

# Palm Beach County Criminal Justice Commission Research and Planning Unit

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### **CRIMINAL JUSTICE TRENDS**

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# Common Terms

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- Offenses
- Arrests
- Referrals
- Rates
- Direct File
- Incarceration Rates
- Average Daily Populations

#### Glossary of Terms

Offenses: Crimes (attempted or committed) reported to law enforcement agencies. Collected for Part I crimes only.

**Index Crime:** Seven major crime classifications of the most serious offenses selected to serve as a gauge in measuring fluctuations in the overall volume and rate of crime. Further categorized as Index Violent Crimes and Index Non-Violent Crimes.

**Index Violent Crimes:** Crimes against persons including murder, rape, robbery, and aggravated assault.

Index Non-Violent/Property Crimes: Crimes against property including burglary, larceny, and motor vehicle theft.

**Index Rate:** Total index crimes per 100,000 population.

**Arrests:** Arrests of persons made by law enforcement agencies, including notice to appear. Collected for Part I and Part II crimes.

**Arrest Rate:** Total number of arrests per 100,000 population.

**Part I Crimes:** Major crime classifications including murder, rape, robbery, aggravated assault, burglary, larceny, and motor vehicle theft.

**Part II Crimes:** Crime classifications not already designated in Part I crimes including manslaughter, kidnapping/abduction, arson, simple assault, drug arrest, bribery, embezzlement, fraud, counterfeit/forgery, extortion/blackmail, intimidation, prostitution, non-forcible sex, stolen property, dui, destruction/vandalism, gambling, weapons violations, liquor law violations, and miscellaneous (combined category for prostitution & commercial vice, offenses against family & child, vagrancy, suspicion, curfew & loitering, and runaway).

**Defendants Filed:** Number of defendants against whom a sworn complaint, notice to appear, information, or indictment is filed before the circuit and county courts.

**Defendants Disposed:** Number defendants for whom a final judicial decision is rendered terminating a criminal proceeding by an acquittal, a dismissal, or a judgment stating the specific sentence (in the case of a conviction).

**Average Daily Population:** Annual ADP is obtained by adding the average monthly ADPs for the current year, divided by 12 months. Monthly ADP is calculated by adding the total daily population for the month, divided by the total number days in the current month.

**Incarceration Rate:** Incarceration Rate per thousand population is calculated by dividing the annual ADP by the county population for current year, multiplied by 1,000.

# **Key Points**

#### Steady decline in the Palm Beach County Total Index Crime rate since 2008

- Index crime rate declined by 28% since 2008; and declined by 5% from 2013 to 2014
- Non-violent rate declined by 28% since 2008; and declined by 6% from 2013 to 2014
- Violent rate declined by 31% since 2008; and increased by .14% from 2013 to 2014
- Murder rate declined by 12% since 2010; and increased by 4% from 2013 to 2014
- Forcible sex offense rates increased by 6% from 2013 to 2014

#### Palm Beach County Arrests continue to decline

- Total arrests declined by 37 % from high in 2008 to 2014; and declined by 9% from 2013 to 2014
- Juvenile arrests declined by 43% from high in 2008 to 2014; and declined by 9% from 2013 to 2014

#### Slight decline in Palm Beach County law enforcement rate from prior year

- Rate decreased by .37% from 2013 to 2014
- Highest rate was 2.70 in 2009 during 1997-2014 period; current rate for 2014 is 2.49

# **Key Points**

There was a generally upward trend in Average Daily Jail Population (ADP) from 1995 to its peak in 2008; and a downward trend from 2008 to 2014.

- There was a 44% increase in ADP from 1995 to 2008; and a 26% decrease from 2008 to 2013.
- Since 2009, actual ADP has been lower than projected ADPs from two studies.
- PBC has the lowest ADP and Incarceration Rate among 7 comparable counties from 2010 to 2013.

Admissions to DOC from PBC had a generally upward trend from FY96-97 to FY10-11, then declined; Releases to PBC from DOC also had an upward trend from FY96-97 until Fy11-12, then declined.

• There were more admissions than releases from FY05-06 until FY11-12; releases exceeded admissions in the last two fiscal years of FY12-13 and FY13-14.

#### Misdemeanor probation population has had a generally steady decline since 2002.

• The number of offenders under misdemeanor probation and pretrial intervention has decreased by 34% from 2002 to 2014.

The average inmate cost per day has fluctuated since FY95-96, peaking during FY07-08.

- Since FY 95-96, there has been an 16% increase in the housing cost per inmate.
- There was a 4.4% increase in the cost of corrections during the last year.

# **Key Points**

## Generally, there was an upward trend in Total Criminal Court Filings from 1995 to its peak in 2008; and a downward trend from 2008 to 2014.

- There was a 32% increase in Total Criminal Court Filings from 1995 to 2008; and a 51% decrease from 2008 to 2014.
- PBC has the 4<sup>rd</sup> highest Total Criminal Court Filings among 7 comparable counties from 2010 to 2014; behind Miami-Dade, Hillsborough and Broward.

#### The total number of criminal court judges has virtually remained unchanged from 2003 to 2014.

- Overall, the total number of Judges for PBC increased by .55 from 2003 to 2014 from 18.40 to 18.95.
- Among 7 comparable counties, the total number of criminal court judges was the lowest for PBC between 2010 and 2014.

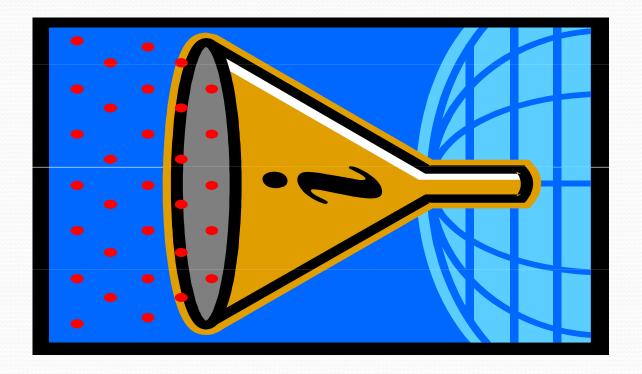
#### Overall, the total number of youth referred to DJJ has been steadily declining since FY 10-11.

- The total number of youth referred to DJJ has declined 39% since FY 10-11.
- The total number of minority youth referred to DJJ has declined 35% since FY 10-11.
- The total number of youth referred to DJJ has declined 10% in the past year.
- The total number of minority youth referred to DJJ has declined 9% in the past year.

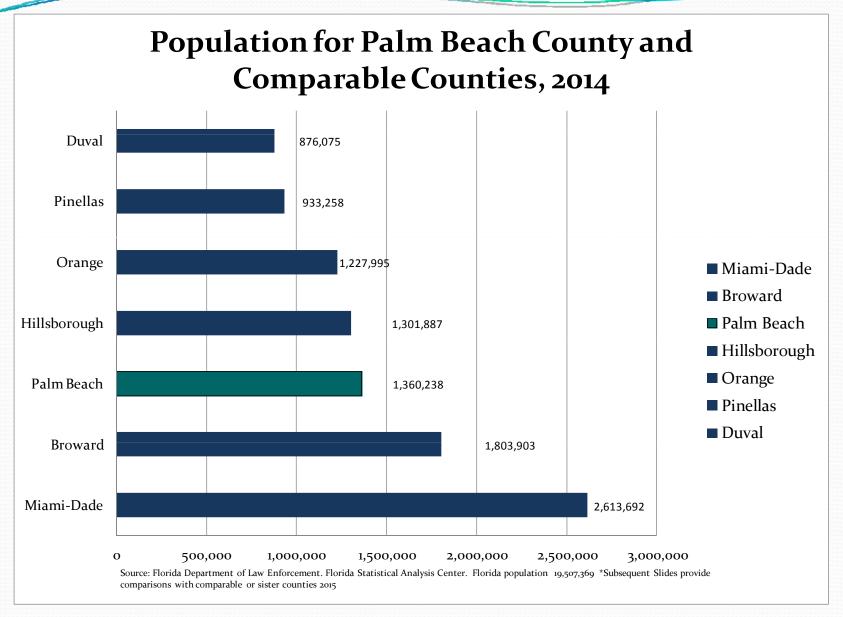
#### The number of youth direct filed in Palm Beach County fluctuated between FY 10-11 and FY 14-15.

- The number of youth direct filed in Palm Beach County decreased 8% between FY13-14 and FY 14-15.
- Among 7 comparable counties, the rate of youth direct filed was highest in Palm Beach County during FY 13-14 and FY 14-15.

# True Crime?

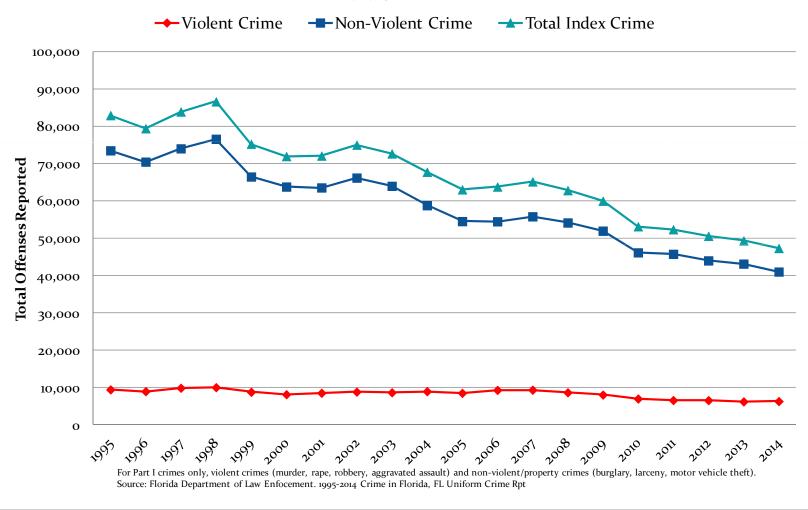


Crime is distilled or broken down as it moves through the official criminal justice system [left to right] from the actual crime to the final prison sentence.

