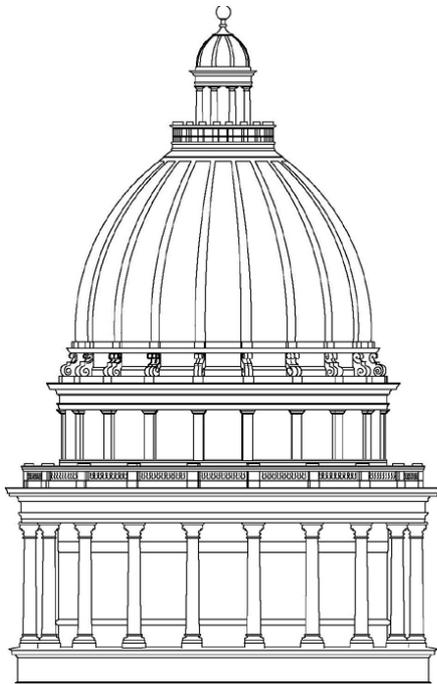


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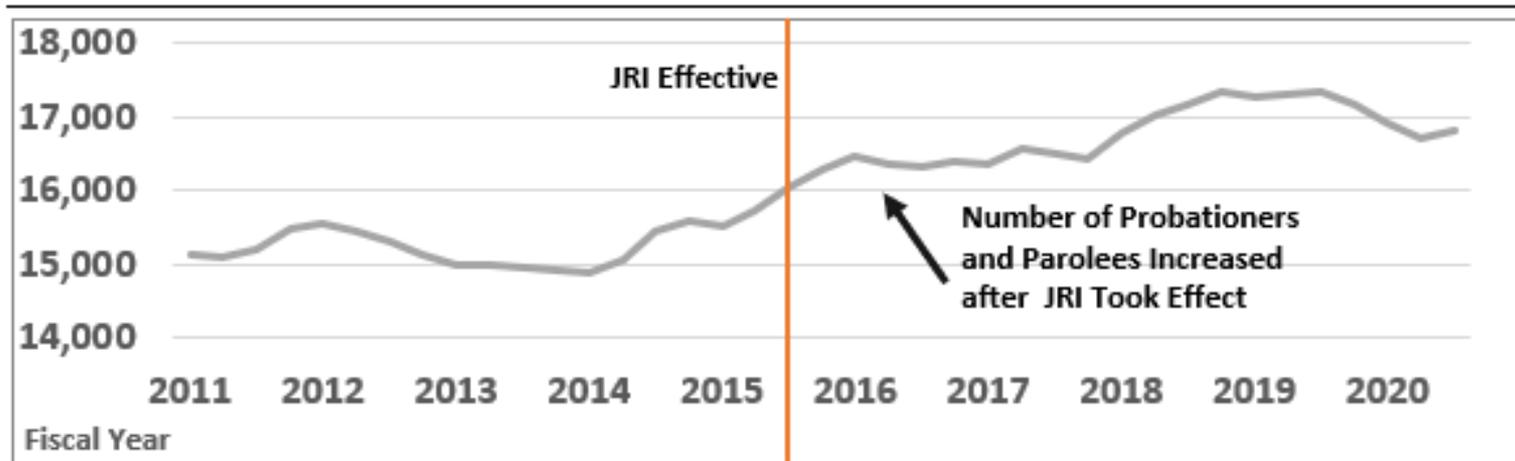
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Goals of JRI:

- 1. Control Prison Costs**
- 2. Reduce Recidivism**



Figure 2.2. A Drop in Utah's Inmate Population Has Shifted the Burden Away from the Prison System to AP&P.



Source: Utah Department of Corrections, Commission on Criminal and Juvenile Justice

