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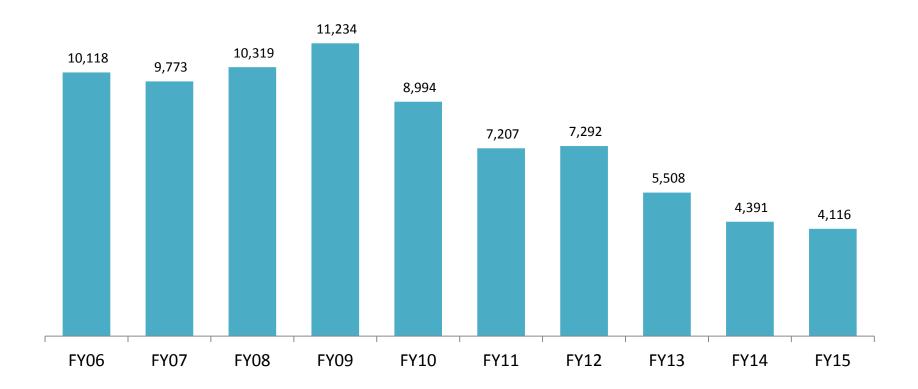
DJS Metro Region:
Counties of Montgomery and Prince George's

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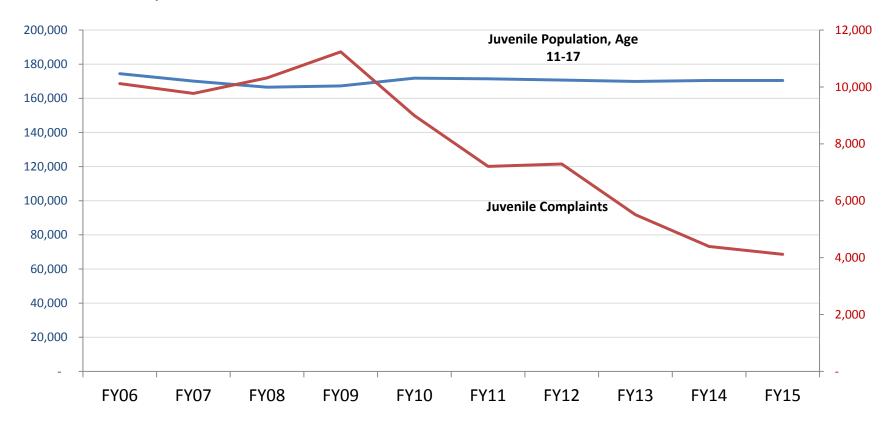# Metro Region Juvenile Complaints Have Declined Significantly

- Metro Region complaints referred to DJS Intake declined 59.3% in ten years, to just 4,116 cases in FY15.

- Statewide complaints declined 56.2% over the same period.

FY06	FY07	FY08	FY09	FY10	FY11	FY12	FY13	FY14	FY15
10,118	9,773	10,319	11,234	8,994	7,207	7,292	5,508	4,391	4,116

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

- Metro Region overall juvenile population decreased just 2.3% since FY06.
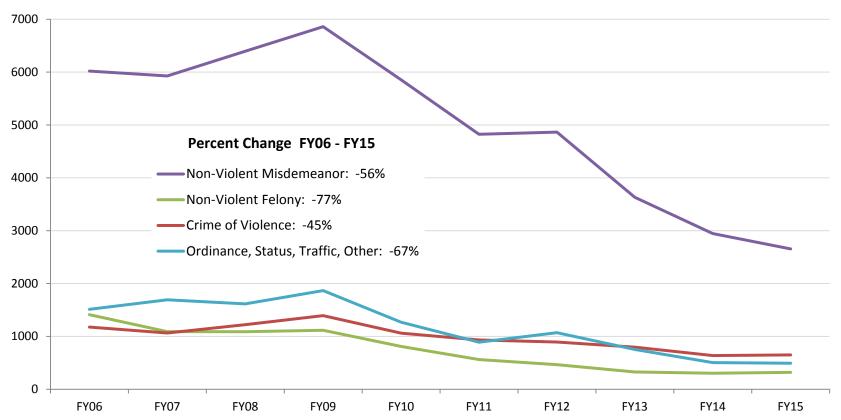- Metro Region juvenile complaints referred to DJS declined 59.3% over the same period.

