

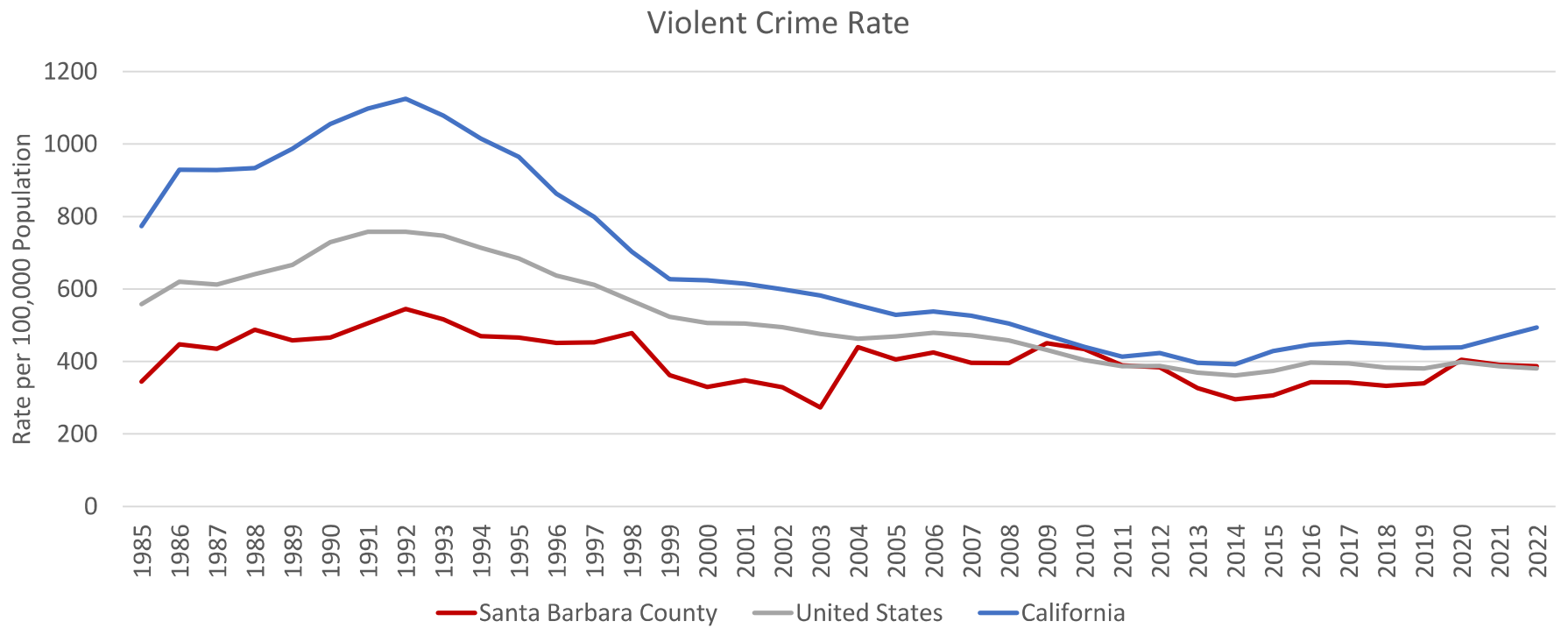
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Santa Barbara Criminal Justice Overview and Jail Projections

