

2023 FACT SHEETS

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Introduction

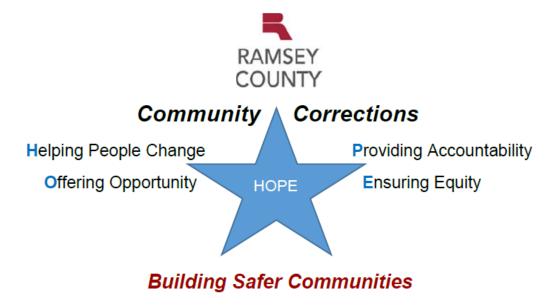
This report describes clients served and services provided by Ramsey County Community Corrections (RCCC) in 2023. RCCC provides a core set of functions that support the criminal justice system, including:

- Probation supervision that follows a family engagement case plan model for youth ages 10-18 as well as for young adults on extended juvenile jurisdiction through age 21.
- Secure detention for youth ages 10-17 who are charged with committing offenses, arrested on warrants, or in violation of their probation for a previous offense.
- Bail evaluation and pre-trial services for adults 18 years or older.
- Pre-sentence investigations for adults 18 years or older.
- Community supervision for adults on probation and for adults who have been released from Minnesota prisons.
- Community based programming for higher risk clients through individual and group cognitivebehavioral interventions.
- Short term custody, programming, and transition to community services for adults who have received a sentence from the Court for up to one year.

In 2015, Ramsey County reorganized its departments into four integrated service teams. RCCC is a member of the Health and Wellness Service Team which is Ramsey County's largest service team. RCCC also works closely with the Safety and Justice Service Team, the Second Judicial District Court, multiple community service providers, and our community members to ensure that our services our accessible, responsive, effective, and equitable.



RCCC operates under the HOPE principles. HOPE is acronym that expresses the unique combination of personal change and accountability that the department's correctional professionals strive to enact with the clients under their care. The principles of HOPE encompass the following:



Ramsey County Community Corrections department-wide strategic plan identifies four major goal areas that are supportive of the Health and Wellness Service Team as well as the County Board's Strategic Plan. The four goals are:

Goal 1 – One Client, One Plan

Provide and coordinate effective client-centered services through targeted case planning.

Goal 2 – We Reflect the Clients and Communities We Serve

Recruit, hire, retain and promote a talented and diverse workforce that reflects the clients and communities we serve.

Goal 3 – We Communicate and Engage

Develop and implement clear and transparent communication and consistent processes that establish trust throughout the department.

Goal 4 - More Community, Less Confinement

Increase use of and success with community supervision strategies and reduce the use of incarceration and out-of-home placements, while maintaining public safety.

JUVENILE DETENTION CENTER (JDC)

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The Ramsey County Juvenile Detention Center (JDC) is a 44-bed facility that provides secure detention for youth. The JDC provides a safe, secure, and structured setting for males and females aged 10 through 17 who are charged with committing offenses, are arrested on warrants, or are in violation of their probation for a previous offense.

Prior to being admitted to the JDC, youth are assessed to determine if they meet admission criteria. In 2008, the JDC implemented a detention screening tool - the Risk Assessment Instrument (RAI) - to reduce the number of lower risk youth who were detained. Prior to 2008, JDC accepted all youth brought to the facility by law enforcement. With the RAI, youth who are determined to be lower risk are released to a parent/guardian or shelter with a court date.

Youth are admitted to detention when there is a reason to believe they:

- Will not appear for their next court hearing
- · Are at risk to reoffend
- Are awaiting court or out of home placement.

Current services

Youth housed at JDC attend the Downtown School offered through Saint Paul Public Schools. This provides education services Monday – Friday, allowing for implementation of Individual Education Plans (IEP) and assist with credit recovery. Youth also have access to health care services provided by Ramsey County Public Health, mental health, chemical health education, and crisis support services, and various programming opportunities. Decision Points cognitive behavioral programming is offered internally.

The JDC continues to value and expand its connection to the community by partnering with the Truce Center, Urban Village, Canine Inspired Change, and Healing Streets. These programs provide mentorship and restorative based services to youth at JDC and continue to support them when they return home. JDC has also partnered with Generation to Generation to provide gender specific programming.

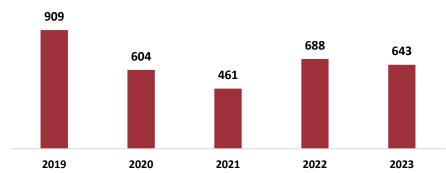
During and after the pandemic

JDC has continued to see reductions in RAIs completed and detention admissions compared to the years preceding the pandemic. These reductions can be attributed to several factors, including law enforcement bringing fewer youth to the front door of detention on non-felony offenses, decreased use of warrants and court ordered admissions by the Court, and reductions in out of home placements by Juvenile Probation and the Court. However, on average youth are being held in detention for longer periods compared to the years preceding the pandemic which has resulted in an increase in the facility's average daily population (ADP).

Detention Screening Tool

Since 2008, JDC has used a detention screening tool - the Risk Assessment Instrument (RAI) - to objectively identify youth who can be appropriately served and monitored in the community, versus those who are at risk of re-offense or failure to appear in court and thus should be held in detention. There were **643** RAIs completed in 2023.¹





In 2023, the number of RAIs completed decreased by 7% compared to 2022.

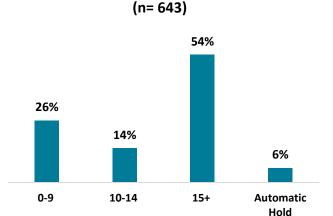
A youth's recommended release decision is based on their RAI score (unless there is an override). RAI scores and corresponding release decisions are grouped as follows:

0-9: Release to parent/guardian

10-14: *Release* to 36-hour alternative to detention (ATD)

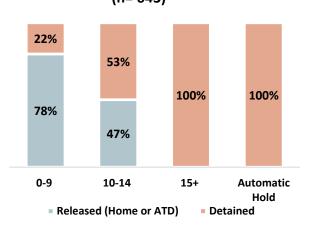
15+: Detain

Automatic Hold: *Detain* automatically per <u>policy</u>. Reasons for an automatic hold include warrant, failure of placement, certification/ EJJ, and out of state residence.²

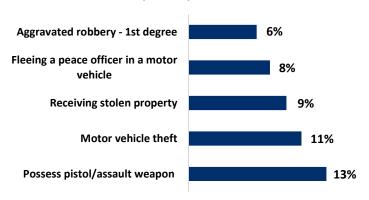


2023 RAI scores

2023 RAI scores by release decision (n= 643)



2023 Top Five Offenses for RAI (n=643)



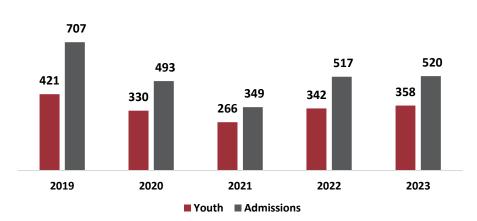
¹ Not all youth who are admitted to detention receive a RAI. Reasons for detention admission without the completion of a RAI include court orders to detain, transfers/changes of venue, and out of county/state warrants.

² Automatic holds are mandated per policy and reflects youth who scored 0-14 on the RAI. Does not include administrative overrides (e.g. parent/guardian unable or unwilling to pick up the youth, no shelter available) or subjective overrides (e.g. held per request from the detaining authority and/or due to community safety concerns).

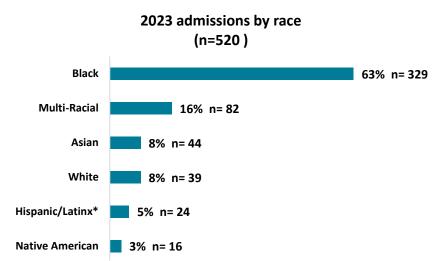
Admissions

There were **520** admissions to JDC in 2023. This includes admissions where a RAI was administered, as well as those where no RAI was completed (e.g. out of county/state warrants and court orders to detention). The charts below provide detail on admissions by race, gender, age, and reason for admission.

