

Juvenile Justice System Data Breakdown (FY25)

Plymouth County, Massachusetts

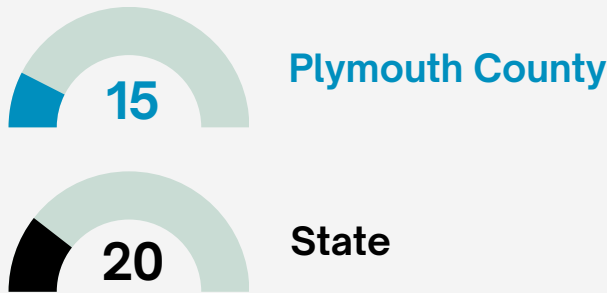
Learn more about juvenile justice data trends in your county and how they compare to the rest of the state

All data is for Fiscal Year 2025 (July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025).
For additional data points, check out the OCA's [Juvenile Justice County Level Data Brief](#).

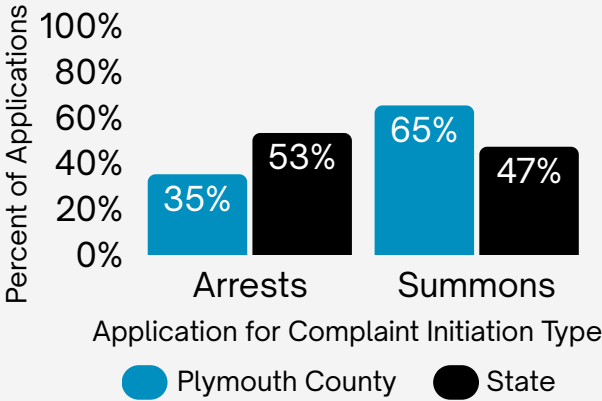
Applications for Complaint

Lower rate of applications for complaint than the state rate

Rate of applications for complaint per 1,000 youth



Use of Arrests vs Summons

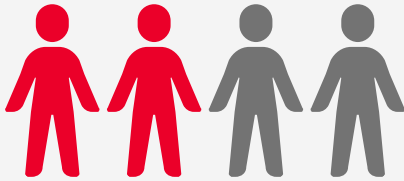


Plymouth County brought youth into the Juvenile Court via summons more than arrests

Delinquency Filings

Lower rate of delinquency filings than the state rate

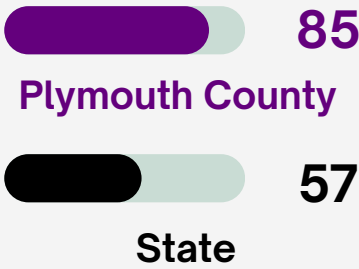
54 out of 100
applications for complaint resulted in a delinquency filing
(state rate: 67 out of 100)



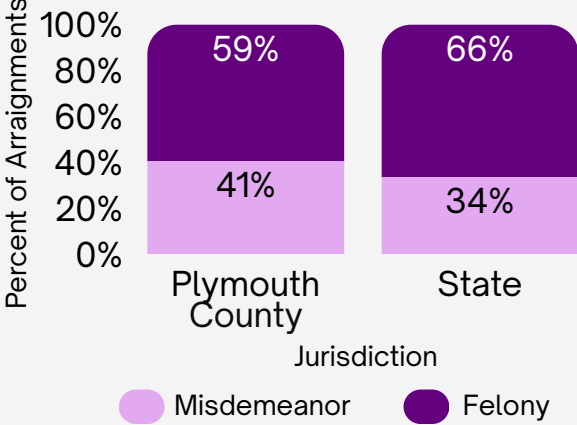
Arraignments

A higher percentage of delinquency filings were arraigned, despite a lower percentage of felony arraignments than the state rate