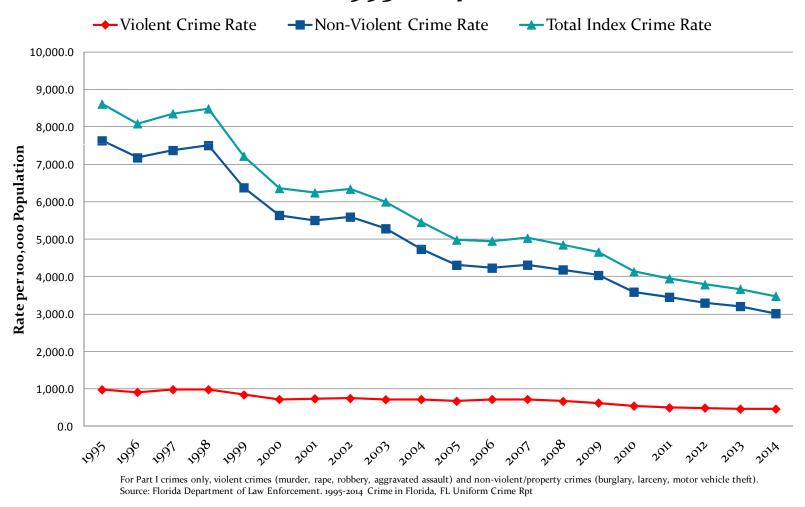


# Law Enforcement

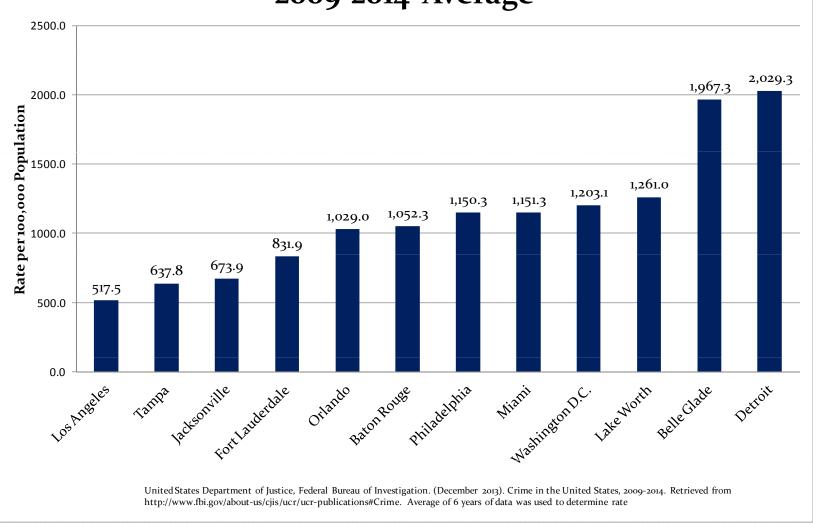
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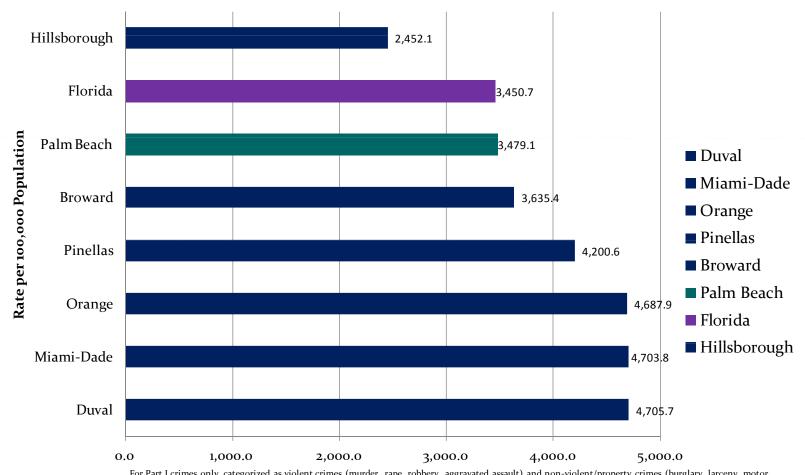
#### Index Offense Rate in Palm Beach County, 1995-2014



#### Violent Crime Rate per 100,000 Comparison, 2009-2014 Average

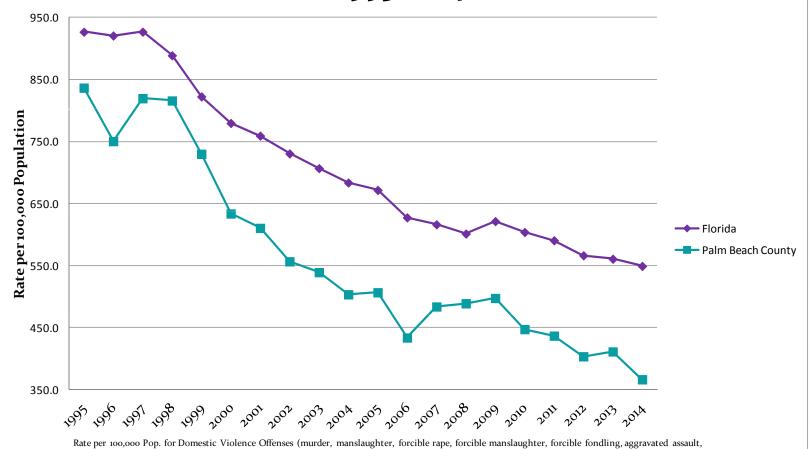






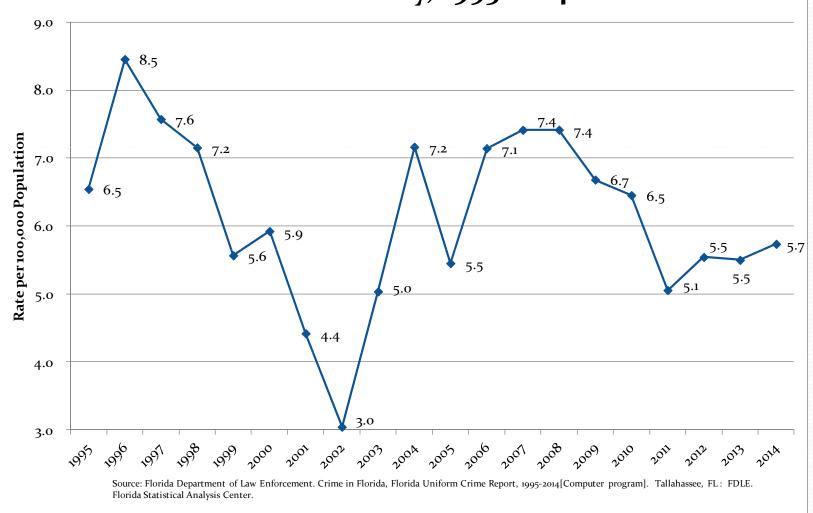
For Part I crimes only, categorized as violent crimes (murder, rape, robbery, aggravated assault) and non-violent/property crimes (burglary, larceny, motor vehicle theft). Source: FDLE. 2014 Crime in Florida, Florida Uniform Crime Report.

### Comparison of Domestic Violence Offense Rates in Palm Beach County and Florida, 1995-2014

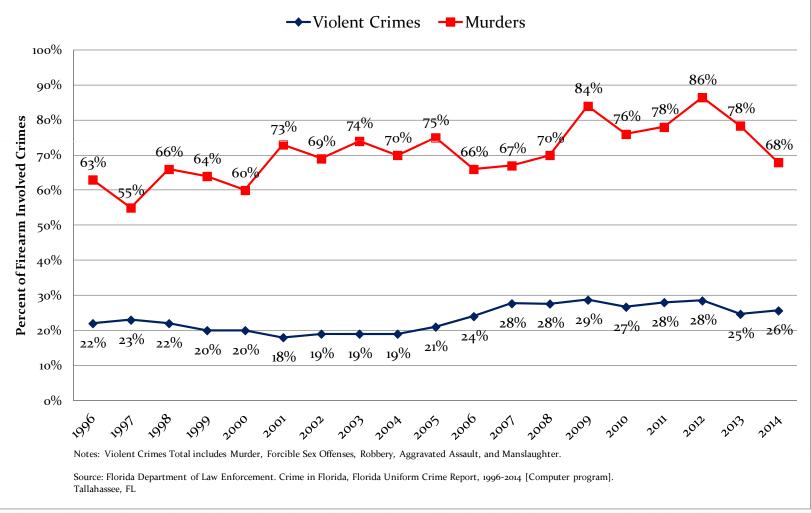


Rate per 100,000 Pop. for Domestic Violence Offenses (murder, manslaughter, forcible rape, forcible manslaughter, forcible fondling, aggravated assault, aggravated stalking, simple assault, threat/intimidation, stalking) Source: FDLE. Crime in Florida

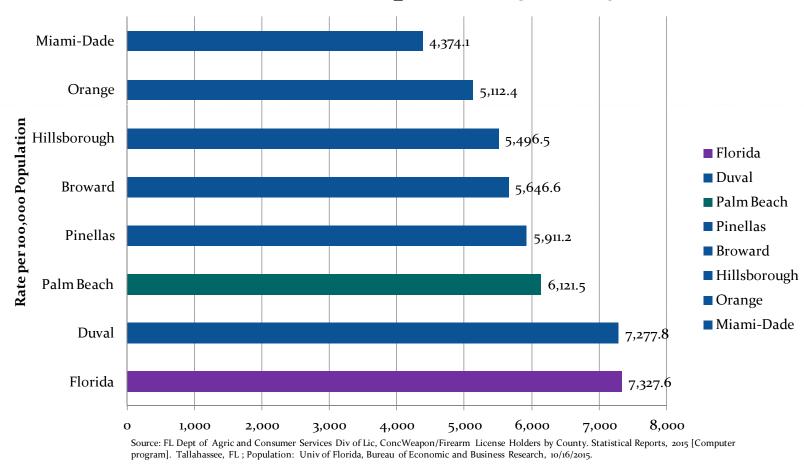
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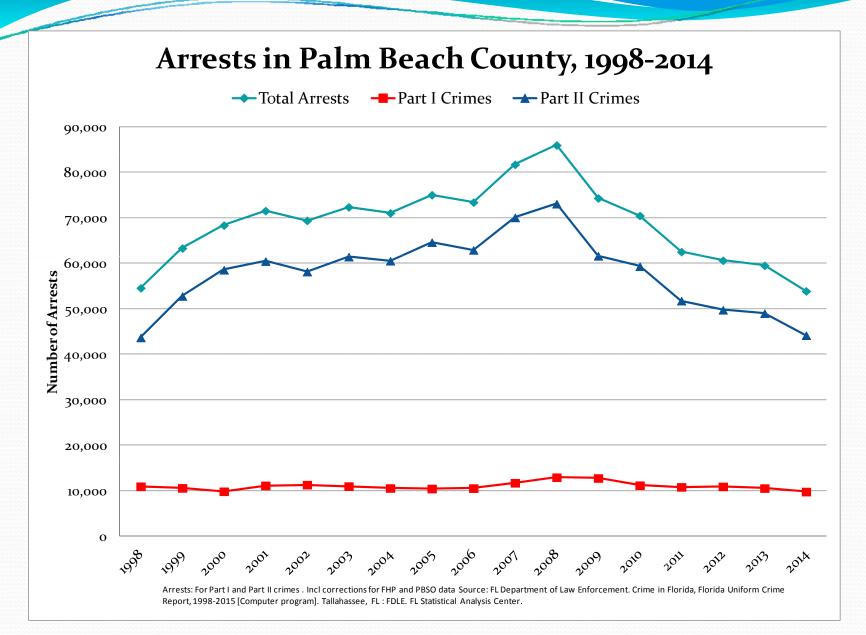


