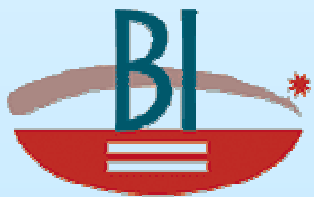


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# One-Day Counts in Detention Facilities, 2001

## By Offense Category

Property, Drugs, Public  
Order and "Other"

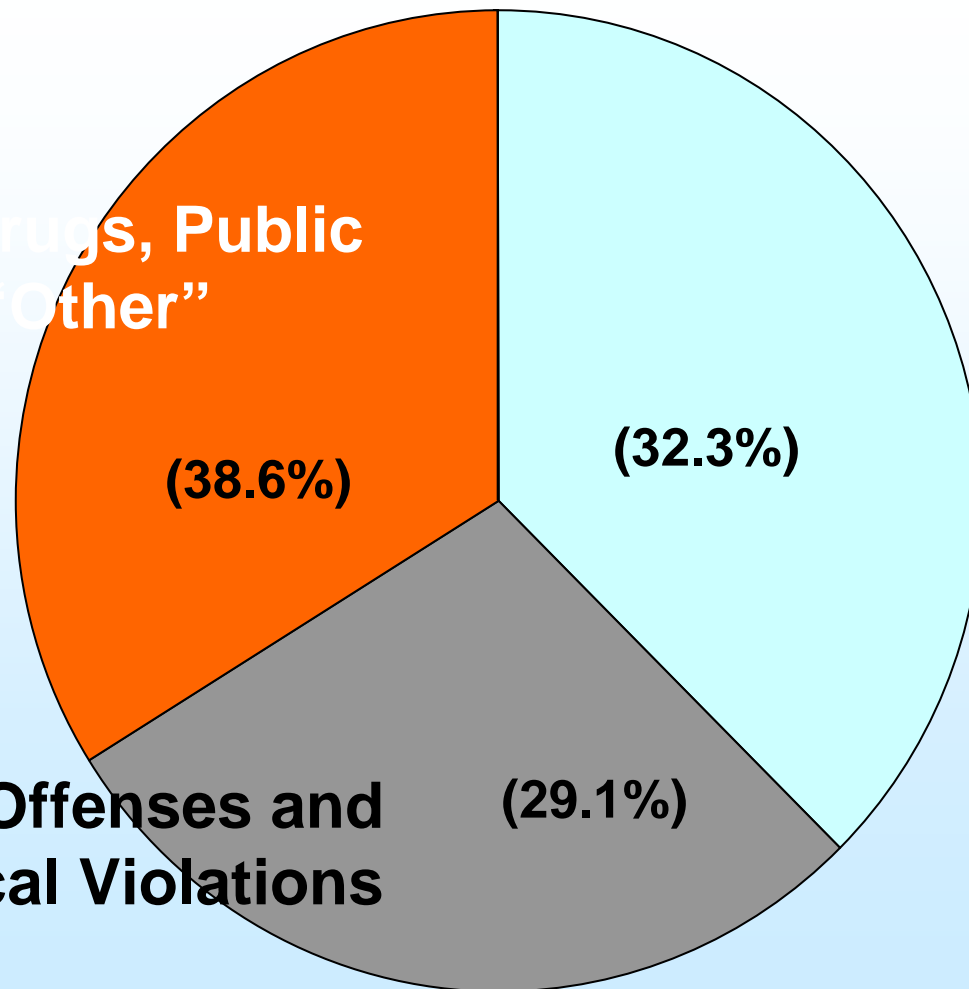
(38.6%)

**Violent  
Offenses**

(32.3%)

