

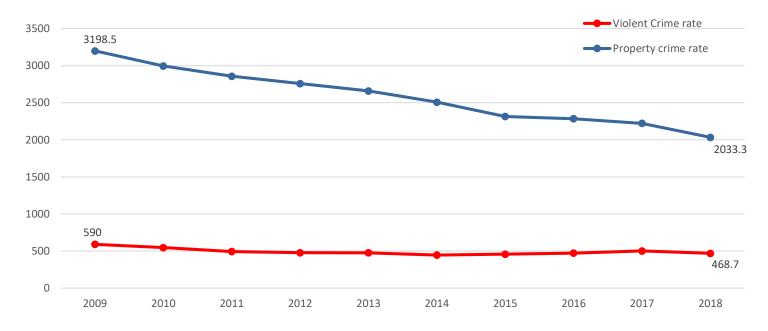
### Southern Region Juvenile Services Long Term Trends: Counties of Anne Arundel, Calvert, Charles, and St. Mary's

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### Statewide Crime Rates Show a Marked Decline

- Since 2009, per capita property crime rates declined 36.4% across Maryland.
- Per capita violent crime rates fell 20.6% during this period.
- Data are drawn from the FBI's Uniform Crime Reports, which document all crimes reported to law enforcement agencies. Data are not based on offender or age, and thus are not measures of juvenile crimes.

Per Capita Violent and Property Crime Rates for Maryland, 2009-2018

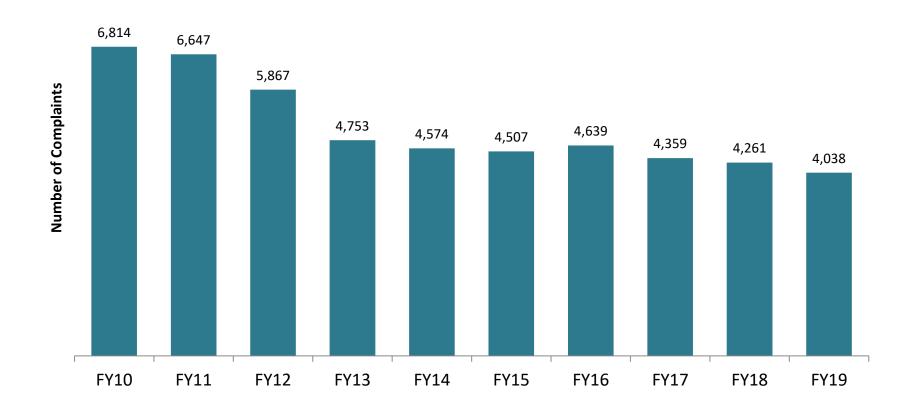


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Note: Violent crime includes the following offense categories: Murder and non-negligent manslaughter, rape, robbery, and aggravated assault. Property crime includes burglary, larceny-theft, and motor vehicle theft.

# Southern Region Juvenile Complaints Have Declined Significantly

- Southern Region complaints referred to DJS Intake declined 40.7% in 10 years.
- Statewide complaints declined 53.5% over the same period.