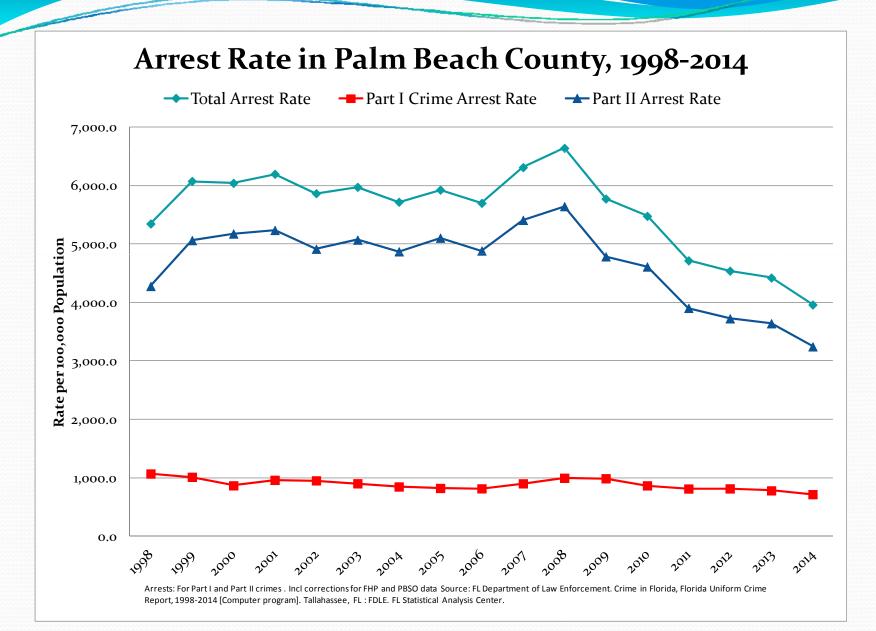
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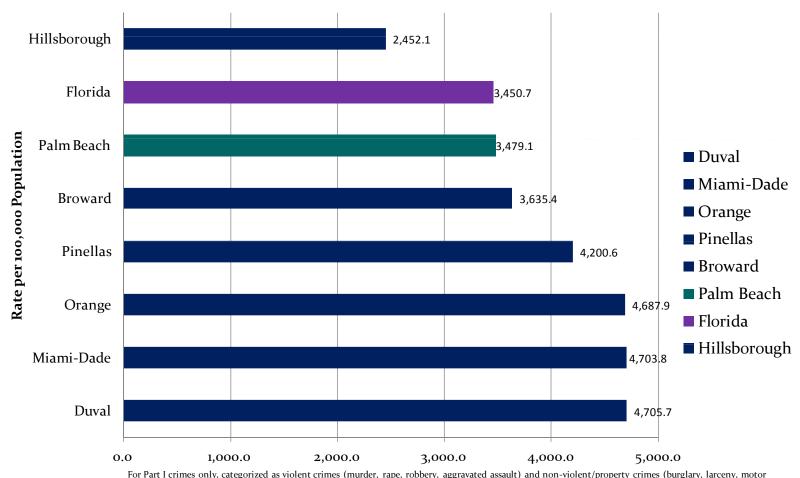
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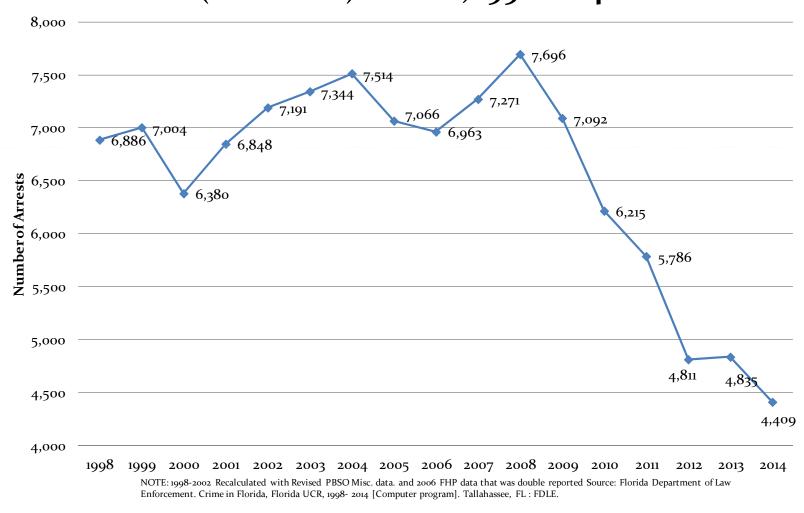




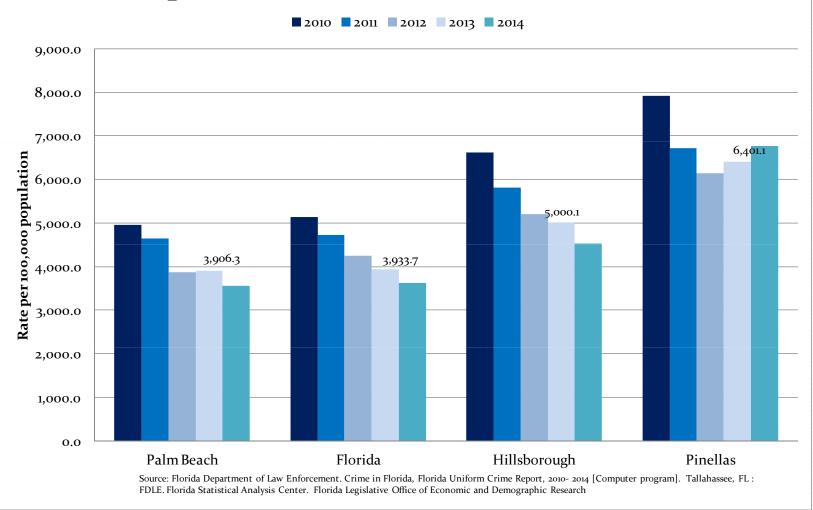


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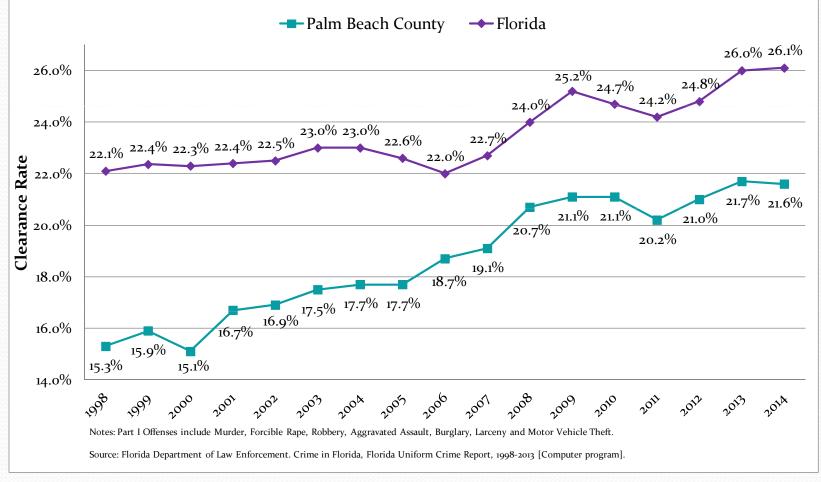
#### Palm Beach County Juvenile Arrest (Part I & II) Trends, 1998-2014