JDC admissions, 2019-2023



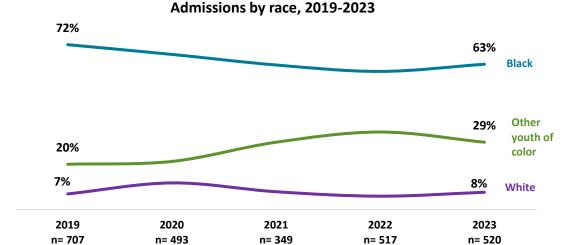
The number of admissions to JDC decreased by 51% from 2019 to 2021. The number of admissions in 2021 represented a historic low. However, there was a 49% increase in the number of admissions to JDC in the last two years.

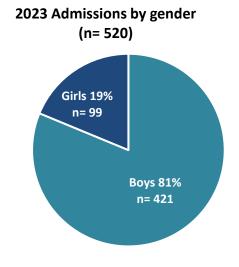


Black youth comprise approximately **20%** of the Ramsey County youth population (ages 10-19) but accounted for 63% of detention admissions in 2023.

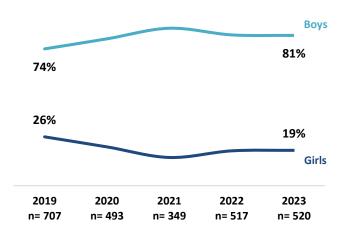
By contrast, White youth comprise about **43%** of the youth population but accounted for just 8% of the admissions.

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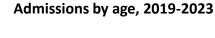


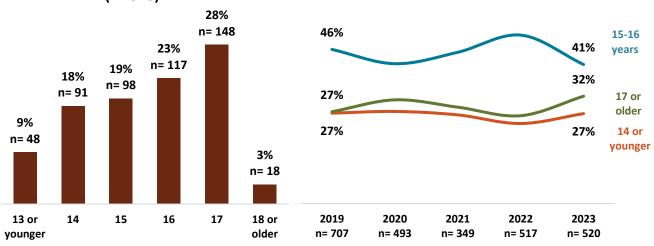


Admissions by gender, 2019-2023

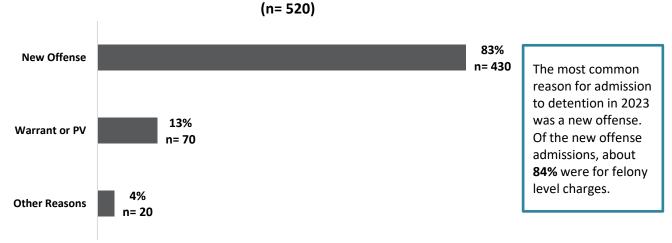


2023 Admissions by age (n= 520)





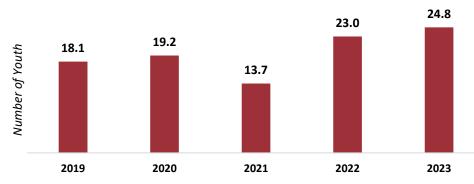
2023 Admissions by reason



Average Daily Population and Average Length of Stay

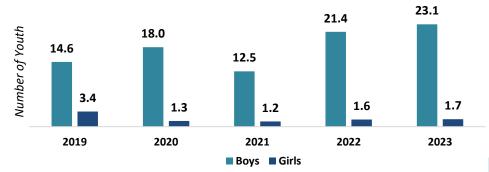
The charts below look at average daily population (ADP) and average length of stay (ALOS) at JDC over the past five years.





In 2023, there were about seven more residents at JDC on a given day compared to 2019.

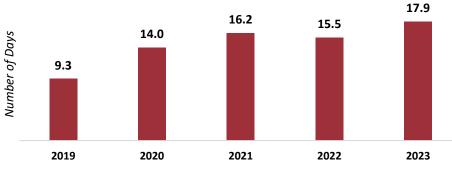
ADP by gender, 2019-2023



In 2023, the ADP for boys increased by about two residents.

For girls, the ADP remained consistent.

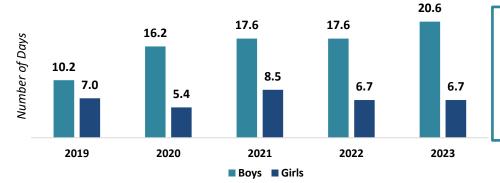
Average length of stay (ALOS), 2019-2023



In 2023, the ALOS at JDC was 18 days. However, over 60% of the admissions to JDC had a stay of less than 1 week.

Youth who are pending certification to the adult system, awaiting a Rule 20 competency hearing, charged with a very serious offenses, or awaiting placement typically have a longer ALOS.

ALOS by gender, 2019-2023



In 2023, boys had significantly longer stays at JDC compared to girls.

In 2023, the ALOS for boys has doubled compared to 2019.

2023 JUVENILE PROBATION

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Juvenile Probation provides a broad range of services to youth between the ages of 10 and 18, to young adults on extended jurisdiction juvenile (EJJ) through age 21, and to young adult men ages 18-24 on transitional age caseloads. Juvenile Probation uses a racial equity lens and positive juvenile justice framework to protect public safety and reduce the delinquency behaviors of youth on probation by promoting behavioral change and healthy youth development, and by holding young people accountable.

Probation officers consider the seriousness of the offense and information gathered from assessments and interviews to make recommendations to court that may include referrals to community programming, restitution, community service, electronic home monitoring, other types of treatment or rehabilitation services, and out-of-home placement.

Juvenile Probation staff work to increase their client's ability to maintain healthy and positive relationships with family and friends, to succeed at school, and to find and maintain employment. Probation officers utilize Family Engaged Case Plans as a case management tool to build partnerships with the young people they serve and their families, and to identify goals and activities that address needs and promote success.

Current services

Juvenile Probation partners with community-based organizations to augment services and respond to the diverse cultural needs of Ramsey County youth. Some of the programs and services offered include:

- Educational, life-skills, employment readiness, and vocational training for youth
- Cognitive-behavioral groups
- Gun and group violence prevention
- Culturally specific programming, mentoring, and coaching
- Gender specific groups that are based on restorative justice principles and practices.

During and after the pandemic

In response to COVID-19, Juvenile Probation adjusted its policies and practices so it could continue to provide services to youth both safely and effectively. This included using virtual/remote contacts with youth, limiting inperson contacts, and offering virtual community-based programming and cognitive behavioral interventions. In 2023, most youth and family contacts have switched to in-person. Community-based programming and cognitive behavioral interventions have returned to being delivered in person as well.

Youth Served

2019

2020

■ Total Served

In 2023, Juvenile Probation served 576 youth. Of these youth, 324 were newly assigned.

Youth served by juvenile probation, 2019-2023

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served by Juvenile Probation decreased by 34% from 2019 to 2021. The number of youth served in 2021 represented a historic low. However, there was a 36% increase in youth served over the past two years.

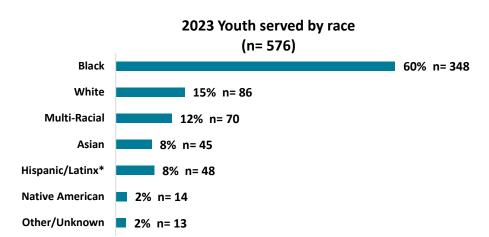
The number of youth

The next series of charts identify the demographic characteristics of youth served, broken out by race, gender, age range, zip code, and juvenile justice system status.

■ Newly Assigned

2022

2023

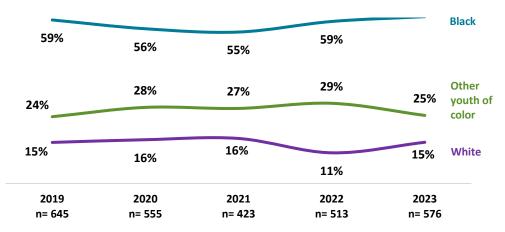


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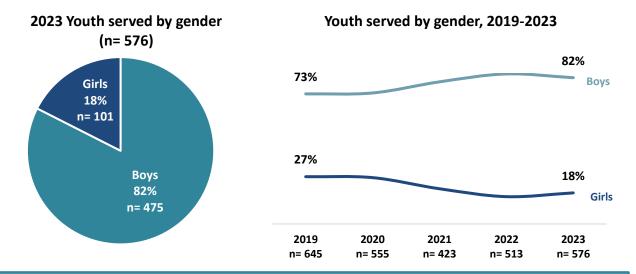
Black youth comprise approximately 20% of the Ramsey County youth population (ages 10-19) but accounted for **60%** of the youth served by Juvenile Probation in 2023.

