



Asotin County Jail *Advisory Committee*

ASOTIN CITY COUNCIL PRESENTATION

**ASOTIN COUNTY
JAIL ADVISORY CMTE**

James Jeffords	Asotin County Commissioner - Chairman
John Hilderbrand	Asotin County Sheriff
Joel Hastings	Clarkston Police Chief
Jim Smith	Asotin County Jail Commander
Monte Renzelman	Asotin Police Chief
Noel Hardin	Asotin County Fire Chief
Lisa Taylor	Department of Corrections - DOC
Lori Leavitt	Asotin County Jail Admin

**REGIONAL
PARTNERS**

Harold Scott	Nez Perce Tribal Police Chief
Janice Ellenwood	Nez Perce Tribal Administrative Civil Officer
John Williamson	Nez Perce Tribal Officer
Drew Hyer	Garfield County Sheriff

**CITIZEN
VOLUNTEERS**

Jock Pring	Asotin County Resident
Val Mundell	Asotin County Resident
Christopher Wilkerson	Area Resident
Trae Turner	Asotin County Resident - Attorney

WHY ARE WE HERE?

- **JAIL HISTORY**
- **OVERALL SAFETY**
- **LIABILITY**
- **INMATE TRIAGE**

Problem Statement:

- ▶ Asotin County has the longest inmate length of jail stay - 39 days (**November 2018 = 75 days**) versus an average of 16 days in the entire State of Washington.

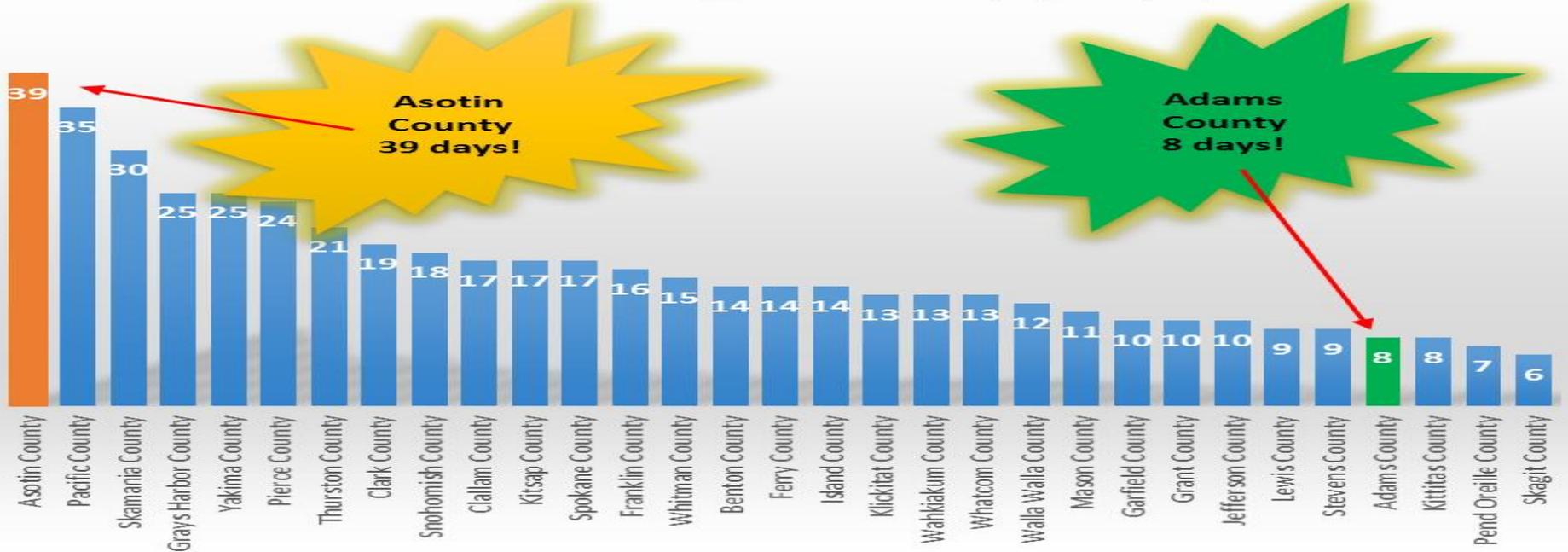
With a daily average of 55 inmates (50 at \$84/day in the Asotin County Jail and 5 at \$70/day in the Nez Perce County Jail), it has cost Asotin County nearly \$1.7 million in 2018... the 2019 annual budget is set at \$1,641,590.

The inmate population is exceeding the threshold of 47 beds currently available, creating the overcrowding situation. Overcrowding is a safety issue for inmates, correctional staff and our community... 98% of inmates are there for felony offenses.

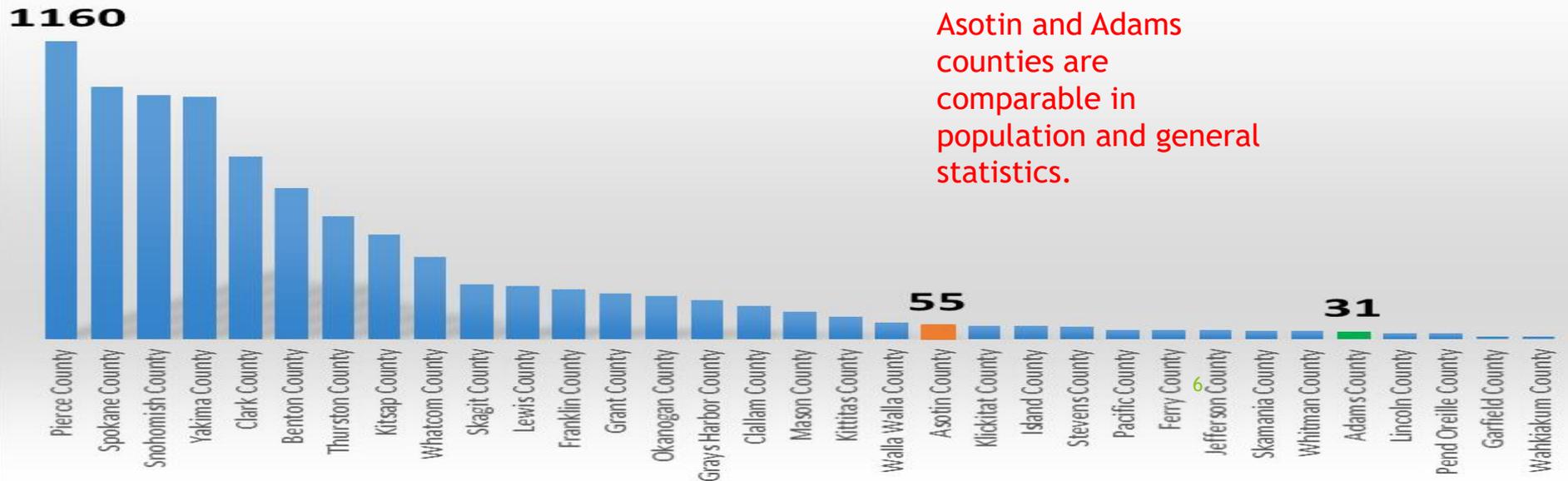
Target / Goal:

- ▶ Our purpose is to assist the Sheriff in achieving his mission: *“To make our community a safe and secure place to work and live through professional, equal, and thorough law enforcement”*.
- ▶ Reduce the average inmate length of stay to at least match the state average of 16 days or less and eliminate the 2018 costs of \$117,000 by sending inmates to Nez Perce County due to overcrowding.
- ▶ Address overcrowding issues by researching and identifying the safest, most secure and cost-effective options - BREAK EVEN OR POSITIVE CASH FLOW FACILITY.

