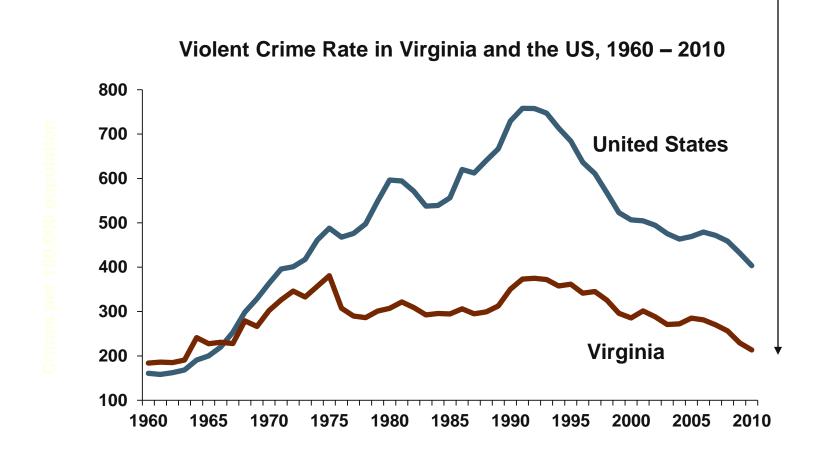
# Offender Population Forecasts



House Appropriations Public Safety Subcommittee

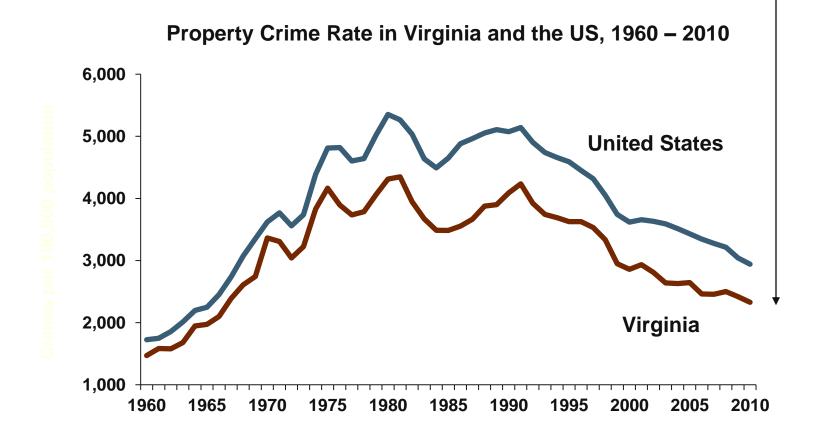
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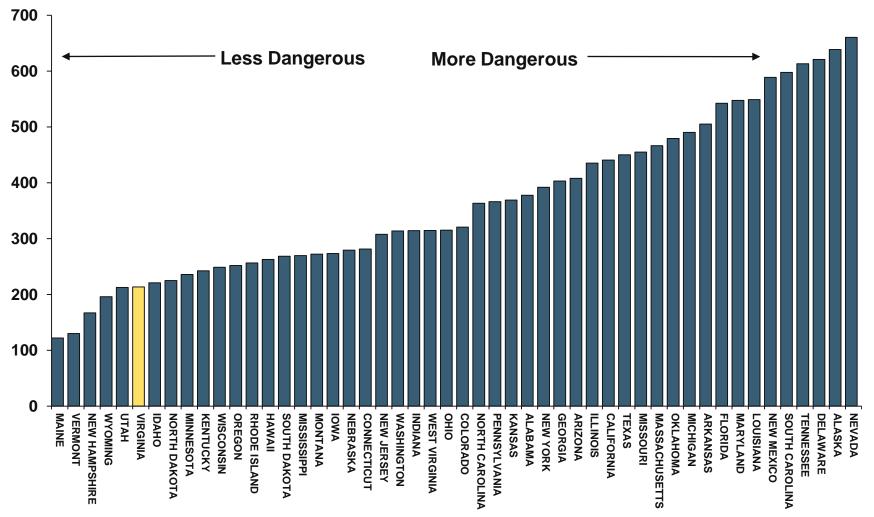
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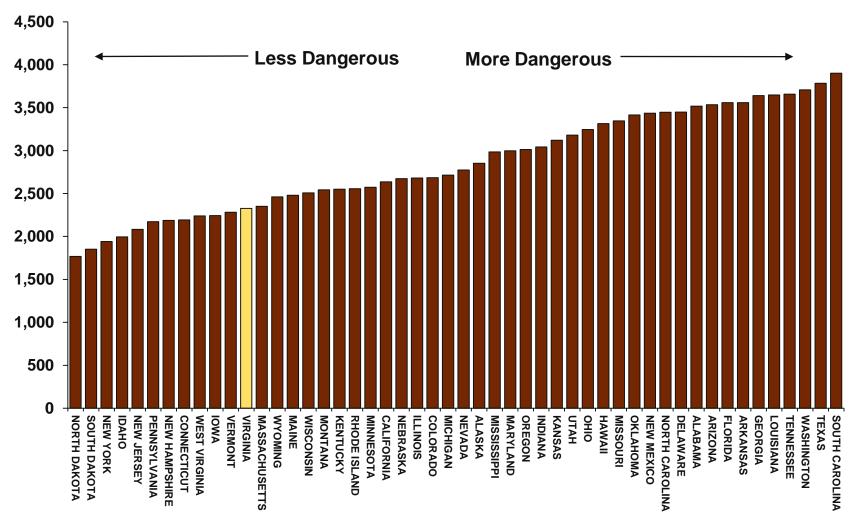
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Crime rates are the number of crimes reported per 100,000 population. Violent crimes are murder, forcible rape, robbery and aggravated assault.

