Juvenile Population, Offenses, Arrests, Youth Justice Referrals, and Recidivism in Dane County 2007-2022
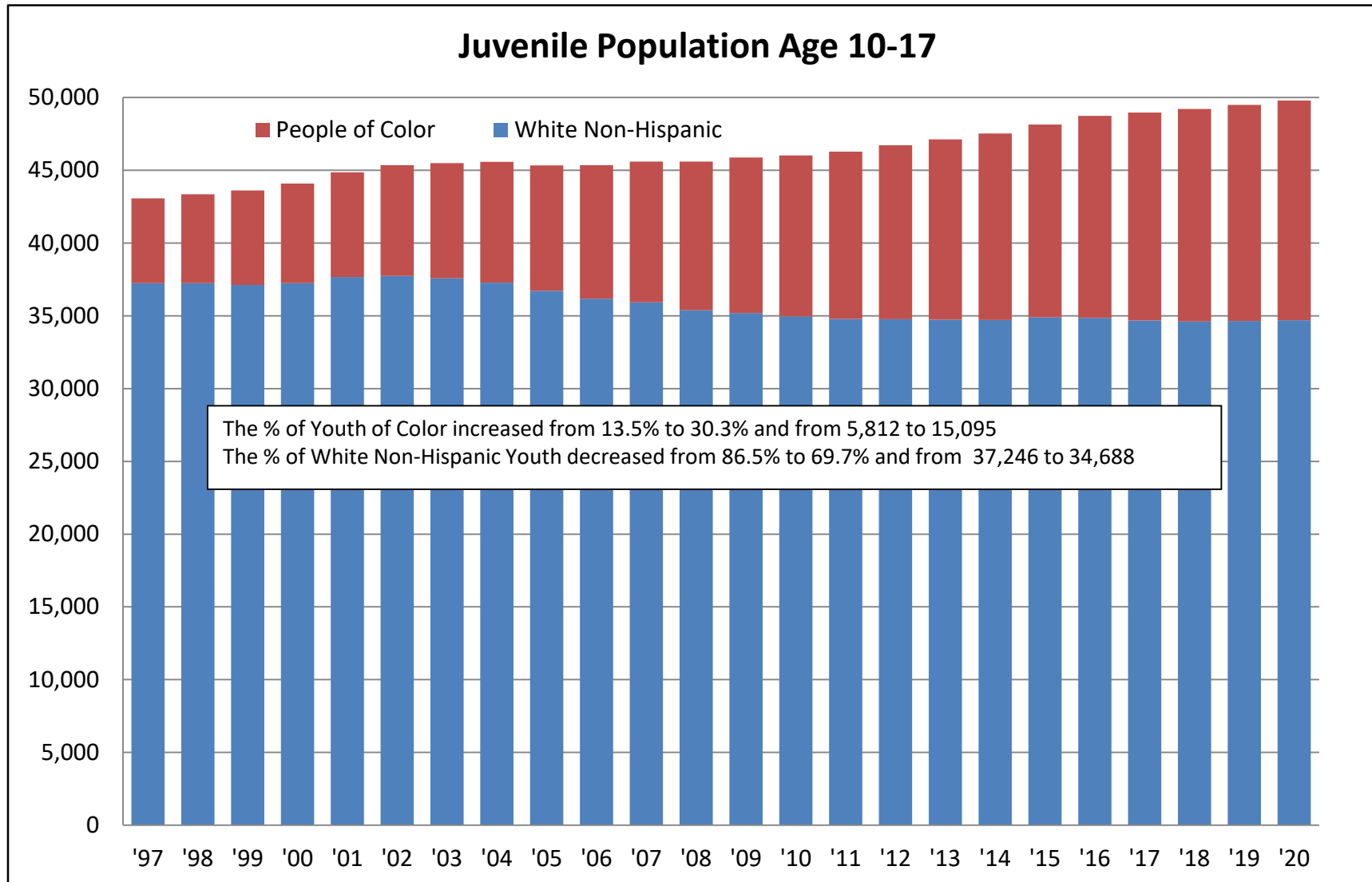
Data Sources:

Population: Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention

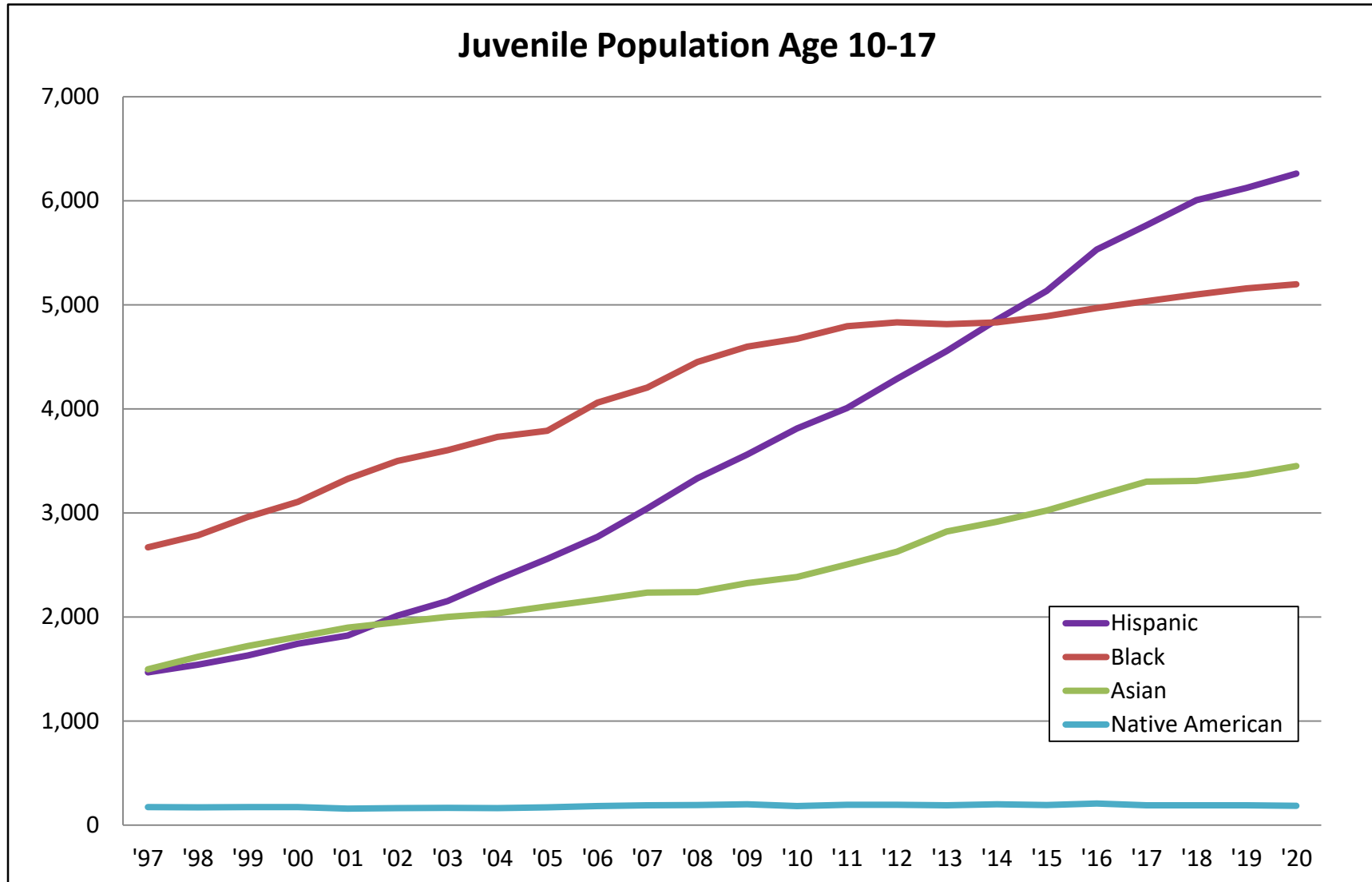UCR Offenses & Arrests: Wisconsin Department of Justice

Youth Justice Referrals: Dane County Department of Human Services

Population Data – Dane County

Juvenile Population Age 10-17

The % of Youth of Color increased from 13.5% to 30.3% and from 5,812 to 15,095
The % of White Non-Hispanic Youth decreased from 86.5% to 69.7% and from 37,246 to 34,688

Legend: People of Color, White Non-Hispanic

Years: '97 '98 '99 '00 '01 '02 '03 '04 '05 '06 '07 '08 '09 '10 '11 '12 '13 '14 '15 '16 '17 '18 '19 '20

Population Data – Dane County

Juvenile Population Age 10-17

Legend:
- Hispanic
- Black
- Asian
- Native American

Simplified Youth Justice Flow Chart

Juvenile → Offense → Arrest

Alternative i.e. Restorative Justice

Citation (Municipal Court)

Law Enforcement Referral

Dane County Department of Human Services - Intake / Assessment / Recommendation

District Attorney's Office Decision
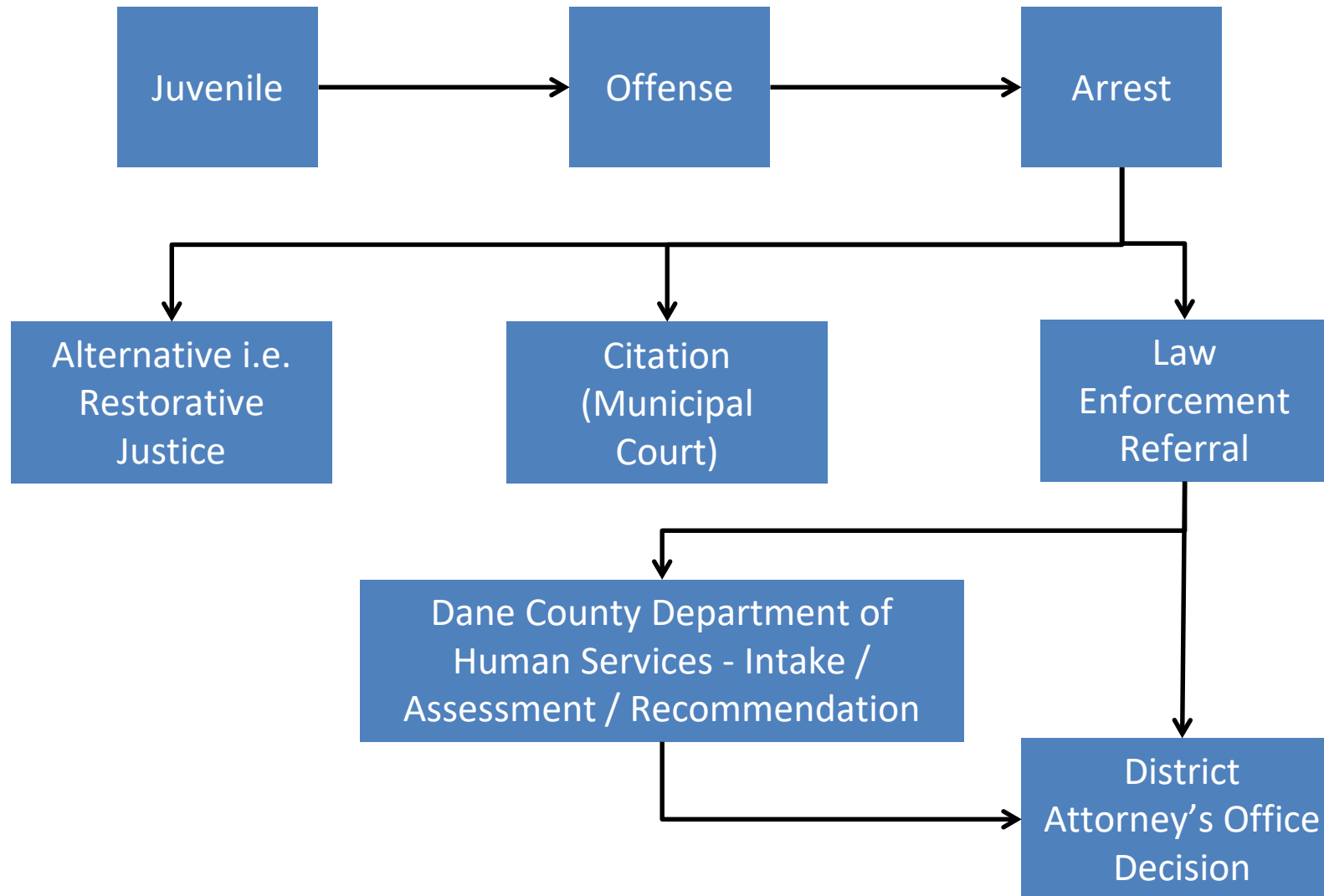
Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) Part 1 Offenses

"…the reporting of offenses known is limited to the following crime classifications because they are the most serious and most commonly reported crimes occurring in all areas of the United States. Together, they serve as a gauge of the level and scope of crimes occurring across the country."

