



Blue Ribbon Commission
on Jail Overcrowding

Overview

To Be Effective The Criminal Justice System Must Hold Offenders Accountable

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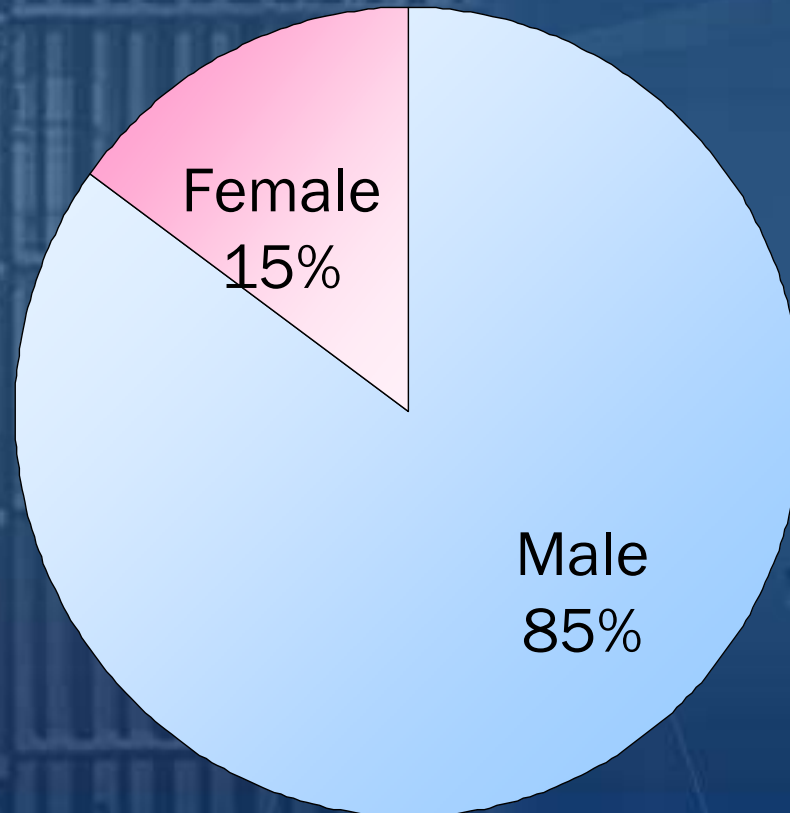
For The Past 20 Years Our Jail System
Has Been Seriously Overcrowded



Photo: Minimum Security Facility (MSF)

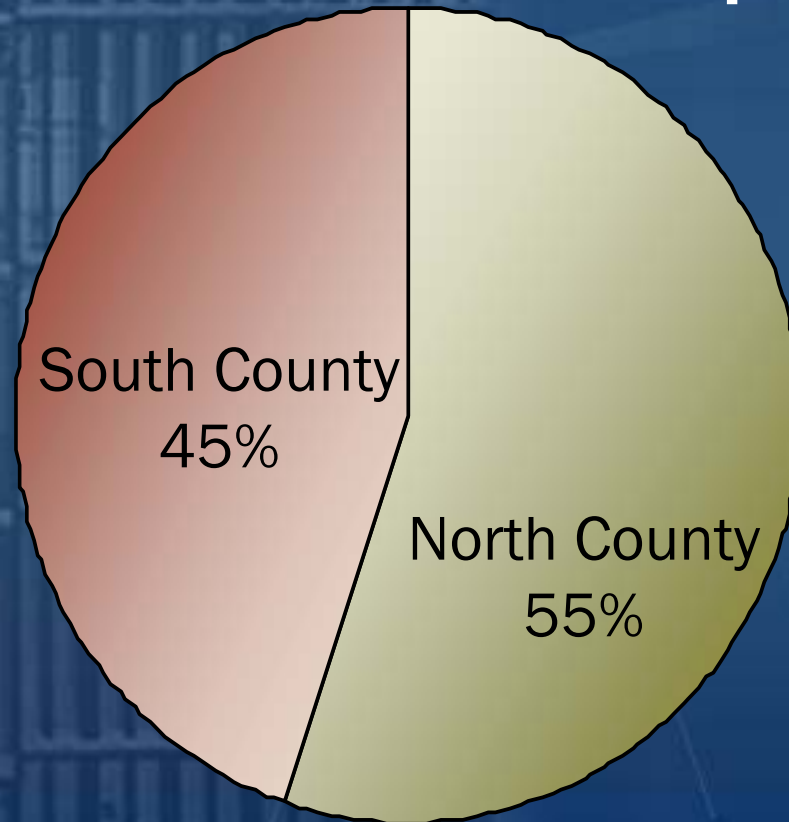
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Gender Breakdown of Jail Population