By contrast, White, non-Hispanic youth comprise about **43%** of the youth population but represent just 15% of those served in 2023.

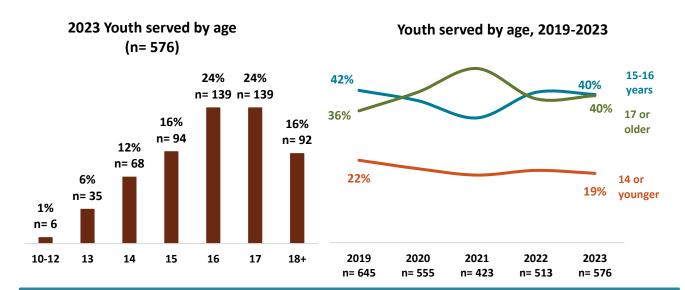
Youth served by race, 2019-2023



<u>Iuvenile Probation Profile 2023</u>

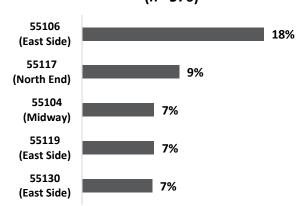


Over the past five years, the proportion of youth on probation who are boys has increased.

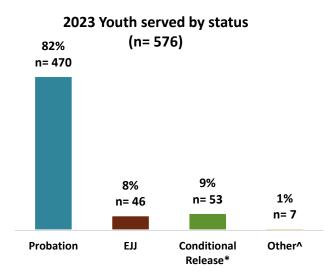


In 2023, the average age for youth on probation was 16 years old.

2023 Youth served by Zip code (Top 5) (n= 576)



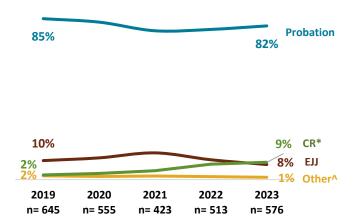
In 2023, almost half of the youth served by Juvenile Probation resided in the following five zip codes. Over 80% of youth served in 2023 resided in Ramsey County.



^{*}Includes youth on conditional release that did not move onto probation or EJJ in 2023.

^Includes youth who were pending certification that were not open on probation or EJJ in 2023.

Youth served by status, 2019-2023



In 2023, there was an increase in both the number and percentage of youth served who were open only on conditional release (CR) status.

Risk Assessment (YLS/CMI)

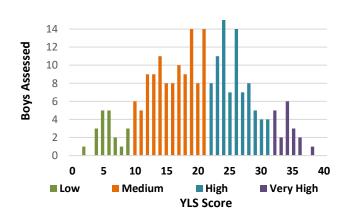
In keeping with evidence-based practices, Juvenile Probation uses the Youth Level of Service/Case Management Inventory (YLS/CMI) 2.0 – a validated risk assessment tool to (1) identify a young person's major risks, needs, strengths, and protective factors; (2) assess his/her likelihood for continued delinquent activity; and (3) inform recommendations and decision making related to supervision, service referrals, case planning, and placement. A higher score indicates a greater level of risk and need.

In general, assessments are not completed for youth with low-level delinquency offenses, or youth who score low on a screening tool.

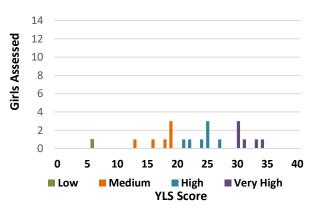
In 2023, 257 YLS/CMI assessments were completed on 182 youth.

- Low risk scores represent 8% of the youth assessed.
- Medium risk scores represent 46% of the youth assessed.
- High risk and Very High risk scores represent 46% of the youth assessed.

2023 Risk scores for boys on probation (n= 237)



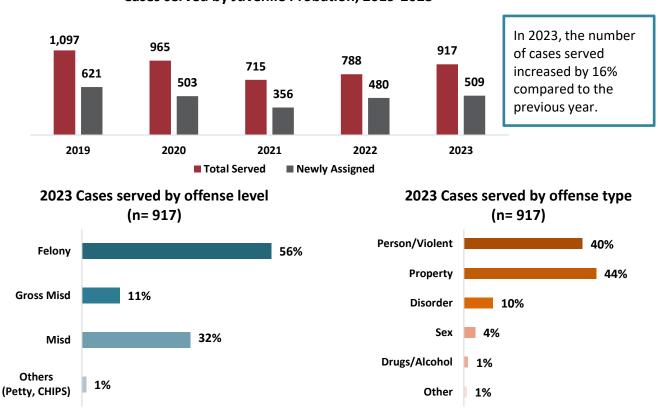
2023 Risk scores for girls on probation (n= 20)



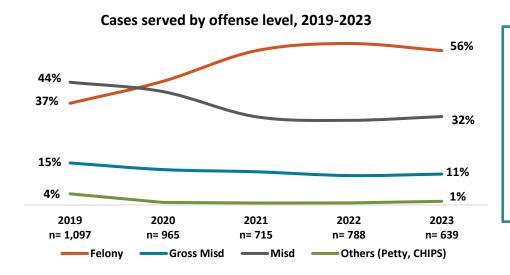
Cases and Offenses

In 2023, **917** cases were served by Juvenile Probation. Of these cases, **509** were newly assigned in 2023. Case totals reflect the following case types: probation, extended jurisdiction juvenile (EJJ), investigations, and pending certifications.¹

Cases served by Juvenile Probation, 2019-2023



In 2023, the most prevalent offenses were thefts (18% of cases served), possess pistol/assault weapon (10% of cases), and tamper with motor vehicle (9% of cases served).



Over the past five years, there has been an increase in the percentage of felony cases. Fifty three percent (56%) of cases served in 2023 were felony level versus 37% of cases in 2019.

¹ Truancy and runaway cases that were supervised by the Youth Engagement Program (YEP) at Social Services, as well as conditional release cases that did not move onto probation are excluded from this count.

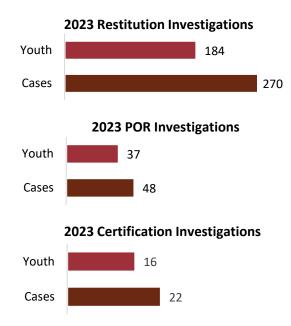
Investigations

There are three primary types of investigations conducted within Juvenile Probation.

Restitution Determination - Investigations ordered by the Court to determine if restitution is required and the amount owed to the victim of the offense.

Probation Officer Report (POR) - Investigations prepared for the Court to describe the young person's current offense and previous delinquency history, comprehensively identify risk, needs, and strengths, and make recommendations to the Court around conditions of probation supervision.

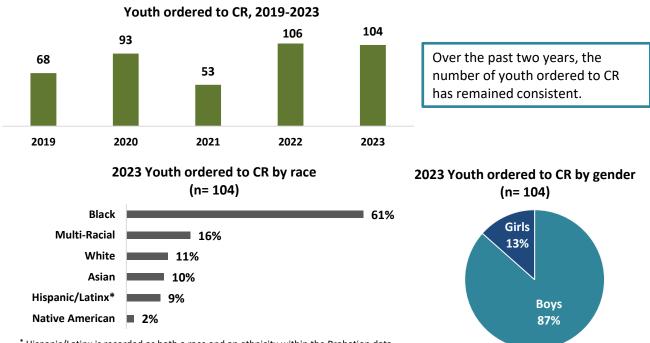
Certification Study - Investigations to determine if a youth's juvenile court case should be transferred to adult court for prosecution and disposition. A certification study may be ordered on a youth 14 or older who commits a felony level offense.