Violent

1) Murder and Non-negligent Manslaughter
2) Rape
3) Aggravated Assault
4) Robbery

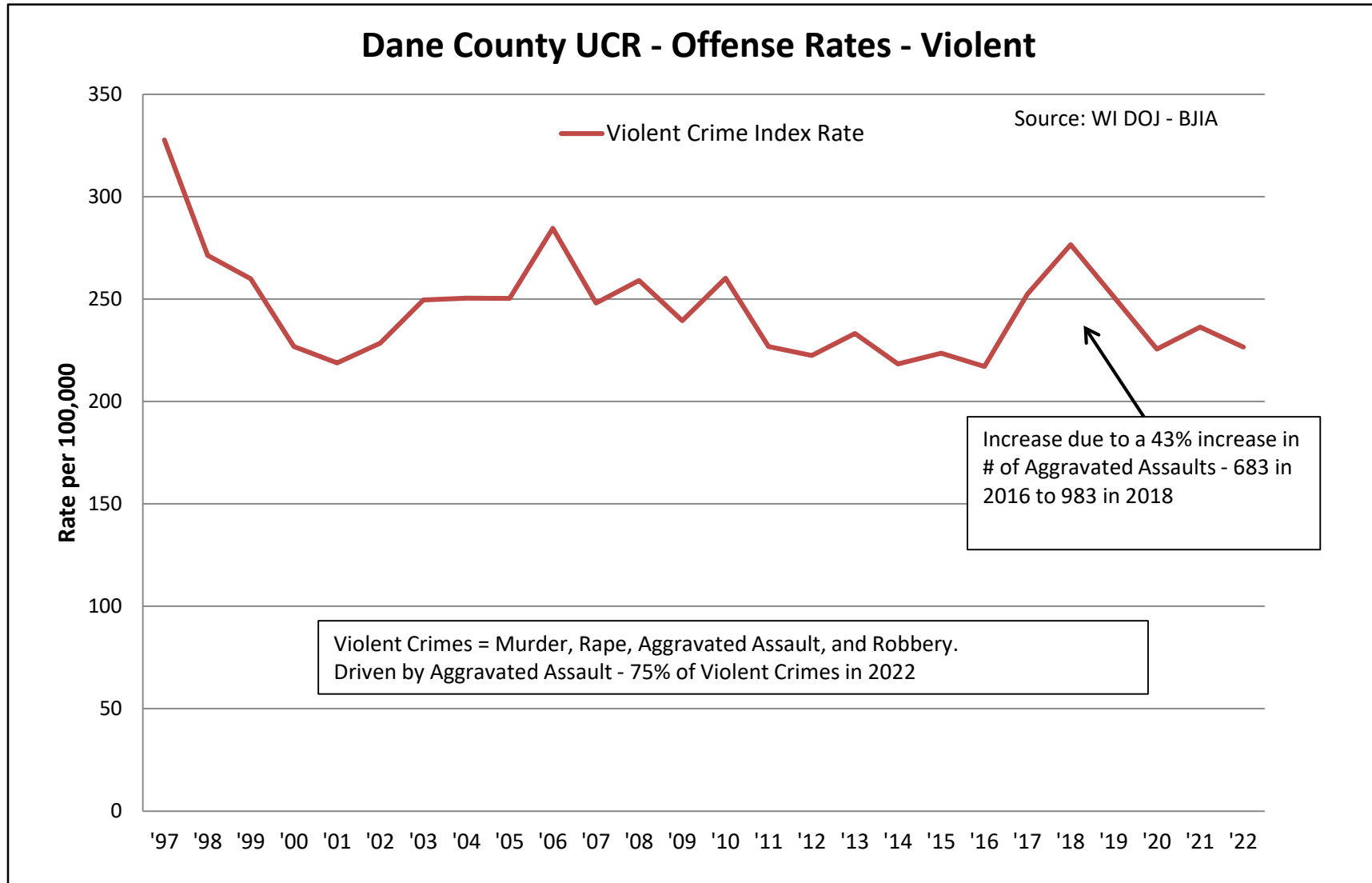## Property

1) Burglary
2) Motor Vehicle Theft
3) Larceny/Theft
4) Arson

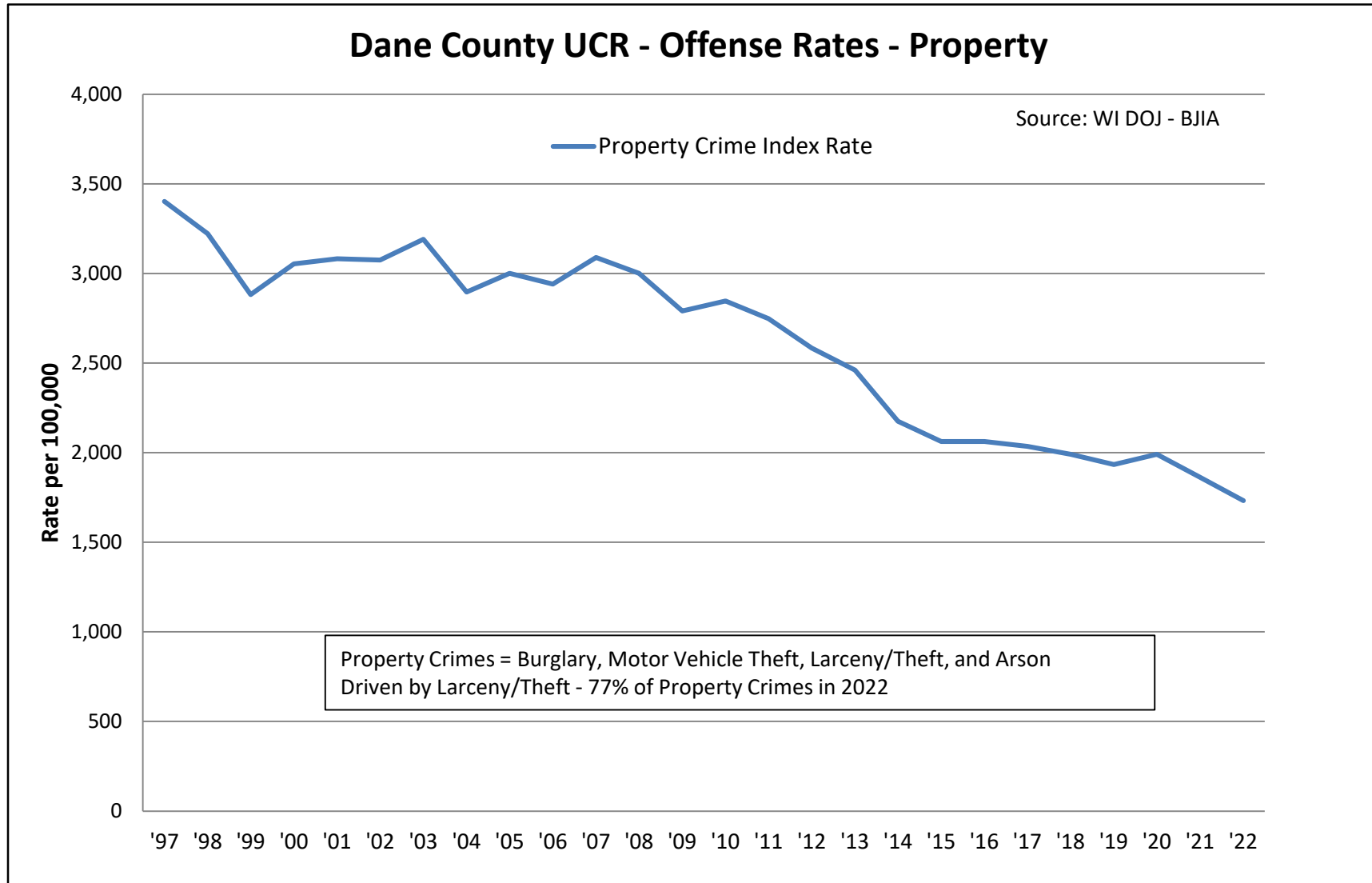http://www.fbi.gov/about-us/cjis/ucr/nibrs/summary-reporting-system-srs-user-manual

Uniform Crime Reporting Offense Data

Dane County UCR - Offense Rates - Violent

Source: WI DOJ - BJIA

— Violent Crime Index Rate

Rate per 100,000

Increase due to a 43% increase in # of Aggravated Assaults - 683 in 2016 to 983 in 2018

Violent Crimes = Murder, Rape, Aggravated Assault, and Robbery.
Driven by Aggravated Assault - 75% of Violent Crimes in 2022

*Offenses are not specific to juveniles or adults and may or may not result in arrests

Uniform Crime Reporting Offense Data

Dane County UCR - Offense Rates - Property

Source: WI DOJ - BJIA

Property Crimes = Burglary, Motor Vehicle Theft, Larceny/Theft, and Arson
Driven by Larceny/Theft - 77% of Property Crimes in 2022

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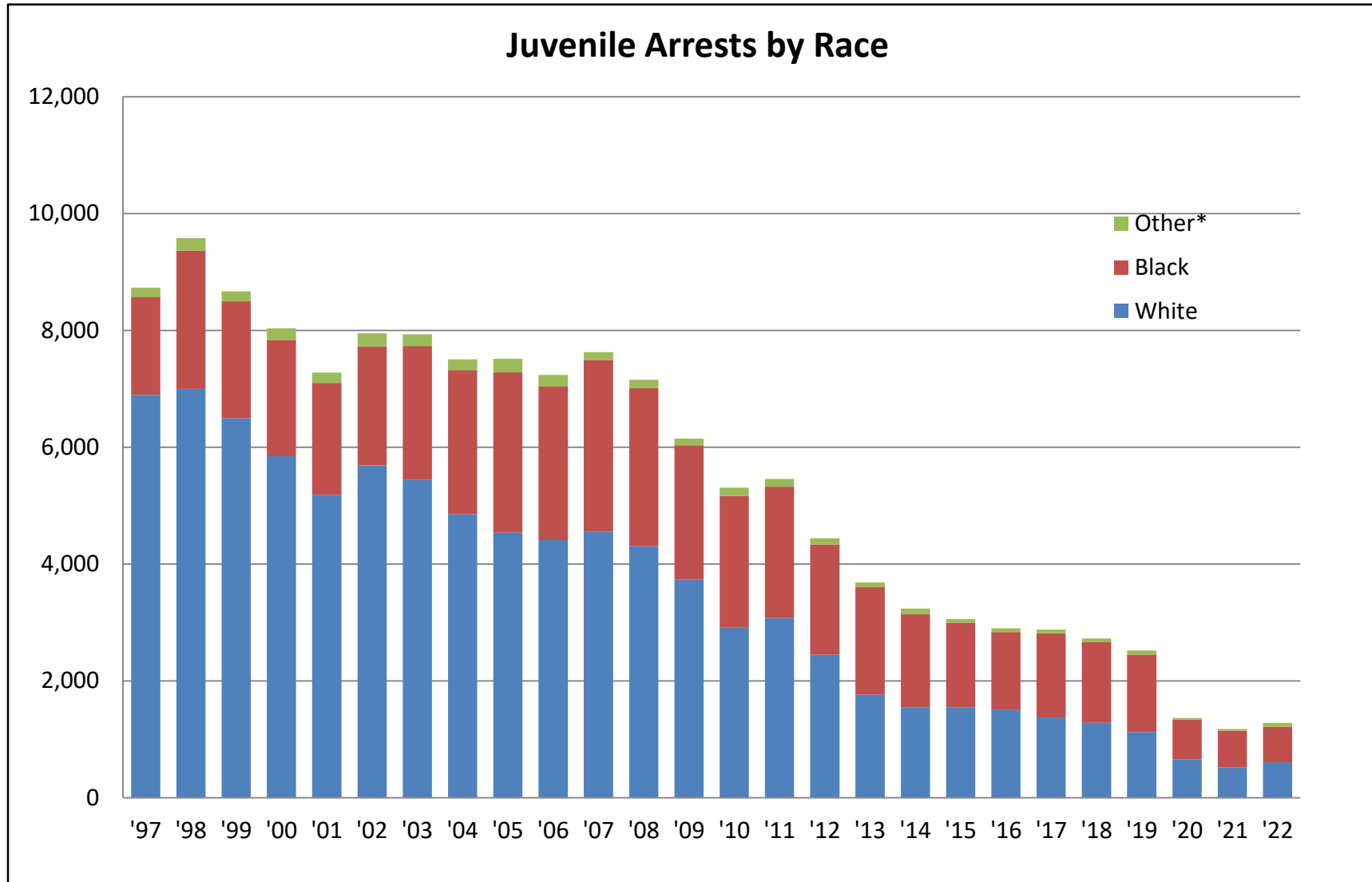
UCR Definition of an Arrest

