



PRETRIAL SERVICES ANNUAL REPORT

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Court Services

Public Safety Assessment Volume, Risk Factors, and Concurrency

Community Supervision

Opened and Closed Supervisions, Technical Violation Rate, Public Safety Rate, Appearance Rate

Report Period: **Fiscal Year 2021**



Fiscal Year 2021 Public Safety Assessment Volume

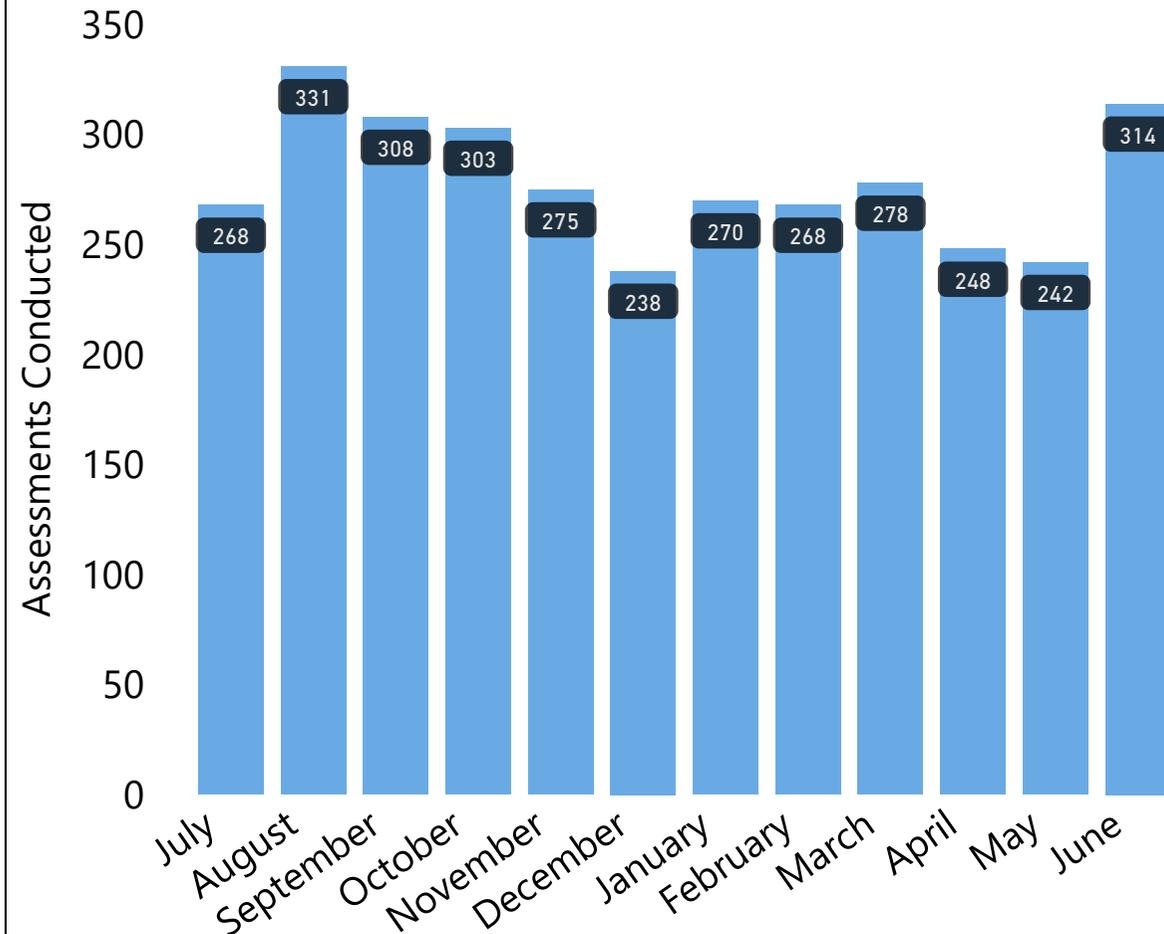
3,343 Assessments Conducted

2,474 Unique People Assessed

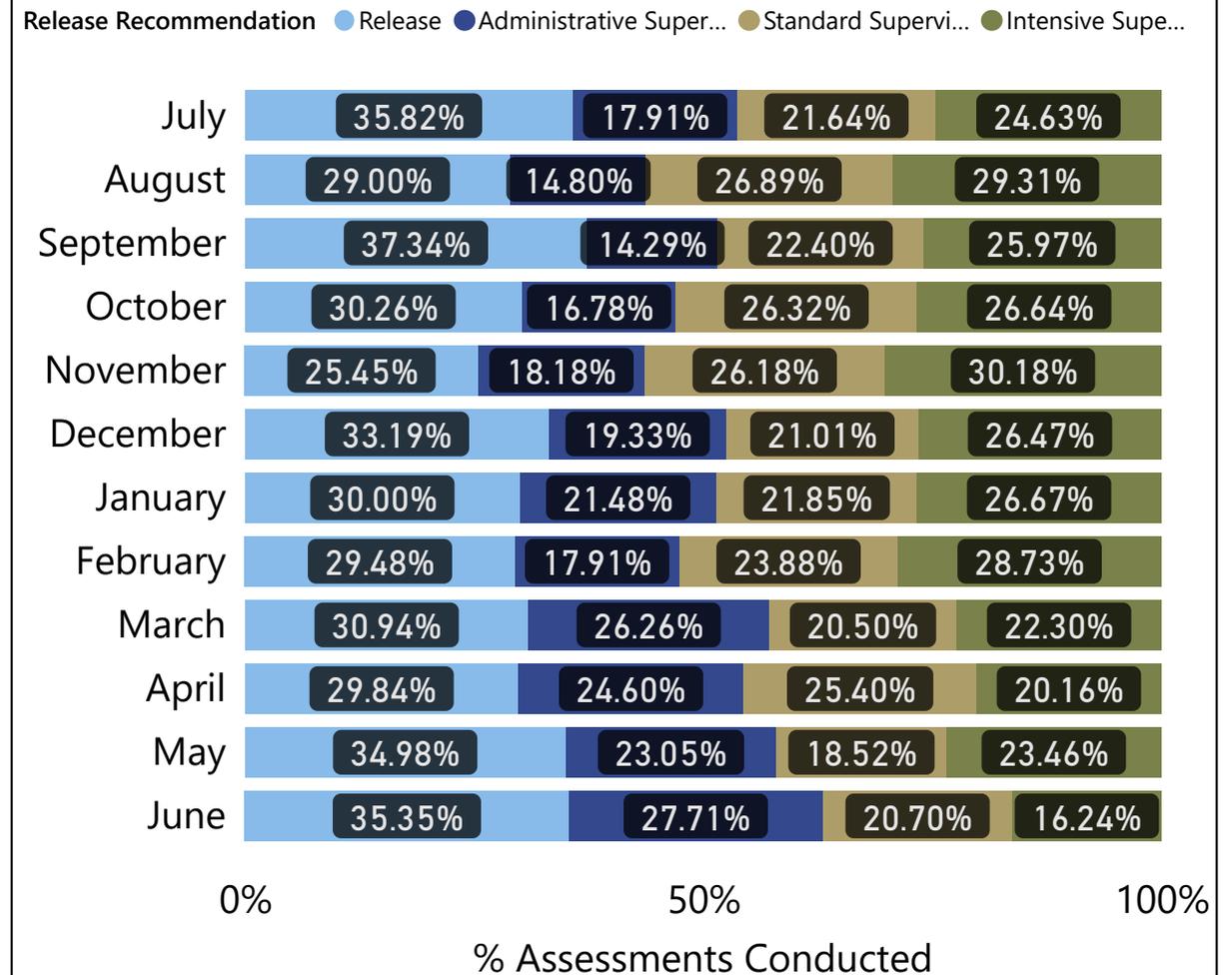
557 People Assessed Multiple Times

12 Staff Overrides on PSA/Bond Report

Volume of PSAs by Month



PSA Recommendation by Month



Fiscal Year 2021 PSA Accuracy

2761

PSAs Audited

88

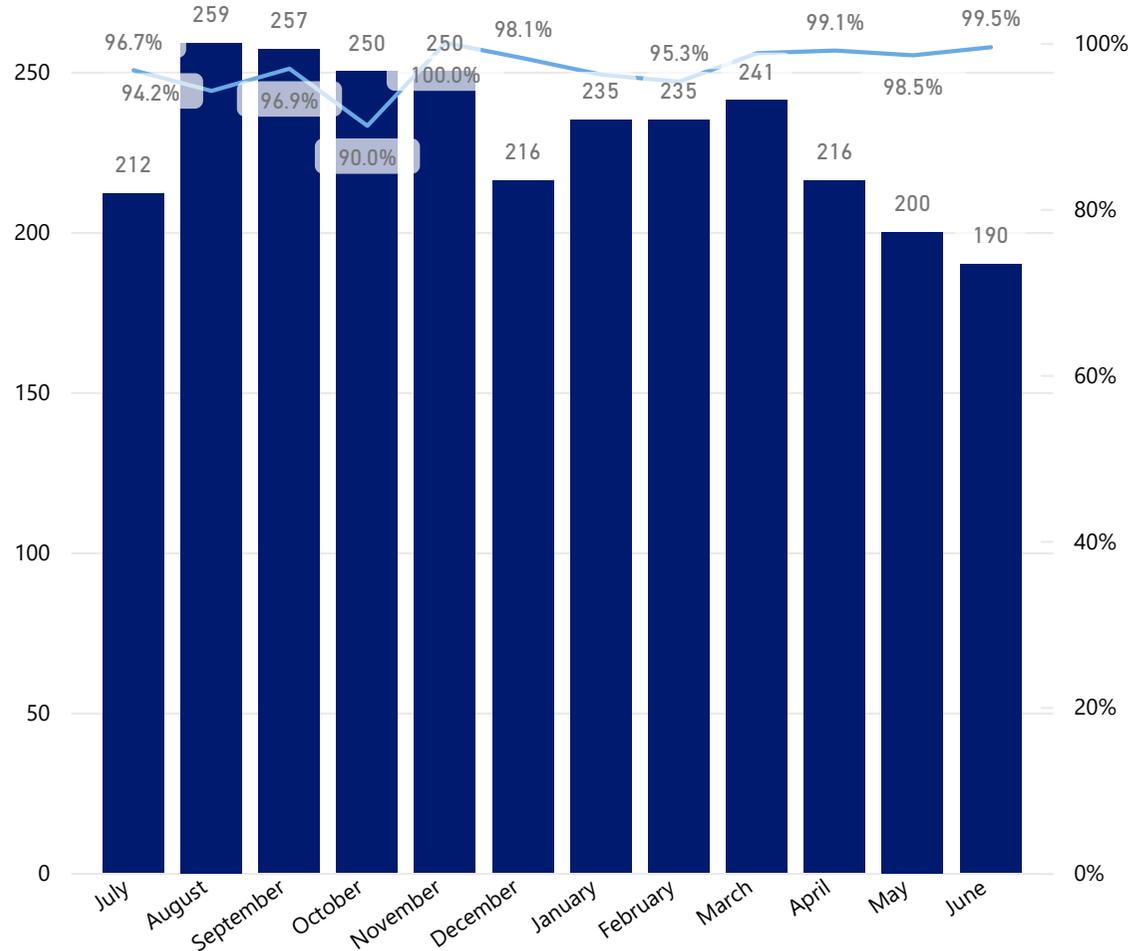
PSAs with Errors

96.8%

Accuracy Rate

PSAs Audited and Accuracy Rate by Month

● Number of PSAs Audited ● Accuracy Rate



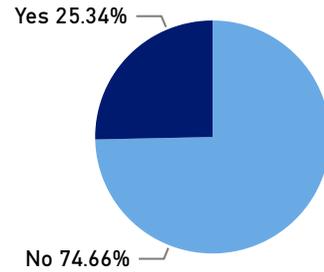
PSA Risk Factors

The Public Safety Assessment (PSA) is a standardized assessment that predicts failure to appear (FTA) in court for a pending charge, a new criminal arrest (NCA) while on pretrial release, and a new violent criminal arrest (NCA Violent) while on pretrial release.

Buncombe County Release Conditions Matrix

Failure to Appear (FTA) Scaled Score	New Criminal Activity (NCA) Scaled Score					
	1	2	3	4	5	6
1 (90% No New Criminal Activity)	WPA or Unsecured (90% No New Criminal Activity)	WPA or Unsecured (85% No New Criminal Activity)	WPA or Unsecured (77% No New Criminal Activity)	WPA or Unsecured (70% No New Criminal Activity)	WPA or Unsecured (52% No New Criminal Activity)	WPA or Unsecured (45% No New Criminal Activity)
