


# OFFICE OF THE STATE COURT ADMINISTRATOR



TO: House and Senate Judiciary Committees Colorado General Assembly  
FROM: Steven Vasconcellos, State Court Administrator   
RE: Concerning Pretrial Service Program Requirements  
DATE: November 1, 2024

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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, 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.

In July of 2022, the Pretrial Executive Network, comprised of pretrial agency leadership from across Colorado, requested a specific note be added to the Pretrial Services Program Annual Report, "***Due to differing Pretrial Services practices in arrestees risk-assessed, defendants supervised, and at what stage in the process a case is closed with an outcome, data in this report are not comparable across different counties/jurisdictions.***" As the Pretrial Executive Network represents many pretrial programs and the statement can be applied universally, the note was added at the top of the report directly under the title as well as a footnote at the bottom of the report.

This report compiles information in compliance with C.R.S. §§ 16-4-106(6), (7); however, the Judicial Department has no administrative authority regarding pretrial programs. Should you have additional questions, please contact Richelle Work, Probation Analyst I, 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 - FY2024  
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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	8,773	1,632	1,065	65.3%	1,576	96.6%	1,497	91.7%	894	54.8%	165	0	165	10.1%	714	61	775	47.5%
Arapahoe	4,744	2,252	1,697	75.4%	2,169	76.3%	2,024	89.9%	728	32.3%	233	0	233	10.3%	1,274	0	1,274	56.6%
Archuleta	166	82	78	95.1%	67	81.7%	82	100.0%	6	7.3%	1	0	1	1.2%	75	0	75	91.5%
Boulder	3,368	1,914	1,140	59.6%	1,518	79.3%	1,856	97.0%	137	7.2%	434	12	446	23.3%	1,331	0	1,331	69.5%
Delta	506	269	218	81.0%	206	76.6%	237	88.1%	2	0.7%	11	0	11	4.1%	256	0	256	95.2%
Denver	6,767	7,487	5,659	75.6%	6,595	88.1%	7,311	97.6%	1,479	19.8%	1,767	0	1,767	23.6%	4,061	0	4,061	54.2%
Douglas	4,156	1,202	977	81.3%	1,134	94.3%	955	79.5%	633	52.7%	179	0	179	14.9%	390	0	390	32.4%
El Paso	9,785	4,056	2,965	73.1%	3,802	93.7%	3,785	93.3%	0	0.0%	0	0	0	0.0%	4,056	0	4,056	100.0%
Fremont	980	569	344	60.5%	290	51.0%	328	57.6%	50	8.8%	40	0	40	7.0%	346	0	346	60.8%
Garfield	1,127	171	133	77.8%	119	69.6%	161	94.2%	42	24.6%	32	0	32	18.7%	93	1	94	55.0%
Jefferson	5,507	3,716	3,051	82.1%	3,381	91.0%	2,951	79.4%	863	23.2%	530	0	530	14.3%	1,912	18	1,930	51.9%
LaPlata	971	425	261	61.4%	341	80.2%	0	0.0%	77	18.1%	29	0	29	6.8%	123	0	123	28.9%
Larimer	6,824	5,301	3,774	71.2%	4,544	85.7%	4,938	93.2%	219	4.1%	2,395	3	2,398	45.2%	2,234	451	2,685	50.7%
Logan/Morgan	0	160	124	77.5%	100	62.5%	100	62.5%	58	36.3%	16	0	16	10.0%	68	18	86	53.8%
Mesa	2,277	1,439	1,088	75.6%	1,262	87.7%	1,120	77.8%	233	16.2%	149	0	149	10.4%	1,057	0	1,057	73.5%
Montezuma	1,182	269	239	88.8%	249	92.6%	269	100.0%	98	36.4%	12	0	12	4.5%	159	0	159	59.1%
Pueblo	3,384	1,445	1,251	86.6%	1,328	91.9%	1,181	81.7%	683	47.3%	4	0	4	0.3%	758	0	758	52.5%
Summit	328	216	186	86.1%	197	91.2%	199	92.1%	17	7.9%	58	0	58	26.9%	141	0	141	65.3%
Weld	3,102	4,236	3,577	84.4%	3,592	84.8%	3,464	81.8%	1,953	46.1%	310	0	310	7.3%	1,850	15	1,865	44.0%

Notes:  
\*PEN Committee Note (Added FY22)  
Arapahoe: Approximately 10% of clients supervised are on a summons  
Denver: 1) Assessment numbers refer only to those bond advisements that include a CPAT-R risk assessment. Total Bond Advisement Reports is 11,252. 2) Approximately 2% 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.  
3) 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.  
Jefferson: An additional 394 closed Pretrial cases (10.3% of closures) were issued a summons, and an additional 9 cases (.2%) were closed on an Appeal bond.  
LaPlata: \*Information on bond revocations for technical violations is typically not a practice in LaPlata County and is therefore not tracked.  
Weld: For the 2023-24 state fiscal year, 2.5% of the number of pretrial supervision cases closed, were Summons (108 cases).

**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.

**Number of These Cases Posted via Property Bond** refers to the number of cases for which the defendant was released on a property bond, in addition to pretrial supervision.

**Total Number of All Cash and Property Bonds** is an automatically calculated field.

**Percent of These Cases Posted via All Cash or Property Bonds** is an automatically calculated field.

**Number of These Cases Posted via Personal Recognizance/Self Bond** 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.

**Number of These Cases Posted via Personal Recognizance/Surety Bond** 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.

**Total Number of All Personal Recognizance Bonds** is an automatically calculated field.

**Percent of These Cases Posted via All Personal Recognizance Bonds** is an automatically calculated field.

*Disclaimer:* 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.