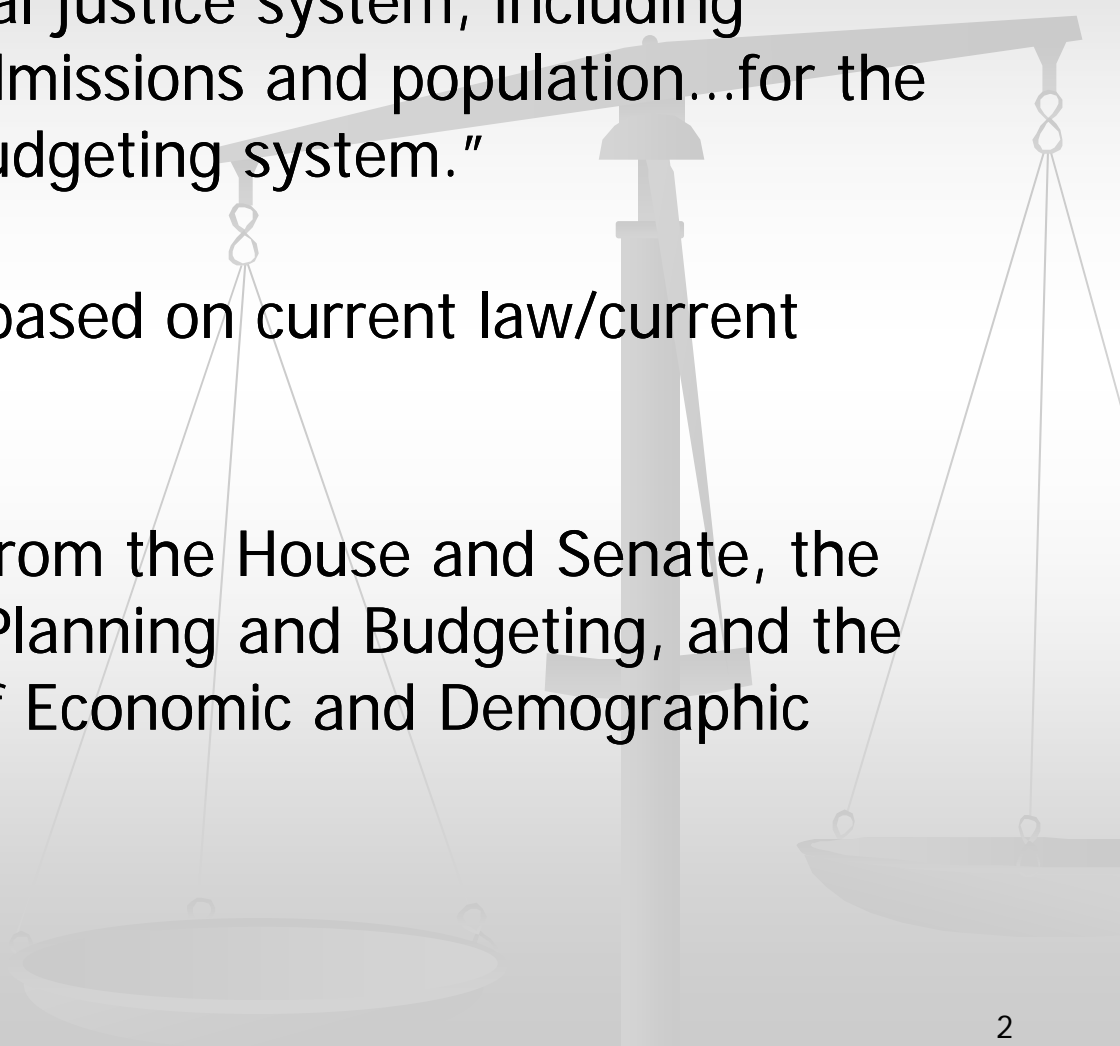




Results of the September 29, 2009 Criminal Justice Estimating Conference

Office of Economic and Demographic Research, January 19, 2010



Criminal Justice Estimating Conference will typically meet three times a year to “develop official information relating to the criminal justice system, including forecasts of prison admissions and population...for the state planning and budgeting system.”

Projections are usually based on current law/current administration.

Principals include staff from the House and Senate, the Governor’s Office of Planning and Budgeting, and the Legislature’s Office of Economic and Demographic Research.

In addition, the Criminal Justice Impact Conference meets to determine the prison bed impact of proposed legislation.

