

# RAMSEY COUNTY JDAI/DMC

**Quarterly Stakeholders Meeting – July 15, 2009**

*Juvenile Justice Transformation through Critical Partnerships*

# MEETING GOALS



- Review 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter 2009 Data
- DMC Indicators
- DMC: Current Strategies / Discussion
- Announcements
- Wrap up / Next Steps

# GUIDING PRINCIPLES

**Ramsey County Stakeholders**

# MISSION



To improve public safety and long-term outcomes for juveniles in Ramsey County by:

- ❑ Reducing the number of juveniles in secure detention
- ❑ Eliminating the disproportionate representation of juveniles of color in secure detention
- ❑ Achieving systemic reform of juvenile detention practices
- ❑ Developing appropriate and effective detention alternatives for juveniles who should not be held in secure detention

# PURPOSE OF DETENTION

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Secure detention is for juveniles who are accused of committing a law violation and are at risk to:

- Re-offend before their next court date
- Fail to appear in court

# 2009 SECOND QUARTER DATA

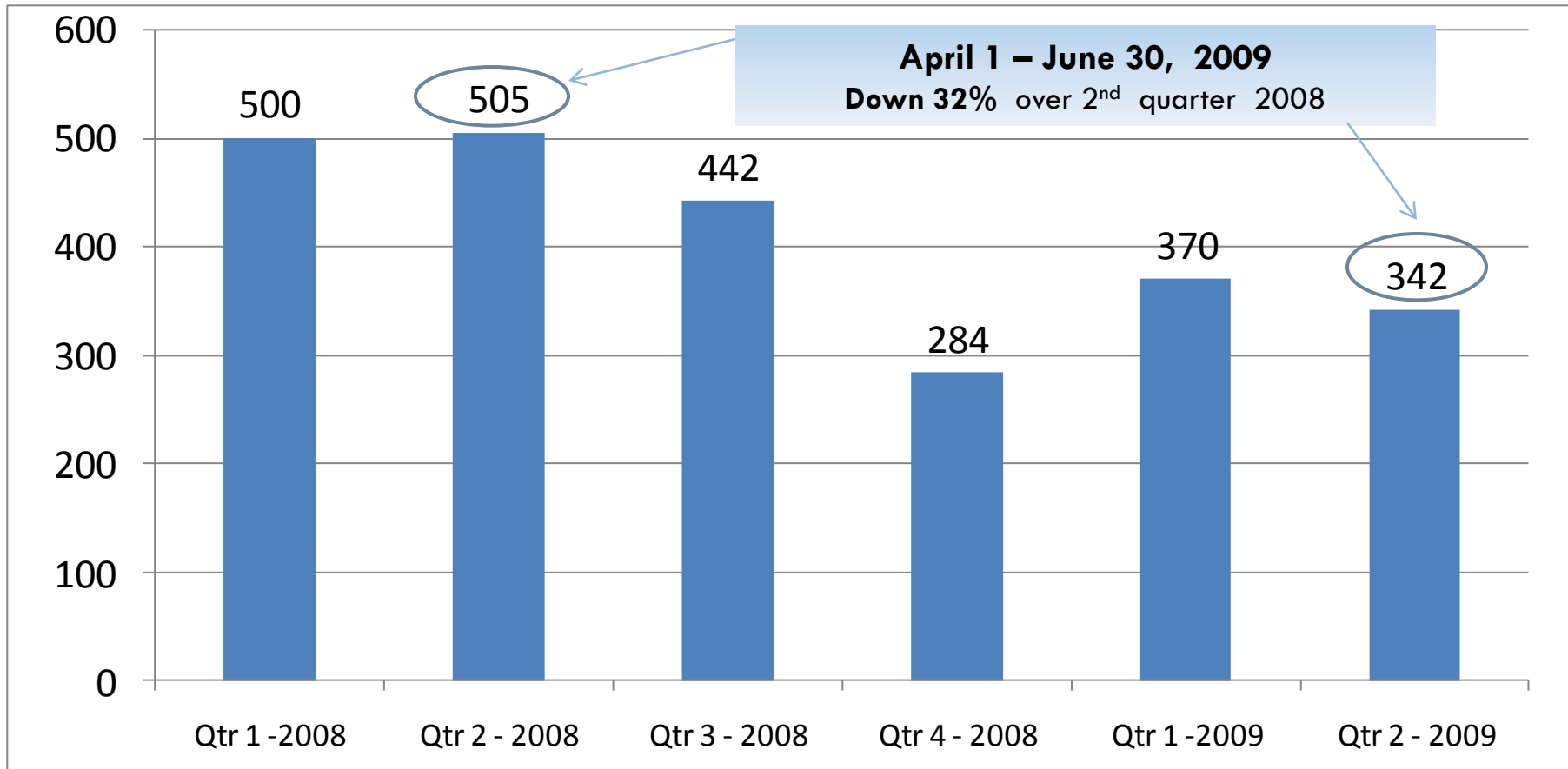
JDAI Key Indicators



# Admissions to Detention

(not total facility)

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Down 43% YE 2005 - YE 2008 (pre-JDAI)

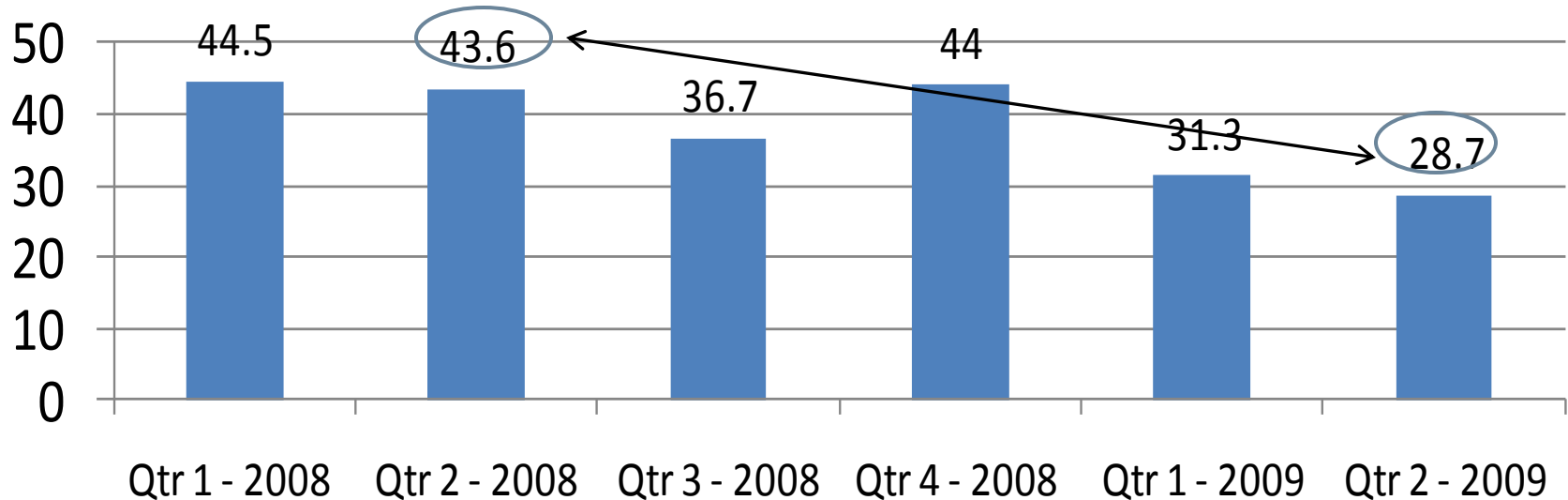
# Average Daily Population

(not total facility)