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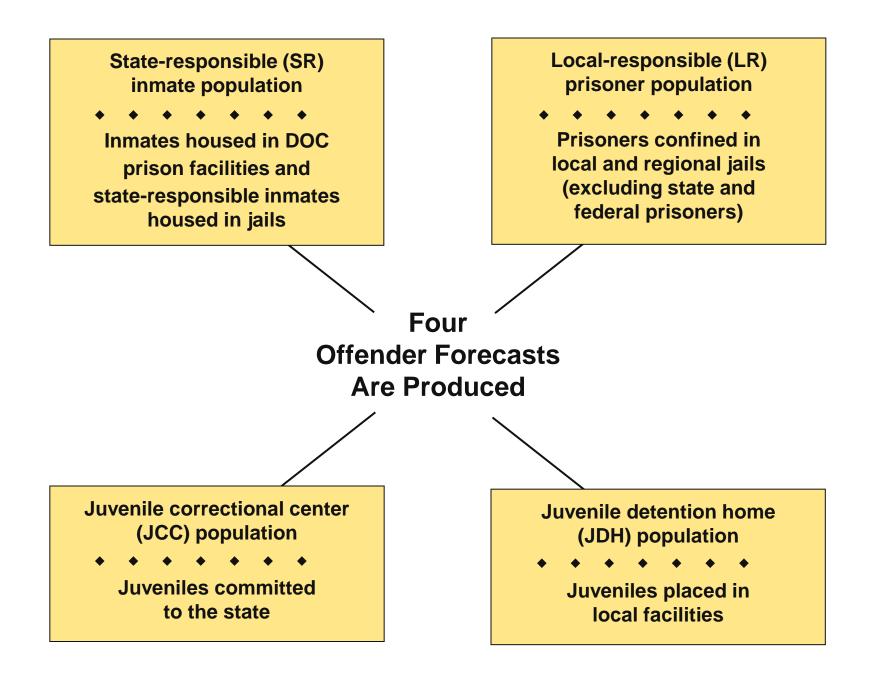
Violent Crime		Overall Violent Crime Rate	Murder	Forcible Rape	Robbery	Aggravated Assault
	Change 2003-2010	-21.2%	-17.9%	-18.4%	-21.1%	-21.8%
	Change 2009-2010	-6.9%	2.2%	0.0%	-12.2%	-4.9%

