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TO: House and Senate Judiciary Committees  
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FROM: Steven Vasconcellos  
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RE: Concerning Pretrial Service Program Requirements

DATE: November 1, 2021

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In accordance with §§ 16-4-106(6),(7), C.R.S., each pretrial service program is required to provide an annual report to the Judicial Department no later than November 1 of each year for inclusion in a combined annual report to be presented by the Judicial Department to the House and Senate Judiciary Committees.

The combined report is to include the following information:

- (1) The total number of pretrial assessments performed by the program and submitted to the Court;
- (2) The total number of closed cases by the program in which the defendant was released from custody and supervised by the program;
- (3) The total number of closed cases in which the defendant was released from custody, was supervised by the program, and, while under supervision, appeared for all scheduled court appearances on the case;
- (4) The total number of closed cases in which the defendant was released from custody, was supervised by the program, and was not charged with a new criminal offense that was alleged to have occurred while under supervision and that carried the possibility of a sentence to jail or imprisonment;
- (5) The total number of closed cases in which the defendant was released from custody and was supervised by the program, and the defendant's bond was not revoked by the court due to a violation of any other terms and conditions of supervision.

The accompanying table represents the combined information provided by pretrial service programs in Adams, Arapahoe, Archuleta, Boulder, Costilla, Delta, Denver, Douglas, El Paso, Fremont, Garfield, Jefferson, LaPlata, Larimer, Logan/Morgan, Mesa, Montezuma, Pueblo and Weld Counties. As can be seen, the different pretrial service programs use varying language to describe: (1) recommendations they make to the courts; and (2) bond status.

This report is an effort to compile information in compliance with C.R.S. §§ 16-4-106(6), (7); however, the Judicial Department has no administrative authority regarding pretrial programs. Court operations, including pre-trial functions, were significantly altered throughout the year due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Most counties reported difficulties tracking and reporting numbers; as such, data included in this spreadsheet should be interpreted with caution.

Should you have additional questions, please contact Richelle Work, Staff Assistant, Division of Probation Services, (720) 625-5769 or [richelle.work@judicial.state.co.us](mailto:richelle.work@judicial.state.co.us).