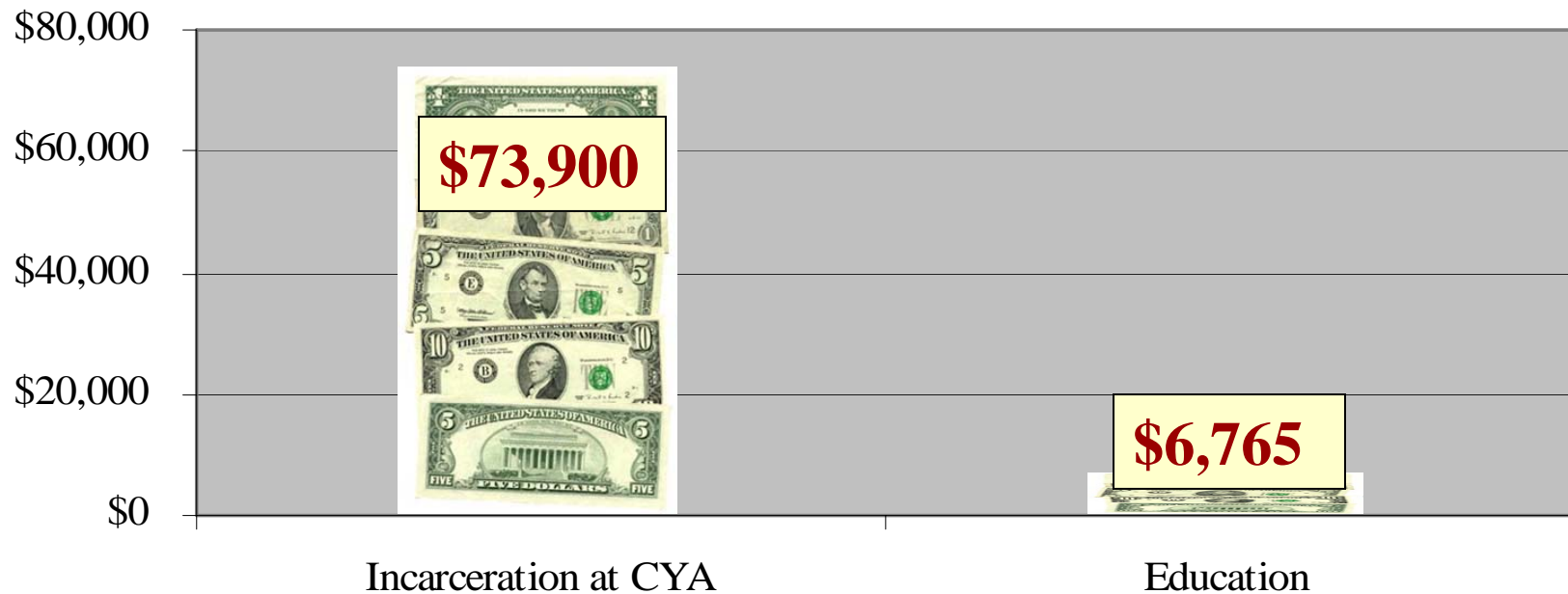
**Status Offenses and  
Technical Violations**

(29.1%)



# California: Cost of CYA per Year

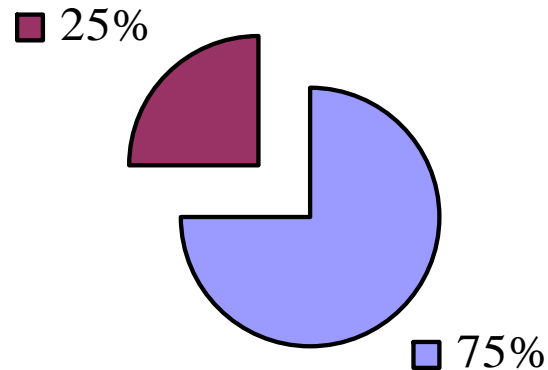
Cost Comparison: Cost Per year in CYA vs. School



It costs California **11 times more** to incarcerate youth at CYA than it does to provide youth with an education.