Average Length of Stay (Days)



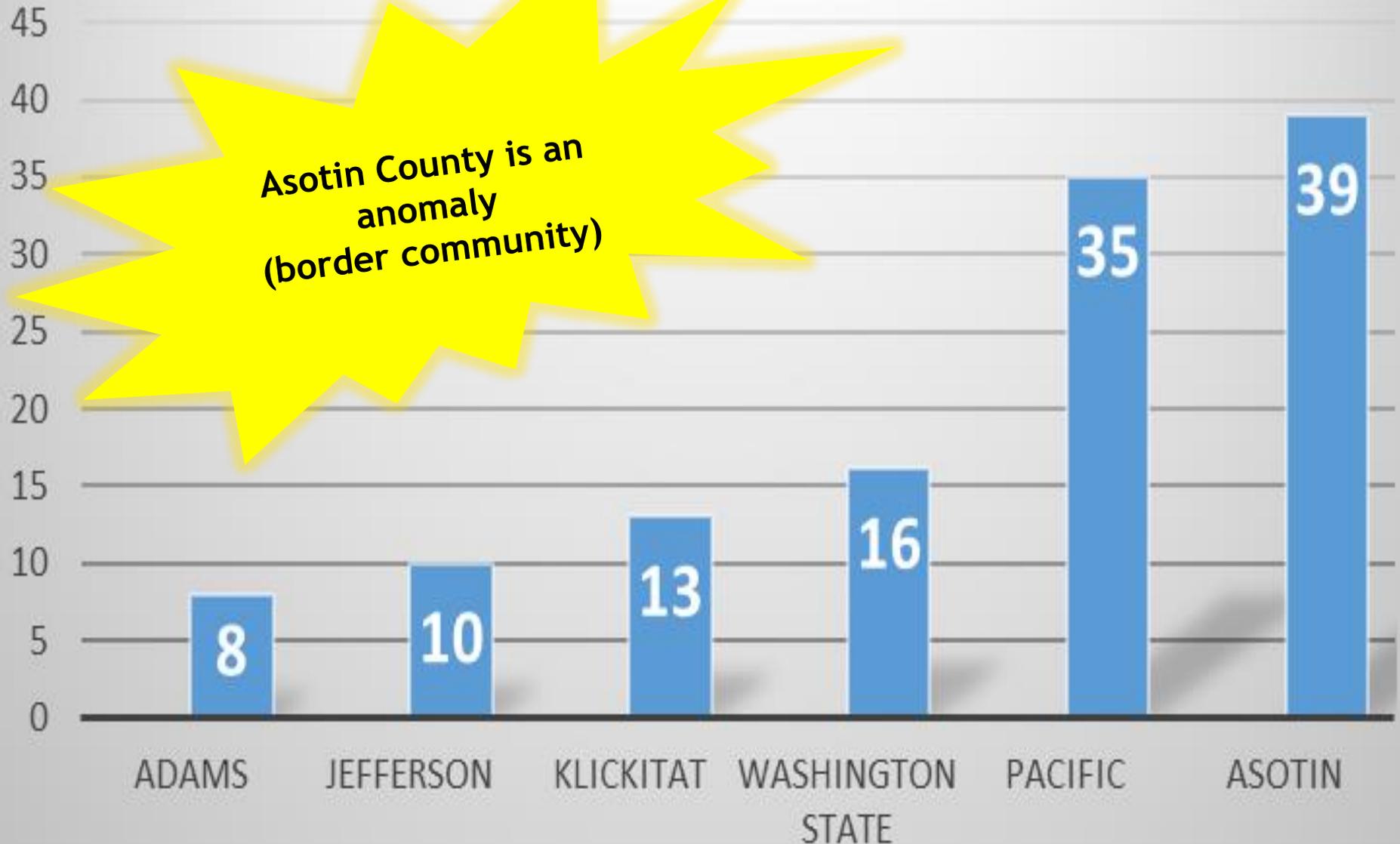
Average Daily Population



Asotin and Adams counties are comparable in population and general statistics.

Average Length of Stay (Days)

**Asotin County is an
anomaly
(border community)**



EVALUATE CURRENT STATE

Findings:

- ▶ **Average days of stay - significant factors BECAUSE:**
 - ▶ Shortage of facilities
 - ▶ Shortage of Judges
 - ▶ Superior Court Judge overburdened
 - ▶ Public Defenders
 - ▶ No incentive to leave
 - ▶ Excessive continuances
 - ▶ Many variables related to the judicial process
- ▶ **Recidivism**
 - ▶ Misdemeanor incarceration
- ▶ **Triage of felons**

Potential Safety/Liability Risks

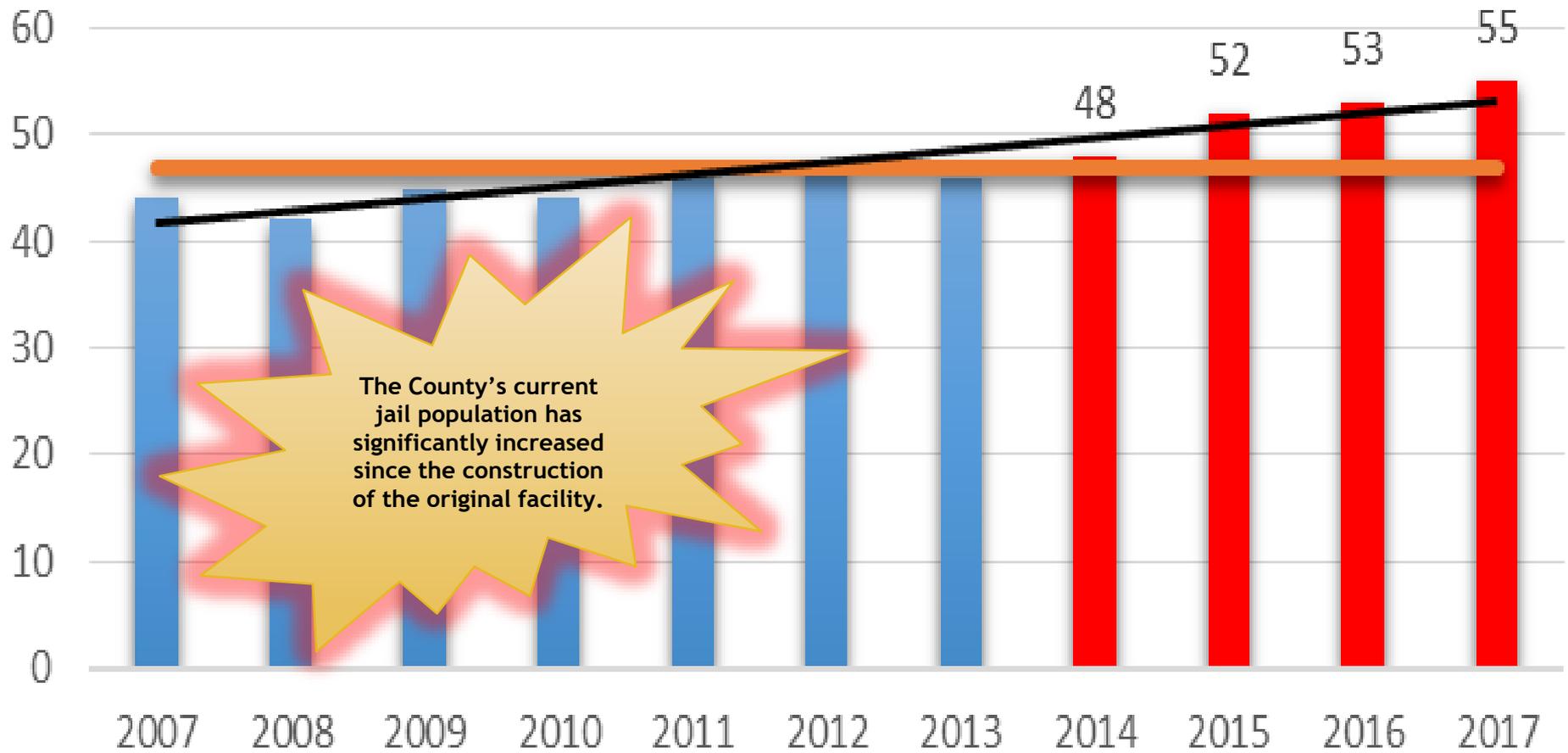
- ▶ Inmates
- ▶ Correctional Officers
- ▶ Inmate Segregation
 - ▶ Classification: Violent, Gender, Sex Offenders, Mental Illness, etc...
- ▶ Mental Health
 - ▶ State requires 7 days to evaluate and send to proper facility
 - ▶ Just less than 50% of inmates are on psychoactive drugs

Potential Safety/Liability Risks

- ▶ Medical supplies separate from medical exam area
- ▶ Dual control audit on meds (every 24 hours, optimum every 12 hours)
- ▶ Detox - opioids/narcotics/alcohol
- ▶ Part-time nurse - meds & accountability
- ▶ Little space for: medical supplies, medications, examinations
- ▶ Better lighting