Proposed legislation which creates new felony offenses or increases the penalty for existing offenses may impact the number of prison beds that are needed.

Alternatively, proposed legislation which creates diversion programs or reduces the penalty for existing offenses may impact the number of prison beds that are needed (fewer beds).

CJEC met on April 30th and on September 29th.

April CJEC had projected that FY 09-10 admissions would grow by 4.0% over FY 08-09.

In first two months of the fiscal year, admissions were 6.1% LOWER than in the same period in the last fiscal year.

August 2009 end-of-month population was 1,134 LOWER than projected in April

Clearly, the April projections of admissions and population were too high.

September's CJEC projected prison
admissions compared to April CJEC :

- **2,793** for FY 09-10
- **4,543** for FY 10-11
- **5,571** for FY 11-12

FY 09-10 admissions projected to be
39,445

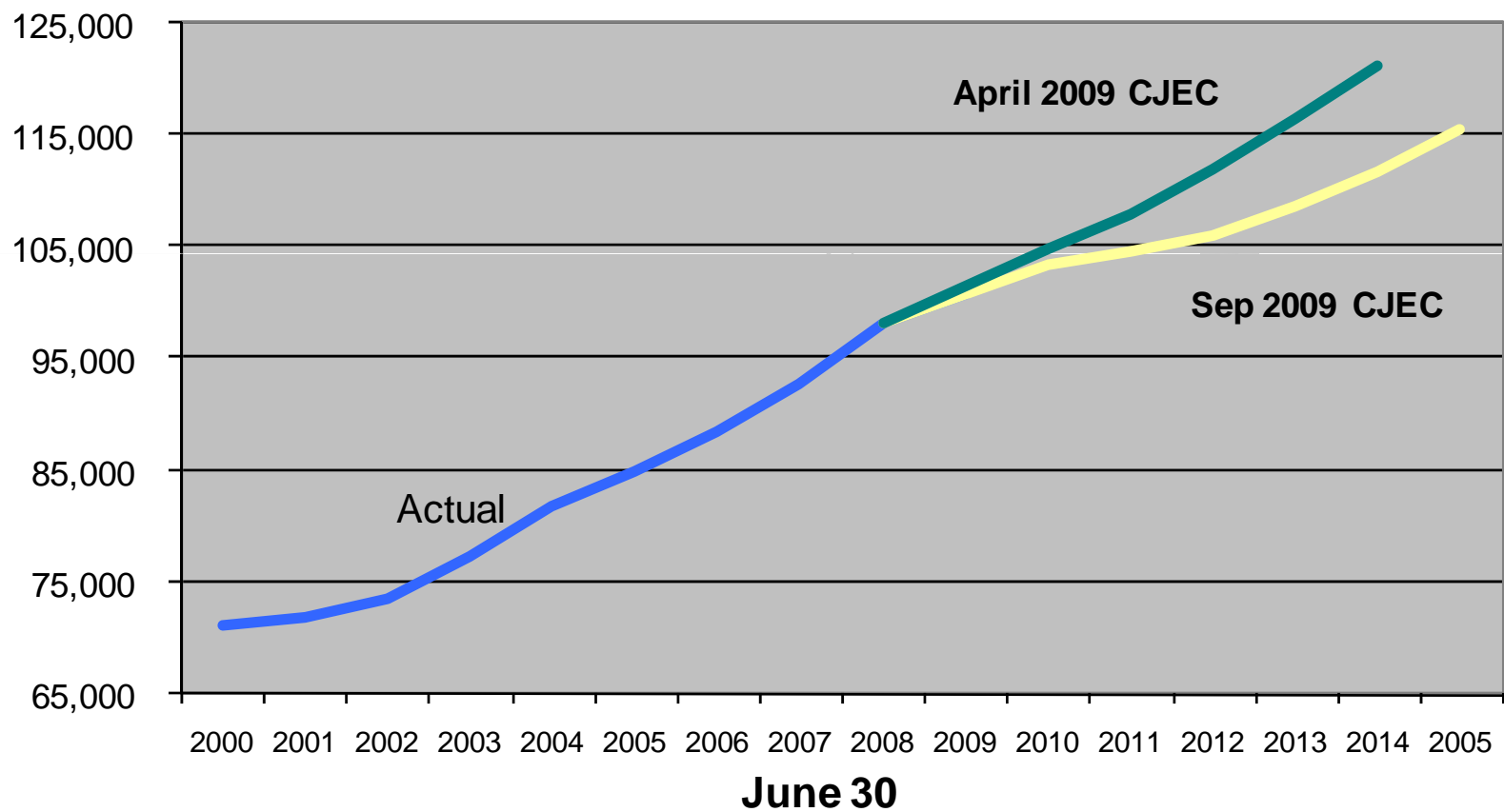
September's CJEC projected prison population compared to April CJEC:

June 30th prison population:

- **1,396 for FY 09-10**
- **3,274 for FY 10-11**
- **5,722 for FY 11-12**

June 30, 2010 prison population projection
103,410

Prison Population on June 30: Actual and Projected-- April 2009 and September 2009 CJECs



Why were projections lowered?

