

Offender Population Forecasts

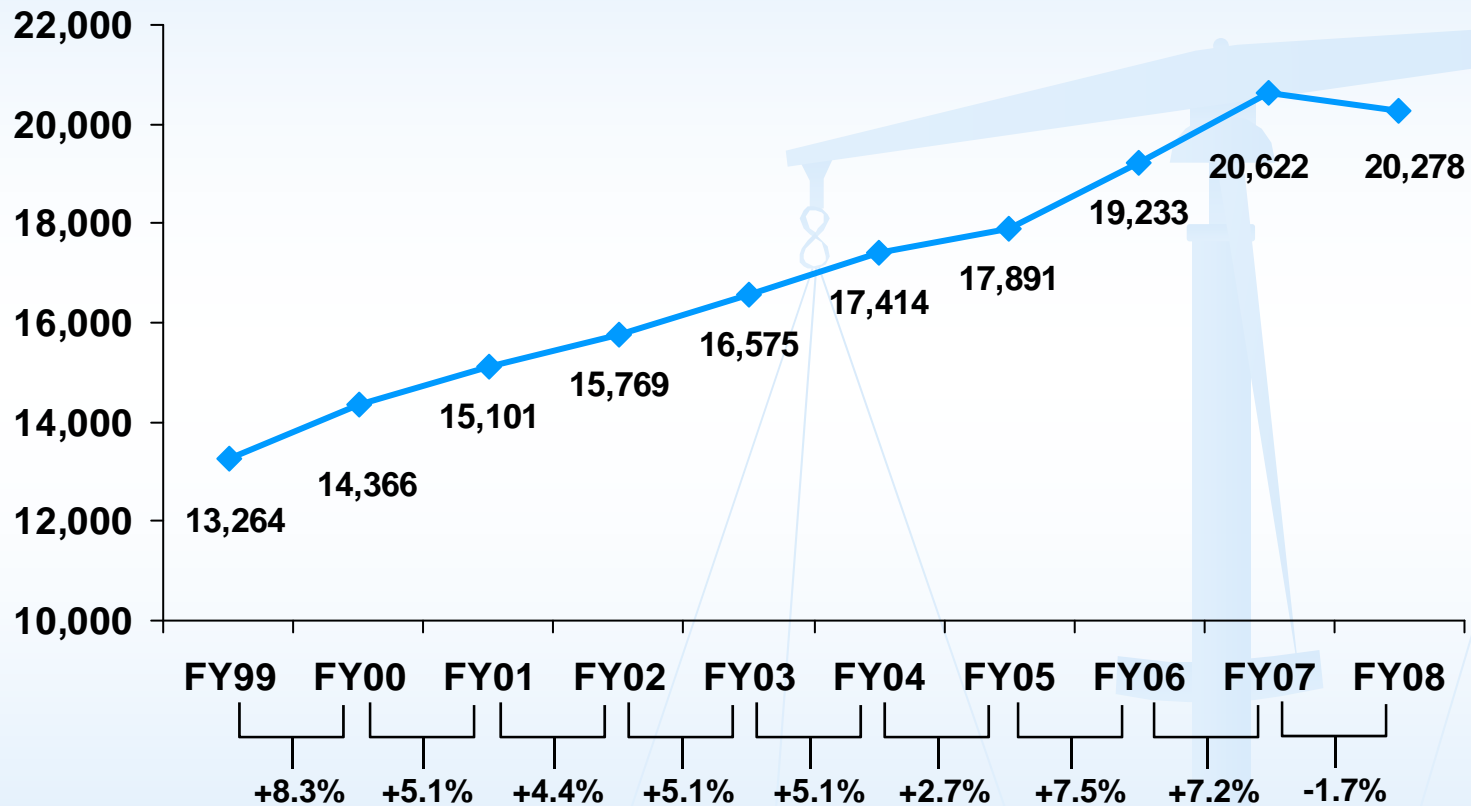


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Local-Responsible (Jail) Adult Forecast