DEMOGRAPHICS OF EXISTING JAIL

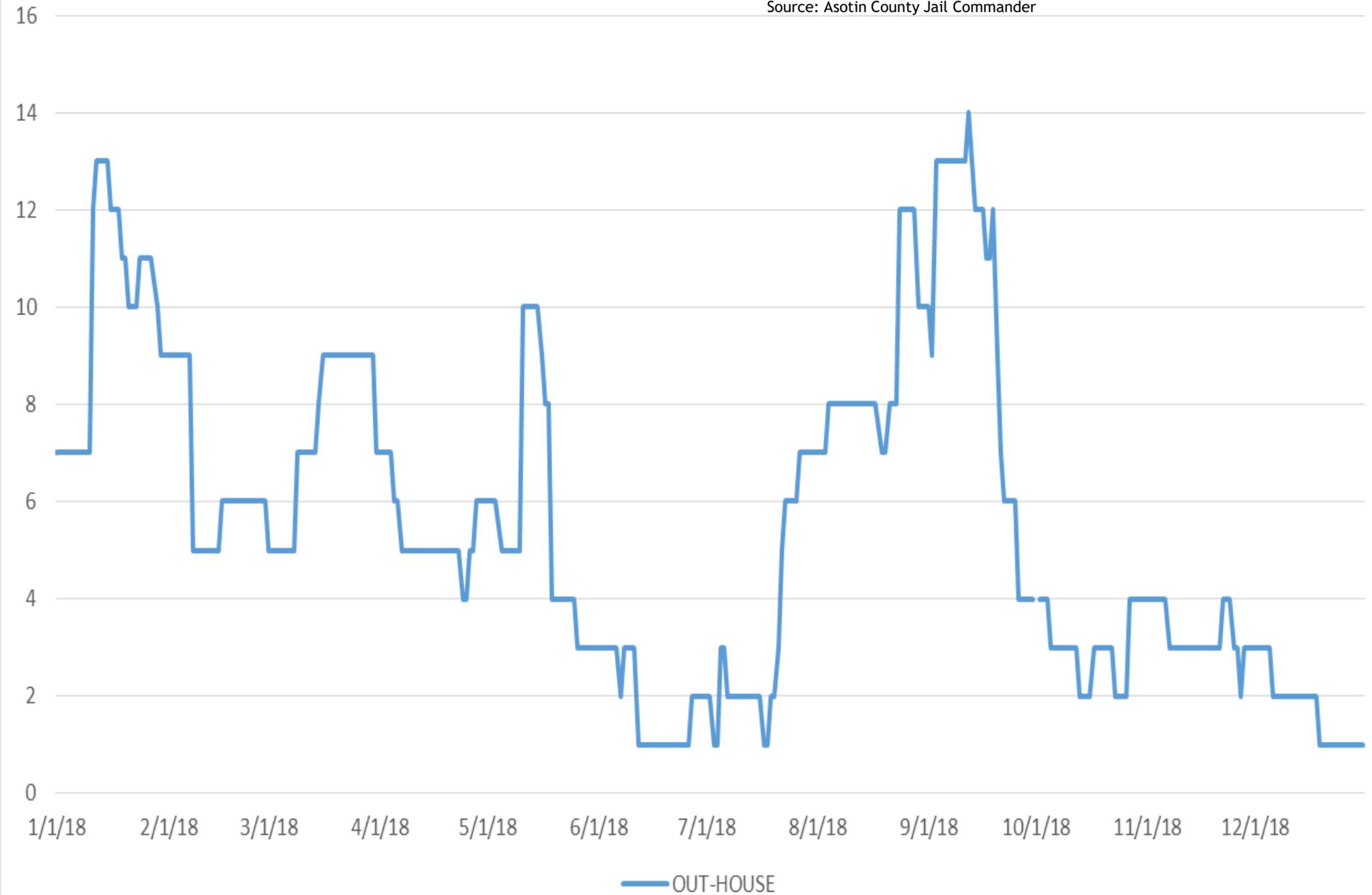
Annual Average Jail Population Asotin County



■ Annual Average Population — Max Bed Capacity — Linear (Annual Average Population)

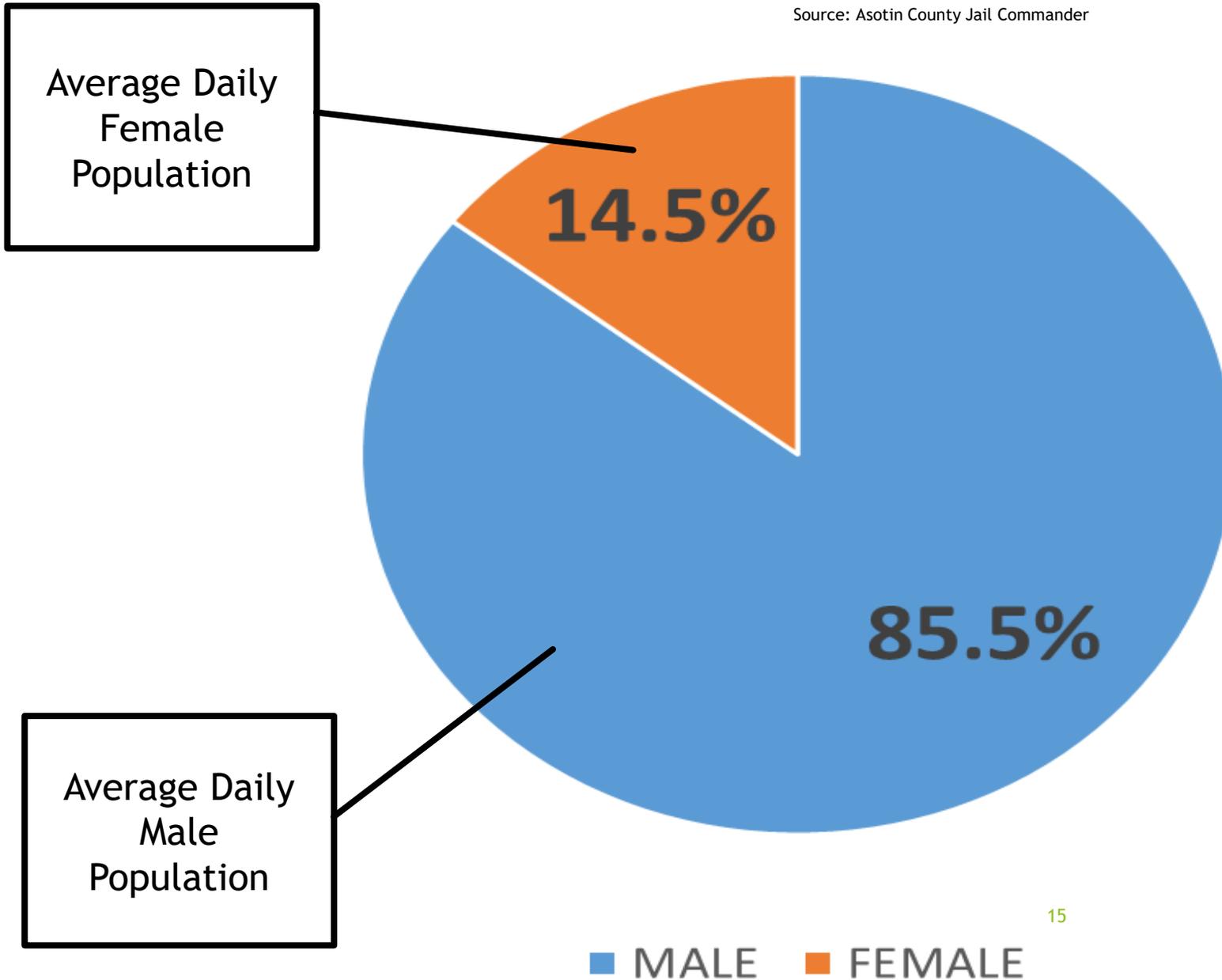
2018 - AC Inmates Housed in Other Facilities