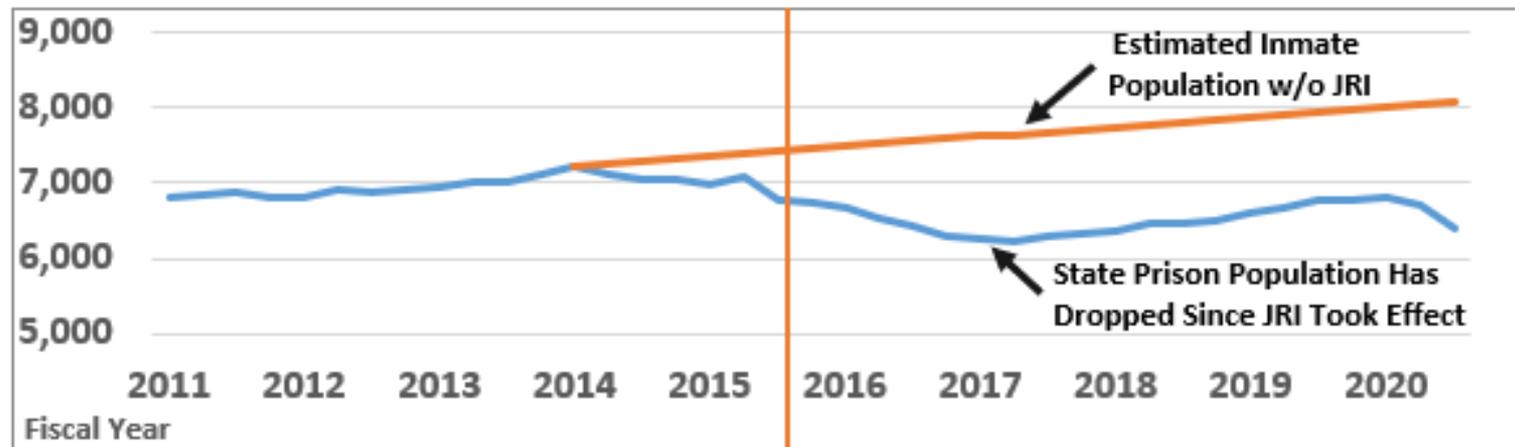


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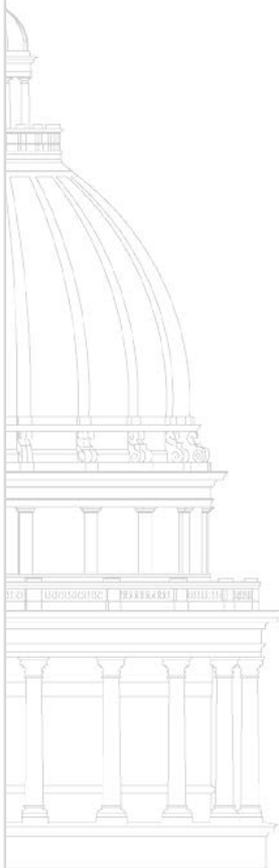
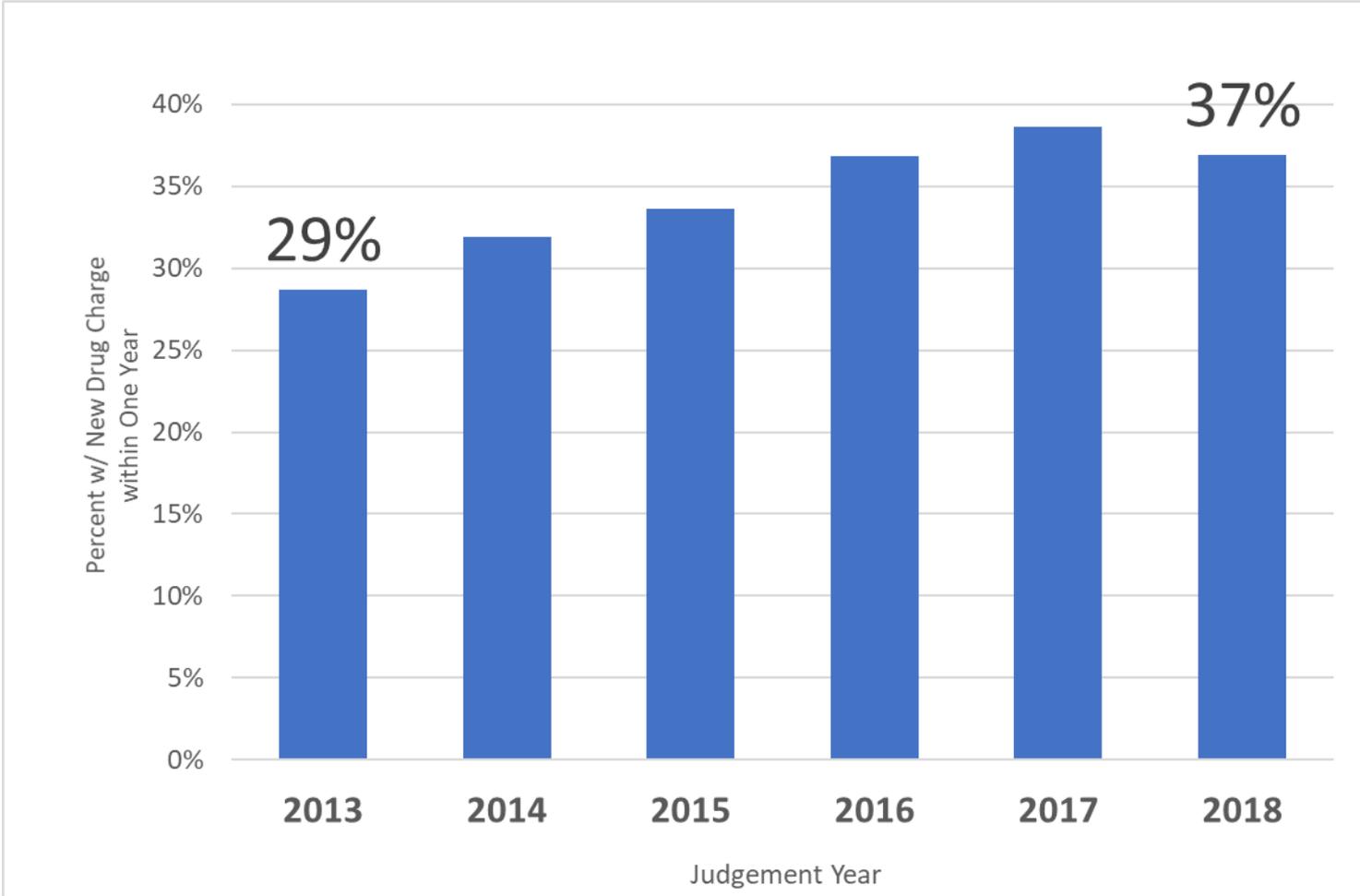


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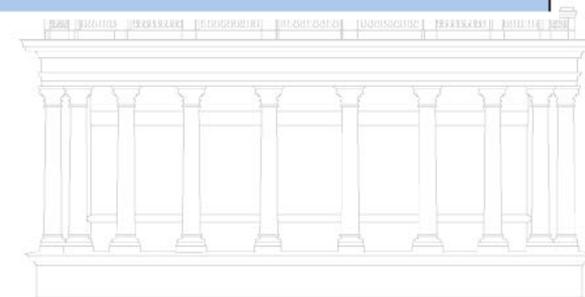
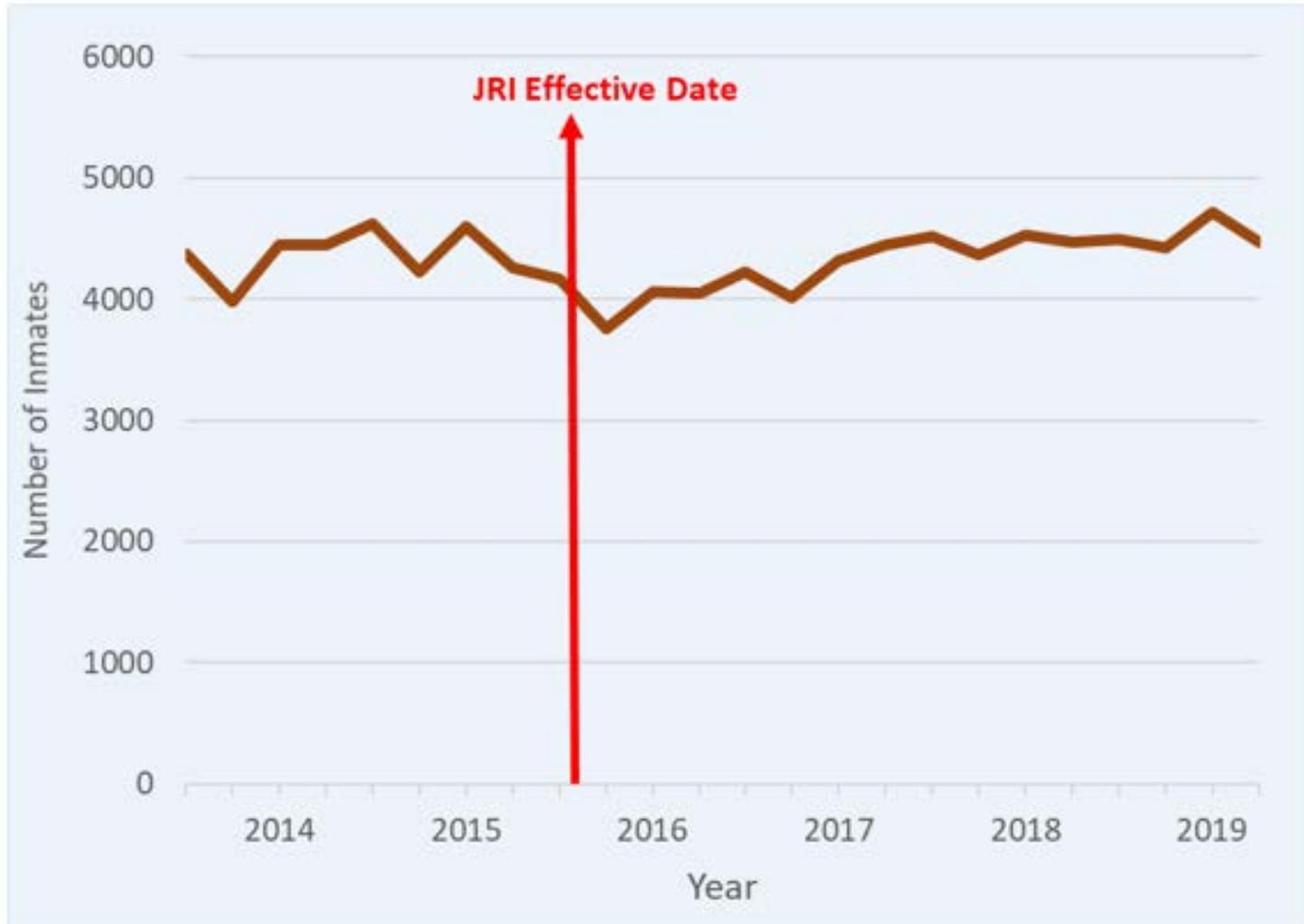