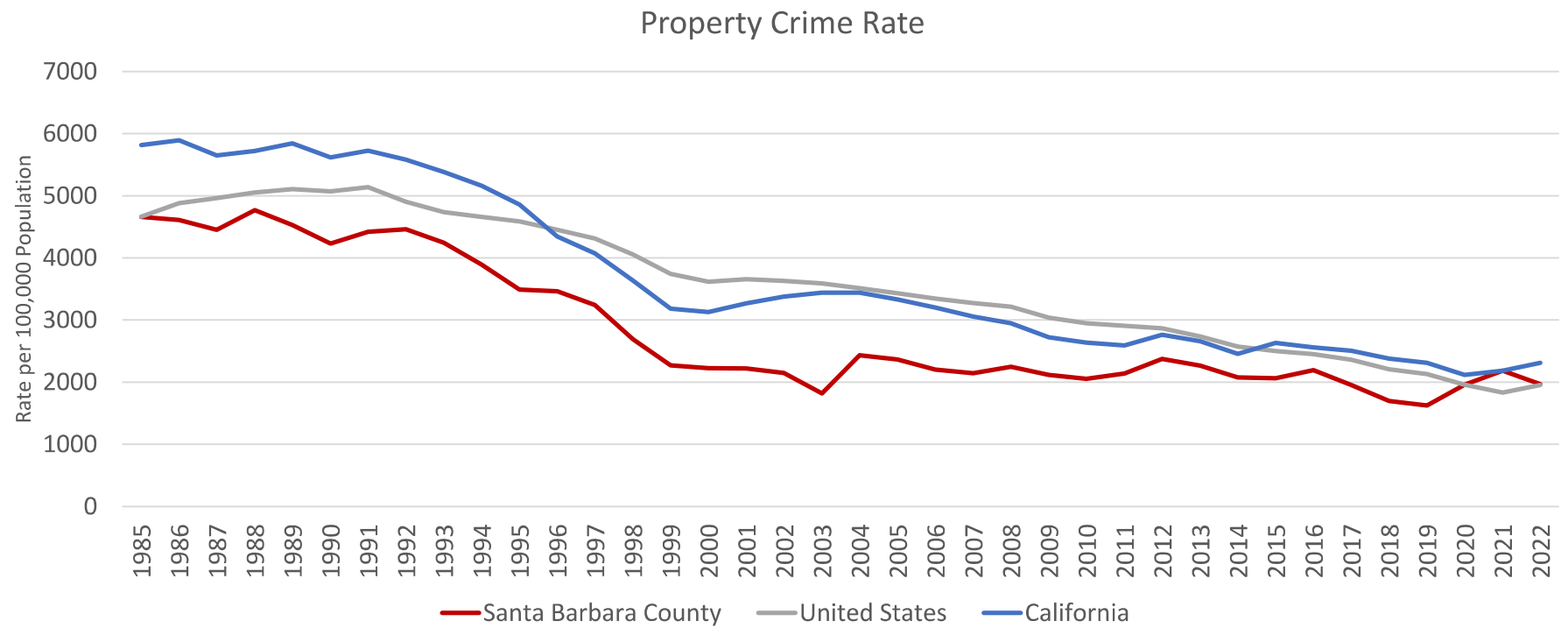
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