### Juvenile Arrest Rate in Palm Beach, Comparable Counties and Florida 2010-2014

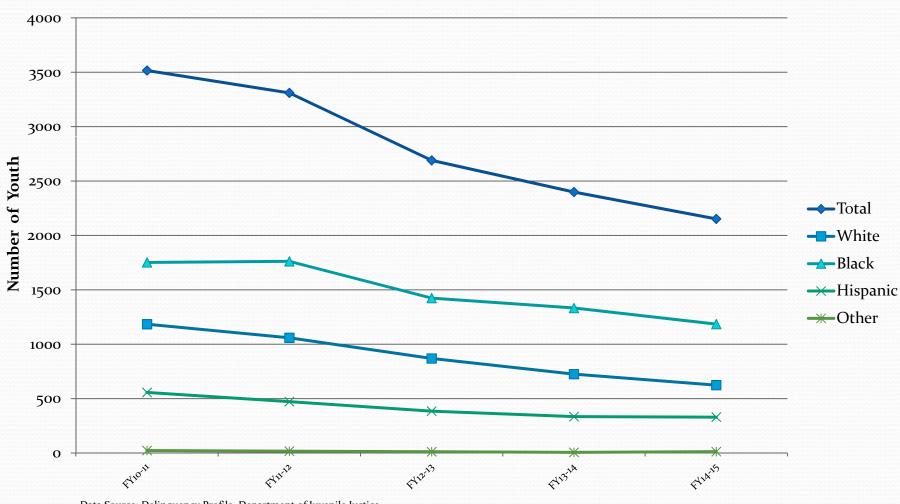


### Part I Offenses Cleared By Arrest or Exceptional Means in Palm Beach County and Florida, 1998-2014

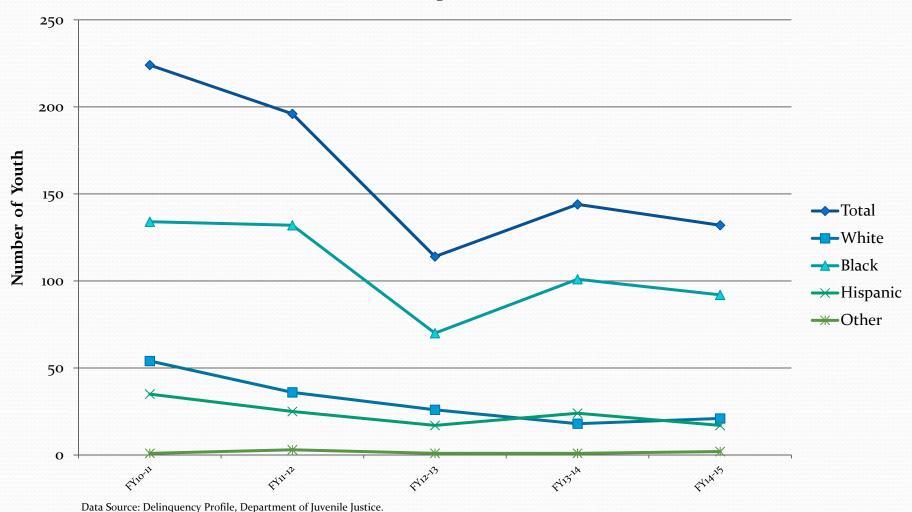


# Youth

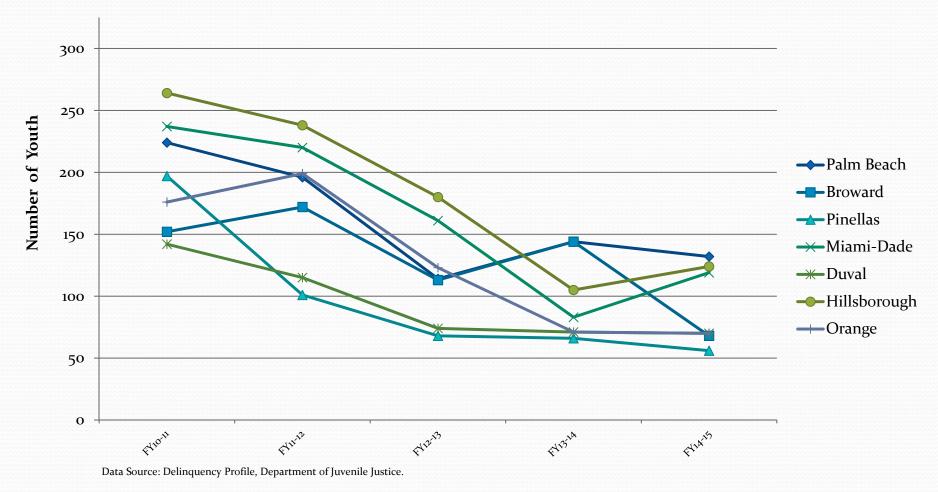
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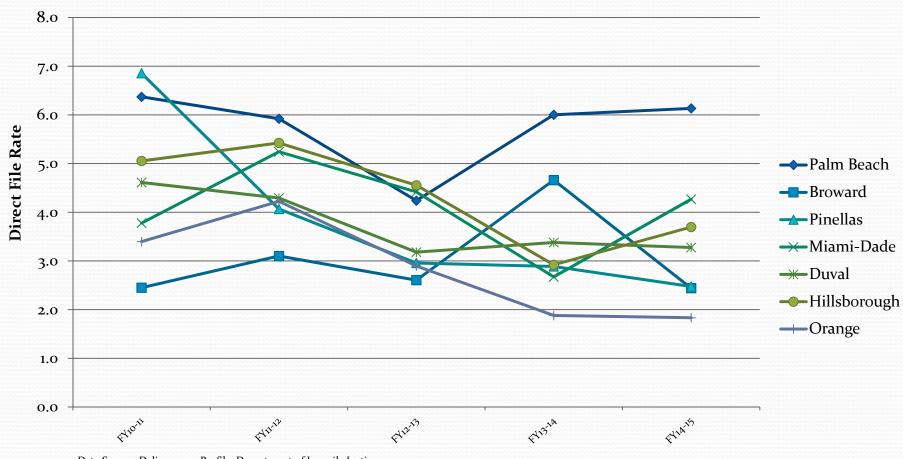
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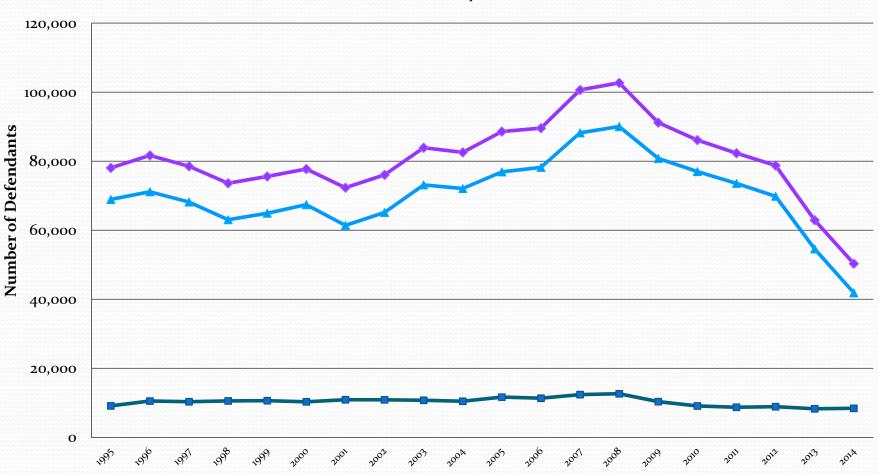


Data Source: Delinquency Profile, Department of Juvenile Justice. Note: This chart captures the percentage of youth direct filed out of the total youth referred to DJJ.

# Courts

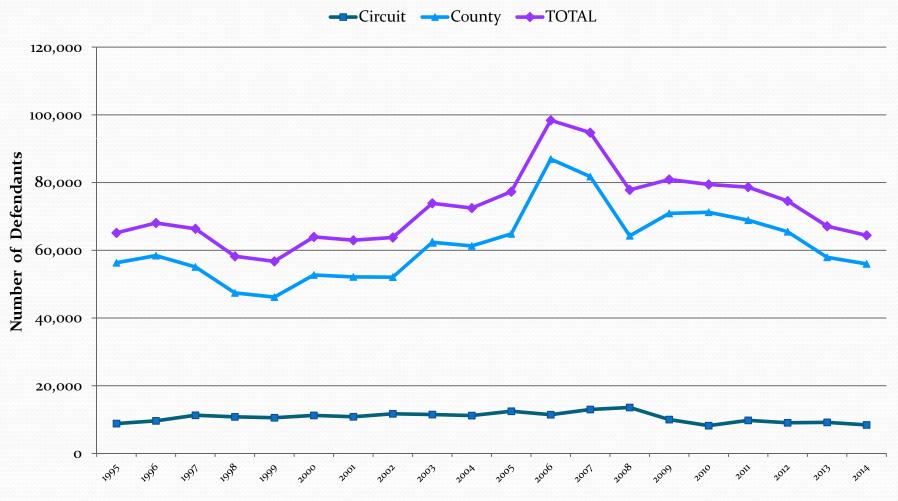
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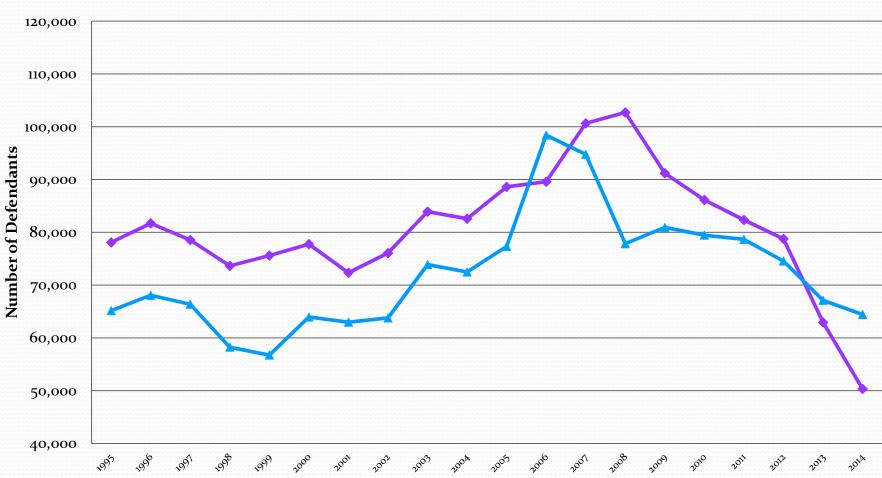
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# Circuit and County Criminal Court Dispositions, Palm Beach County, 1995-2014