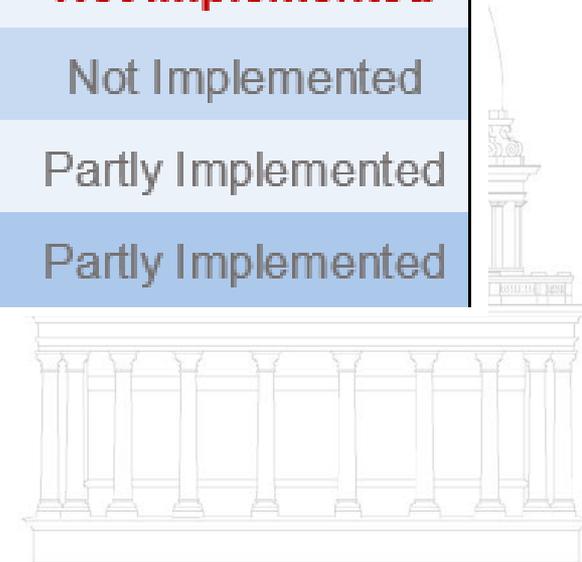
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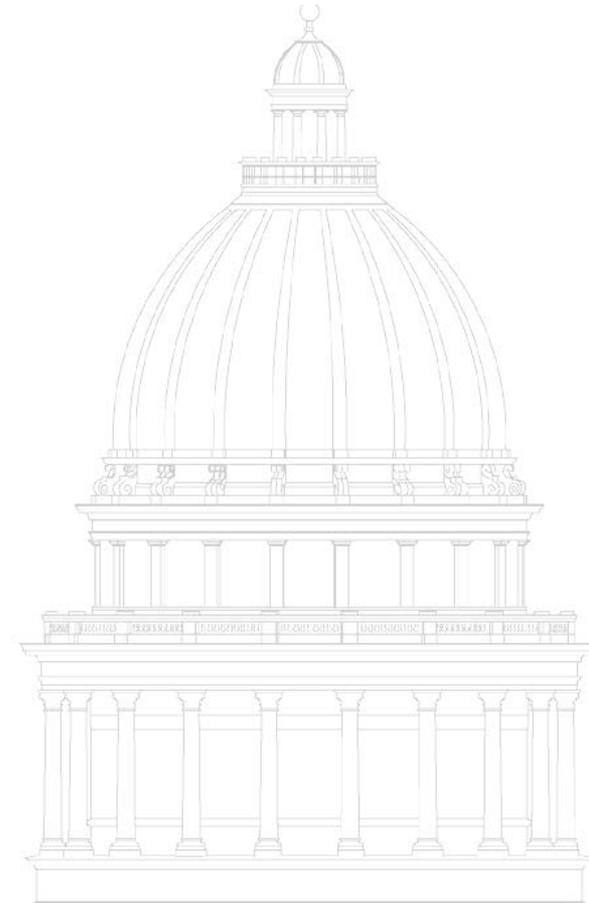
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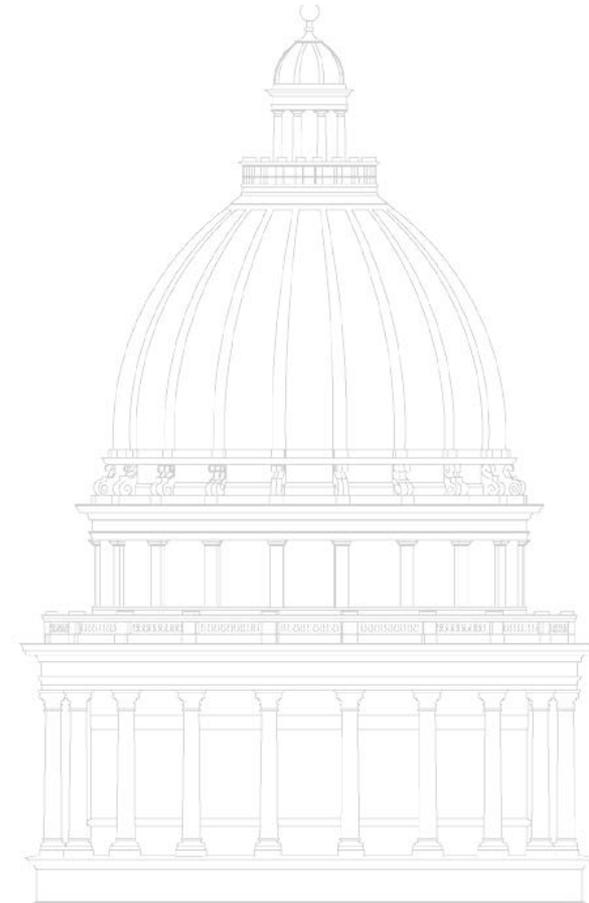


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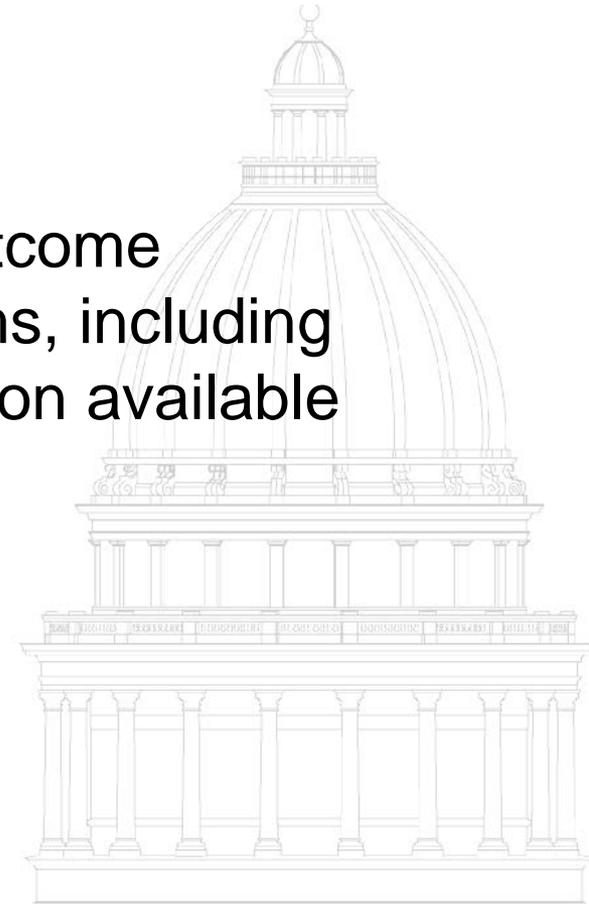
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“establish performance goals and outcome measurements for treatment programs, including recidivism, ...and make this information available to the public.”

