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Report on the Progress of Closing Men's Central Jail – July 21, 2026

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Key Points

- 1 This report does not introduce any new Required Actions.
- 2 Current Required Actions and other strategies are not enough to close MCJ in five years.
- 3 The results of the analysis do not fully represent the impact of all current efforts.
- 4 These actions serve tens of thousands of people and help build the infrastructure that closure depends on.
- 5 This is not an implementation plan, it is a framework, there is still work to be done to implement these actions.

Jail Population Projection

Component #1

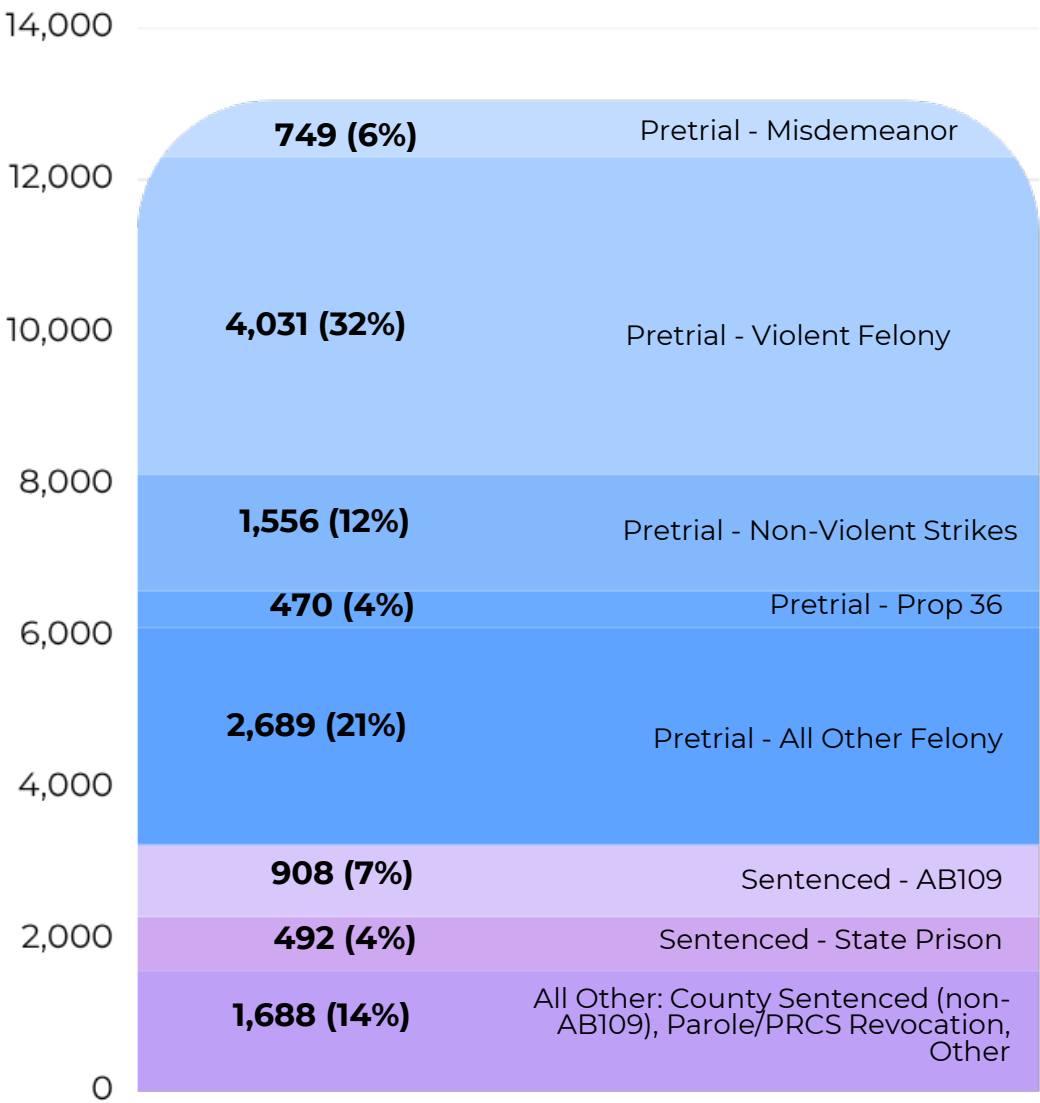
Initial baseline projection results:

14,500

Estimated jail population in 2031 if all current conditions remain the same



Who's in Jail



12,583 people as of July 15

Population is down 607 people since April 7, 2026.

This refined breakdown of the jail population allows for better **identification of potential groups eligible for release.**

Population Breakdown

- 75%+ of this population (9,495) is pretrial.
- The charge breakdown is based on the top charge for the current booking.

Violent Charges

- **State statutory definitions** were used to classify violent offenses.

Prop 36

- Represents people who have a Prop 36 charge **as their most serious charge.**

Proposition 36

Prop 36 Individuals Admitted to Services

Type of Service	Count
Individuals released during timeframe with Proposition 36 charges	3,238
Admitted to DPH-SAPC services	811 (25%)
Admitted to DPH-SAPC SUD Treatment Services within 30 days post-release	556 (17%)

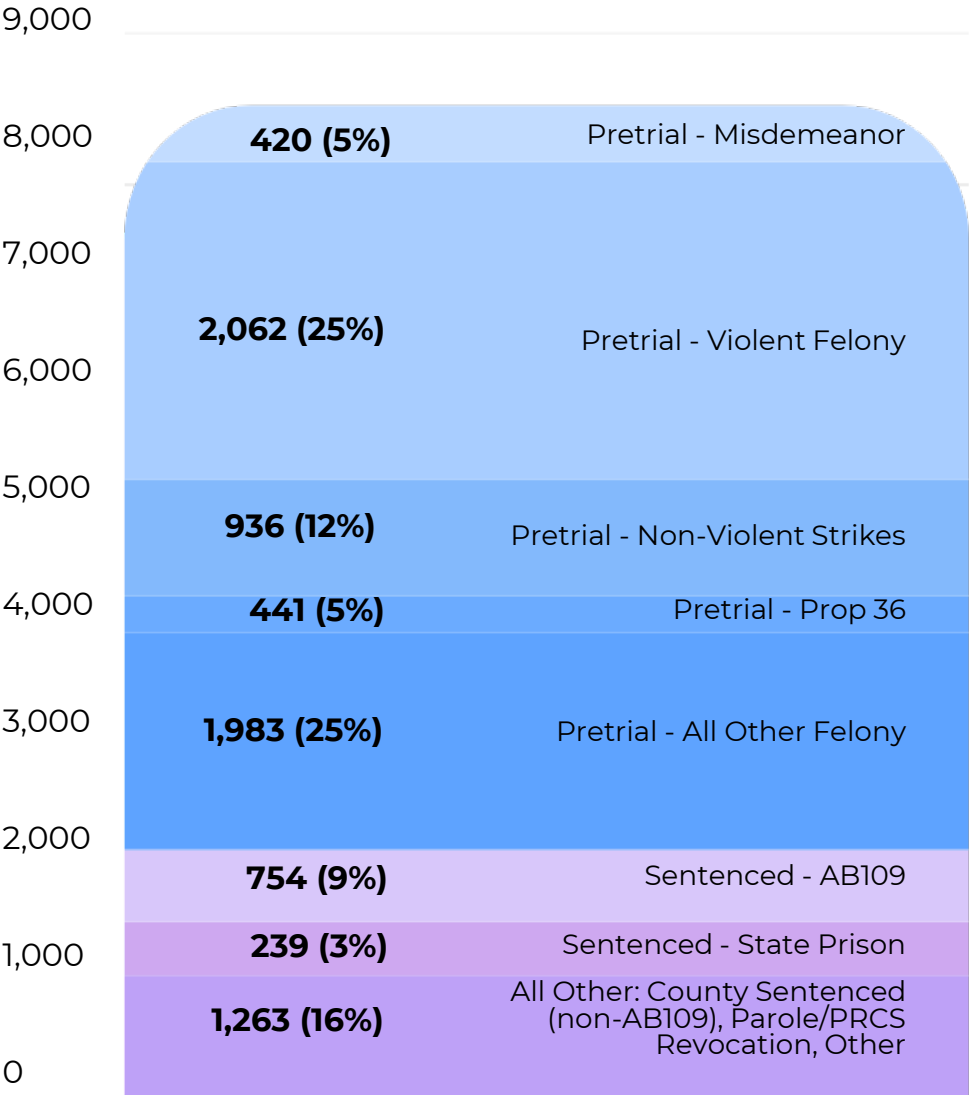
- Counts measured between January 2024 – January 2026.
- Sources: Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department and the Department of Public Health Substance Abuse Prevention and Control (DPH-SAPC).