Juvenile Population, Age 11-17

Juvenile Complaints

Metro Region Juvenile Complaints Have Declined in All Categories

- Juvenile non-violent misdemeanor, which make up the greatest portion of offenses, dropped 56% between FY06 and FY15.
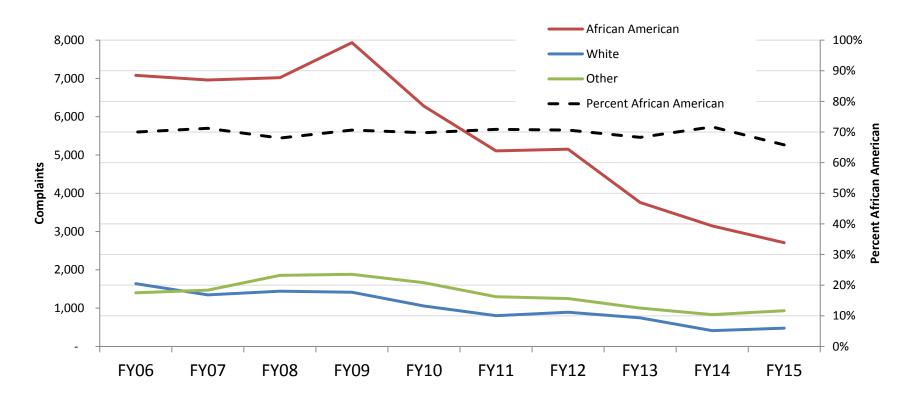- Juvenile crimes of violence have decreased 45% from FY06 to FY15.

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

Percent Change FY06 - FY15

— Non-Violent Misdemeanor: -56%
— Non-Violent Felony: -77%
— Crime of Violence: -45%
— Ordinance, Status, Traffic, Other: -67%

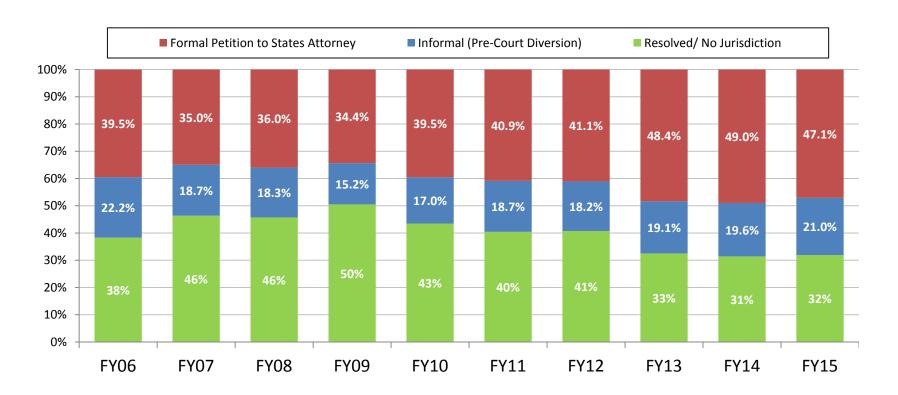# Juvenile Complaints Have Declined for All Race/Ethnicities In the Metro Region Since FY06

- Complaints for African American youth declined 61.8%, and declined 71.0% for white youth.

- African American youth now make up 66% of complaints, down from 70% in FY06.

- African American youth comprise 40% of the general population in the Region.