Conditional Release

Conditional release (CR) supervision is utilized with youth pre-disposition who are either court-ordered released from the Ramsey County Juvenile Detention Center (JDC), or who are released to a detention alternative per the detention risk screening tool (RAI). Youth on CR are often placed on electronic home monitoring (EHM) or house arrest by the Court. Youth are contacted daily and monitored by a team of probation officers for compliance.

In 2023, there were **104** unique youth that were ordered to CR on one or more cases. Youth were open on CR for an average of **65** days.



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Community Based Programming

In an effort to reduce the rates of incarceration and out-of-home placement while maintaining public safety, Juvenile Probation offers a variety of community-based programming options for youth and their families. There were **130** youth were served by the following community programs in 2023:

JK Movement - Offers lessons in healthy lifestyle, career readiness, mentorship, and physical activity.

Community Coaches - Individual mentors promote pro-social development and community-based activities.

Talitha Cumi - Helps female youth build their emotional intelligence and develop a greater sense of self-awareness, self-confidence, self-identity, and self-worth using the circle process.

Decision Points - Cognitive behavioral intervention that targets anti-social thoughts and distortions.

World Youth Connect - Provides a safe space for marginalized youth to call home, develop relationships, and build a resume though meaningful work.

HIRED - Provides pre-employment services and other support services.

Rebound - Aftercare services to youth re-entering the community after out-of-home placement.

Black Tech Geek - Workforce readiness program for teens interested in computer science and engineering.

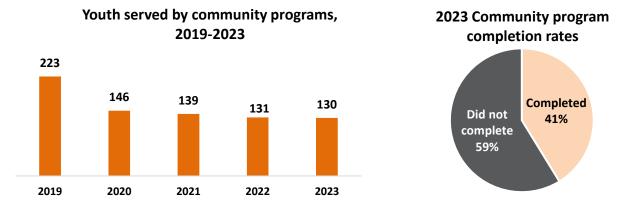
Exert – Life coaches provide one-to-one supportive services to youth.

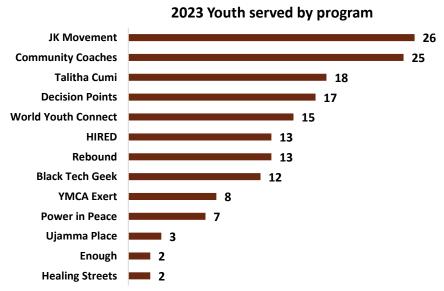
Power in Peace – Case management services for youth who are involved or at risk for involvement in weapons related violence.

Ujamaa Place - Provides male youth with one-on-one coaching and individualized transformation plans to inspire personal growth.

Enough - Individual support for youth who are system-involved, high-risk, or experiencing sexual exploitation/human trafficking.

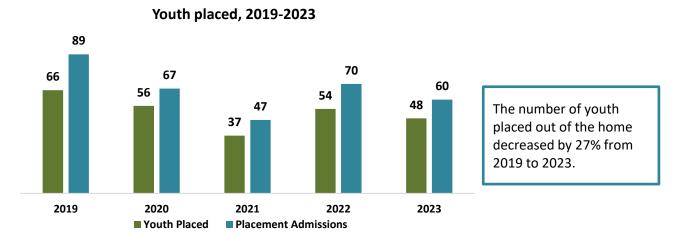
Healing Streets - Offers a community-centered, healing-based approach to group and gun violence prevention and intervention.



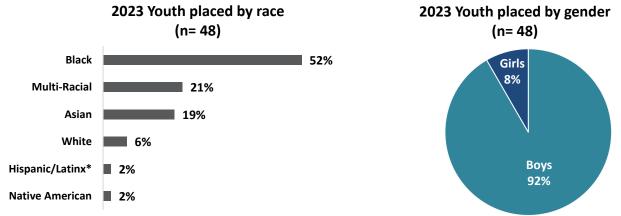


Out-of-Home Placement

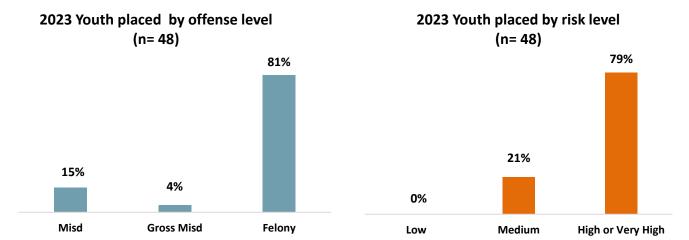
Out-of-home placement is a response typically prescribed for youth (1) whose behavior in the community constitutes a threat to public safety, and (2) with needs that necessitate intervention in a residential treatment or correctional setting.



In 2023, there were **48** youth admitted to an out-of-home placement. This includes group homes, both short and long term residential programs, sex offender treatment, and correctional/Minnesota Department of Corrections facilities. The charts below show demographics, offense level, and YLS/CMI risk level for the youth who were placed.

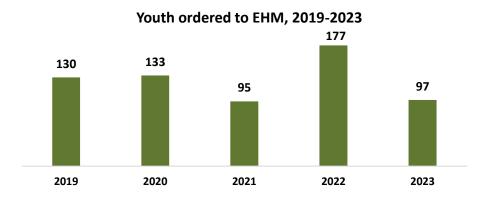


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Electronic Home Monitoring

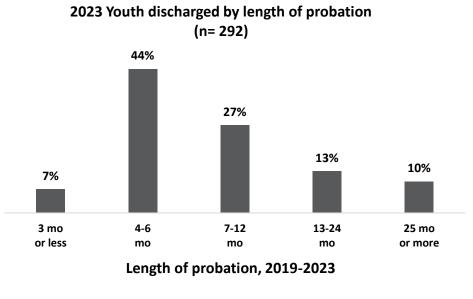
Electronic Home Monitoring (EHM) is a community-based alternative sanction used with youth on predispositional conditional release, as well as with youth post-disposition who are at risk for out-of-home placement. In 2023, **97** youth open with Juvenile Probation were ordered to EHM.

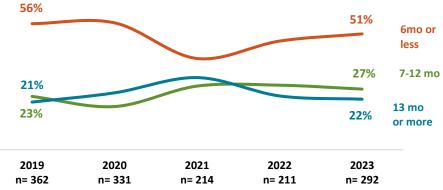


In 2023, there was an 45% decrease in the number of youth ordered to EHM. About 17% of youth served by Juvenile Probation in 2023 were ordered to EHM during the year.

Probation Length

In 2023, there were **292** youth discharged from Juvenile Probation. The average time served on probation was about **11** months. The charts below provide additional detail about the duration youth are open on probation.



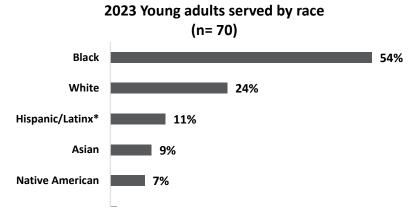


In 2023, over half of youth were open with Juvenile Probation for a period of 6 months or less.

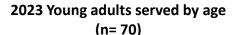
Transitional Age Caseloads

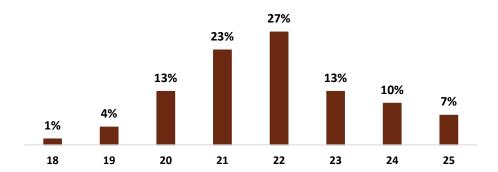
In 2021, Juvenile Probation implemented a transitional age service delivery model to serve young adult men aged 18-24 who were placed on adult probation for felony level offenses and are at high risk for recidivism and failure on probation. This service delivery model is embedded within the Juvenile Probation division, with three juvenile probation officers providing supervision and services.

In 2023, **70 young adult men** were served through this model. The charts below show the young adults served by race/ethnicity and age.



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ADULT SERVICES

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Adult Services supervises clients that have either been placed on probation or released from Minnesota prisons onto supervised release. The goal of the division is to balance the need to protect the community and hold clients accountable with rehabilitative services to help them promote positive change, achieve their goals, and have productive, and crime-free live. This often includes monitoring compliance with court-ordered conditions; drug testing; community work service; and referrals to treatment, programming and alternative sanctions that are attuned to the needs, risk, and individual characteristics of the client.

