

BECCA PETITIONS AND THE USE OF DETENTION IN WASHINGTON STATE

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Washington State Juvenile Detention 2016 Annual Report



Overview

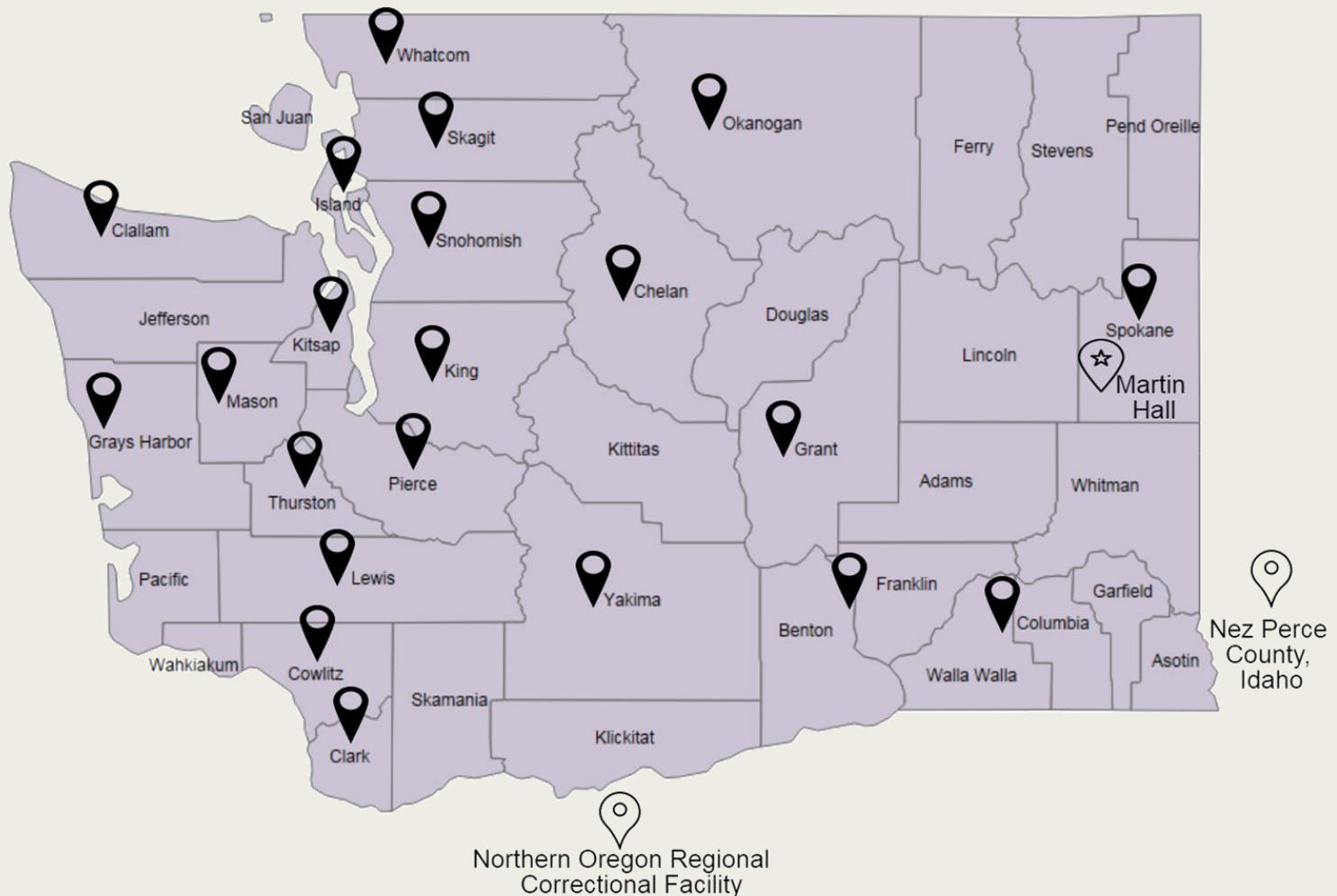
1. Review some highlights from the 2016 annual report
2. Present results from new analyses regarding Becca petitions in Washington State