# CYA Recidivism Rates

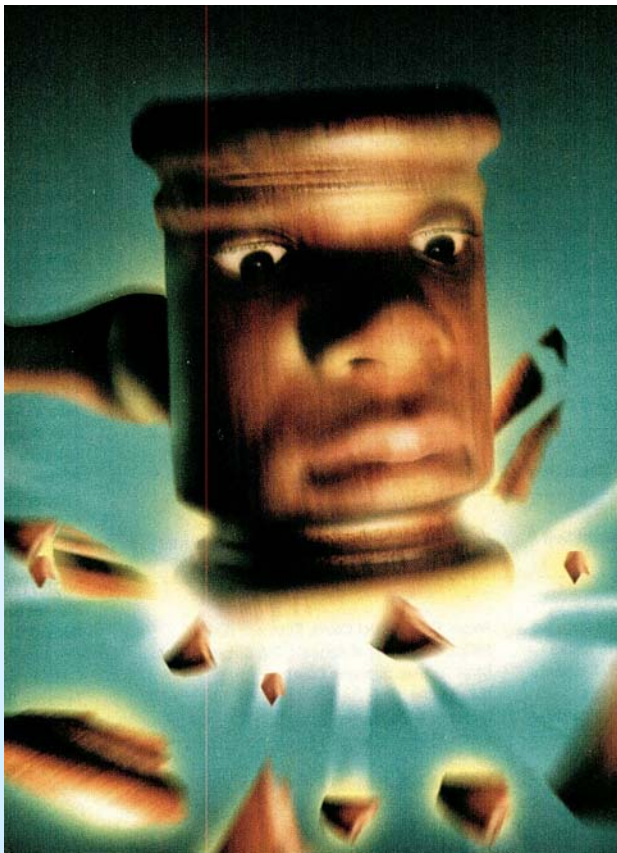
**CYA Recidivism Rate (2004)**



■ Youth Re-arrested within 3 Years    ■ Youth not Re-arrested within 3 years

CYA does not rehabilitate youth. Within 3 years of their incarceration at CYA, **75% of youth are rearrested.**

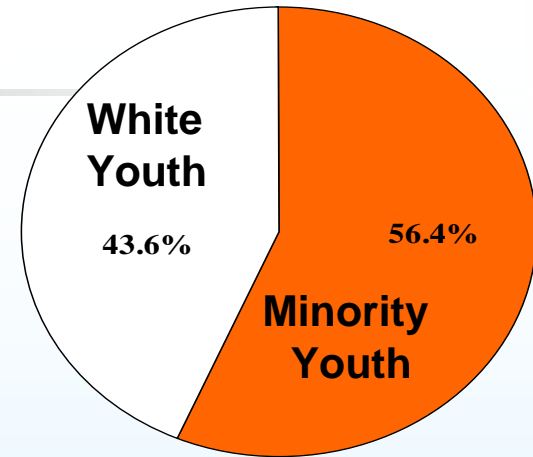
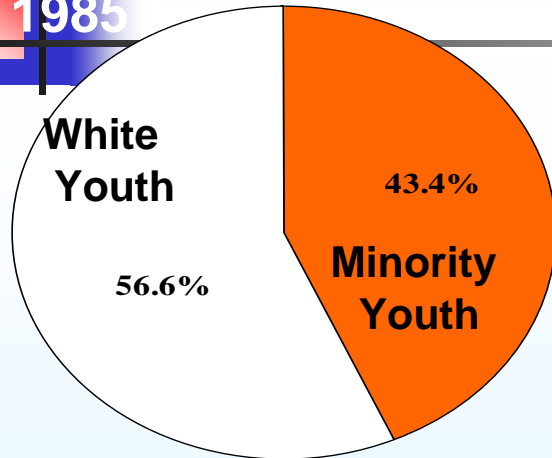
# Disproportionality Increases At Each New Decision Point



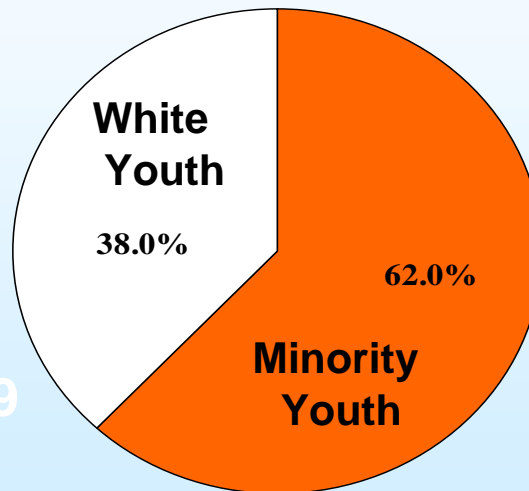
- Detention
- Formal Charges for Same Offense
- Adult Court for Same Offenses
- Disposition to Out of Home Placement
  - More Whites on Probation

