

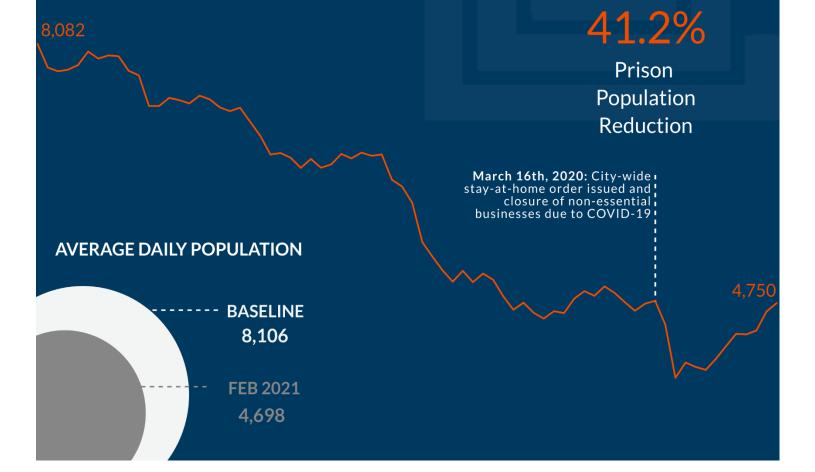


MacArthur Safety and Justice Challenge

First Judicial District of Pennsylvania Department of Research and Development

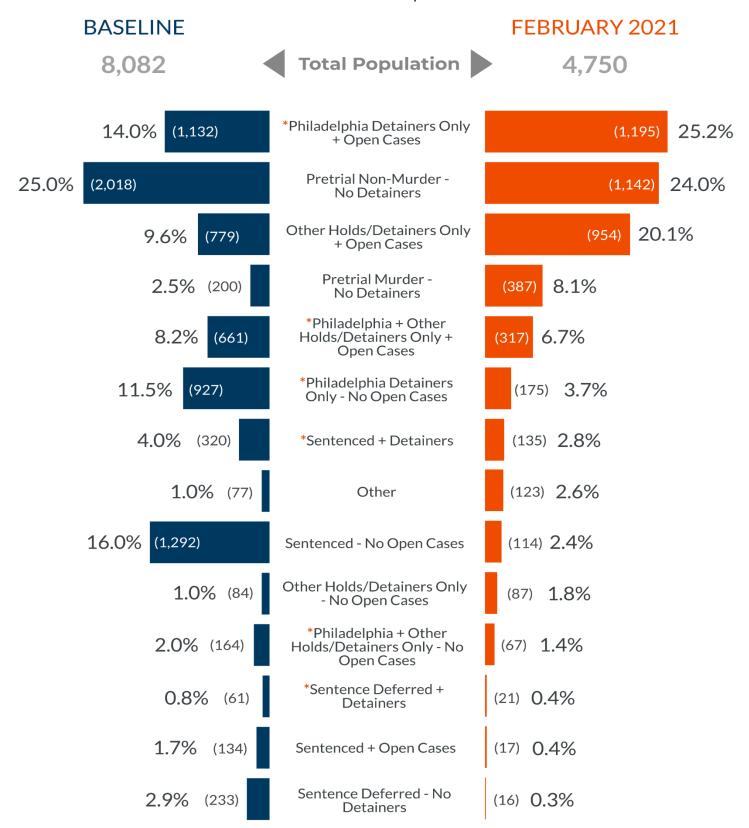


In 2016, Philadelphia received \$3.5 million dollars as part of the MacArthur Foundation's Safety and Justice Challenge - a national initiative to decrease local jail populations and address racial, ethnic, and economic disparities in the criminal justice system. Philadelphia implemented a number of collaborative reform measures with justice and behavioral health partners. Efforts to achieve a 50% reduction in the city's prison population were bolstered by an additional \$4 million dollars awarded in October 2018. To date, Philadelphia's prison population is down 41.2% from 8,082 in July 2015 (Baseline) to 4,750 in February 2021. This summary report provides a high level glance at progress by comparing the current population to baseline data.



## CONFINEMENT CATEGORY\* COMPARISON

Note: Counts are noted in parentheses



<sup>\*</sup>Detailed description of confinement categories can be found here: <a href="http://bit.ly/2TjoVQS">http://bit.ly/2TjoVQS</a>

Note. All Philadelphia detainer categories also include those issued on special probation cases at the request of Pennsylvania State Parole. A sentencing judge may request, while retaining their decision-making power, the Pennsylvania Parole Board to supervise certain people released from state custody, known as 'special probation' cases.

# POPULATION OVERVIEW

67.5%

74.1%

# FEBRUARY 2021

**GENDER** 

95%

5%

n = 4,538 MALE n = 212 FEMALE

VS

**BASELINE\*** 

**90%** n = 7,275

10% n = 784

MALE

FEMALE

\*23 records at Baseline were unknown



CURRENT

BASELINE

RACE / ETHNICITY

The Black population was the only race/ethnicity group that increased proportionally in February 2021, compared to baseline





0.8% 0.7% Other

**LENGTH OF STAY\*** 

CASH BAIL (Under \$50,000)

SERIOUSLY MENTALLY ILL (SMI)

#### **FEBRUARY 2021**

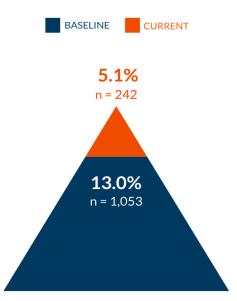


#### **BASELINE**



\*Length of stay (LOS) figures are for individuals who were still in custody at the time of the data extraction, as opposed to LOS for people who were released.

#### Pretrial Non-Murder - No Detainers



These folks would need to post 10% of their monetary bail to be released from prison.

### **FEBRUARY 2021**



### **BASELINE**

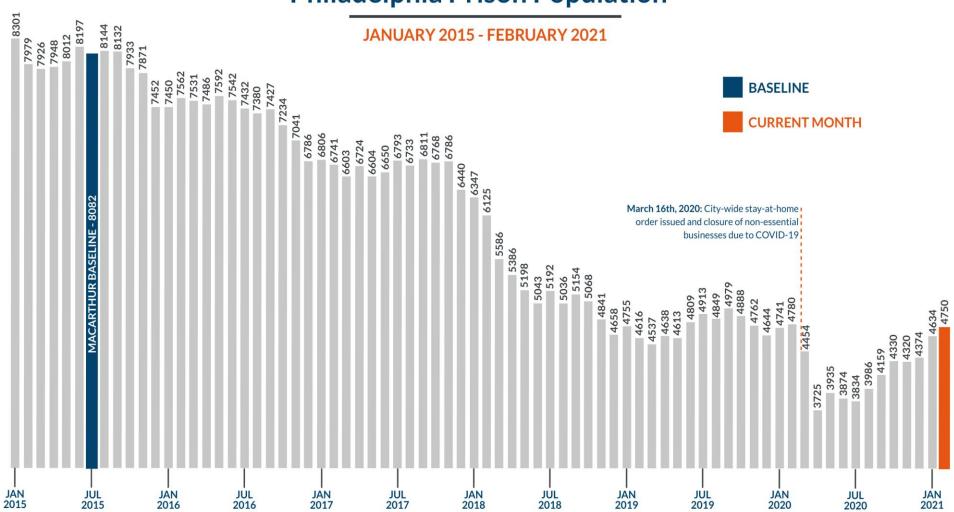








# **Philadelphia Prison Population**



Note: Due to scaling issues in previous reports this graph was redesigned in January, 2020, and all archival reports were updated.