	Overall Property			<b>Motor Vehicle</b>	
<b>Property Crime</b>		Crime Rate	Burglary	Larceny	Theft
	Change 2003-2010	-12.4%	-0.3%	-11.3%	-44.0%
	Change 2009-2010	-4.3%	-4.8%	-3.9%	-9.1%

## Virginia utilizes consensus forecasting

An open, participative process that brings together policy makers, administrators and technical experts from all branches of state government

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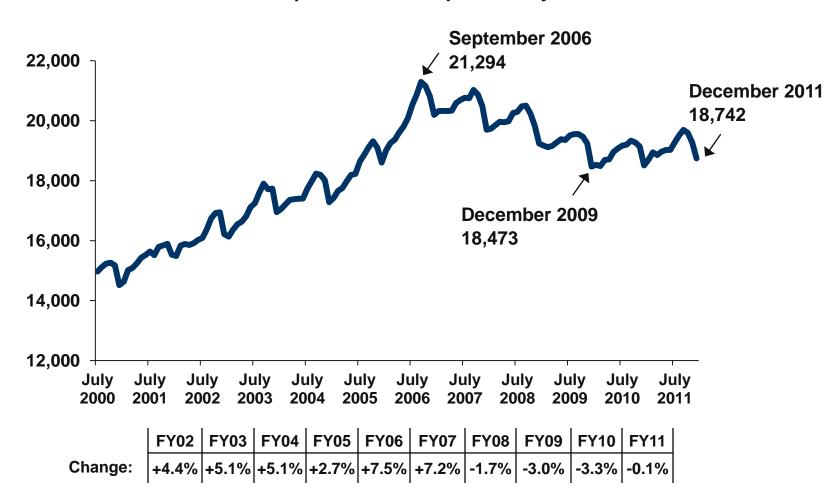


# **Adult Offender Populations**



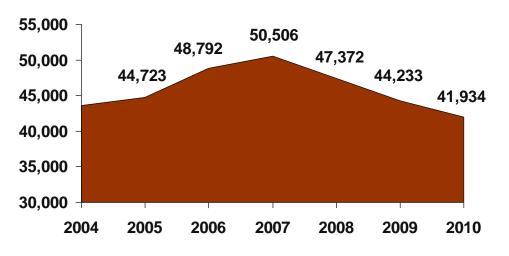
# The local-responsible jail population peaked in September 2006 and declined through FY2010 before beginning to level off

### **Local-Responsible Jail Population by Month**

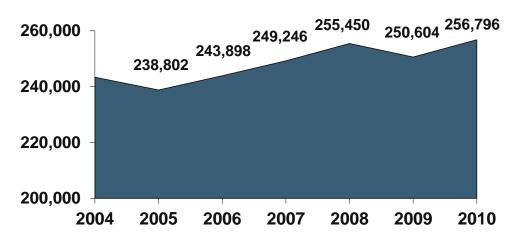


Source: Local Inmate Data System (LIDS) as analyzed by the Department of Criminal Justice Services Research Center