Local-Responsible Prisoner Population Growth

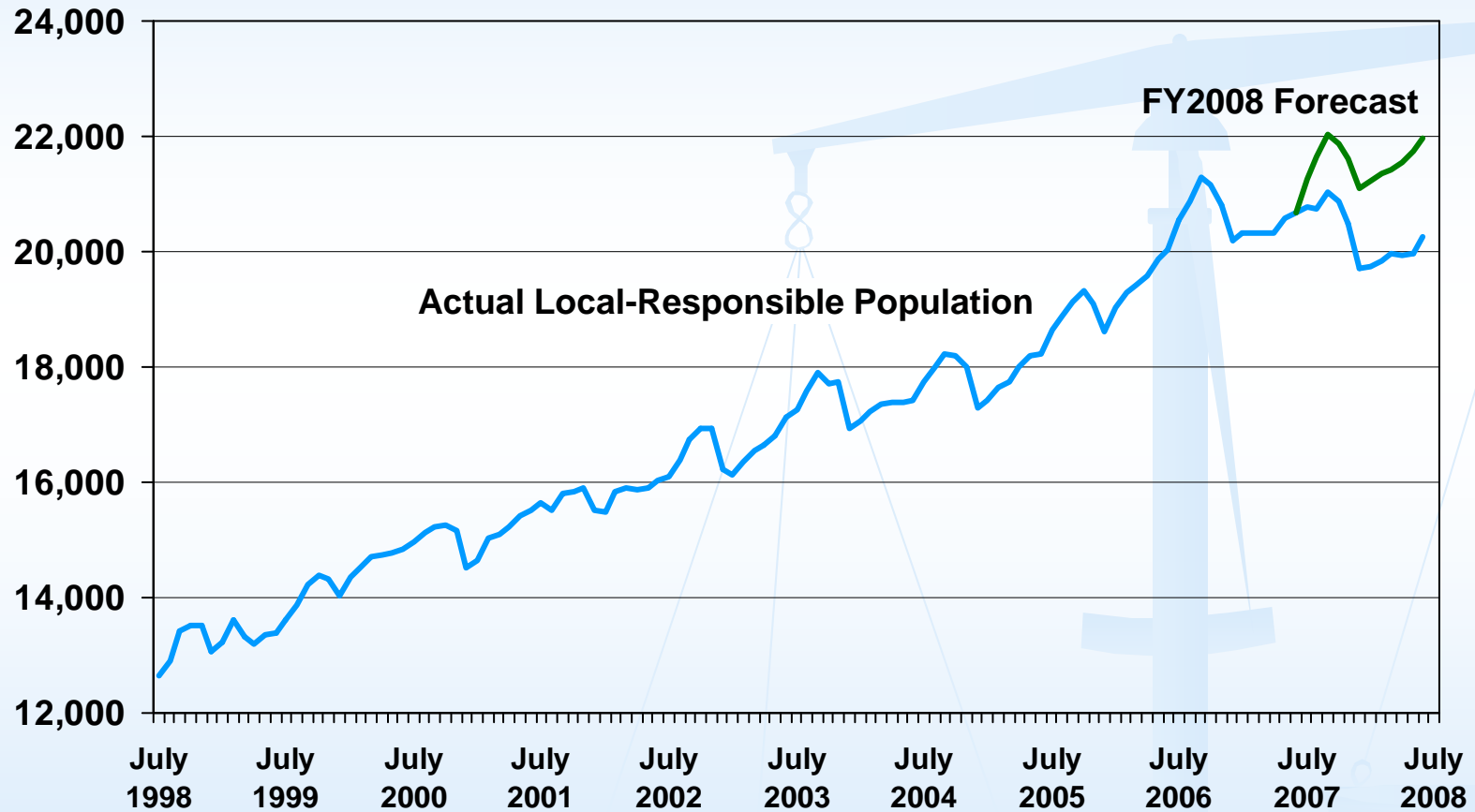


Note: Data are based on the average population for each fiscal year reported.

FY2006 and FY2007 figures have been revised to reflect the most recent data available.