Review of criminal justice indicators suggest that trends first observed in 2008 are continuing.

These trends will result in smaller numbers of new commitments coming to prison than previously anticipated.

- **In addition, legislative changes passed in CS/SB 1722 are expected to result in fewer new commitments:**

- **Criminal Code changes for persons scoring 22 or fewer points**

- **Pilot diversion program**

Indicators

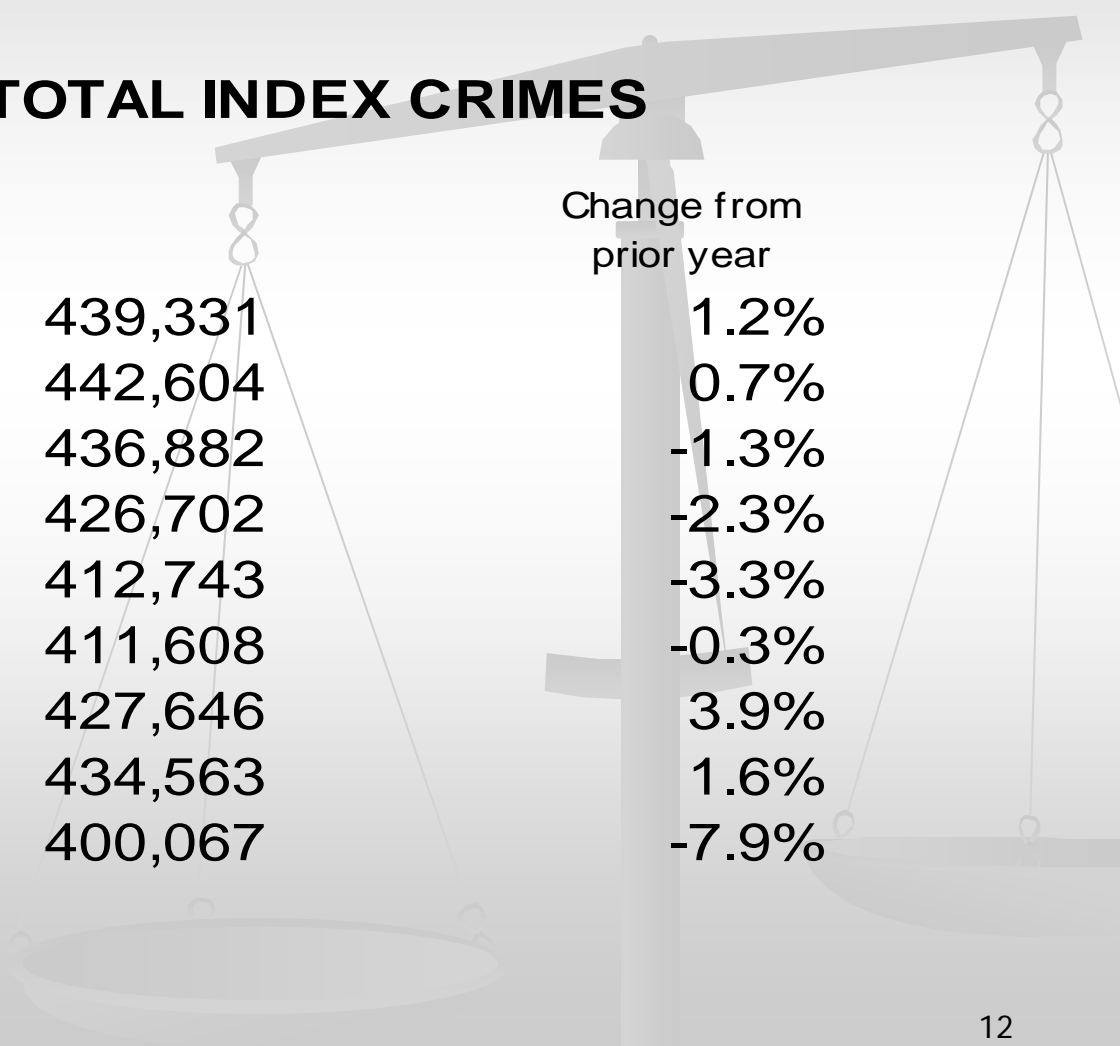
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Indicator 1—Crime Trends