# Virginia's court system is processing fewer felony defendants, but misdemeanor cases have generally increased



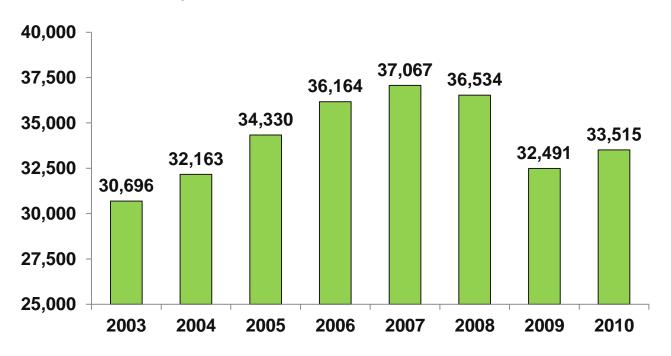
Felony defendants in circuit court



New criminal misdemeanor cases in general district court

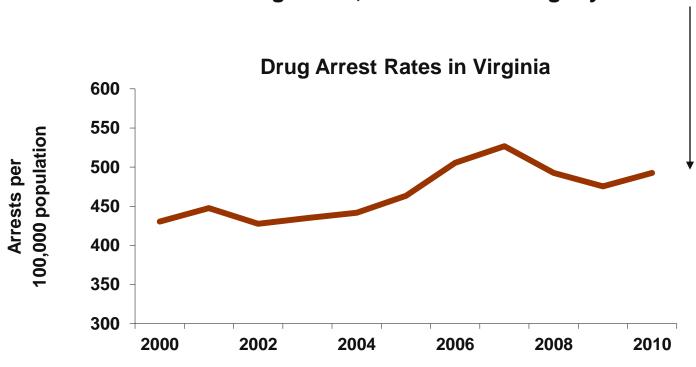
The number of felony re-instatements, such as probation violations, were lower in 2009 and 2010 than in previous years

Felony Re-Instatements in Circuit Court, 2003-2010



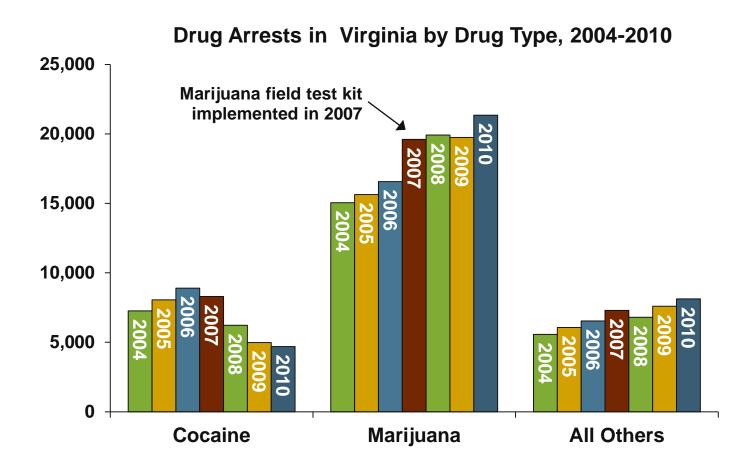
Source: Judicial Planning Unit, Supreme Court of Virginia (July 19, 2011)

The drug arrest rate declined from 2007 through 2009, but increased slightly in 2010



	Overall Drug Arrest Rate	Marijuana	Schedule I/II
Change 2003-2010	13.3%	40.5%	-20.7%
Change 2009-2010	3.6%	4.5%	1.4%

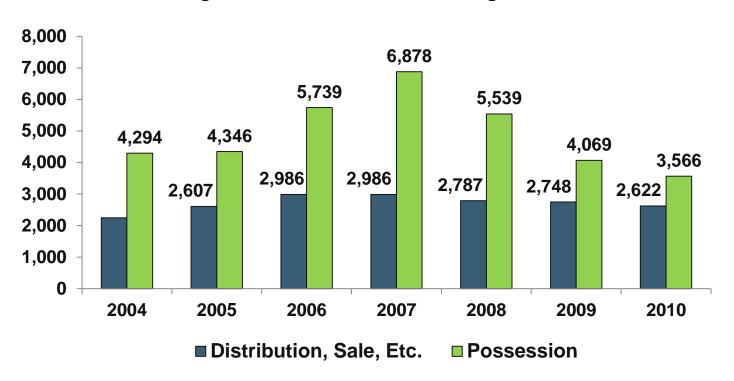
Cocaine arrests have declined by 47% since 2006, while arrests for marijuana have increased by 29% during the same period



Source: Virginia State Police Incident-Based Crime Reporting Repository System as analyzed by the Dept. of Criminal Justice Services Research Center (July 20, 2011)