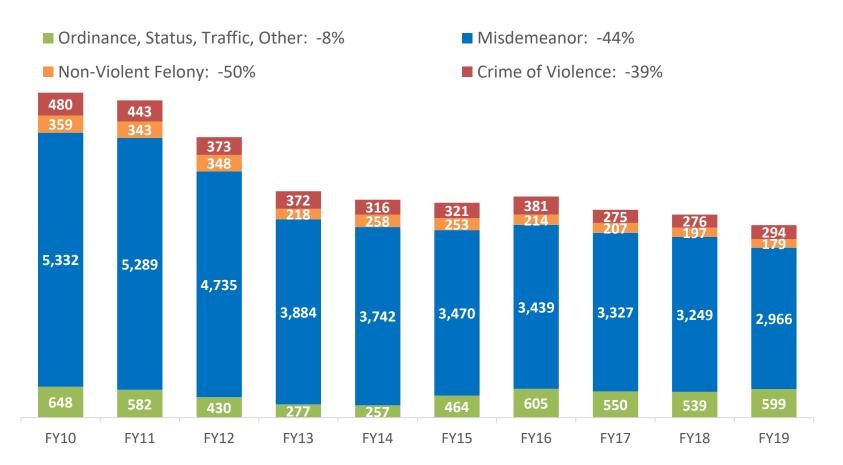


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### Southern Region Juvenile Complaints Have Declined In All Categories

- Southern Region complaints referred to DJS Intake declined 41.0% in 10 years.
- Non-Violent felonies declined 50% and misdemeanors declined 44% over 10 years.

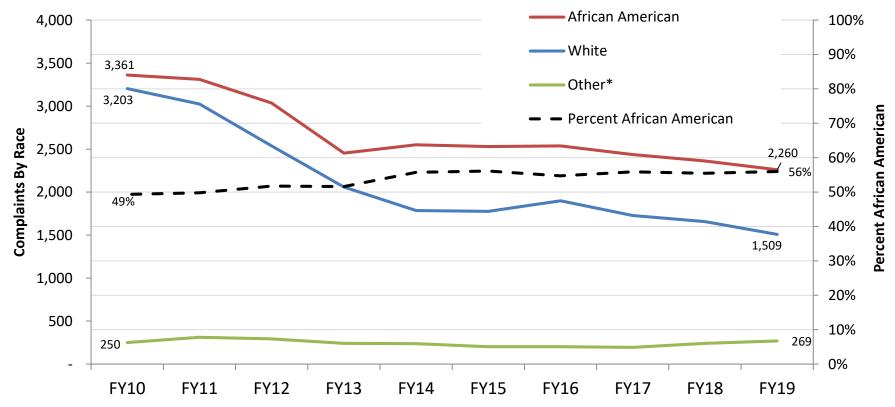


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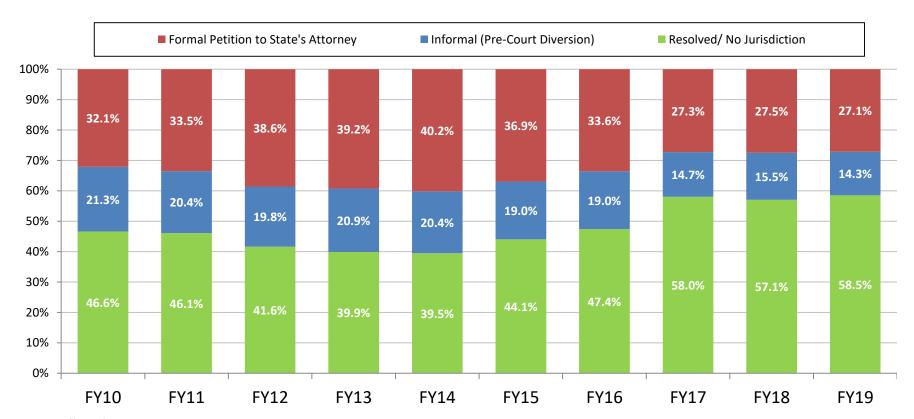
# Juvenile Complaints in Southern Region Have Declined for Most Race/Ethnicities

- Complaints for Southern Region African American youth declined 32.8%, and declined 52.9% for white youth.
- African American youth comprise 56.0% of complaints, but only 24.0% of the general population in the Southern Region.



# Percent of Cases Referred to Juvenile Court by Southern Region has Decreased

- 27.1% of Southern Region complaints were referred to court by DJS Intake in FY19,
   5 percentage points less than in FY10. Statewide 38.9% were referred to court.
- 14.3% of Southern Region complaints were diverted to an informal DJS pre-court case. Statewide, 15.9% were diverted.