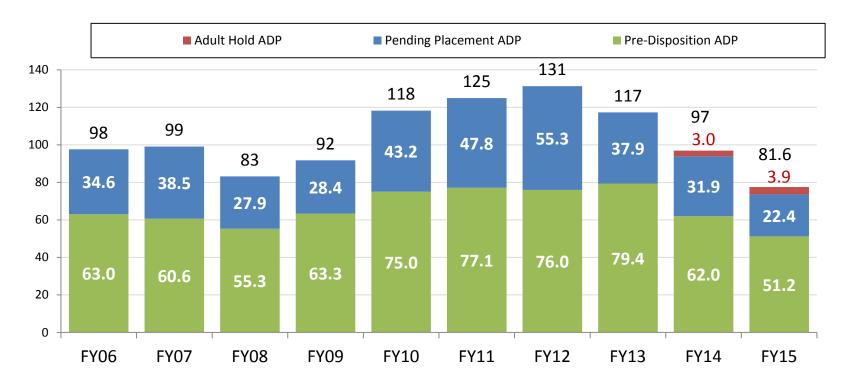# The Proportion of Metro Region Complaints Referred to Court Increased

- 47.1% of Metro Region complaints were referred to court by DJS Intake in FY15, 7.6% more than in FY06. Statewide 50.9% were referred to court.

- 21.0% of Metro Region complaints were diverted to an informal DJS pre-court case. Statewide 16.6% were diverted.

Legend: Formal Petition to States Attorney | Informal (Pre-Court Diversion) | Resolved/ No Jurisdiction

	FY06	FY07	FY08	FY09	FY10	FY11	FY12	FY13	FY14	FY15
Formal Petition to States Attorney	39.5%	35.0%	36.0%	34.4%	39.5%	40.9%	41.1%	48.4%	49.0%	47.1%
Informal (Pre-Court Diversion)	22.2%	18.7%	18.3%	15.2%	17.0%	18.7%	18.2%	19.1%	19.6%	21.0%
Resolved/ No Jurisdiction	38%	46%	46%	50%	43%	40%	41%	33%	31%	32%

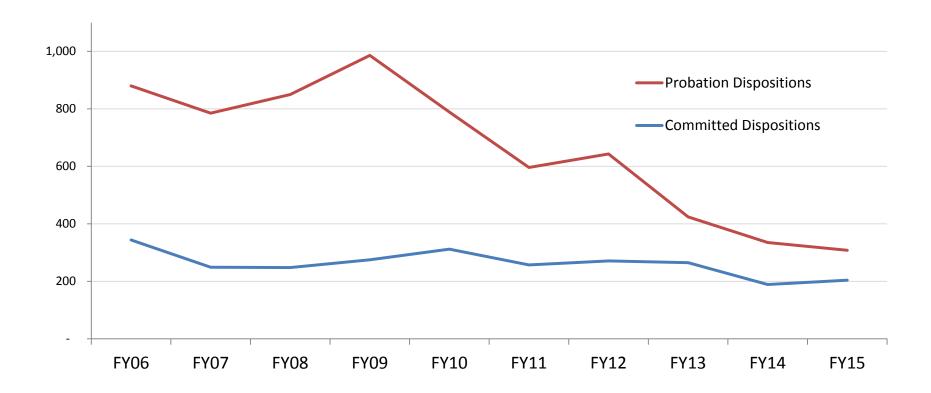# Metro Region Detention Population Has Declined Significantly

- Metro Region daily population in DJS detention declined 16.7% in ten years, to 81.6 in FY15. The statewide population declined 36.7% over the same period.
- Metro detention population peaked in FY12 at 131, and has dropped 41% since.
- Cases detained for the Adult Court comprised 6.9% of the DJS detained population in Metro Region in FY15.

| | Adult Hold ADP | Pending Placement ADP | Pre-Disposition ADP |

FY	Total	Adult Hold ADP	Pending Placement ADP	Pre-Disposition ADP
FY06	98		34.6	63.0
FY07	99		38.5	60.6
FY08	83		27.9	55.3
FY09	92		28.4	63.3
FY10	118		43.2	75.0
FY11	125		47.8	77.1
FY12	131		55.3	76.0
FY13	117		37.9	79.4
FY14	97	3.0	31.9	62.0
FY15	81.6	3.9	22.4	51.2