Population Breakdown

As of July 15, the current Prop 36 jail population included:

- **1,211 (9.6%)** individuals with any Prop 36 charge
- **800 (6.4%)** individuals for which Prop 36 is their most serious charge
- **241 (1.9%)** individuals for which Prop 36 was their only charge

6+ Prior Bookings Analysis



8,098 people as of July 15

Population is down 298 people since March 29, 2026.

This refined breakdown of the jail population allows for better understanding of **how repeat in-flow affects the current jail population.**

Population Breakdown

- 85%+ of this population (6,883) were booked within the last year.
- 95%+ of the people with 6+ prior bookings had their most recent booking in the last three years.

Charges

- The pretrial-violent felony proportion for this population is **less than overall population.**

Composition

- Represents approximately **64% of the jail population.**

Update on Jail Closure Framework and Timeline

July 2026 Report: This report updates JCIT’s Jail Closure Framework by revising the cost estimates for the seven Required Actions identified in April and providing updated analysis on population impacts and facility-based options.

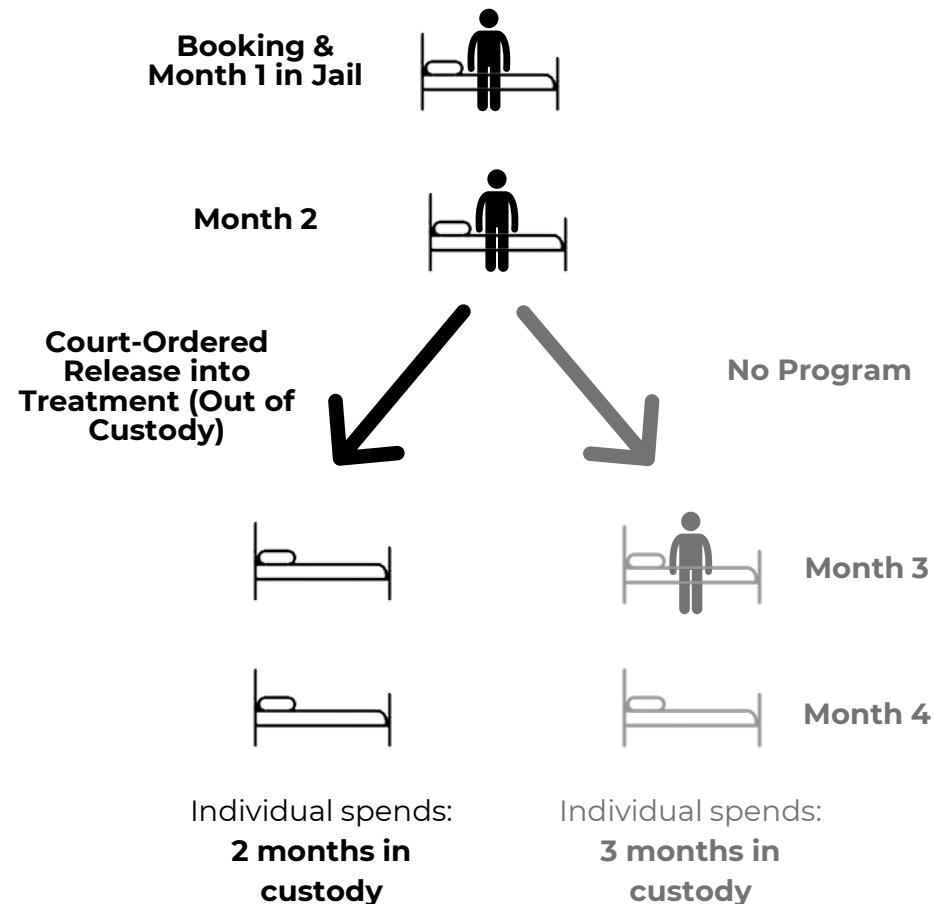
April 2025 4 Areas of Focus	Preventing New Inflow	Shortening Length of Stay	Enhancing Community-Based System of Care	Facilities
April 2026 7 Required Actions	Required Action #1.1: Expand ODR-LEAD	Required Action #2.1: Expand PD-HEAL	Required Action #3.1: Expand SAPC-CENS	Facility-driven Action: Relocation of 1,050 people currently housed at MCJ to other existing facilities.
July 2026 Updated Costs and Facility-related Actions			Required Action #3.2: Sustain and expand JCOD-RDP Required Action #3.3: Sustain 200 JCOD-STOP Beds Required Action #3.4: Expand ODR Housing for P3s, P4s Required Action #3.5: Expand ODR Housing for P2s	