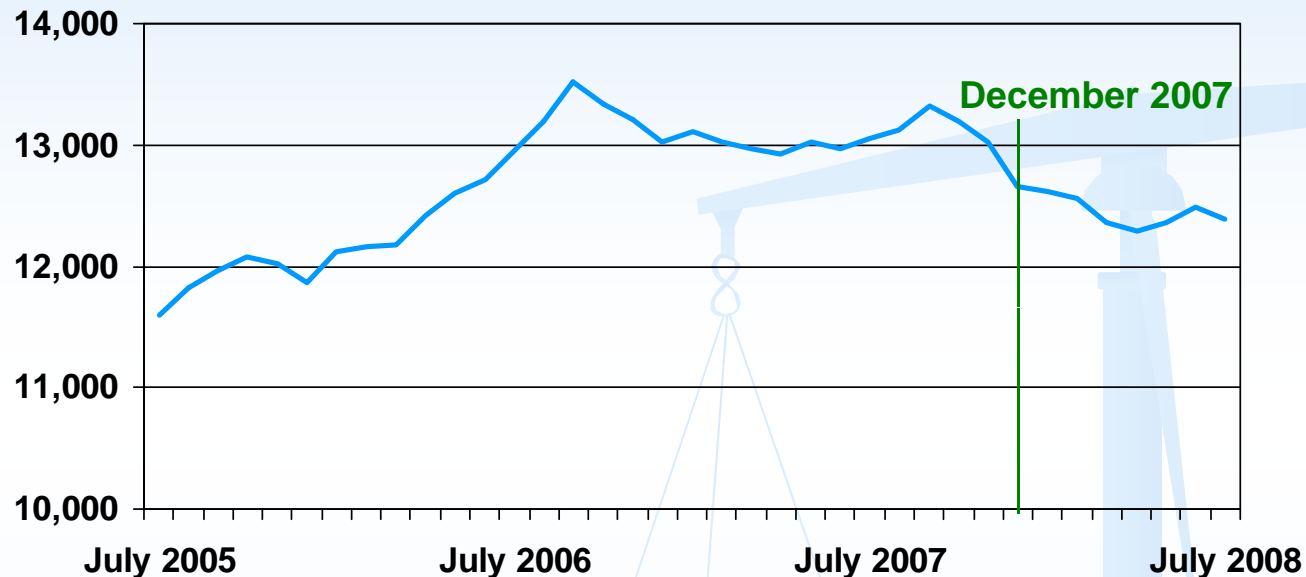
Source: Virginia Department of Criminal Justice Services (August 20, 2008)

FY2008 Forecast Vs. Actual



Note: Data are based on the average population for each month reported.
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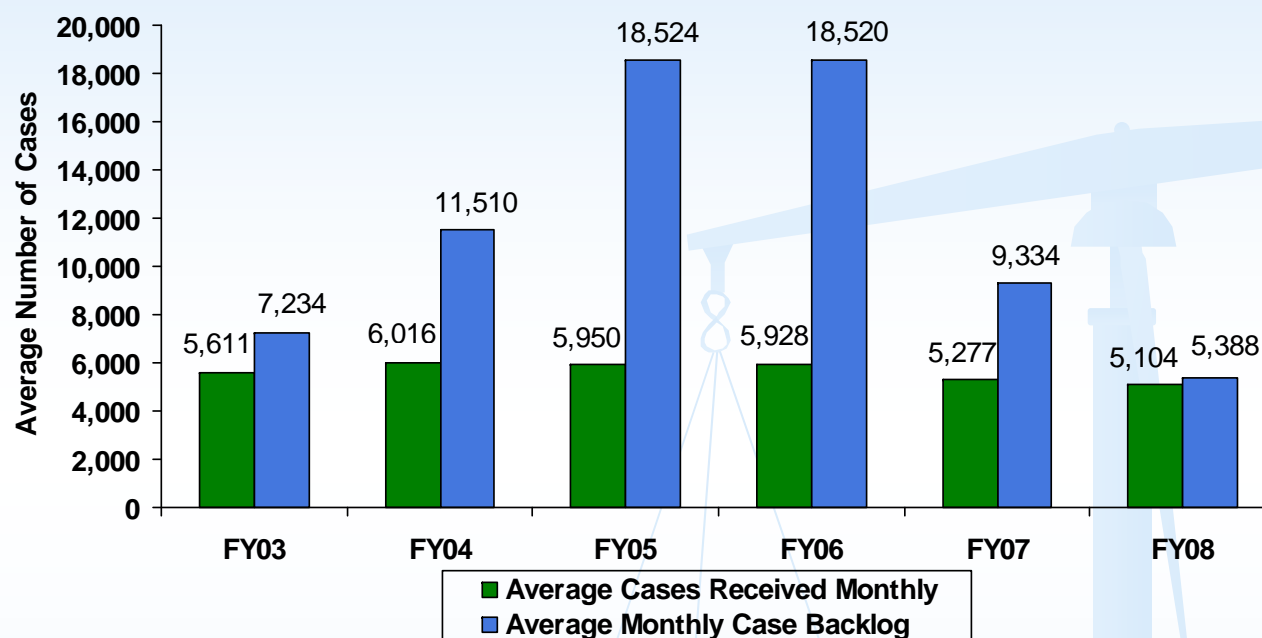
Offenders in Jail Awaiting Trial* on Felony Charges



* Data include offenders awaiting trial and those who have been sentenced for an offense but have additional charges pending.