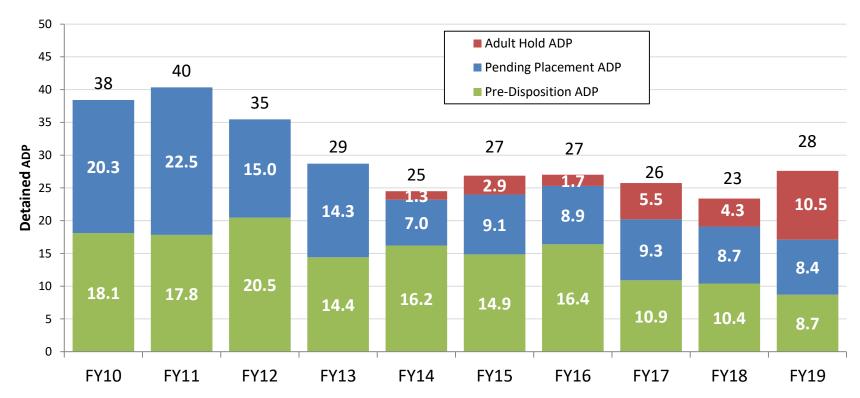
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### Southern Region Detention Population Has Declined Significantly

- Southern Region daily population in DJS detention declined 28.2% in 10 years, to 28 in FY19. The statewide detention population declined 37.7% over the same period.
- Cases detained for the Adult Court now make up 37.5% of the DJS detained population in Southern Region.



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### Southern Region Youth Population In Detention Pre-Disposition Has Declined Significantly

• The Southern Region juvenile pre-dispositional detained population declined 51.9% in 10 years to 9 youth in FY 2019.

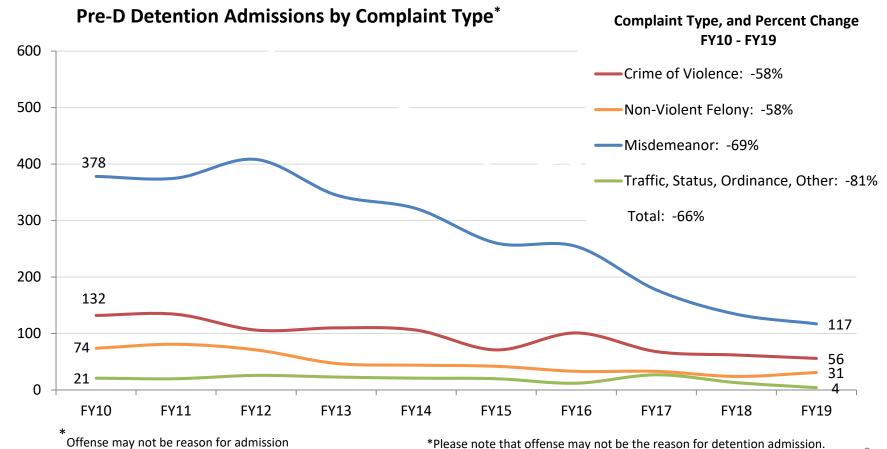


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## Southern Region Pre-Disposition Detention Placements Have Decreased for All Complaint Types

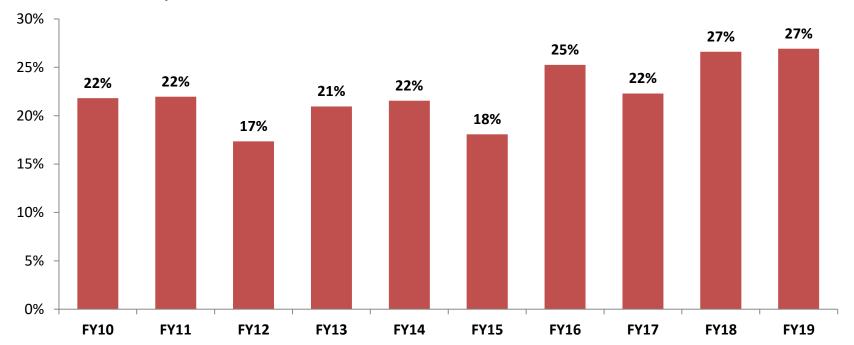
- Youth detained pending disposition for misdemeanors decreased 69% over 10 years.
- Youth detained pending disposition for crimes of violence decreased 58% over 10 years.