2 (85% Appear to Court)	WPA or Unsecured (no pretrial supervision)	WPA or Unsecured (no pretrial supervision)	WPA or Unsecured (no pretrial supervision)	Unsecured or Administrative	Standard	
3 (80% Appear to Court)		WPA or Unsecured (no pretrial supervision)	WPA or Unsecured (no pretrial supervision)	Unsecured or Administrative	Standard	Standard or Intensive
4 (69% Appear to Court)		WPA or Unsecured (no pretrial supervision)	Unsecured or Administrative	Administrative or Standard	Standard	Intensive
5 (65% Appear to Court)		WPA or Unsecured (no pretrial supervision)	Unsecured or Administrative	Administrative or Standard	Standard or Intensive	Intensive
6 (60% Appear to Court)				Standard	Standard or Intensive	Intensive

% NCA Violent Flag



Failure to Appear	NCA 1	NCA 2	NCA 3	NCA 4	NCA 5	NCA 6	Total
FTA 1	214	70					284
FTA 2	21	172	200	132			525
FTA 3		78	235	247	144	51	755
FTA 4		51	133	204	283	125	796
FTA 5		3	43	175	227	153	601
FTA 6				52	78	254	384
Total	235	374	611	810	732	583	3,343

Volume % by FTA Risk

Failure to Appear ● FTA 1 ● FTA 2 ● FTA 3 ● FTA 4 ● FTA 5 ● FTA 6



Volume % by NCA Risk

New Criminal Activity ● NCA 1 ● NCA 2 ● NCA 3 ● NCA 4 ● NCA 5 ● NCA 6



Fiscal Year 2021 Concurrency

1,737

Opened Supervision

586

Judicial Override

66.3%

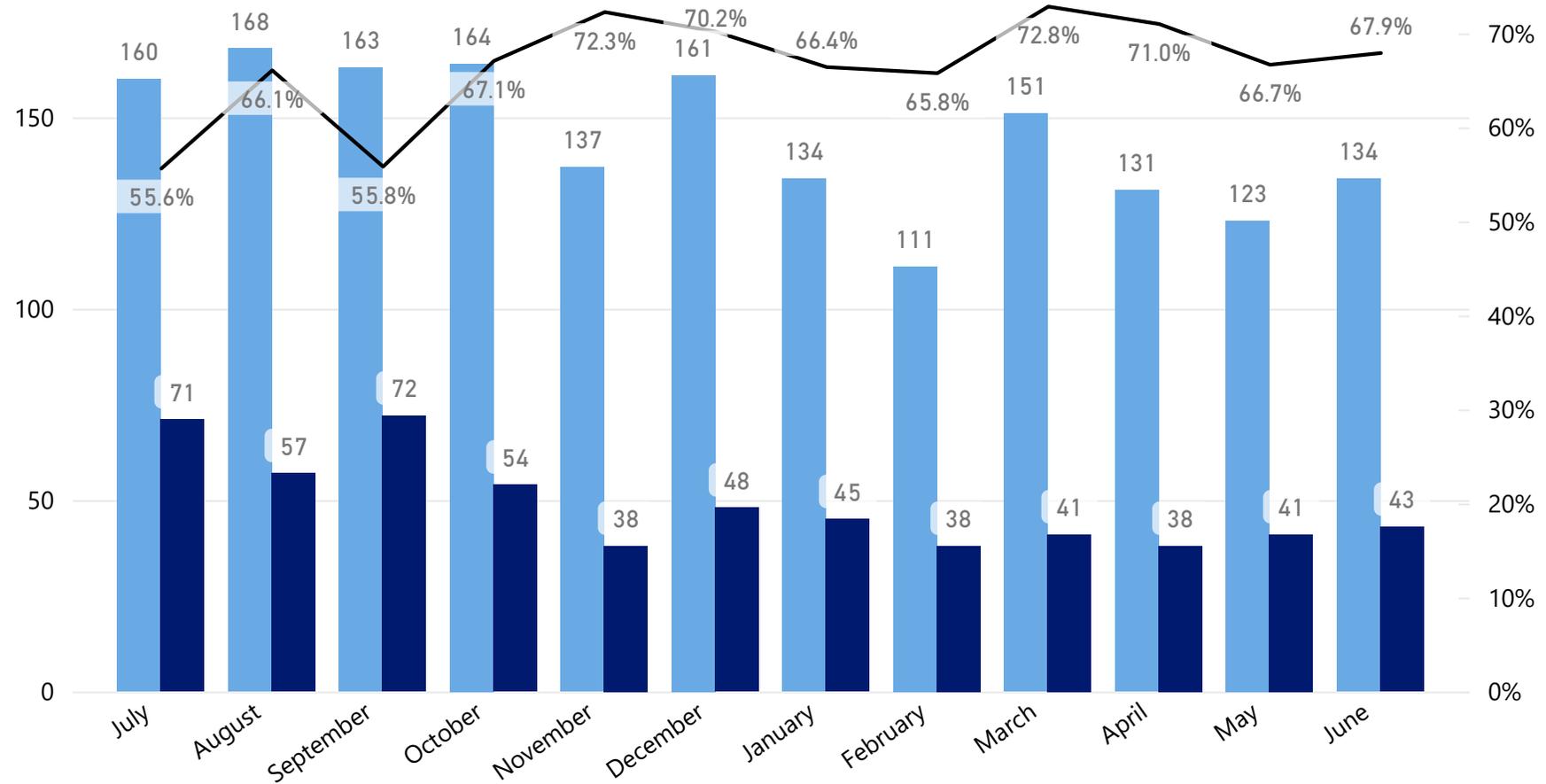
Concurrency Rate

The concurrency rate indicates the percent of supervisions opened in which the recommendation from the PSA aligns with the release decision made by the judicial official. It is the number of supervisions with a judicial override divided by all opened supervisions.