Source: Asotin County Jail Commander



Asotin County Jail Demographic 2018

Source: Asotin County Jail Commander

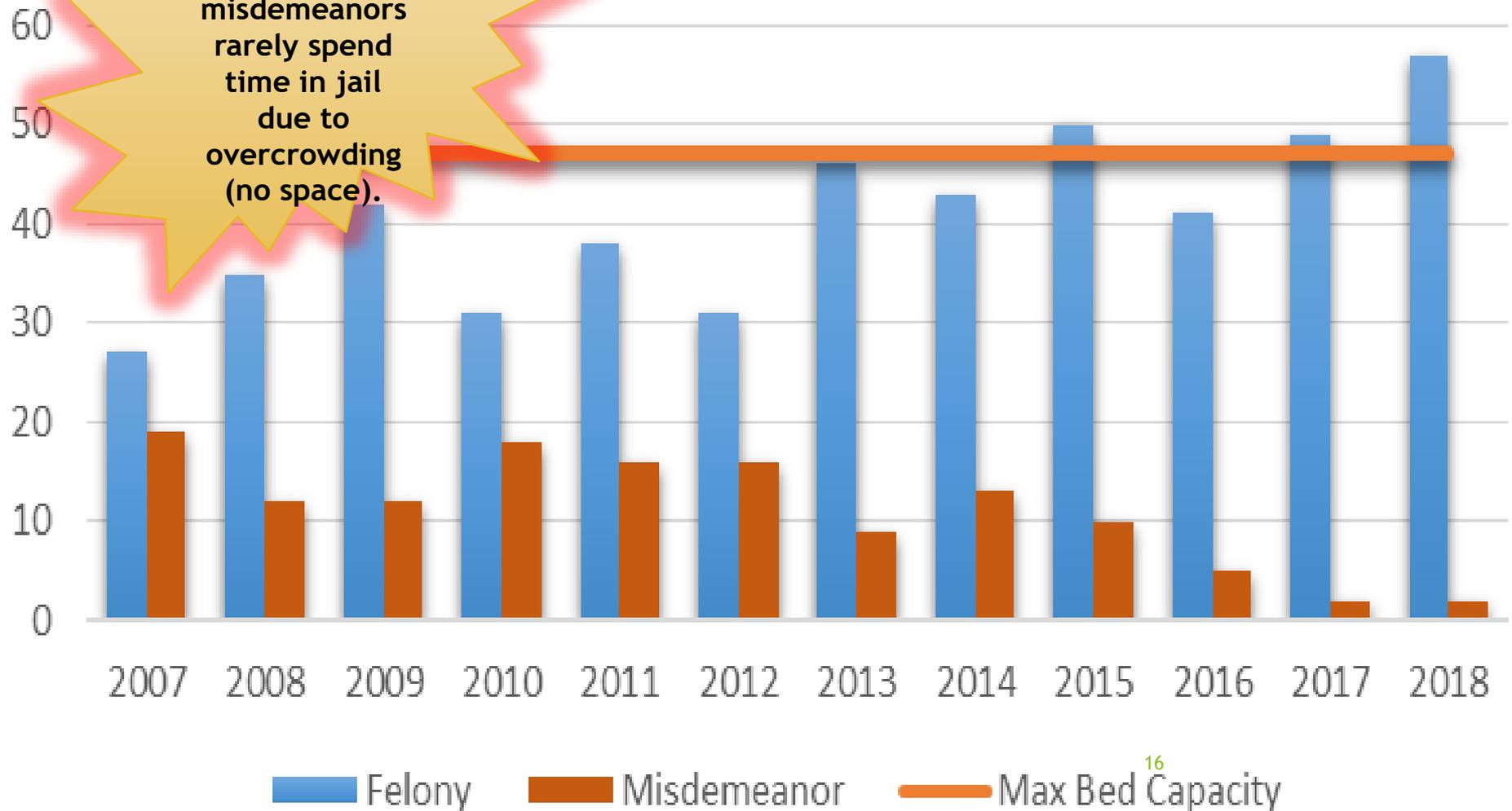


Felony vs Misdemeanor by Population

Asotin County

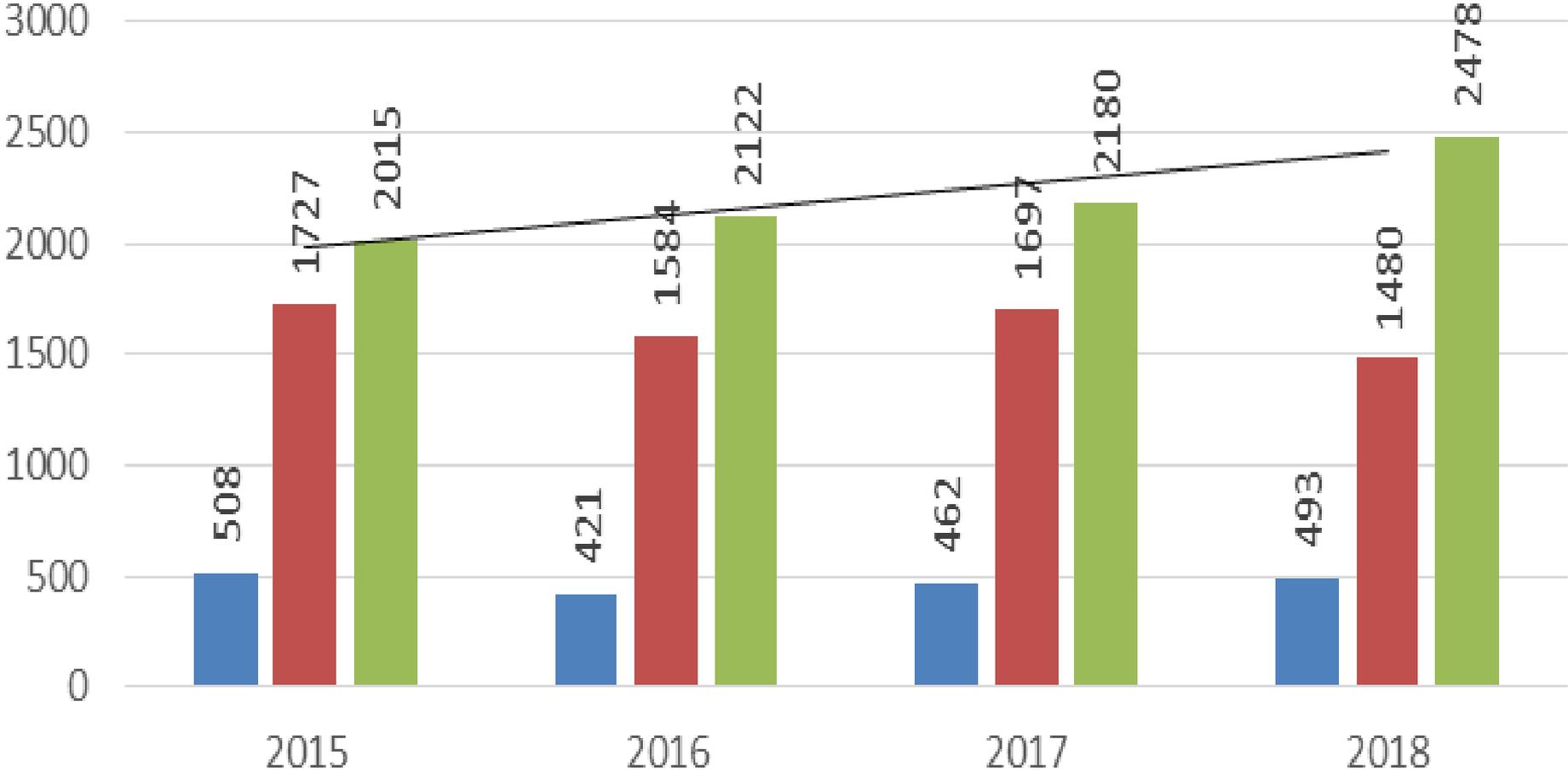
Source: Asotin County Jail Commander

Inmates charged with misdemeanors rarely spend time in jail due to overcrowding (no space).