# Crimes of Violence Make Up an Increasing Proportion of Detention Placement Offenses

- The detained population is increasingly comprised of youth with violent crimes complaints.
- The proportion of youth detained pre-disposition for Crimes of Violence complaints has increased 5 percentage points over 10 years.

#### Proportion of Pre-D Detention Admissions For Crimes of Violence, FY10 - FY19\*

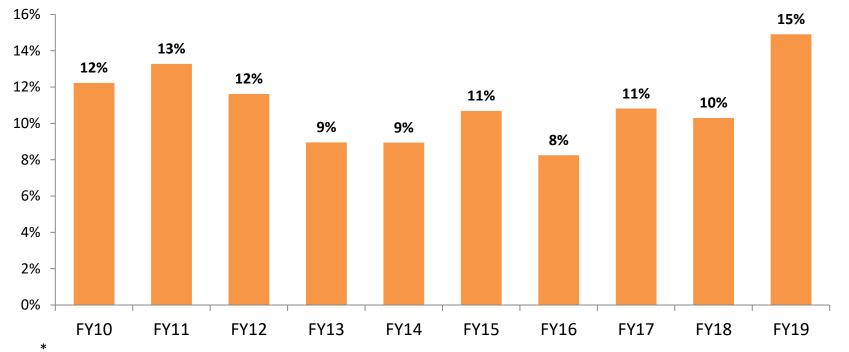


Offense may not be reason for admission

# Pre-Detention Placements for Non-Violent Felonies have Increased

- The proportion of youth detained pre-disposition for Non-Violent Felony complaints has increased 3 percentage points over 10 years.
- The proportion of youth detained for non-violent felonies increased 7 percentage points between FY16 and FY19.

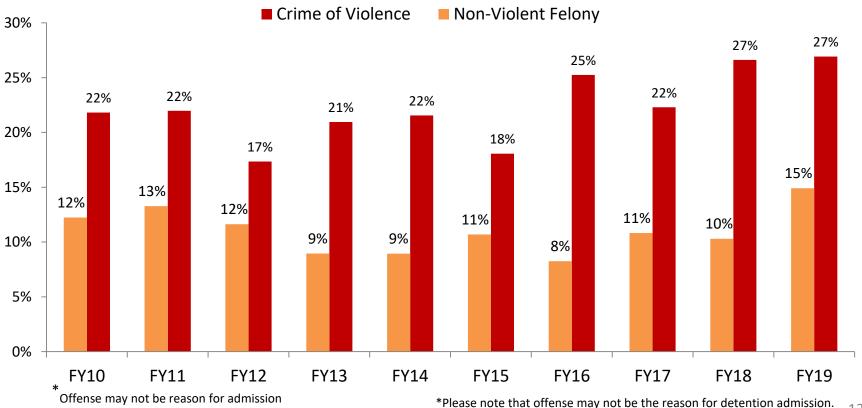
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### Southern Region Pre-D Detention Population