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## April 1 – June 30, 2009

Down 34% from 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter 2008

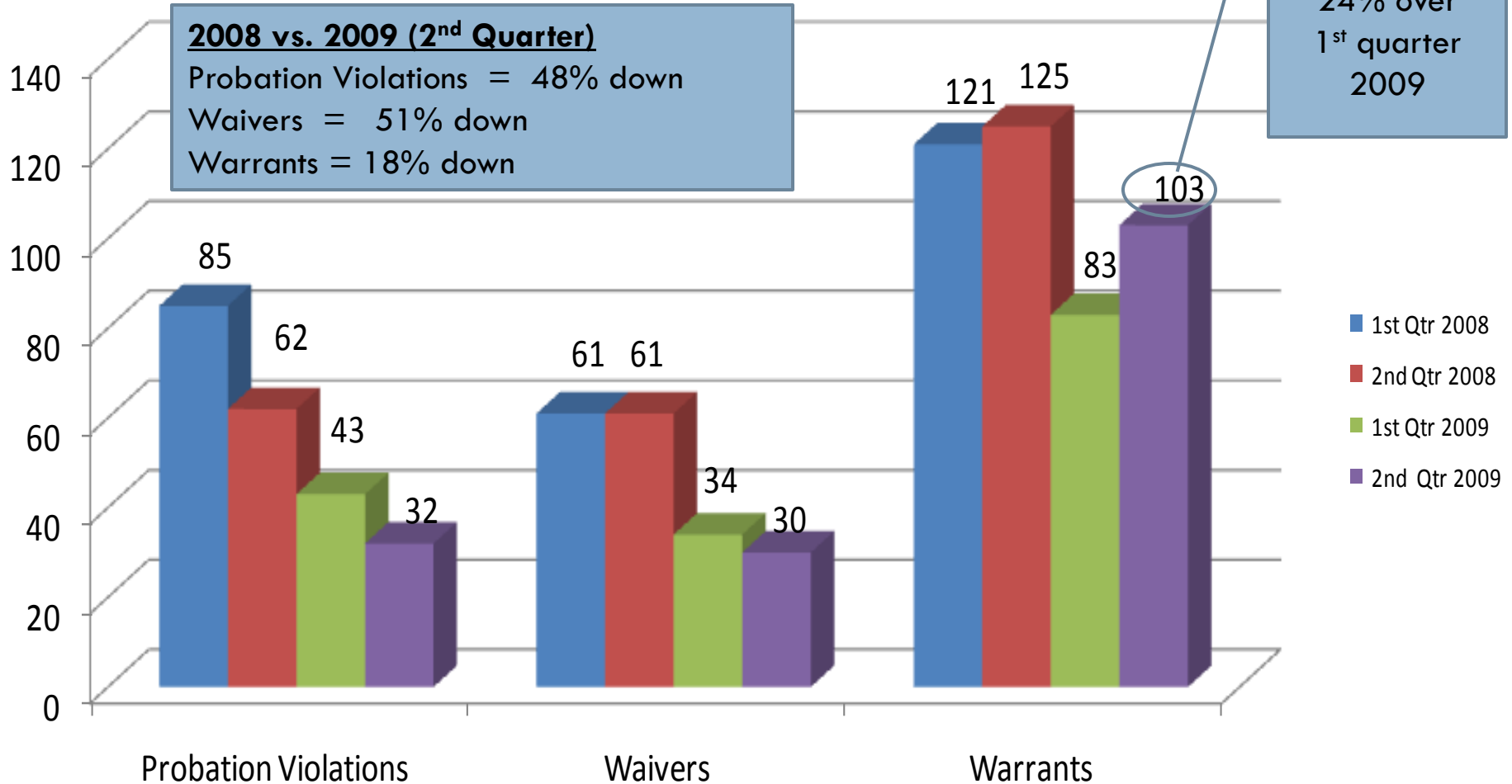


Down 54% from 4<sup>th</sup> quarter 2005 (pre-JDAI = 61.8)



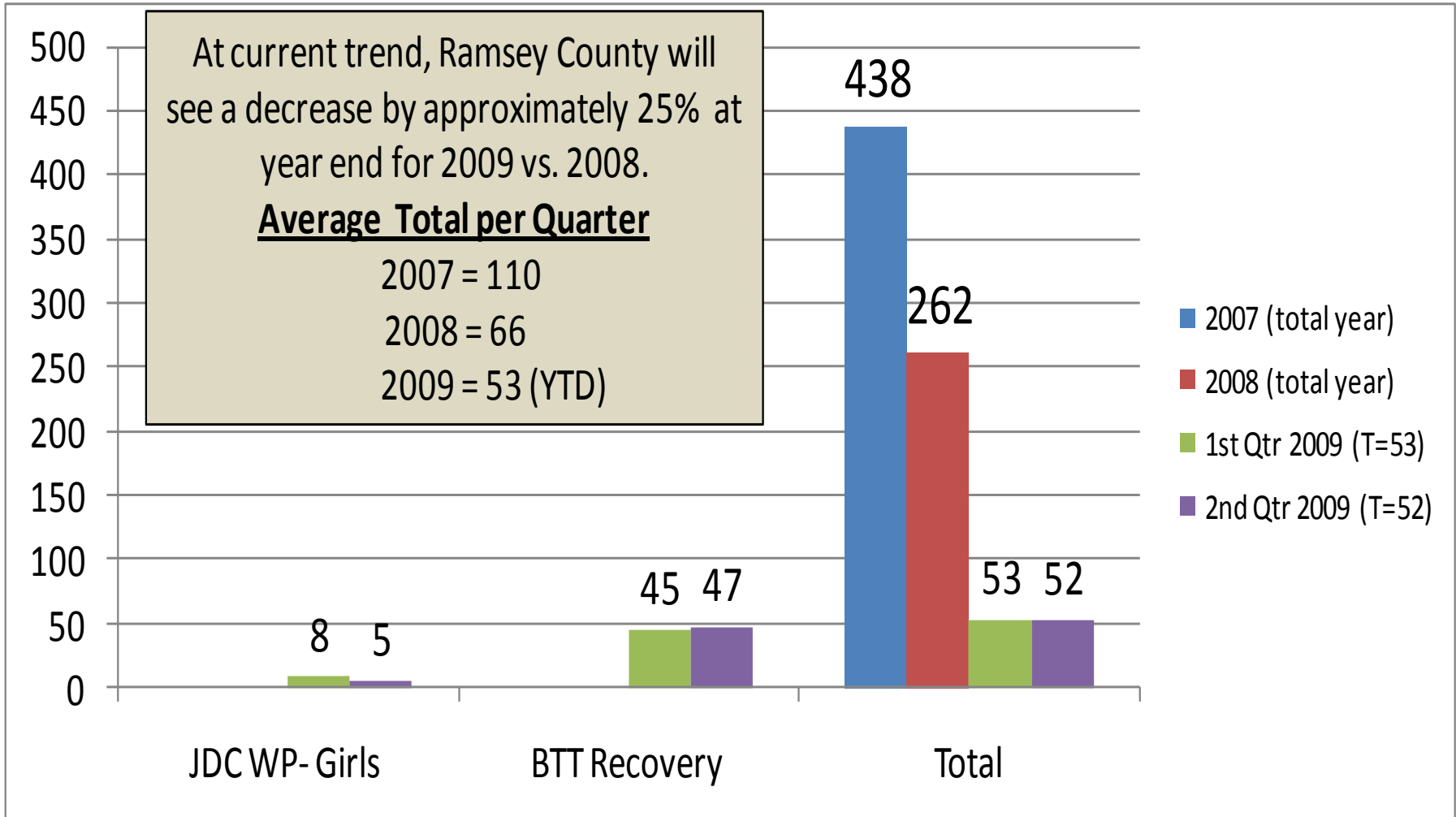
# Admissions for PV's, Waivers and Warrants