Rate of arraignments per 100 delinquency filings

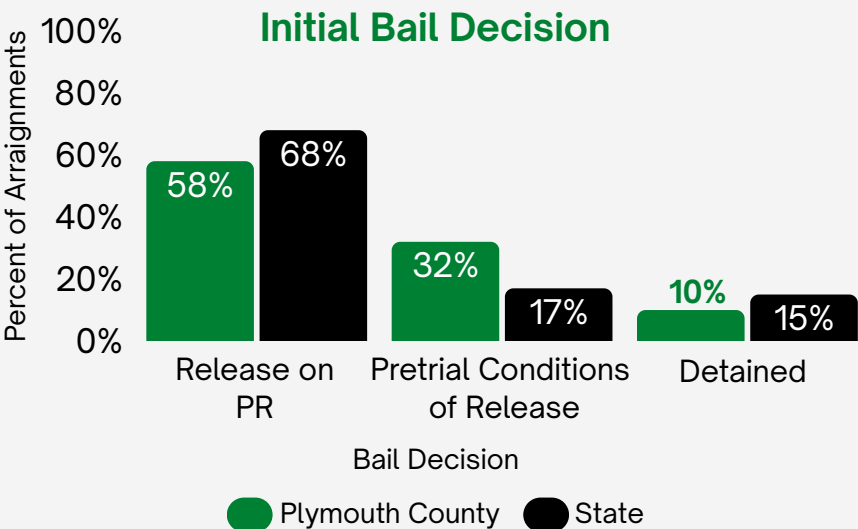


Alleged Offense



Pretrial Conditions of Release and Detention

Greater reliance on conditions of release, less use of personal recognizance (PR) than the state

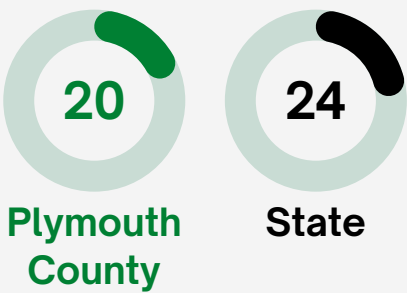


For more on statewide trends, findings, and recommendations, check out the [Juvenile Justice Policy & Data Board's 2025 Annual Report](#).

Pretrial Conditions of Release and Detention

Pretrial detention was driven by violations of court conditions and bail/PR revocations

Rate of pretrial detention per 100 arraignments

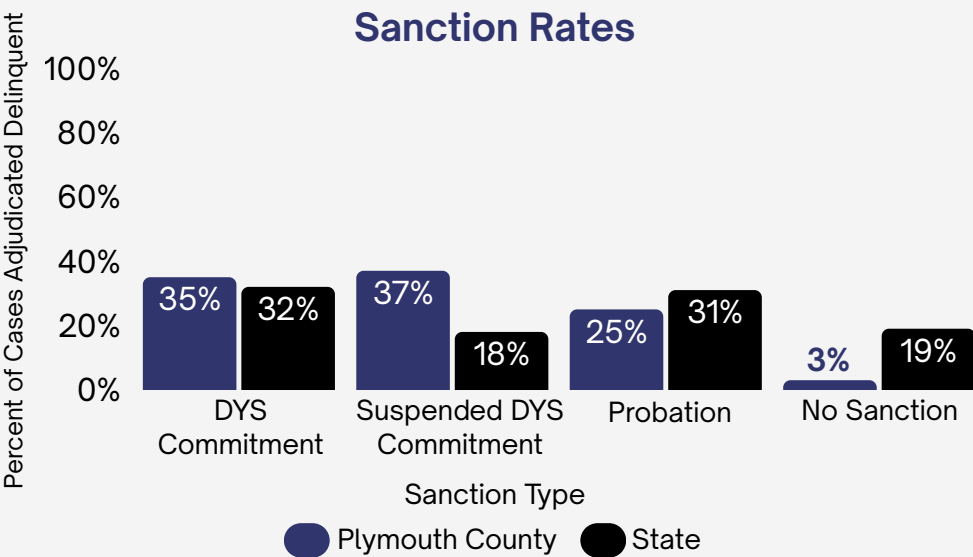


Reason Youth are Held at DYS Pretrial
Plymouth County vs. State

Cash bail	17%	vs.	23%
Probation violation hearing	20%	vs.	14%
Bail/PR revoked	35%	vs.	38%
58A Hearing	15%	vs.	15%
Unknown	13%	vs.	11%

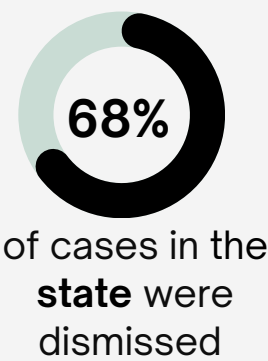
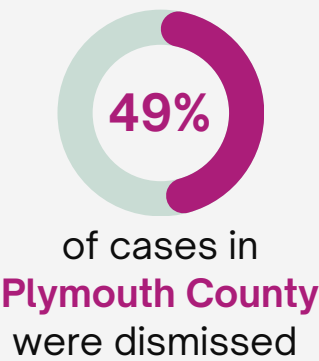
Sanctions