Baseline 5-Year Population	14,500 if current conditions do not change.
Impact on Jail Population	- The seven required actions and facility related changes detailed in the report are meaningful but not sufficient on their own to reduce the population enough to close MCJ within five years. - Additional systemwide reforms and process improvements will be needed.

Coming in Sept. 2026: A more detailed report will assess additional opportunities to reduce the jail population, recommend housing options for the remaining population needed for MCJ closure, and outline options for relocating systemwide functions. It will also refine population projections.

Jail Population Impact Analysis

Goal: JCIT aims to reduce the Average Daily Population (ADP) of County jails by facilitating opportunities to deflect or divert people through programming and by reducing the time between the start and end of their case(s).



Average Daily Population (ADP)

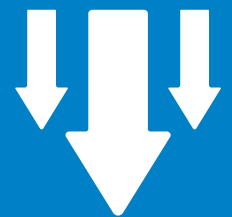
ADP is a measure of the number of people in jail on any given day.

Typically, programs reduce ADP by:

- **Serving more people:** If a diversion program grows from 50 to 100 people, it will have a greater impact on ADP; **and/or**
- **Getting people out of jail faster:** If a program reduces someone's jail stay by three months, it will have a greater impact on ADP than if it reduced their stay by three weeks

Impact

The ADP reduction depends on how much more quickly the program gets someone released sooner than they would have otherwise.



Impact of Jail Closure Strategies

Initial Projection: Taken together, the seven Required Actions, the additional jail depopulation strategies, and the proposed facility-related changes below are impactful but do not, on their own, reduce the jail population enough to allow closure of MCJ within five years.

Seven Required Actions

Approximate Pop. Reduction:

-462 people

Jail Depopulation Strategies

Approximate Pop. Reduction:

-374 people

Additional Jail Closure Strategies

Approximate Pop. Reduction:

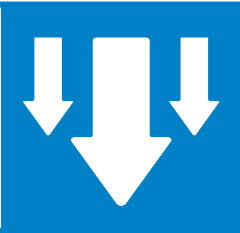
TBD

836 fewer people in jail on any given day

Estimated reduction in the jail's average daily population by 2031

Early Screenings

JCIT identified that earlier screening is key to increasing diversion and treatment placements. Current efforts, including HEAL expansion and case-processing improvements, are designed to shift screening earlier in the process.