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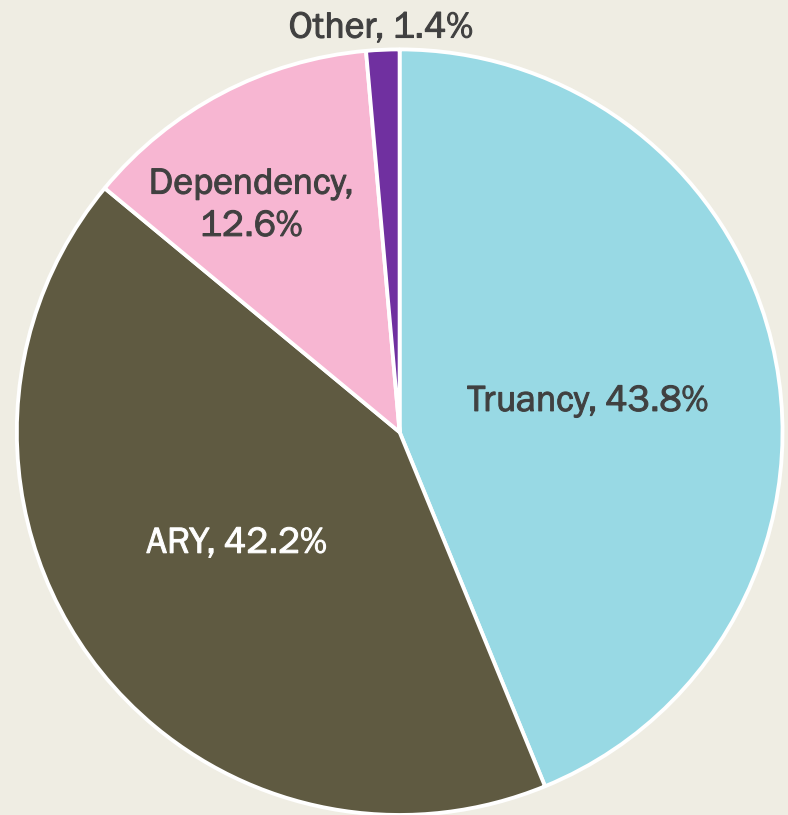
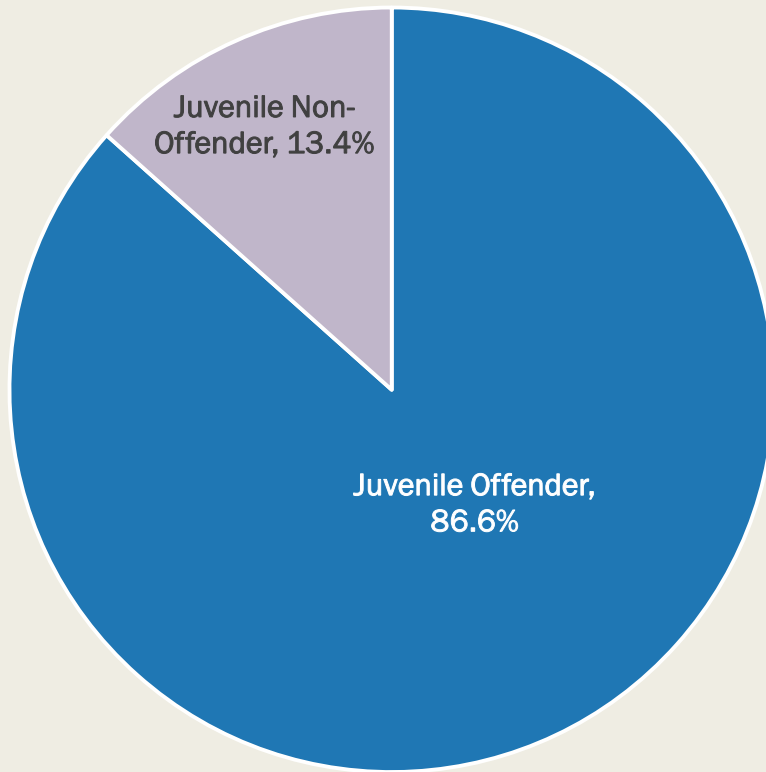
21 County Detention Facilities

