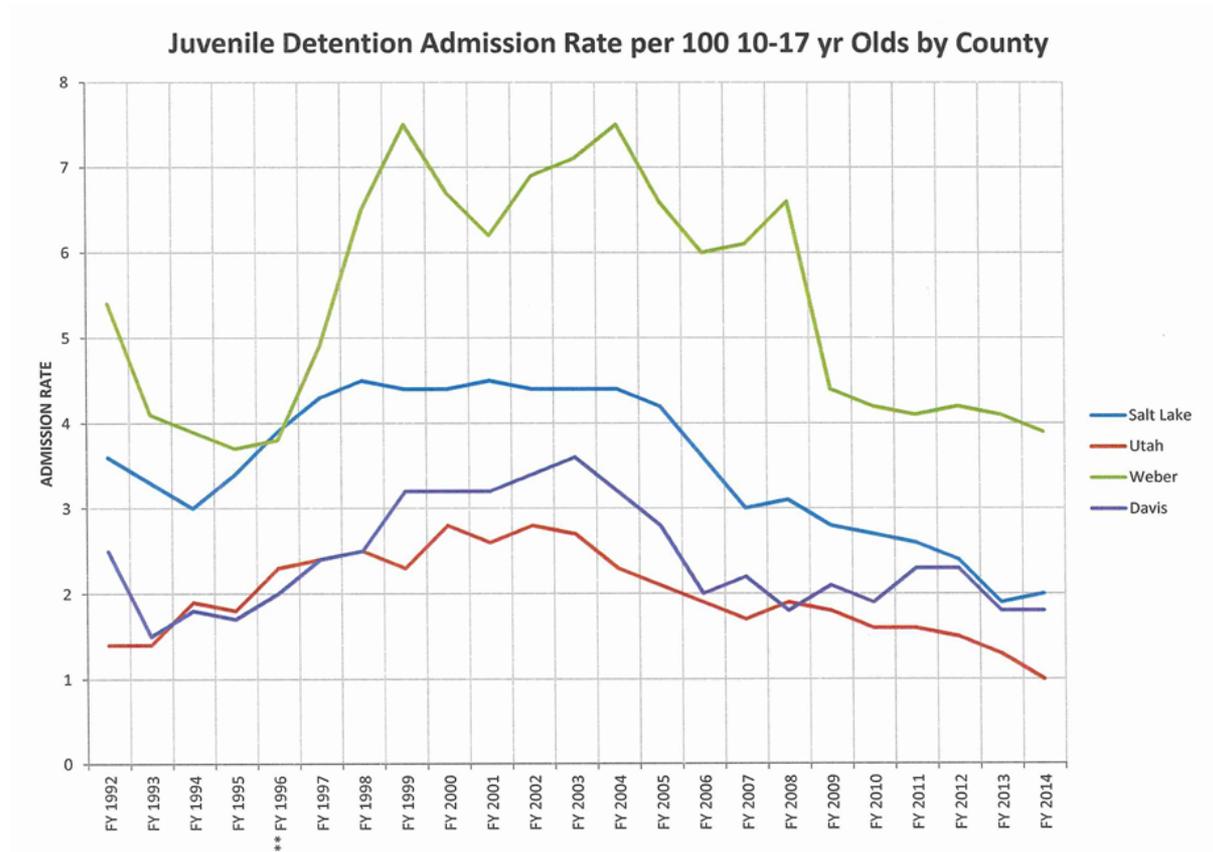


## Fiscal Highlights

### The New Weber Valley Juvenile Justice Facility - Clare Tobin Lence

The Division of Juvenile Services (JJS) operates detention facilities throughout the State that provide temporary care for youth under age 18 who are awaiting court proceedings, placement, or are serving a sentence ordered by the Juvenile Court. A judge can commit youth to detention services for a maximum of 30 days. While in detention, youth are provided with health care as well as education and recreation programming.

Juvenile detention admission rates are highest in Weber County, at 3.9 per 100 juveniles in Weber versus 2.2 per 100 juveniles statewide. Weber County has the second highest total number of admissions, after Salt Lake County, with over 1,000 youth admissions in FY 2014.



The Weber Valley Detention Center has been primarily supported with one-time funds since FY 2013, following Medicaid restructuring in FY 2011 that resulted in the loss of \$8.9 million in federal funds from the Division's budget. Some federal funds were used one-time in FY 2015, from the Social Service Block Grant. During the 2015 General Session, JJS received \$500,000 in ongoing funds and \$1.14 million in one-time funds to continue facility operation. JJS also received an ongoing appropriation of \$106,400 beginning in FY 2017 for the Weber Valley Multi-Use Youth Center.

Historical Funding for Weber Valley Detention Center				
Fiscal Year	Ongoing General Fund	One-Time General Fund	One-Time Federal Funds	Total
2016	\$500,000	\$1,140,000		\$1,640,000
2015		\$1,200,000	\$440,000	\$1,640,000
2014	\$439,400	\$1,200,000		\$1,639,400
2013		\$750,000		\$750,000

The Weber Valley Multi-Use Youth Center is a new facility expected to open in the spring of 2017. It will replace the Weber Valley Detention Center and incorporate other existing services that are currently spread across multiple locations, including a Receiving Center, early intervention diversion programming, an Observation and Assessment center, case management offices, transitional services, and a residential work program in anticipation of the prison closure. The Division reports that the new center will facilitate an increased number of beds as needed, allow proper classification of youths (based on age, gender, gang affiliation, behavioral, and medical issues), and support the Department of Human Services' "System of Care" initiative, by consolidating resources into one location.

In the 2014 General Session, \$2.3 million was appropriated by the Legislature to purchase a site for the new Weber Valley Multi-Use Youth Center. The sale was handled by the Division of Facilities Construction and Management. During the 2015 General Session, an additional \$19.38 million was appropriated to build the new facility. An architect has been selected and pre-construction meetings are in progress.

The Division expects to continue to request that the Legislature shift their one-time funding to ongoing funding. Some savings are anticipated with the consolidation of services in the Weber Valley Multi-Use Youth Center, but increasing bed capacity from 24 to 32 will likely increase costs as well.