Higher use of DYS commitments and suspended commitments than the state



Case Dismissals

Lower rate of case dismissals than the state rate



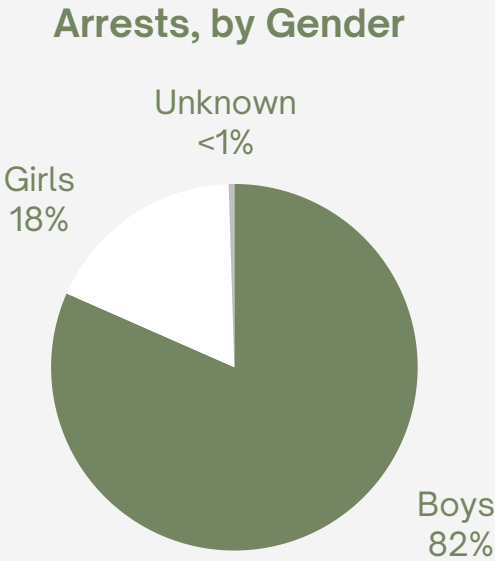
Demographic Breakdown

Compared to white youth in Plymouth County...

Black youth were...
6.5x more likely to be arrested
(state rate: 4.2x)

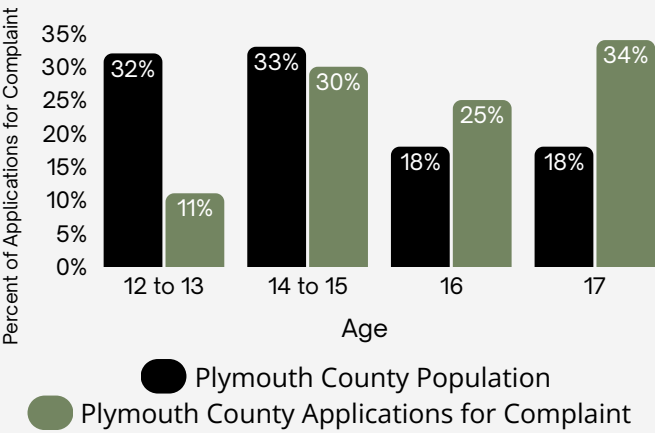
Latino/Hispanic youth were...
7.6x more likely to be arrested
(state rate: 2.7x)

Boys accounted for a larger share of arrests than girls



Applications for complaint were concentrated in mid to late adolescence

Applications for Complaint by Age



For more on trends in the juvenile justice system, check out the rest of our data brief series [here](#).

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Data Appendix

Process Point	Outcome/Measure	Count	Percent
Applications for Complaint (n=611)	Applications for Complaint	611*	100%
	Age - 12 to 13	68	11%
	Age - 14 to 15	181	30%
	Age - 16	156	25%
	Age - 17	207	34%
	Summons	399	65%
	Arrests	212	35%
	Gender - Boy	173	82%
	Gender - Girl	38	18%
	Gender - None reported	1	<1%
	Race/Ethnicity - Black	88	42%
	Race/Ethnicity - Hispanic/Latino	43	20%
	Race/Ethnicity - White	65	31%
	Race/Ethnicity - Another race	12	6%
	Race/Ethnicity - None reported	4	2%
Delinquency Filings (n=330)	Delinquency Filings	330	100%
Arraignments (n=280)	Arraignments	280	100%
	Felony	166	59%
	Misdemeanor	114	41%
Pretrial Conditions of Release (n=278)** and Detention (n=54)***	Initial Bail Decision	278	100%
	Released on PR****	160	58%
	Detained at Arraignment	29	10%
	Pretrial Conditions of Release (COR)	89	32%
	Pretrial Detention - Held Reason	54	100%
	Cash Bail	9	17%
	Probation violation hearing	11	20%
	Bail/PR revoked	19	35%
	58A Hearing	8	15%
	Unknown	7	13%
Dispositions (n=143) and Dismissals (n=138)	Cases Disposed	143	100%
	Cases Resolved via CWO or Adjudicated Not Delinquent	81	57%
	Cases Adjudicated Delinquent	62	43%
	Judicial Dismissals	138	100%
Sanctions (n=63)	Cases Adjudicated Delinquent	63	100%
	DYS Commitment	22	35%
	Suspended DYS Commitment	23	37%
	Probation	16	25%
	No Sanction	2	3%

*Differences in reporting practices, timing of data extraction, and privacy-related cell suppression may cause the sum of categories to differ slightly from the total counts reported above for each process point. Some percentages may not total to 100% due to rounding.

**Conditions of release cases are assigned to either the state Pretrial Unit to be “monitored” or to the local county probation office to be “supervised.” Cases reported here only include the cases assigned to be “supervised” at the local county probation office.

***Youth can also be held for 68A evaluations. Data on 68A evaluations is omitted due to cell suppression.

****Personal recognizance (PR) counts were estimated by subtracting the number of youth detained at initial arraignment and youth placed on condition of release (primarily Category B, and in limited cases, Category A) from the total number of initial detention decisions reported during the year. Therefore, PR counts at the county level may include youth released on Category A conditions.