Bookings / Citations

Source: Asotin County Jail Commander



Book and Release

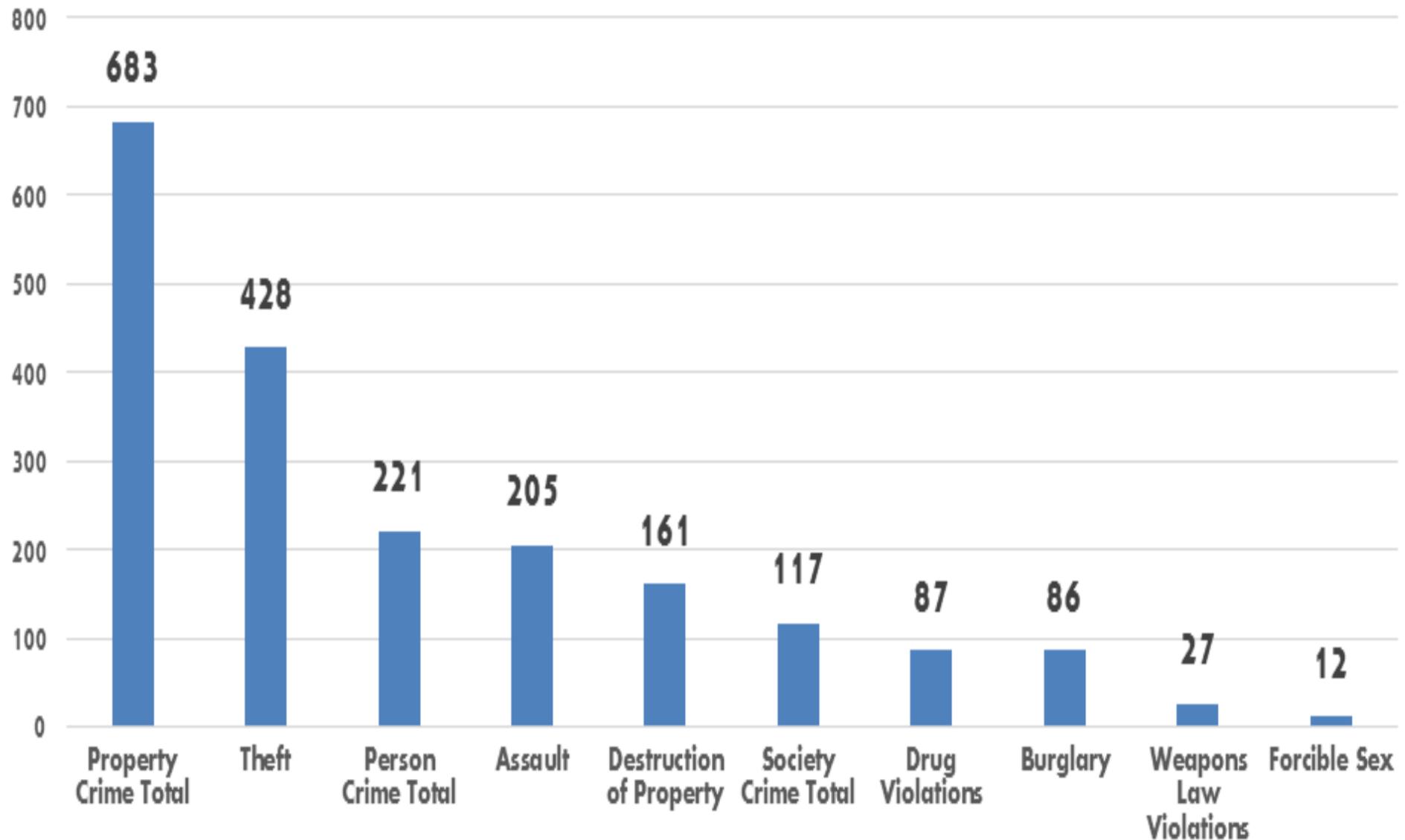
Summons - No Custody

Taken into Custody

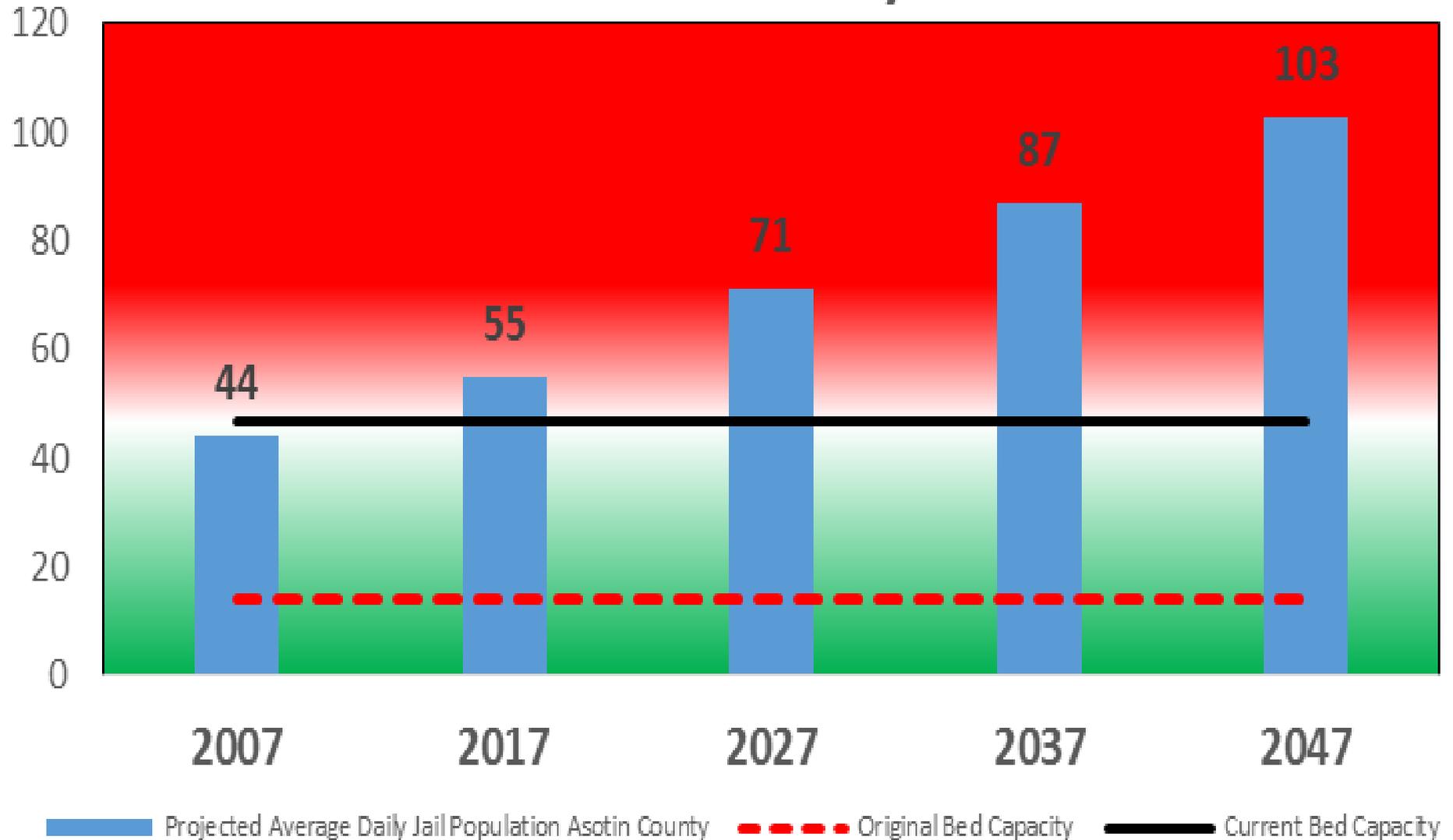
Linear (Taken into Custody)