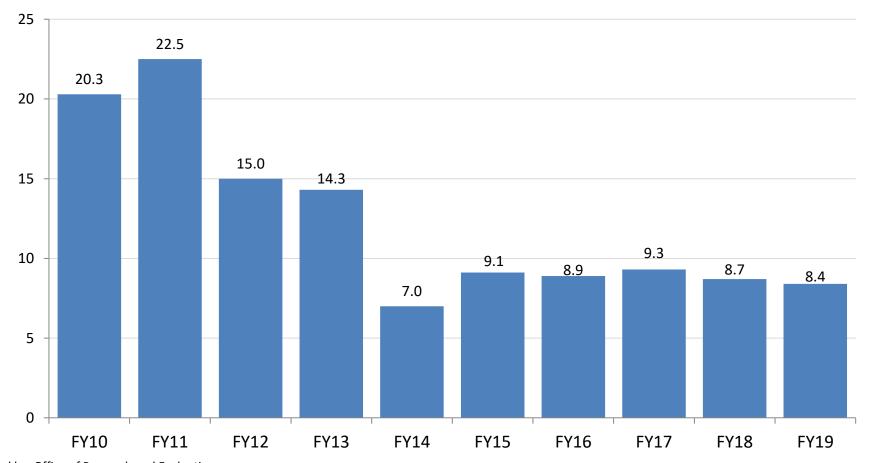
- The proportion of youth detained pre-disposition for Crimes of Violence increased 9% since FY 2015.
- Youth detained for Non-Violent Felonies increased 7% since FY 2016.

#### **Proportion of Pre-D Detention Admissions For Non-Violent Felonies**\*



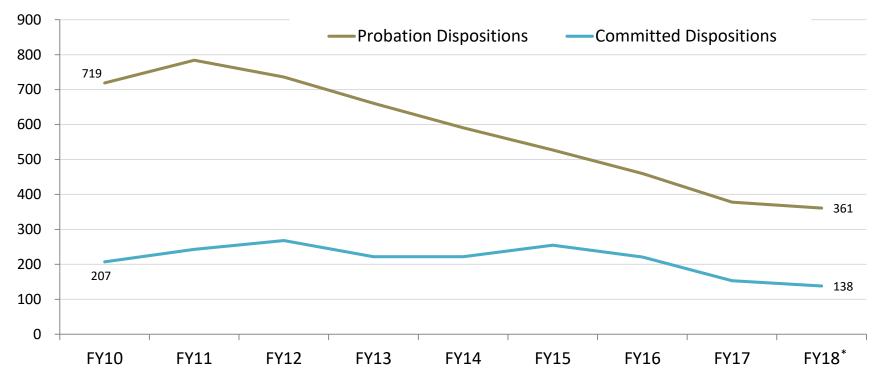
## Southern Region Youth In Detention Pending a Committed Placement Has Declined Dramatically

Juvenile court pending placement population declined 58.6% since FY 2010 to 8.4 youth in FY 2019.



#### Juvenile Probation and Commitment Orders Have Declined

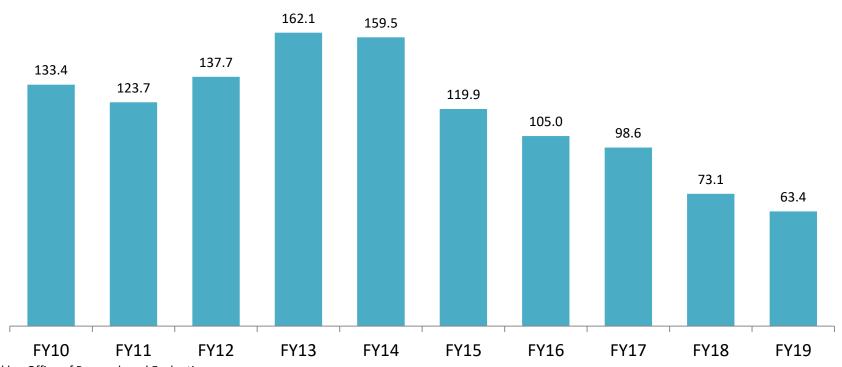
- Southern Region Juvenile probation orders declined 49.8% in 10 years. Statewide probation orders declined 63.6% over the same period.
- Southern Region juvenile commitments declined 33.3% in 10 years. Statewide commitments declined 67.3% over the same period.