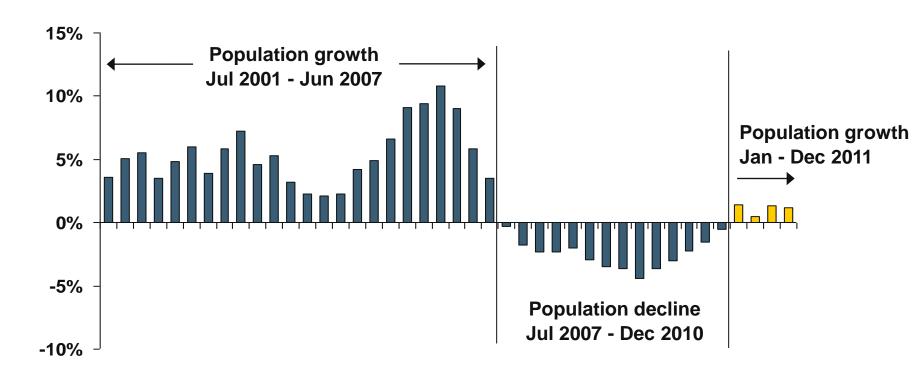
Between 2007 and 2010, the number of felony sentencing events involving possession of a Schedule I or II drug, such as cocaine, fell by 48%, while distribution cases dropped by only 12%

Sentencing Events For Schedule I or II Drug Offenses, 2004-2010



Note: Data exclude cases of distribution as accommodation and distribution of imitation drugs Source: Virginia Criminal Sentencing Commission – Sentencing Guidelines Data (CY2004-2010)

### Local-Responsible Jail Population, FY2002-FY2011 Comparison by Quarter



This chart shows the percent change in the average population for each quarter compared to the same quarter of the previous year

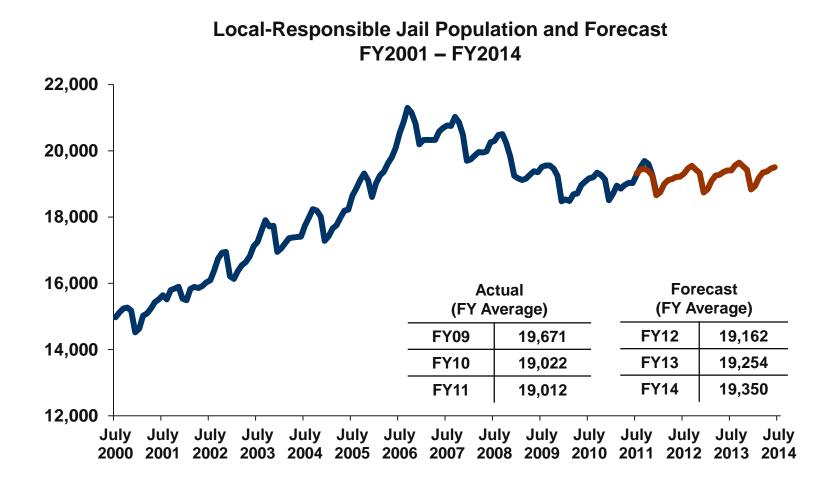
For the first time since FY2007, the local-responsible population has shown year-to-year growth during CY2011

The number of persons in the unsentenced awaiting trial category grew by 1.3% in FY2011, the first increase in three years

Local-Responsible Jail Population Categories	FY2010 Average	Change	FY2011 Average	Change
Unsentenced Awaiting Trial	7,708	-6.8%	7,811	+1.3%
Sentenced/Pending Additional Charges	5,591	1.1%	5,480	-2.0%
Sentenced Local Felons	2,868	-6.5%	2,854	-0.5%
Sentenced Misdemeanants	2,853	+1.9%	2,867	+0.5%
Total	19,022	-3.3%	19,012	-0.1%

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# For the FY2013-2014 biennium, the local-responsible jail population is projected to increase slightly