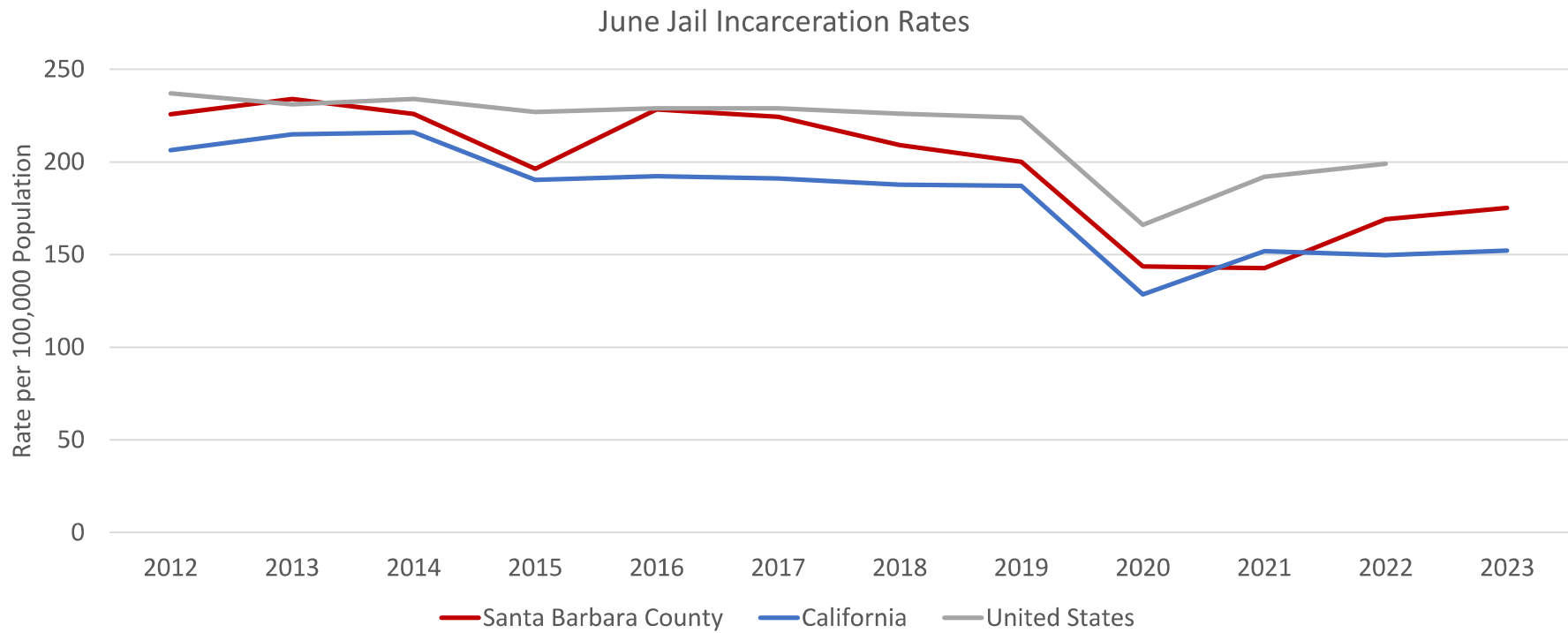
Violent Crime Rate Comparison



