

# **Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors**

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# Factors Impacting Jail Population



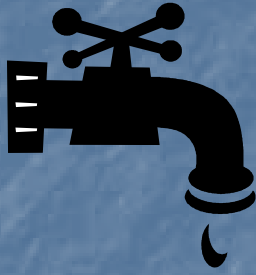
# Systems Issues

- Present system impacts local law enforcement
- It compromises sentencing practice and probation
- Offenders do not serve full term
- Increase potential of law suits due to overcrowded conditions

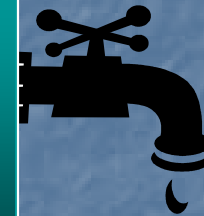
# The Water Barrel Analogy

Average Daily Population is a function of admission rate and length of stay.

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the rate of  
admissions

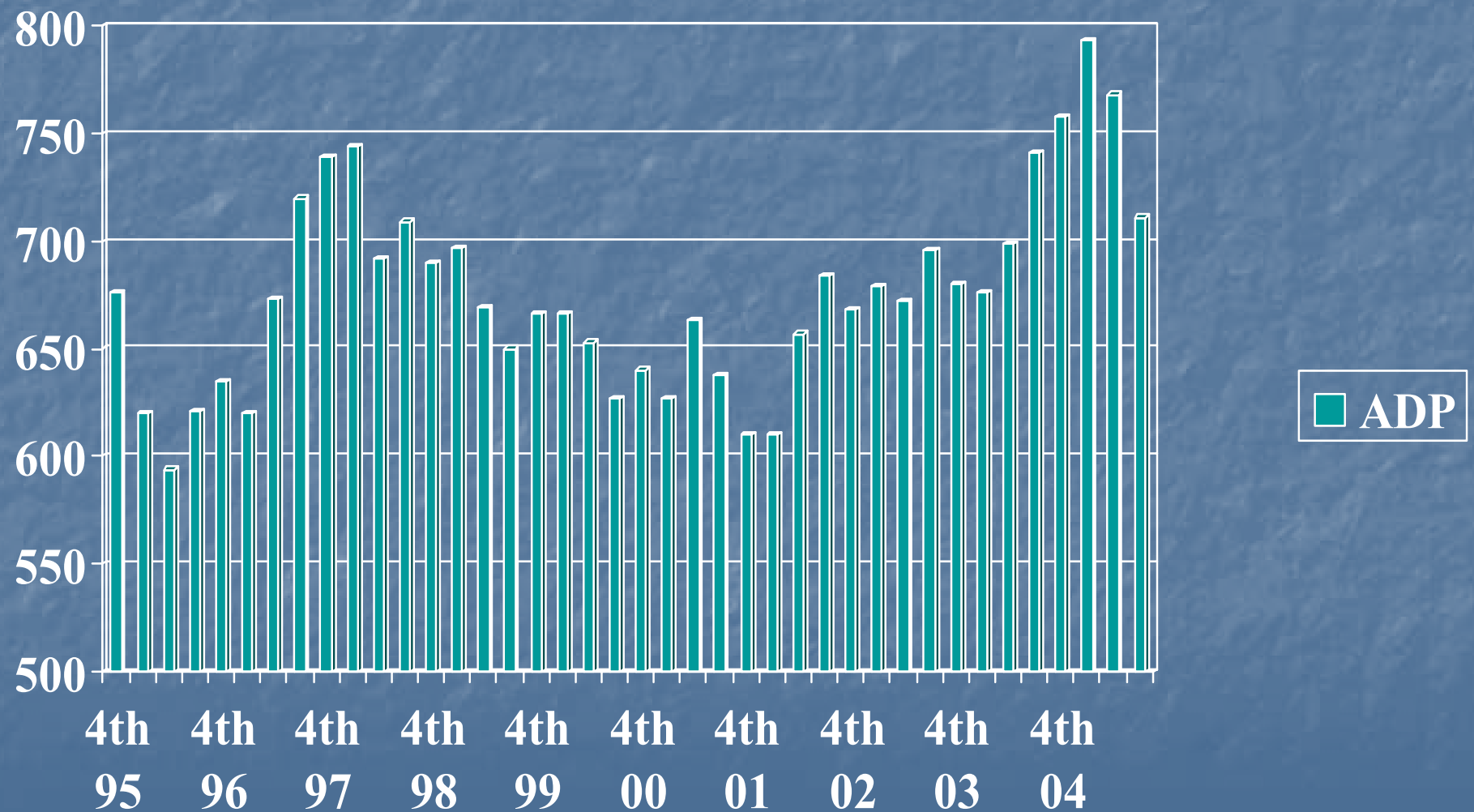


Population level →

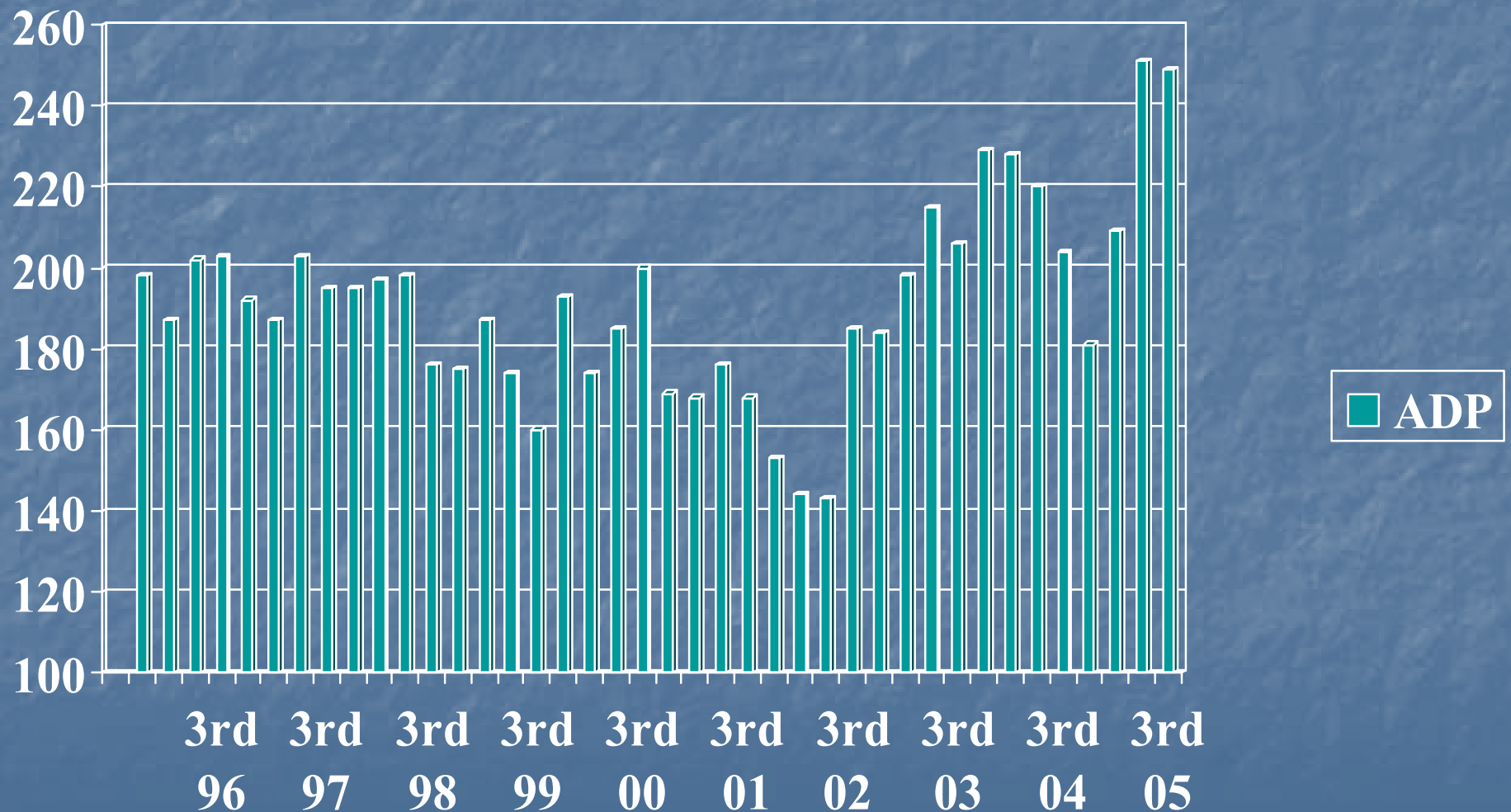


Regulates rate of  
outflow (length of stay)