"The FBI's Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) Program counts one arrest for each separate instance in which a person is arrested, cited, or summoned for an offense."

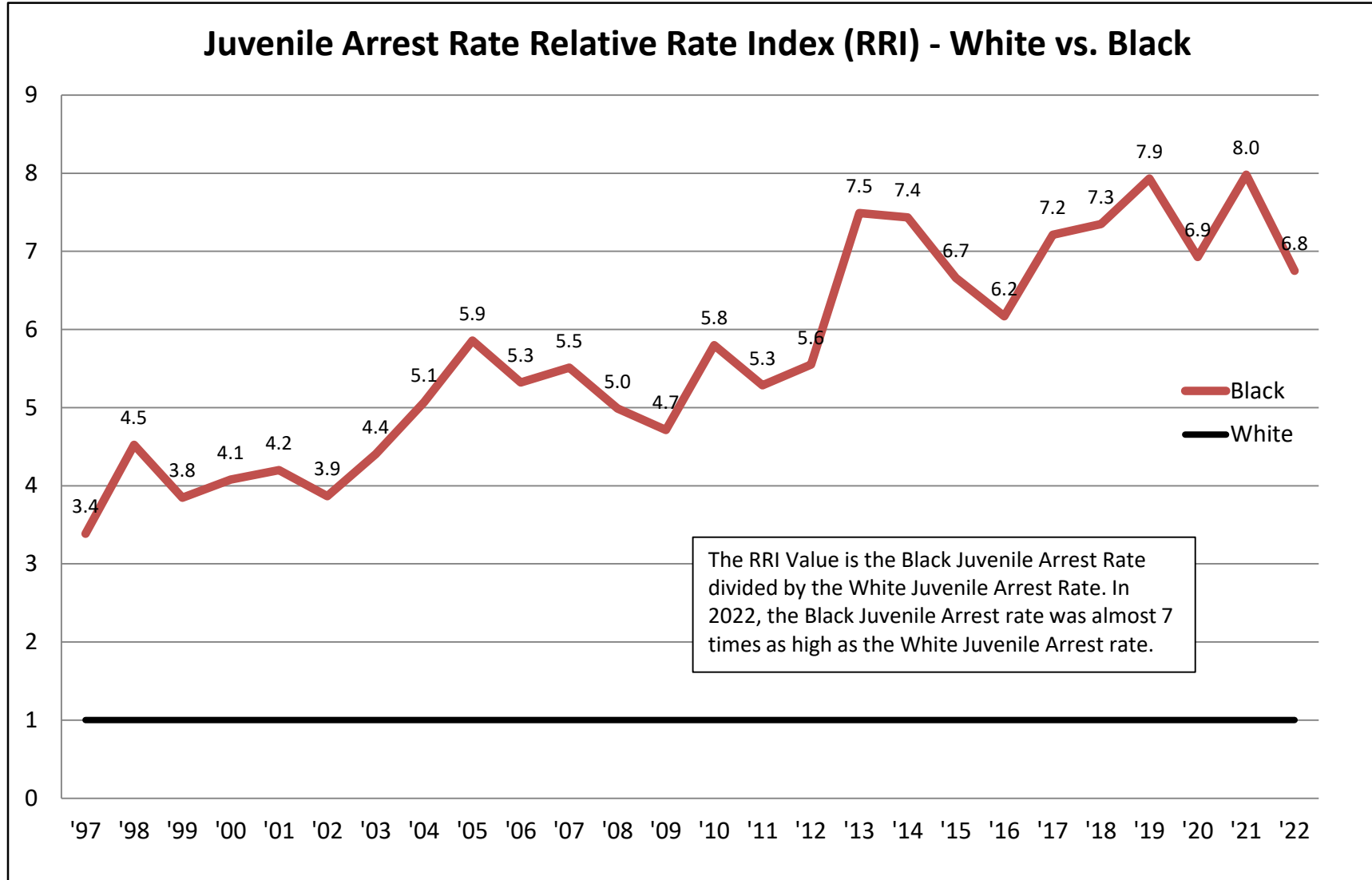https://ucr.fbi.gov/crime-in-the-u.s/2015/crime-in-the-u.s.-2015/persons-arrested

Juvenile Arrest Data

Juvenile Arrests by Race

*Other includes Asian, Native American, and Unknown

Juvenile Arrest Data

Juvenile Arrest Rate Relative Rate Index (RRI) - White vs. Black

The RRI Value is the Black Juvenile Arrest Rate divided by the White Juvenile Arrest Rate. In 2022, the Black Juvenile Arrest rate was almost 7 times as high as the White Juvenile Arrest rate.
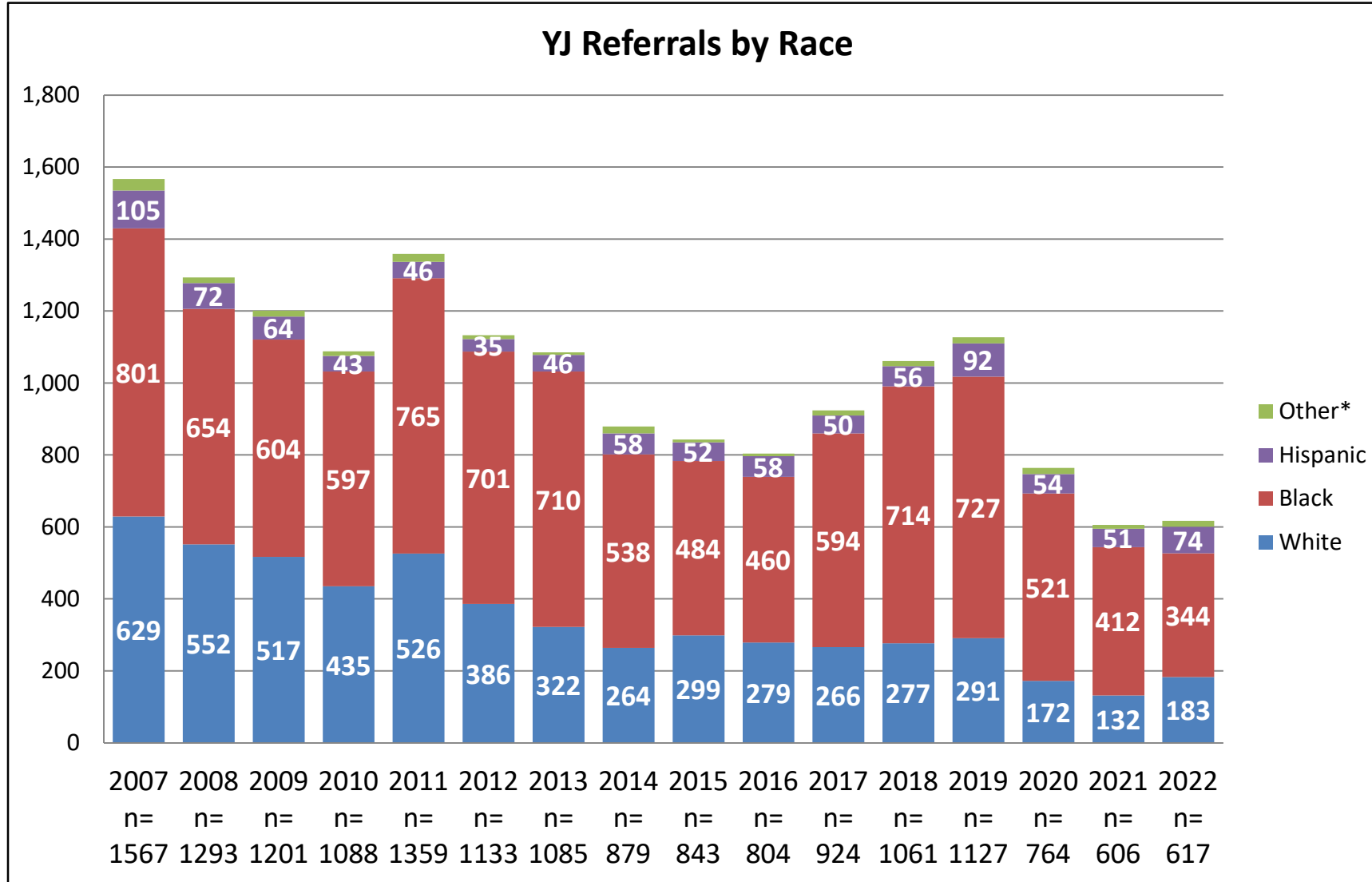
Definition of a Youth Justice (YJ) Referral