1 Private Detention Facility

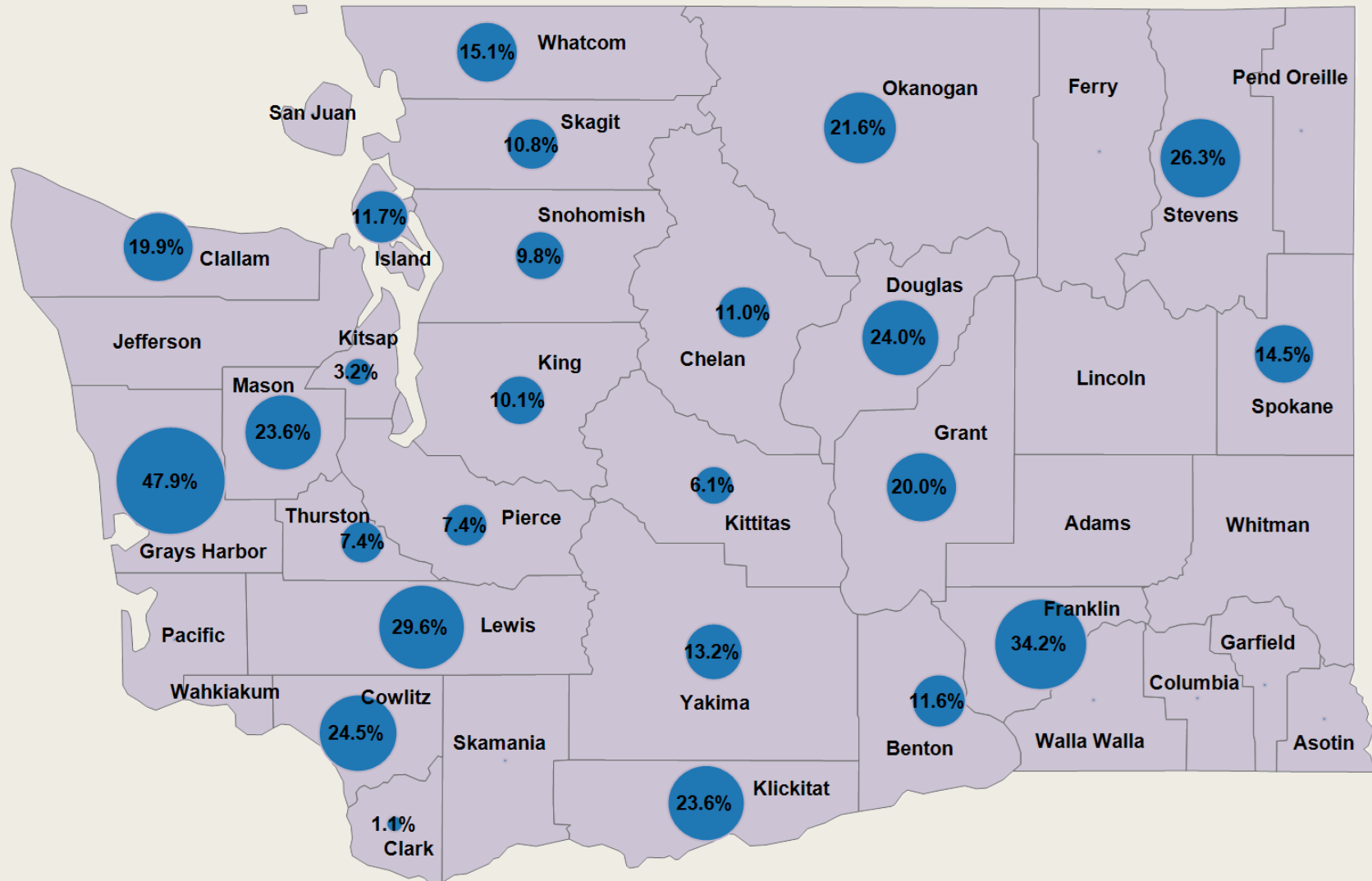
2 Out of State Contracted Detention Facilities



What percentage of detention admissions were for a non-offender matter in 2016?



Percent of Admissions in 2016 for a Non-Offender Matter by County



Not shown: counties with fewer than 30 admissions & counties that file criminal contempt charges (please see WSCCR's Washington State Juvenile Detention 2016 Annual Report for more detail: <https://www.courts.wa.gov/subsite/wscrc/docs/2016DetentionAnnualReport.pdf>)

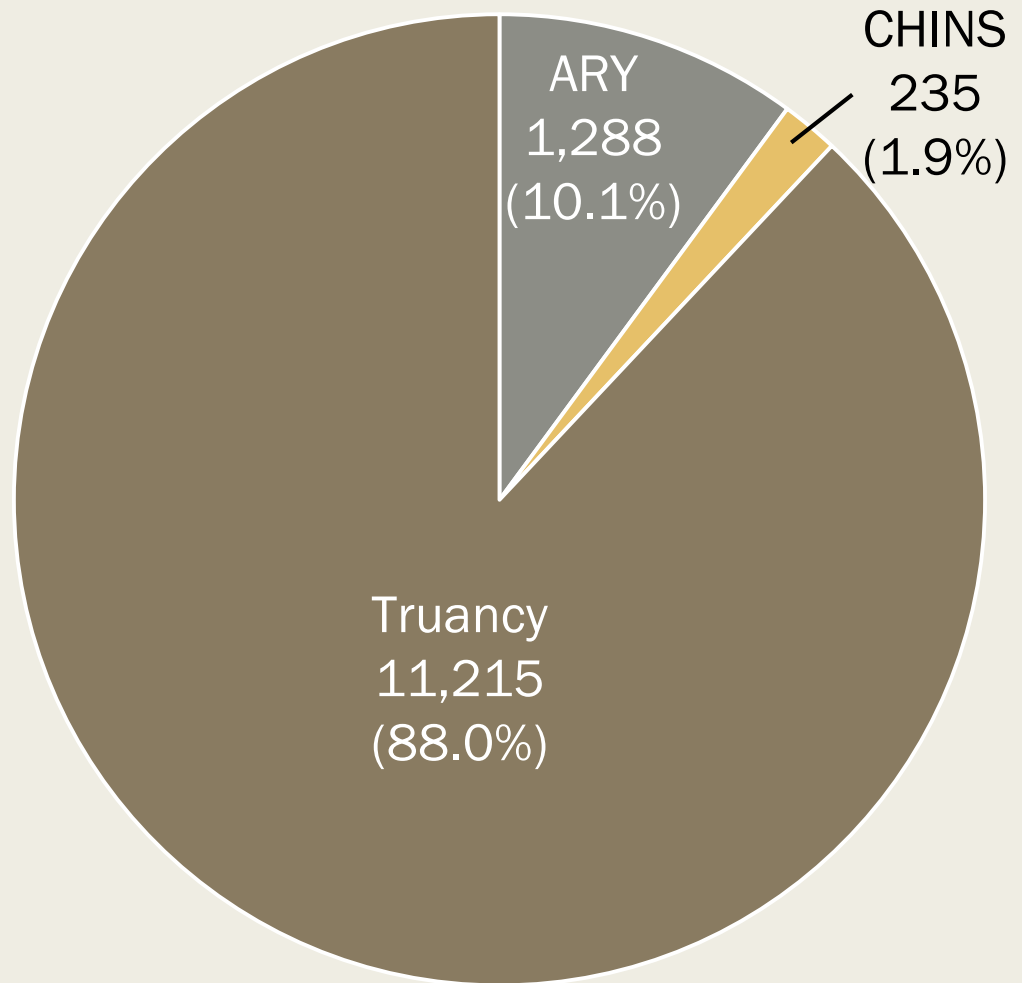
Tackling the issue from a different angle