2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter 2009: April 1- June 30

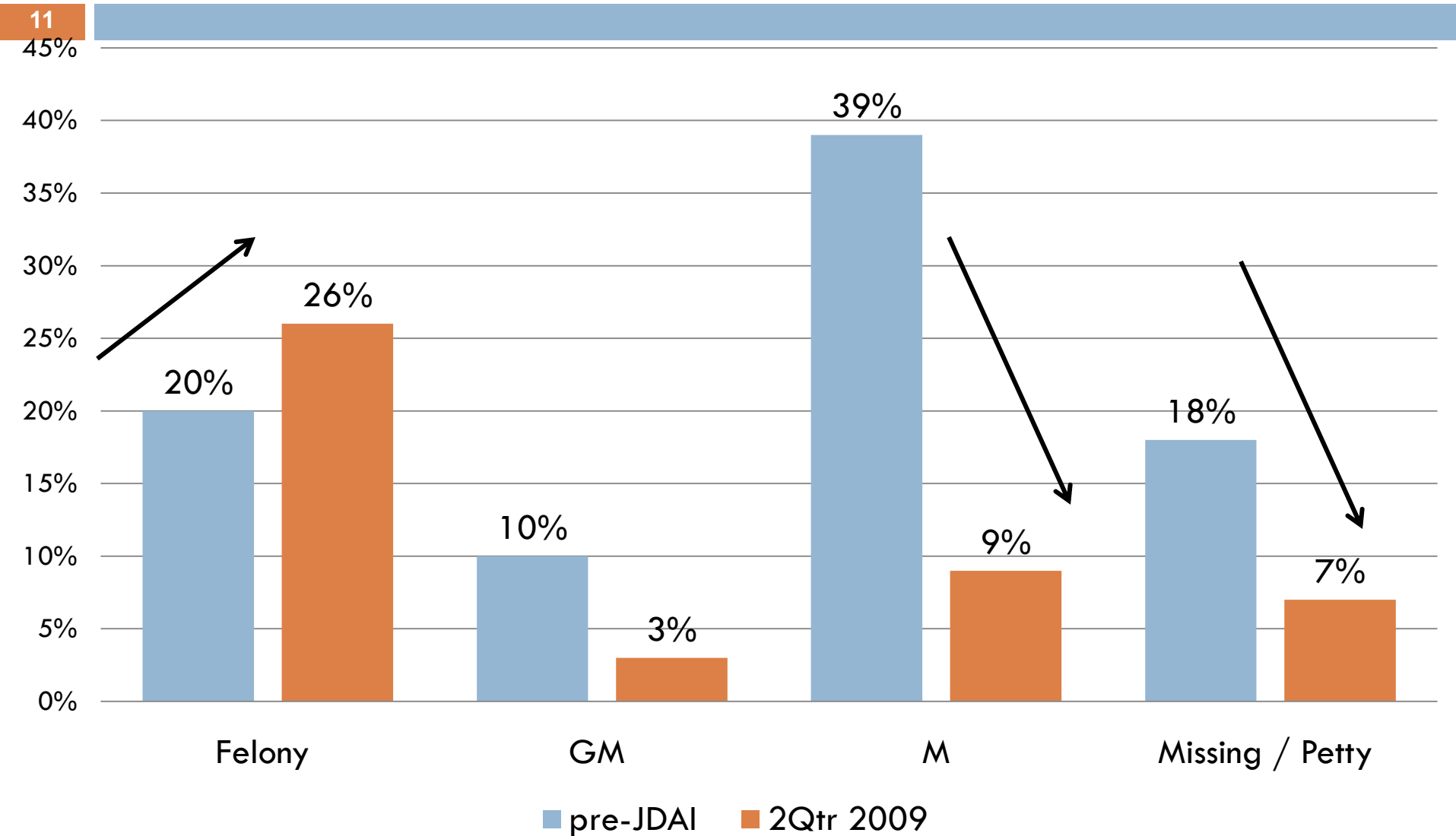


# 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter 2009 Admissions Work Programs / Recovery Program

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# Crime Levels by Percent in JDC