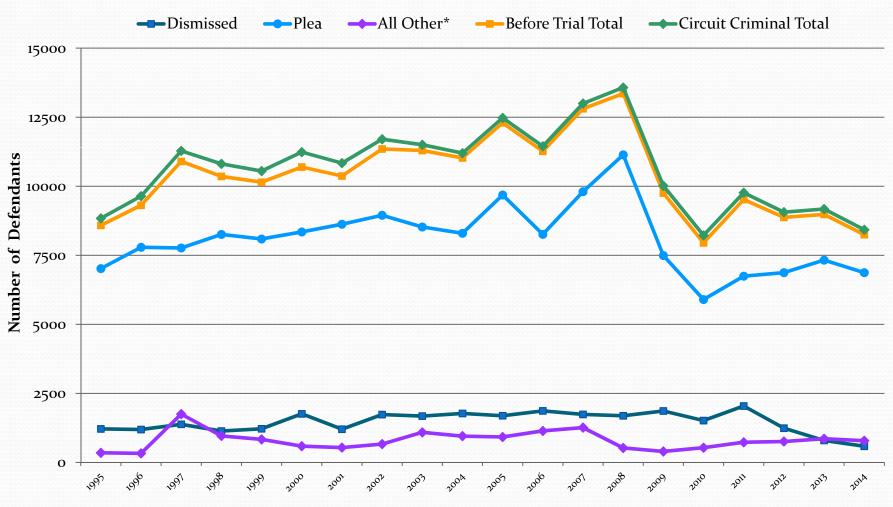


## Total Criminal Court Filings and Dispositions, Palm Beach County, 1995-2014

→ Total Filings → Total Dispositions

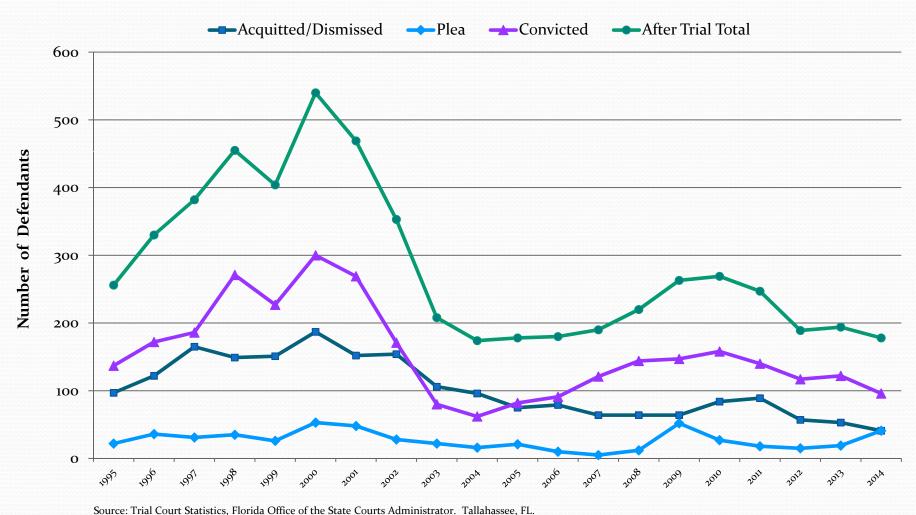


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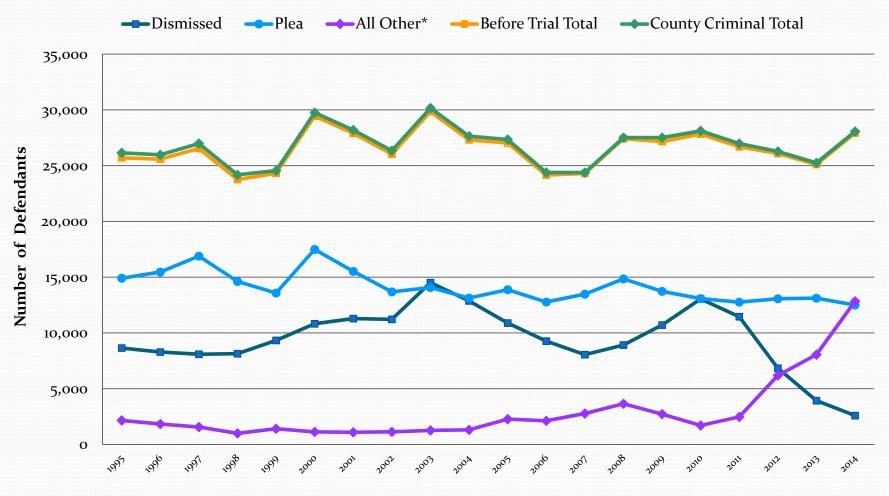


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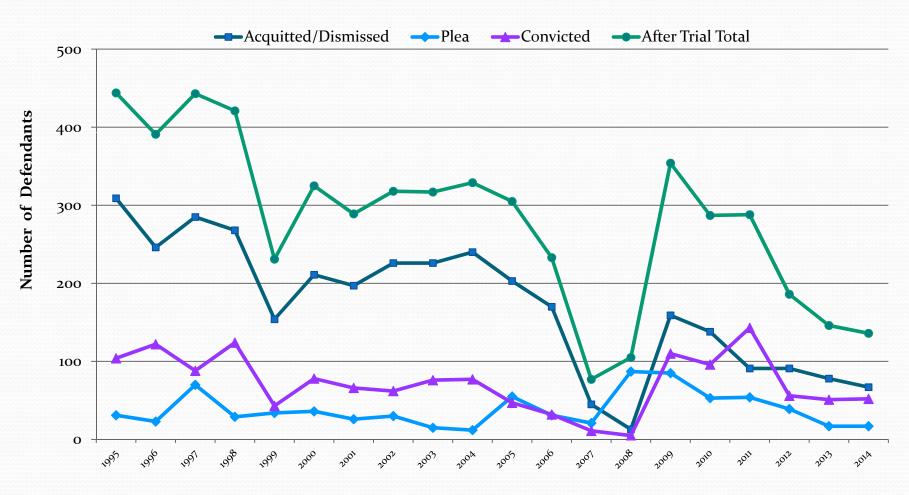


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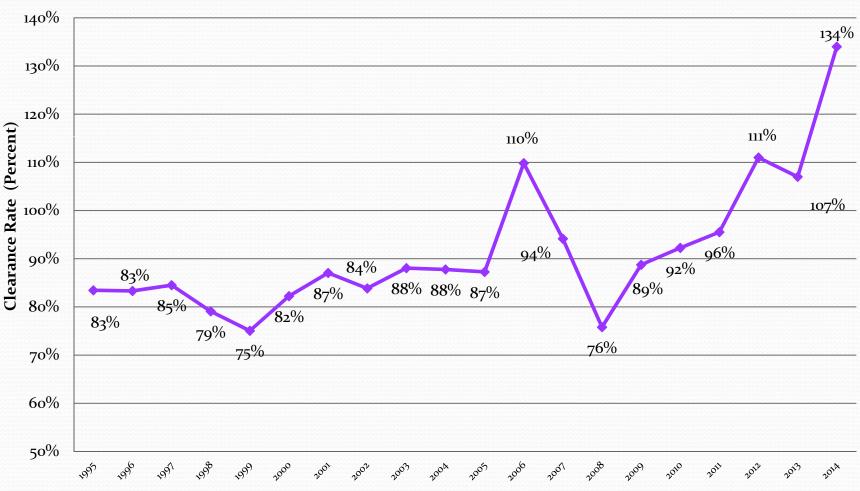
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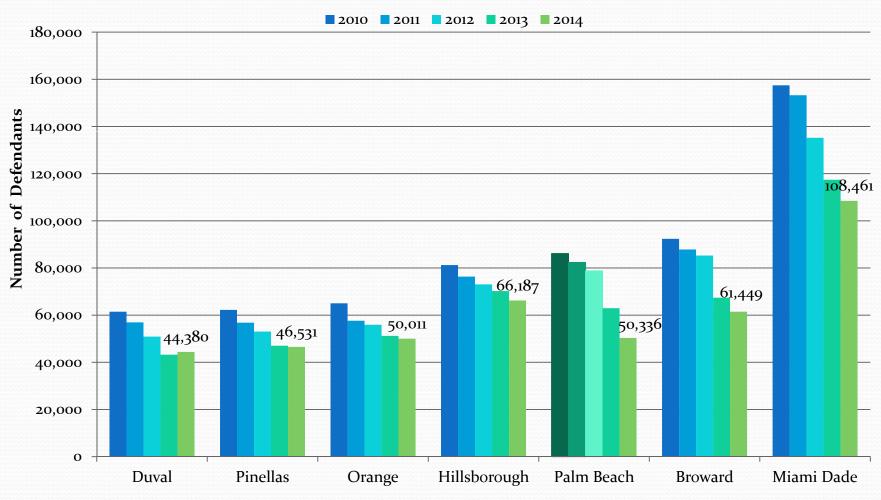
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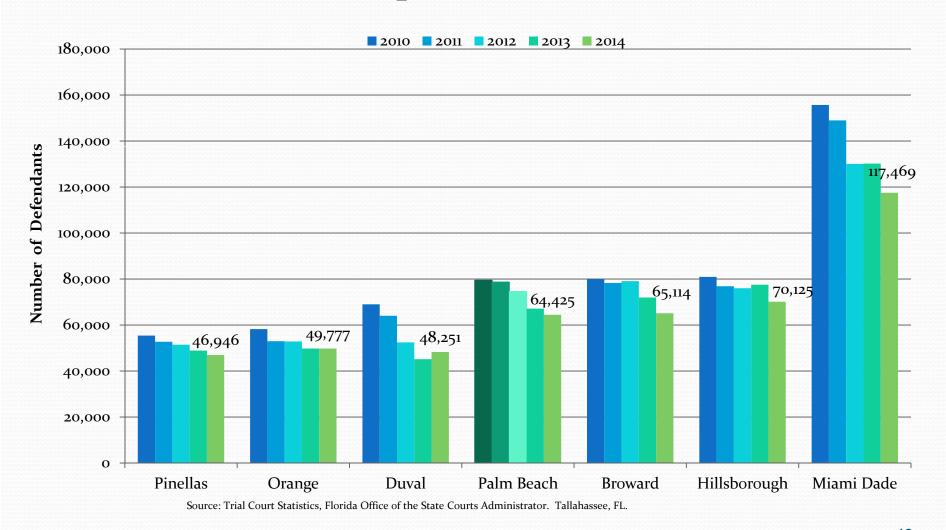


