

**Los Angeles County Probation
COVID-19 Weekly Update
November 20, 2020**

Efforts to address the medically fragile population in detention facilities

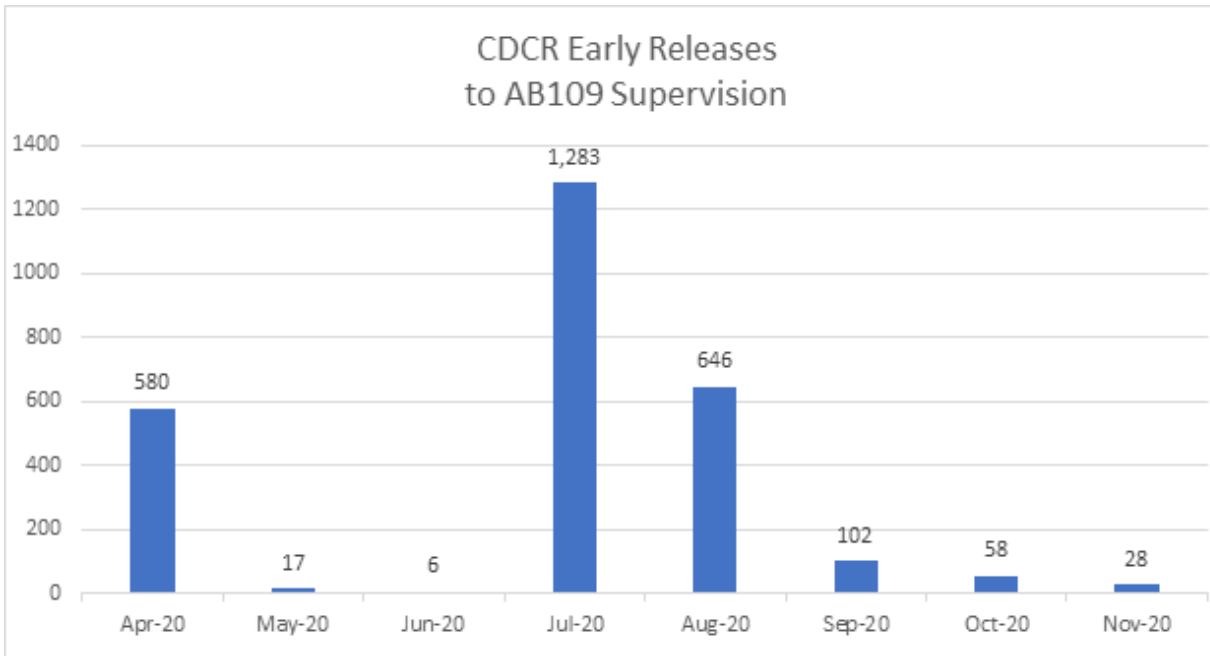
The Probation Department currently does not have any youth with compromised immune systems or other medical conditions placing them at higher risk for COVID-19 infection. Juvenile Court Health Services (JCHS) has identified 12 youth in care with underlying medical conditions which might exacerbate the impact of such infection. There are 8 youth in the juvenile halls and 4 in the camps. If infection were to occur JCHS and the Probation Department will be working together on individualized plans to address their care

Efforts to further reduce population in adult and juvenile detention facilities while balancing public safety