- The number of defendants in jail awaiting trial on felony charges peaked in September 2006.
 - The majority of the growth in the local-responsible jail population in FY 2006 was attributable to the rise in the number of defendants in jail awaiting trial or pending additional charges.
- While there is typically a drop in November/December each year, this population declined through April 2008 before it rose again.

Forensic Analysis Caseload and End-of-Year Backlog

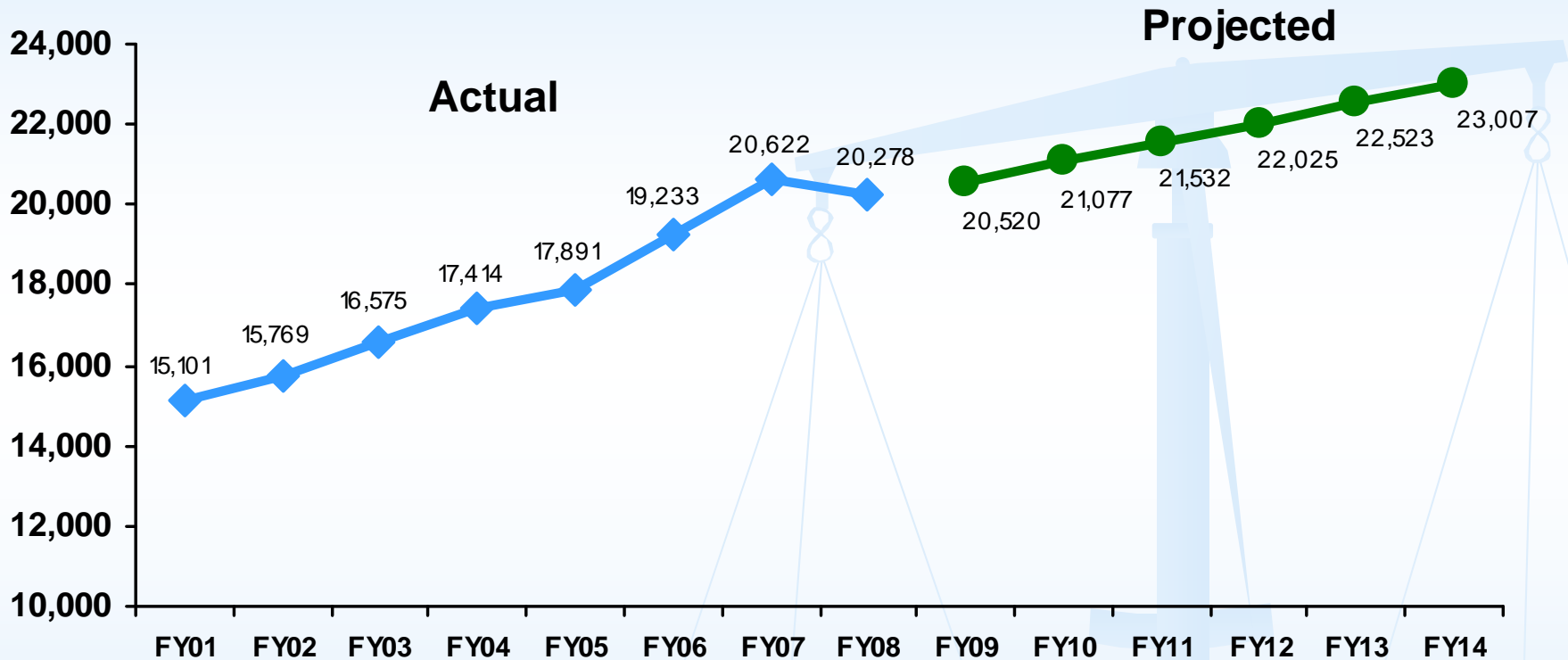


- A backlog of forensic evidence to be analyzed may result in defendants being held in jail for longer periods awaiting trial.
- The growth and decline in the case backlog was due primarily to drug cases.
 - Between FY 2003 and FY 2006, the drug case backlog increased 371%, while the backlog for all other cases combined increased 30%. Between FY 2006 and FY 2008, the drug case backlog decreased by 90%, while the backlog for all other cases combined decreased 30%.