# Overrepresentation of Minority Youth in Public Detention Centers: 1985 – 1999

1985



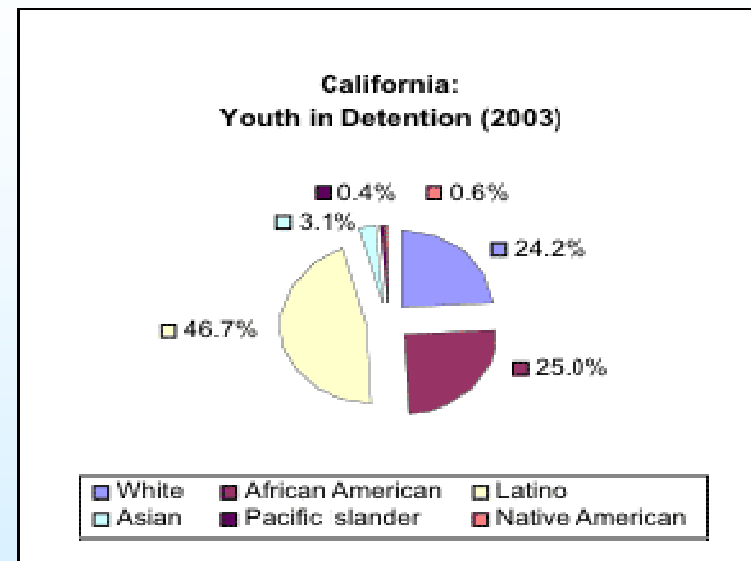
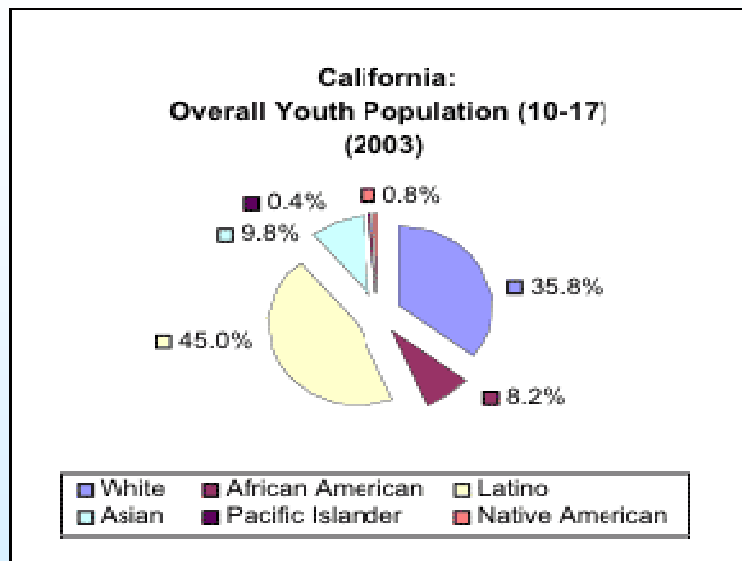
1999



Source: Census of Public and Private Juvenile Detention, Correctional and Shelter Facilities, 1985-1999.