# Santa Barbara County Main Jail 10 year ADP by Quarter

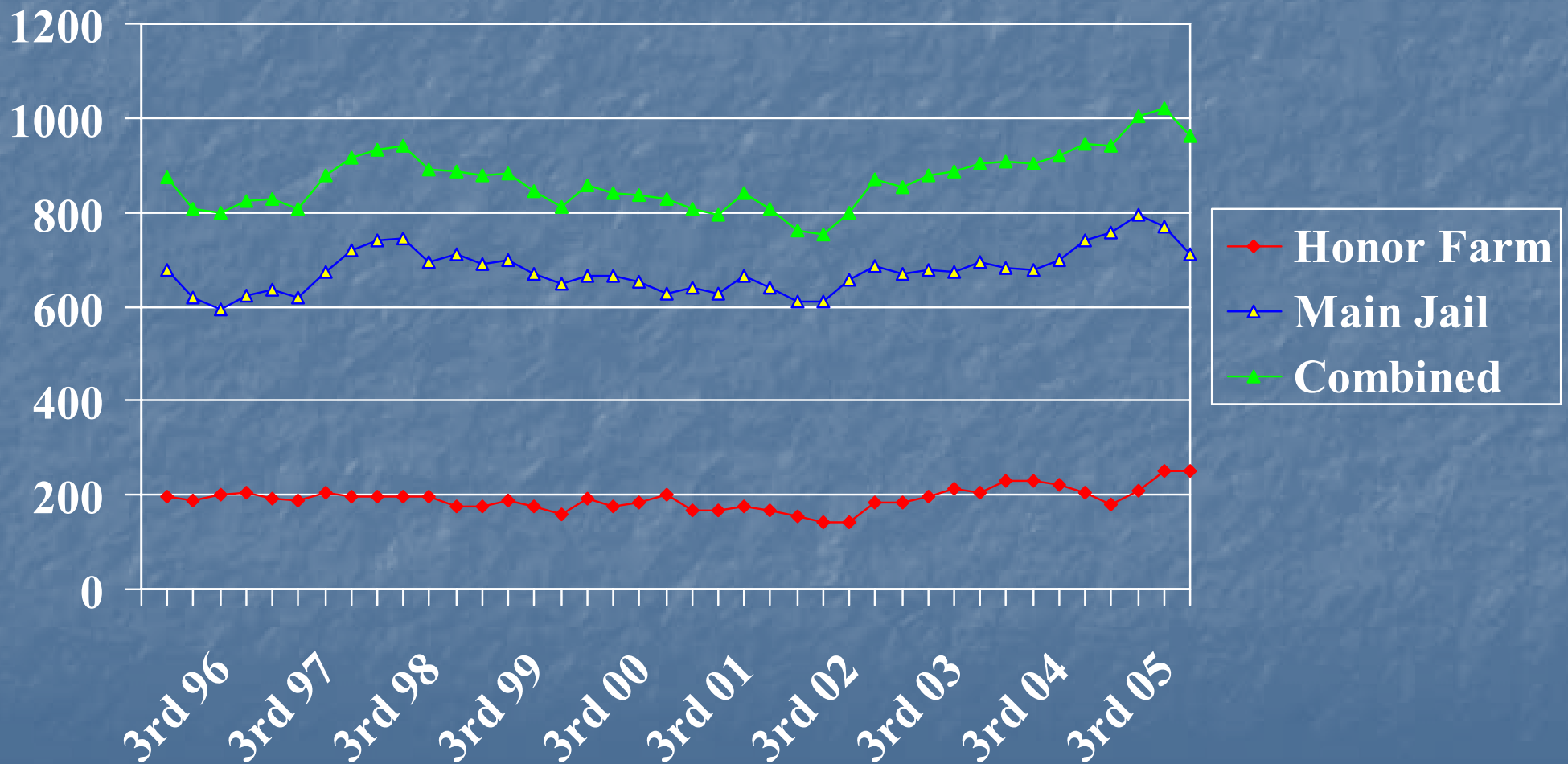


# Santa Barbara County Honor Farm 10 Year ADP by Quarter

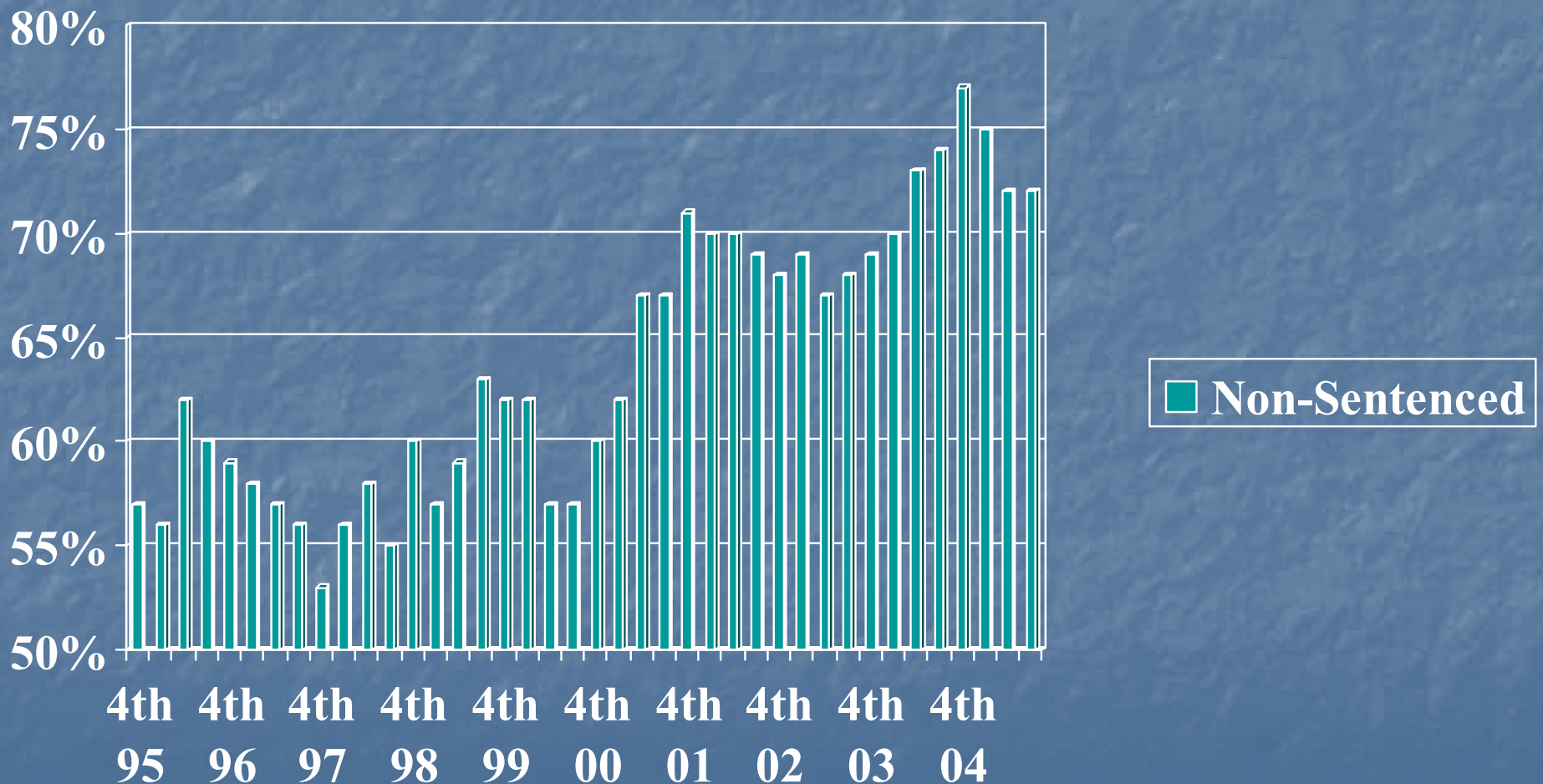


# Santa Barbara County Combined Facility ADP

## 10 Years by Quarters

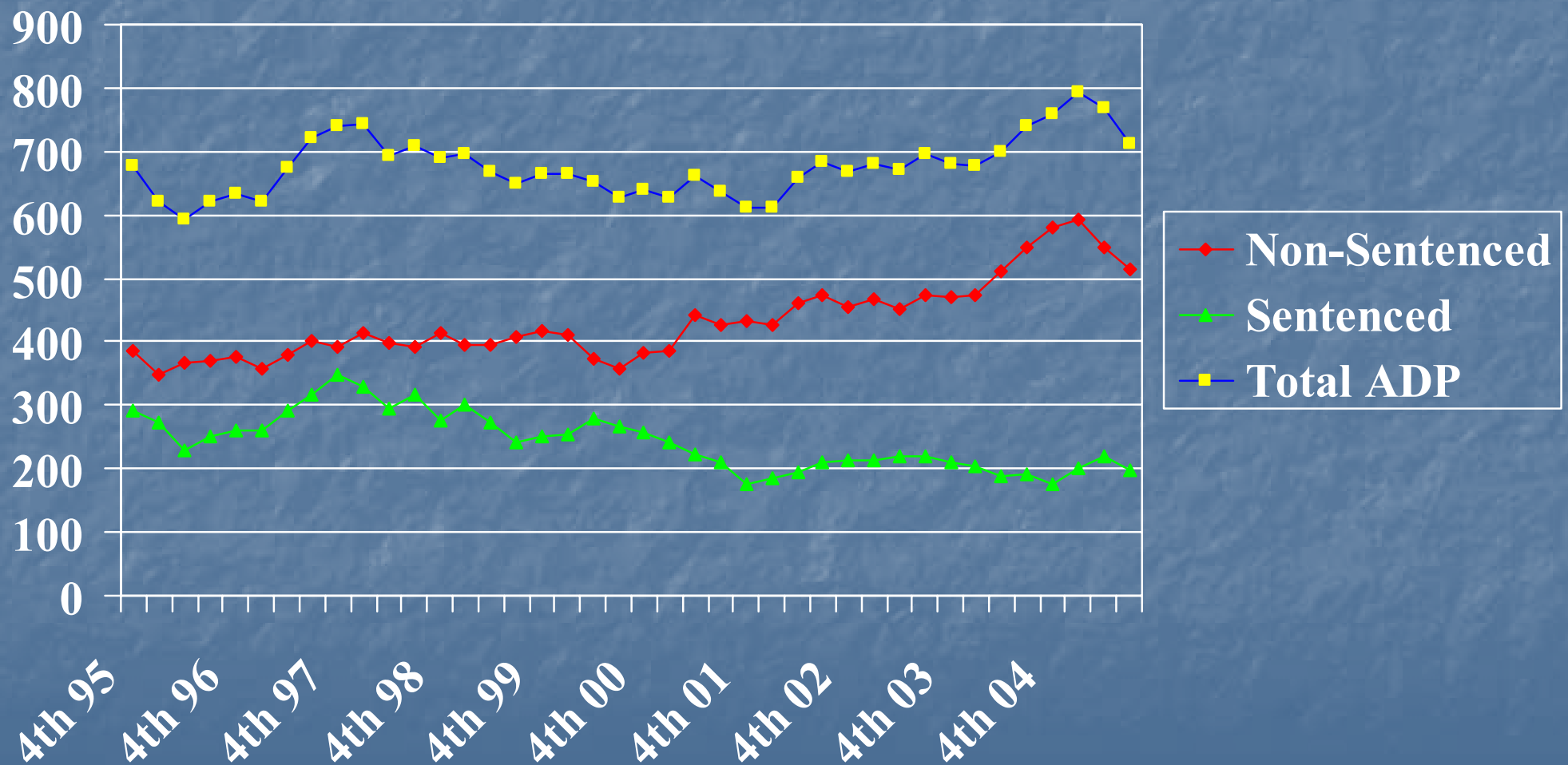


# Santa Barbara County Main Jail Percentage of Non-Sentenced Inmates 10 Years by Quarter

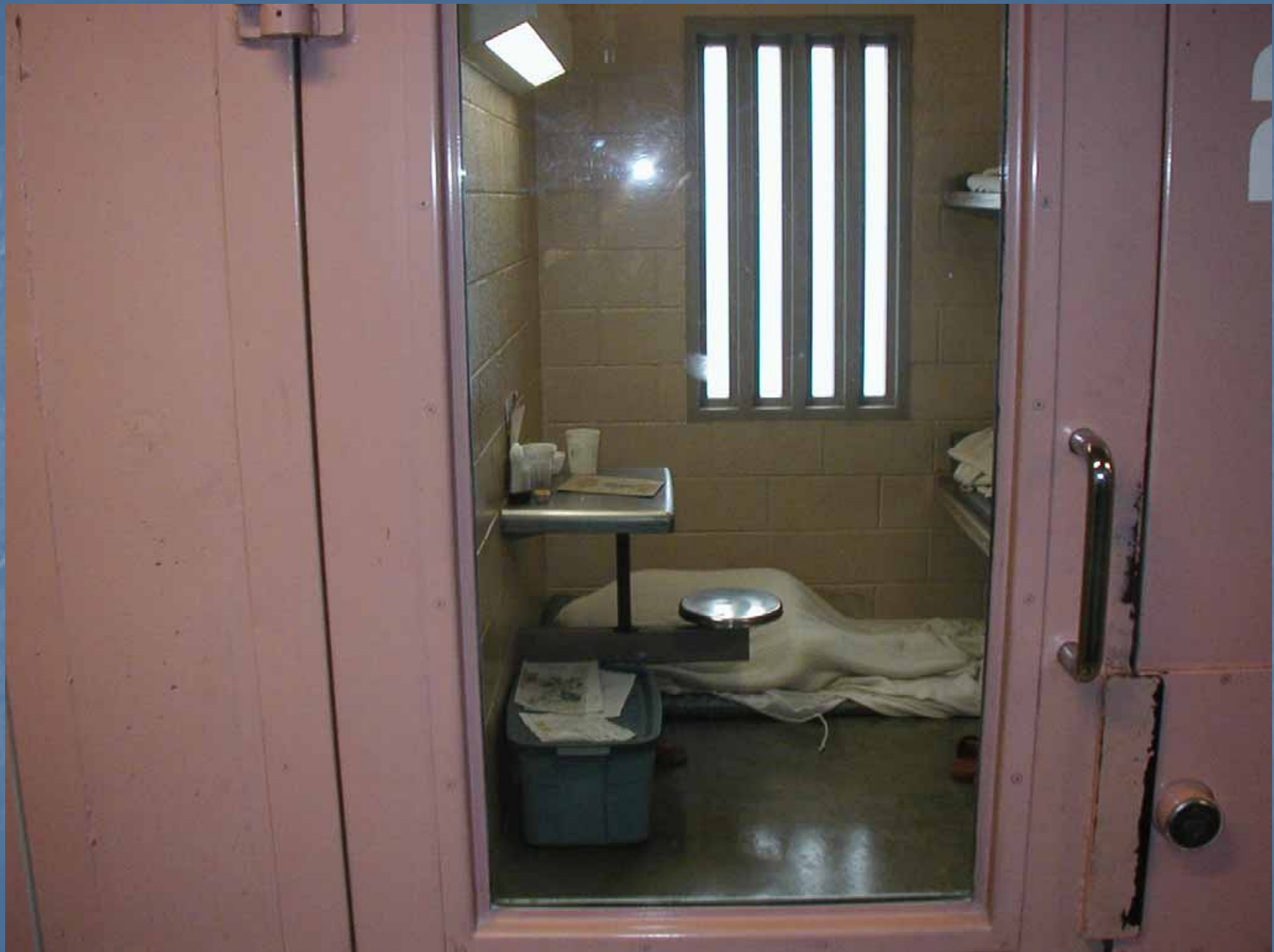




# Santa Barbara County Main Jail Sentenced/Non-Sentenced ADP 10 Years by Quarters











# Risk Factors

- Substance Abuse