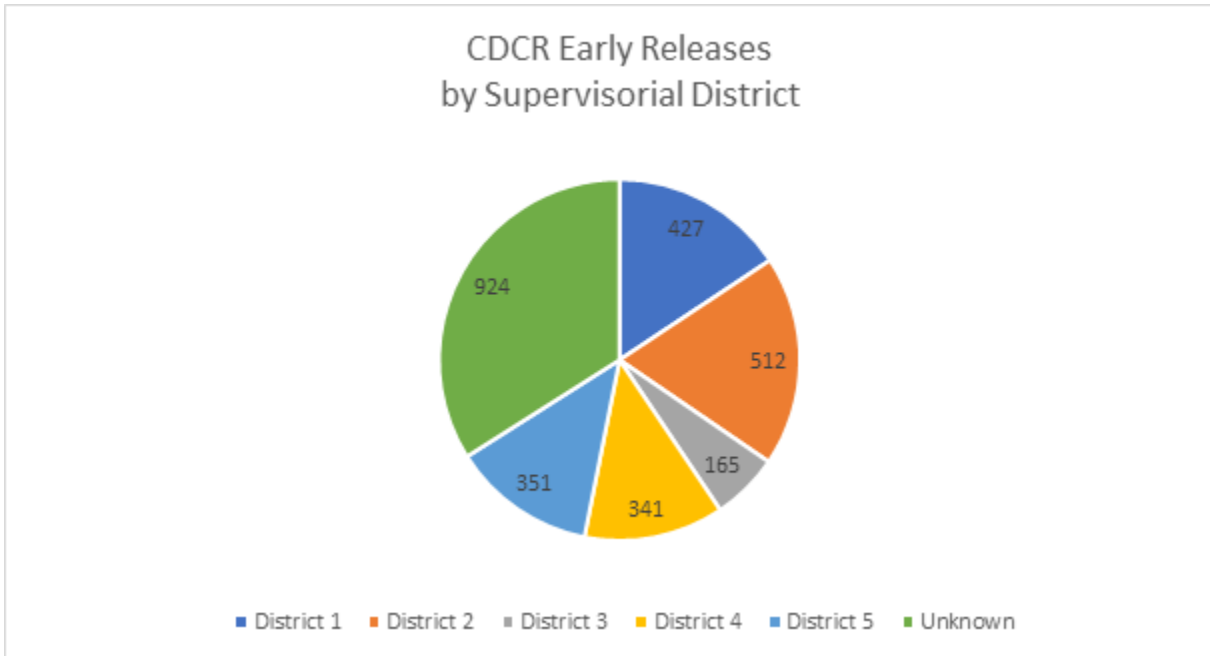
The Probation Department's juvenile detention population has declined during the COVID-19 pandemic. On March 2, 2020, the juvenile detention population was 840. On November 19, 2020, the population was 501. The population in juvenile halls was 326 and the population in camps was 183.

The Probation Department continues to receive new clients for AB109 supervision due to early prison release dates from the California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation (CDCR). There have been 2,720 early releases from April 2020 through November 15, 2020.

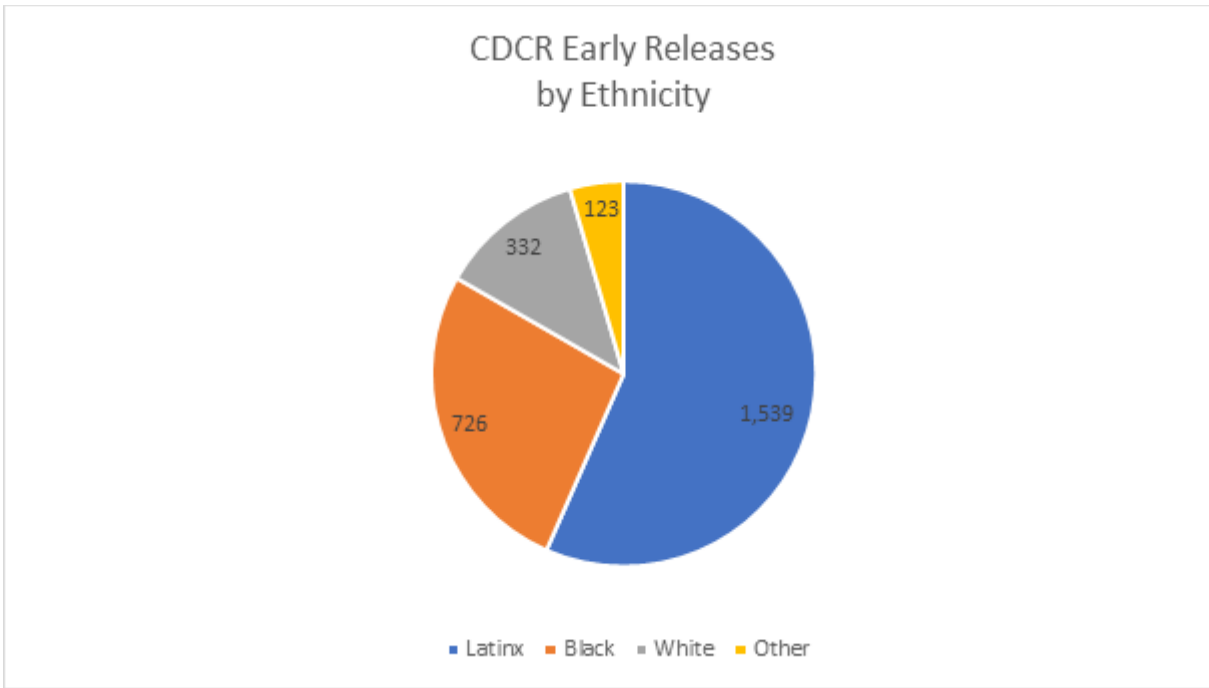
The chart below illustrates the CDCR Early Releases by month since April 2020.