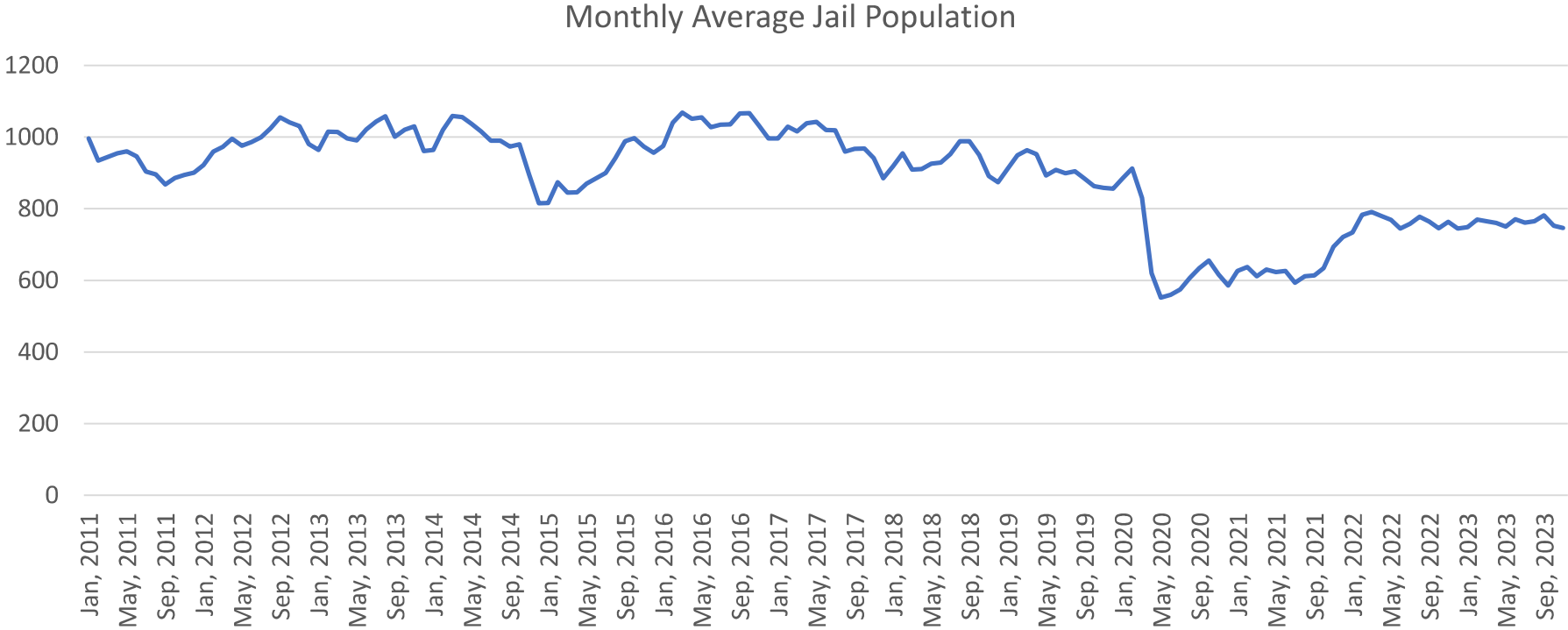
Property Crime Rate Comparison



Incarceration Rate Comparison

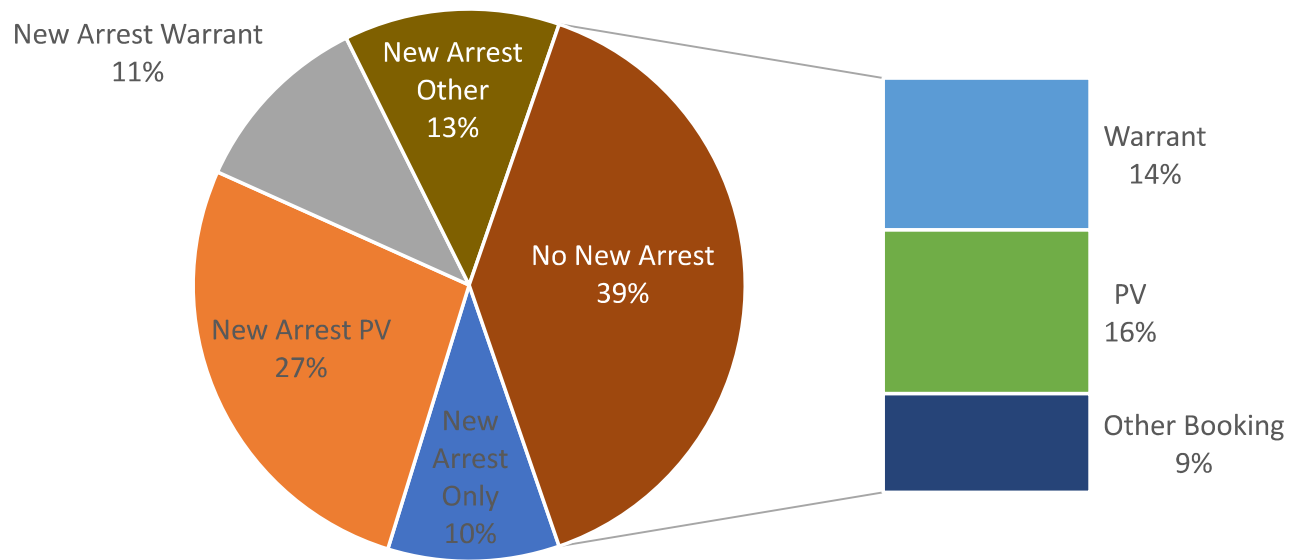


Jail Population Slightly Declined Through 2019, Fell Sharply in 2020, Stabilized in 2022