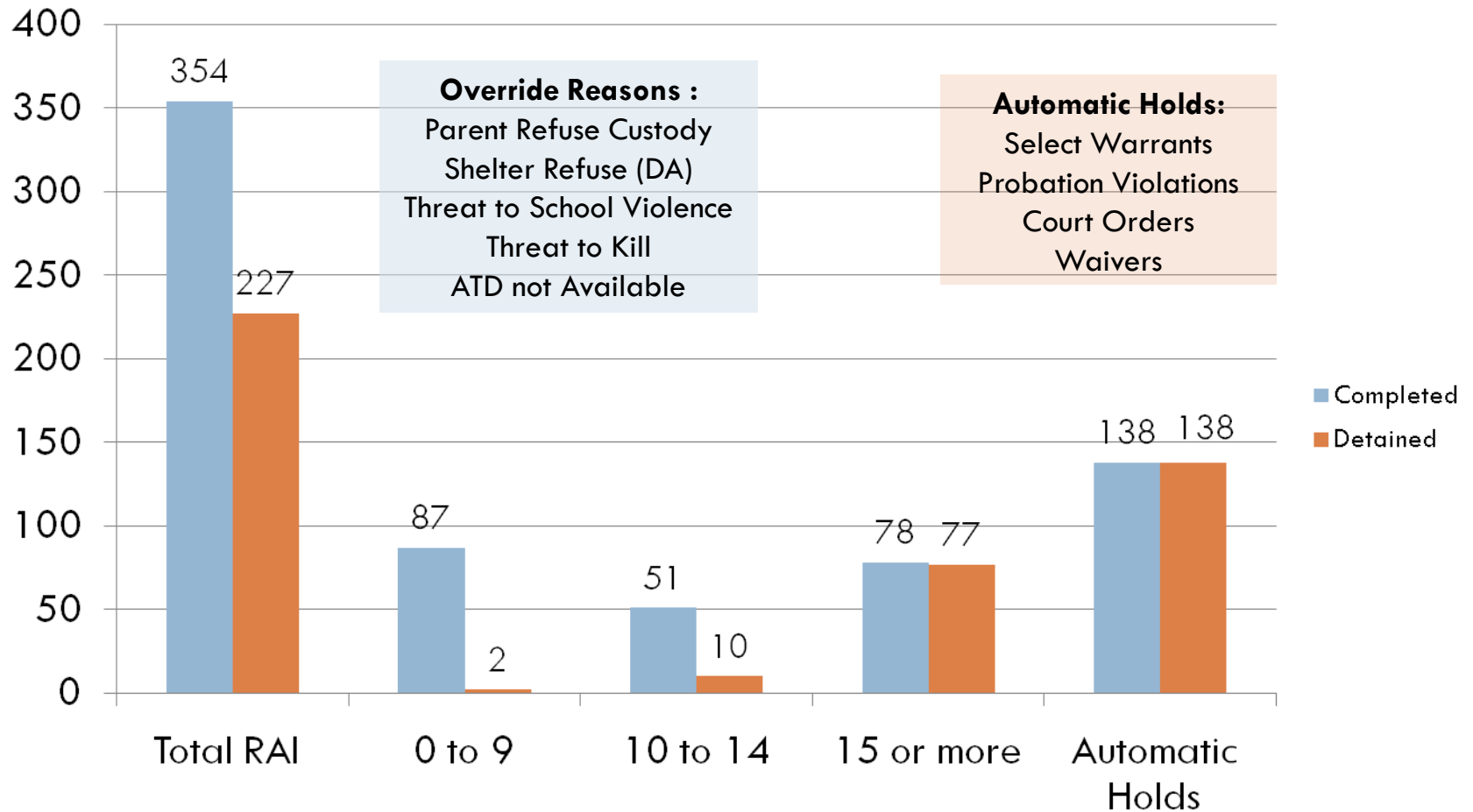
# RAI DATA

JDAI Key Indicators



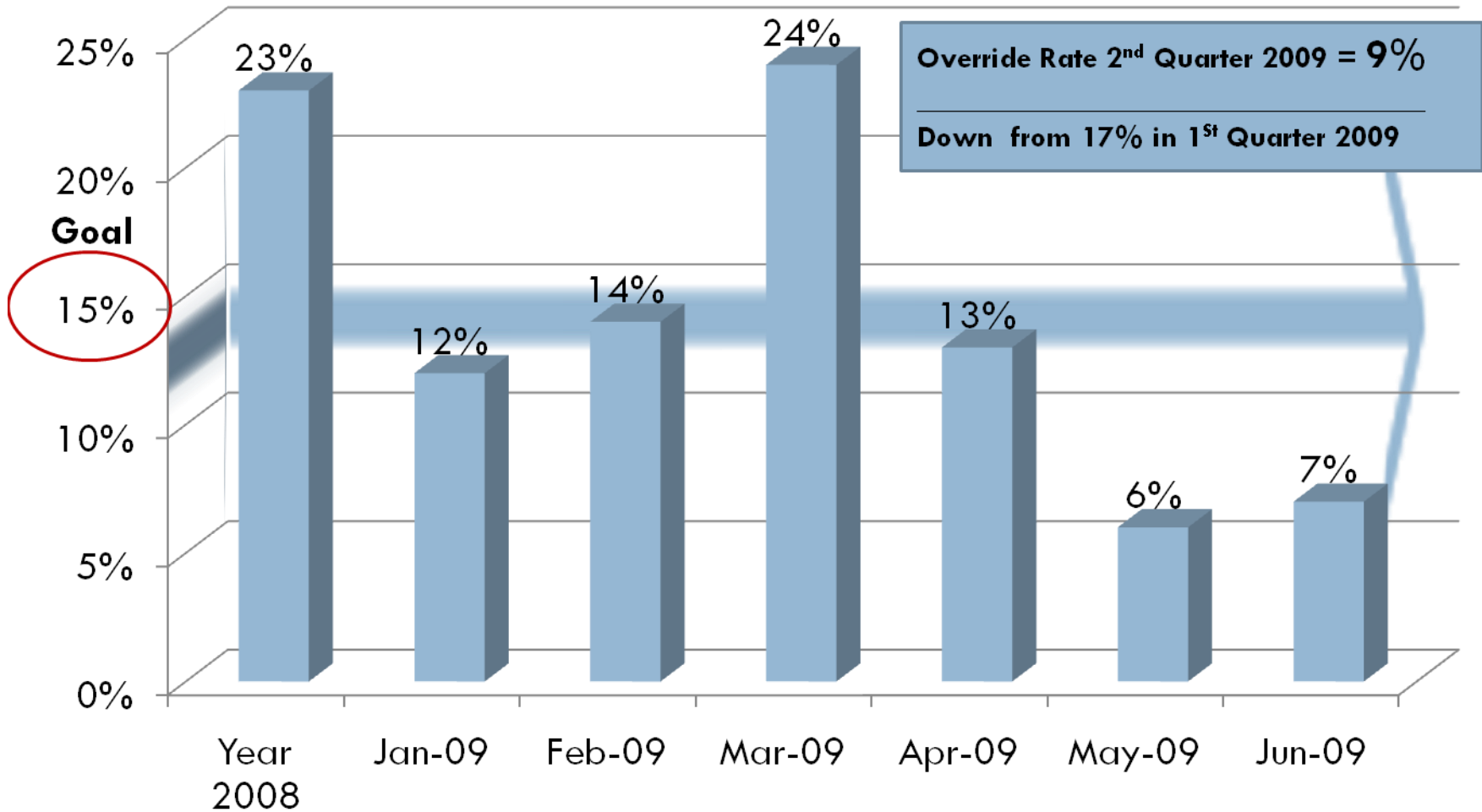
# RAI Impact: 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter 2009

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# Override Rates 2008 – 2009YTD

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# DMC DATA

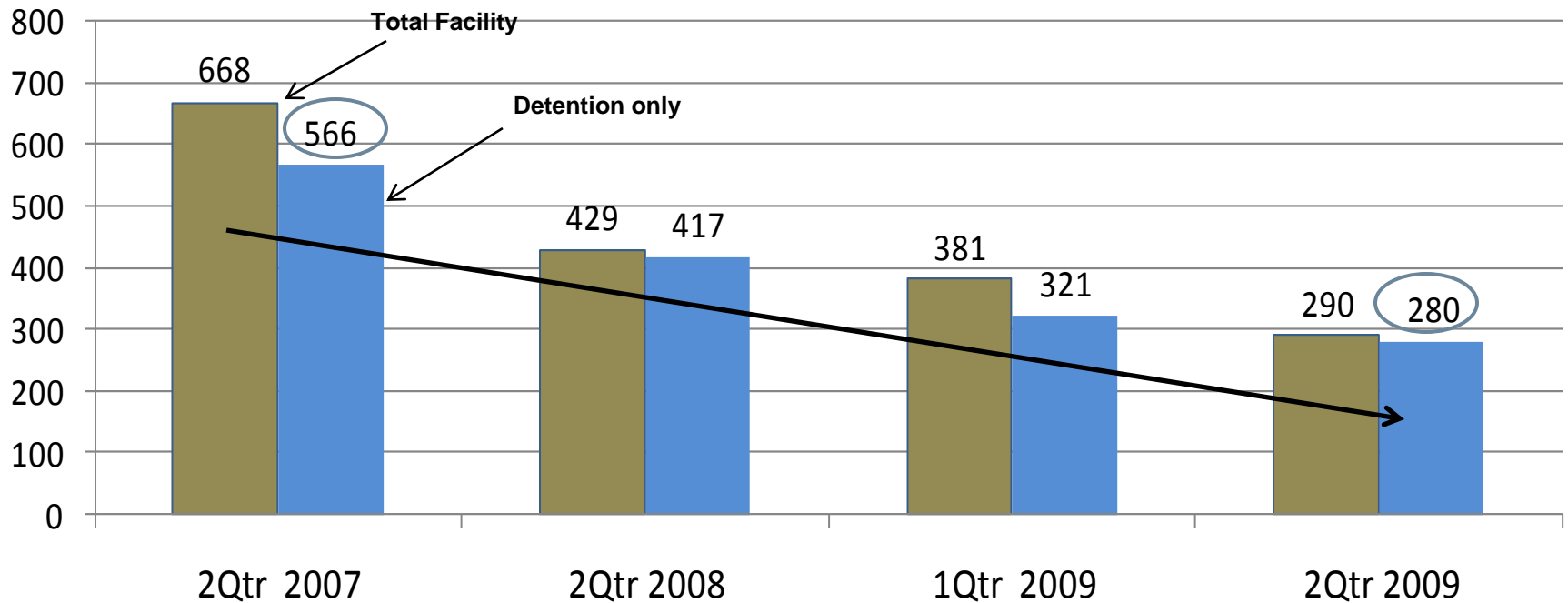
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# Youth of Color in Detention

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**April 1 - June 30**  
2007- 2009: down 51% (detention only)