2017 WASPC - NIBRS Reported Crimes (Top 10)

Source: WASPC / NIBRS

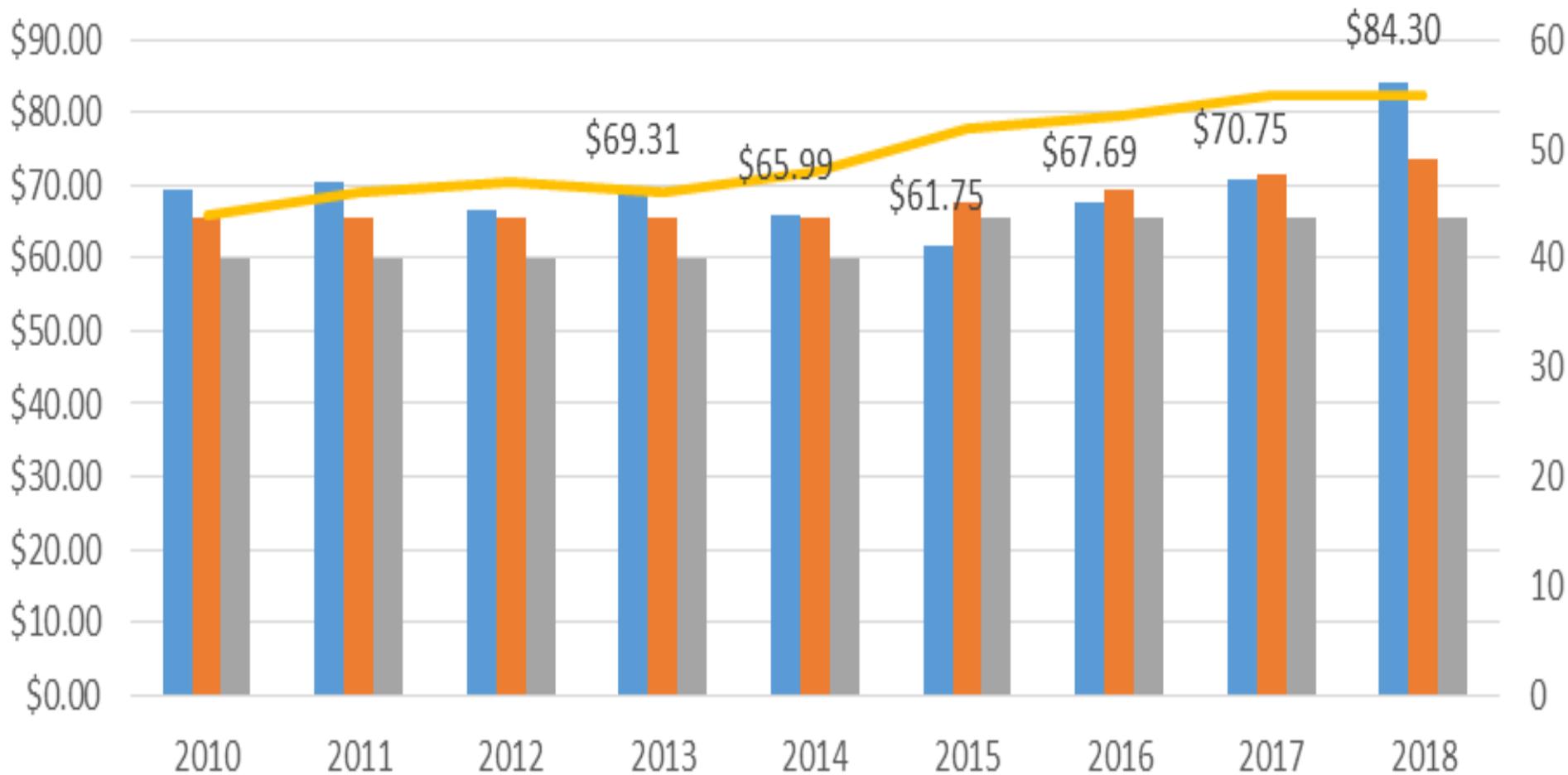


Projected Average Daily Inmate Population Asotin County



ACCELERATING COSTS

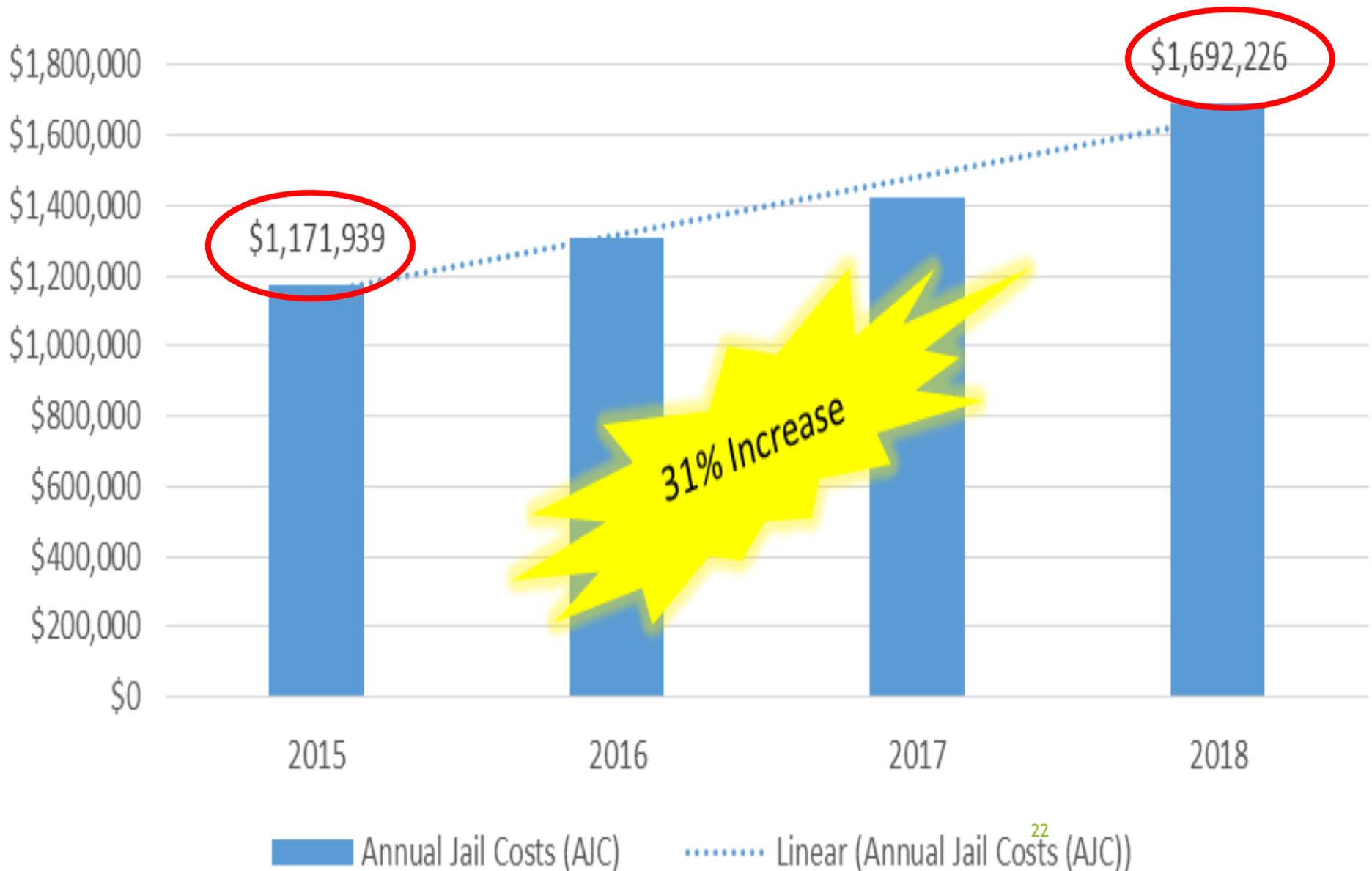
Asotin County Bed Rates



County Bed Rate (Felonies)
City Bed Rate (Misdemeanors)