- Mental Illness
- Chronic Disease: 25% of the US population living with HIV or AIDS were released from prison
- Lack of Education
- High Unemployment
- Homelessness

# Intermediate Sanctions

- Work Release
- Pre-Trial Release Programs
- Intensive Supervision Probation
- Day Reporting Centers
- Boot Camp Programs

# Day Reporting Centers



One stop shopping centers to  
provide services for all  
populations



# Key Elements of a Day Reporting Center

Drug Testing	Regular Check-In Times
Community Supervision	Daily Itinerary Sheet
Electronic Monitoring/ Curfew monitoring	Clear Eligibility Criteria
A Strong Treatment Component	Employment Development and Life Skills

# **Successful Day Reporting Centers**

- **Develop sound entrance criteria**
- **Have strong security components**
- **Work in close collaboration with stakeholders**
- **Continue to adapt to the changing needs of the community**

# Santa Barbara County Jail Programs

- Home Monitoring and Community Work Release
- Electronic Monitoring
- Sheriff's Work Alternative (SWAP)
- Early Release Monitoring
- 248 clients on 4-5-06
- Offices in Santa Barbara and Santa Maria
- Four full-time correctional staff and part-time extra help to complete job checks, etc.

# Sheriff's Treatment Program

## Basic Components

Provides Services to Female and Male Inmates

- Anger Management
- Individual Counseling
- Client Support Groups
- Intake and Assessment
- AA/NA Meetings
- Grief Recovery Classes
- Pre-Release Education
- Relapse Prevention Education
- Aftercare/Follow Up