**2/3 of Detainees are Kids of Color**

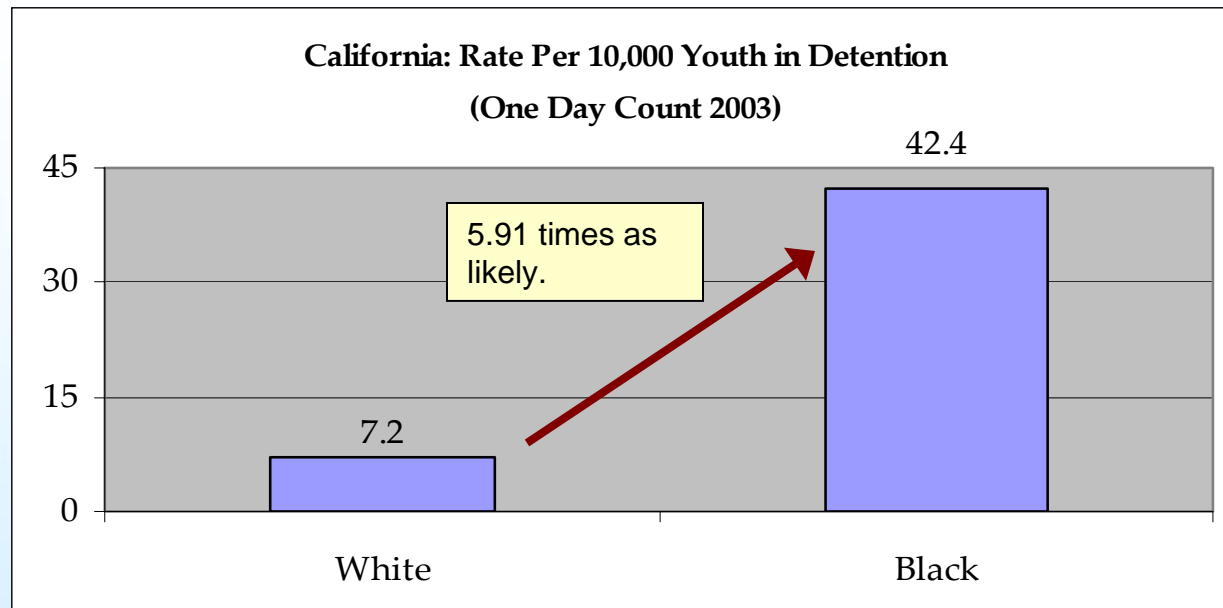
# California: DMC Comparison



In California, African American youth are overrepresented in juvenile detention facilities. In 2003, African American youth represented **8.2%** of the overall youth population, but **25%** of youth in detention.

# California:

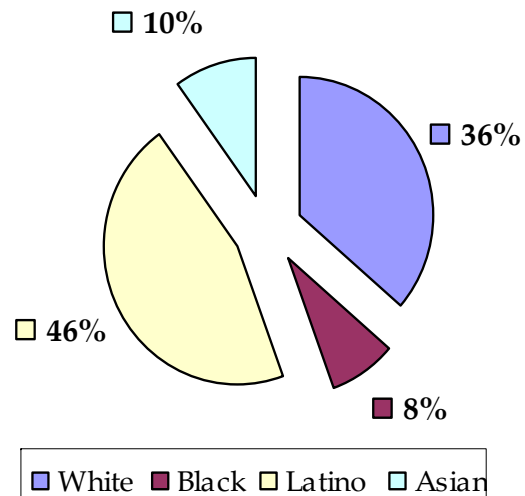
## Black Youth in Detention in a One Day Count



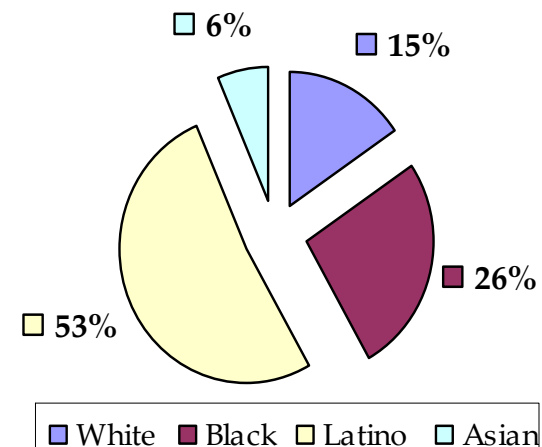
Based on a **one day count** in California Detention Facilities, **Black youth are 5.91 Times as likely to be in detention** on any given day than white youth. For every 10,000 White youth there were 7.2 white youth in detention. For every 10,000 Black youth, there were 42.2 Black youth in detention.

# California: Transfers to Adult Court

California: Overall Youth Population (2003)



California: Youths' Case Transferred to Adult Court (2003)



In California, Black youth are disproportionately transferred to adult court. Black youth represent **8%** of the overall youth population, but represent **26%** of the cases transferred to adult court.

# BI Approach



- Strategic
- Cooperative
- Voluntary
- Data Driven
- Opportunities for Intervention





## *BI Engagement Strategy*

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1. Convene traditional and non-traditional stakeholders in a strategic engagement to safely reduce DMC in pre-adjudication detention
2. Assist local jurisdiction in systematically collecting and analyzing data on key DMC indicators



# *BI Engagement Strategy*

## *(cont)*

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3. Build the capacity of local jurisdiction to use findings from data analyses to develop system-level policy and practice recommendations to reduce DMC
4. Institutionalize the DMC monitoring process by establishing sustainability capacity