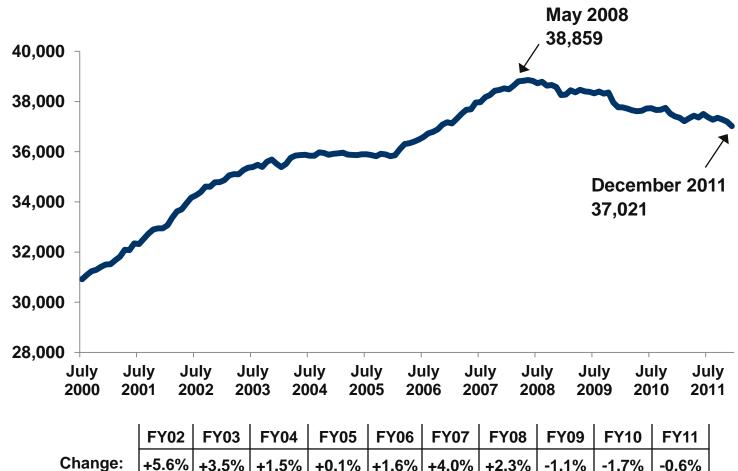


### **Local-Responsible Jail Population Forecast**

Year	PREVIOUS 2010 Forecast FY Average	NEW 2011 Forecast FY Average	Difference
FY2011	19,133		
FY2012	19,339	19,162	-177
FY2013	19,535	19,254	-281
FY2014	19,729	19,350	-379
FY2015	19,922	19,447	-475
FY2016	20,116	19,544	-572
FY2017		19,642	

# The state-responsible prison population peaked in May 2008, but has since declined

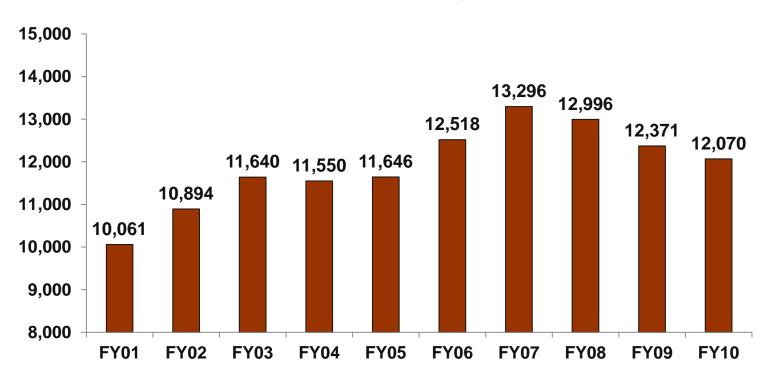




: | +5.6% | +3.5% | +1.5% | +0.1% | +1.6% | +4.0% | +2.3% | -1.1% | -1.7% | -0.6% |

# New commitments to prison peaked in FY2007 but have since declined, falling 2.4% in FY2010

**New Commitments to Prison, FY2001 – FY2010** 

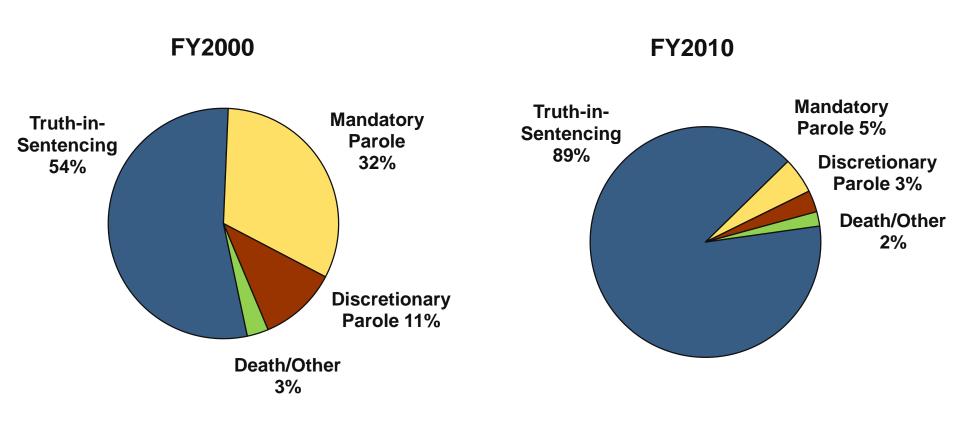


Between FY2002 and FY2009, probation violators made up approximately 47% to 52% of all new DOC commitments, although this figure fell slightly to 45.4% in FY2010