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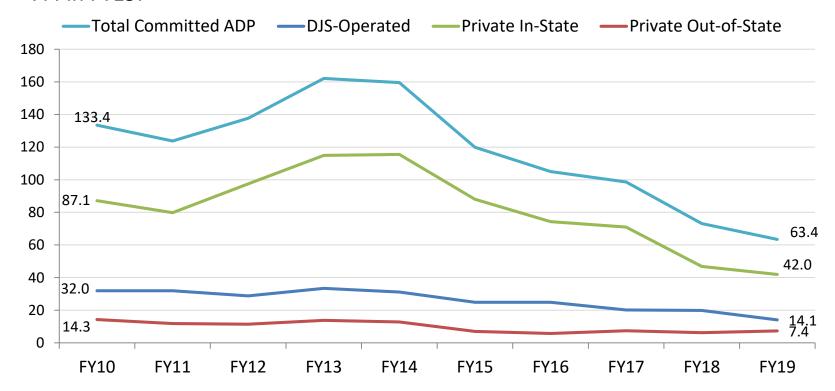
# Average Committed Out-of-Home Population Declined Significantly in the Southern Region

- The overall daily population of Southern Region youth committed by the juvenile court to out of home placement declined 60.9%, from the high of 162.1 in FY13 to 63.4 in FY19.
- Statewide average committed population declined 57.4% over a 10-year period.



### Southern Region Committed Youth Population Has Declined for All Facility Types

- Overall, committed out-of-home population has declined 52.5% since FY10.
- DJS-Operated ADP decreased 55.9%, and Private In-State has declined 51.8% since FY10.
- Out-of-State committed average population declined 48.3%, from 14.3 in FY10 to 7.4 in FY19.

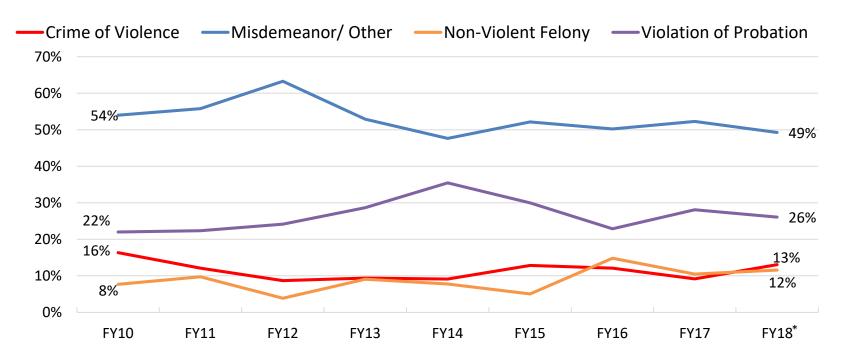


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## The Rate of Juveniles Committed for Low-Level Offenses Has Declined

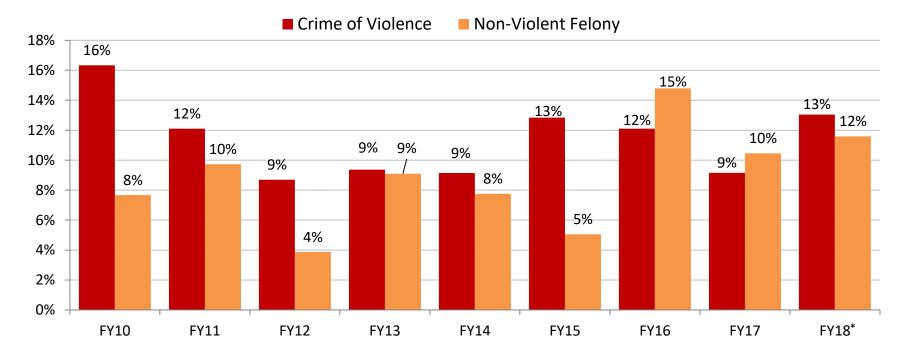
- The proportion of new commitments for misdemeanor and other low-level offenses declined over 10 years.
- The proportion of new commitments for non-violent felonies has increased 7 percentage points since FY 2015.