State DOC Bed Rate (Felonies)
Avg Daily Population

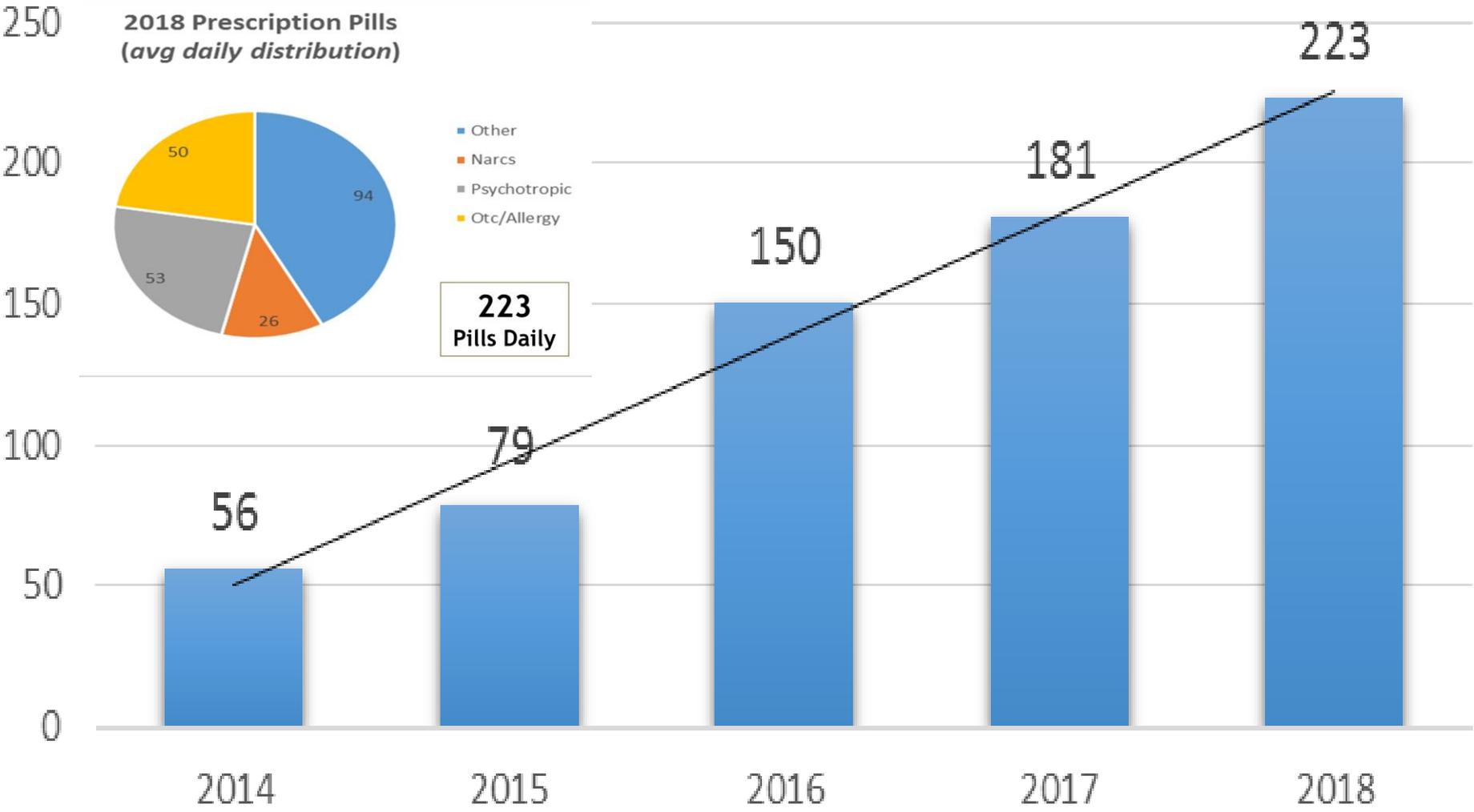
AC Jail Annual Costs



Prescription Pills

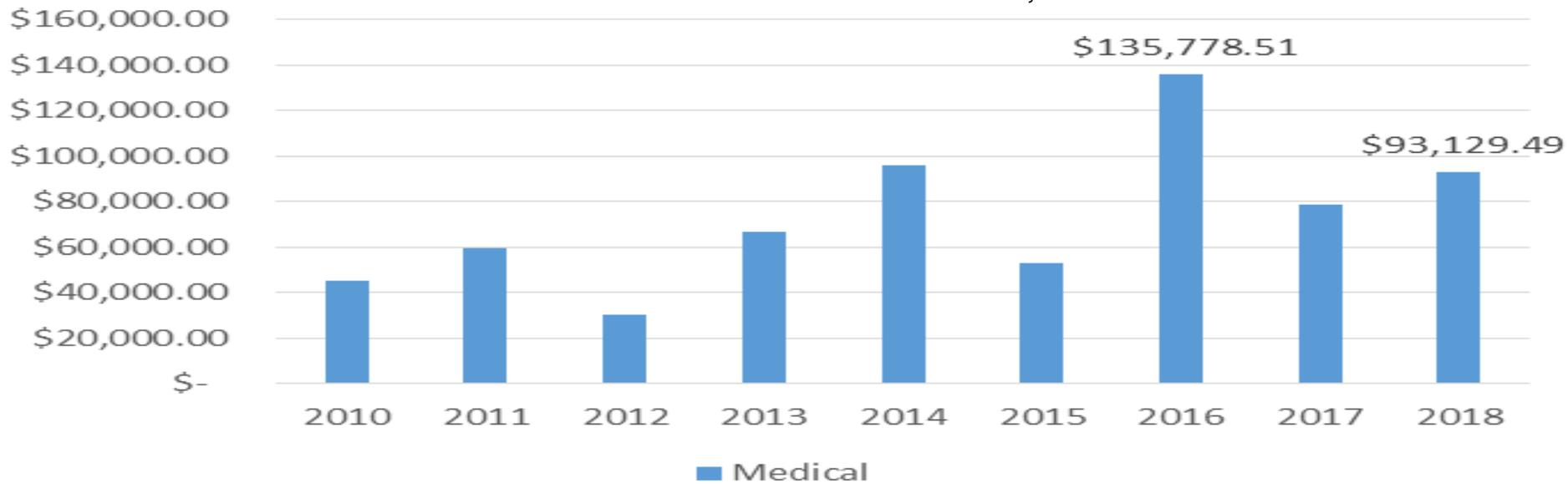
Average Daily Amount Given

Source: Asotin County Jail Commander



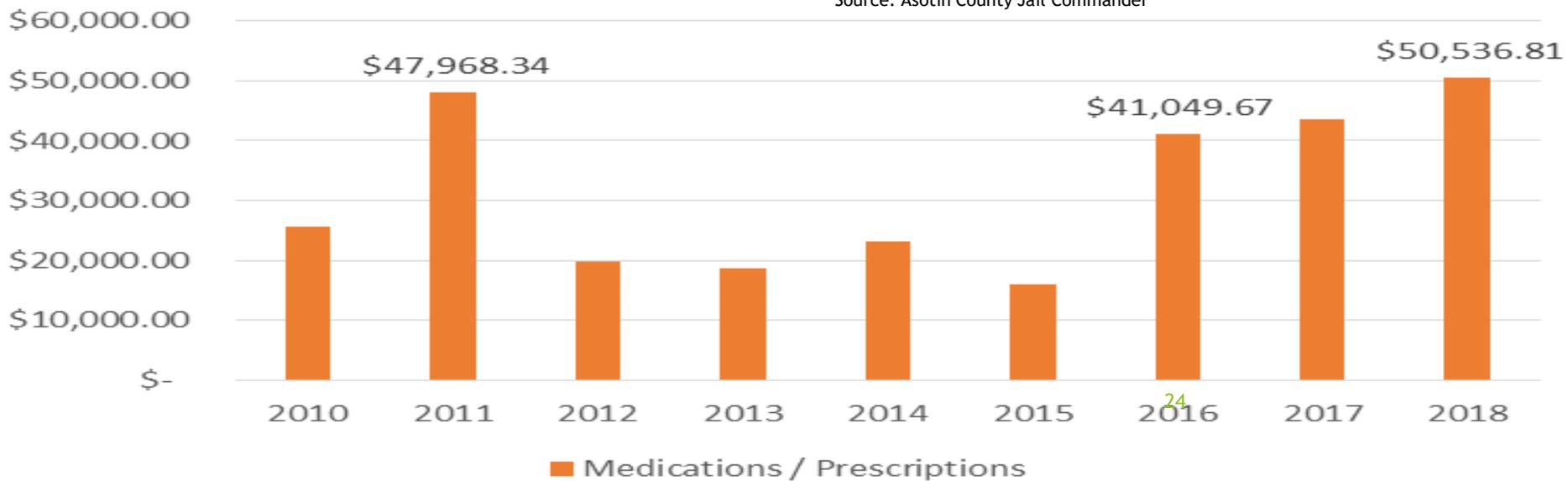
AC Jail - Annual Medical Costs

Source: Asotin County Jail Commander



AC Jail - Annual Medication Costs

Source: Asotin County Jail Commander



ASOTIN COUNTY NEEDS A NEW JAIL

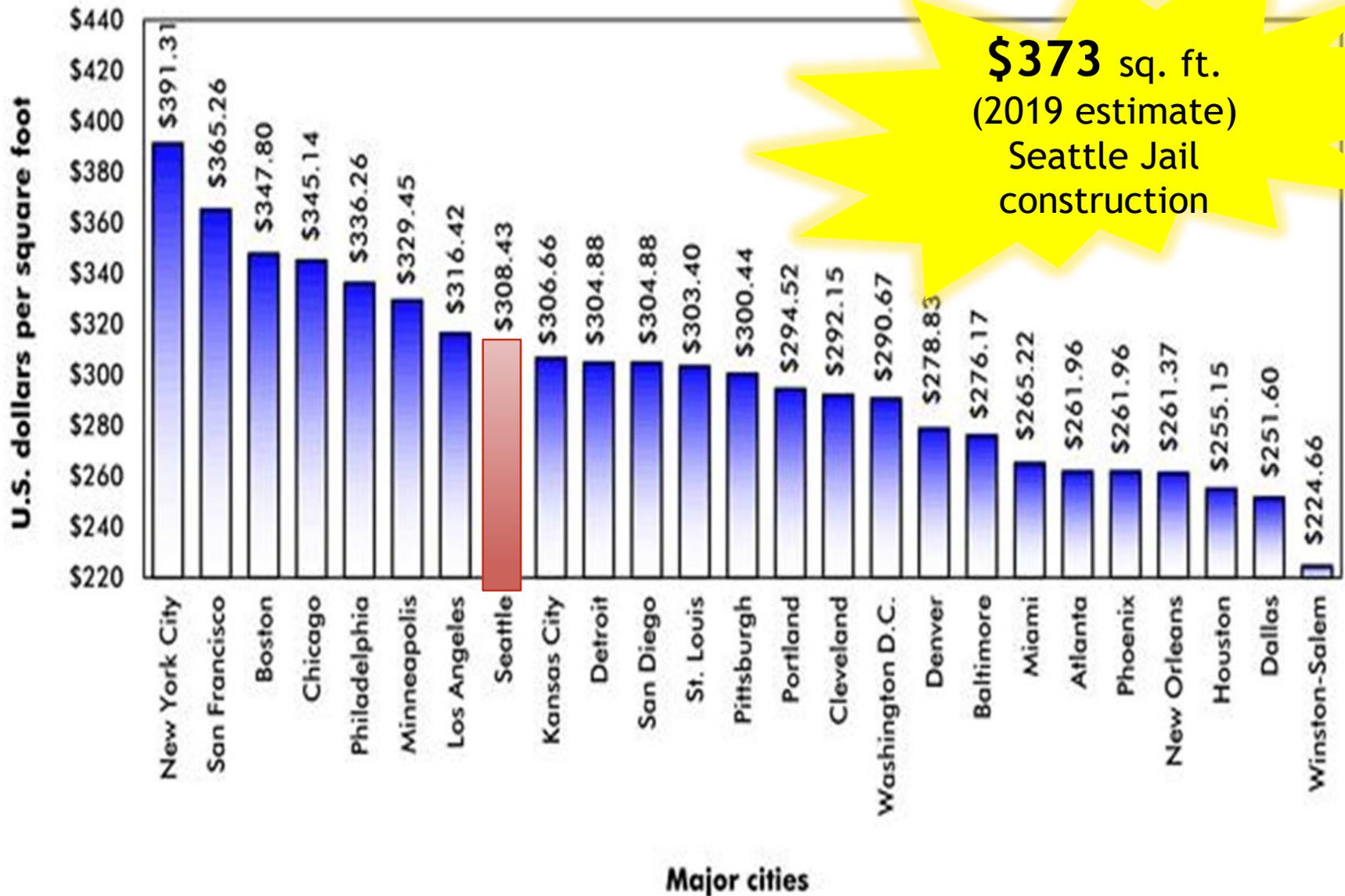
- **JAIL HISTORY**
- **OVERALL SAFETY**
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Considerations:

- **Modular expansion for current jail**
- **Local County Jail or Regional Jail facility**

WHAT CAN THE COUNTY AFFORD?

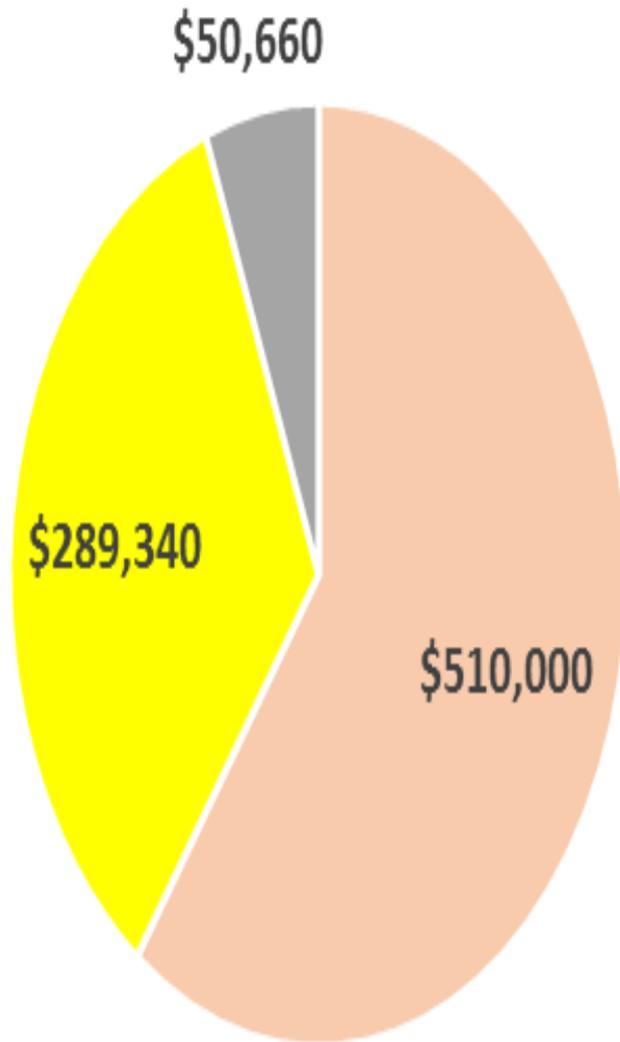
Jail construction cost:
February 2012 ranking of major U.S. cities



COST ESTIMATES / BED RATES

- 2007 bed rate ave. cost = \$80,000 per bed
- 2019 estimate ave. cost = \$109,000 per bed
 - *100 bed unit average cost = \$10,900,000
 - ★ *126 bed unit average cost = \$13,625,000

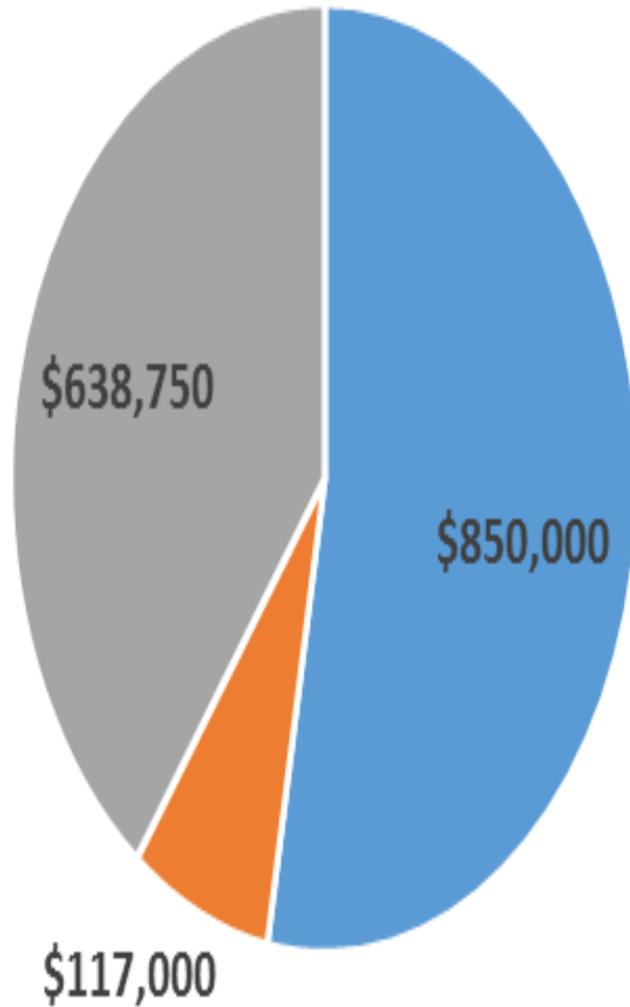
PUBLIC SAFETY SALES TAX (3/10 OF 1%)



Total Annual Sales Tax Revenue