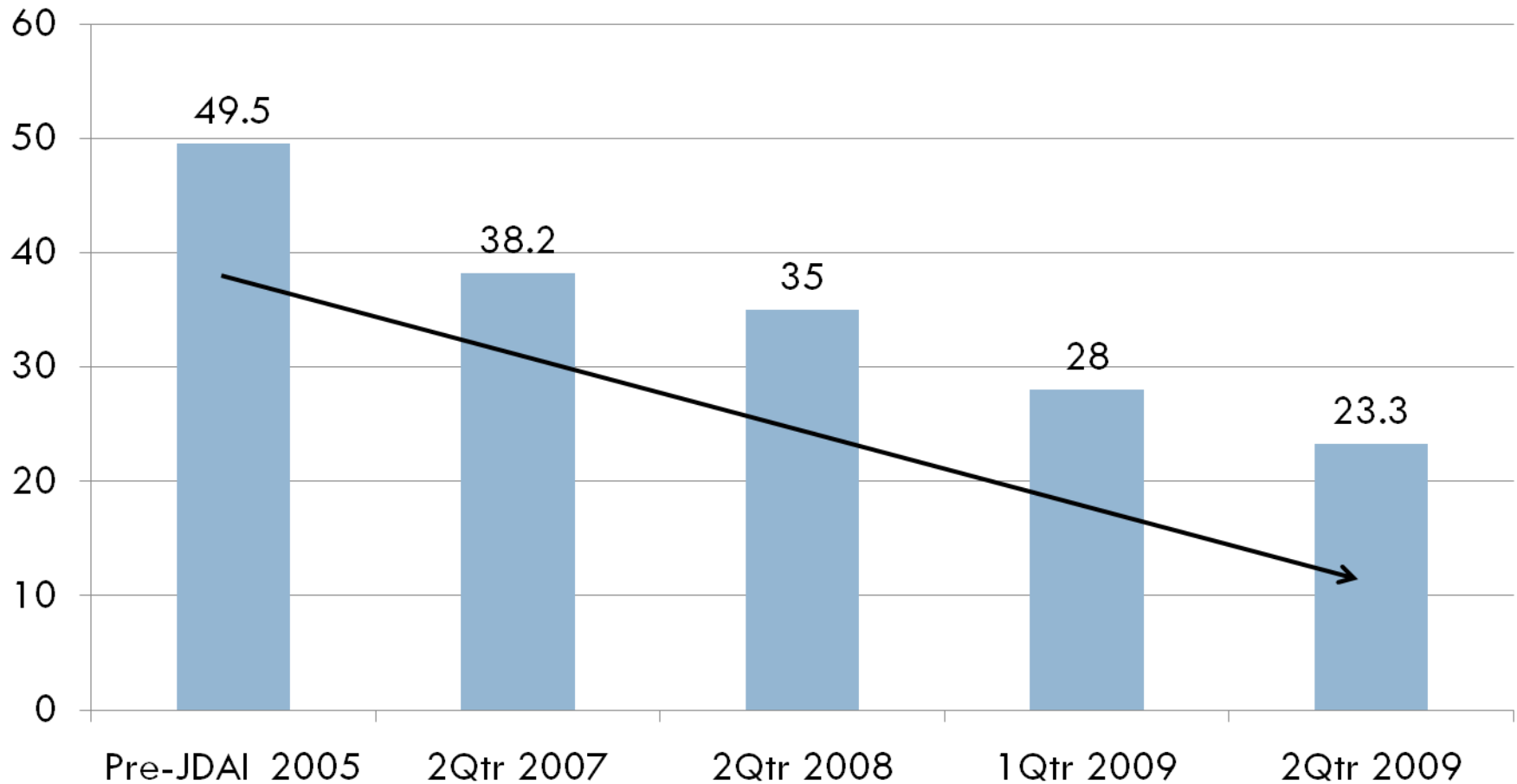




# Average Daily Population of Youth of Color in Detention

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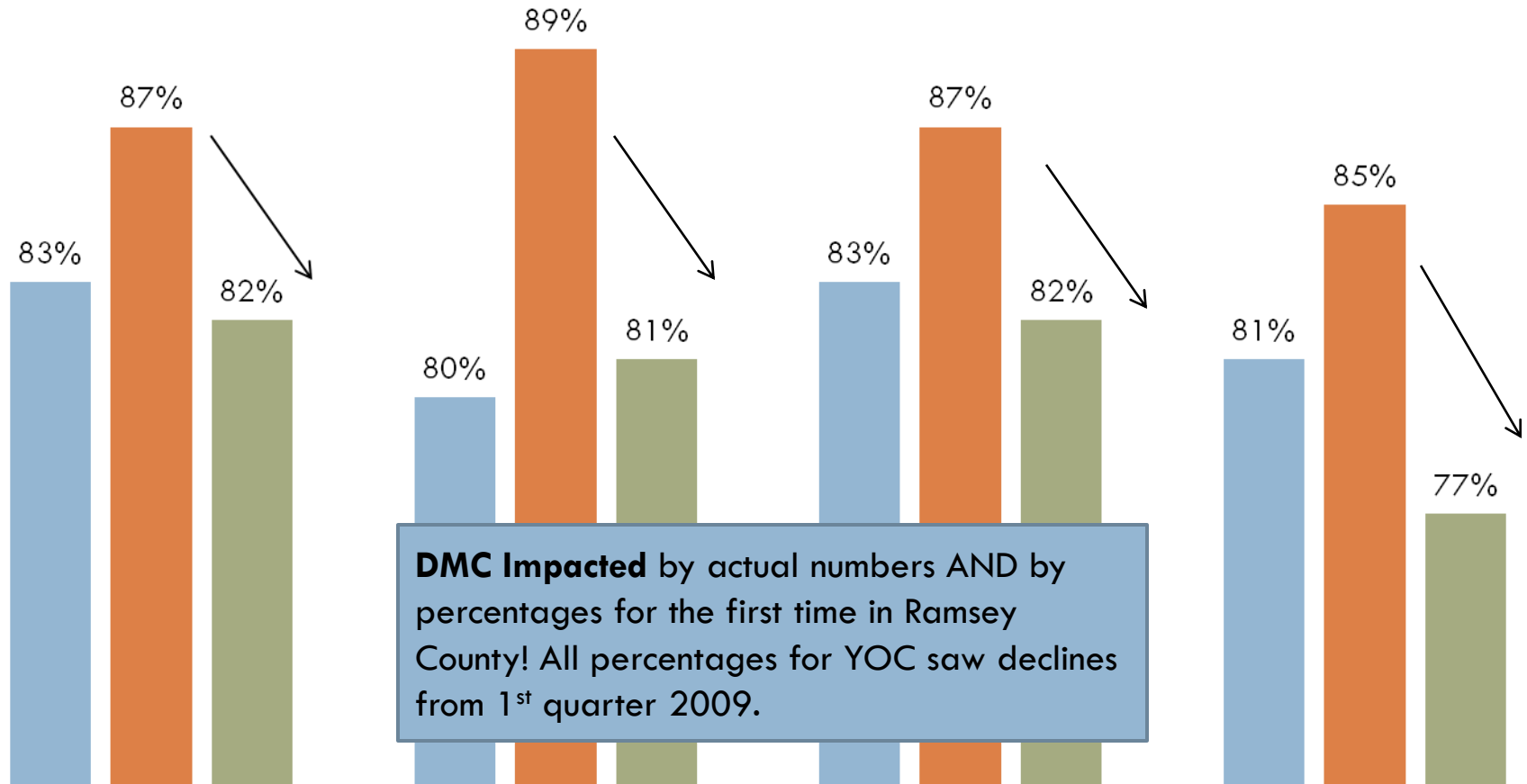
**Pre-JDAI 2005 - 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter 2009: down 53%**



# Youth of Color by Percentages

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■ 2Qtr 2008 ■ 1Qtr 2009 ■ 2Qtr 2009



**DMC Impacted** by actual numbers AND by percentages for the first time in Ramsey County! All percentages for YOC saw declines from 1<sup>st</sup> quarter 2009.