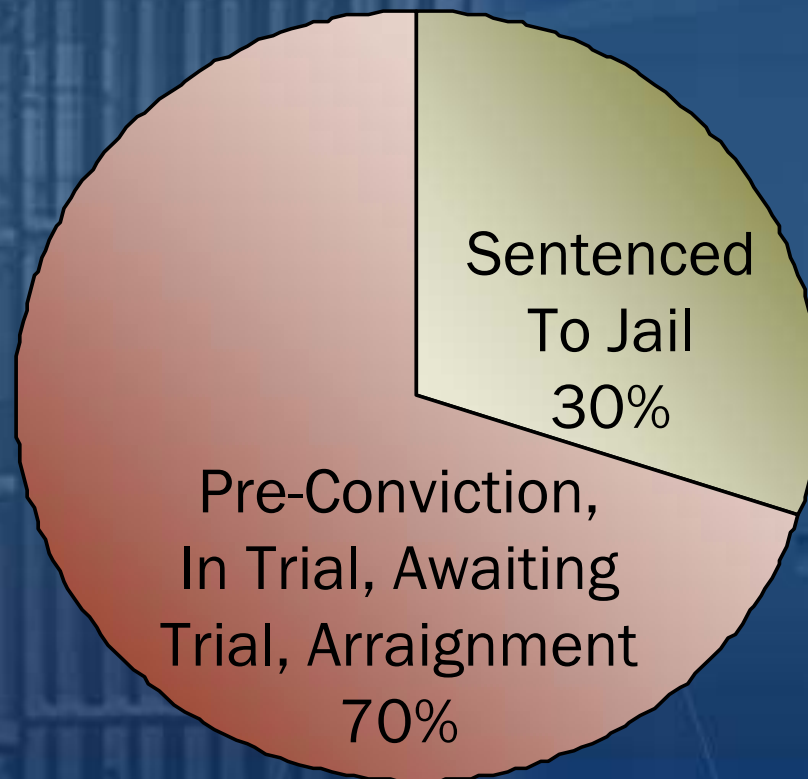
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Arrest Location of Jail Population



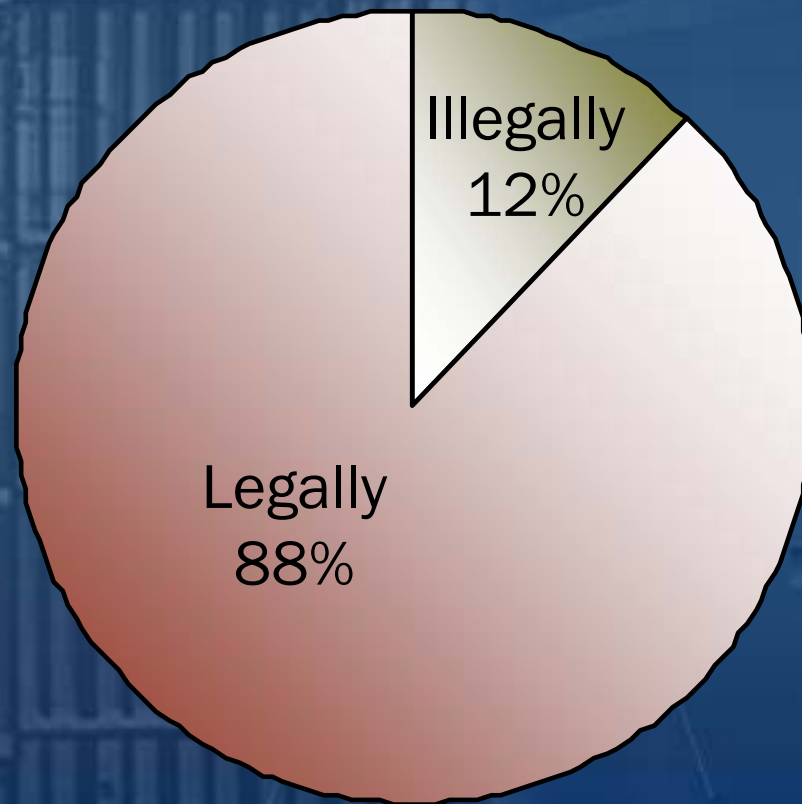
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Sentenced / Pre-Sentenced Jail Population



