

PRETRIAL DEFINITIONS

Individuals are considered pretrial if they have received new charges. The following definitions are used below to study the pretrial process and outcomes.

Note: Based on the unit of analysis (case or individual), certain rates may be calculated in different ways. For example, an individual might be released multiple times during one pretrial period, but there is only one release decision at the case level. Or, rates will be calculated based on the outcome occurring at any time during the pretrial period, such as rearrest rates, where someone may be released and rearrested twice.

Important terms:

- *Any references to jail are specific to one of the four PSD jail facilities.*
- *Supervised release refers to the pretrial supervision (monitoring) provided by Intake Services Center, PSD.*

- **Pretrial period:** The period of time between the filing of charges and case adjudication (dismissal or sentencing).
 - **For case unit** Starts when charges are first filed and ends when case disposition (adjudication, when case is either dismissed or sentenced), and begins any time new charges are filed, regardless of someone's pending pretrial or court status. For example, if someone is released pretrial or has pending cases, a new arrest at the case unit level begins a new trial period.
 - **For individual unit** Starts for first new charges and ends when someone has completed a sentence. For example, if someone is on probation and is charged with new crimes, the new charges would be considered failure for their current term or sentence. If someone was released already for new charges and still on pretrial release with a pending case, the first set of charges would start their pretrial period and any other new charges would be considered pretrial failure.

- **Length of pretrial period:** The number of days between charging and dismissal or sentencing.
- **Release rate:** The percentage of individuals arrested and booked into jail who are released into the community while awaiting trial, via any means of pretrial release. This does not include release after booking into the local police station. This can include release at any point during the pretrial period.
 - *Note:* Rates may need to be calculated differently depending on individual or case level analysis, such as when someone is released and rearrested and booked again before a pending case is closed.
- **Detention rate:** The percentage of individuals arrested and booked into jail who remain in custody during the pretrial period.
 - *Note:* Detention rates may need to be examined in multiple ways, since some people may be detained initially, but are released later due to later pretrial actions such as modifications to bail, changes to charging and plea, etc.
- **Appearance rate:** The percentage of individuals who were released from jail into the community during the pretrial period and attended all required scheduled court hearings during the pretrial period. Does not apply to hearings in which presence is waived or not required by the court.
- **Failure to appear (FTA) rate:** The percentage of individuals who were released from jail into the community during the pretrial period and failed to appear to at least one scheduled court hearing during the pretrial period. Does not apply to hearings in which presence is waived or not required by the court.
- **New crime rate (Rearrest):** The percentage of individuals who are released into the community from jail that are not arrested for any new crimes during the pretrial period.
- **New violent crime rate (Violent rearrest):** The percentage of individuals who are released into the community from jail that are not arrested for any new violent crimes during the pretrial period.

- **Success rate:** The percentage of individuals who are released into the community from jail that are not rearrested and appear for all court hearings during the pretrial period.
- **Failure rate:** The percentage of individuals who are released into the community from jail that are rearrested or fail to appear for all court hearings during the pretrial period (combines the new crime and FTA rate).
- **Revocation rate:** The percentage of individuals who were released into the community from jail and ordered to supervised release (pretrial supervision monitoring by ISC, PSD) and had their pretrial release revoked and were returned to pretrial detention.
- **Release on recognizance rate:** The percentage of individuals who are released on their own recognizance.
- **Supervised release rate:** The percentage of individuals who were released into the community to supervised release.
- **Monetary bail rate:** The percentage of individuals granted monetary bail by the courts (whether or not their monetary bail is paid and they are released).
- **Monetary bail release rate:** The percentage of individual who are granted monetary bail by the courts and are released into the community following payment of bail. This applies if they were released on bail at any time during the pretrial period.
- **Supervised and monetary bail rate:** The percentage of individuals who are released to the community and subject to both supervision and financial conditions of release.
- **Supervised and monetary bail release rate:** The percentage of individuals who are subject to both supervision and financial conditions of release and who are released into the community.
- **Jail admissions rate:** Specifically examines the percentage of cases of all jail admissions related to pretrial:
 - Felony pretrial (enter jail on new felony charges)
 - Misdemeanor pretrial (enter jail on new misdemeanor charges)
 - Revocation from supervised release (enter jail for revocation of supervised release)

- **Length of jail stay:** The number of days that an individual is held in jail and is detained during the pretrial period.
- **Risk assessment/release concordance rate:** The percentage of individuals whose risk assessment score corresponds with their release status/conditions. (Uses ORAS-PAT risk assessment score aligned with release status)
- **Bail report/release concordance rate:** The percentage of individuals whose bail report recommendations corresponds with their release status.
- **Risk assessment override rate:** The percentage of risk assessments that have received an override by intake services staff to adjust the risk level.