Supervisions Where Release Recommended

Supervision Level	Number of Supervisions
Administrative Supervision	482
Standard Supervision	20
Intensive Supervision	12
Awaiting Release	23
Total	537

● Opened Supervisions ● Number of Supervisions with Judicial Override ● Concurrency Rate



Concurrency Matrix (Release Recommendation Across the Top)

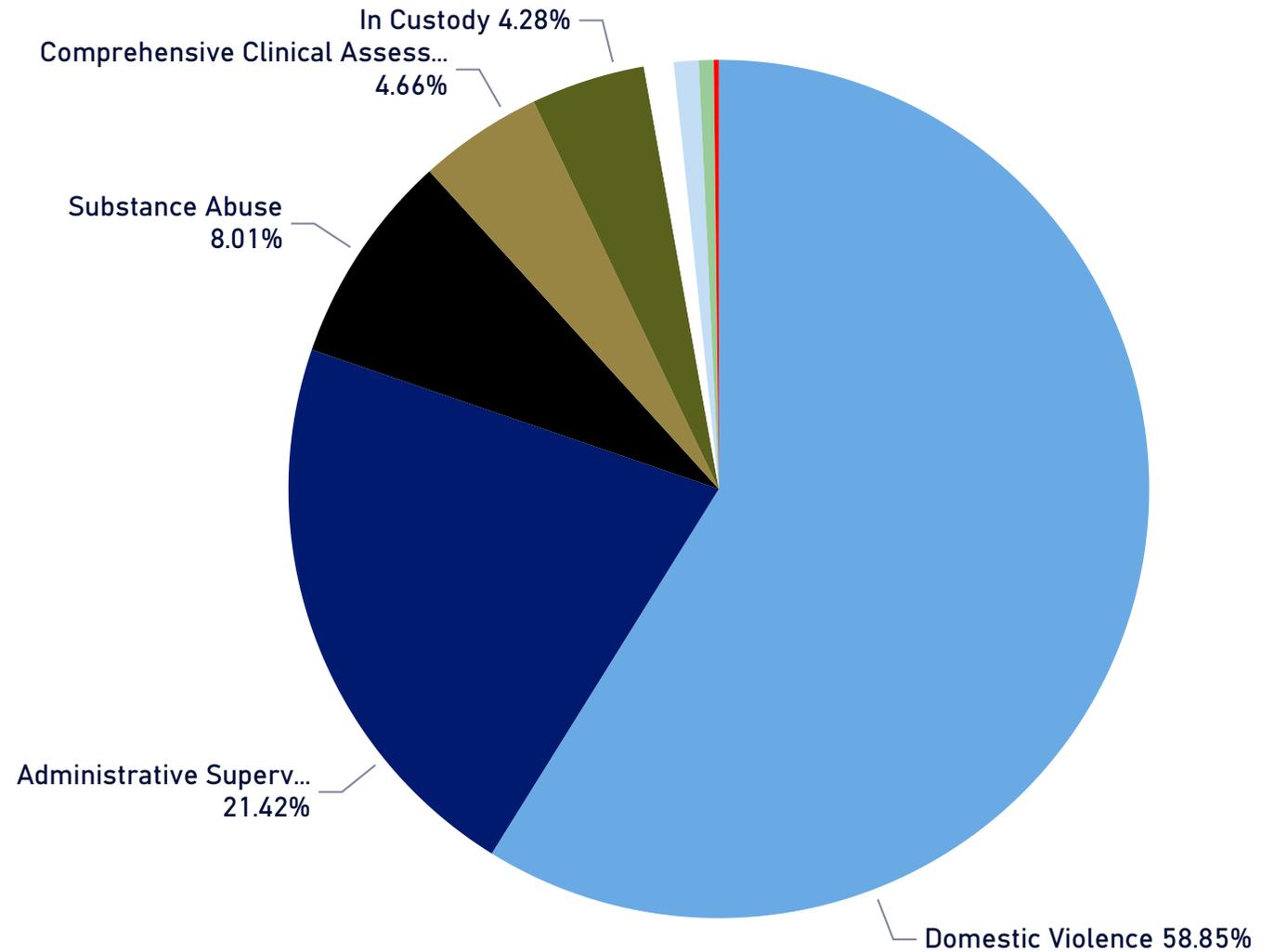
Release Decision	None	Release	Administrative Supervision	Standard Supervision	Intensive Supervision	Total
None	187					187
Release		1				1
Administrative Supervision	45	521	271	5		842
Standard Supervision	87	11	12	313	4	427
Intensive Supervision	45	6	9	19	389	467
Total	348	537	291	333	392	1,737

Fiscal Year 2021 Concurrency Details

Supervisions Where Release Recommended

Supervision Level	Number of Supervisions
Administrative Supervision	482
Administrative - DV	287
Administrative	115
Administrative - SA	41
Administrative - CCA	25
Administrative-EM/DV(CAITLYNS C)	9
Administrative - MH	5
Awaiting Release	23
IN CUSTODY	23
Standard Supervision	20
Moderate - DV	14
Moderate Supervision	6
Intensive Supervision	12
Intensive - EM/DV (CAITLYN'S C.)	4
Intensive - EM	3
Intensive - DV	2
Intensive - SA	2
Intensive	1
Total	537

Supervisions Where Release Recommended by Supervision Track



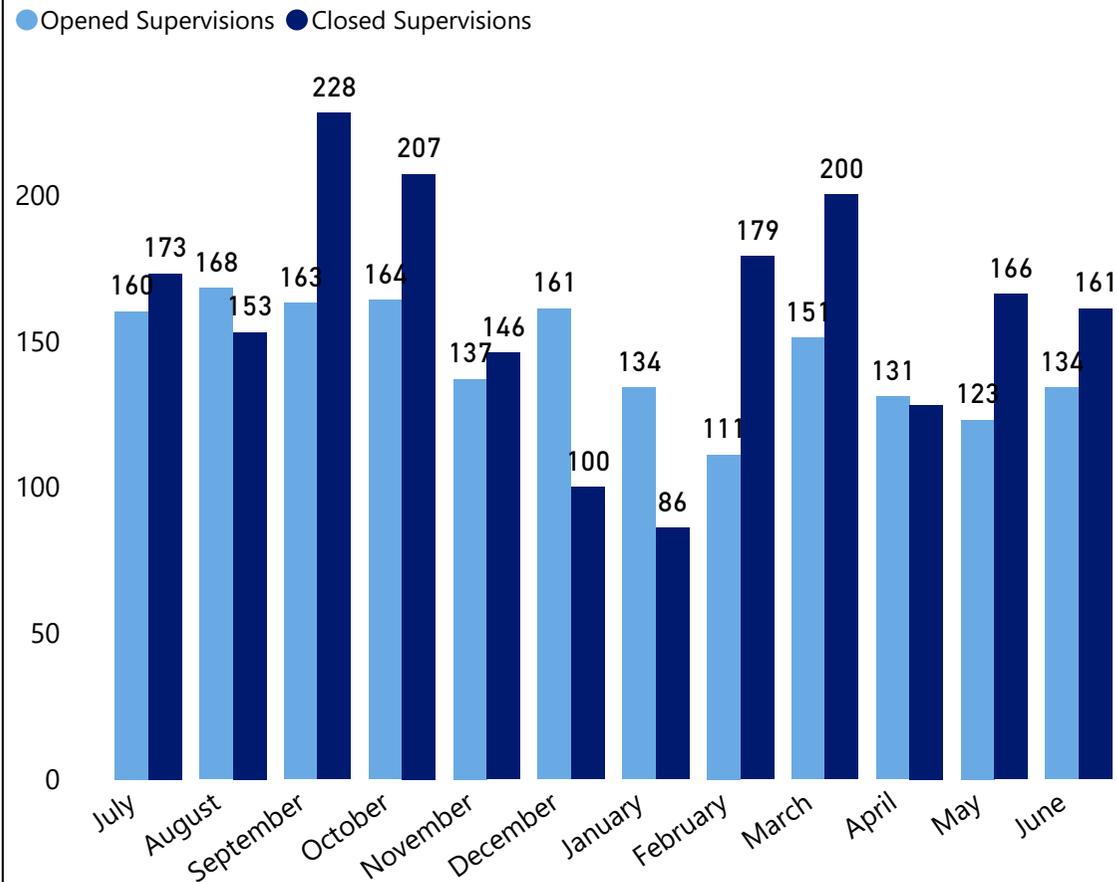
Fiscal Year 2021 Referrals and Closures

1,737 Supervisions Opened

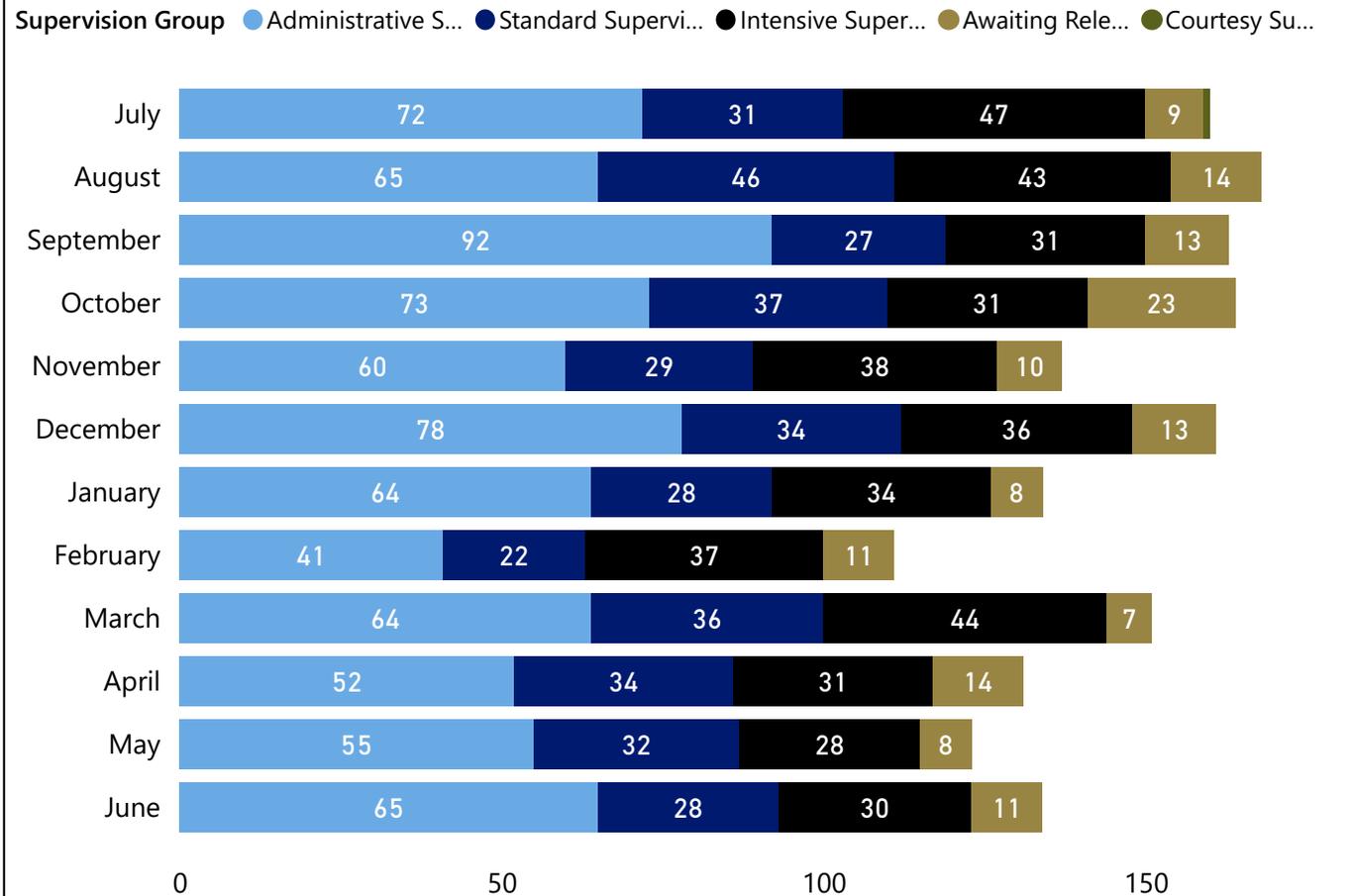
1,926 Supervisions Closed

A person can be referred to pretrial supervision by a district or superior court judge. They can be assigned to supervision on more than one charge or might not be referred to supervision for all pending charges. For the purposes of this report, a supervision is counted as one supervision regardless of the number of charges they have been referred to supervision for. For example, if a person has six pending charges in Buncombe County, and they have been referred to Pretrial on four of those charges, that is counted as one supervision.