**CRS 16-4-106 Pretrial Services Program Reporting  
Annual Reporting to State Judicial Department - FY2021**

County	Number of Pretrial Assessments	Number of Pretrial Supervision Cases Closed	Number of These Cases with No FTA	Court Appearance Rate	Number of These Cases with No New Filing	Public Safety Rate	Number of These Cases Not Revoked for Technical Violation	Technical Compliance Rate	Number of These Cases Posted via Commercial Surety Bond (Bail Bonding Agent)	Percent of These Cases Posted via Commercial Surety Bond	Number of These Cases Posted via All Cash Bonds	Number of These Cases Posted via Property Bond	Total Number of All Cash and Property Bonds	Percent of These Cases Posted via All Cash or Property Bonds	Number of These Cases Posted via Personal Recognizance/Self Bond	Number of These Cases Posted via Personal Recognizance/Surety Bond	Total Number of All Personal Recognizance Bonds	Percent of These Cases Posted via All Personal Recognizance Bonds
Adams	6,582	2,666	1,583	59.4%	2,451	91.9%	2,416	90.6%	1,235	46.3%	104	0	104	3.9%	1	0	1,327	49.8%
Arapahoe	3,094	1,682	1,361	80.9%	1,506	89.5%	1,544	91.8%	618	36.7%	157	0	157	9.3%	907	0	907	53.9%
Archuleta	138	42	36	85.7%	32	76.2%	39	92.9%	7	16.7%	0	0	0	0.0%	35	0	35	83.3%
Boulder	2,440	1,361	891	65.5%	856	62.9%	1,295	95.2%	80	5.9%	294	0	294	21.6%	862	0	862	63.3%
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Delta	84	1	1	100.0%	1	100.0%	1	100.0%	0	0.0%	0	0	0	0.0%	1	0	1	100.0%
Denver	8,767	7,864	5,505	70.0%	6,902	87.8%	7,672	97.6%	741	9.4%	1,323	2	1,325	16.8%	5575	0	5,575	70.9%
Douglas	2,689	922	778	84.4%	852	92.4%	734	79.6%	431	46.7%	130	0	130	14.1%	360	0	360	39.0%
El Paso	2,715	3,123	2,065	66.1%	2,919	93.5%	2,982	95.5%	0	0.0%	0	0	0	0.0%	3,123	0	3,123	100.0%
Fremont	928	468	367	78.4%	330	70.5%	416	88.9%	49	10.5%	20	0	20	4.3%	399	1	400	85.5%
Garfield	959	136	85	62.5%	88	64.7%	130	95.6%	55	40.4%	15	0	15	11.0%	64	2	66	48.5%
Jefferson	4,931	4,202	3,376	80.3%	3,801	90.5%	3,490	83.1%	1,404	33.4%	550	0	550	13.1%	1741	123	1,864	44.4%
LaPlata	985	266	234	88.0%	213	80.1%	0	0.0%	42	15.8%	5	0	5	1.9%	348	0	348	130.8%
Larimer	6,564	6,405	4,516	70.5%	5,426	84.7%	5,980	93.4%	324	5.1%	3,431	7	3,438	53.7%	1818	827	2,454	41.3%
Logan/Morgan	0	231	171	74.0%	135	58.4%	194	84.0%	105	45.5%	16	0	16	6.9%	80	30	110	47.6%
Mesa	2,372	1,390	988	71.1%	1,127	81.1%	1,037	74.6%	203	14.6%	217	0	217	15.6%	914	56	970	69.8%
Montezuma	744	195	159	81.5%	195	100.0%	130	66.7%	50	25.6%	0	0	0	0.0%	145	0	145	74.4%
Pueblo	3,936	2,218	1,899	80.6%	1,894	85.4%	1,837	83.3%	1,004	45.3%	20	0	20	0.9%	1194	0	1,194	53.8%
Weld	1,975	3,469	2,706	78.0%	2,886	83.2%	3,105	89.5%	1,653	47.7%	110	0	110	3.2%	1528	5	1,533	44.2%

Notes:

Arapahoe: Approximately 13% of clients supervised are on a summons.

Boulder :The 20th JD has implemented practices in order to reduce the jail population during COVID, such as new arrest standards and automatic PR Bond eligibility. As a result, the population booked into the jail are higher risk than under non-COVID circumstances. The 20th JD operates under the practice that if the FTA warrant is quashed within 24 hours, the outcome is not counted as an FTA. Approximately 8% of the closed cases are missing a bond type entry in the program database, and 1% of cases had no bond.

Costilla: no data reported

Delta: Pretrial Services within Delta County Criminal Justice Services, did not start operations until June 1, 2021, this report reflects only 1 month of numbers.

Denver: Approximately 3% of the closed cases are missing a bond type entry in our database, however we do not suspect this would change the bond type distribution. Assessment numbers refer only to those bond advisements that include a CPAT risk assessment. Total Bond Advisement Reports is 10,532. FTA numbers refer to any supervision event where an FTA occurs and remains active or where the original bond is not reinstated upon clearance of the warrant by the court.

Douglas: Defendants supervised under summons were included in the PR/Self Bond calculation.

El Paso: Number of These Cases with No New Filing: Supervised PR Bonds that have been closed are verified for new charges based on data entered into NCIC/CCIC and Colorado Court Access. Number of Those Cases with No FTA: Only defendants on a Supervised PR Bond that have had a warrant issued for an FTA are included.

Jefferson: 379 (9% of all case closures) cases closed from Pretrial Supervision were issued a Summons. An additional 5 cases closed from Pretrial Supervision were on an Appeal bond.

LaPlata: Cases were not closed out as many were held up in court due to COVID related closures.

Montezuma: Statistics for July represent numbers from July 14, 2020 to July 31, 2020. Remaining July dates are unavailable due to a software change.