The chart below illustrates the CDCR Early Releases by Supervisorial District.



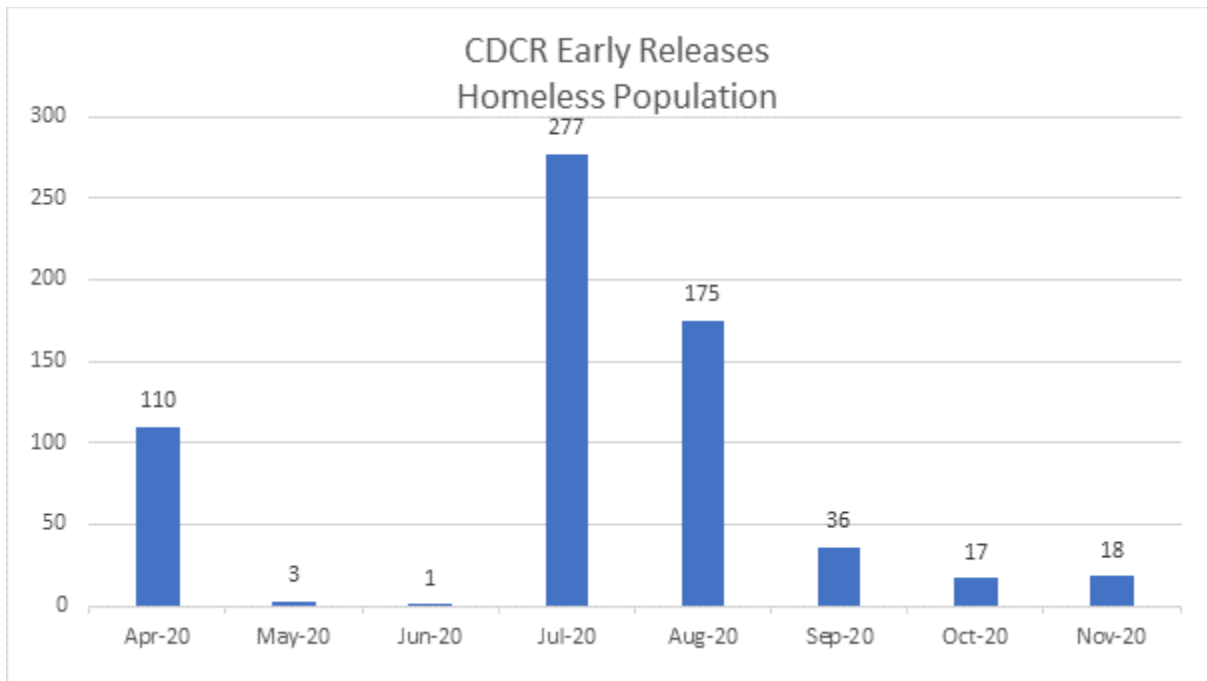
The chart below illustrates the CDCR Early Release population by ethnicity.



Efforts to provide resources to support those released from jails, and juvenile detention facilities in order to prevent homelessness

The Probation Department continues to make efforts to reduce the population in juvenile halls by releasing youth to parents, guardians, and suitable placements when appropriate.

The chart below illustrates the CDCR Early Release Homeless population. All of the homeless population are provided with housing referrals and support to prevent homelessness.