Current services

Adult Services partners with community organizations to augment services and respond to the diverse cultural needs of the community. Some community programs that support clients include:

- Sentence-to Service work crews and individual community service work
- Decision Points cognitive behavioral programming
- · Re-entry planning and support
- Treatment programs for adults convicted of sex and domestic abuse offenses as well as chemically dependent clients.

During and after the pandemic

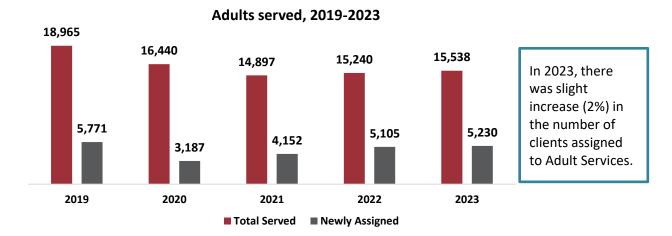
Throughout the pandemic, Adult Services implemented several policy and practice changes including the suspension of office visits, the use of virtual communication to conduct remote appointments with clients, the delivery of virtual cognitive behavioral programming (both group-based and on-on-one), the reduction/suspension of drug testing and technical violations (e.g. violations not involving a new offense or absconding from supervision), and the elimination of the collection of probation supervision fees for all adult clients. Most of these changes continued after 2020 with some modifications.

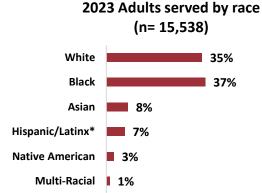
In 2023, Adult Services reopened its main office locations for clients to meet with their probation officers in person. Compared to previous years, contacts between clients and probation officers in 2023 were hybrid (both remote and in-person) as opposed to primarily virtual during the pandemic. Community-based programming and cognitive behavioral interventions also returned to being delivered in person.

In 2023, Adult Services started implementing case planning as part of the department's Effective Supervision Practices (ESP) supervision model. Case planning allows practitioners to better address the unique needs of high-risk clients through individualized case plans that focus on responsivity factors to help clients achieve their goals. In addition to case planning, Adult Services continued to implement other initiatives to serve adults on probation such as gender responsive and unsheltered caseloads.

Adults Served

In 2023, **15,538** clients were served by the Adult Services Division. There were **5,230** clients newly assigned to Adult Services in 2023. These totals reflect adults on supervision, investigation, transferred out, and warrant status.

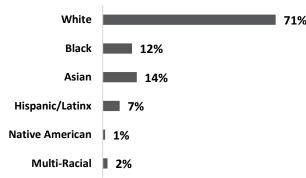




^{*} Hispanic/Latinx is recorded as a race and as an ethnicity within the Adult Services data system. Therefore, counts by race will exceed the total number of adults served.

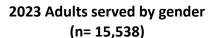
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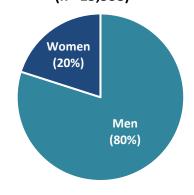
Ramsey County adults by race*



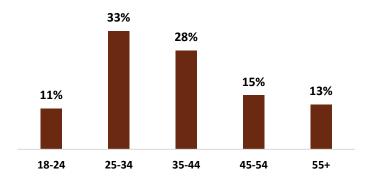
Source: U.S. Census Bureau - Released in June 2023

Black adults comprise approximately 12% of the county's population (18 or older) but accounted for 37% of adults served by the division in 2023.





2023 Adults served by age range (n= 15,538)



Adults Supervised

24%

16%

14% 9%

2019

n= 12,767

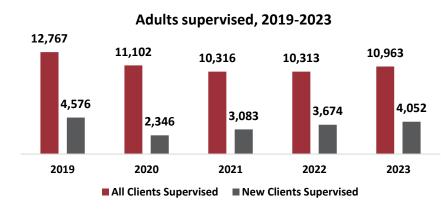
2020

n= 11,102

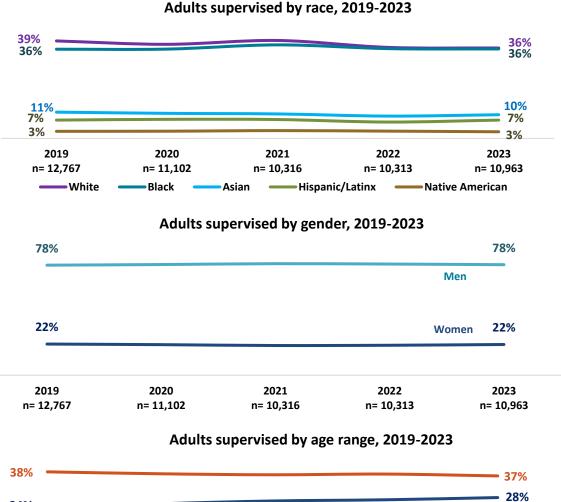
-18-24

25-34

Of the 15,538 clients served in 2023, 10,963 (71%) were on active supervision (probation or supervised release) with the Adult Division.



In 2023, there was a 10% increase in the number of new clients supervised compared to 2022. This increase might have resulted from backlogged cases that were put on hold by the Court during the pandemic.



2022

13%

12%

10%

2023

2021

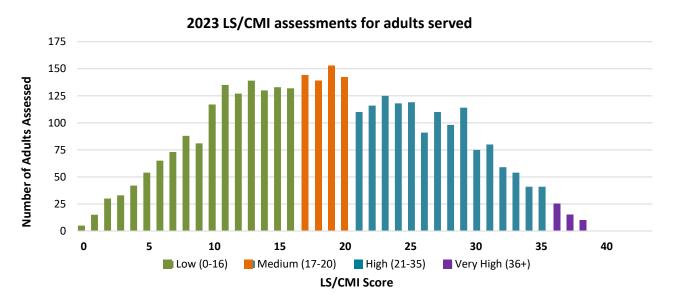
Risk Assessment (LS/CMI)

In keeping with best practice Adult Services uses the Level of Service/Case Management Inventory (LS/CMI) to determine a client's risk for re-offending, identify needs to be targeted during supervision, and measure client change.

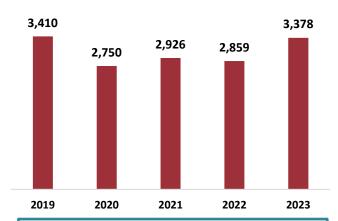
In 2023, **3,378** LS/CMI assessments were completed for clients assigned to Adult Services. This includes both initial assessments and reassessments. Not all clients receive an LS/CMI. In general, LS/CMIs are completed on individuals that receive a full pre-sentence investigation, score high on a screening tool, or are assigned to high-risk supervision. A screening assessment is used with lower level clients.

A higher score on the LS/CMI indicates a greater level of need and risk for reoffending.

- Low risk scores (0-16) represent 41% of adults assessed
- Medium risk scores (17-20) represent 17% of adults assessed
- High risk scores (21-35) represent 40% of adults assessed
- Very High risk scores (36+) represent 2% of adults assessed.



LS/CMIs completed, 2019-2023



There was an 18% increase in the number of assessments completed in 2023 compared to 2022.

Initial LS/CMIs by risk level, 2019-2023



The percentage of adults initially assessed at high/very high risk to reoffend has decreased over the last three years.

Cases and Offenses

In 2023, **7,064** new cases were opened in Adult Services. Cases typically start either as an investigation or on supervision. This represents a 2% increase compared to 2022.

Investigation Cases

There were 5,271 new investigation cases opened in 2023. There are four broad types of investigation cases in Adult Services: Pre-Sentence, Pre-Release, Case Transfer, and Restitution related investigations.

Pre-Sentence Investigation (PSI): Investigations ordered by the Court to determine the appropriate sentencing. Investigations are tailored to an individual's offense and include a variety of components such as family history, work history, chemical use history, and psychological assessments.

Pre-Release Investigation: Investigations conducted prior to the release of a client from prison to verify all aspects of supervision and terms of supervised release.

Inter/Intra State Case Transfer Investigation:

Investigations related to the transfer of clients on probation or supervised release from other states or Minnesota counties to Ramsey County for supervision.