Six-Month Uniform Crime Report – January through June

TOTAL INDEX CRIMES



		Change from prior year
2001	439,331	1.2%
2002	442,604	0.7%
2003	436,882	-1.3%
2004	426,702	-2.3%
2005	412,743	-3.3%
2006	411,608	-0.3%
2007	427,646	3.9%
2008	434,563	1.6%
2009	400,067	-7.9%

Crime Trends by Type of Crime

Six Month Uniform Crime Report: January - June

VIOLENT CRIME


		Change from prior year
2001	63,776	2.5%
2002	62,770	-1.6%
2003	61,699	-1.7%
2004	61,345	-0.6%
2005	61,737	0.6%
2006	63,712	3.2%
2007	65,011	2.0%
2008	63,421	-2.4%
2009	57,253	-9.7%

NON-VIOLENT CRIME

	Change from prior year
375,555	
379,834	1.1%
375,183	-1.2%
365,357	-2.6%
351,006	-3.9%
347,896	-0.9%
362,635	4.2%
371,142	2.3%
342,814	-7.6%

Indicator 2

Judicial System Trends



RECENT TRENDS IN FELONY FILINGS AND GUILTY DISPOSITIONS

	Felony Filings		Guilty Dispositions	
	Number	Percent Change	Number	Percent Change
2000	186,086		138,884	
2001	184,571	-0.8%	142,907	2.9%
2002	184,295	-0.1%	143,253	0.2%
2003	187,379	1.7%	147,707	3.1%
2004	194,863	4.0%	151,544	2.6%
2005	208,540	7.0%	159,007	4.9%
2006	220,061	5.5%	171,039	7.6%
2007	229,694	4.4%	184,002	7.6%
2008	222,926	-2.9%	186,161	1.2%
Jan-Jun 2008 ¹	118,276		98,430	
Jan-Jun 2009	101,848	-13.9%	83,393	-15.3%

¹From September 2008 SRS run

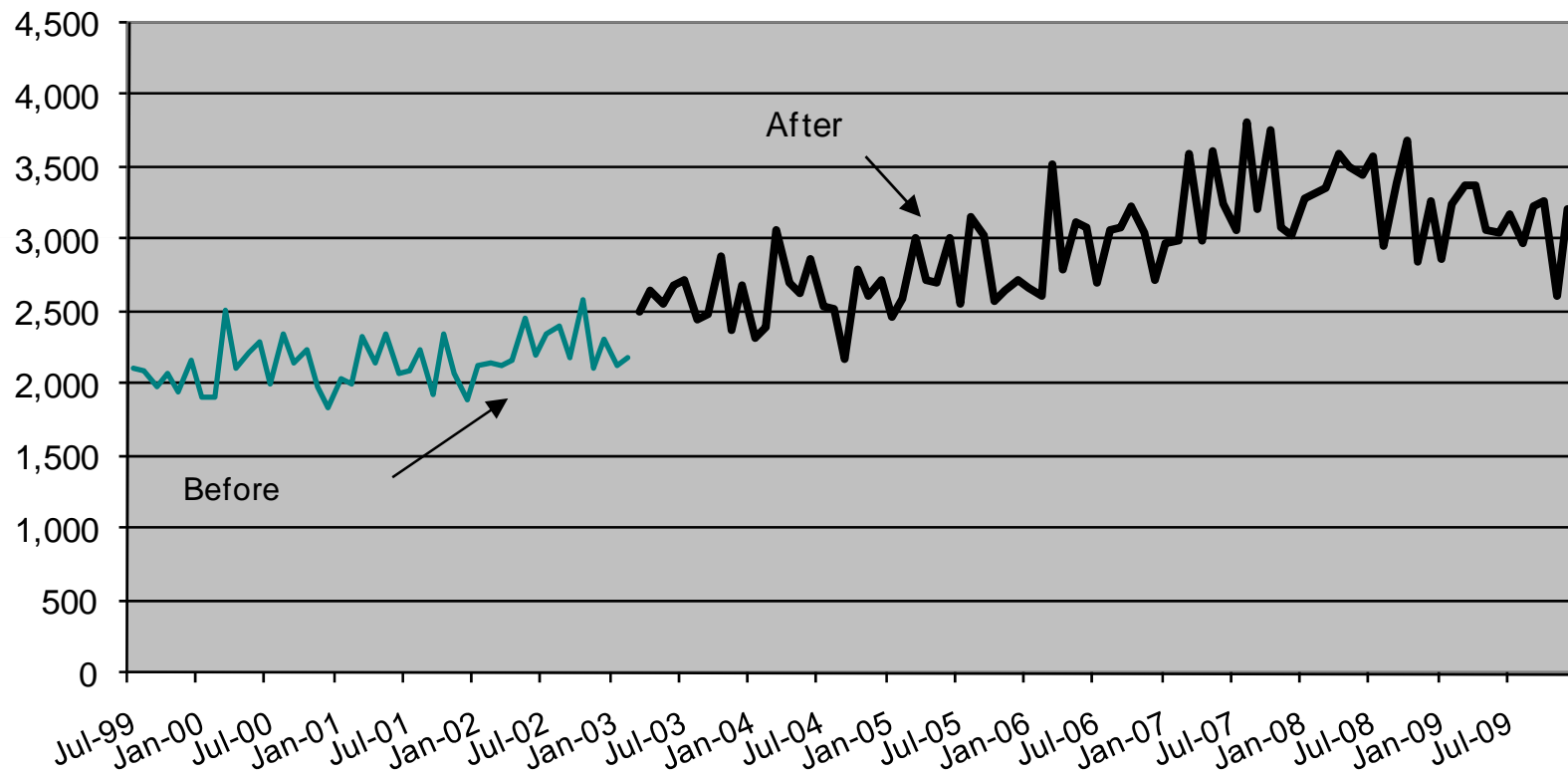
Source: State Court Administrator, Summary Reporting System, (last updated with run done September 2009).