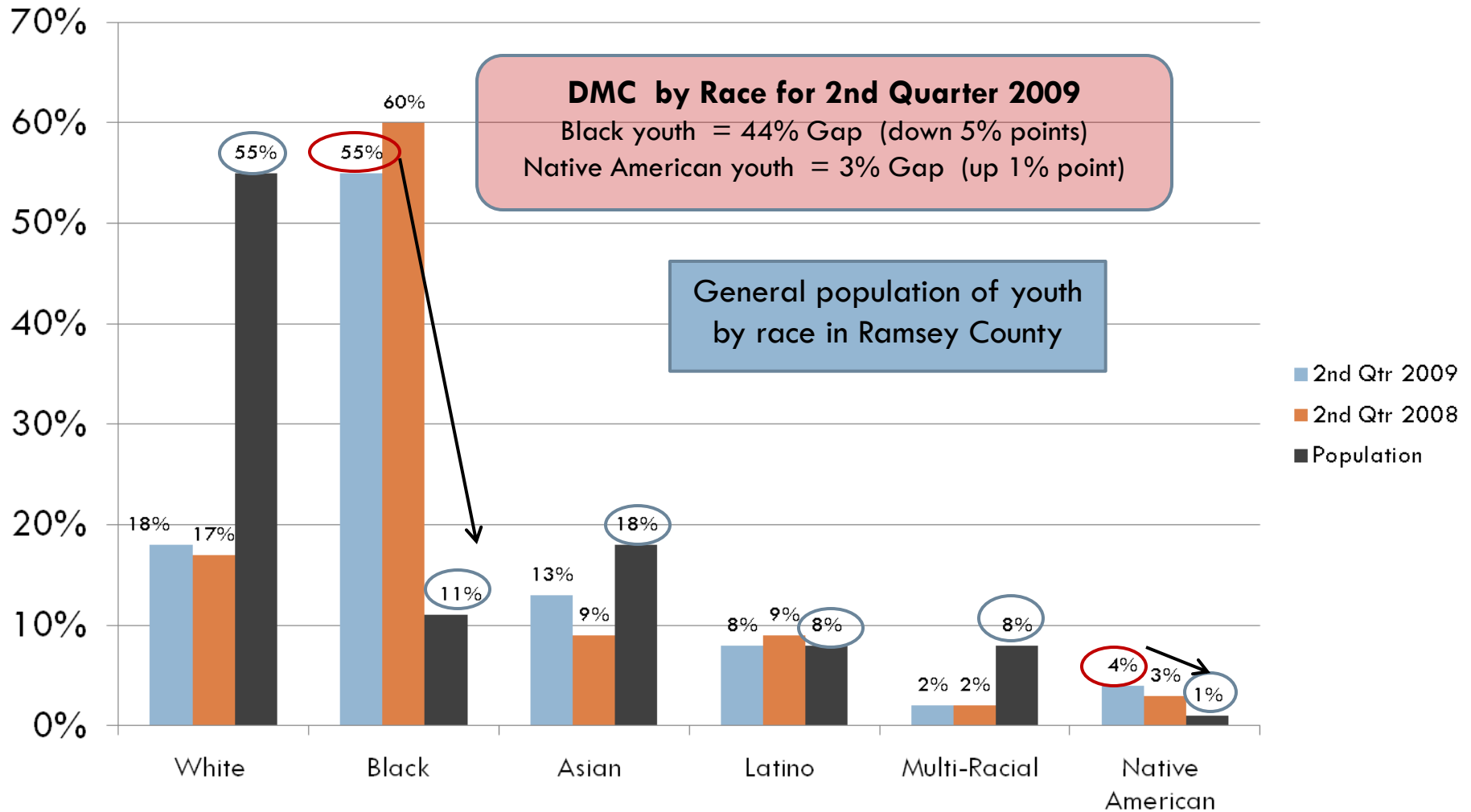
Admissions to Detention

ADP Detention

Admissions to Facility

ADP Facility

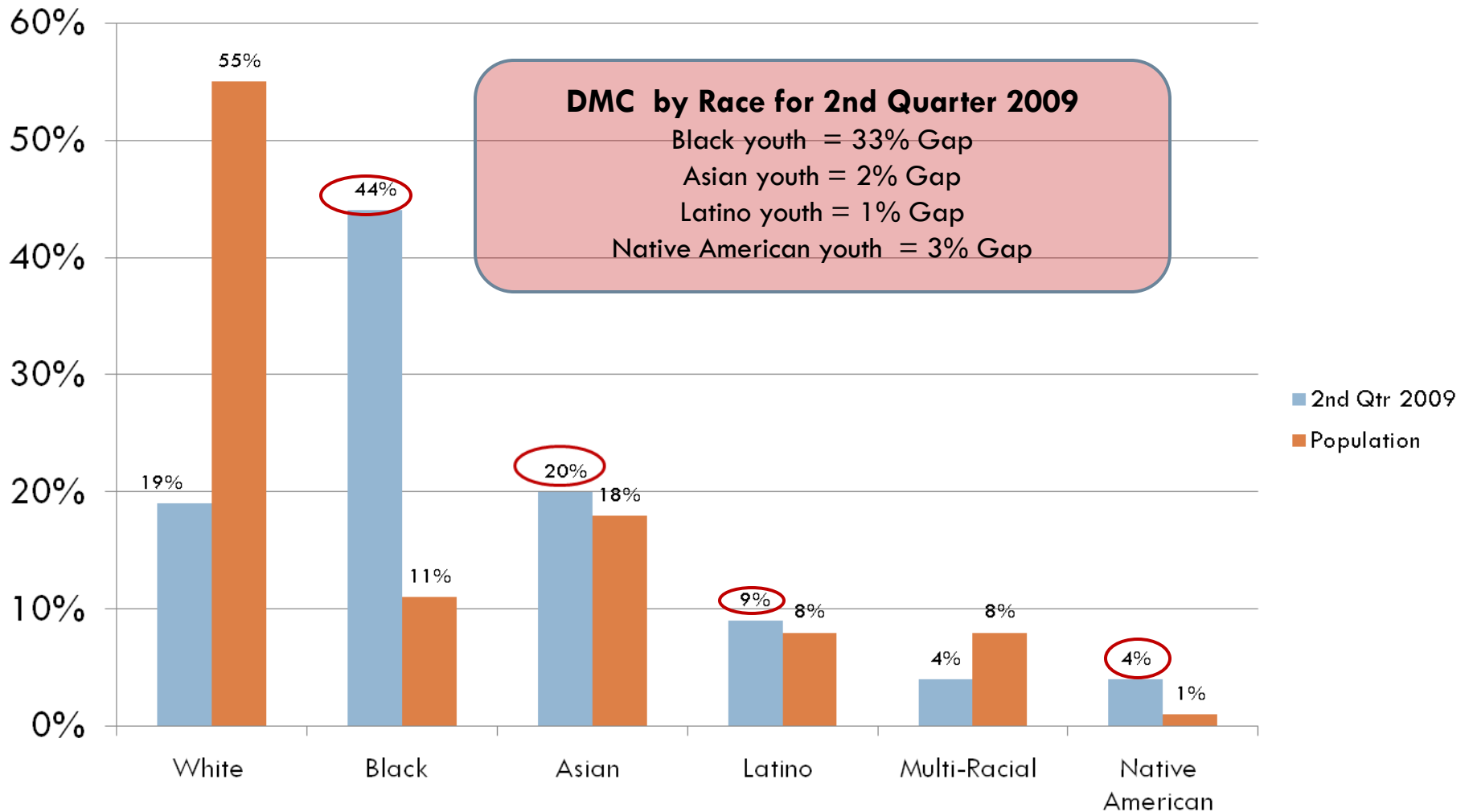
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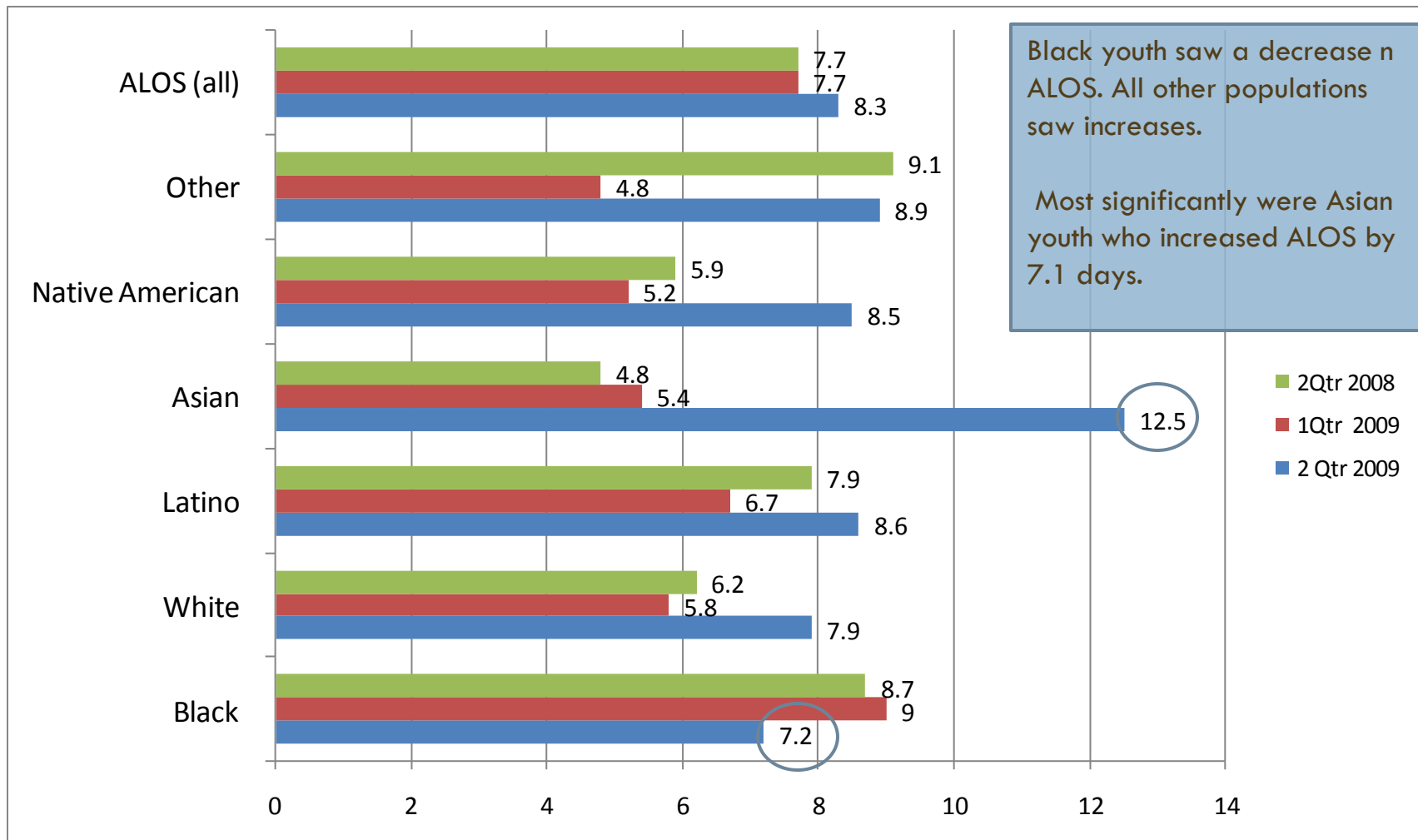
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# Average Length of Stay by Race / Ethnicity