Number of Supervisions Opened and Closed by Month



Opened Supervisions by Month and Supervision Group

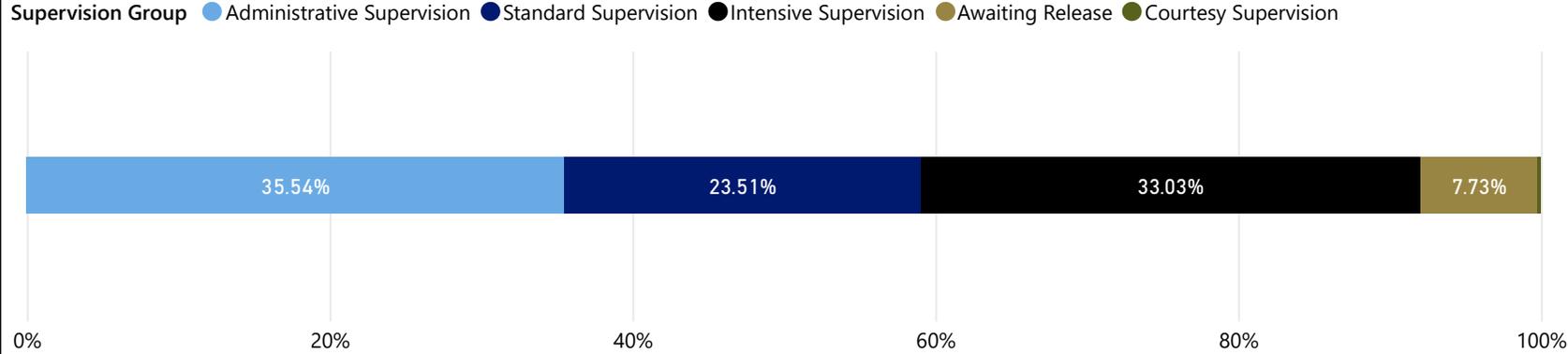


Fiscal Year 2021 Supervisions

1,027
Average Daily Caseload

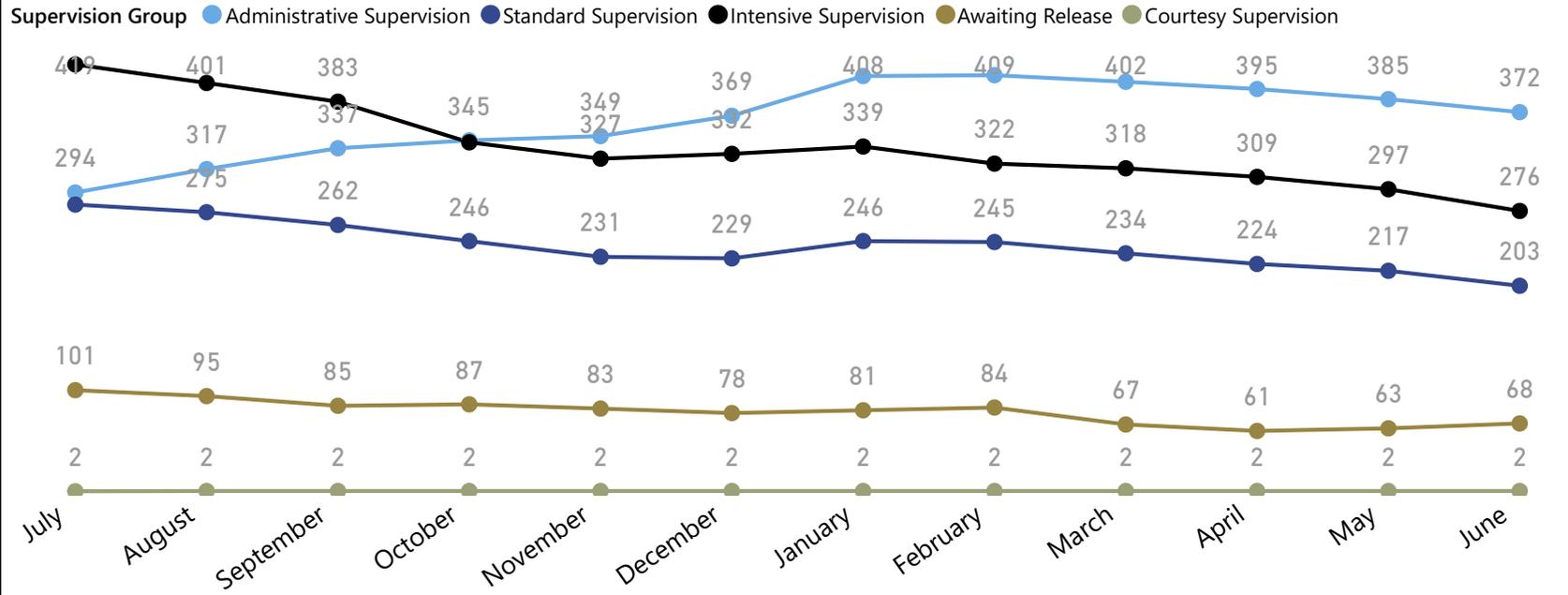
2,829
Active During Period

Average Daily Caseload by Supervision Group

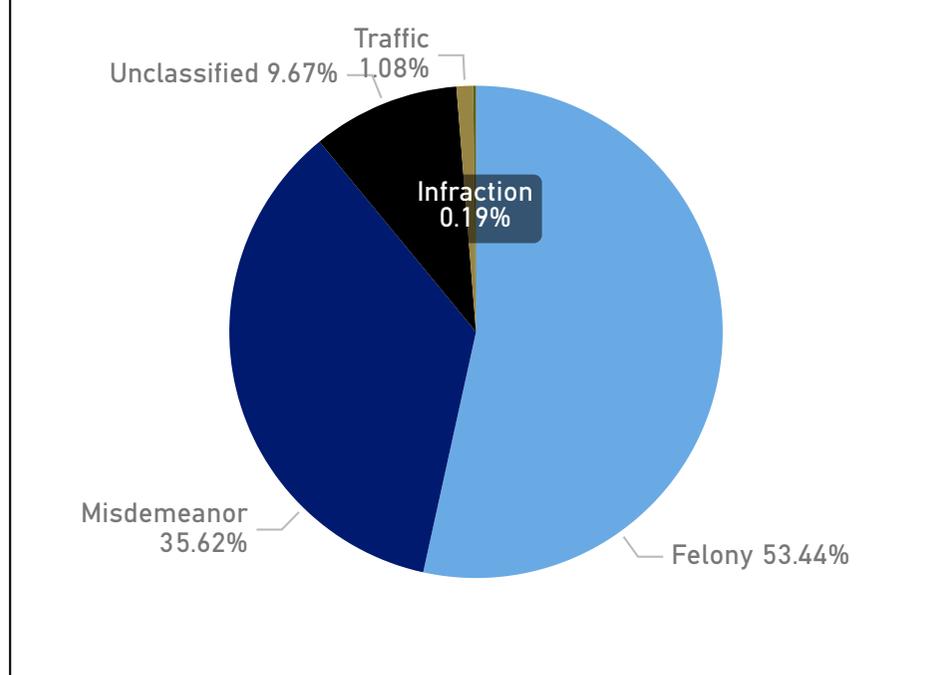


Fiscal Month	Average Daily Caseload	Active During Period
July	1,097	1,252
August	1,089	1,247
September	1,069	1,257
October	1,023	1,195
November	992	1,125
December	1,010	1,140
January	1,076	1,174
February	1,062	1,200
March	1,023	1,172
April	991	1,103
May	965	1,098
June	921	1,066