A YJ Referral is a police report that has been referred to the County's District Attorney's Office for a charging decision.
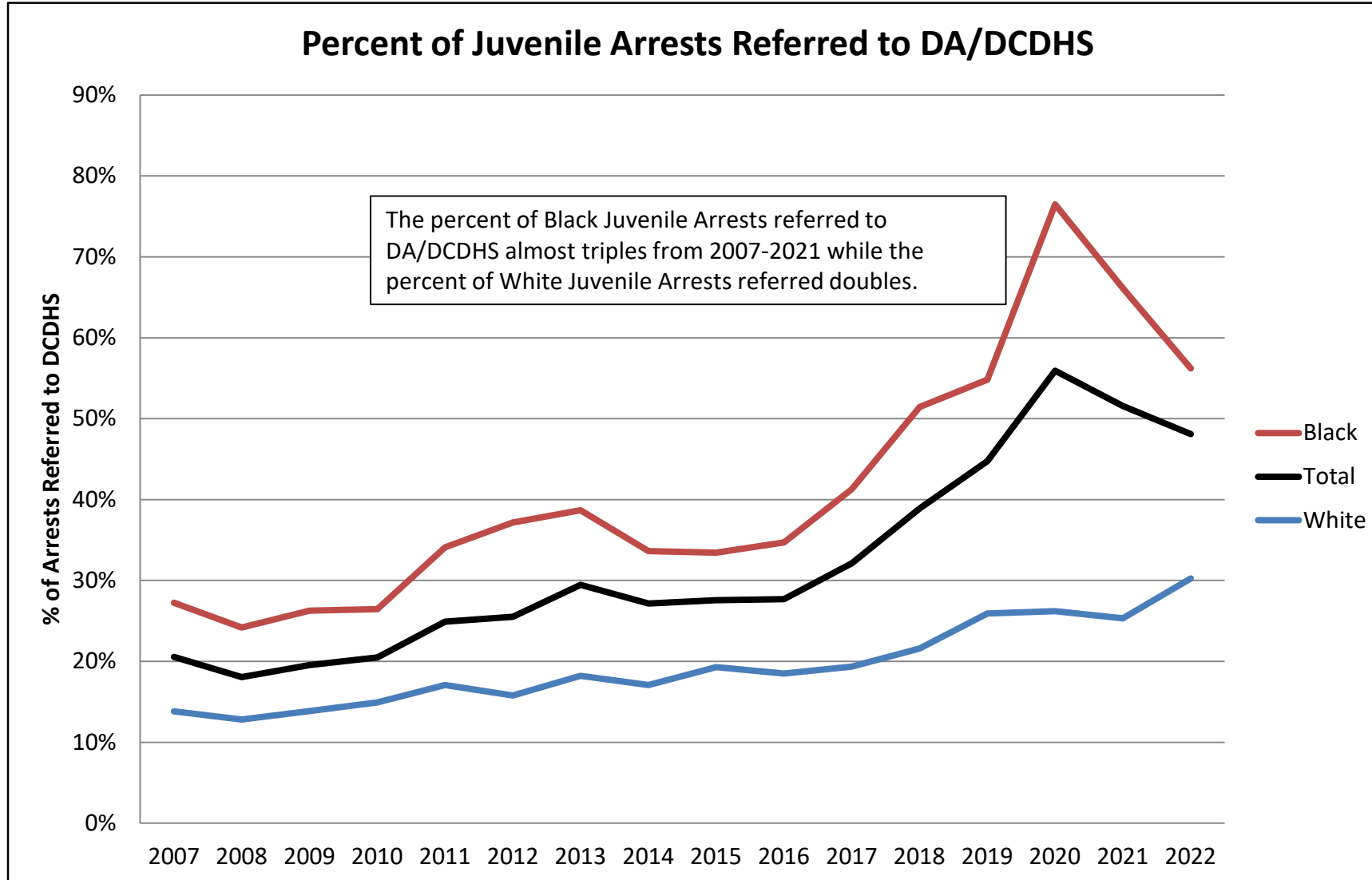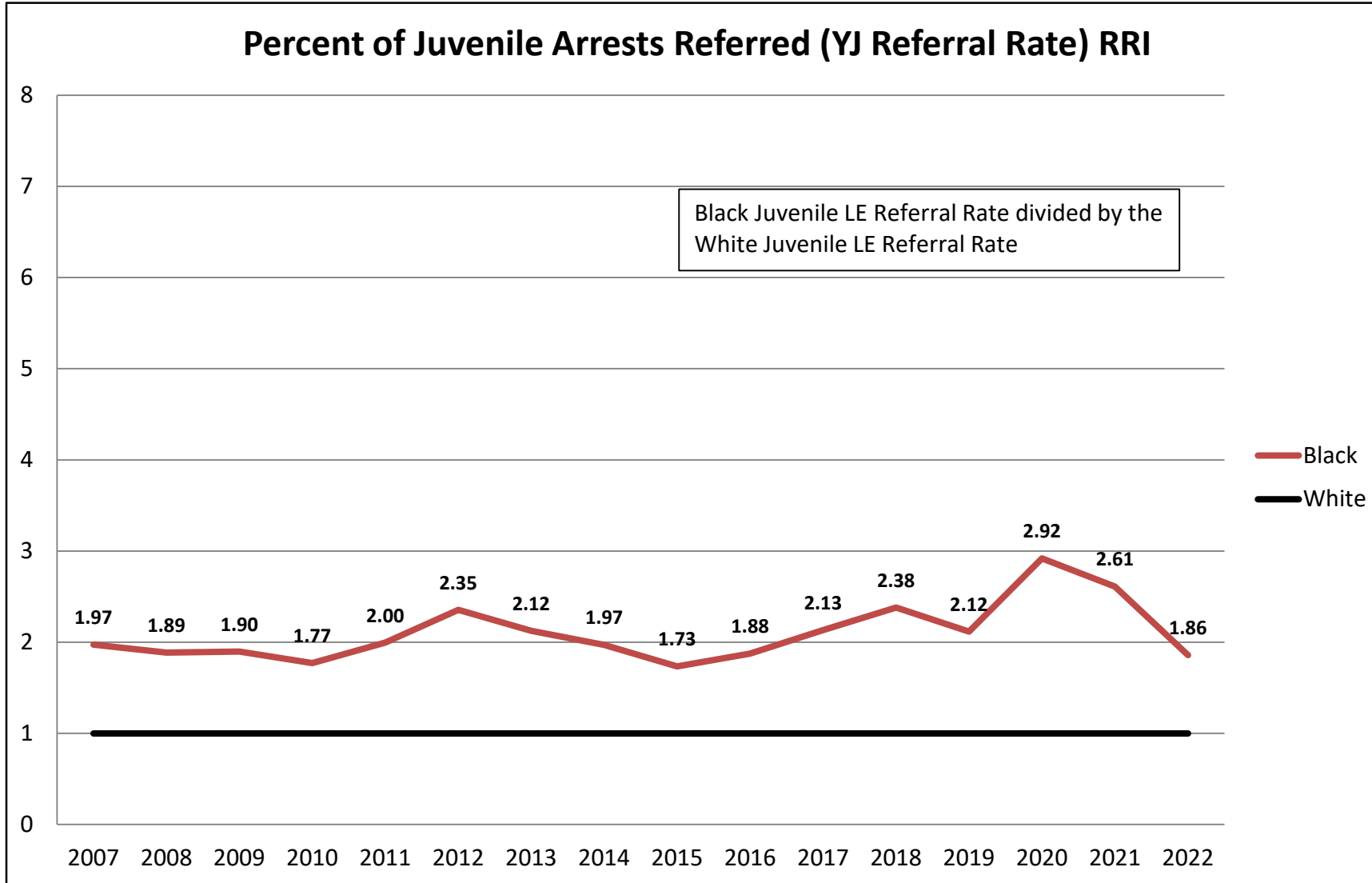
YJ Referral Data

YJ Referrals by Race

Other includes Asian, Hmong, , Native American, Other, Pacific Islander and Unknown

YJ Referral Data

Percent of Juvenile Arrests Referred to DA/DCDHS

The percent of Black Juvenile Arrests referred to DA/DCDHS almost triples from 2007-2021 while the percent of White Juvenile Arrests referred doubles.

Y-axis: % of Arrests Referred to DCDHS

Legend: Black, Total, White

YJ Referral Data

Percent of Juvenile Arrests Referred (YJ Referral Rate) RRI

Black Juvenile LE Referral Rate divided by the White Juvenile LE Referral Rate

— Black
— White

Year	Black RRI
2007	1.97
2008	1.89
2009	1.90
2010	1.77
2011	2.00
2012	2.35
2013	2.12
2014	1.97
2015	1.73
2016	1.88
2017	2.13
2018	2.38
2019	2.12
2020	2.92
2021	2.61
2022	1.86

YJ Referral Data

Percent of Unique Youth with 1, 2, 3, and 4+ YJ Referrals per Year

YJ Referral Data

Prior CPS Involvement of Unique Youth with YJ Referrals

- Prior Access Report: 79% (2019), 86% (2020), 84% (2021), 83% (2022)
- Prior Screen In: 59% (2019), 65% (2020), 67% (2021), 63% (2022)
- Prior OHC Placement: 25% (2019), 32% (2020), 31% (2021), 27% (2022)

While ~ 83% of Unique Youth with YJ Referrals had prior CPS Involvement, that **does not** mean that 83% of youth with CPS Involvement will have YJ Referrals

YJ Referral Data

YJ Referrals - Referrals vs Unique Youth

Referrals (green line): 2012: 1,133 | 2013: 1,085 | 2014: 879 | 2015: 843 | 2016: 804 | 2017: 924 | 2018: 1,061 | 2019: 1,127 | 2020: 764 | 2021: 606 | 2022: 617

Unique Youth (blue line): 2012: 669 | 2013: 614 | 2014: 541 | 2015: 547 | 2016: 501 | 2017: 493 | 2018: 546 | 2019: 581 | 2020: 382 | 2021: 325 | 2022: 415
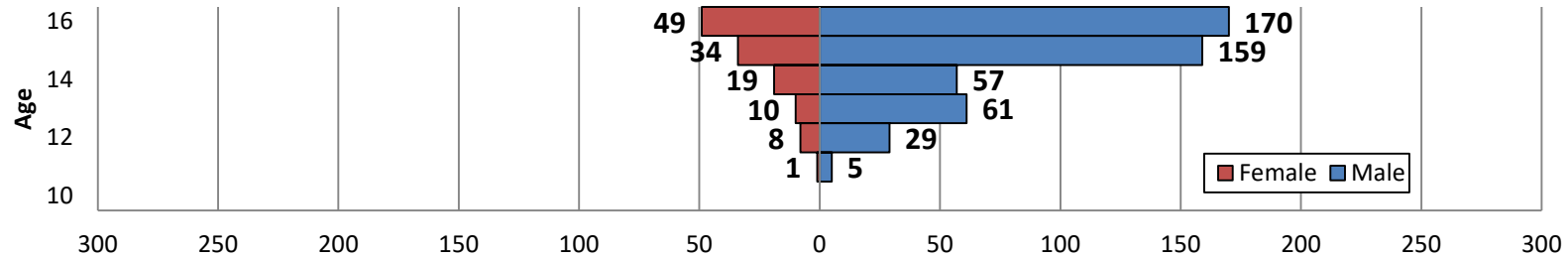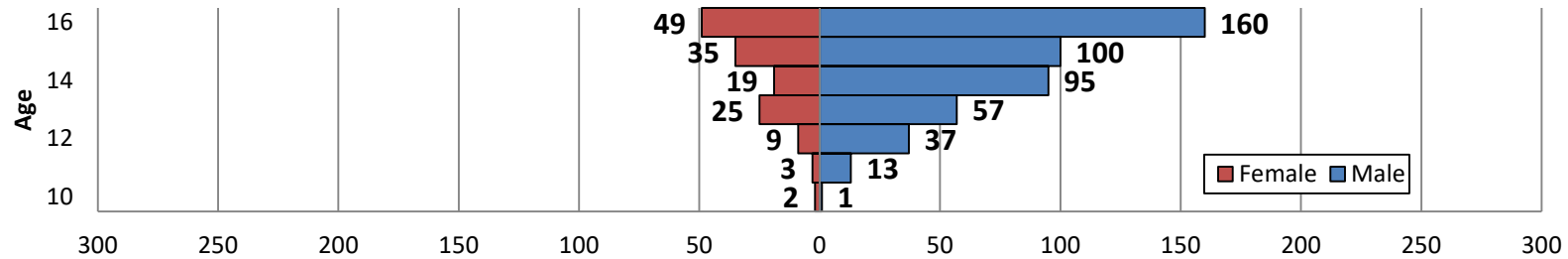
YJ Referral Data