Black youth saw a decrease in ALOS. All other populations saw increases.

Most significantly were Asian youth who increased ALOS by 7.1 days.



**DMC CHALLENGES / STRATEGIES:  
Eliminating Racial and Ethnic Disparities**

# JDAI → DMC: Purpose of Reforms

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- JDAI engaged in Ramsey County to combat racial and ethnic disparities in juvenile justice system
- From 2005 through 2008 reforms focused on detention
- Tools / Processes developed:
  - ▣ Risk Assessment Instrument
  - ▣ Graduated Response Grid
  - ▣ Alternatives to Detention (pre-36 hrs and post-36hrs)
  - ▣ Case Processing for ATD 10-14 Youth

# JDAI → DMC: Benefits Gained

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- Reduction in unnecessary detention for low level and status level offenses
- Overall detention population lowered
- Youth of Color reduced in JDC admissions
- Number of youth on probation reduced
- Less referrals and less suspensions from schools
- Stronger collaborations across agencies
- Greater reliance on data to assist in decision-making
- Greater fidelity to objective screening tools



# JDAI → DMC: Challenges

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- Youth of Color still overrepresented in juvenile justice system
- African American and Native American youth highly disproportionately represented in our systems even as the actual numbers decline
- Reforms show variant impact by race with African American and Native American youth showing the least impact in percentages so far

# DMC Success Defined

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- Equitable Responses
- Fair Outcomes in juvenile justice system
- Culturally supported engagement
- Eliminated disparities
- Reduced disproportion

# CORE DMC STRATEGIES



# DMC Strategies

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- Collaboration
  - ▣ Impacted Communities (Community Engagement)
  - ▣ Critical Partners
- Data Analysis → Process Keys
  - ▣ Decision Point Analysis
- Objective Criteria at Decision Points
  - ▣ Re-engineer structures and procedures
- Culturally Specific Alternatives & Treatment

# DMC Strategies

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- Culturally Specific Outcomes
  - ▣ Kujichagalia (Self-determination)
  - ▣ Success Defined
  - ▣ Evidence-based / Research
- Developing Champions
  - ▣ Authentic Dialogue Approach → Raising Awareness
- Transparency
  - ▣ System Accountability
  - ▣ Community Accountability

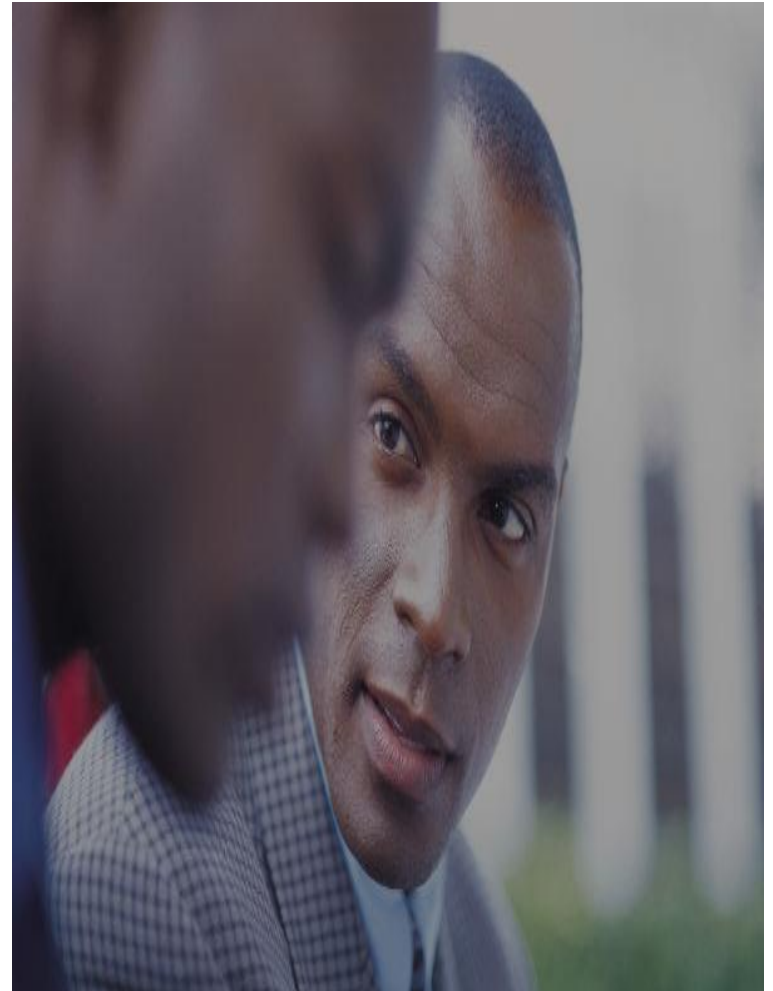
# DMC COMMITTEE

Sarah Walker / George Stephenson

# DMC: Tactics

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- Data Focus:
  - Probation Violations
  - Waivers (ISP/Enhanced)
  - Warrants
- Probation Staffing
  - Schools
  - Parents/ Youth
- Decision Point Analysis
  - Starting w/Community Corrections
- Authentic Dialogue
- Courtroom Navigators
- DMC Quarterly Report



# Authentic Dialogue

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- Focused conversation on race and decisions within system agencies
- DMC Committee July 9<sup>th</sup>
  - ▣ Community and Systems
- Used by Human Services for staff
- A belief that by talking about difficult issues, individuals will act differently when making decisions
- Example: “JDAI Effect”