Restitution Investigation: Investigations related to postsentence cases that have an outstanding restitution matter.

Supervision Cases

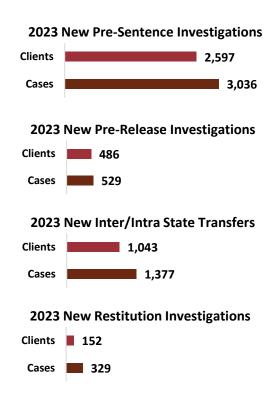
5,281 cases started on supervision in 2023. There are several types of supervision cases:

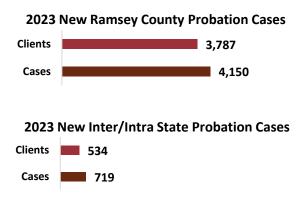
Ramsey County Probation: The Second Judicial Court places an adult on probation after he or she has pled or been found guilty for a crime. The Court outlines the specific conditions of probation the person must follow in order to successfully complete probation.

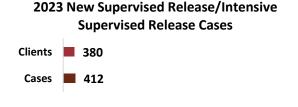
Inter/Intra State Probation: Adults that have been transferred to Ramsey County from other states or Minnesota counties for probation.

Supervised Release/Intensive Supervised Release:

Adults released from Minnesota prisons are assigned to supervised release or intensive supervised release based on the type of offense and their risk for reoffending. Adults remain on SR/ISR until they reach expiration of their sentence.

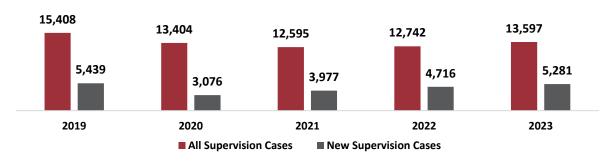




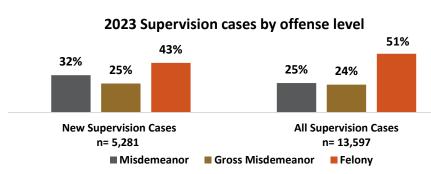


There were **13,597** cases on active supervision (probation or supervised release) in 2023; 39% of these cases were newly assigned.

Supervision cases, 2019-2023

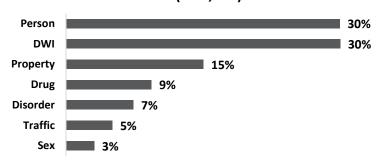


The chart below compares the level of offense of new supervision cases with all cases supervised in 2023. New supervision cases are a subset of all supervision cases.



The percentage of new supervision cases at all levels in 2023 were similar to 2022.

2023 New supervision cases by offense type (n= 5,281)



Person, impaired driving (DWI), and property offenses represented 75% of all cases supervised in 2023. This is consistent with previous years.

<u>Person</u> includes murder, manslaughter, criminal vehicular homicide, assault, robbery, domestic abuse, order for protection and no contact order violations, interfering with a 911 call, kidnapping, stalking, terroristic threats, malicious punishment of a child, harassment, riot, and weapons offenses.

<u>DWI</u> includes driving while intoxicated, DWI test refusal, criminal vehicular operation, criminal vehicular operation, and underage drinking and driving offenses.

<u>Property</u> includes burglary, theft, arson, forgery, counterfeiting, fraud, identity theft, receiving stolen property, and criminal damage to property offenses.

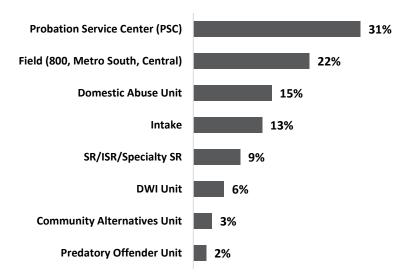
Drug includes drug sale and drug possession offenses.

<u>Disorder</u> includes aiding an offender, fleeing police, giving false information to police, obstructing the legal process, and disorderly conduct.

<u>Traffic</u> includes careless driving, reckless driving, and driving after cancellation.

<u>Sex</u> includes criminal sexual conduct, sex trafficking, pornography, prostitution, violation of predatory offender registration, and indecent exposure offenses.

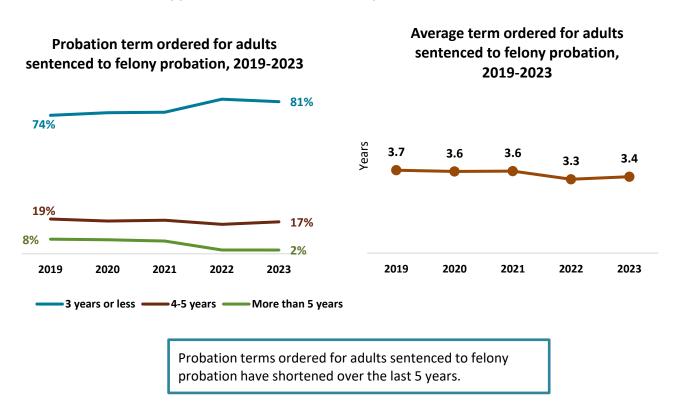
2023 New supervision cases by unit (n= 5,281)



In 2023, about a third of new supervision cases were assigned to the Probation Service Center (PSC) which serves clients who need a less restrictive form of probation supervision. This is similar to 2022.

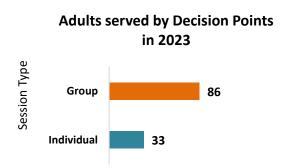
Probation Term Ordered

The Court pronounces the time to serve on probation at a client's sentencing. In 2023, more than 80% of adults sentenced to felony probation were sentenced for 3 years or less.



Decision Points Programming

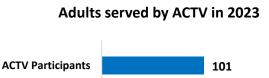
The department provides group and individual cognitive behavioral interventions (CBI) to adults on supervision that are high-risk. One of the main CBI programs offered is Decision Points. Decision Points is a nationally used curriculum that focuses on anger management, emotional support, problem solving, and communication skills. Ramsey County delivers the program both virtually and in person.



In 2023, 107 adult clients participated in virtual Decision Points programming. 12 clients participated in both group and individual based sessions. Compared to 2022, fewer adults participated in group programming while more adults had individual sessions.

Achieving Change Through Value-Based Behavior (ACTV)

Achieving Change Through Value-Based Behavior (ACTV) is a curriculum for men who have been court-mandated to complete a domestic abuse counseling or education program following a domestic violence conviction. ACTV is offered in the community to men on probation and its purpose is to guide participants to make different choices than they have in the past and to engage in respectful, healthy behavior consistent with their personal values. Ramsey County offers ACTV programming at no cost and purposefully targets low-income and/or unemployed clients.

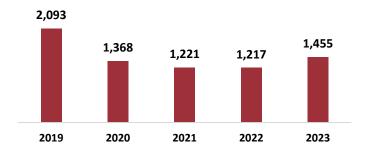


In 2023, 101 adult clients participated in ACTV programming. This was higher than the number of participants in 2022 (43 adults) and 2021 (11 adults).

Probation Violations

A probation violation (PV) is submitted to the 2nd Judicial District Court (Ramsey County) when a client has failed to follow or violated the terms and conditions of probation. Reasons for filing a PV could include failure to remain law abiding, failure to remain in contact with probation, or failure to enter or complete specialized programming (e.g. sex offender or domestic abuse). The determination to file a PV is based on the client's risk level and the seriousness of the current misconduct, per the behavioral criteria and guidelines specified in the Response to Offender Misconduct (ROMP).

Clients with a PV, 2019-2023



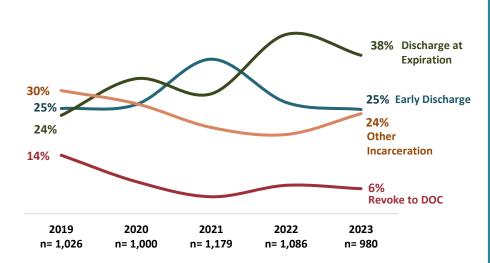
Since 2019, the department has been working with the Robina Institute to implement the **Reducing Revocations**Challenge. The goal of this initiative is to reduce revocation rates of adult clients on probation and increase probation success.