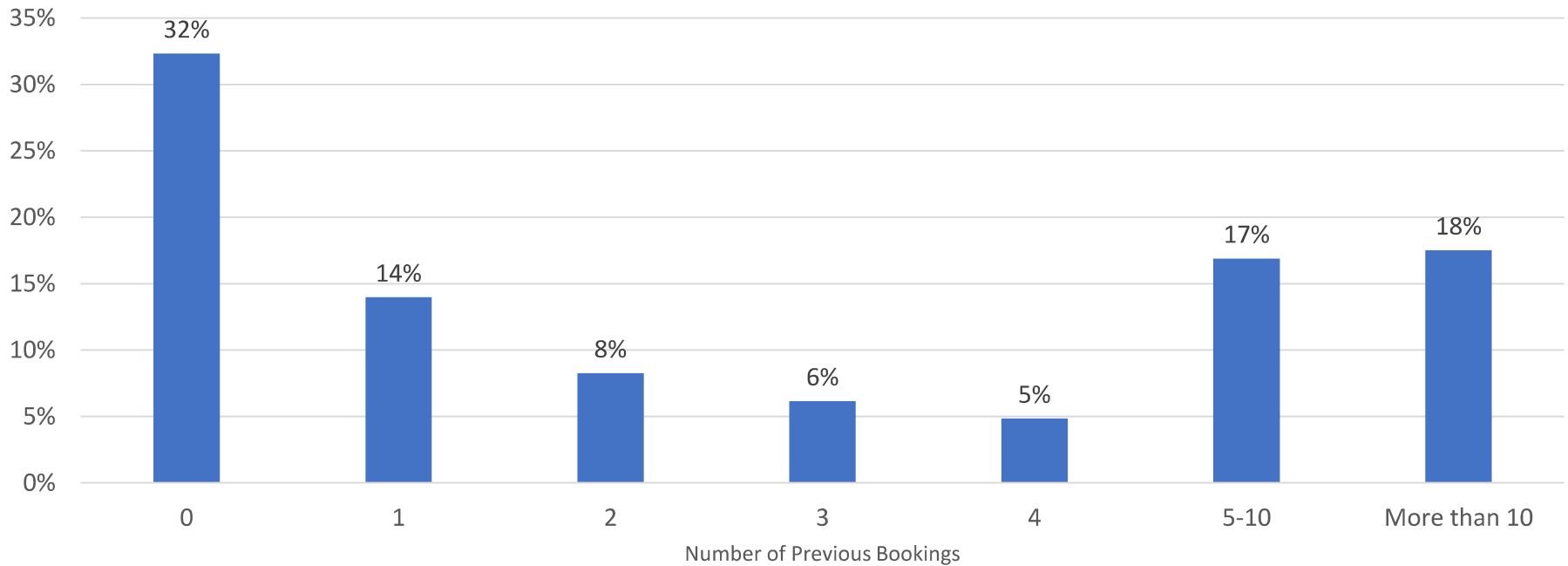
Most Individuals in Jail Are Booked on a New Arrest but Few Have Only a New Arrest