# Probation Violations and Waivers

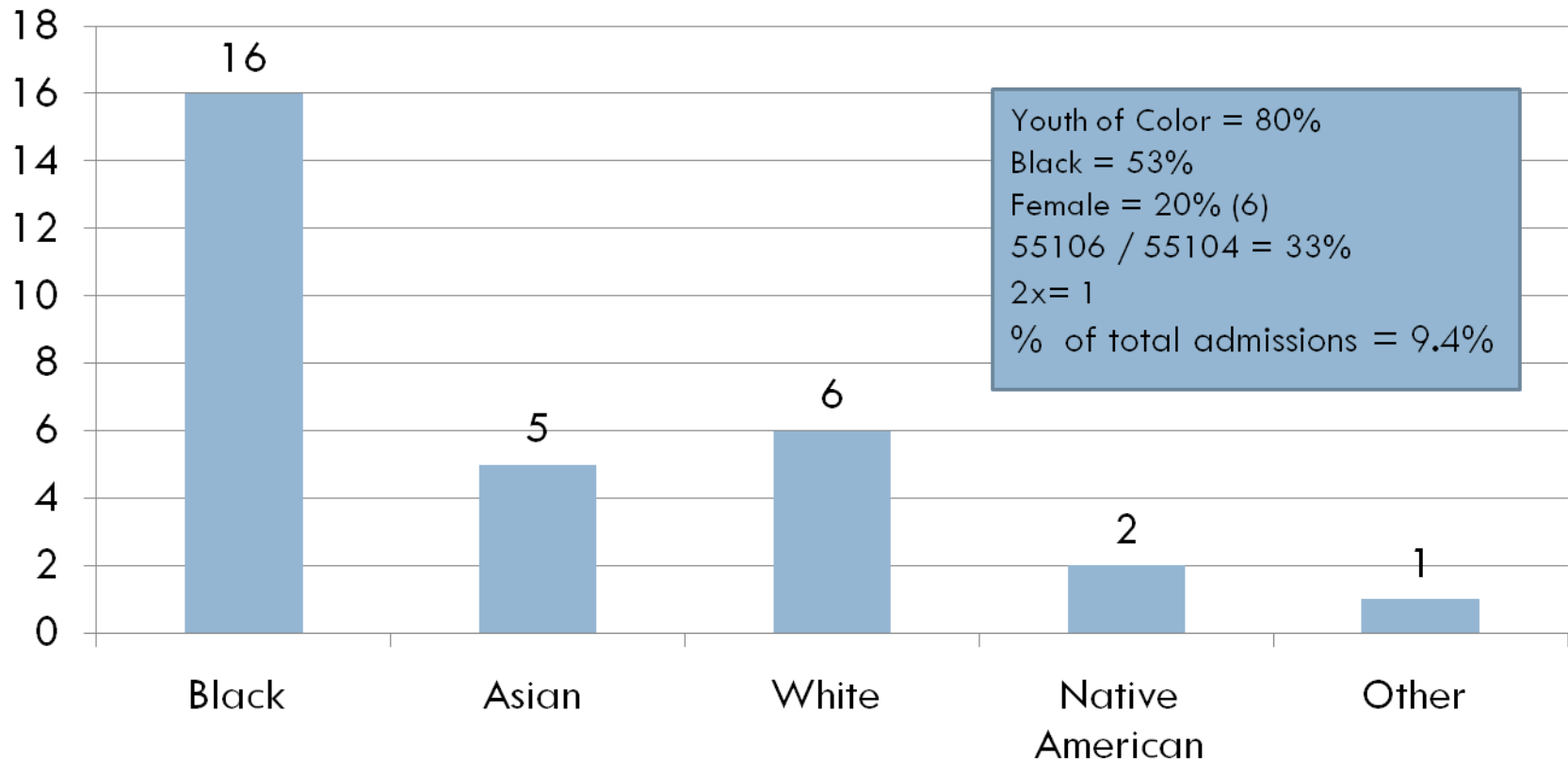
- Tracked by race and by number of times per quarter
- 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter 2009 findings for Waivers
  - ▣ 97% Youth of Color
  - ▣ 100% Male
  - ▣ 21% Repeat Clients
- Assumption:
- *If we reduced admissions of probation violations and waivers we would see both a reduction in total numbers and percentage points.*

# Probation Violation Admissions by Race

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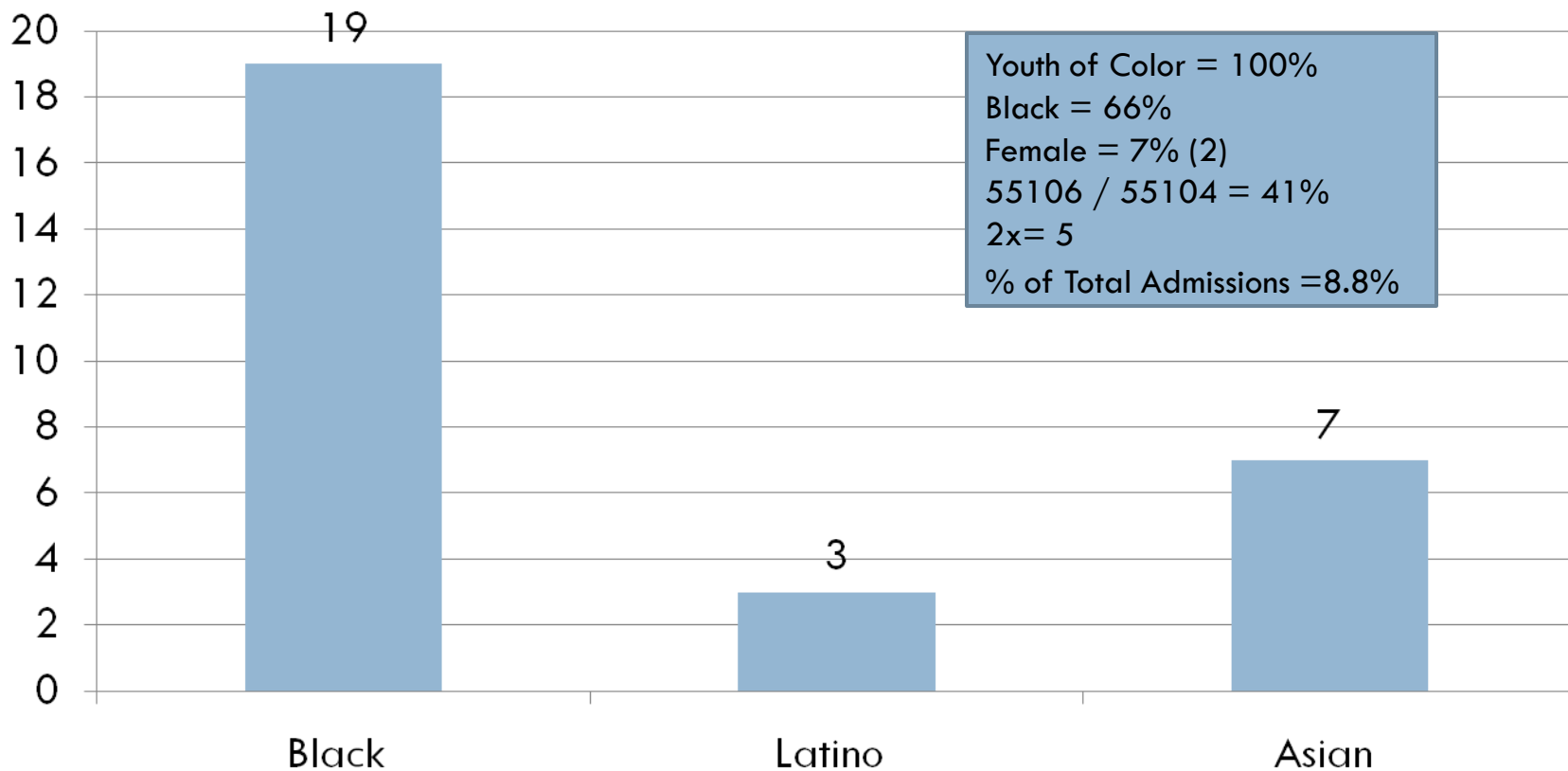
**N=30**



# Waivers (ISP / Enhanced) Admissions by Race 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter 2009 April 1 - June 30)

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**N=29**



# Other Items: DMC Committee

- Community Based Alternatives to Detention
  - ▣ Community Coaches at capacity
  - ▣ Evening Learning Centers:
    - moved to medium range on grid until capacity is reached
- Community Forum partnership with Juvenile Justice Reform Coalition (JJRC) - Fall 2009
- Participation in Rondo Days
- Media

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

Toni Carter

# THIS IS OUR VISION

## Youth-Centered Services

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