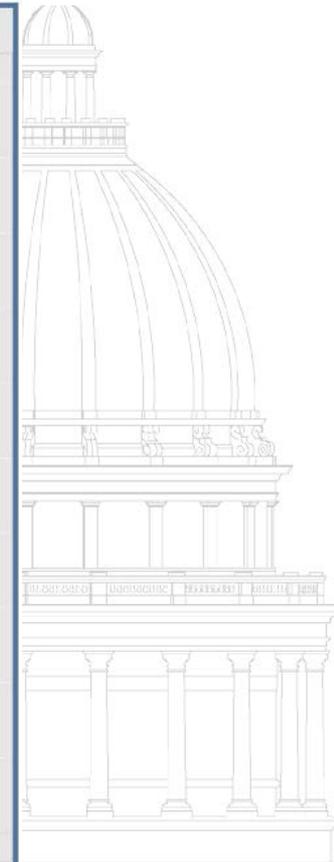
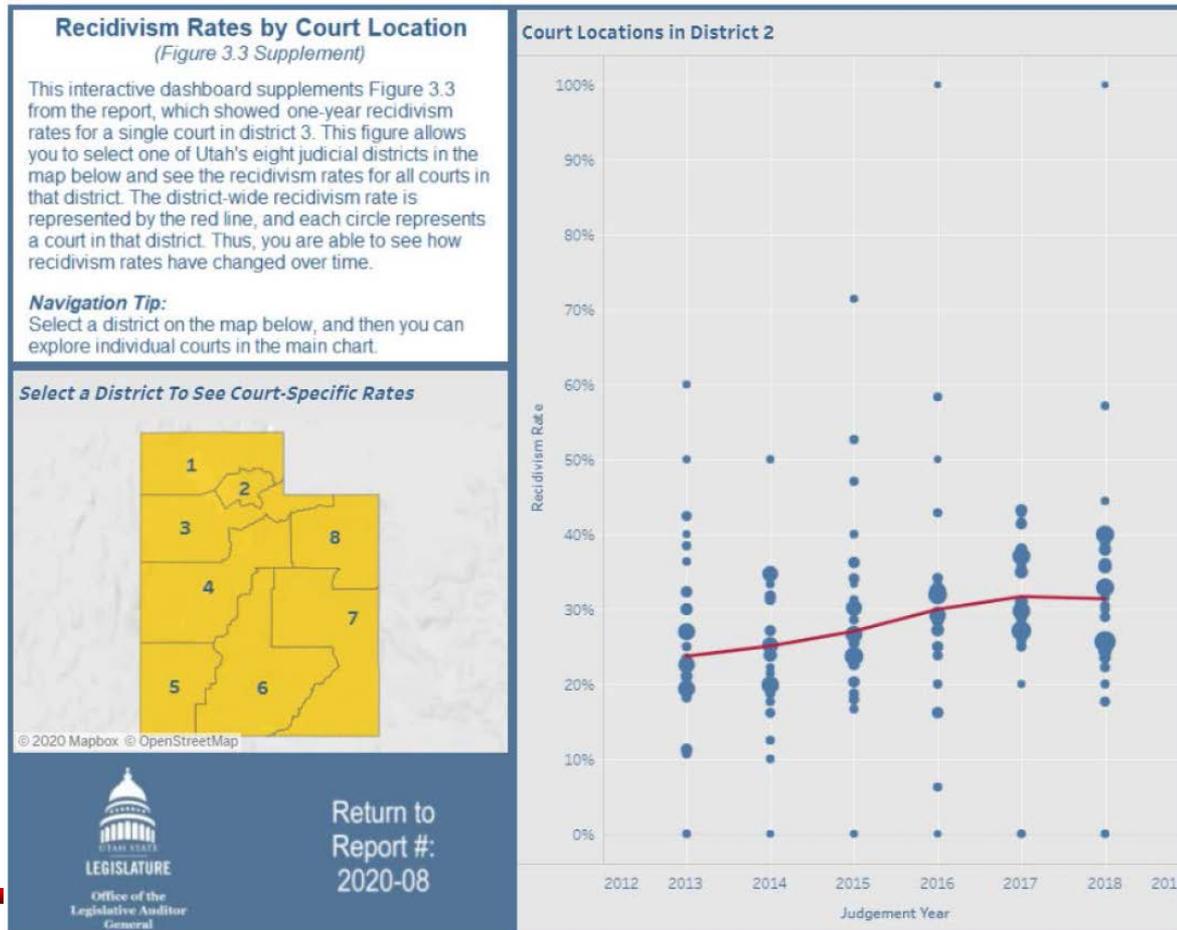


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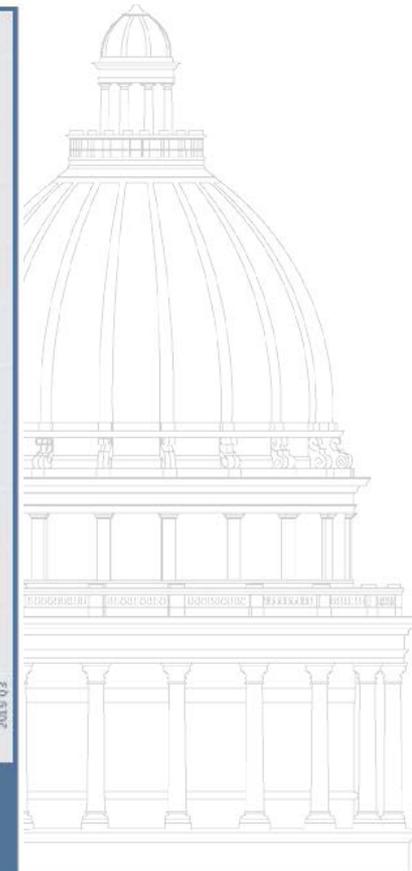
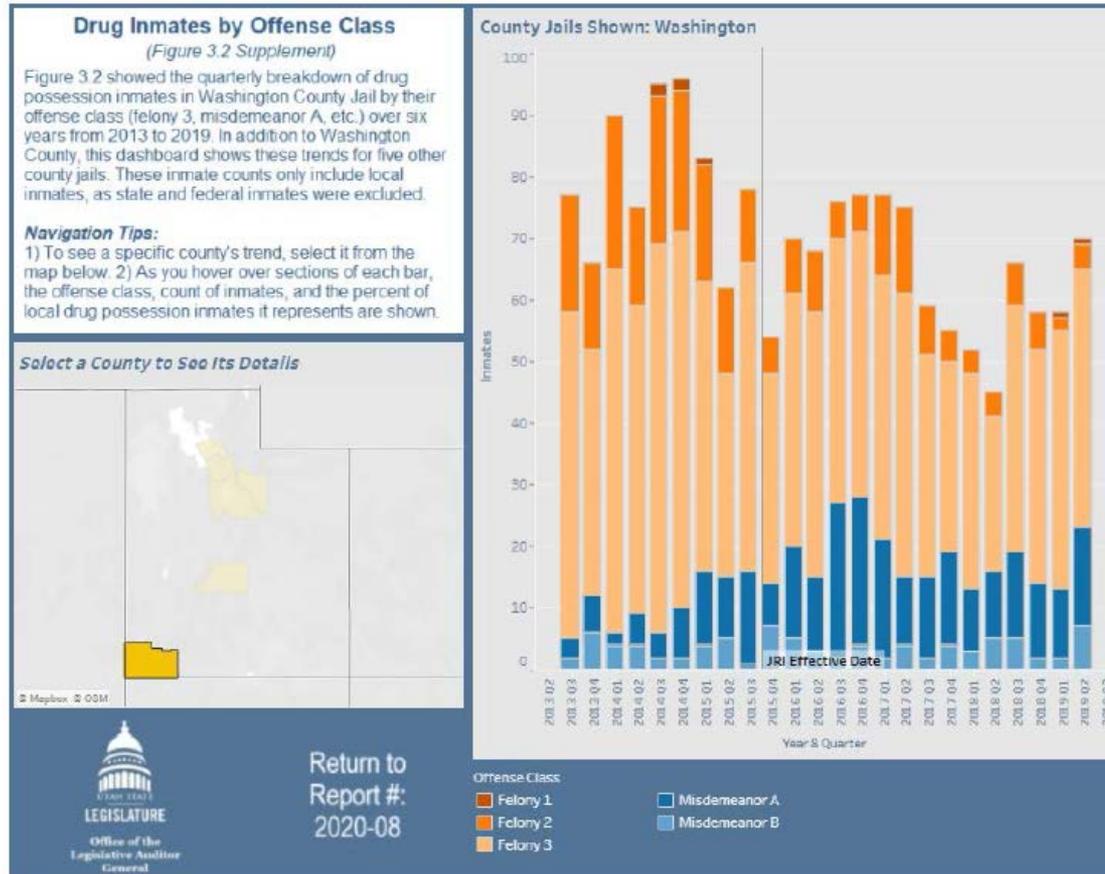