- How many Becca petitions were filed in 2015?
- How many of these petitions resulted in at least one detention admission within one year?
- Of the petitions that resulted in detention, how many detention admissions did youth typically experience within one year?
- Of the petitions that resulted in detention, how much time did youth spend in detention in the following year?
- Are there racial/ethnic and gender disparities in Becca petition filing rates and use of detention?

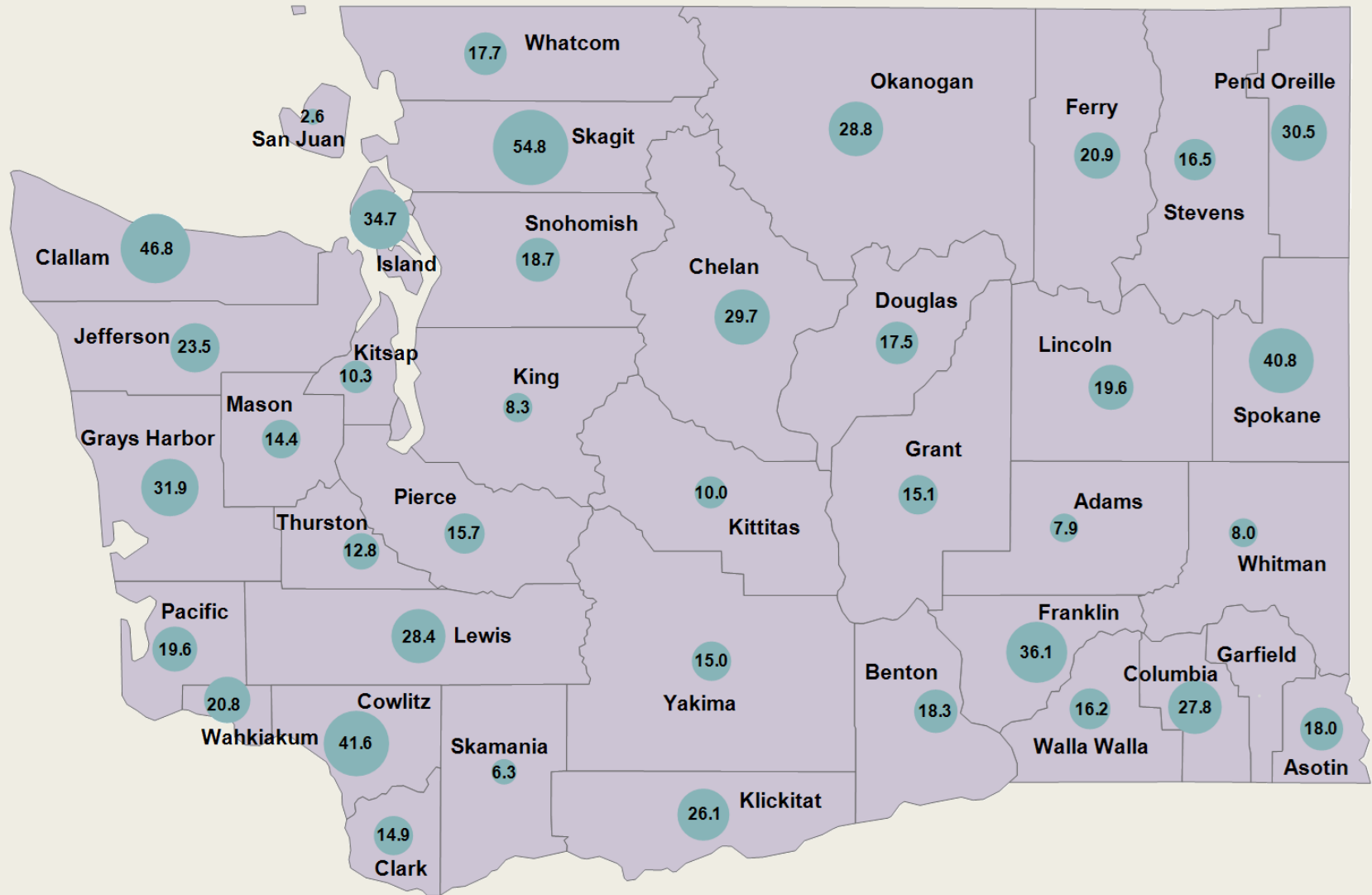
How many Becca petitions were filed in 2015?