Note: FY 2008 figure reflects May 2008 backlog.

Source: Department of Forensic Science Workload Summary (January 2001-May 2008)

Adult Local-Responsible Forecast (FY Average)



- Following substantial growth of 7-8% in FY 2006 and FY 2007, the average local-responsible jail population declined in FY 2008 by 1.7%.

Comparison of 2007 and 2008 Local-Responsible Forecasts

FY	2007 Forecast	Approved 2008 Forecast
2009	22,624	20,520
2010	23,769	21,077
2011	24,983	21,532
2012	26,188	22,025
2013	27,394	22,523
2014	N/A	23,007

Note: Figures represent the average population for each year reported.

- The overall decline in the local-responsible jail population in FY 2008 has resulted in a lower forecast than the one submitted in 2007.
 - The FY 2008 forecast projected that the population will increase by an average of 2.1% annually through FY 2014.
 - The FY 2007 forecast projected an increase by an average of 4.8% by FY 2013.

State-Responsible Adult Forecast



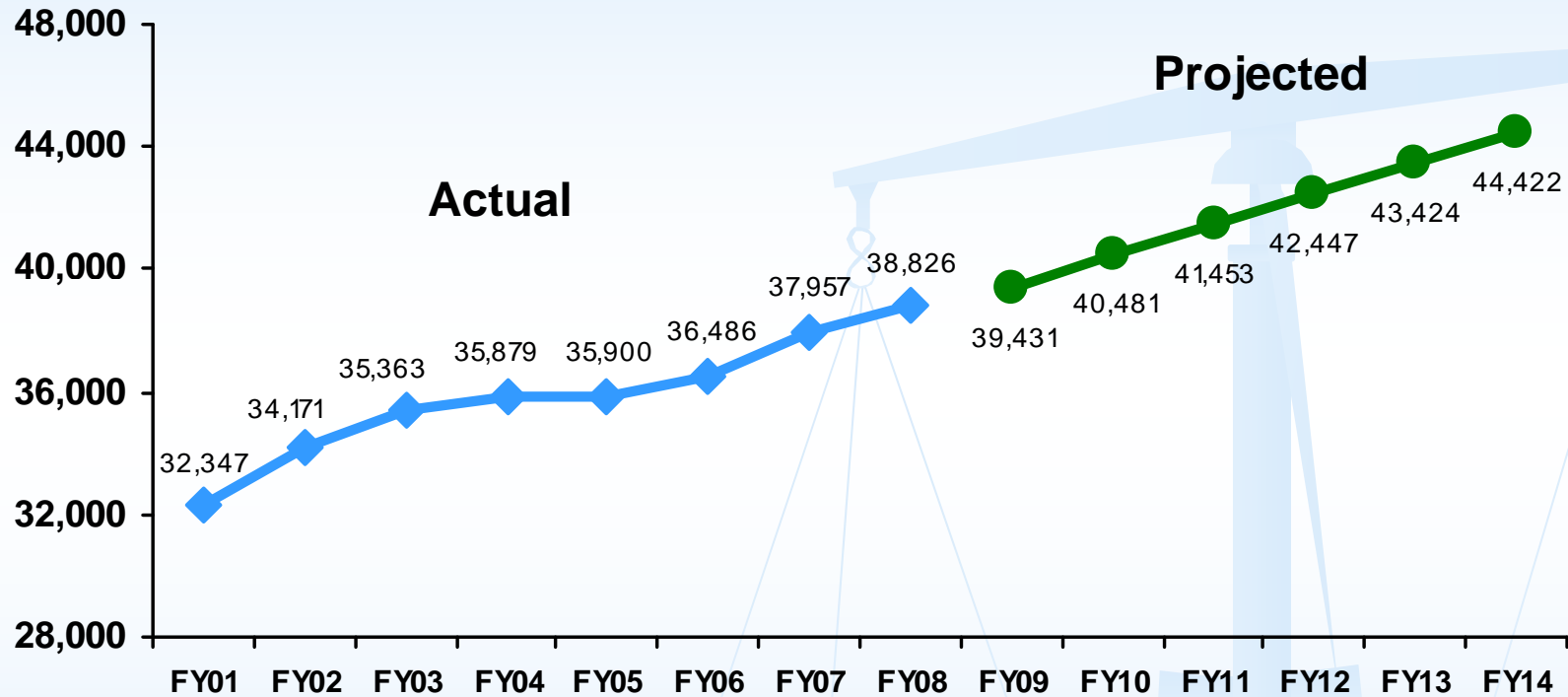
Comparison of 2007 and 2008 State-Responsible Forecasts