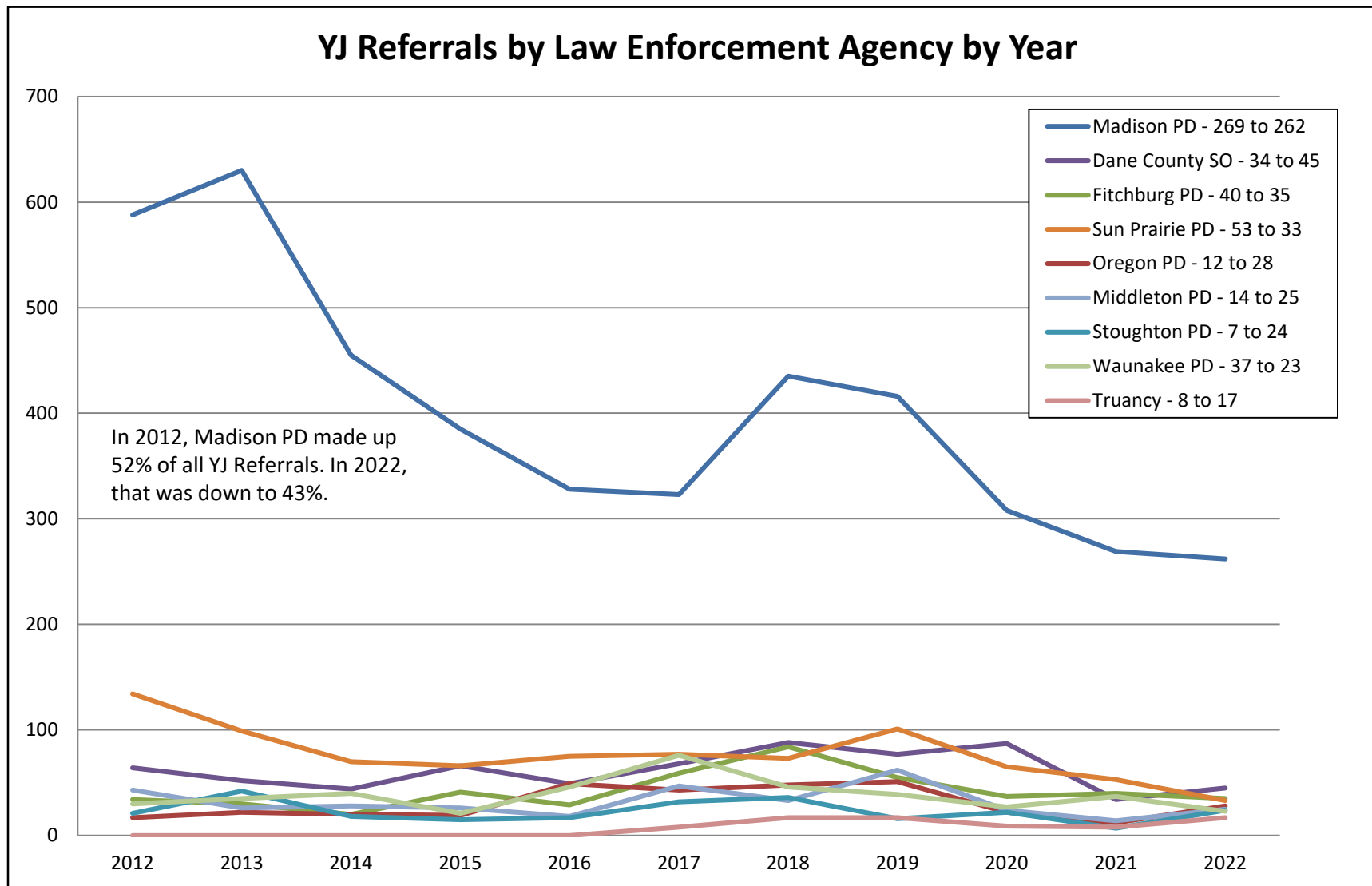## 2020 Youth Justice Referrals by Age by Gender
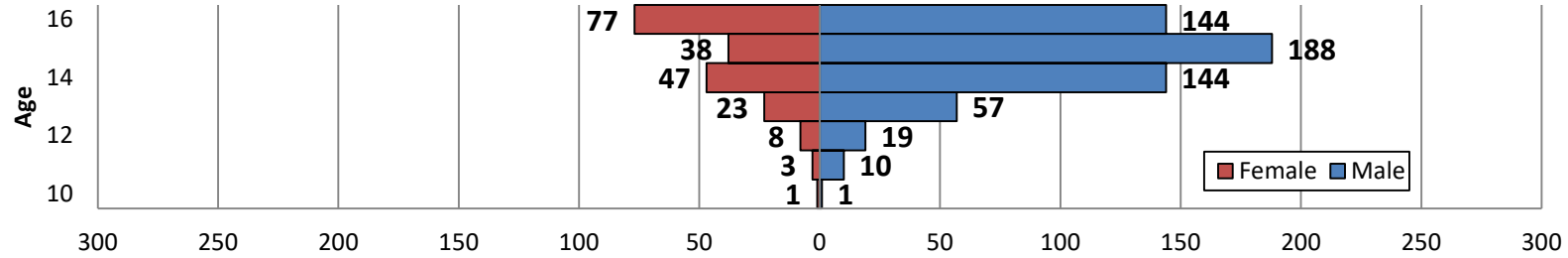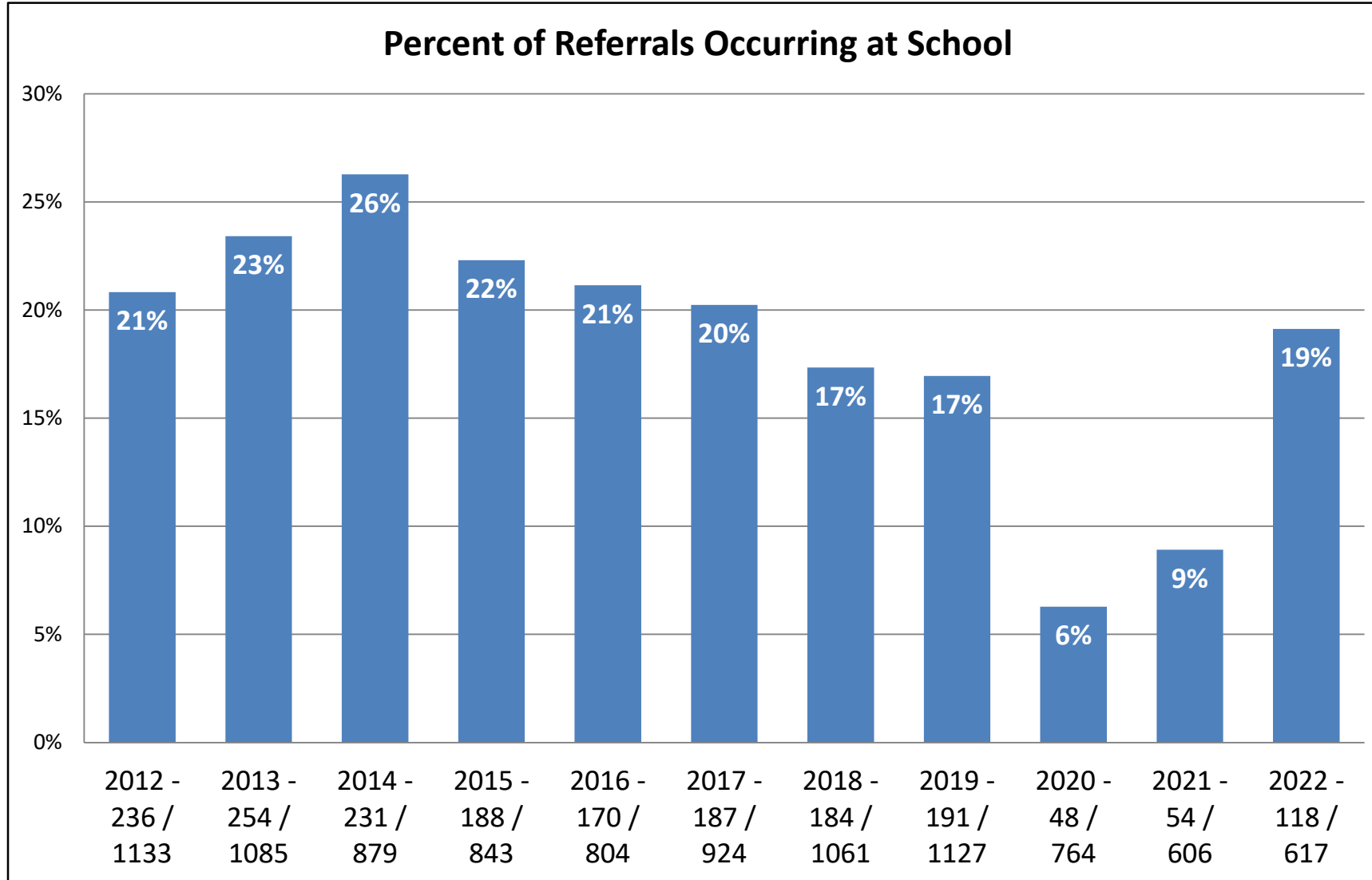

2021 Youth Justice Referrals by Age by Gender

2022 Youth Justice Referrals by Age by Gender

YJ Referral Data

YJ Referrals by Law Enforcement Agency by Year

In 2012, Madison PD made up 52% of all YJ Referrals. In 2022, that was down to 43%.

Legend:
- Madison PD - 269 to 262
- Dane County SO - 34 to 45
- Fitchburg PD - 40 to 35
- Sun Prairie PD - 53 to 33
- Oregon PD - 12 to 28
- Middleton PD - 14 to 25
- Stoughton PD - 7 to 24
- Waunakee PD - 37 to 23
- Truancy - 8 to 17

YJ Referral Data

Percent of Referrals Occurring at School

Year	Percent
2012 - 236 / 1133	21%
2013 - 254 / 1085	23%
2014 - 231 / 879	26%
2015 - 188 / 843	22%
2016 - 170 / 804	21%
2017 - 187 / 924	20%
2018 - 184 / 1061	17%
2019 - 191 / 1127	17%
2020 - 48 / 764	6%
2021 - 54 / 606	9%
2022 - 118 / 617	19%

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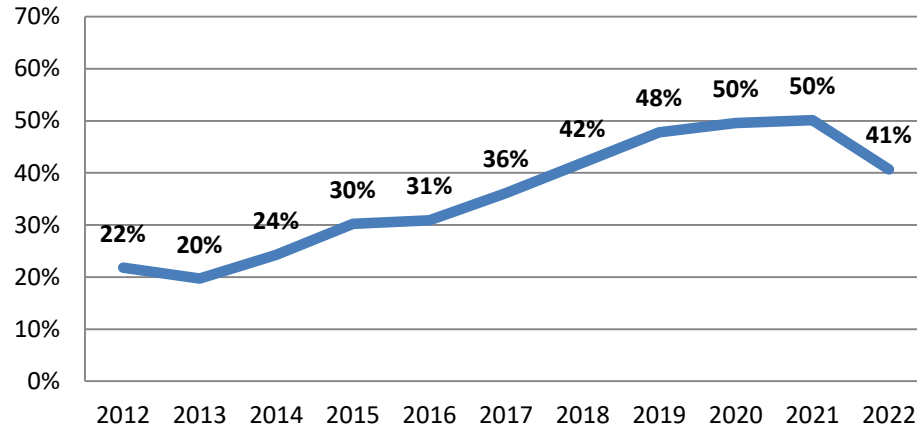