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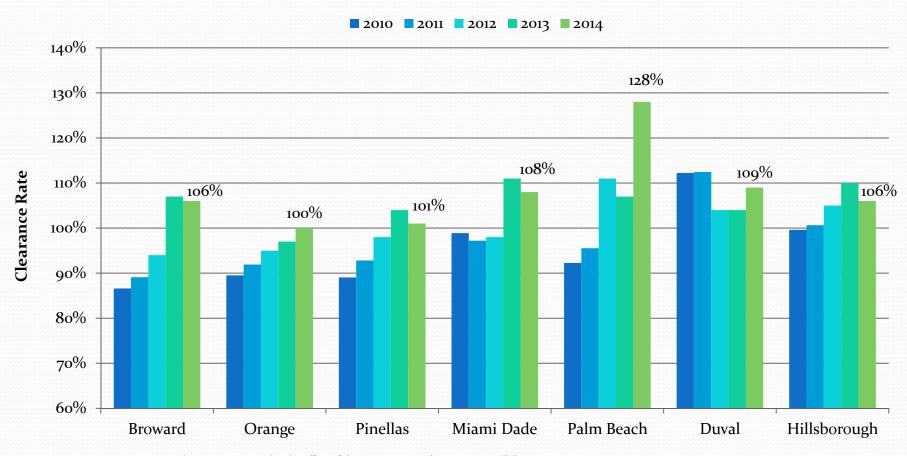
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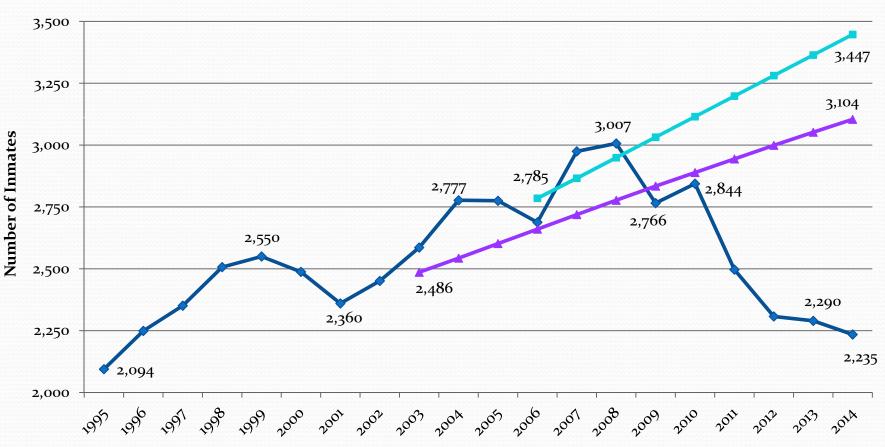
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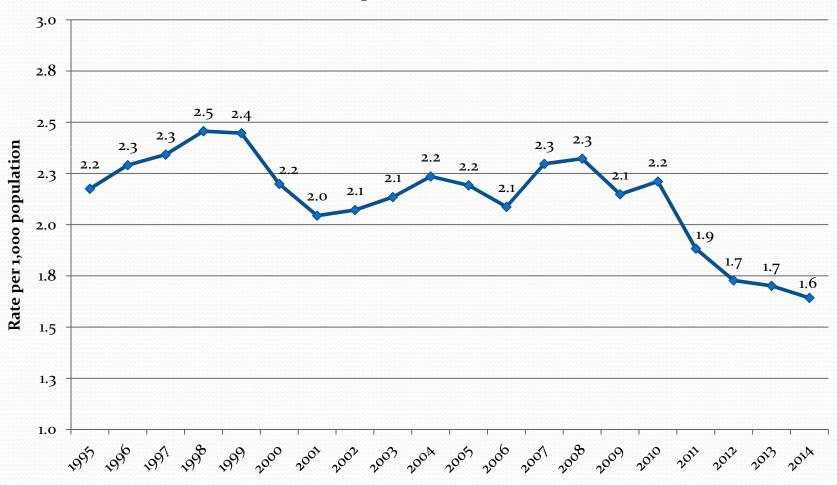
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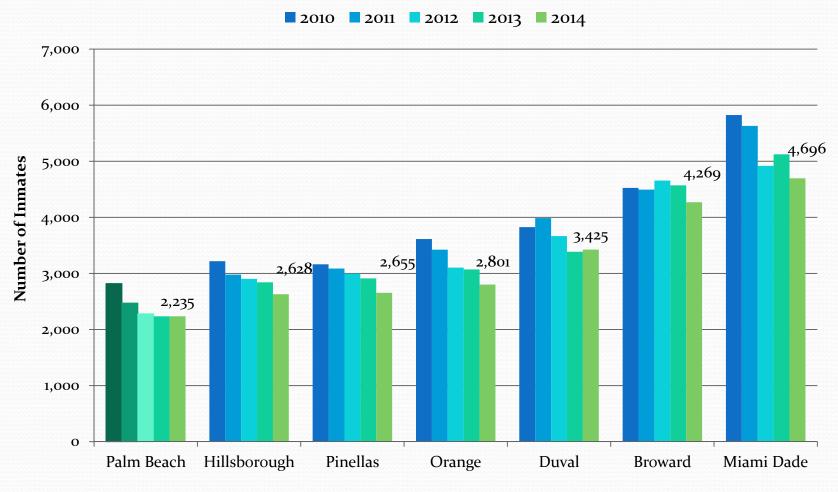
Source: Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office, Palm Beach County Correctional Facilities Monthly Population Report, 1995-2014 (ADP). Projection A – PBC Jail Population Forecast: 2003 to 2015. William D. Bales, Ph.D., March 25, 2003. Projection B - PBC Jail Expansion Program 2: Track Report – Final Report. Pulitzer/Bogard & Associates, LLC and Spillis Candela DMJM, December 16, 2005

# Incarceration Rate, Palm Beach County Jails, 1995-2014



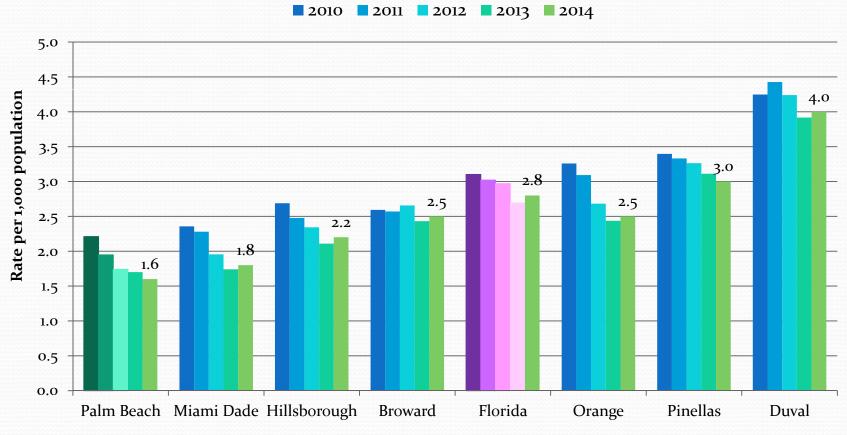
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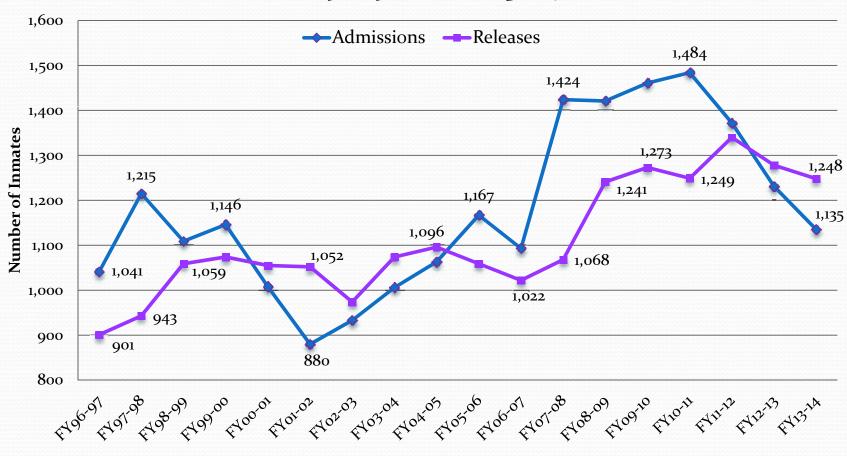
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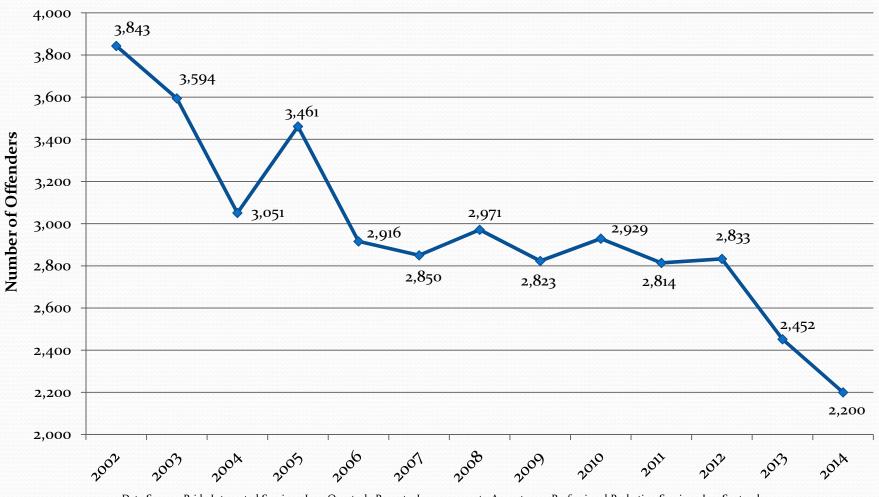


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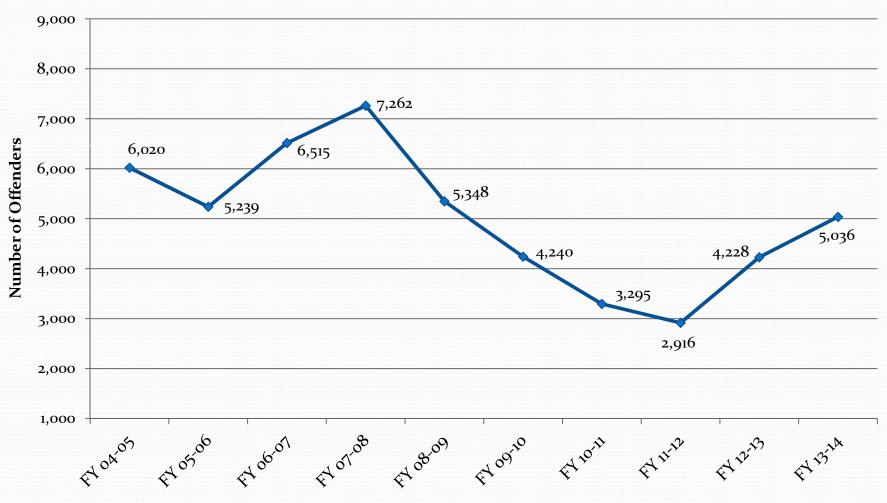


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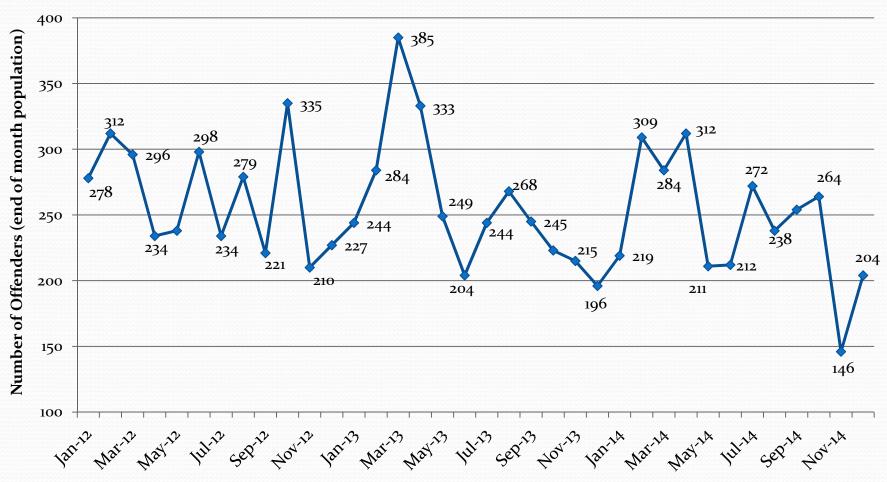