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Jail Population's Status In The United States



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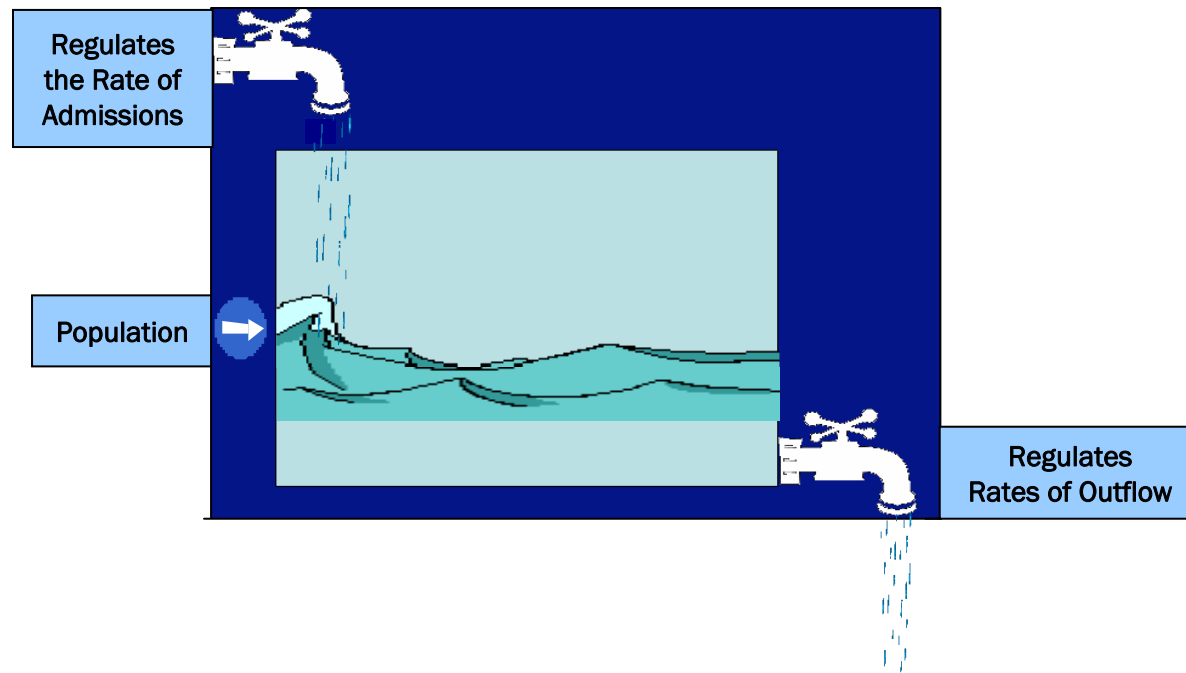
Case Study - Serena

- Age 9, went to **Juvenile Hall** for **Stealing And Drinking**
- Age 13, went to **Juvenile Hall** and then **California Youth Authority** for **Stabbing** a woman 7 times
- Age 20, went to **Jail** for **Burglary** and **Vandalism**
- Age 22, went to **Prison** for **Sale Of Drugs**
- Other **Arrest** include **DUI, Home Invasion Robbery, Battery, and Gang Activity**
- In **County Jail - 25 times**

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The Aquarium Analogy:

Average Daily Population (ADP)
Is a function of
Admission rate & length of stay



Recommendations Overview

Implement A Blended Strategy

- Add Capacity
- Invest In Prevention And Alternatives To Jail

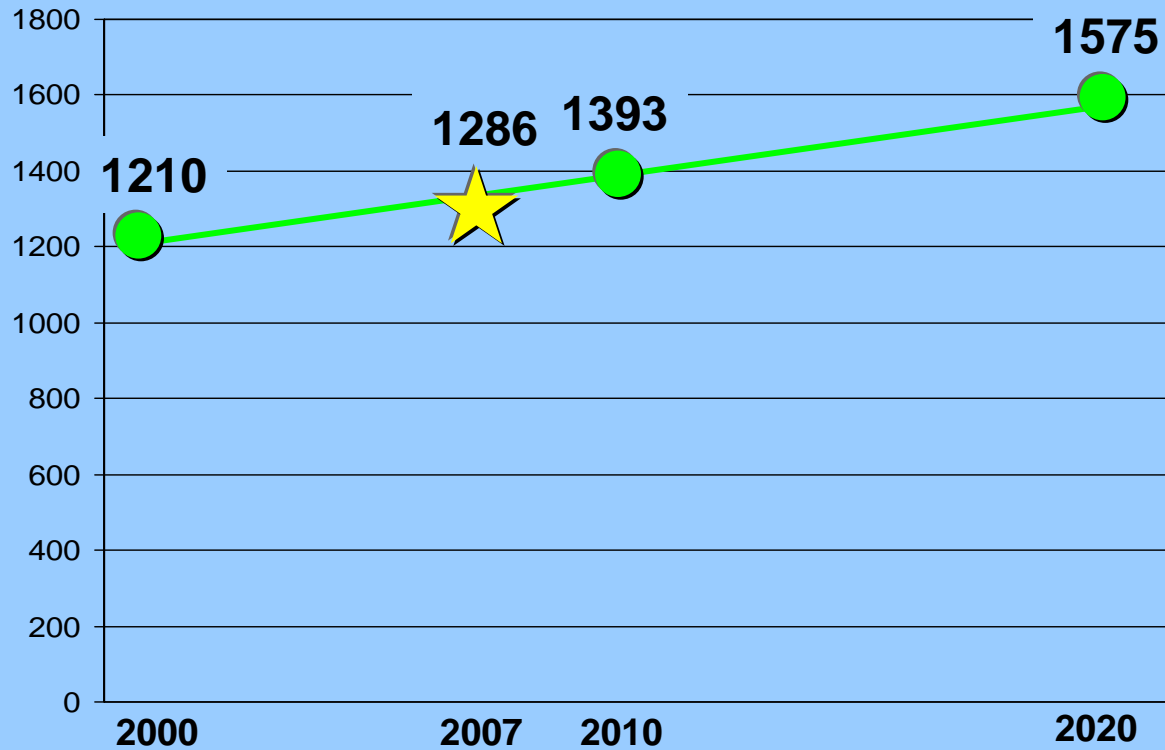
Create A Criminal Justice Coordinating Council