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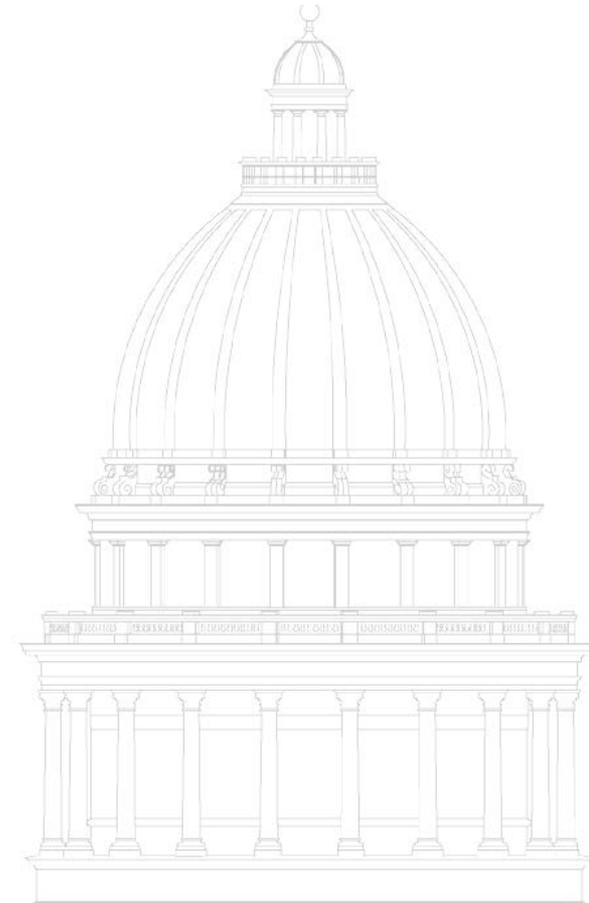
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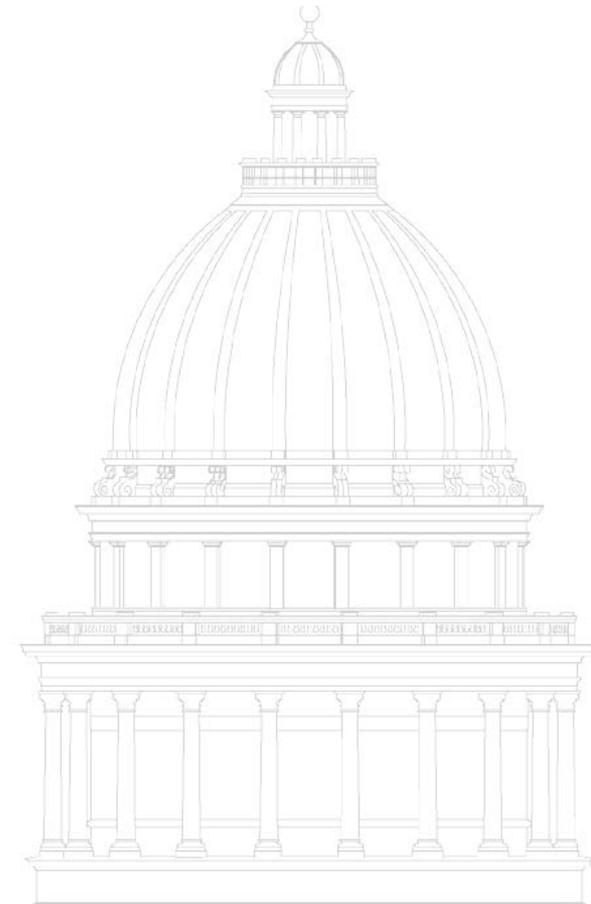
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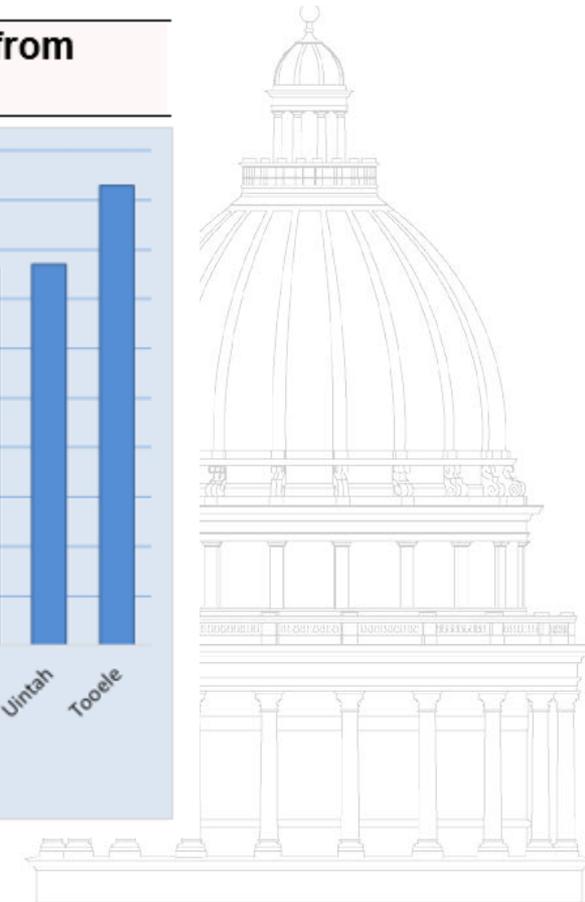
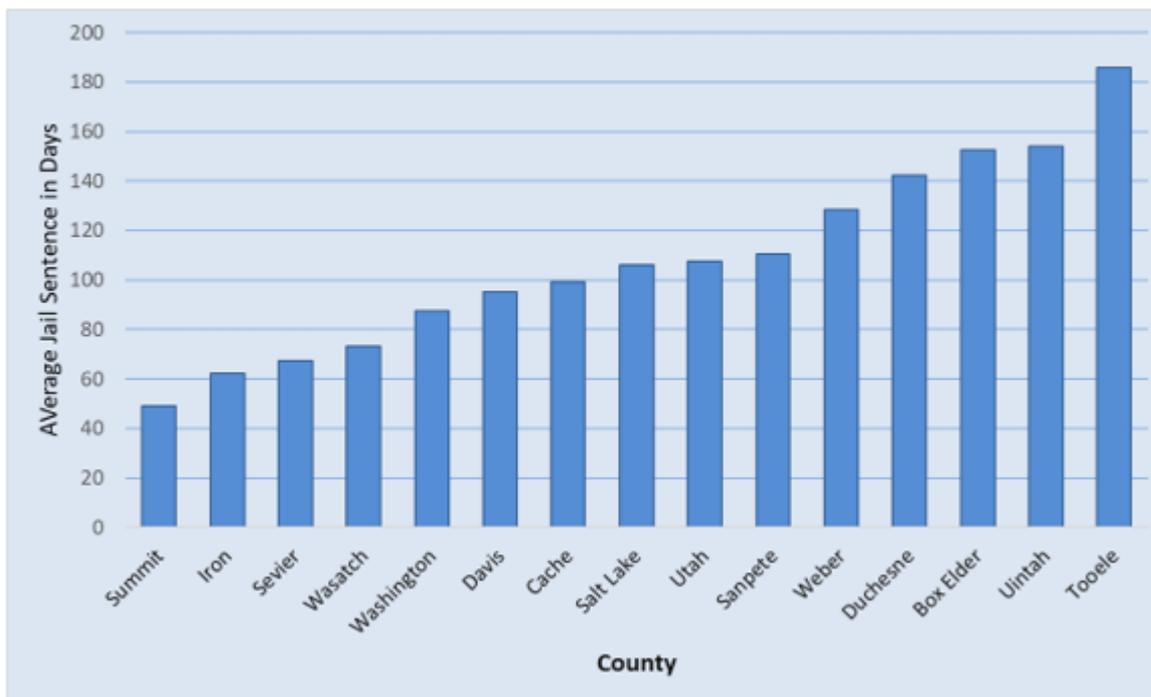