Average Daily Caseload by Week

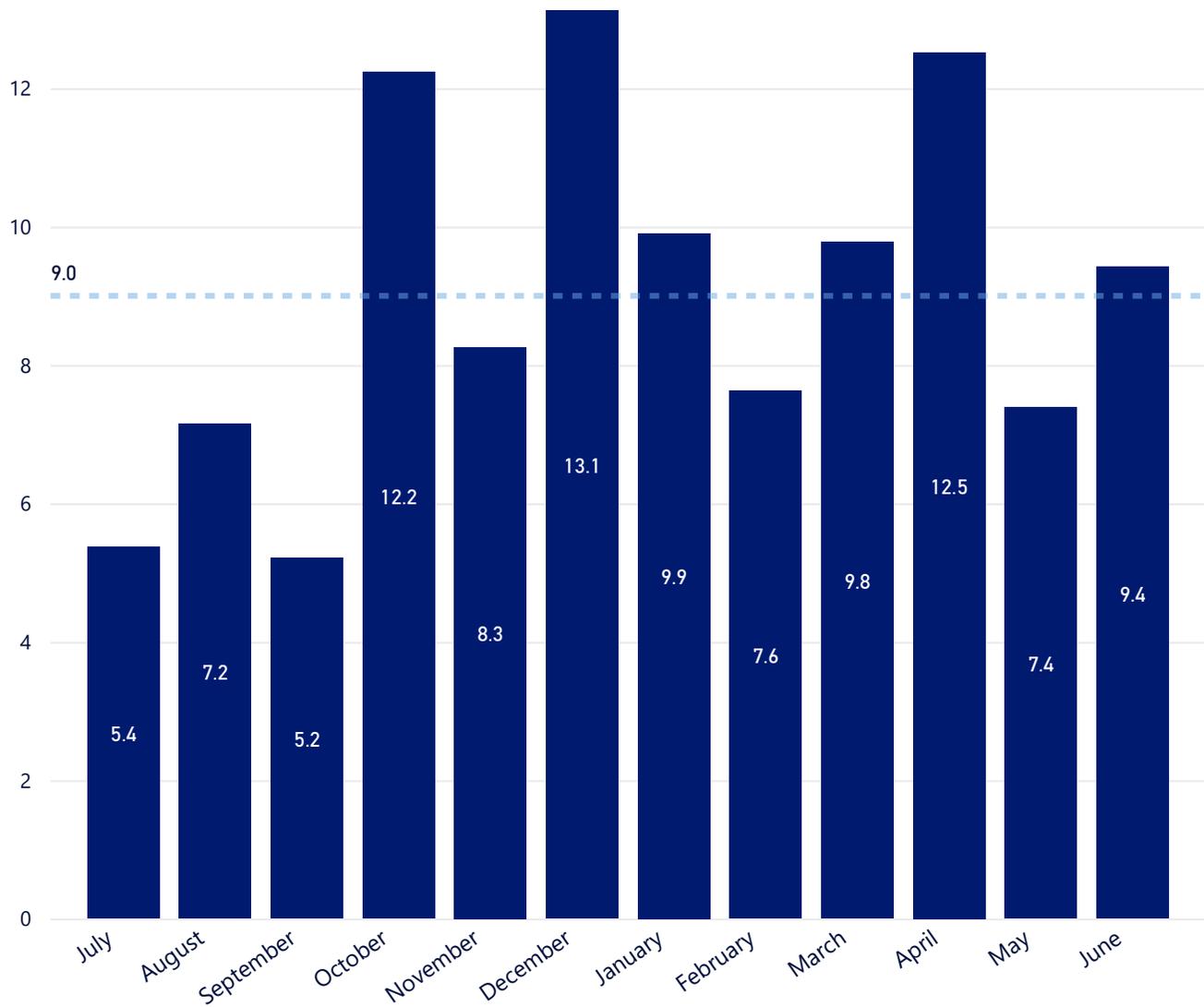


Average Daily Caseload by Top Charge Type

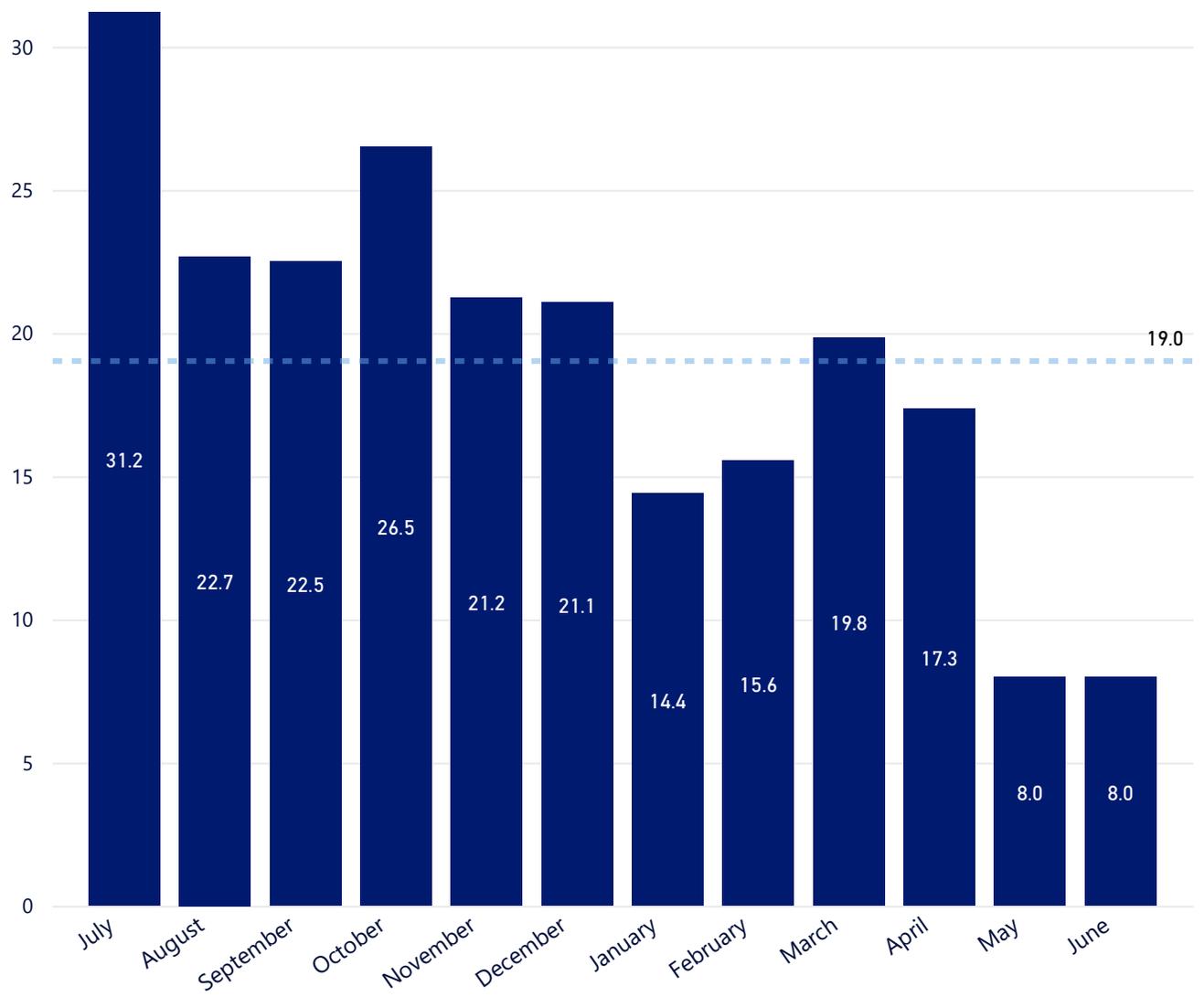


Fiscal Year 2021 Supervisions Opened

Average Days Between Booking and Assignment by Month



Average Days Between Assignment and Release by Month



Fiscal Year 2021 Technical Violations

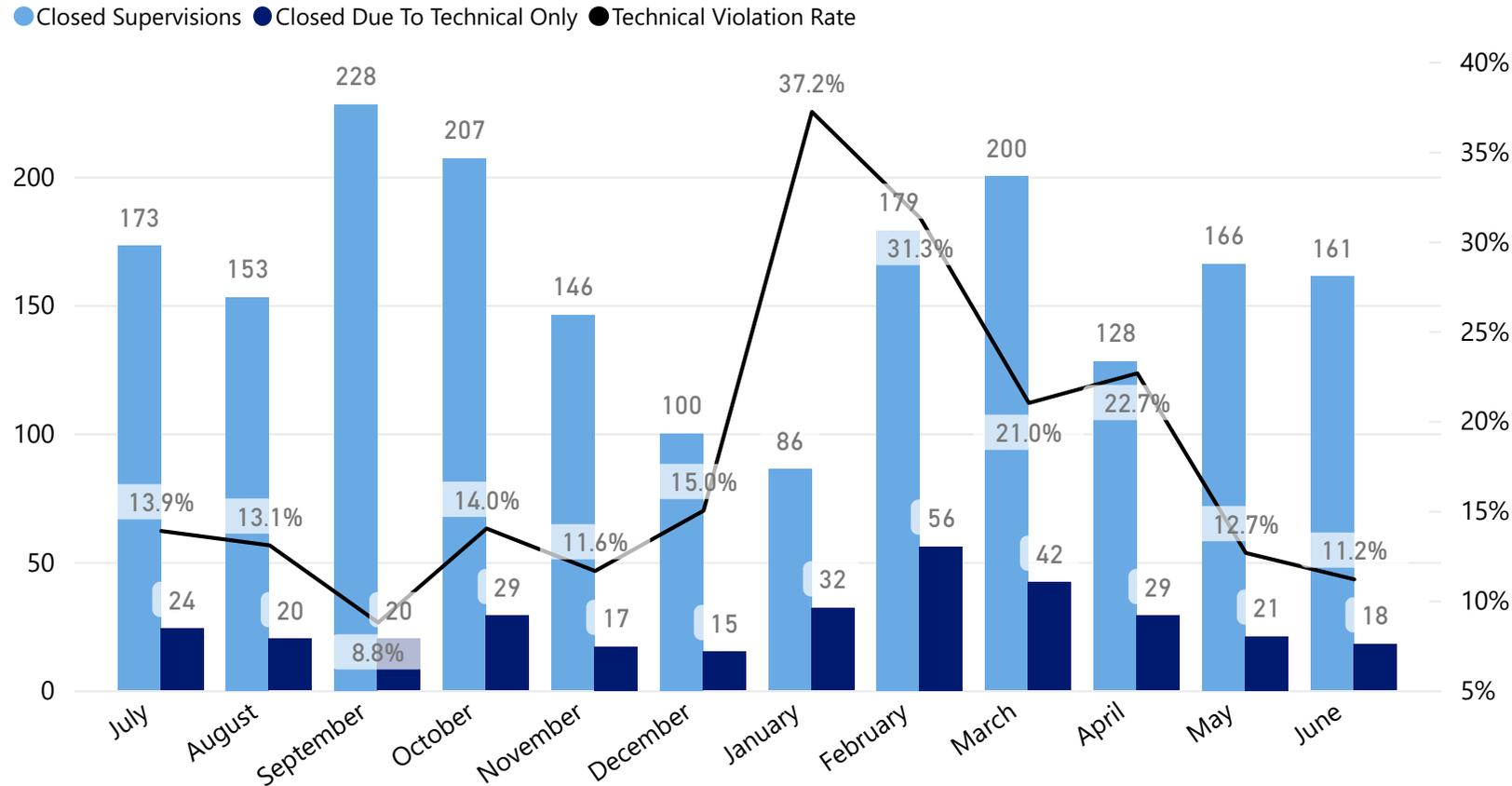
1,926
Closed Supervisions

323
Closed - Technical Only

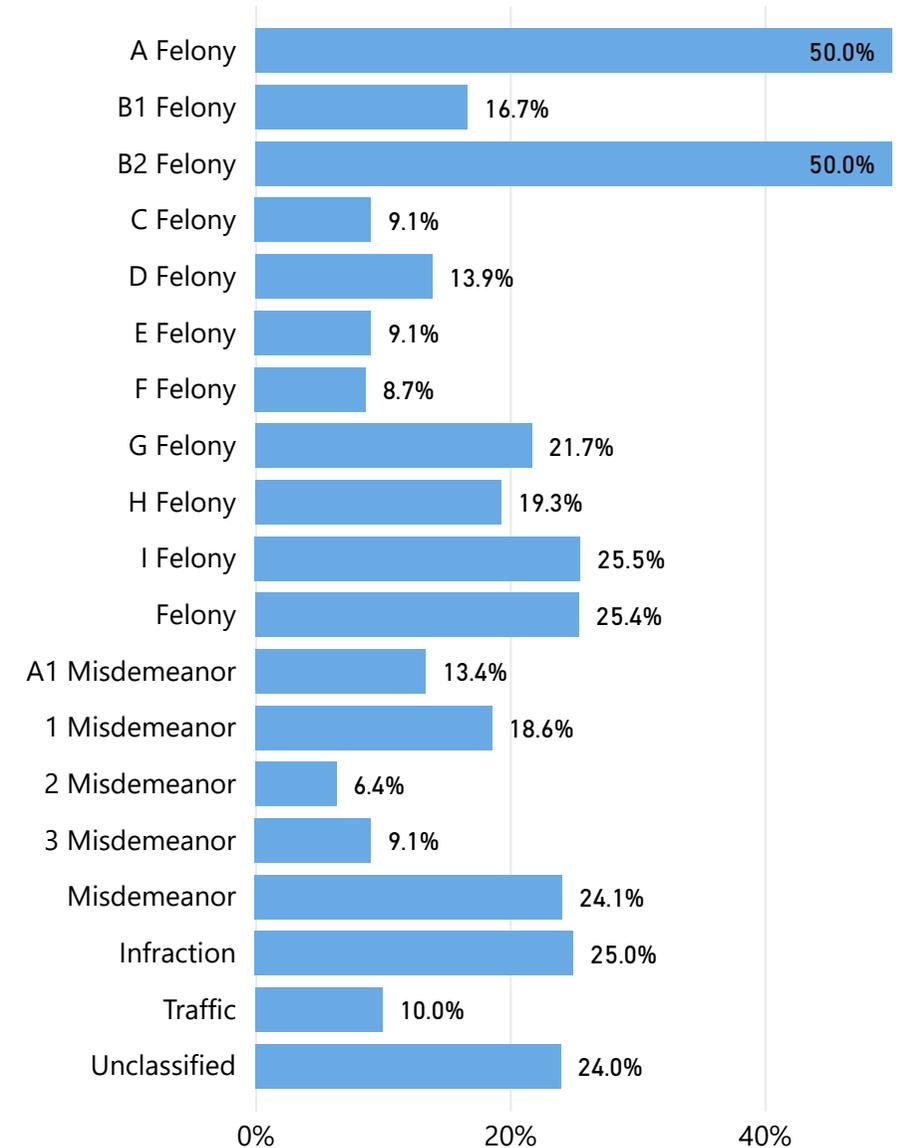
16.8%
Tech. Violation Rate

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Technical Violations by Month