Jail Bed Usage, FY 2023 Releases



Most Individuals Booked Into Jail Have Been Previously Booked

Previous Jail Stays for Those Booked in FY 2023

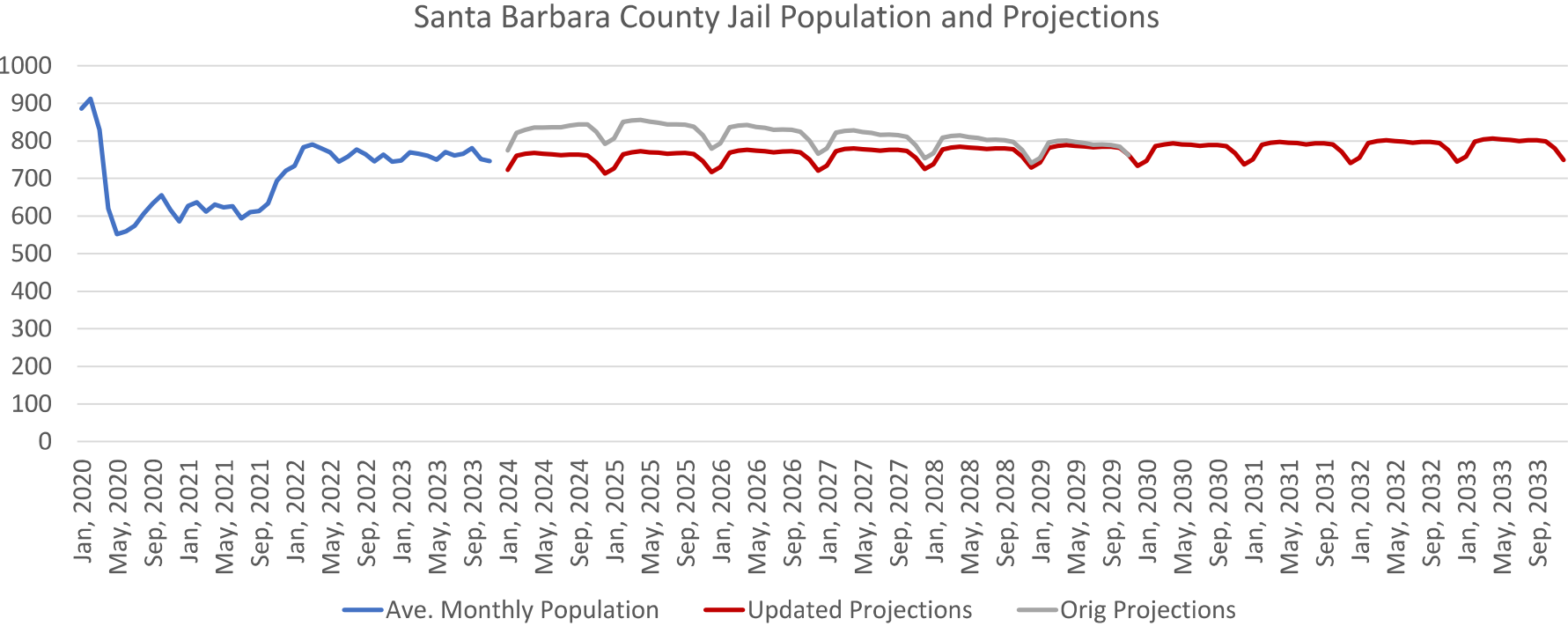


Jail Projections and Policy Options

Jail Projections Assumptions and Updates

- Updated projections to remove the alternative sentencing population
- Updated to reflect 2022 and 2023 data for bookings and length of stay
- Updated to incorporate new demographic projections from the California Department of Finance
 - Used the demographics of the November 2023 jail population and the most recent DOF projections to estimate a 10-year growth rate of 5.6 percent
- New projections were based on the past two years of admissions and average length of stay, both of which were relatively flat
- Projected slight growth in the jail population based on the DOF projections of increased population growth in the county

Baseline Jail Projections



Policy Changes

- The county is working on number of policy changes to reduce the length of stay, divert certain individuals from jail, and reduce recidivism
- The current jail projections do not include estimated policy changes
 - Data gaps for those in jail with mental health needs
 - Many of the policy changes are either just beginning or still in the planning stages with insufficient time to estimate impacts

Summary

- Both Santa Barbara County's property and violent crime rates were down in 2022 and are well below the state average
- The jail population has stabilized at around 750, and has changed little over the past two years
- The jail population is expected to grow 5.6% over the next 10 years due to more people projected to live in Santa Barbara County
- The county is working on policy and practice changes to reduce the long-term jail population

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