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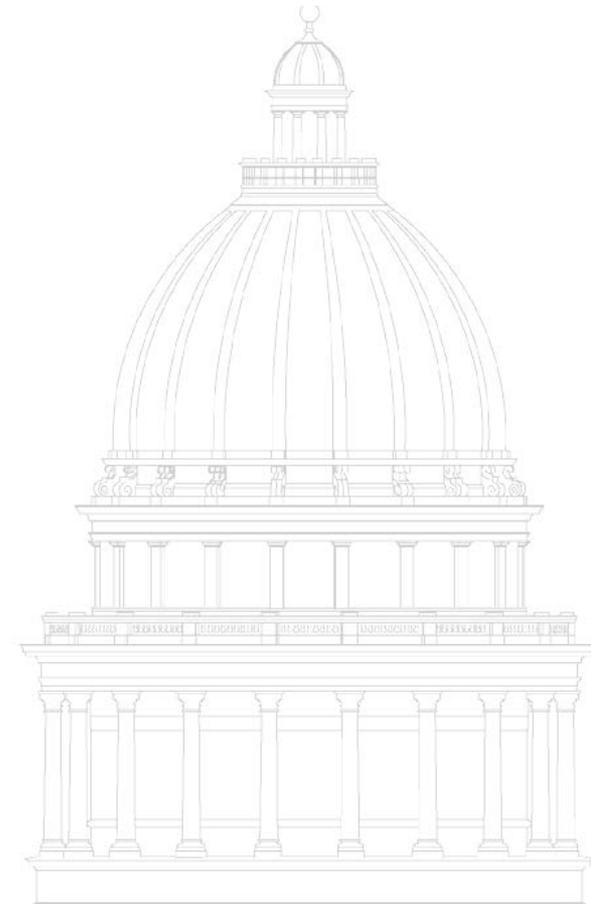
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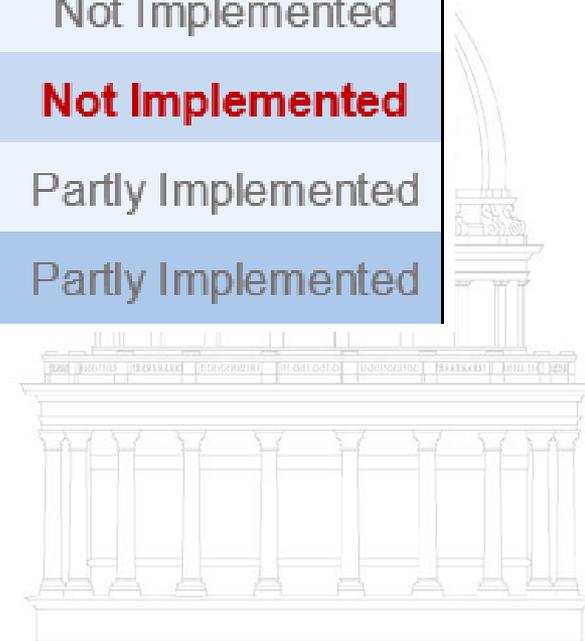
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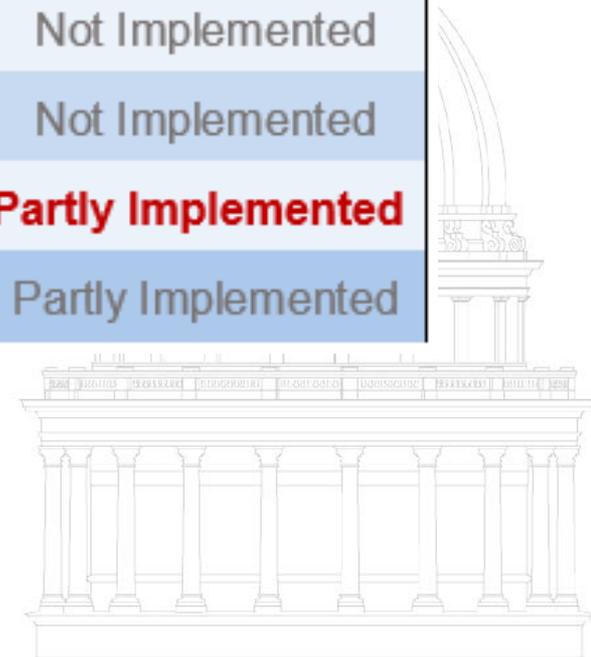
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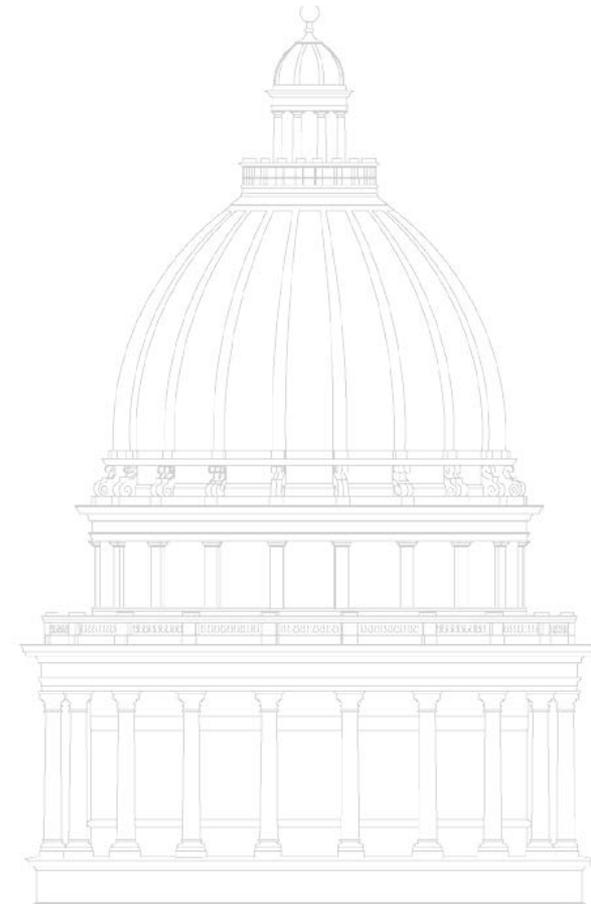