Probation Closure

In 2023, there were **980** adults who were closed from felony probation.¹ Clients may be closed for various reasons:

- Early Discharge Client successfully completes probation early.
- Discharge at Expiration Client is discharged upon completion of full probation term.
- Revoke to MN Department of Corrections (DOC) Client has probation revoked and is committed to prison.
- Other Incarceration Client is discharged from probation upon release from RCCF or for credit for time served in custody.
- Other reasons (not plotted on the chart) Client closed from probation due to death or other court action.



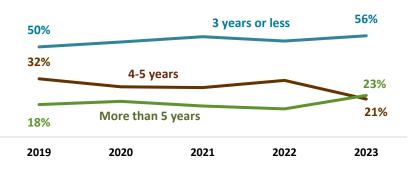


Compared to 2019, fewer clients are being closed off probation due to incarceration. However, this percentage increased over the last two years.

Revocations to the DOC decreased by 59% over the last five years. They represented 14% of all felony probation closures in 2019 and 6% in 2023.

The chart below shows the length of probation term served for adults who were closed from felony probation, regardless of the reason for closure.

Probation term served for adults closed from felony probation, 2019-2023



In 2023, over 55% of adults closed from felony probation were on supervision for 3 years or less.

¹ Clients sentenced to probation in Ramsey County. Excludes clients discharged from inter/intra state probation or supervised release. Excludes clients sentenced in Ramsey County but transferred out to another county or jurisdiction for probation.

RAMSEY COUNTY CORRECTIONAL FACILITY

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The Ramsey County Correctional Facility (RCCF) is a 556-bed facility, housing male and female adult residents who receive a sentence from the Second Judicial District Court for up to one year. After receiving a sentence, residents either turn themselves in at a date and time agreed upon by the Court, or they may be transported to the RCCF from the Ramsey County Law Enforcement Center (LEC) after their court hearing.

During and after the pandemic

The average daily population at RCCF decreased between 2020 and 2022 as the result of the County's policy and practice changes due to COVID-19 and other efforts that enabled individuals to serve their sentences under supervision in the community. Since COVID, Ramsey County female population had greatly reduced in comparison to the Dakota County female population. Therefore, in 2022, RCCF stopped housing and detaining Dakota County female clients and re-oriented the costs associated with housing Dakota females towards enhancing services to a reduced Ramsey County female population sentenced to RCCF. RCCF has continued to maintain low population numbers post COVID through reform efforts, including utilization of alternatives to incarceration.

Reform and services moving forward

As part of its reform efforts, RCCF revised criteria for its Electronic Home Monitoring (EHM) and Work/School Release programs and created the Community Alternative Program (CAP). The Work Release (WR) program, which had been put in hold due to COVID 19, resumed in 2023. WR allows eligible residents to work or attend school while serving their sentence at RCCF. The Community Alternative Program (CAP) was designed for adult probationers who have been court ordered to serve jail time or are eligible to be in a program that allows them to remain in the community. In addition, the facility made a strong commitment to providing reentry services to residents upon release to the community through its Transition Services. RCCF's Transition Services include resources and detailed information about community-based agencies to facilitate reentry to the community for residents at the RCCF and assistance to clients on the Community Alternative Program (CAP). In 2024, RCCF will also start a resident compensation plan allowing residents to be paid for the work they do at the facility.

RCCF PROGRAMMING

Residents at RCCF have the opportunity to participate in programming that supports their rehabilitation, change in behavior, and life and work skill-building so they can successfully reintegrate into their communities upon release.

- The **Minnesota Parenting Program** provides incarcerated parents with prenatal/early parenting education, individual peer counseling with Doula professionals, and visitations with their children.
- The **RCCF Learning Center** provides residents with Adult Basic Education resources including K-12 literacy/math instruction, tutoring, English language support, and high school credential preparation along with GED practice/official tests.

CULTURAL CELEBRATIONS

In 2023, RCCF partnered with Anika Bowie to celebrate Juneteenth with a special lunch and program. The event included speakers, artistic performances, interactive discussions, and time for reflection.

^{*}The Community Monitoring Program was combined with EHM in June 2021 to form Community Alternative Programming (CAP).

Residents and Admissions

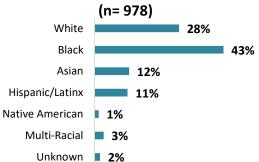
In 2023, RCCF served **1,383** residents. This includes residents in custody prior to January **1**, 2023 **(121)** and new residents admitted during 2023 **(1,262)**.

Admissions to RCCF increased by 34% in 2023.

RCCF residents are disproportionately persons of color compared to the overall adult Ramsey County population. In 2023, persons of color were 29% of the county's adult population but represented 72% of male admits to RCCF and 56% of female admits to the facility.

In 2023, the percentage of admissions for persons of color increased.

2023 Male admissions by race



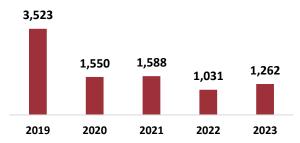
Unknown **2%**

Male and female admissions, 2019-2023

In 2023, 77% of admissions were men and 23% were women.

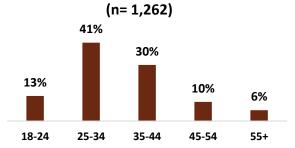
Over the last year, admissions increased by 63% for women and by 14% for men.

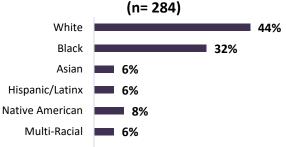
RCCF Admissions, 2019-2023*



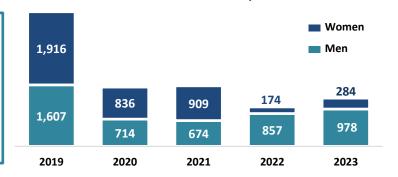
*2019-2021 admissions also include Dakota females. Prior to 2022, RCCF contracted with Dakota County to board its sentenced and pre-sentenced female residents. However, in 2022, RCCF stopped housing Dakota women.

2023 Admissions by age range





2023 Female admissions by race

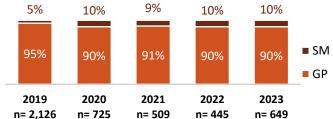


Within 72 hours of being booked into the facility, residents are classified based largely on their offense history and previous institutional behavior. Classification determines dorm assignment, work opportunities, and other privileges. GP (General Population) is the least restrictive classification and SM (Special Management) is the most restrictive*. Residents do not receive a classification if: (a) they are admitted but released on the same day to electronic home monitoring or (b) their stay is less than 72 hours.

Admissions classifications have remained consistent since 2019.

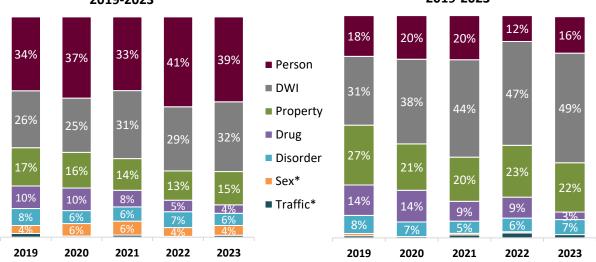
* In 2022, RCCF combined admission classification codes *Level 1* and *Level 2* into one code (GP). RCCF also changed the admission classification code *Level 3* to 'SM'.

Admissions by classification, 2019-2023



Male admissions by offense type, 2019-2023

Female admissions by offense type, 2019-2023



^{*}Traffic offenses (both for men and women) were less than 3% in most years. Females' sex offenses were below 2% for all years.

In 2023, person, impaired driving (DWI), and property offenses represented 80% of all male admissions and 82% of female admissions. Since 2019, there was an increase in the percentage of admissions on DWIs, particularly for women.

<u>Person</u> includes murder, manslaughter, criminal vehicular homicide, assault, robbery, domestic abuse, order for protection and no contact order violations, interfering with a 911 call, kidnapping, stalking, terroristic threats, malicious punishment of a child, harassment, riot, and weapons offenses.