Technical Violation Rate by Top Charge Offense Level



Fiscal Year 2021 Public Safety Rate

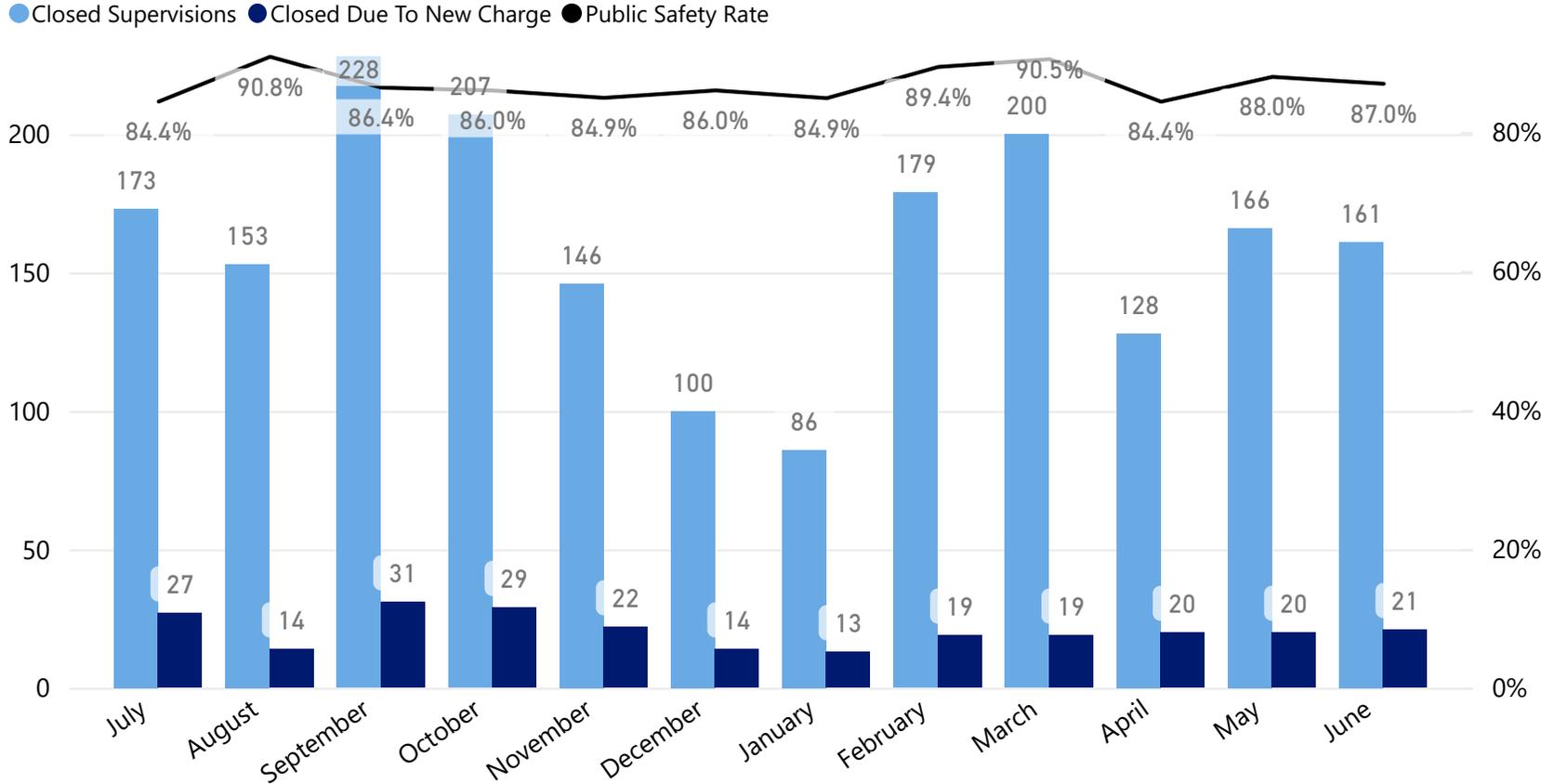
1,926
Closed Supervisions

249
Closed - New Charge

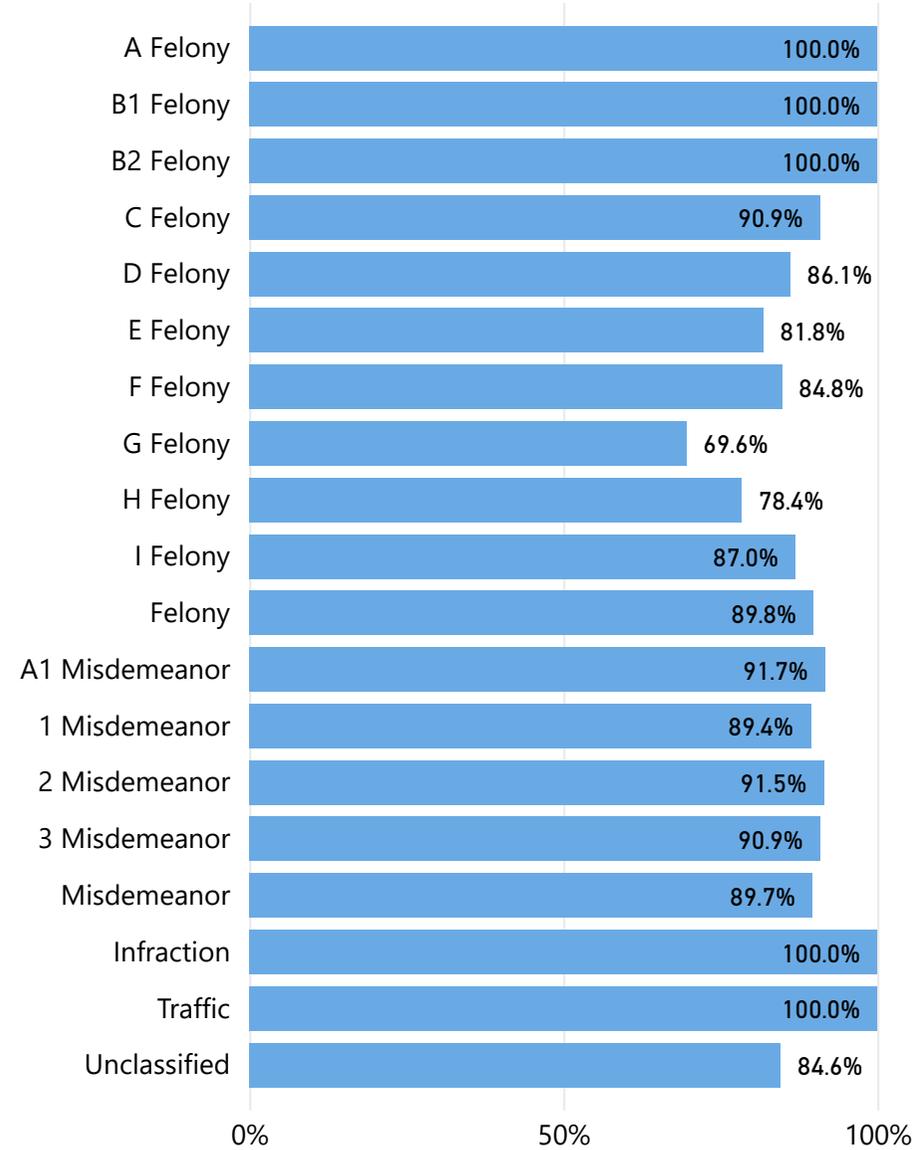
87.1%
Public Safety Rate

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New Charges by Month



Public Safety Rate by Top Charge Offense Level



Fiscal Year 2021 Appearance Rate

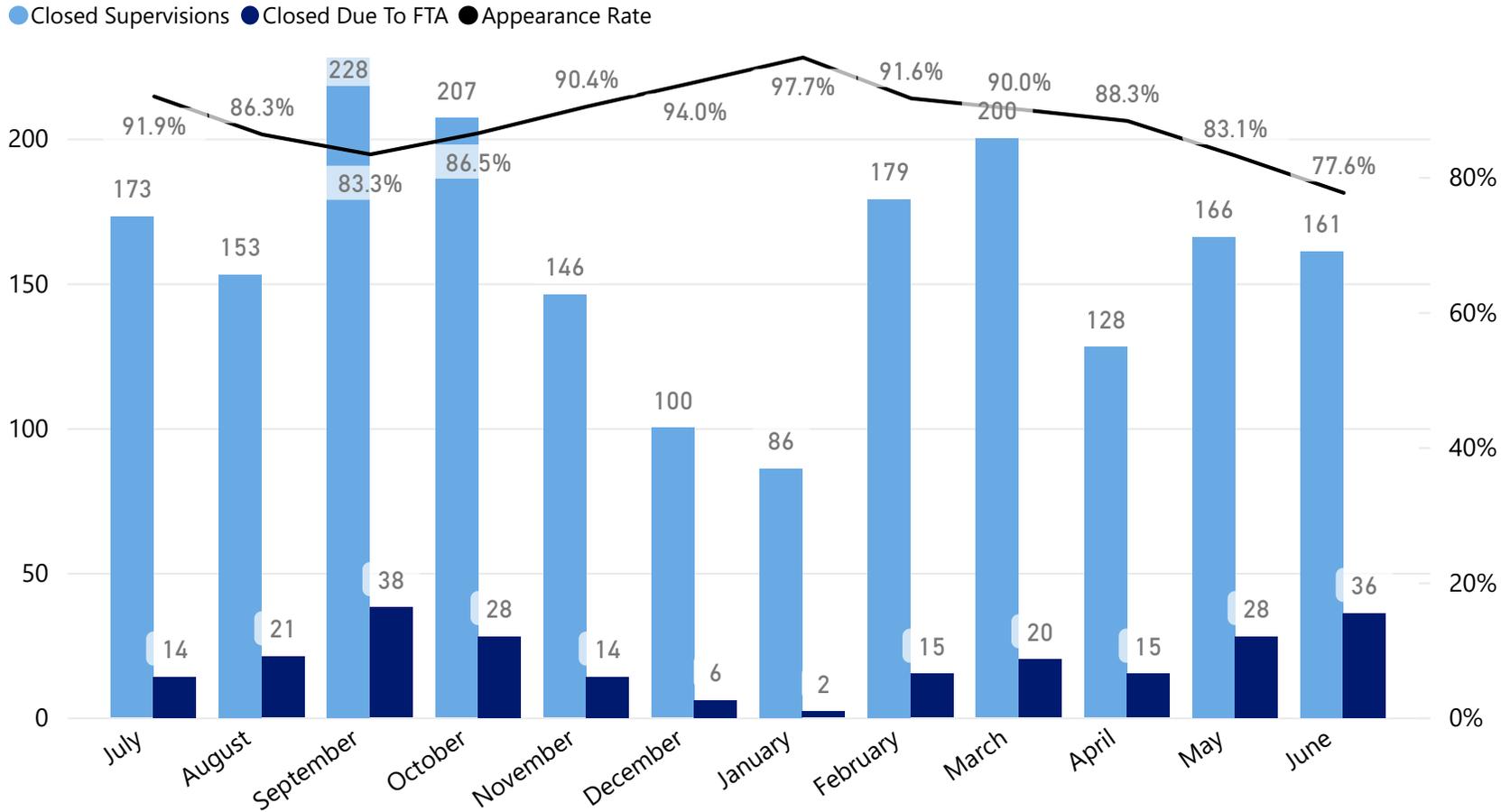
1,926
Closed Supervisions

237
Closed Due To FTA

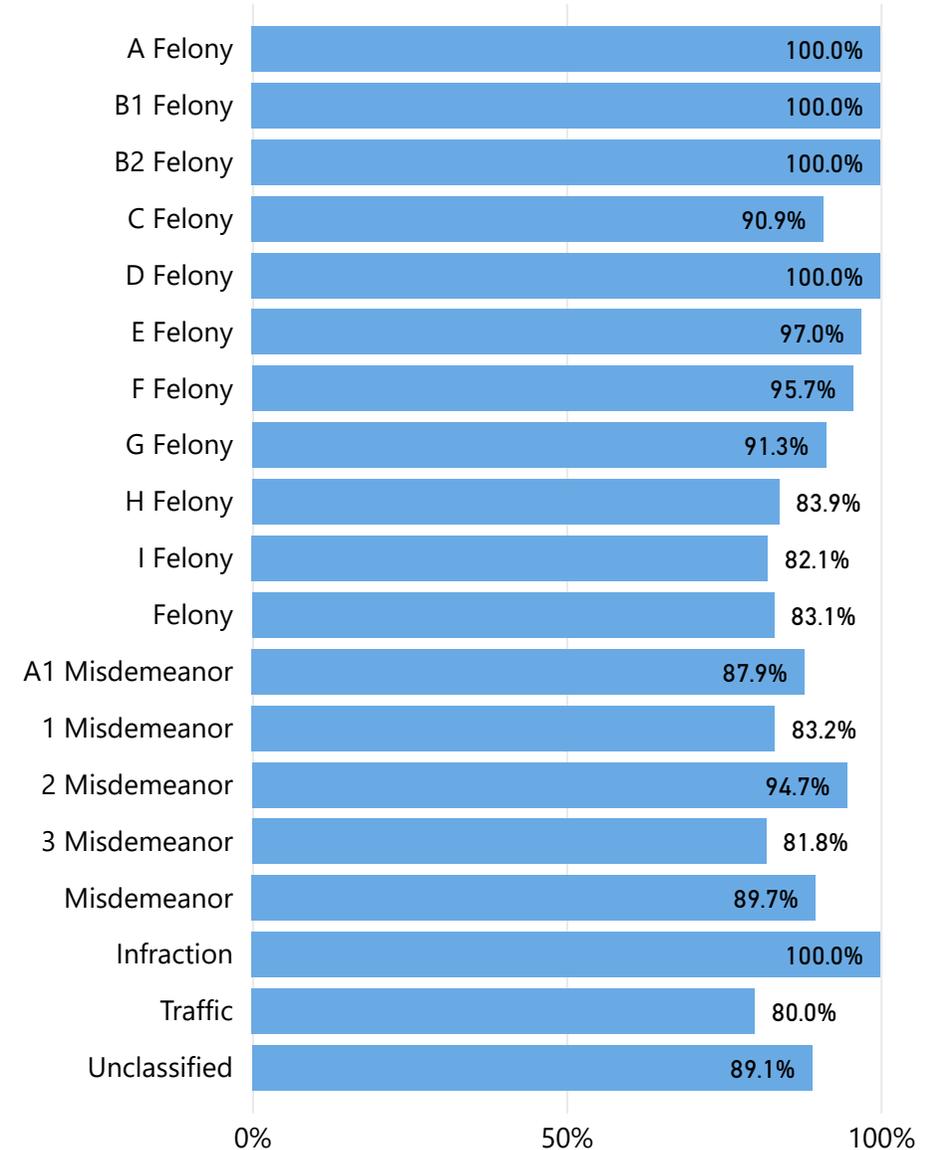
87.7%
Appearance Rate

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FTAs by Month



Appearance Rate by Top Charge Offense Level





Behavioral Health Justice Collaborative

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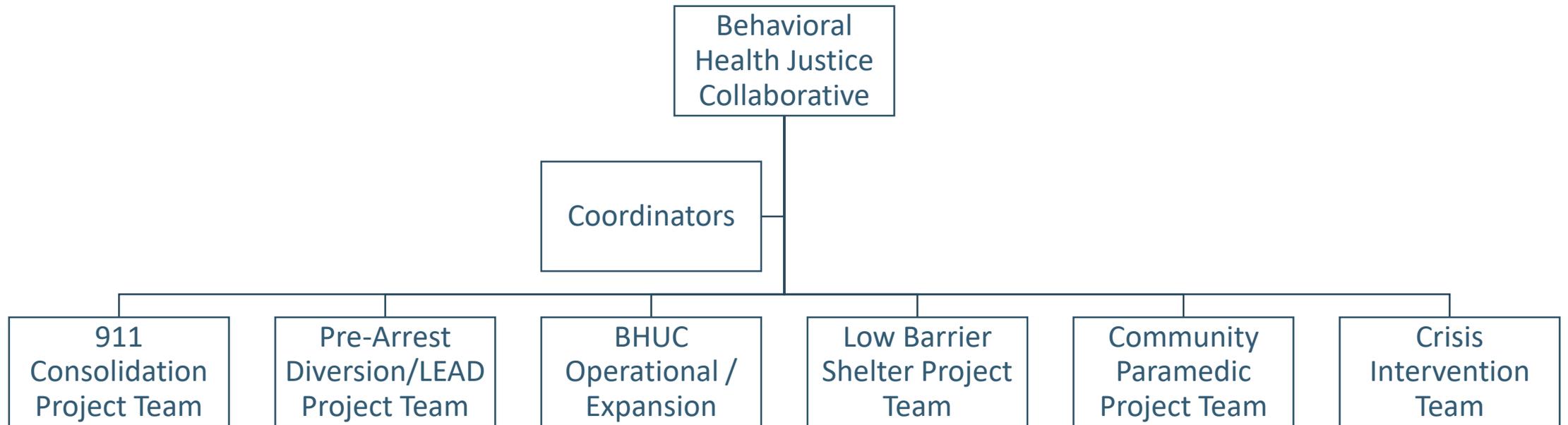
Justice Resource Advisory Council

August 6, 2021



Review of Behavioral Health Justice Collaborative

Justice Resource Advisory Council



Progress Since Adoption

- Developed an electronic report form for each project team lead to submit to us on a monthly basis
- Gathered project updates from project managers and will report out with BHJC Members
- First meeting is August 11 at 4pm
 - Chair Appointment
 - Membership Review
 - Review Current Projects Underway
 - Review Current County- Grant Support Substance Use Related Programs
 - Review Proposed Opioid Lawsuit Spending Plan
- Provide JRAC with project updated periodically



Questions?





Safety + Justice Challenge Update

Presented by

Hannah Legerton, Youth Justice Division Manager

Hector Salgado, SJC Racial Equity Coordinator



Agenda



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- SJC Update
 - Jail Population
 - Community Safety Comprehensive Plan Development
 - Racial Equity Cohort Application