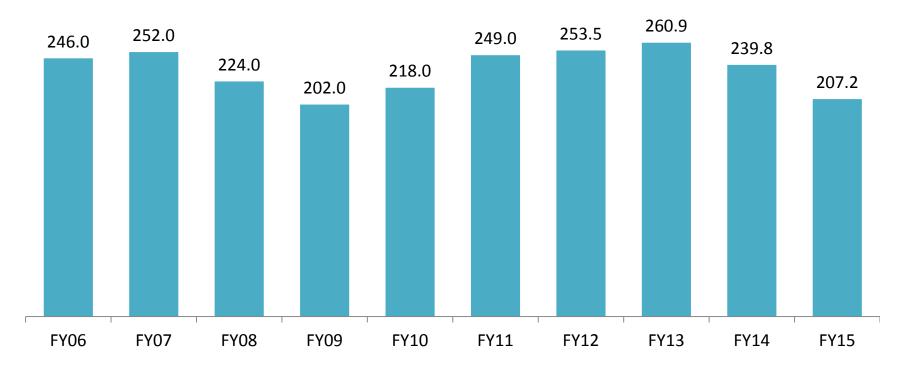Prepared by: Office of Research and Evaluation
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Juvenile Probation and Commitment Orders Have Declined

- Metro Region Juvenile probation orders declined 65.0% in ten years. Statewide probation orders declined 49.1% over the same period.
- Metro Region juvenile commitments declined 40.7% in ten years. Statewide commitments declined 49.2% over the same period.

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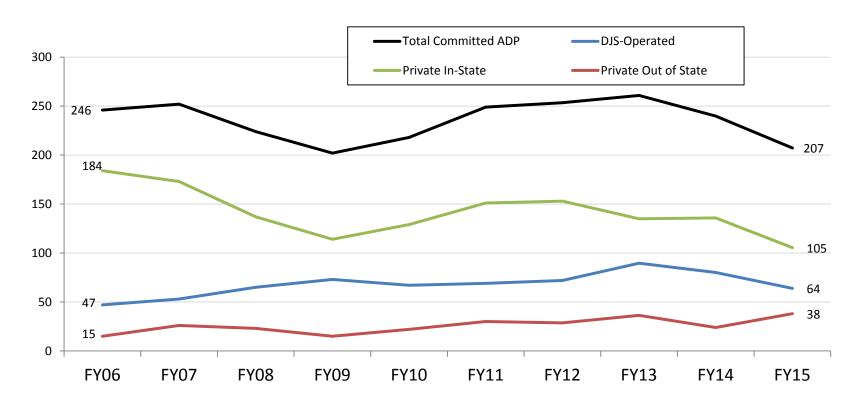# Metro Region Committed Youth Population Has Declined

- Overall daily population of Metro Region youth committed by the juvenile court to out of home placement declined 15.8% over ten years, from 246 in FY06 to 207.2 in FY15. Most of that decline was in the past two years.

- The Statewide average committed population declined 32.7% over ten years.

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Metro Region Committed Population Decline is Primarily in Private in-State Programs

- Though the overall Metro committed Out-of-home population has declined 15.8% since FY06, all declines were in the private in-State program population, which dropped from 184 to 105.
- The DJS-Operated facility population increased 35.7%, and youth committed to out of State programs more than tripled in ten years, from 15 to 38.

Recidivism Rates for Metro Region DJS Committed Youth Have Declined

- 11.0% of Metro Region youth released from committed placement in FY14 had a new offense within a year, resulting in a delinquent adjudication or criminal conviction. This is down from 12.1% in FY12.

- The Statewide rate was 19.1% in FY14.

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