Indicator 3

Technical Violators

New Commitments Before and After Zero-Tolerance Implementation



Technical Violators to Prison

		% Change	Technical violators as % of all admissions
FY 02-03	7,898		26.1%
FY 03-04	9,478	20.0%	28.2%
FY 04-05	10,148	7.1%	29.7%
FY 05-06	10,584	4.3%	28.8%
FY 06-07	11,206	5.9%	28.5%
FY 07-08	10,145	-9.5%	24.0%
FY 08-09	8,174	-19.4%	20.4%
Jul - Oct 2008	3,162		22.4%
Jul - Oct 2009	2,562	-19.0%	19.5%

Indicator 4 – Year- and-a-Day Sentences



Year-and-a-Day New Commitments by Fiscal Year



	Total New Commitments	Year-and-a-Day New Commitments (Adjusted)	Change	% Change
FY 00-01	25,525	2,371	396	
FY 01-02	25,854	2,263	(108)	-4.6%
FY 02-03	28,658	2,887	624	27.6%
FY 03-04	31,638	3,667	780	27.0%
FY 04-05	31,964	4,158	491	13.4%
FY 05-06	34,546	5,217	1,059	25.5%
FY 06-07	37,299	6,605	1,388	26.6%
FY 07-08	40,491	6,089	(516)	-7.8%
FY 08-09	38,732	4,777	(1,312)	-21.5%

Year-and-a-Day New Commitments July through December

	Total New Commitments	Year-and-a-Day New Commitments	Change	% Change	Year and day as percent of total
Jul - Dec 2008	19,742	2,548			12.9%
Jul - Dec 2009	18,489	1,903	(645)	-25.3%	10.3%

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MONTH	ADMISSIONS		MONTHLY	CUMULATIVE
	ESTIMATE	ACTUAL	OVER/ (UNDER)	OVER/ (UNDER)
September 2009	3,272	3,368	96	96
October 2009	3,769	3,379	-390	-294
November 2009	3,010	2,708	-302	-596
December 2009 *	3,201	3,324	123	-473
Total	13,252	12,779	% Error:	-3.6%

*Preliminary

**MONITORING PRISON POPULATION IN THE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS
SINCE THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE ESTIMATING CONFERENCE HELD 9/29/2009**

MONTH	POPULATION		CUMULATIVE
	ESTIMATE	ACTUAL	OVER/ (UNDER)
September 2009	101,125	101,251	126
October 2009	101,786	101,497	-289
November 2009	101,769	101,247	-522
December 2009	101,855	101,437	-418
	-0.4%	Error	

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