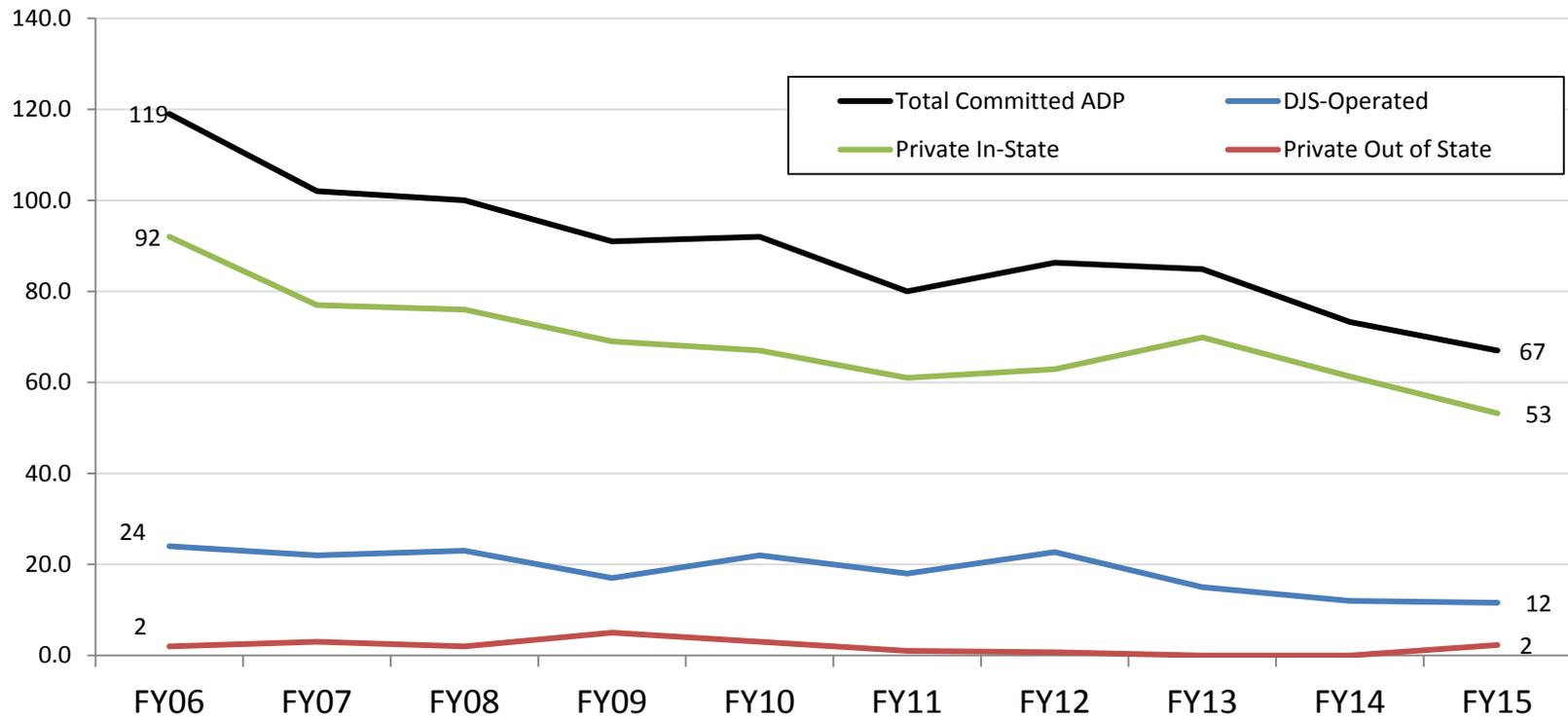
Western Region Committed Youth Population Has Decreased

- Overall daily population of Western Region youth committed by the juvenile court to out of home placement decreased 43.7% over ten years, from 119.0 in FY06 to 67.0 in FY15.
- Statewide average committed population declined 32.7% over the same period.



Western Region Committed Youth Population Has Declined

- Overall committed Out-of- Home population has declined 43.7% since FY06.
- DJS-Operated ADP decreased 50.0%, and the Private In-State population decreased 42.4% since FY06.
- An average of just two youth have been in Out of State committed placements over the past ten years..



Recidivism Rates for DJS Committed Youth from the Western Region Have Increased Slightly

- 17.7% of youth released from committed placement in FY14 had a new offense within a year that resulted in a delinquent adjudication or criminal conviction. This is up 2.3 points from the 15.4% rate in FY12.
- The Statewide rate was 19.1% in FY14, a drop of 1.9 points since FY06.