Weld: For the 2020-21 state fiscal year, 5% of the number of pretrial supervision cases closed, were Summons. \*At the request of the Chief Judge and due to COVID-19 precautions, Bail Reports (Pretrial Assessments) were suspended beginning March 18, 2020 and resumed, effective July 20, 2020. Thus, July 2020 "Number of Pretrial Assessments" is calculated from 7/20/2020-7/31/2020 only.

**Definitions: C.R.S. §§ 16-4-106(6),(7) Pretrial Services Program Reporting**

**Number of Pretrial Assessments** refers to the total number of pretrial assessments performed by the program and submitted to the court.

**Number of Pretrial Supervision Cases Closed** refers to total number of closed cases by the program in which the defendant was released from custody and supervised by the program. This number serves as the denominator for the remaining calculations. A case is defined as a supervision event for a court case (i.e., one person may have multiple court cases with multiple supervision events each). A supervision event begins when supervision is ordered on a bond and the bond is posted or the date that supervision is added by court order to a person already out of custody such as in a summons case. A supervision event ends when supervision is taken off of the case due to a warrant, revocation or other event of the court.

**Number of These Cases with No FTA** refers to the total number of closed cases in which the defendant was released from custody, was supervised by the program, and, while under supervision, appeared for all scheduled court appearances on the case. No FTA refers to the absence of an FTA noted in the court record.

**Court Appearance Rate** is an automatically calculated field.

**Number of These Cases with No New Filing** refers to the total number of closed cases in which the defendant was released from custody, was supervised by the program, and was not charged with a new criminal offense that was alleged to have occurred while under supervision and that carried the possibility of a sentence to jail or imprisonment. Excludes cases for which jail or imprisonment is not a possible sentence. No new charge refers to the absence of new cases of any kind filed with the state's county or district courts, regardless of whether it began with a jail booking or a summons.

**Public Safety Rate** is an automatically calculated field.

**Number of These Cases Not Revoked for Technical Violation** refers to the total number of closed cases in which the defendant was released from custody and was supervised by the program, and the defendant's bond was not revoked by the court due only to a violation of any other terms and conditions of supervision. Excludes revocations for failure to appear and for a filing for a new crime.

**Technical Compliance Rate** is an automatically calculated field.

**Number of These Cases Posted via Commercial Surety Bond (Bail Bonding Agent)** refers to the number of cases for which the defendant was released on a commercial surety bond in addition to pretrial supervision.

**Percent of These Cases Posted via Commercial Surety Bond** is an automatically calculated field.

**Number of These Cases Posted via All Cash Bonds** refers to the number of cases for which the defendant was released on a cash bond which he/she posted him/herself or released on a cash bond which someone other than the defendant who was not a commercial bail bondsman posted for the defendant (i.e., private surety), in addition to pretrial supervision.

<b>Number of These Cases Posted via Property Bond</b> refers to the number of cases for which the defendant was released on a property bond, in addition to pretrial supervision.
<b>Total Number of All Cash and Property Bonds</b> is an automatically calculated field.
<b>Percent of These Cases Posted via All Cash or Property Bonds</b> is an automatically calculated field.
<b>Number of These Cases Posted via Personal Recognizance/Self Bond</b> refers to the number of cases for which the defendant was released on a personal recognizance bond, in addition to pretrial supervision. Excludes Personal Recognizance Co-Sign Bonds.
<b>Number of These Cases Posted via Personal Recognizance/Surety Bond</b> refers to the number of cases for which the defendant was released on a personal recognizance bond that required someone other than the defendant to sign the bond (i.e., Personal Recognizance Co-Sign Bonds), in addition to pretrial supervision.
<b>Total Number of All Personal Recognizance Bonds</b> is an automatically calculated field.
<b>Percent of These Cases Posted via All Personal Recognizance Bonds</b> is an automatically calculated field.
<i><b>Disclaimer:</b></i> Using any data not required and highlighted in blue for any other purpose may be invalid. Because of differences in the pretrial services agencies and the jurisdictions in which they operate, these data cannot be used to compare the effectiveness of one program to another.