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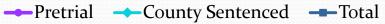
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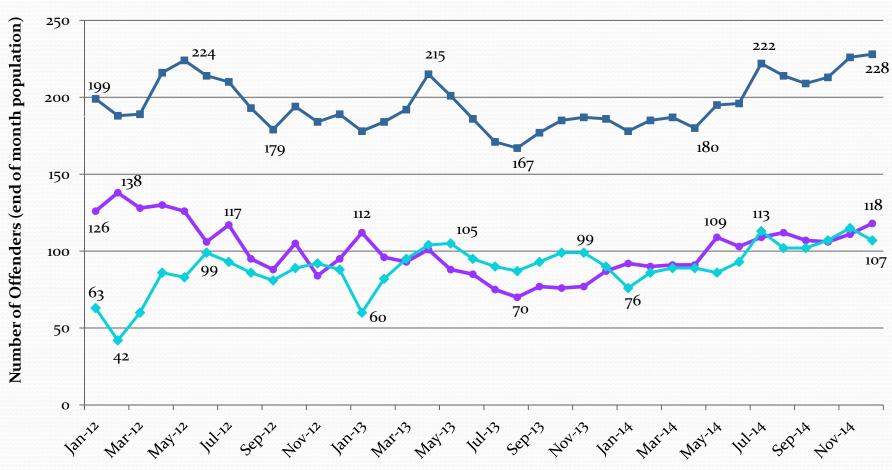


## Book & Release Program, Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office, Jan 2012 to Dec 2014



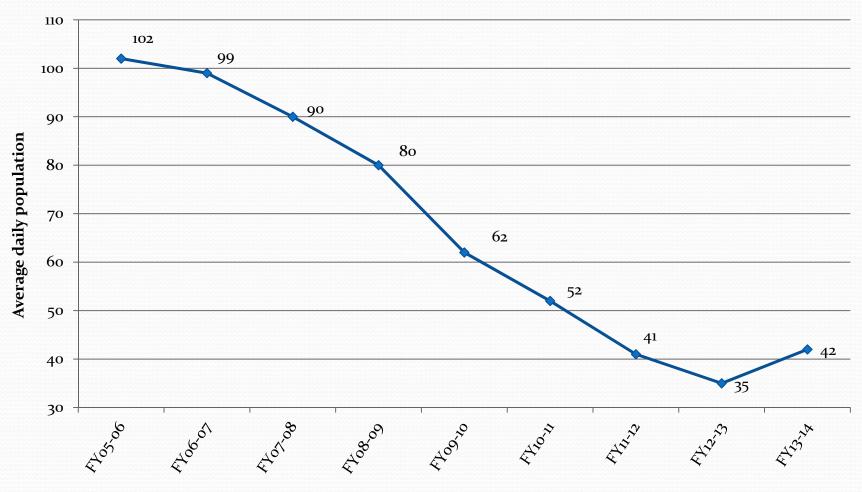
## In-House Arrest Program, Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office, Jan 2012 to Dec 2014





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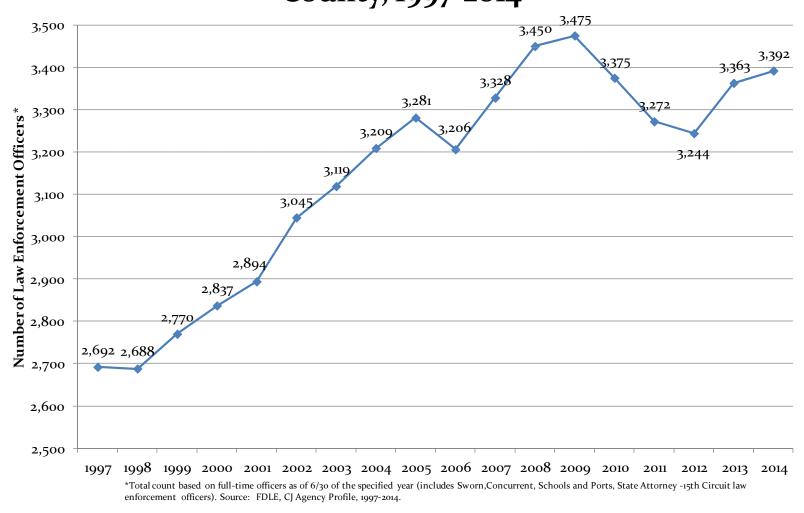
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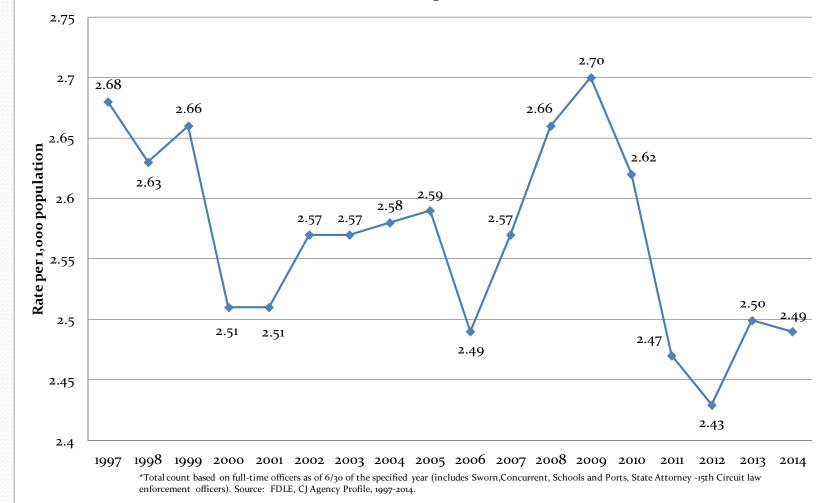
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# Criminal Justice System Resources

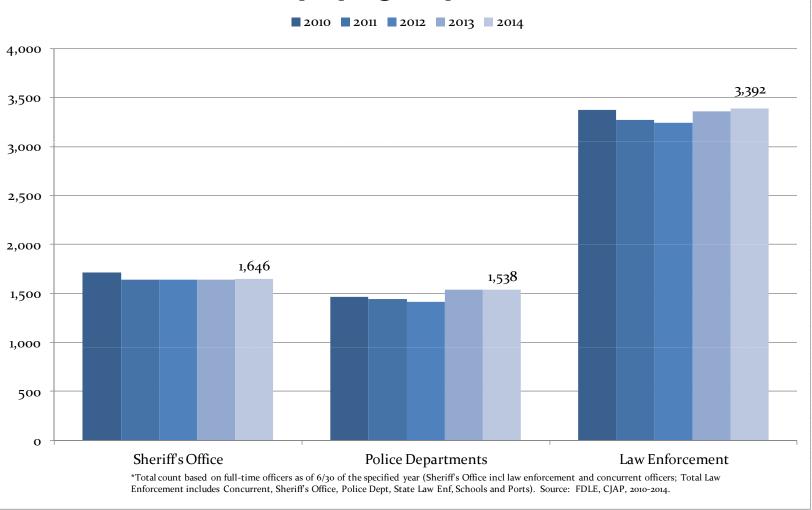
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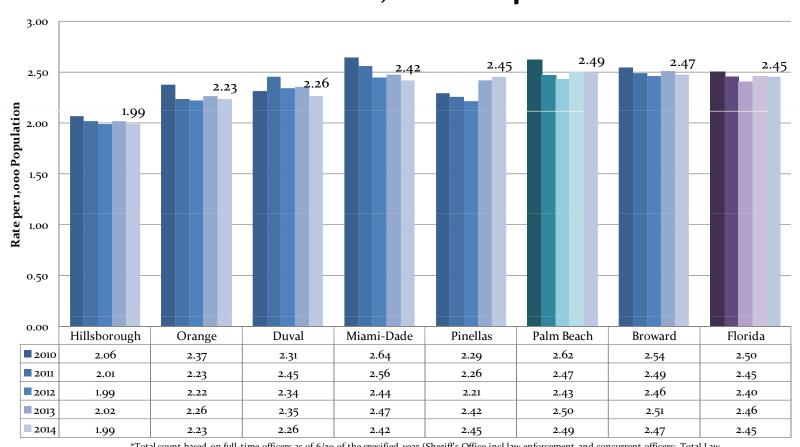
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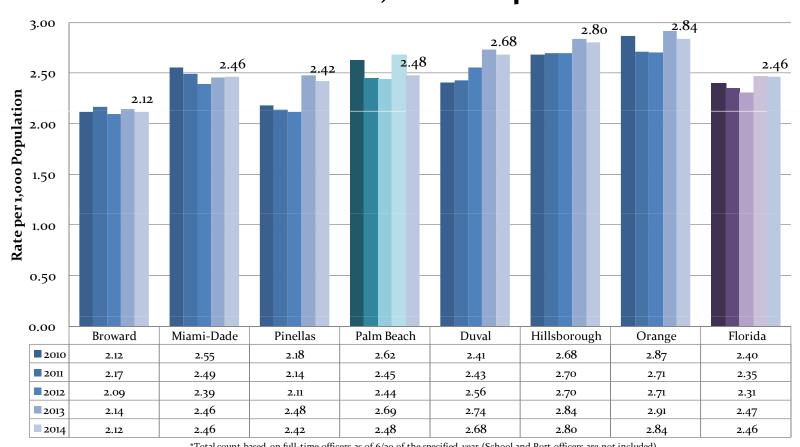


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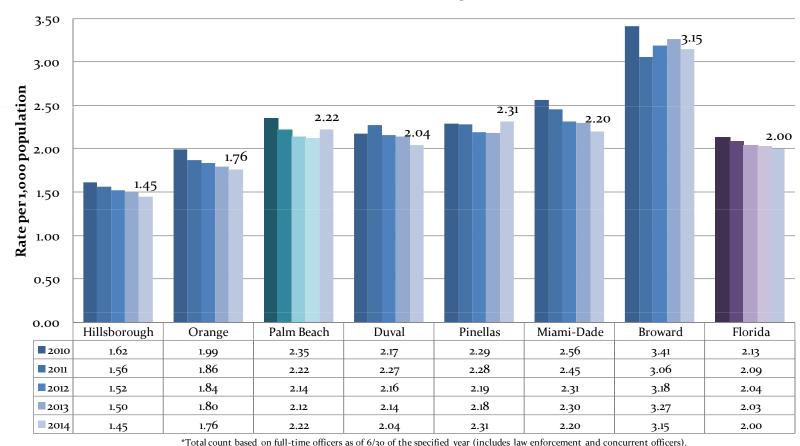
\*Total count based on full-time officers as of 6/30 of the specified year (Sheriff's Office incl law enforcement and concurrent officers; Total Law Enforcement includes Concurrent, Sheriff's Office, Police Dept, State Law Enf, Schools and Ports). Source: FDLE, CJAP, 2010-2014.