Percent of Referrals Occurring at School by Race/Ethnicity

YJ Referral Data

% of Referrals with an Automatic Formal Law Violation

Line chart (2012–2022): 22%, 20%, 24%, 30%, 31%, 36%, 42%, 48%, 50%, 50%, 41%

% of Referrals with a Felony Law Violation

Line chart (2012–2022): 27%, 25%, 29%, 35%, 36%, 42%, 39%, 46%, 49%, 52%, 42%

% of Referrals with an Automatic Formal Law Violation

Bar chart by race (Black, White, Hispanic) for years 2012–2022

% of Referrals with a Felony Law Violation

Bar chart by race (Black, White, Hispanic) for years 2012–2022

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YJ Referral Data

Most Frequent Charges by Year

The top 10 Charges from 2022 along with their respective counts back to 2016 account for ~ 69% of all Charges for 2016-2022.
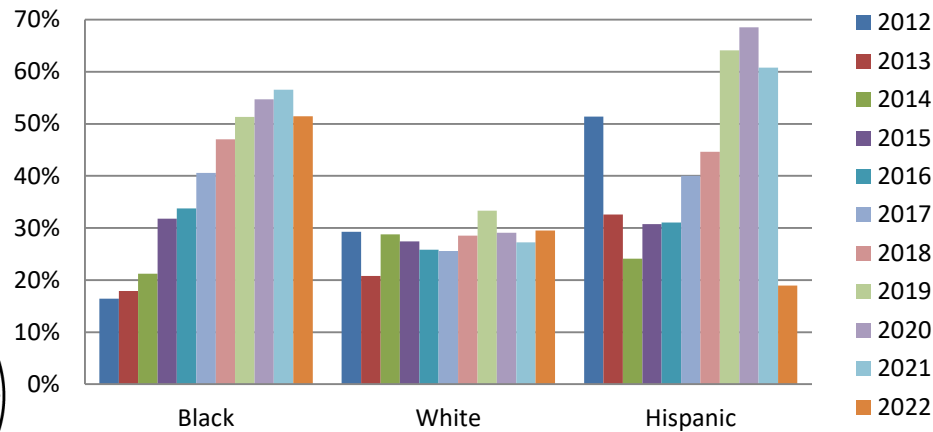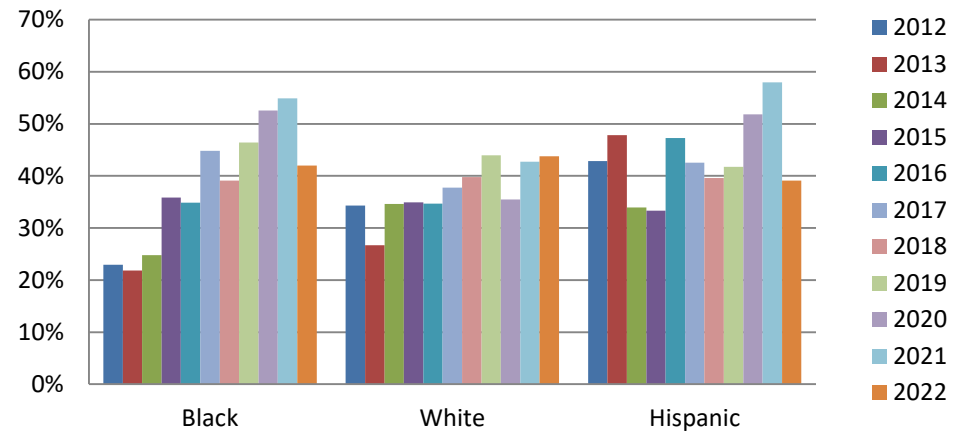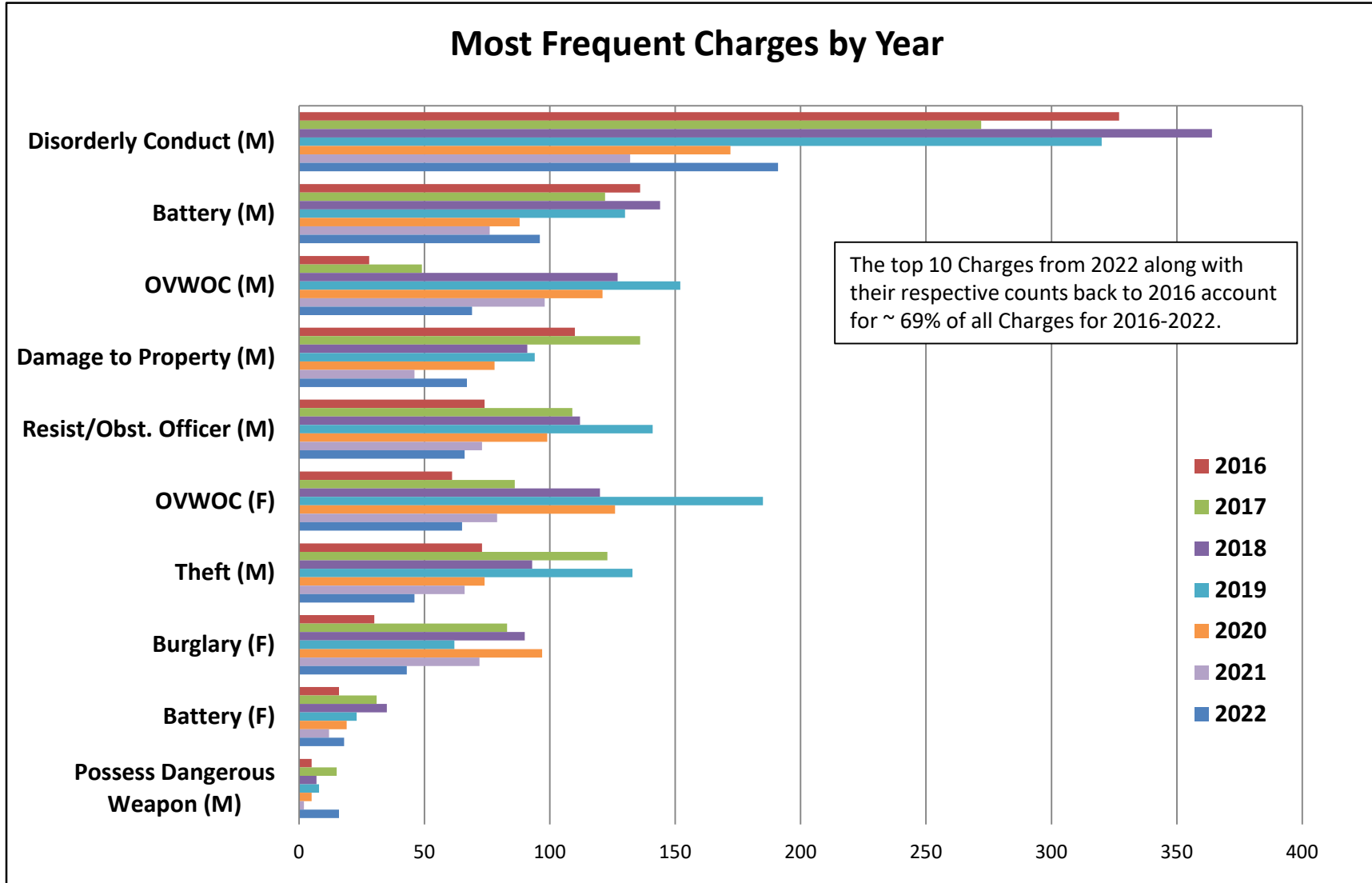
YJ Referral Data

YJ Charges by Race/Ethnicity - Aggregated - 2022
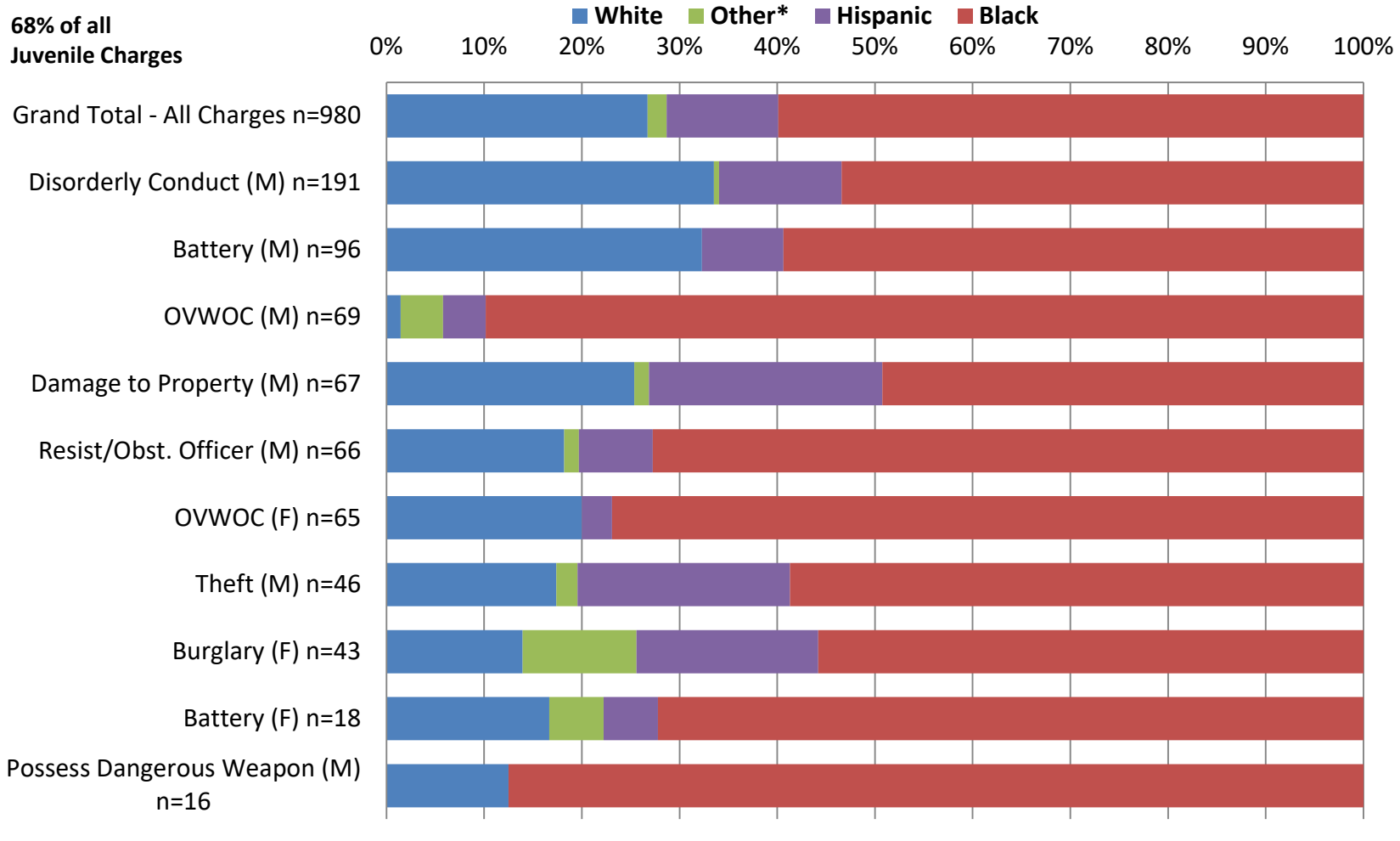
68% of all Juvenile Charges