Plans for adequate quarantining and isolation of individuals in custody

The Probation Department continues to utilize the plans for quarantine and isolation in accordance with the Public Health Order for the control of COVID-19.

All isolations and quarantines in detention facilities continue to occur in partnership with JCHS personnel. Upon entry to probation facilities, all youth will continue to be tested for COVID-19 and remain in isolation until results are received. As of November 19, 2020, 89 youth had tested positive for COVID-19. There are 57 youth who tested positive at admission. 32 youth have tested positive for COVID-19 while in care: 9 at Dorothy Kirby Center (DKC), 8 from BJNJH, 8 at Camp Glenn Rockey (CGR), 4 at Central Juvenile Hall, and 3 at Camp Afflerbaugh.

As of November 19, 2020, there are 72 youth in quarantine due to possible exposure to COVID-19. There are 29 youth at CJH, 16 at BJNJH, 27 at CGR, due to possible exposure to COVID-19.

Increased washing of hands, hygiene, additional cleaning supplies and custodial services

The Probation Department has continued to utilize the hygiene and cleaning plans outlined in the first weekly update. The Probation Department continues to receive additional supplies to assist with cleaning and enhanced safety measures. The field offices have continued to establish safety plans and ordered equipment necessary for public re-opening.

Screening of youth, focus on healthy staffing in the detention facilities

The Probation Department continues to screen newly detained youth upon their arrival to juvenile hall. They are separated from other youth until negative COVID-19 results are received. Employees continue to be screened prior to their entrance into detention facilities. Youth who have tested positive remain in medical isolation

and those youth who potentially have been exposed have been quarantined and continue to be monitored by JCHS.

Additions include the following:

- As of November 19, 2020, there have been 2,369 youth tested for COVID-19 since testing was initiated on May 3, 2020.
- There have been 1,388 youth tested upon admission in juvenile halls, 677 tested from juvenile hall's general population, and 304 tested from the camp population.
- As of November 19, 2020, 222 Probation Department employees have tested positive for COVID-19.
- Of this 222, 110 employees work in detention facilities and 112 work in field offices, which includes 3 contract employees.

Plan for virtual contact with visitation, keeping families connected and increased communication

The Probation Department continues to utilize virtual platforms for keeping families connected when in-person visits are not available. 103 youth in juvenile halls and 29 youth in camps received in-person visits for the weekend of November 14 and November 15, 2020. Visitation will continue to be cancelled for quarantined units at the halls and quarantined camps.

Additional Information

As of November 19, 2020, 272 youth have been placed in STRTPs, 223 of whom are in California, 26 of whom are in California with Resource Families, and 23 of whom are placed in STRTP's out of California. As of November 19, there are 31 youth in quarantine. 26 of whom are in-state STRTP and 5 of whom are out of state. Currently there are 2 youth who have tested positive for COVID-19, 1 in state and 1 out of state.

The Probation Department designated this week as COVID Awareness Week, sponsored by Black Probation Officers Association (BPOA) to promote the three W's (wear a mask, wash your hands, watch your distance). Posters were placed throughout the probation facilities, including juvenile halls and camps. The youth in detention were given opportunities to design a mask and win a pizza lunch event for the living unit.

Communication with the Public

For information or services, clients and members of the community may call the juvenile facilities. For general questions, please contact the Probation Information Center at 866-931-2222 Monday-Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Future Updates

The care of youth in Probation facilities is a joint effort between the L.A. County Probation Department, Juvenile Court Health Services, Department of Mental Health and the Los Angeles County Office of Education. During the COVID-19 crisis, these agencies have collaborated to create an environment of safety and stability for the youth under their care.

We are pleased that the situation in our juvenile facilities has remained largely stable during the COVID crisis and this creates an opportunity to respond to your

needs for additional information about the situation. Accordingly, we invite questions related to the County's response to COVID-19 in its juvenile probation facilities or topics you would like to see addressed in future updates. Please email any questions to COVIDquestions@probation.lacounty.gov and we will select questions and provide responses in future weekly updates. Please note that we cannot discuss the circumstances of any individual youth assigned to probation facilities or any pending litigation.

To view previous Probation COVID-19 updates, please visit <https://probation.lacounty.gov/coronavirus>



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