12,738 Becca petitions were filed in 2015

(that's 18 petitions for every 1,000 youth in the state)

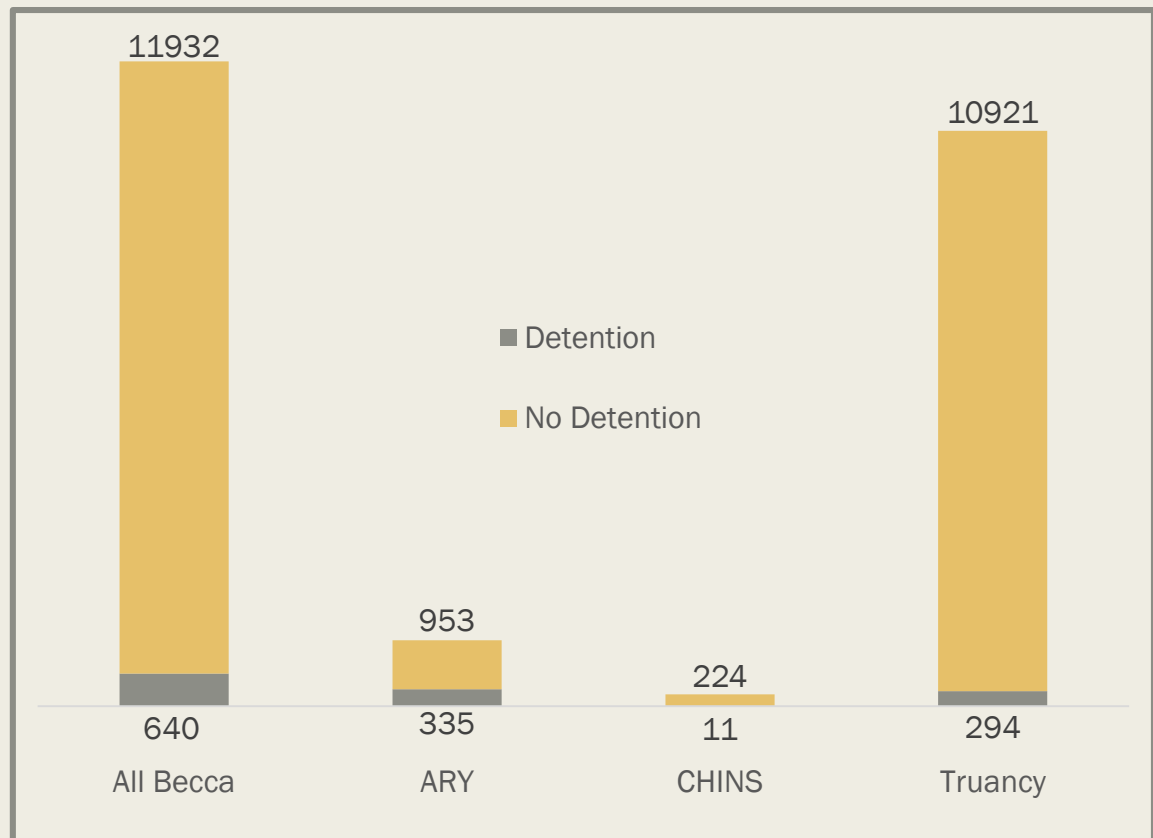


Becca petitions filed per 1,000 youth (age 10-17)



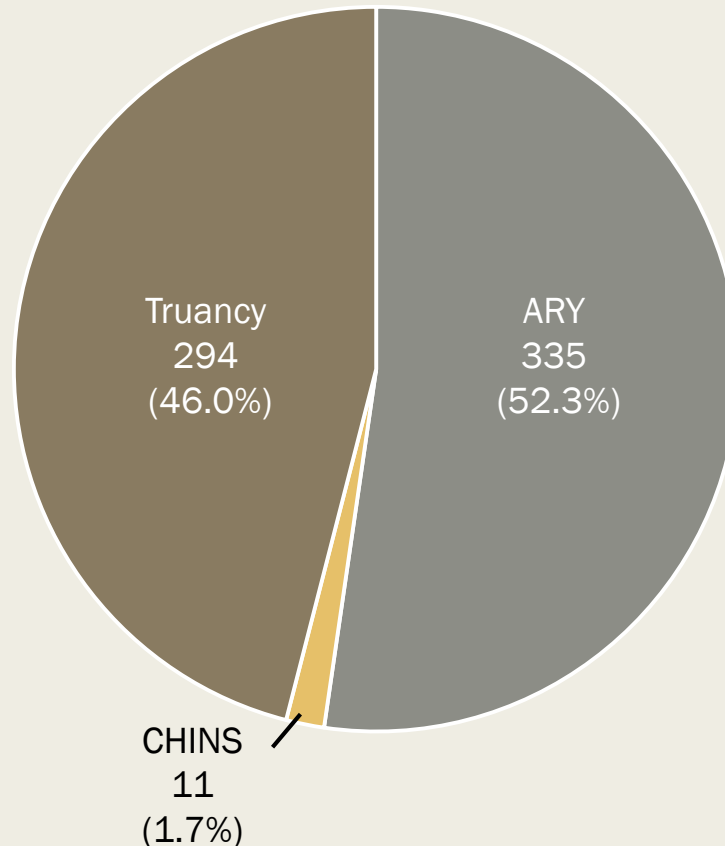
What percentage of Becca petitions resulted in at least one detention admission within one year?

