



Pretrial Diversion Performance Measurement Overview

Butte Silver Bow, Lake, Lewis and Clark, Missoula, and Yellowstone Counties January 1, 2019 to December 31, 2021

- **Maximize public safety by reserving detention for those offenders who pose the greatest risk to reoffend or fail to appear in court.**
- **Maximize court appearance.**
- **Maximize the appropriate use of release and detention by use of services designed to fulfill the two goals stated above**



- Data is collected using the AutoMon case management system. The data still contains “noise” and will continue to need refinement. *(Please note that percentages were rounded and may not add to 100%)*
- The attached report captured all cases closed in Butte Silver Bow, Lake, Lewis and Clark, Missoula, and Yellowstone counties between January 1, 2019 and December 31, 2021. During that time-period, 8,340 or 77% of the Public Safety Assessment-related cases were closed.
- About 76% or 6,379 defendants were released pre-trial from detention. Of those, about 60% were released on their own recognizance. The other 38% had some form of cash bail required for release.
- Of the defendants not released pre-trial, 21% were a level 1 on the PSA, 39% were a level 2, and 40% were a level 3.
- For defendants released pre-trial, 79% reported to their court appearances. *(**Please note this reflects cases in which a warrant was issued for the failure to appear. If a defendant did not appear but a warrant was not issued, it is not counted as it doesn't exist in the database.)*
- In the closed cases, 75% of the defendants remained law-abiding. 737 people were arrested for new misdemeanors and 878 for new felonies. 454 of these were violent offenses.
- The OCA does not maintain or collect county jail data. Thus, it is difficult to assess the impact on overall jail populations, which include not only pre-trial defendants, but people convicted who are awaiting a Department of Corrections placement, serving a misdemeanor sentencing, or awaiting the outcome of a probation violation. Several detention facilities also house federal inmates.