Strategies For Funding

Commission Recommendation 1

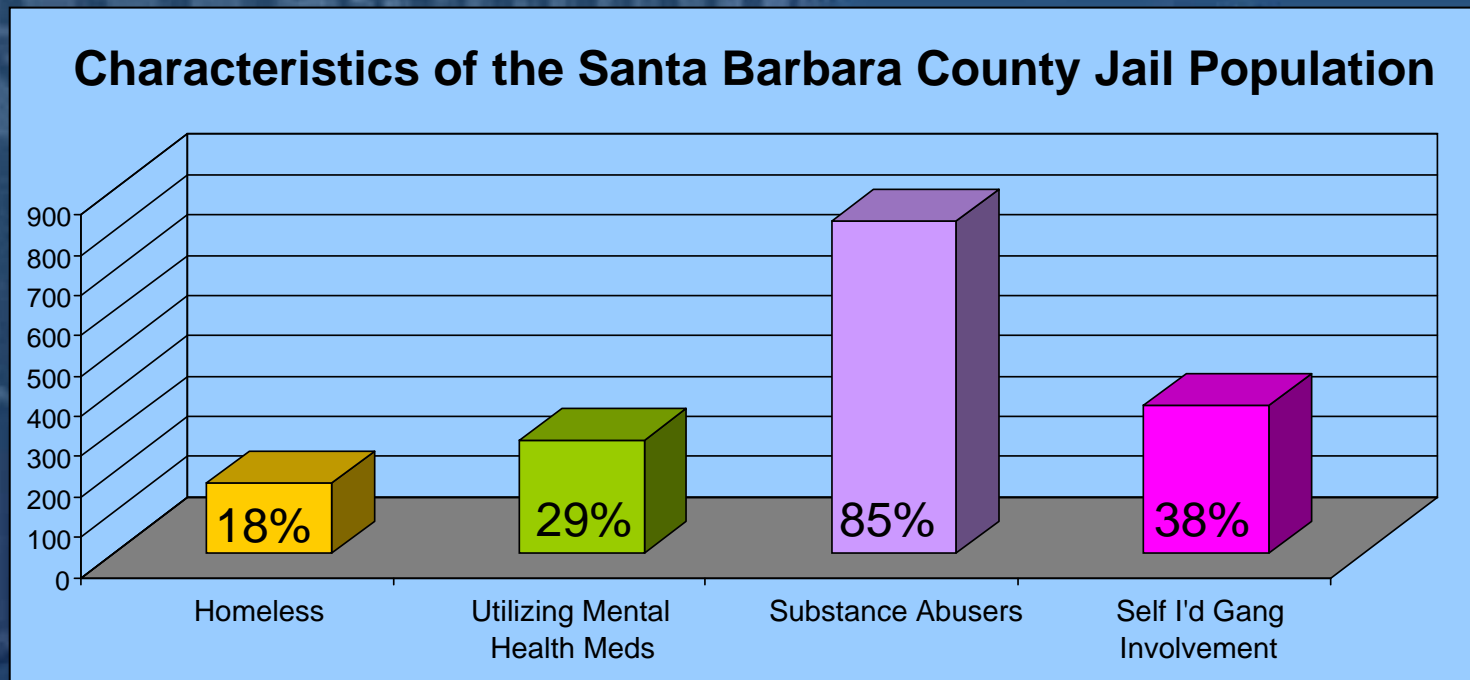
Build a 300-Bed Jail

**Projected Bed Capacity
All Santa Barbara Jail Facilities**



Commission Recommendation 2

Invest In Prevention, Intervention And Recovery Programs



Commission Recommendation 3

Invest In Community Corrections Programs



Day Reporting Center



GPS Electronic Monitoring

Commission Recommendation 4

Initially invest \$5.8 Million Per Year In Jail Overcrowding Prevention Funding For Recommendations 2 And 3

Create a Jail Overcrowding Prevention Commission

Commission Recommendation 5

Create A Criminal Justice Coordinating Council (CJCC)

- Consists Of Department Heads From The Criminal Justice System
 - Courts
 - Sheriff
 - District Attorney
 - Chief Probation Officer
 - Public Defender
 - County Executive Officer
 - Private Criminal Defense Attorneys
 - Senior representatives of Local Law Enforcement

Commission Recommendation 6

Strategies for Funding



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Cost of Construction and Operation

Cost to County of a 300-bed jail facility Without a SCRF:	\$ 80.0 million
Construction Cost of a combined 300-bed Jail and SCRF:	\$ 230.0 million
Amount paid by State:	<u>(208.0 million)</u>
Net Capital Cost to County	\$ 22.0 million
Operating Cost of 300-bed Jail:	\$ 15.0 million/yr
Less State (5/8 of common facility operating costs of \$5.3 m/yr)	- <u>3.3 million/yr</u>
Net County jail operating cost	\$ 11.7 million/yr
Plus Prevention costs (@50%)	<u>5.8 million/yr</u>
Total Net County operating costs:	\$ 17.5 million/yr

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To support existing county programs a new revenue stream is required for \$17.5 million per year

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Commitment to pursue and implement options for funding the proposed jail is required by the state before March 18, 2008

Conclusion

Protecting public safety is the highest priority of the Commission's work.

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The Commission urges the Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors and the public to act now on these recommendations