#### Rate of Police Department Officers in Palm Beach County, Comparable Counties and Florida, 2010-2014



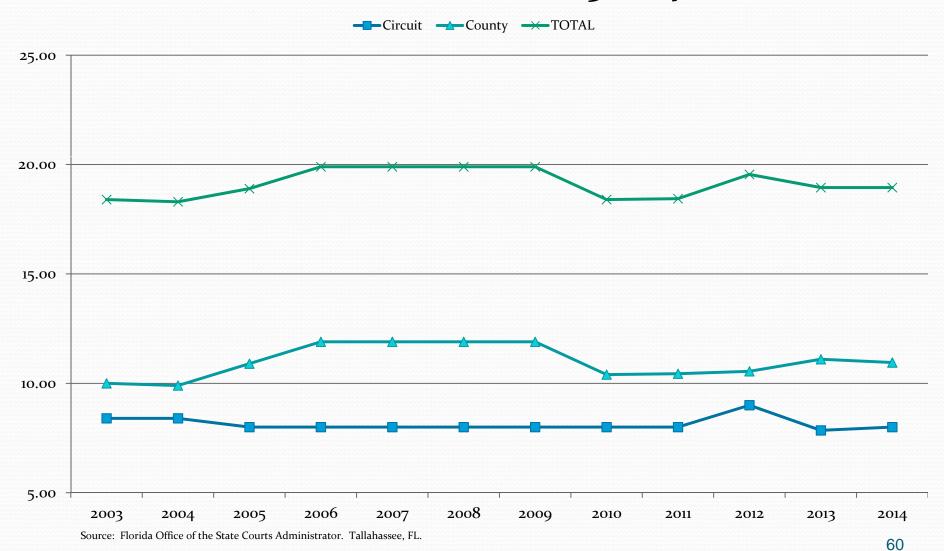
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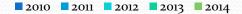


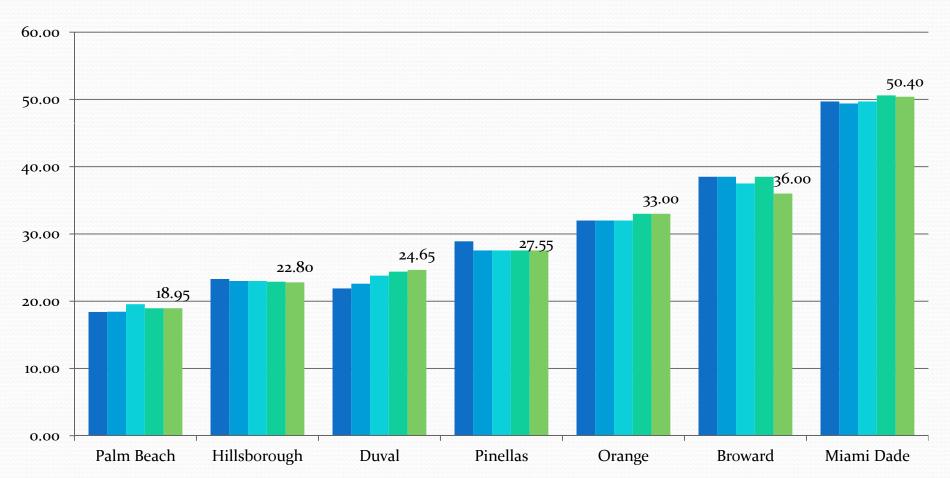
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# Number of Judges, Palm Beach County Criminal Courts, 2003-2014



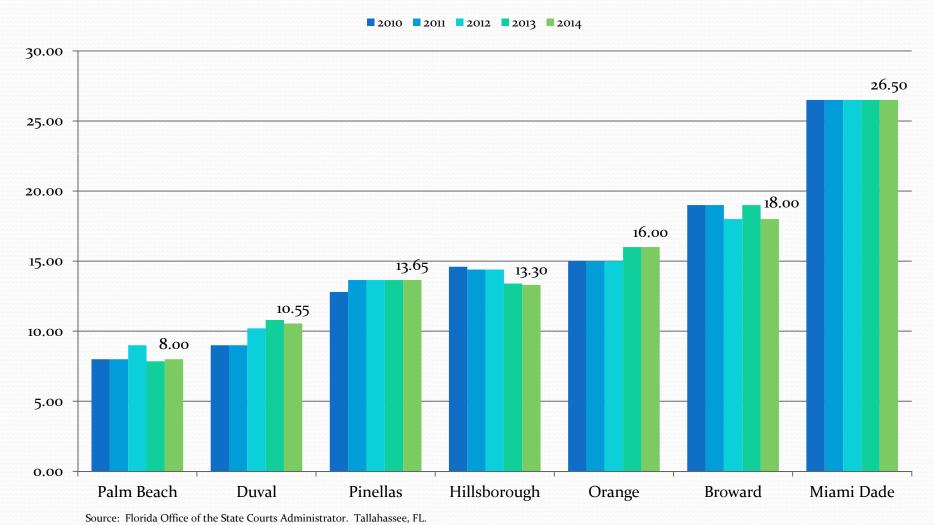
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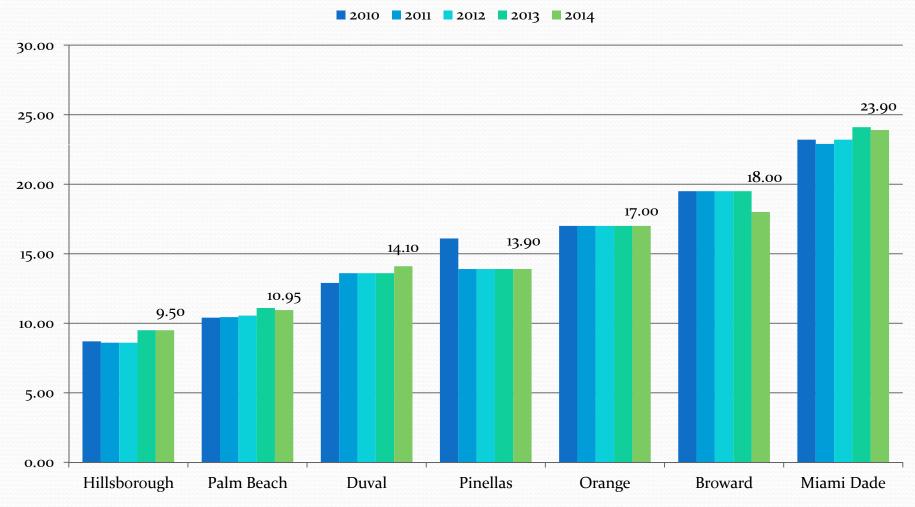


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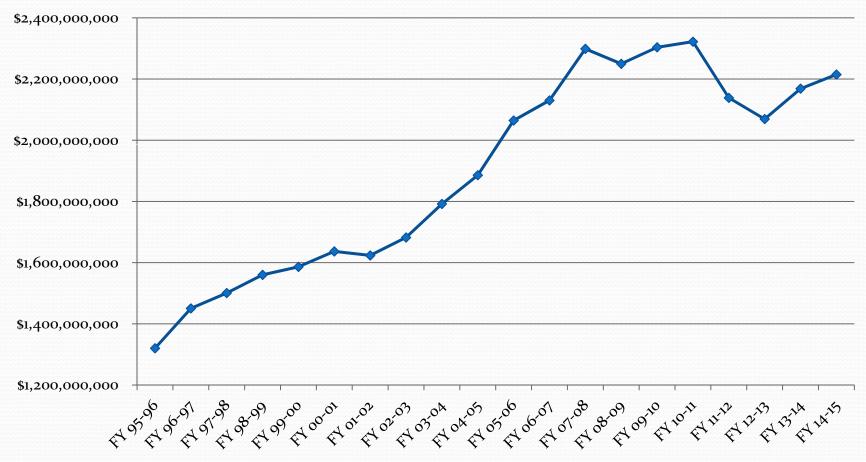
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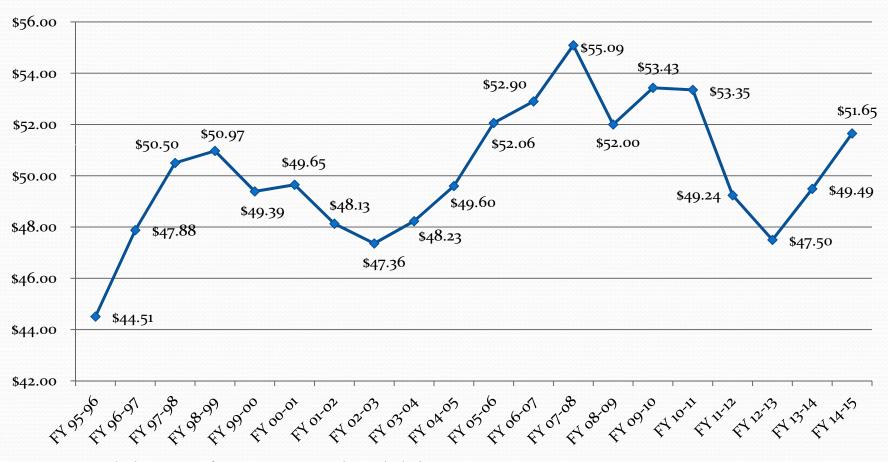
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Source: Florida Department of Corrections. Agency Annual Report (Budget).

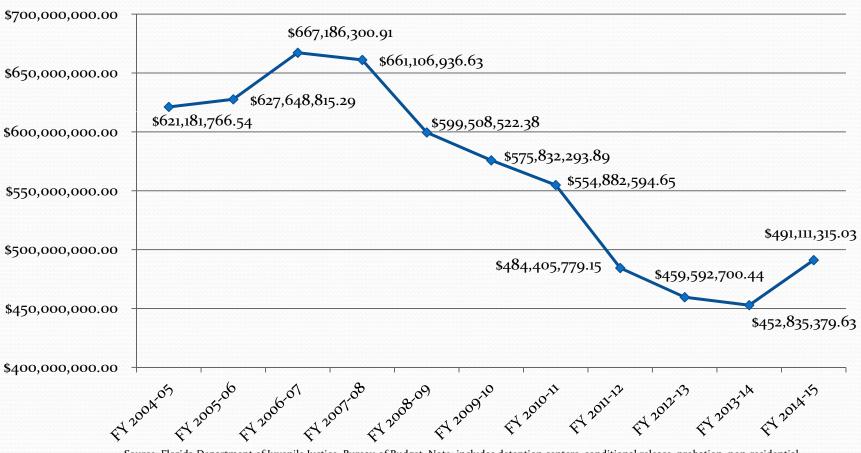
Notes: Includes department administration, security/institutional operations, community corrections, health services, education & programs.

# Cost to House a State Inmate (Per Diem), 1995-2015



Source: Florida Department of Corrections. Agency Annual Report (Budget).

# Florida Department of Juvenile Justice Total Expenditures, 2004-2015



Source: Florida Department of Juvenile Justice, Bureau of Budget Note: includes detention centers, conditional release, probation, non-residential delinquency rehabilitation, support services, information technology, residential commitment, and diversion

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