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# The Rate of Juveniles Committed for Crimes of Violence has Decreased in the Southern Region

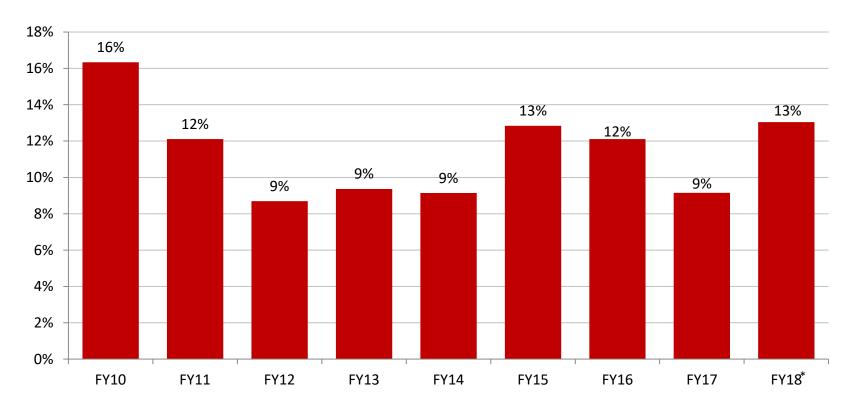
- Crimes of Violence make up 13% of new commitments in FY 2019 in the Southern Region.
- The rate of juveniles committed for Non-Violent Felonies has decreased since FY 2016.



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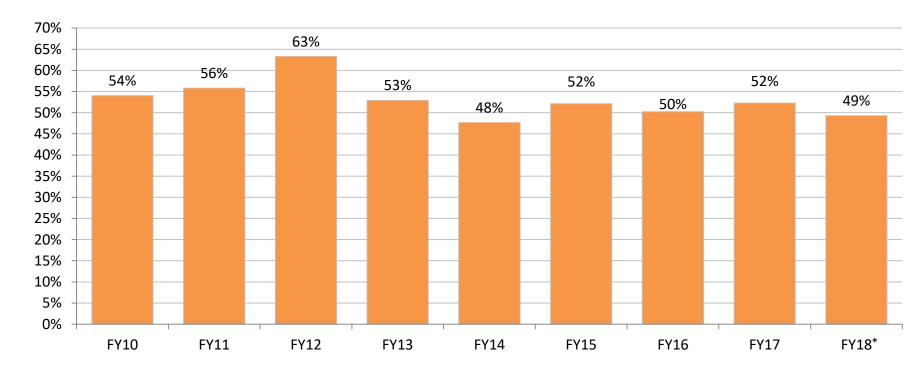
 Crimes of Violence made up 13% of new commitments in FY 2018 in the Southern Region, down from 16% in FY10.



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# The Rate of Juveniles Committed for Non-Violent Felonies has Decreased in the Southern Region

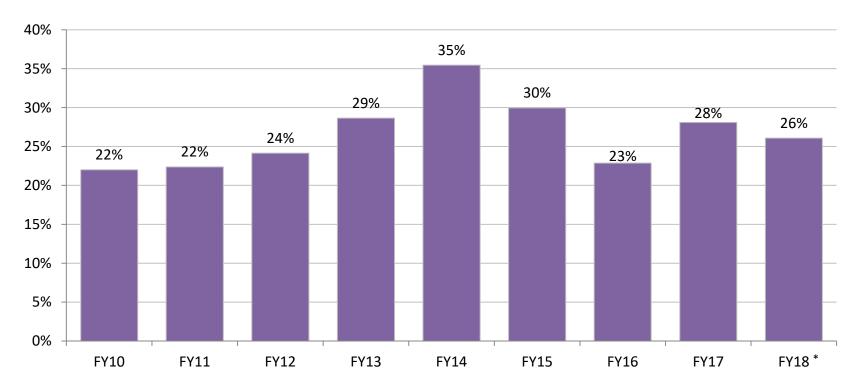
Since FY 2010, the rate of juveniles committed for non-violent felonies decreased
 5 percentage points.