- 5.1% of all Becca petitions
- 26.1% of ARY petitions
- 4.7% of CHINS petitions
- 2.6% of Truancy petitions

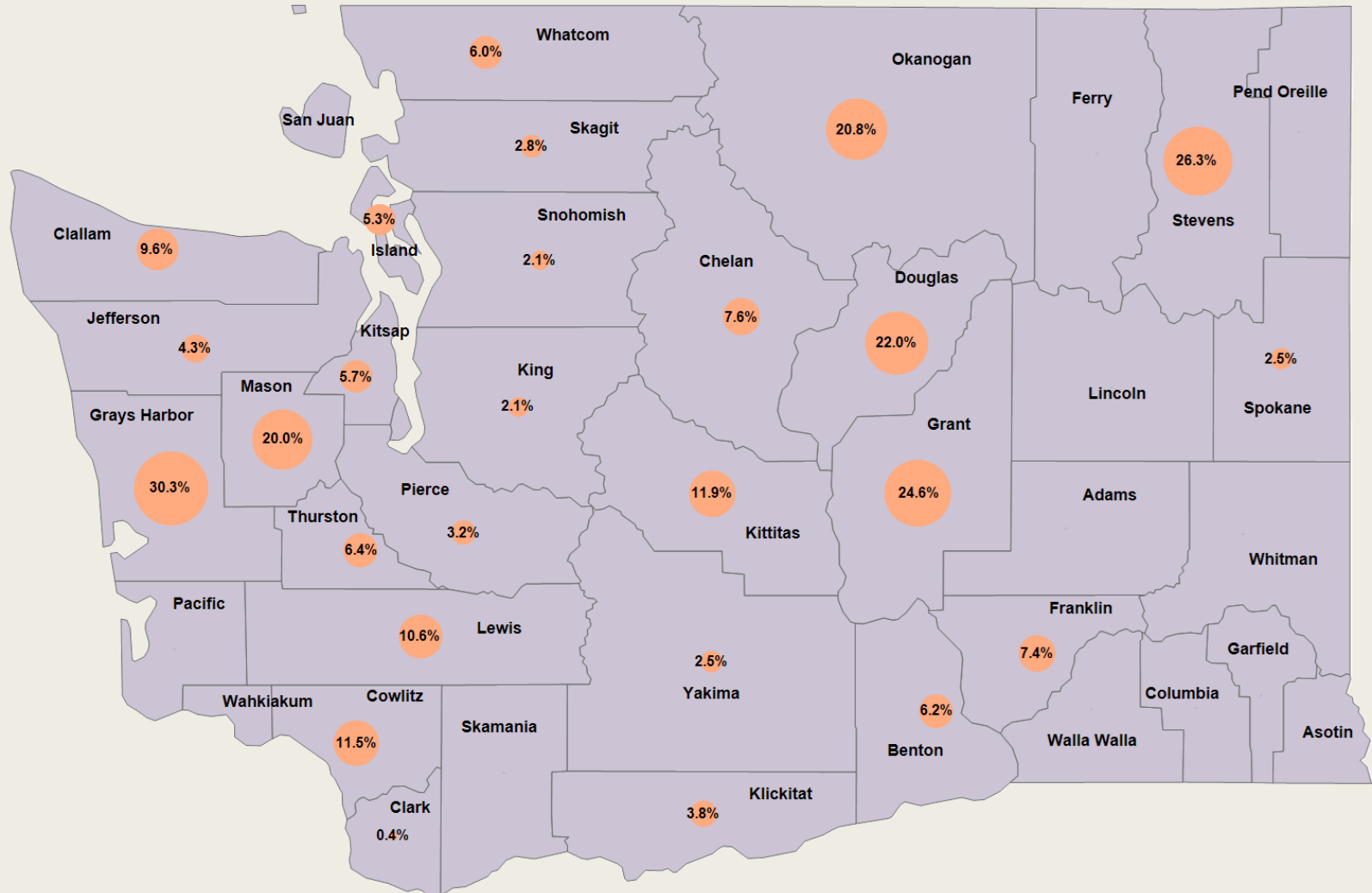


In other words, while there are substantially fewer ARY petitions than Truancy petitions filed, more ARY petitions result in detention.