Legend: ■ White ■ Other* ■ Hispanic ■ Black

Categories (top to bottom):
- Grand Total - All Charges n=980
- Disorderly Conduct (M) n=191
- Battery (M) n=96
- OVWOC (M) n=69
- Damage to Property (M) n=67
- Resist/Obst. Officer (M) n=66
- OVWOC (F) n=65
- Theft (M) n=46
- Burglary (F) n=43
- Battery (F) n=18
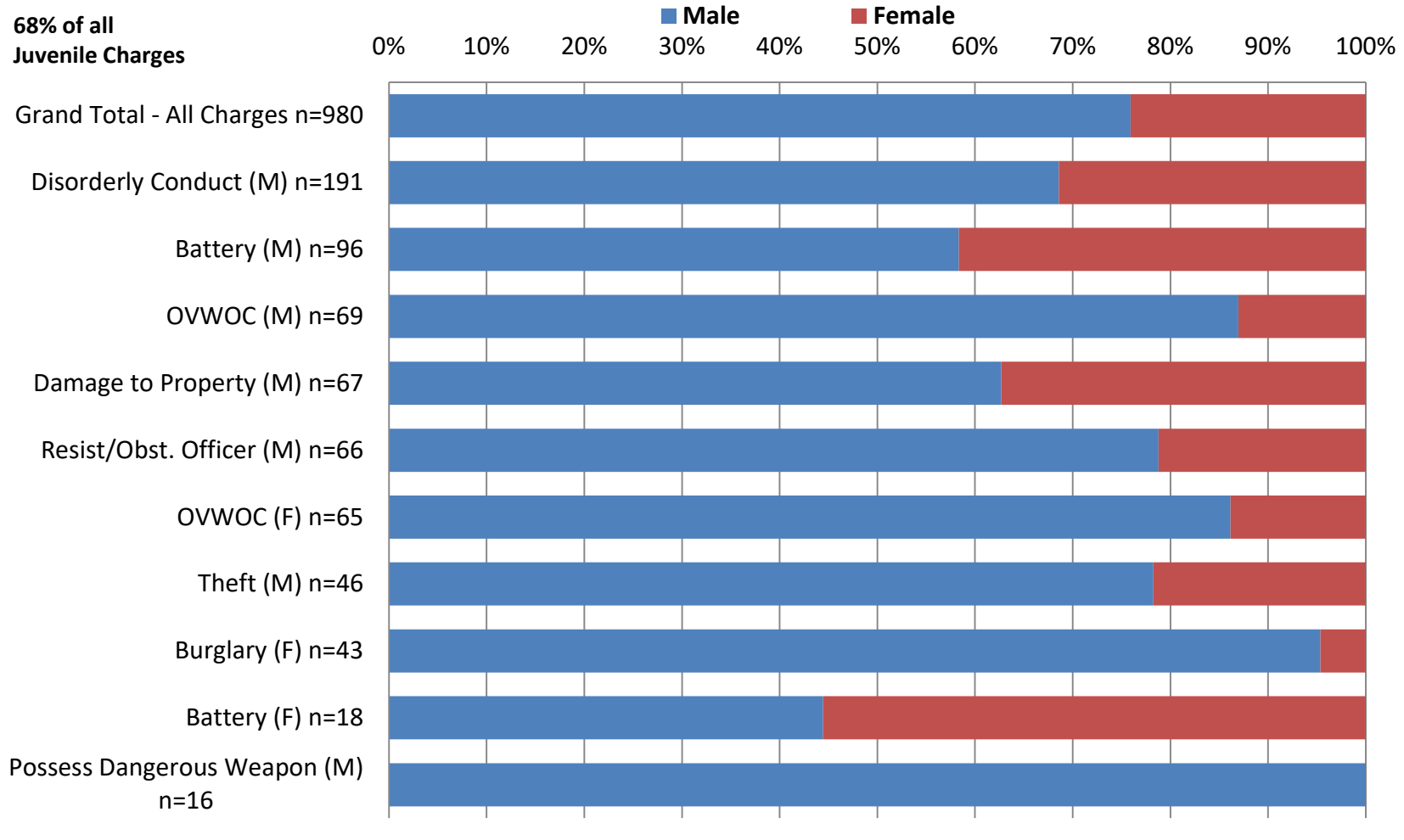- Possess Dangerous Weapon (M) n=16

Other includes Asian, Hmong, , Native American, Other, Pacific Islander and Unknown

YJ Referral Data

YJ Charges by Sex - Aggregated - 2022

68% of all Juvenile Charges

Male / Female

YJ Referral Data

SW Recommendation vs. DA Decision to Petition Formally

Year	SW	DA
2012	50%	58%
2013	46%	59%
2014	46%	59%
2015	46%	56%
2016	48%	58%
2017	52%	55%
2018	54%	56%
2019	57%	63%
2020	58%	62%
2021	58%	62%
2022	53%	57%

YJ Referral Data

Agreement between SW Recommendation of Formal (Y / N) & DA Decision of Formal (Y / N)

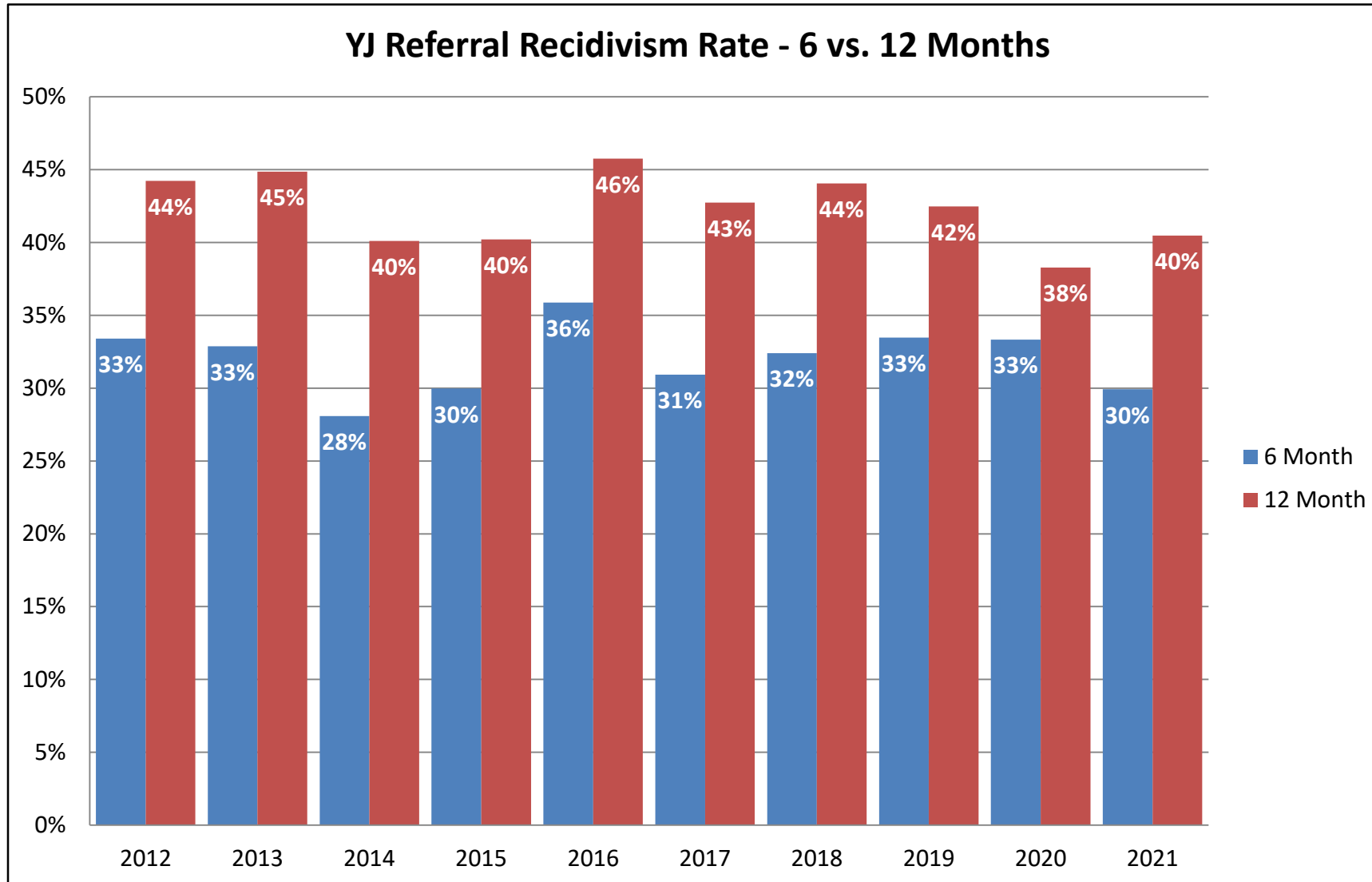| Year	Percentage
2012	87%
2013	83%
2014	84%
2015	89%
2016	84%
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2019	85%
2020	80%
2021	82%
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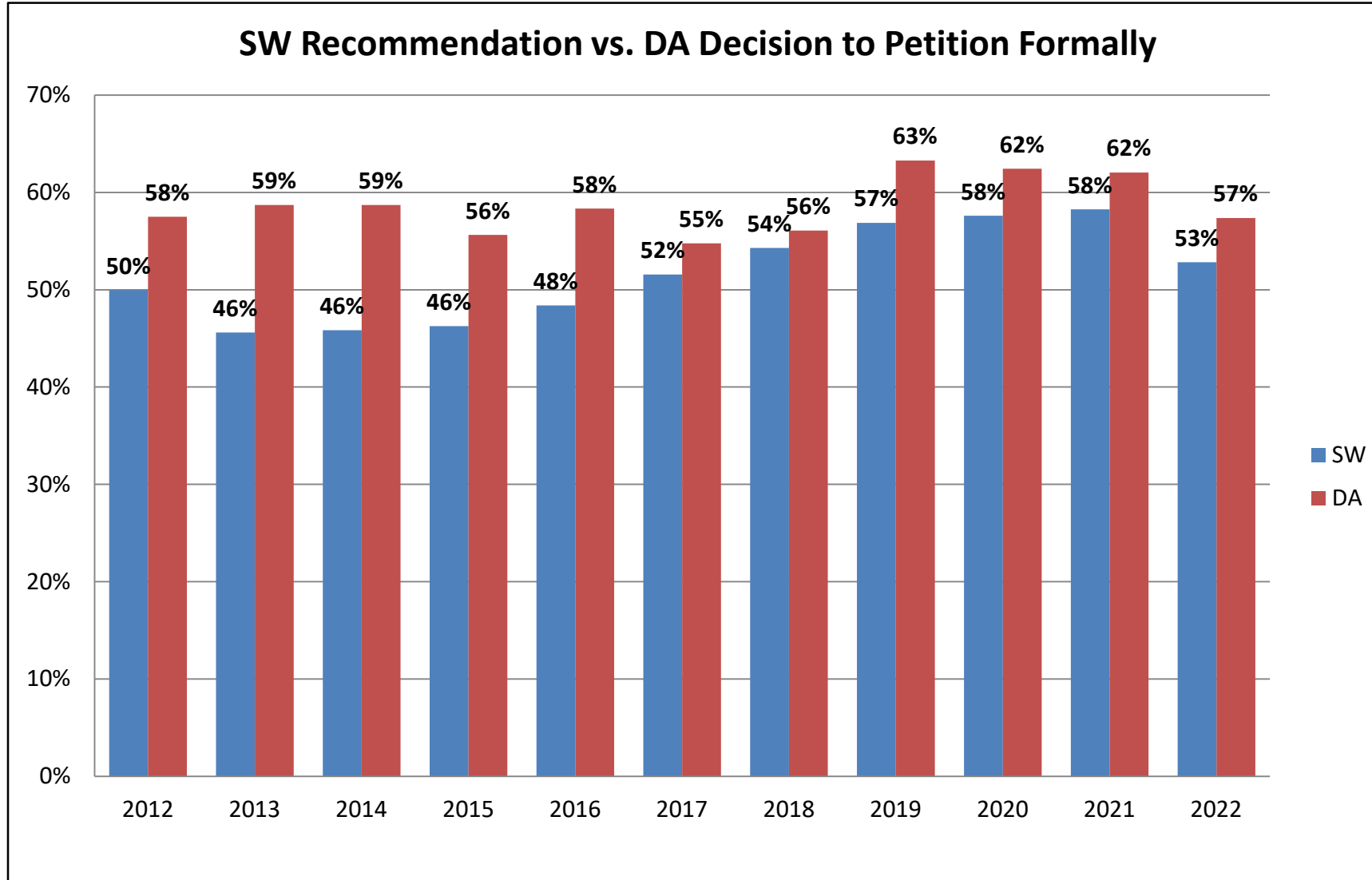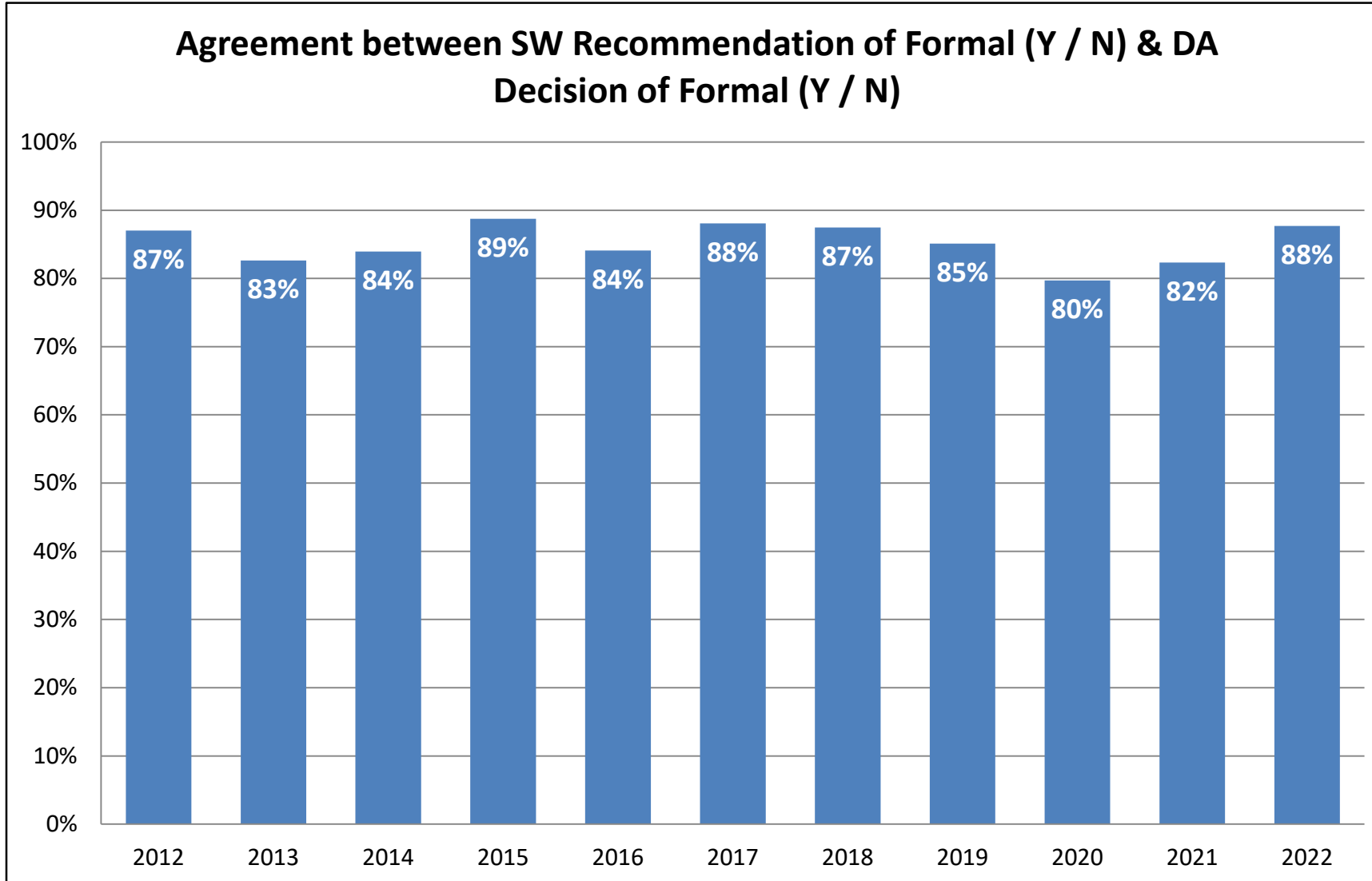
Recidivism – Definition / Methodology used