	Probation Violators Entering as New Commitments	Percent of New Commitments
FY2004	5,753	49.8%
FY2005	5,792	49.7%
FY2006	6,466	51.7%
FY2007	6,685	50.3%
FY2008	6,305	48.5%
FY2009	5,816	47.0%
FY2010	5,480	45.4%

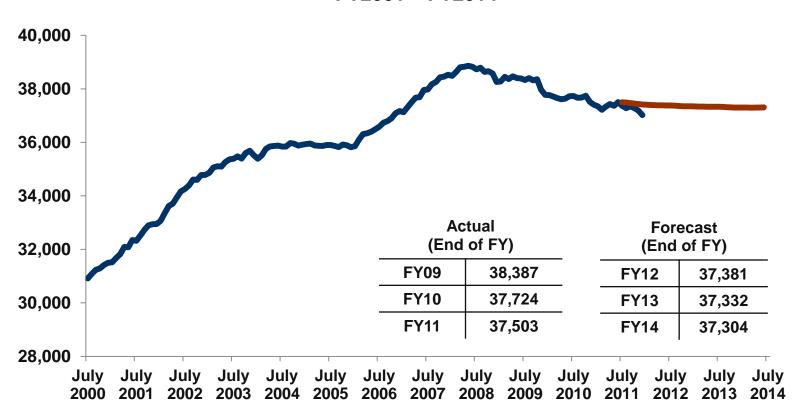
# By FY2010, the vast majority of inmates released had served under truth-in-sentencing (no parole) provisions

### Releases from the State-Responsible Inmate Population



# The state-responsible prison population is projected to remain relatively stable through the end of the FY2013-2014 biennium

State-Responsible Prison Population and Forecast FY2001 – FY2014



### **State-Responsible Prison Forecast**

Year	PREVIOUS 2010 Forecast End of FY	NEW 2011 Forecast End of FY	Difference
FY2011	37,707		
FY2012	37,573	37,381	-192
FY2013	37,766	37,332	-434
FY2014	37,977	37,304	-673
FY2015	38,341	37,344	-997
FY2016	38,947	37,423	-1,524
FY2017		37,531	

# Other states are also experiencing declines or slower growth in their prison and jail populations

- Nationally, the number of prisoners under the jurisdiction of state correctional authorities declined by 0.2% in 2009, the first decline since 1977
- Twenty-four states reported decreases in their prison populations in 2009
- The number of persons held in the custody of county and city jail authorities across the U.S. fell in 2009 (the first decline since BJS implemented its survey) and the number decreased again in 2010

Source: Bureau of Justice Statistics, *Prisoners in 2009*http://bjs.ojp.usdoj.gov/index.cfm?ty=pbdetail&iid=2232 (accessed July 19, 2011)

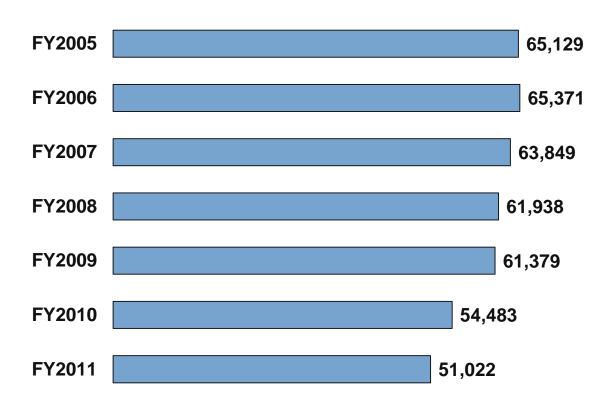
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**Juvenile Offender Population** 



There has been a 22% decrease in total intake cases between FY2007 and FY2011, with felony and Class 1 misdemeanor intakes falling by 6.8% during the last fiscal year