\$850,000

- Annual County Revenue - (60%)
- Annual Clarkston Revenue - (.85 of 40%)
- Annual Asotin Revenue - (.15 of 40%)

Revenue Sources & Additional Savings



Total Revenue
\$1,605,750

- Full Sales Tax Revenue Total
- Nez Perce County Jail Inmate Overflow
- Outside User Housing (25 beds/Day)

Municipal Bond Affordability:

Approximately **\$850,000** in annual bond payments allows for:

\$10.7 million bond @ 4%...

*(100 bed facility, 25 open for lease)



~~10 years (payment of \$1,477,368)~~

~~15 years (payment of \$1,079,352)~~

20 years (payment of \$884,244)



25 years (payment of \$770,220)



30 years (payment of \$696,648)

★ \$13.7 million bond @ 4%...

*(126 bed facility, 51 open for lease)



~~10 years (payment of \$1,891,668)~~

~~15 years (payment of \$1,382,028)~~

~~20 years (payment of \$1,132,212)~~

25 years (payment of \$986,208)



30 years (payment of \$892,008)

WHERE DO WE GO FROM HERE?

Needs:

1. Approval of Asotin City Council to sign a long term inter-local agreement for transfer of their portion of the public safety sales tax.
2. List of Asotin City Council wants and needs for the new facility.

QUESTIONS?