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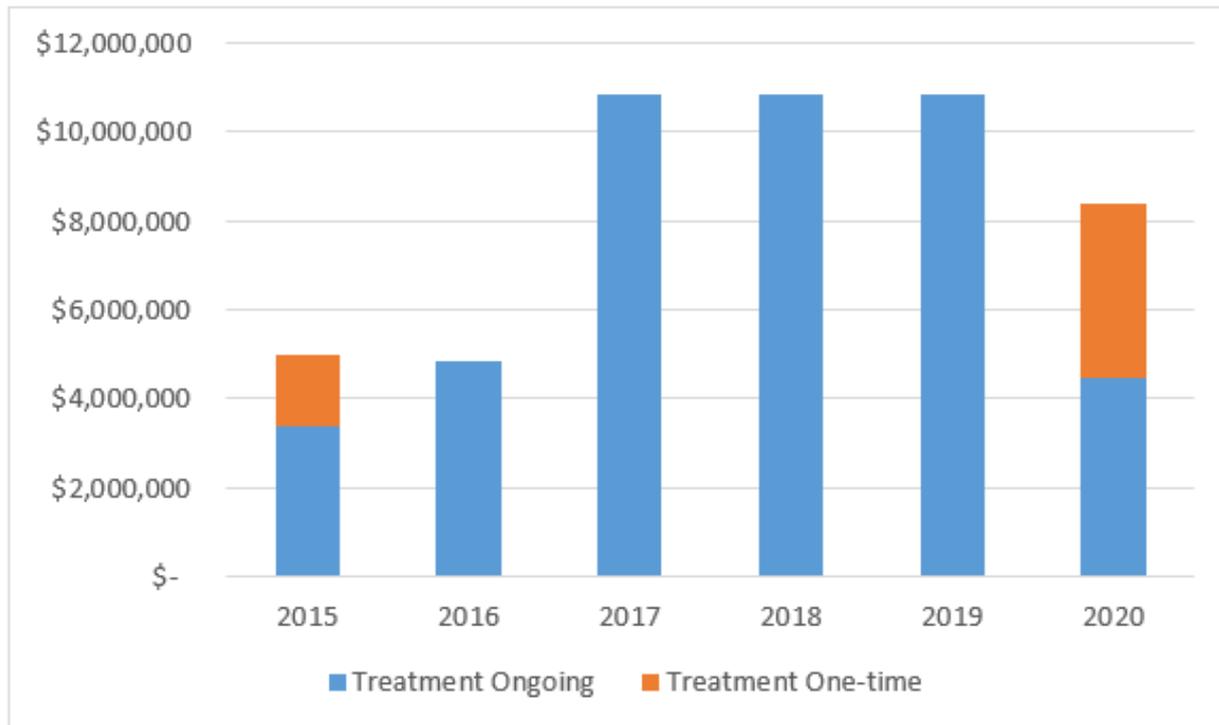
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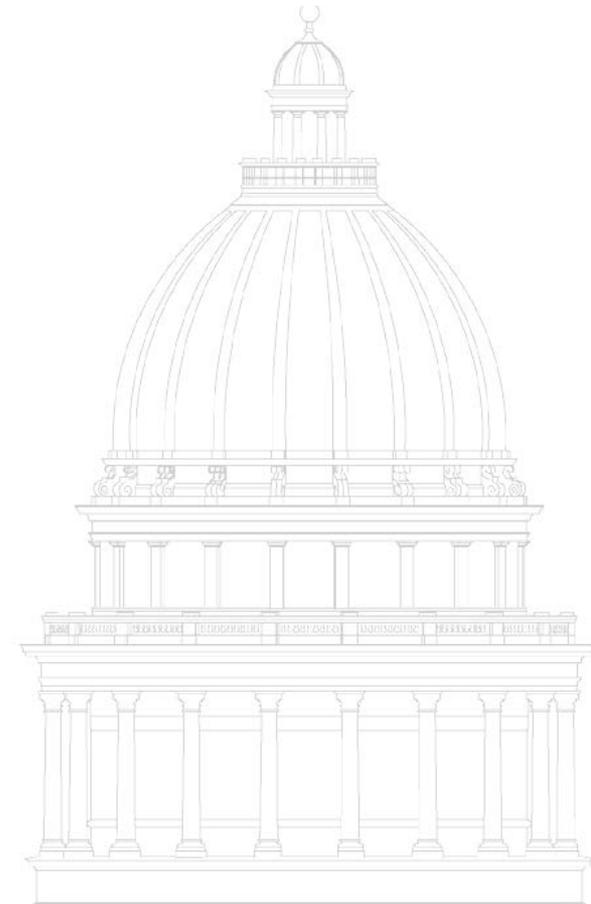
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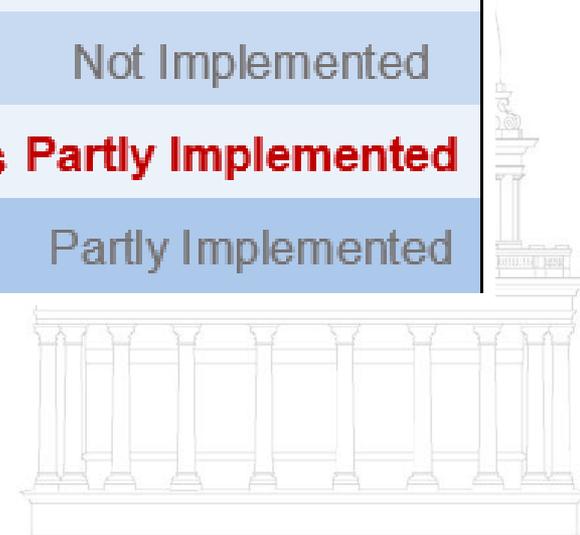
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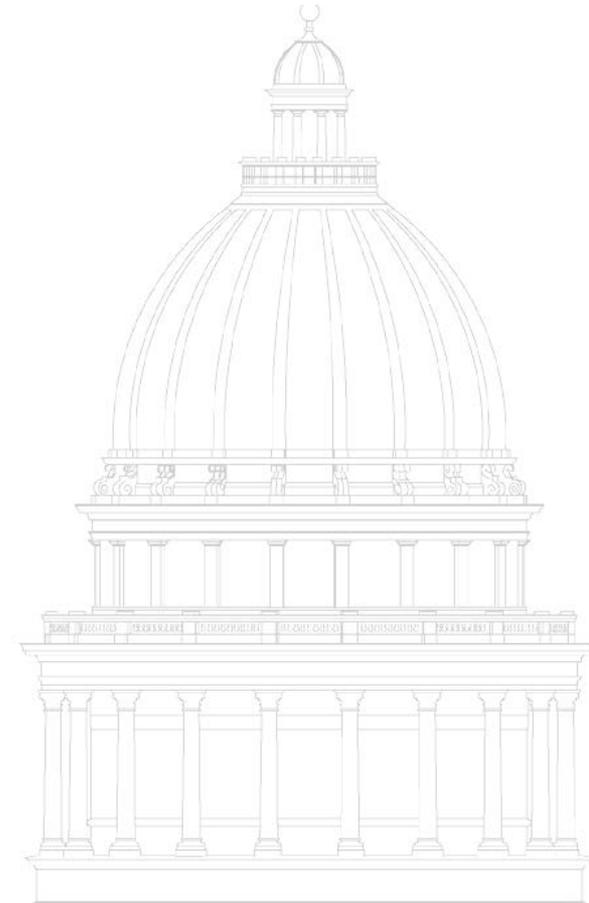
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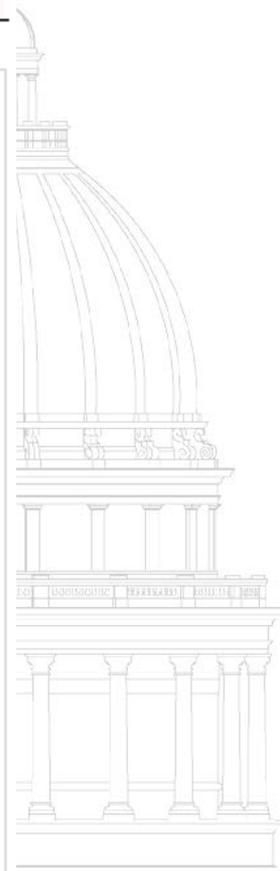
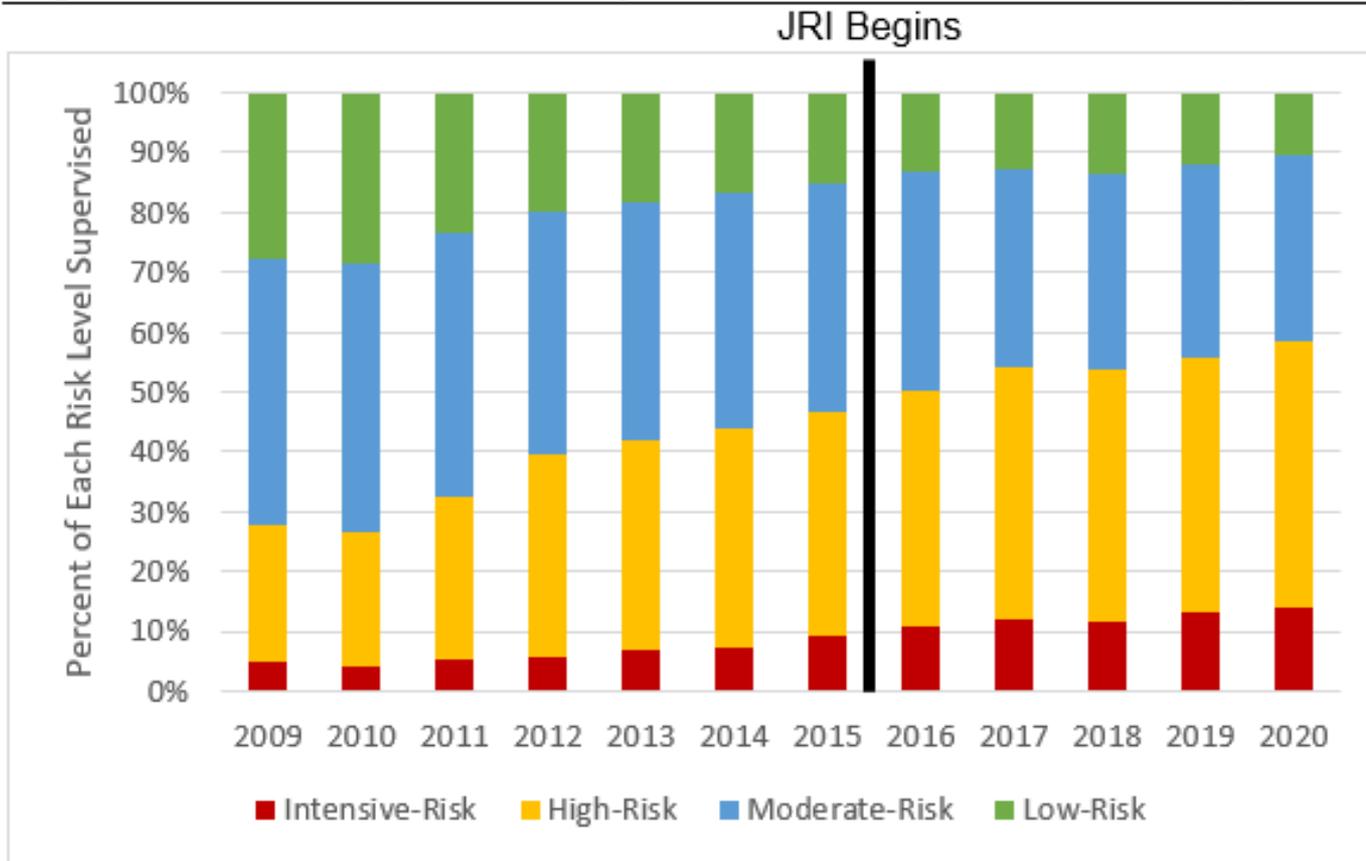