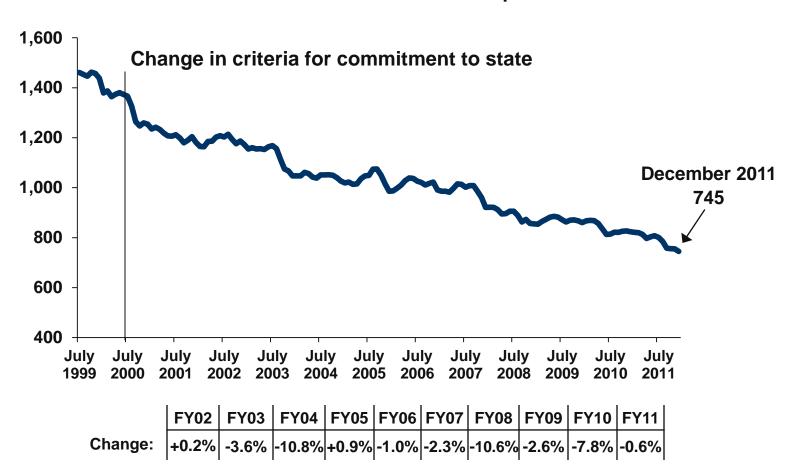
#### **Juvenile Intake Cases at Court Services Units**



Note: Data may not be comparable to previous presentations due to methodological changes Source: Virginia Department of Juvenile Justice (July 20, 2011)

# The juvenile correctional center population declined by 0.6% in FY2011, continuing its long-term downward trend

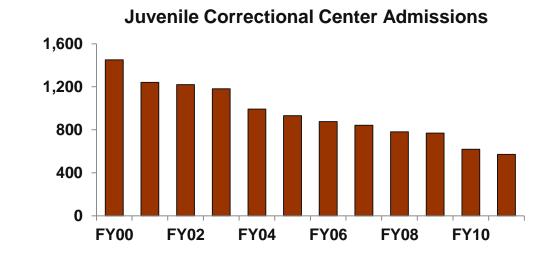
### **Juvenile Correctional Center Population**



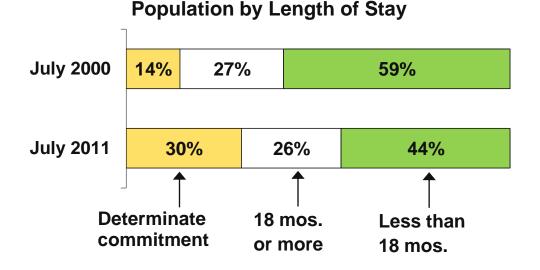
Source: Virginia Department of Juvenile Justice

# Admissions to juvenile correctional centers have fallen, but juveniles who are admitted are staying longer

The number of admissions in FY2011 was less than half of the FY2000 admissions

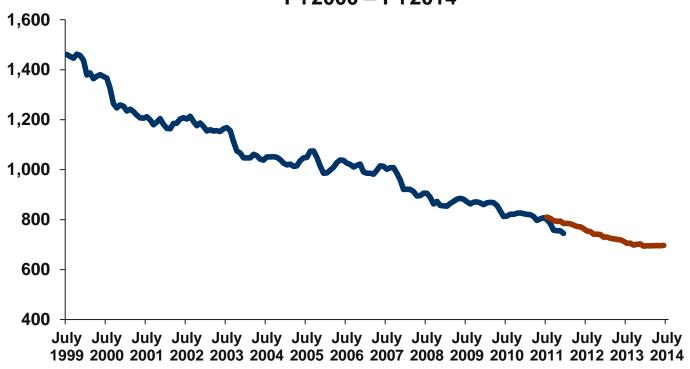


Juveniles with longer lengths of stay now comprise a larger share of the correctional center population



# By the end of the FY2013-2014 biennium, the juvenile correctional center population is projected to decline to roughly 700 juveniles

**Juvenile Correctional Center Population and Forecast FY2000 – FY2014** 



Actual (June Average)		
FY09	882	
FY10	813	

**FY11** 

808

(June Average)		
FY12	765	
FY13	714	
FY14	697	

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