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## The Rate of Juveniles Committed for Violations of Probation has Decreased in the Southern Region

The rate of new commitments for Violations of Probation decreased by 9
percentage points from a high of 35% in FY 2014.

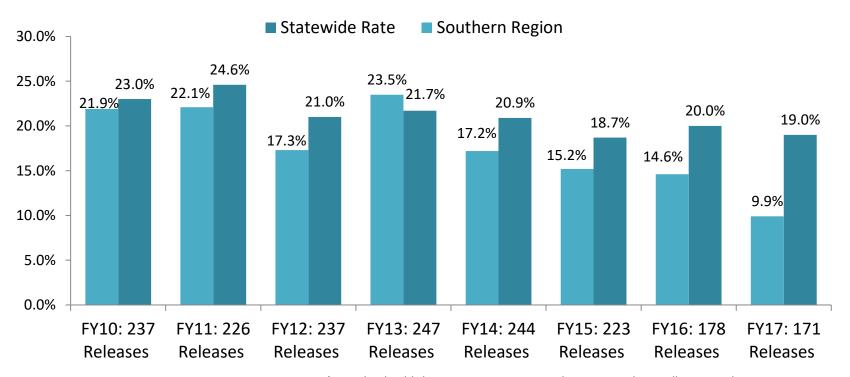


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# Recidivism Rates for Southern Region DJS Committed Youth Decreased In The Last Year

- 9.9% of Southern Region youth released from committed placement in FY17 had a new offense within a year that resulted in a delinquent adjudication or criminal conviction, a decrease of 4.7 percentage points from FY16.
- The Statewide rate was 19.0% in FY17, down 1.0 percentage point from FY16.

#### One-Year Re-Adjudication/Conviction Rate for All Committed Programs

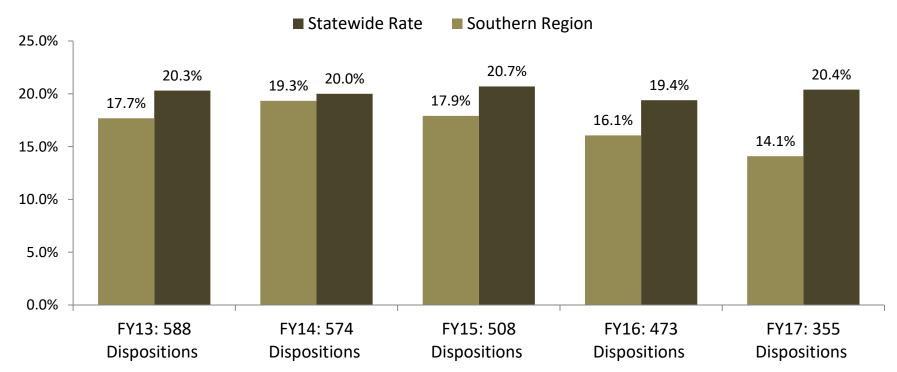


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## Recidivism Rates for Southern Region Probation Youth Have Declined in The Past Year

- 14.1% of Southern Region youth placed on probation for the first time in FY17 had a new offense within a year that resulted in a delinquent adjudication or criminal conviction, an decrease of 2.0 percentage points from FY16.
- The Statewide rate was 20.4% in FY17, up 1.0 points from FY16.

#### One Year Re-Adjudication/Conviction Rate for First-Time Probation Youth



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<sup>\*</sup> Maryland publishes reconviction rates with a two-year lag to allow enough time to account for often lengthy court processing. Data go back to 2013 due to a methodology change.