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A \$246 million national initiative to reduce over-incarceration and advance racial equity in local criminal justice systems by changing the way America thinks about and uses jails.

The grant brings the Foundation's total investment in Buncombe County to \$3.55 million to date.

There are 21 implementation sites nationwide, implementing reforms to make their local justice system more equitable and more effective.

Buncombe County surpassed the original SJC goal to reduce the jail population by 15%, with the average monthly population declining by 30% between February 2019 and January 2021.



Jail Population Updates

- Original goal, as part of this grant, was for Buncombe County to **reduce the jail population by 15 percent** (not including contracted beds).
 - Baseline Population: **385** (November 1, 2017-April 30, 2018)
 - Goal Population: **327** (15 percent or 58 beds)
 - Historical Population: **383** (Quarter 1 2018)
- **In recent months, the jail population has started increase again, with July's average monthly population hitting 360.**



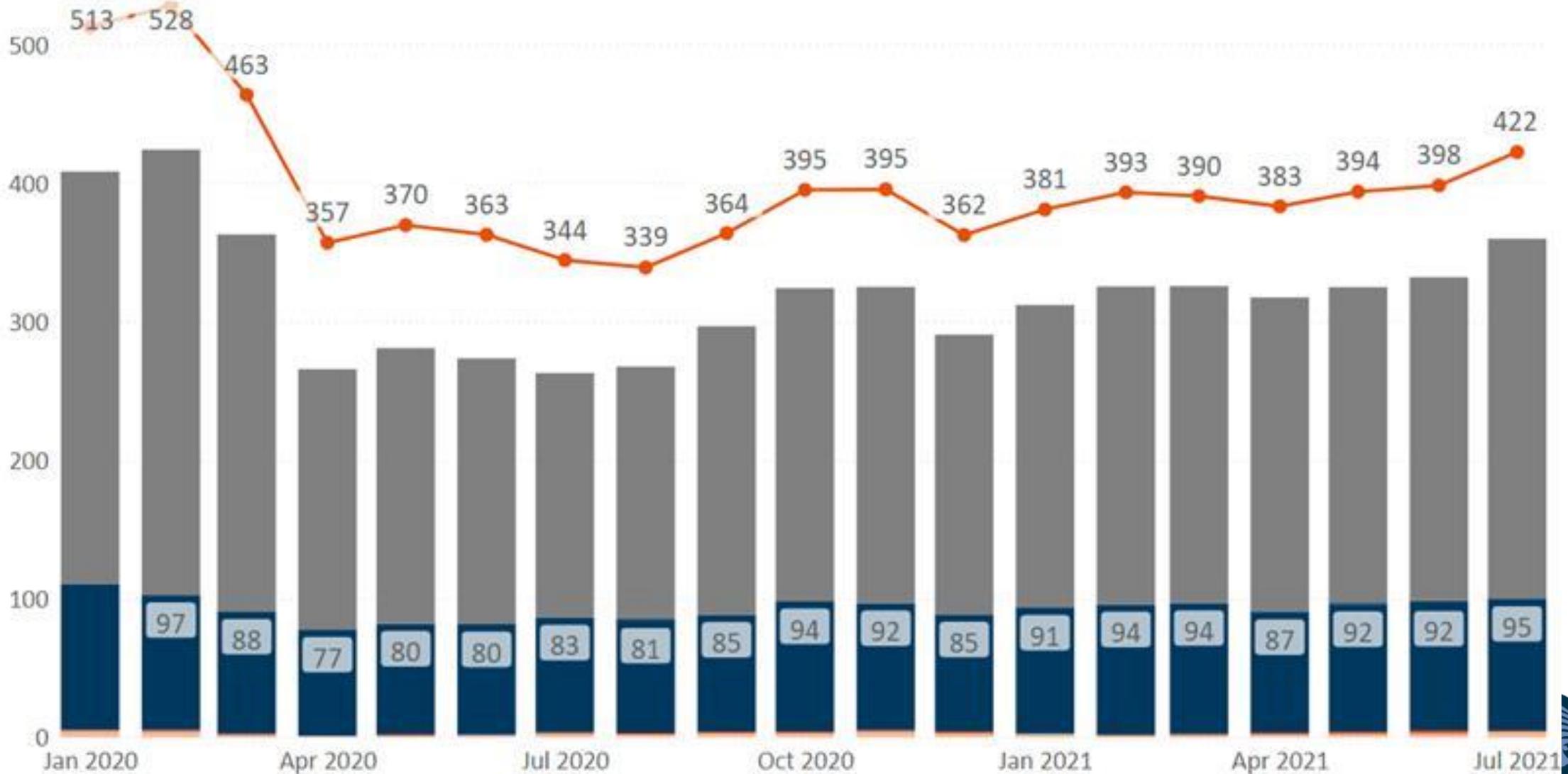
Jail Population Updates

- During the pandemic, we saw:
 - Significant **reduction** is the number of people held in jail due only to a failure to appear in court (FTA)
 - **Increased** number of people with lower-level offenses released without having to pay bail/bond
 - **Importantly, we did not see a corresponding increase in recidivism rates for FTA or new charges.**



SJC Average Daily Population by Race and Average Daily Population

Race Description ● AMERICAN INDIAN / ALASKAN N... ● ASIAN / PACIFIC ISLANDER/ ● BLACK ● UNKNOWN ● WHITE ● Average Daily Population



SJC Goals 2021-2023

- Sustaining Jail Population Reductions
 - *New goal is to return to the lowest level achieved during COVID-19 response measures.*
- Reducing Racial & Ethnic Disparities