FY	2007 Forecast	Approved 2008 Forecast
2009	40,305	39,431
2010	41,292	40,481
2011	42,399	41,453
2012	43,599	42,447
2013	44,744	43,424
2014	N/A	44,422

Note: Figures represent the population as of June 30 for each year reported.

- Given the slower growth in FY 2008 compared to the previous fiscal year, the forecast approved this year is lower than the one submitted in 2007.
 - The FY 2008 forecast projected that the population will increase by an average of 2.3% annually through FY 2014.
 - The FY 2007 forecast projected an increase by an average of 2.8% by FY 2013.

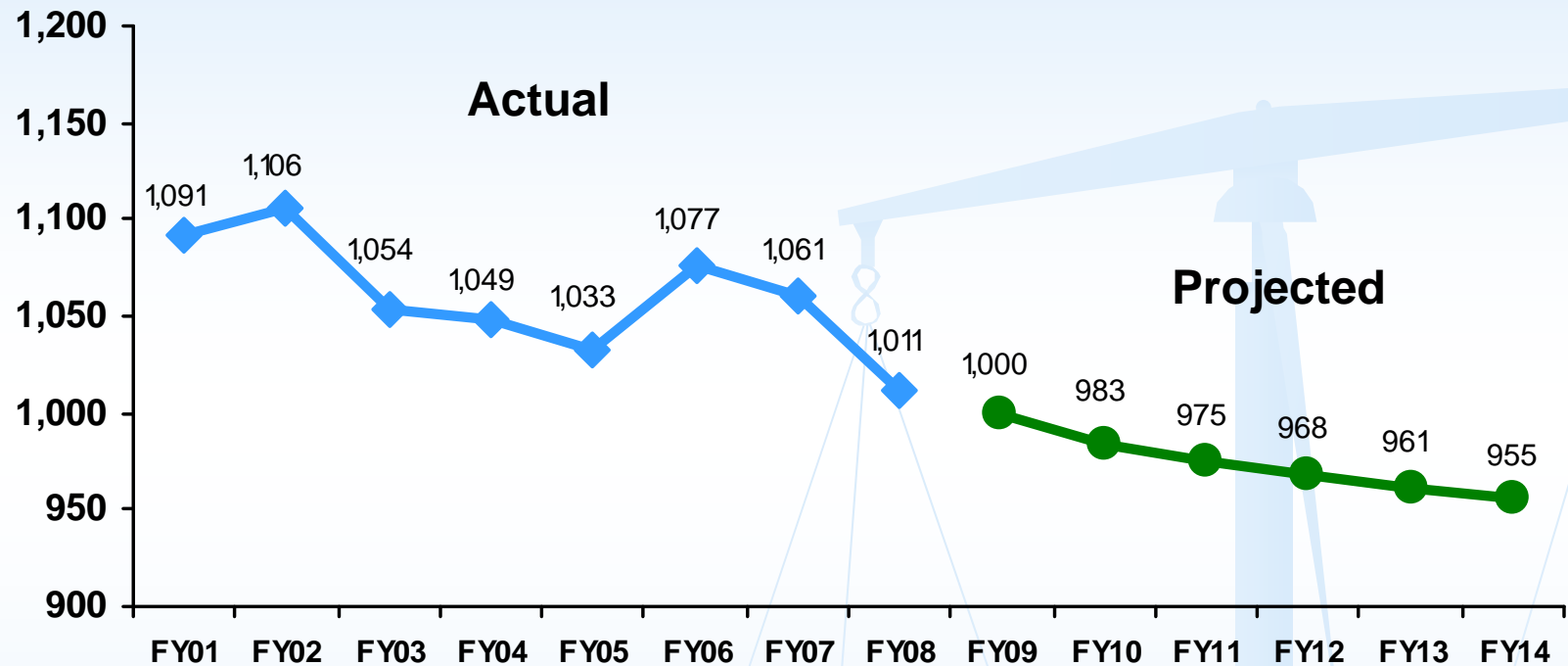
Adult State-Responsible Forecast (as of June 30)