Select the first Youth Justice (YJ) Referral for a unique youth in the prior year and look 6 and 12 months further to see if the same youth had another YJ Referral. If new YJ Referrals have occurred in a given timeframe (6 or 12 months), count as recidivism.

- Drop any instances where the youth had more than one referral from the same Law Enforcement Agency on the same day.

- Make sure the youth is still under YJ Jurisdiction (under age 17) and exclude those who are not from the analysis.
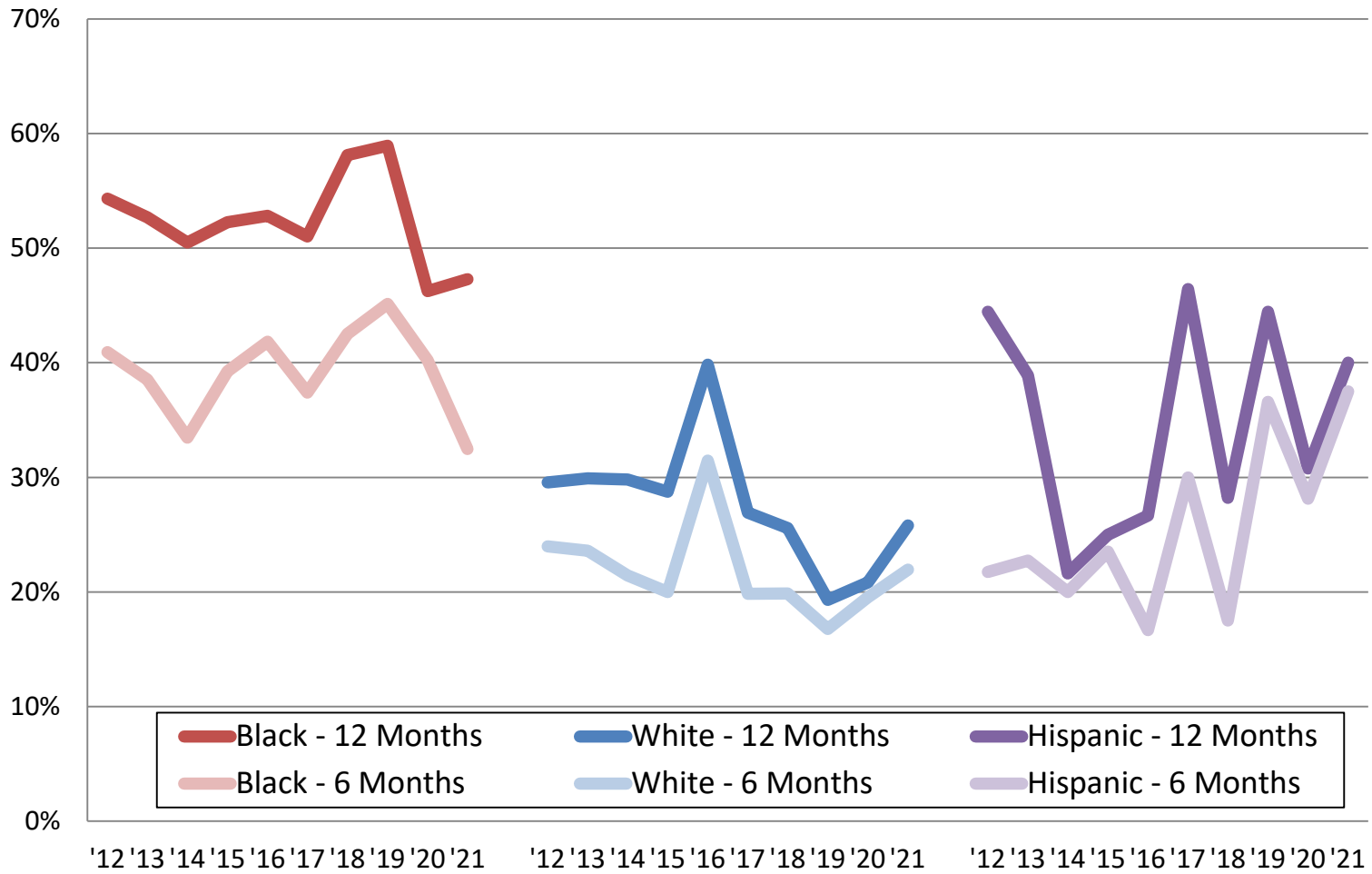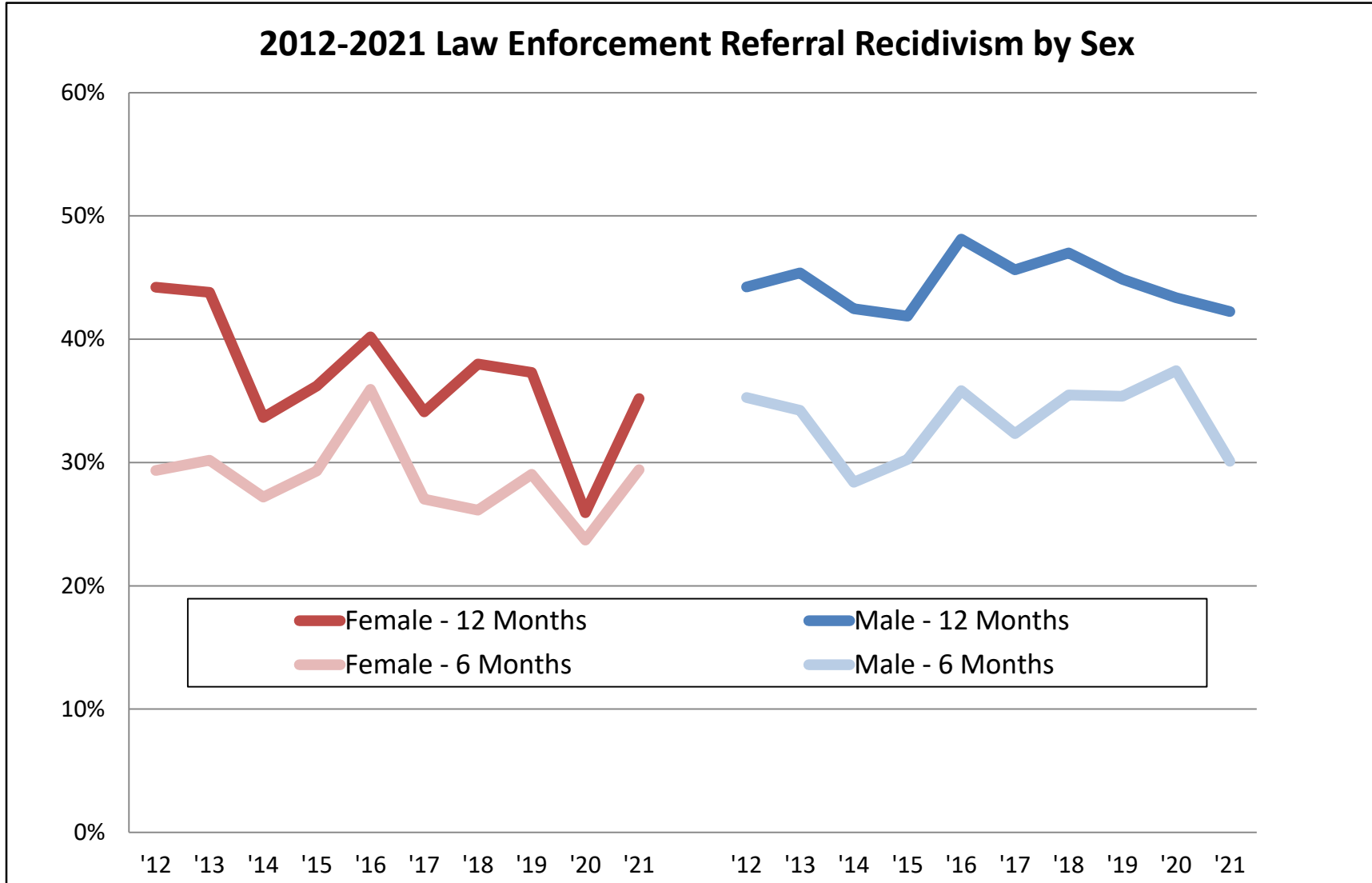
Recidivism

YJ Referral Recidivism Rate - 6 vs. 12 Months

Year	6 Month	12 Month
2012	33%	44%
2013	33%	45%
2014	28%	40%
2015	30%	40%
2016	36%	46%
2017	31%	43%
2018	32%	44%
2019	33%	42%
2020	33%	38%
2021	30%	40%

Recidivism

2012-2021 YJ Referral Recidivism by Race/Eth.

Legend:
- Black - 12 Months
- White - 12 Months
- Hispanic - 12 Months
- Black - 6 Months
- White - 6 Months
- Hispanic - 6 Months

Recidivism

2012-2021 Law Enforcement Referral Recidivism by Sex

Legend:
- Female - 12 Months
- Male - 12 Months
- Female - 6 Months
- Male - 6 Months

Recidivism

Recidivism by Age at First 2021 YJ Referral – 6 month vs. 12 month