# Court Programs

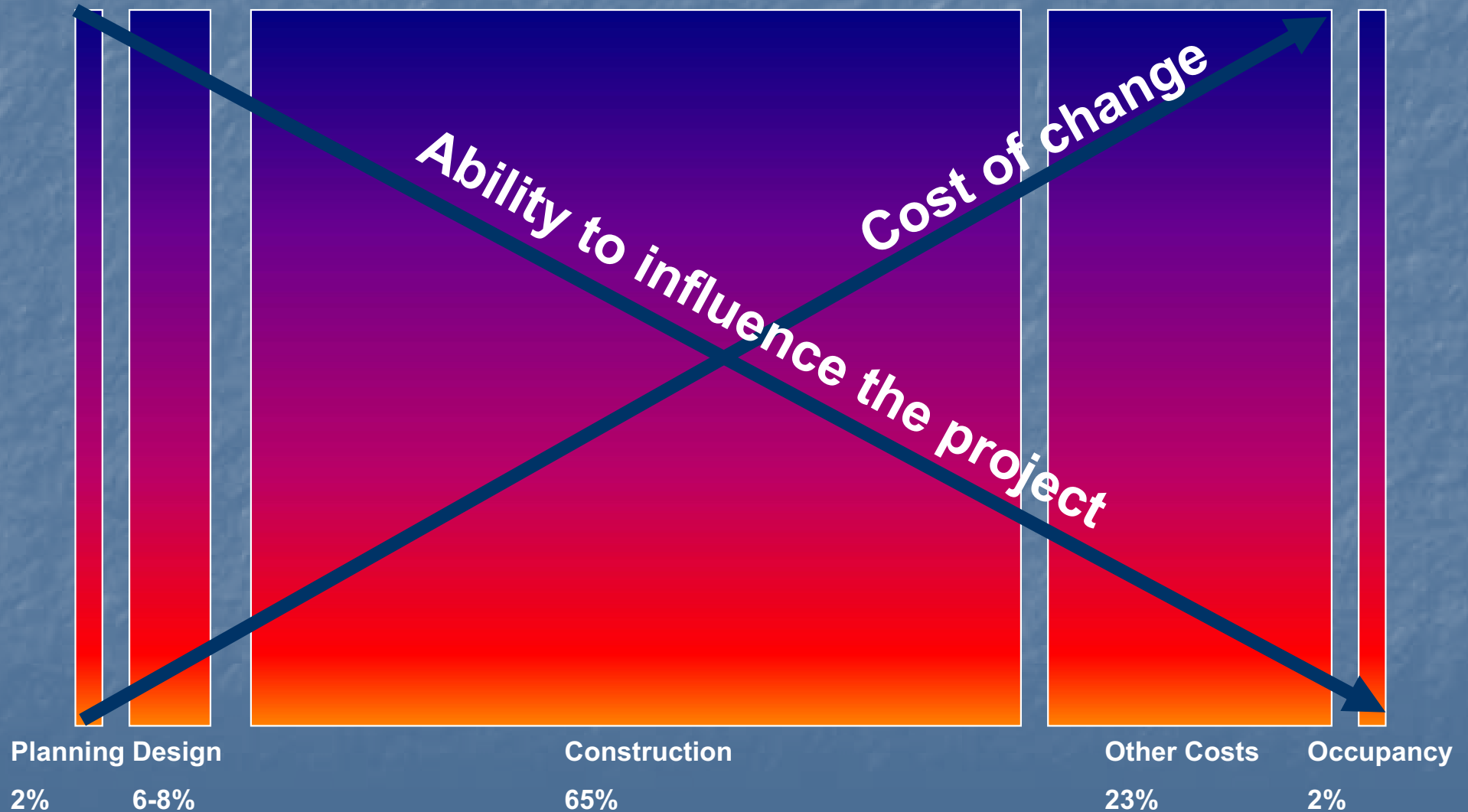
- Mental Health Court
- Drug Court Program
- Domestic Violence Program
- Proposition 36 Court
- Intensive Supervision has about 70 clients (this is much higher than the national average)

# Reentry Council Recommendations

- Make smart release and community supervision decisions
- Ensure support for victims
- Offer safe places to live
- Break the bonds of addiction
- Treat physical and mental illness
- Foster meaningful relationships
- Provide training, education and jobs

- ① Who's in the system?
- ② How many beds?
- ③ What type of facility?
- ④ Where to build?
- ⑤ How much will it cost?
- ⑥ What are the options?
- ⑦ When will it come on line?

# Project Costs and Owner Influence







# Funding



- Second Chance Act
  - Transitional Treatment
- Office of Correctional Education
  - Employment Job Skills
- Bureau of Justice Assistance
  - Demonstration Grants
- State Funding
- Foundation Funding

# Santa Barbara County Criminal Justice



The System – The Jail

WHAT IS IT?  
WHAT WILL IT BE?

# Observations and Themes

- Facility is under a Superior Court ordered cap
- The jail has good treatment programs
- There are more services needed for mental health
- There is excellent cooperation and coordination with community agencies
- There are mental health courts and drug court programs
- The jail consists of a variety of different generations of construction philosophies

# Observations and Themes

- Parts of the buildings are older and in disrepair
- Overcrowding is severely impacting the ability to properly classify inmates into housing and programs
- There is no adult detention facility in the North County to house inmates beyond 96 hours

## Observations and Themes con't...

- Over 55% of the inmates housed in the Santa Barbara facilities are North County inmates
- The North County is the largest population area of the County, and it continues to grow
- There are large costs associated with transporting between North and South County









# Recommendations

- There is a need for a new facility in North County
- Grand Jury reports continue each year to recommend a new county jail facility located in North County
- The present facility limits the ability to classify offenders effectively

# Recommendations

- Santa Barbara County should pursue collaborative funding strategies that would benefit all criminal justice agencies
- The electronic monitoring program is understaffed and in need of additional resources
- The jail should consider implementing a day reporting center program with a strong treatment component