Juvenile Offender Forecasts

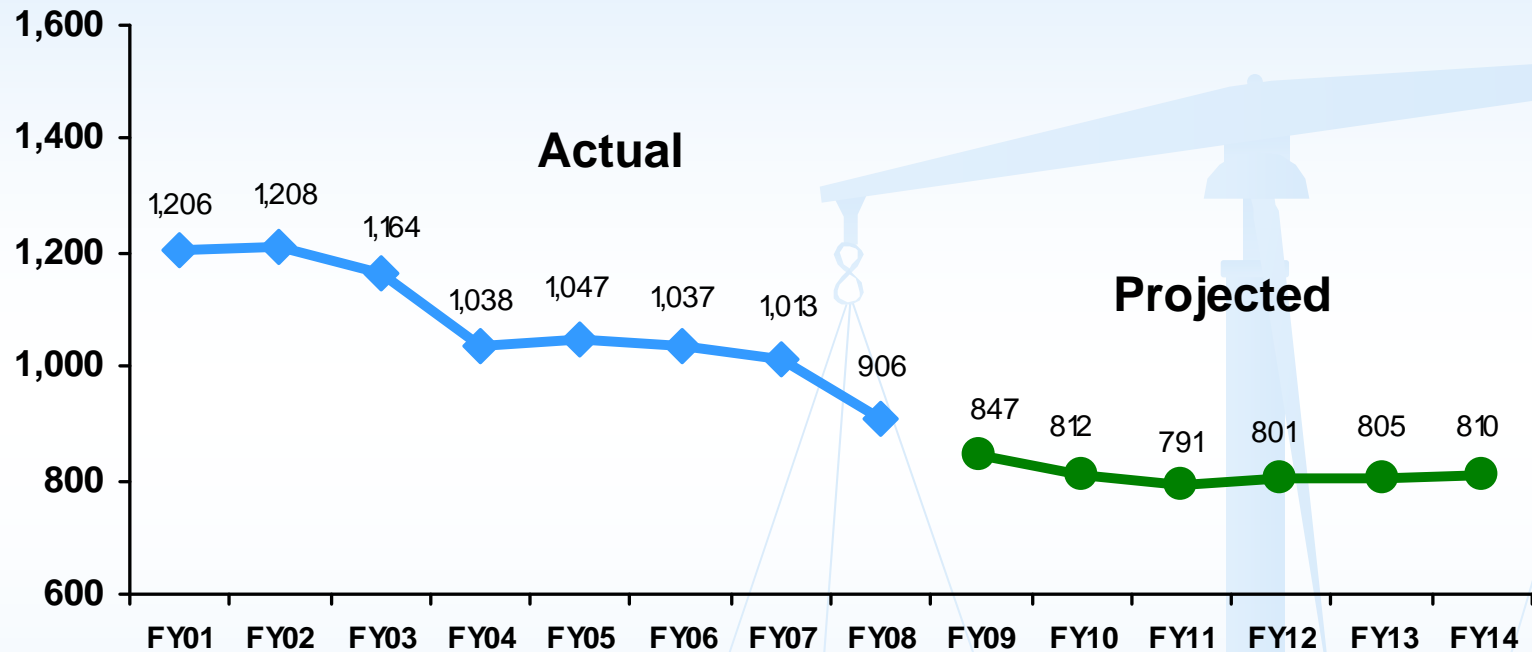


Juvenile Detention Home Forecast (FY Average)



- Between FY 2001 and FY 2008, the juvenile detention home population decreased 7.3%. The juvenile detention home population decreased by 4.7% from FY 2007 to FY 2008.
- It is projected that the population will decrease by an average of 0.9% annually through FY2014.

Juvenile Correctional Center Forecast (June Average)



- Between FY 2001 and FY 2008, the juvenile correctional center population decreased 24.9%. The juvenile correctional center population decreased by 10.6% from FY 2007 to FY 2008.
- It is projected that the population will decrease by an average of 1.8% annually through FY2014.