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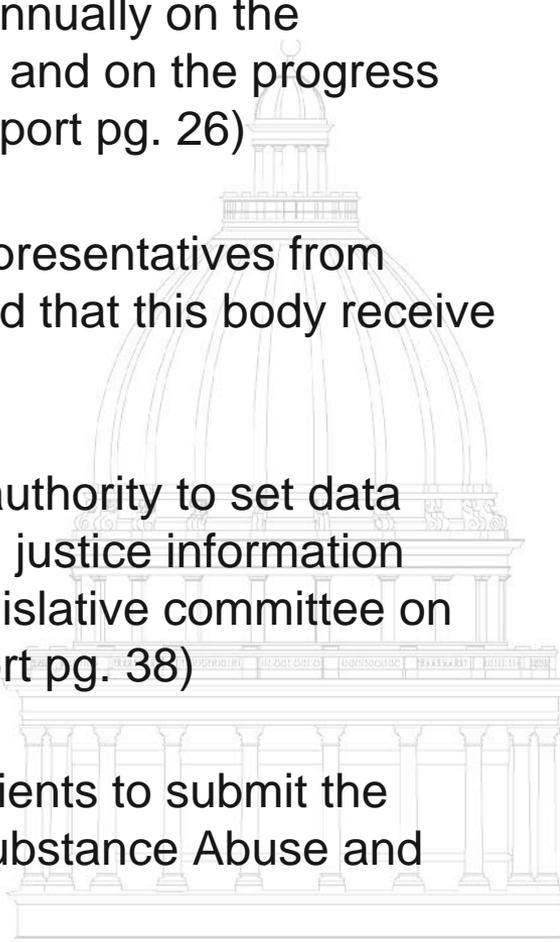
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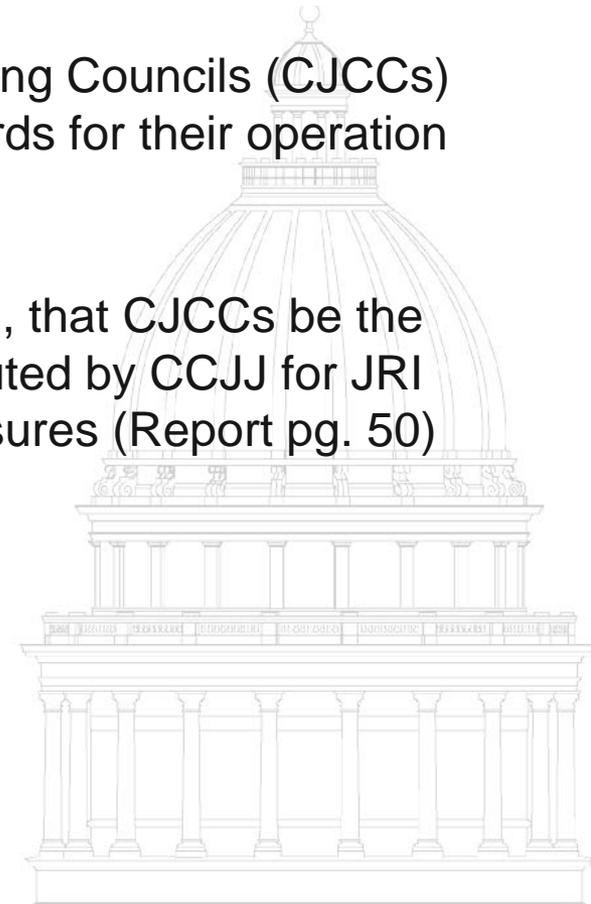
We recommend the Legislature consider...

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 - forming a CJ information governing body comprised of representatives from each of the major agency groups within the CJ system and that this body receive oversight and be accountable to CCJJ (Report pg. 37)
 - empowering the CJ information governing body with the authority to set data standards and to prepare a plan for an integrated criminal justice information system; and to submit its plan / periodically report to a legislative committee on the progress made towards implementing that plan (Report pg. 38)
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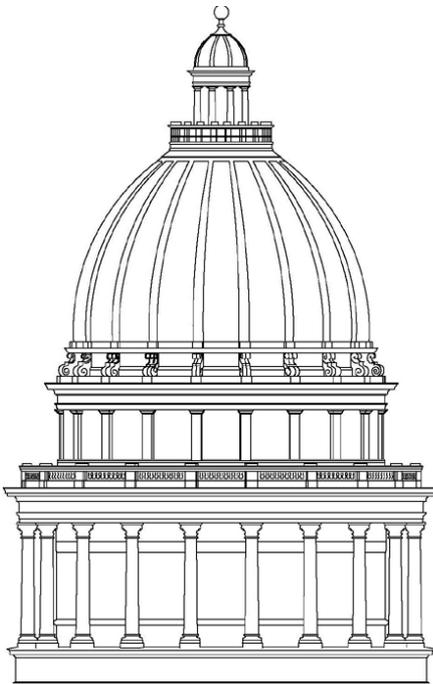
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