# Convene Stakeholders



Community  
Groups/Youth

Judges

Politicians

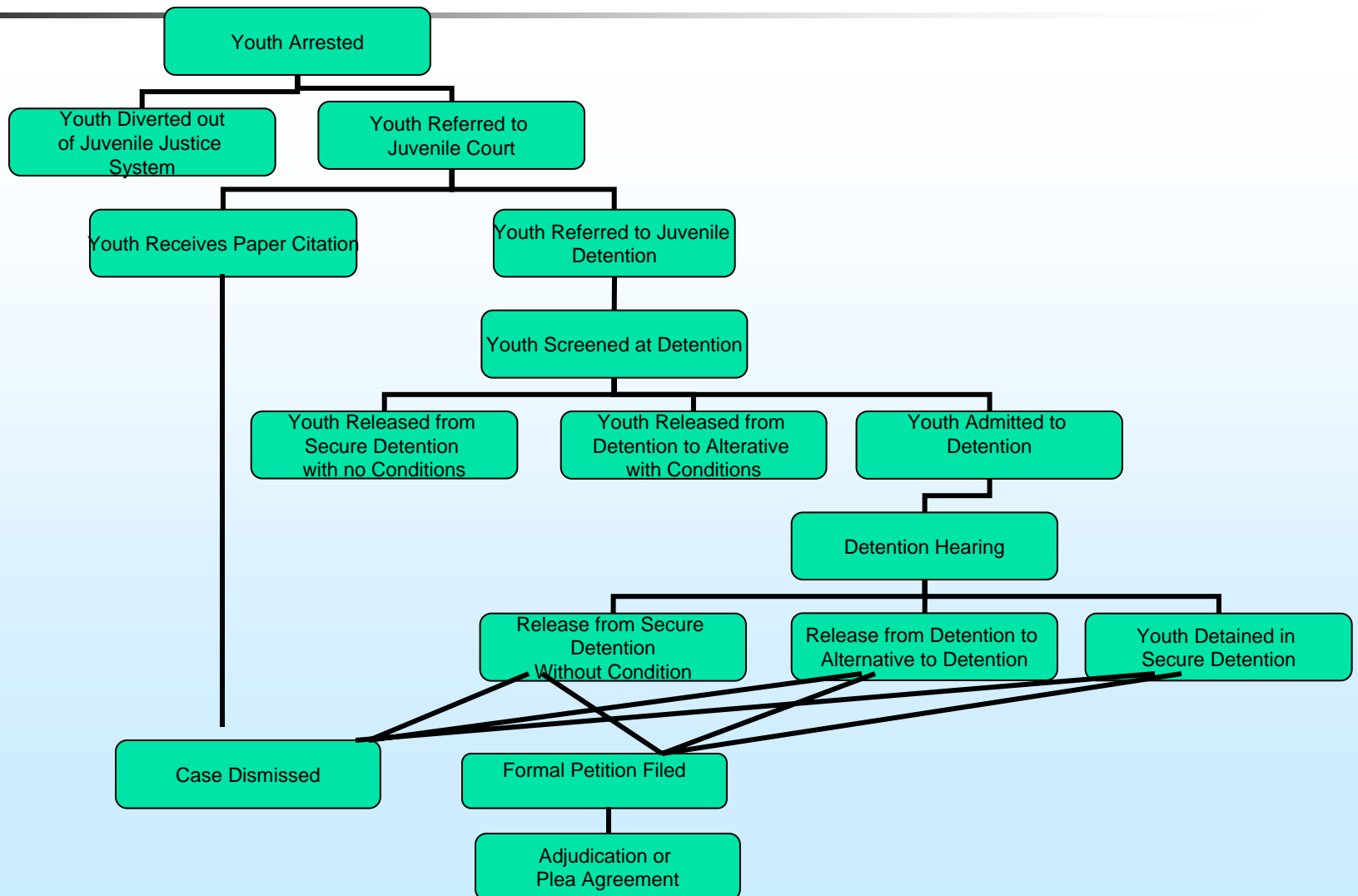
Police/Sheriff

Prosecutor/Defense

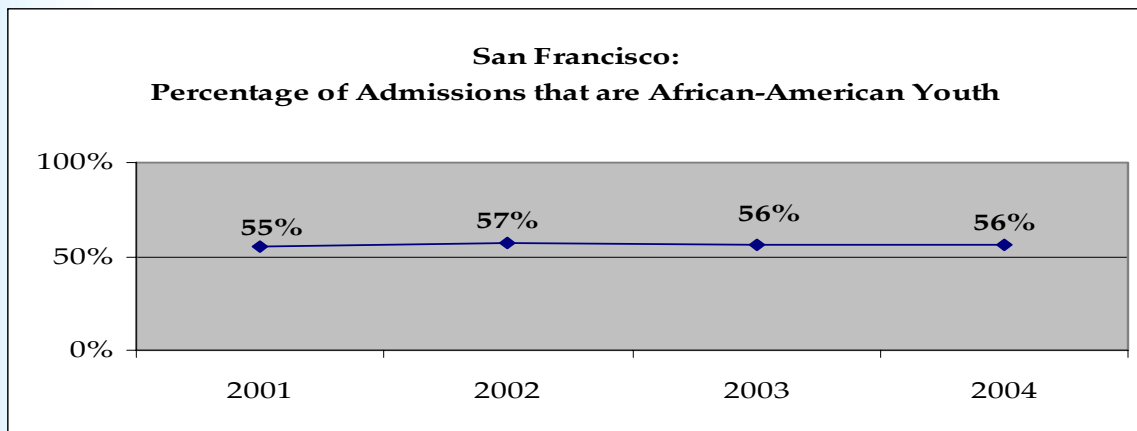
Detention and  
Probation



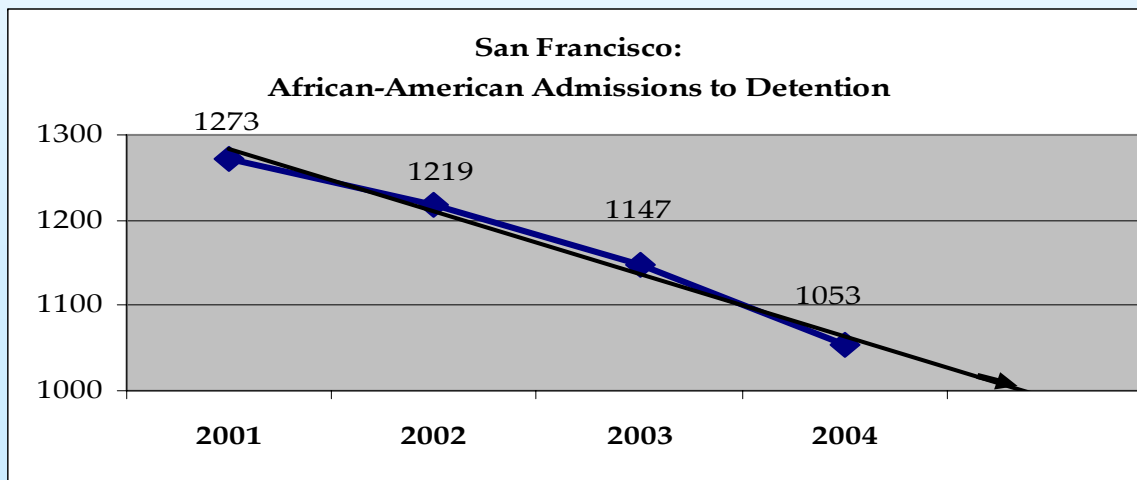
# System Mapping and Analysis Pre-Adjudication -- Step One: Know the Flow



# Define Success

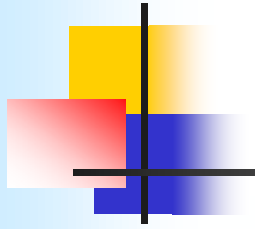


Percentage



Actual  
Numbers

# BI Points of Analysis



- Community Profile
  - Data
  - Mapping & Focus Groups
- Systems Focus
  - Detention
  - Court Processes





## *BI Process Core Data*

### Demographics

- **Youth population (10-17) within County**
  - **Disaggregate By**
    - **Race**
    - **Gender**
    - **Age**
    - **Residence**
      - **Zip Code, Census Tract or Precinct**

# Community Profile



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- **A) Quantitative**

  - Physical mapping of target

  - Identify community resources/programs for youth in target area

- **B) Qualitative**

  - Focus Groups, Interviews, Surveys

- **Deliver Recommendations**



# Risk Assessment Instrument

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**Should Objectively Separate Youth into Three Categories:**

**Low Risk—0-7 Pts.**

- Eligible for immediate full release.

• **Medium Risk—8-10 Pts.**

- Eligible for placement in non-secure alternative.

• **High Risk—11 Pts.**

- Eligible for placement in secure detention



## *Success Potential*

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- **Capacity and ability to access and analyze data strategically**
- **Level of cohesion among stakeholders**
- **Level of political will within jurisdiction to address the problem**
- **Quality of staff hired to implement BI process**



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