Becca petitions resulting in detention

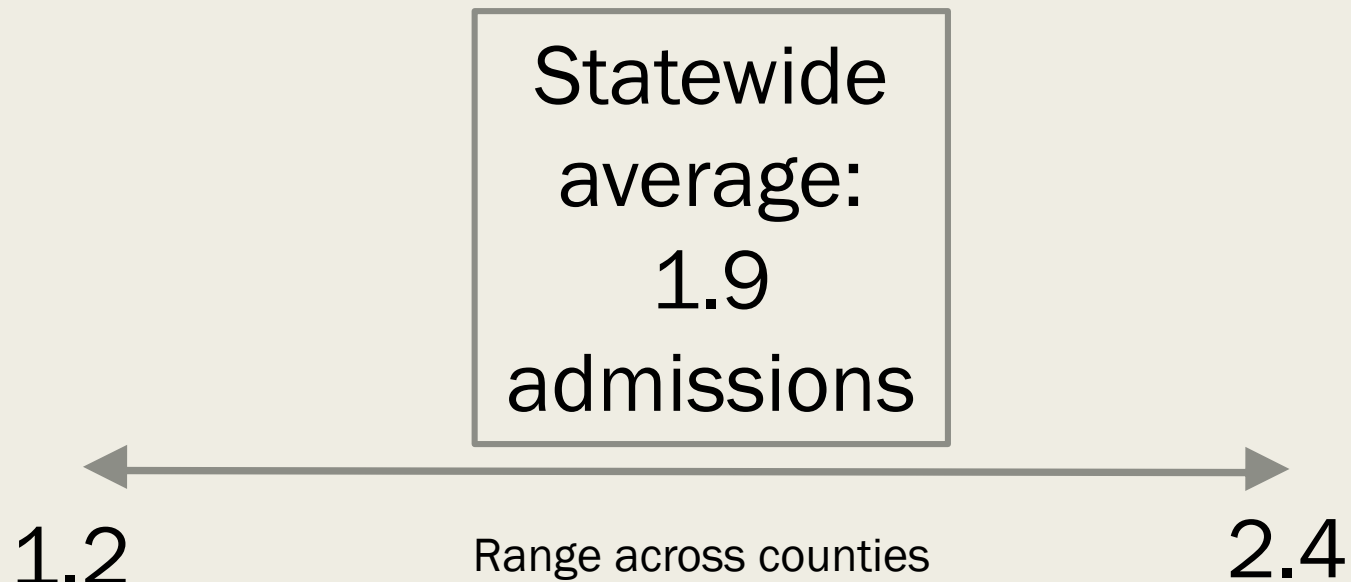


Percent of Becca petitions that resulted in detention



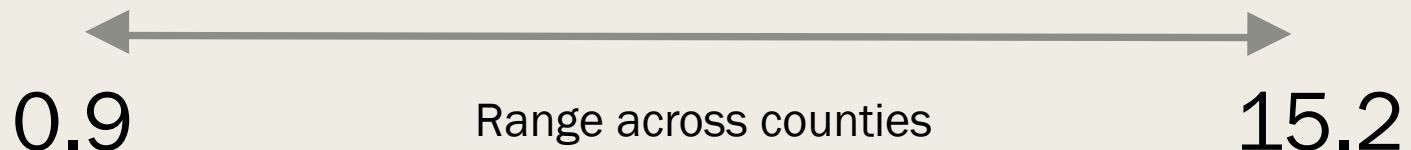
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Of the petitions that resulted in detention, how many detention stays did youth typically experience within one year?

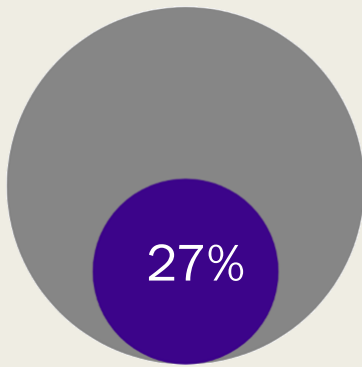


Of the petitions that resulted in detention,
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detention in the following year?

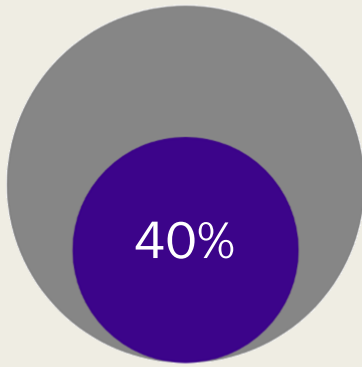
On average, each petition
resulted in 6.1 days in
detention in the year following
the petition filing.



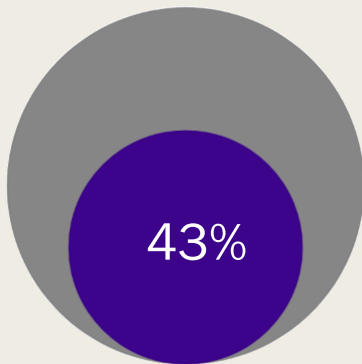
Are there racial/ethnic disparities in
Becca petition filing rates and use of
detention?



Twenty-seven percent of youth in Washington State are Black, Latino, or Native American (2015).



Forty percent of Becca petitions filed in 2015 involved a Black, Latino, or Native American youth.



Forty-three percent of Becca petitions filed in 2015 that resulted in at least one detention episode involved a Black, Latino, or Native American youth.