<u>DWI</u> includes driving while intoxicated, DWI test refusal, criminal vehicular operation, criminal vehicular operation, and underage drinking and driving offenses.

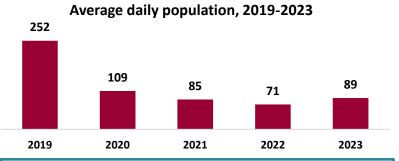
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Drug includes drug sale and drug possession offenses.

<u>Disorder</u> includes aiding an offender, fleeing police, giving false information to police, obstructing the legal process, and disorderly conduct.

<u>Sex</u> includes criminal sexual conduct, sex trafficking, pornography, prostitution, violation of predatory offender registration, and indecent exposure offenses.

<u>Traffic</u> includes careless driving, reckless driving, and driving after cancellation.



The average daily population (ADP) reflects residents being served in the facility. Due to changes in policy related to COVID-19 and female residents, the ADP decreased by 71% from 2020 to 2022; however it increased by 25% from 2022 to 2023.

2023 Average daily population by gender



In 2023, male residents were 83% of the ADP at RCCF.

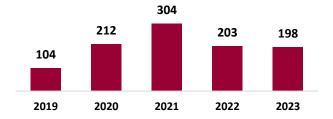
Community Alternative Programming (CAP):

The Community Alternatives Program (CAP) was created in 2021 by RCCF to promote the use of alternatives to incarceration. CAP combines CAP Non-Incarcerated (formally Community Monitoring Program), CAP Incarcerated (formally Electronic Home Monitoring), Sentence to Service (STS), and Work Release into one unit.

CAP Non-Incarcerated (formally Community Monitoring Program - CMP)

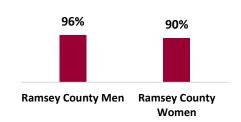
In support of the Department's strategic goal of *More Community, Less Confinement*, the CAP Non-Incarcerated program was introduced in August 2018. The program gives probation officers additional behavioral response options beyond incarceration to respond to misconduct. In March 2021, CAP Non-Incarcerated was moved from Adult Services to RCCF, where the program currently operates.

Residents served by CAP Non-Incarcerated, 2019-2023



The number of residents served by CAP Non-Incarcerated decreased by 35% since 2021.

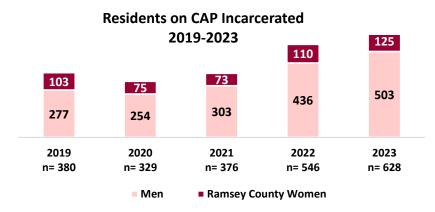
2023 CAP Non-Incarcerated completion rates



About 95% of CAP Non-Incarcerated participants completed the program.

CAP Incarcerated (formally Electronic Home Monitoring - EHM)

The CAP Incarcerated program is an alternative to incarceration. It allows eligible residents to serve their sentence at home using an electronic monitoring system. Residents must have authorization from the Court, have a sentence between 20-150 days on a non-person/violent offense, be drugfree, and meet other eligibility criteria. In 2023, **628** residents participated in CAP Incarcerated.



Since 2019, there has been an increase in the percentage of residents on CAP Incarcerated (19% in 2019 compared to 50% in 2023).

2023 CAP Incarcerated completion rates

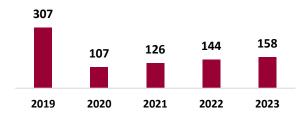


In 2023, 613 residents were discharged from CAP Incarcerated for a completion rate of 98%.

CAP - Sentence to Service (STS)

Sentence to Service (STS) is an alternative to incarceration for low-risk clients. STS offers an opportunity for eligible clients to repay the community for harm incurred by working on community service projects. In 2022, STS was moved from Adult Services to RCCF, where the program currently operates. Clients with multiple cases and clients on specialty court caseloads could be sanctioned to STS multiple times during the year. The following data represent a unique/unduplicated count STS participants by year.

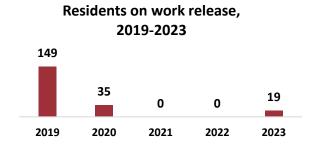
Adults served by STS, 2019-2023



The number of adults served by STS increased by 10% in 2023 compared to 2022.

CAP - Work Release (WR)

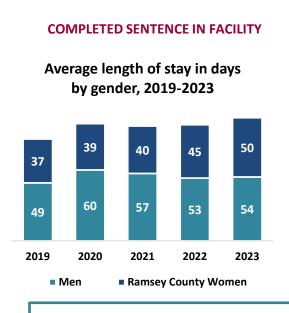
The work release (WR) program allows eligible residents to work or attend school while serving their sentence at RCCF. Residents must have Court authorization, provide proof of continuous and legitimate employment/post-secondary enrollment, and meet other eligibility requirements to participate.

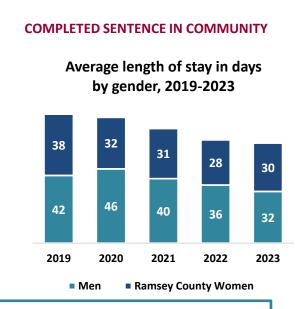


Due to COVID-19, the WR program was put on hold in March 2020 and residents eligible for work or school release qualified for CAP Incarcerated instead. **The WR program was resumed in 2023. 19 residents participated.**

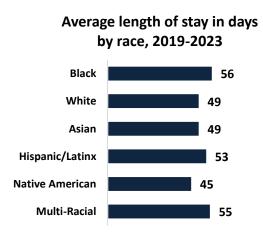
Releases and Average Length of Stay

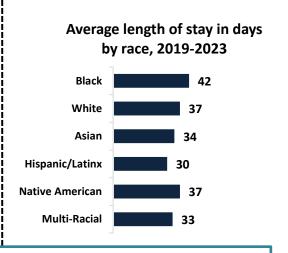
In 2023, **1,180** residents were released from RCCF. Men accounted for 83% of the releases and Ramsey County women for 17%. Historically (2018-2021), most Dakota County women had a shorter length of stay as they were pre-sentenced. However, in 2022, RCCF stopped hosting women from Dakota County. The charts below look at average length of stay (ALOS) at RCCF broken down by residents who served their sentence in the facility versus those who while being under RCCF custody served their sentence in the community through Home Confinement or EHM (CAP Incarcerated).





On average, men had longer stays than women - both for residents who completed their sentence in the facility as well as in the community. The difference in average ALOS between men and women who completed their sentence in the facility has decreased since 2019.

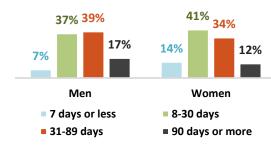




On average, Black adults had longer lengths of stay - both for residents who completed their sentence in the facility as well as in the community.

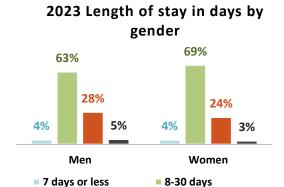
COMPLETED SENTENCE IN FACILITY

2023 Length of stay in days by gender



Most residents who served their sentence in the facility had a length of stay between 8 and 89 days.

COMPLETED SENTENCE IN COMMUNITY



Most residents who served their sentence in the community had a length of stay between 8 and 30 days.

■ 90 days or more

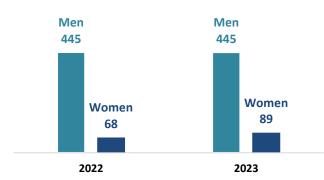
31-89 days

Transition Services

RCCF provides transition services to support residents during their reentry into the community after being released from the facility. Transition services are offered to residents before their release and encompass a wide array of supports such as helping residents enroll in health insurance, access child support, find employment and housing, apply for college, obtain a bus pass, and complete the process to get identification documents (e.g., ID, birth certificate, Social Security Card, etc.).

In 2023, **534** residents used transition services. There were about 1,330 requests for services. Residents could have requested and used multiple services. Over half of all requests (55%) were health insurance related.

Residents who used Transition Services



Most residents who used transition services were men. Men also used services at a higher rate than women. 45% of the men released from the facility in 2023 used services while 35% of the women released in 2023 used services.