- Building Community Engagement and Trust



2021-2023 SJC Renewal Strategies

Enhancing Pretrial Release Strategies

- Implement PSA at magistrates
- Maintain use of non-financial release conditions at the levels seen during COVID
- Increase pre-arrest and jail diversion strategies

Increasing Efficiencies in Case Processing

- Continue Jail Review Team
- Increase use of court notification system
- Increase early access to defense counsel

Advancing Racial Equity

- Hire Racial Equity Consultant
- Use Racial Equity Tool
- Ongoing education and training
- Partner with community to identify root causes driving increasing racial inequities and co-design solutions

Increasing Community Engagement

- Increase understanding of justice system
- Partner with community to identify root causes and develop interventions to address drivers of incarceration, including FTAs and violence
- Support establishment of Drivers' License Restoration Initiative

Advancing Community Safety and Violence Prevention

- Partner with community organizations to address community safety
- Develop Strategic Plan with justice stakeholders



2021-2023 SJC Renewal Strategies

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Potential Opportunity: Focused Racial Equity Cohort

Participation in the Focused Racial Equity Cohort

- Investment of \$500K over 2 years
 - Split equally between government/system agency ***and*** community partner
- Continued access to SJC Network peers and resources
- Additional TA on racial equity and authentic community engagement
- Regular cohort convenings

Application Process + Timeline

Deadline	Event
May 21, 2021	Letters of Interest (LOI) due
June 21, 2021	Invitations to Request for Proposals (RFP) stage sent
August 2021	Proposals due
September 2021	Four (4) partnerships selected and funding release



Questions?