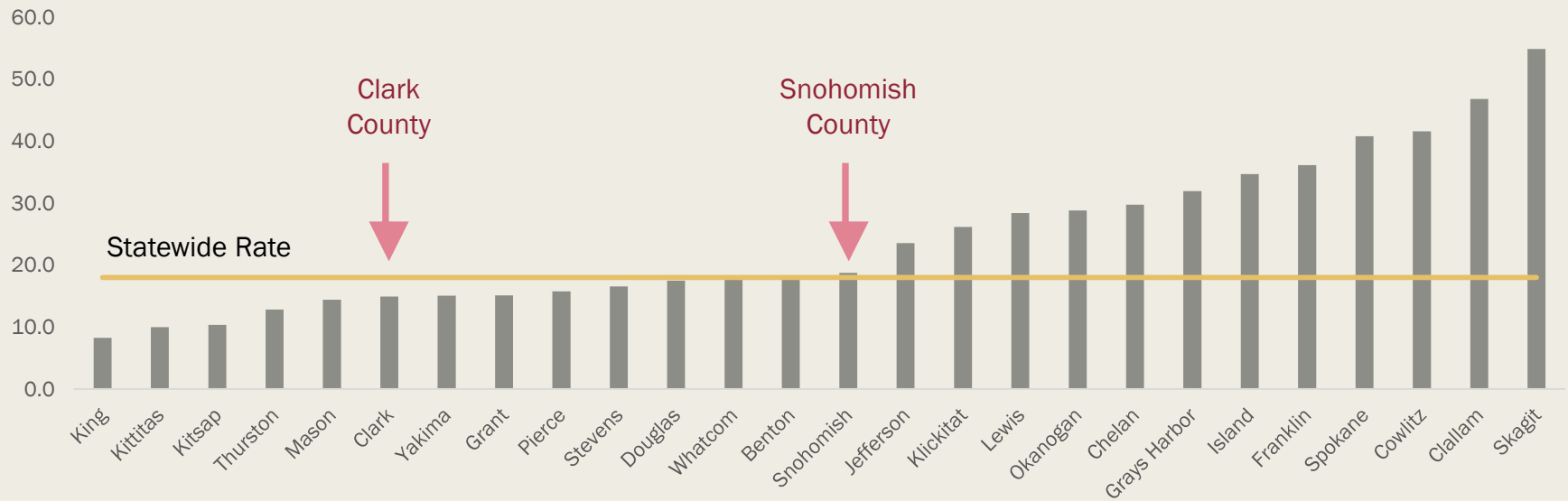
Are there gender disparities in Becca petition filing rates and use of detention?

- Females make up about half (49%) of the youth population, 47% of all Becca petitions filed and 46% of all petitions resulting in detention.
- No observable disparities in ARY petitions.
- Females are over represented in CHINS petitions filed and CHINS petitions resulting in detention, but numbers are too small to draw conclusions.
- Females are under represented in Truancy petitions resulting in detention (42%).

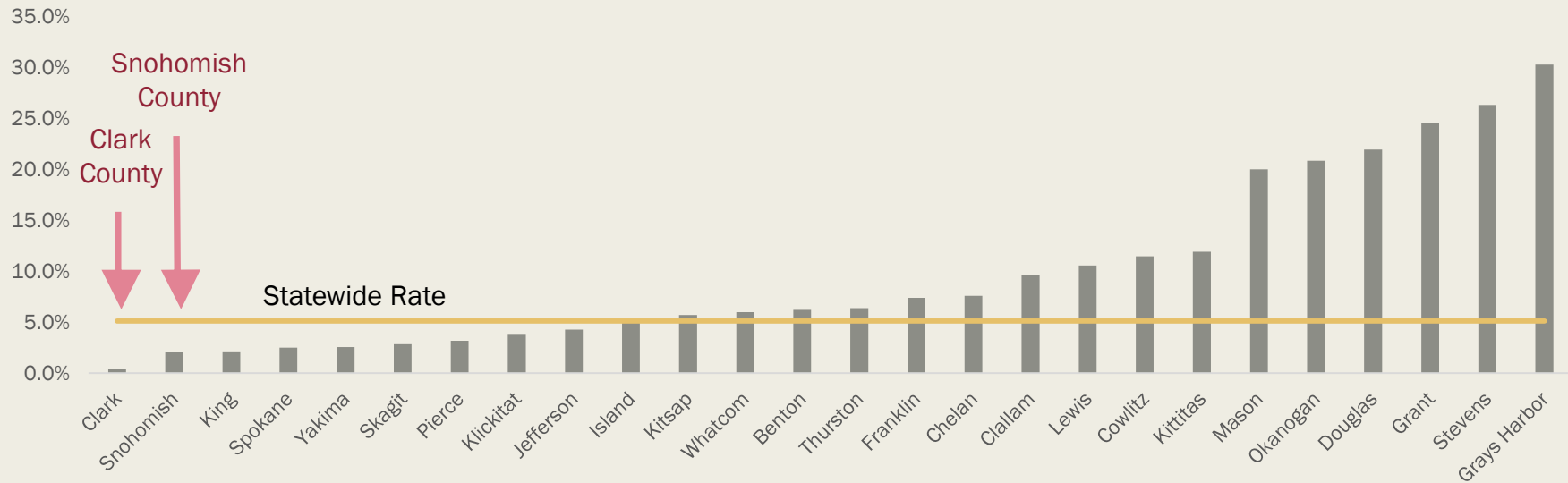
Highlights from two counties



Becca Petitions Filed Per 1,000 Youth



Percent of petitions that resulted in detention



Thank You!

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