MCJ Facility Relocation

Approximate Pop. Reduction:

-1050

1,050 fewer people at MCJ

These actions will not reduce the overall jail population but will reduce reliance on the MCJ facility.

Who is in MCJ

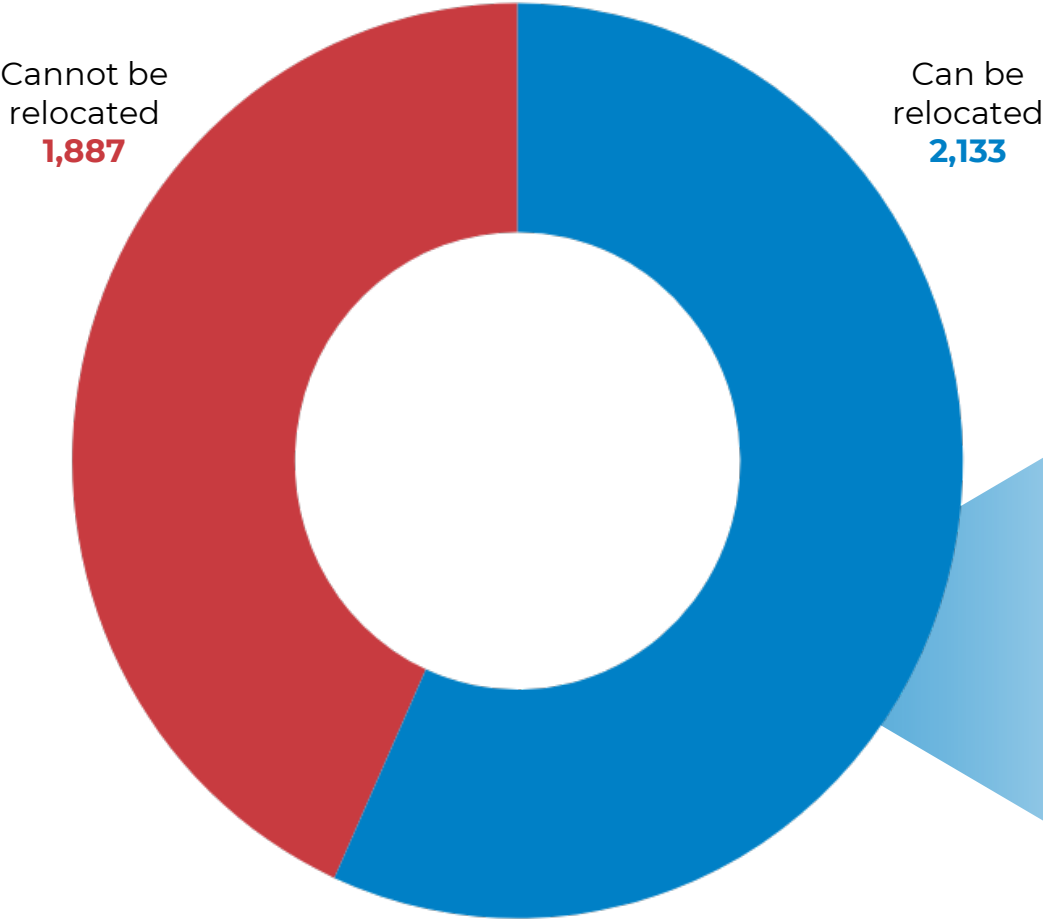
Relocation analysis based on the 4,020 people housed at MCJ on July 9, 2026

Relocation Feasibility	Housing Type	Count	Total
Could be housed elsewhere in the system if beds were available	General population minimum/medium security, excluding holds	321	2,133
	General population maximum security, excluding holds	543	
	MOH population, excluding holds	732	
	Other special classifications, excluding holds	537	
Cannot be housed anywhere else in the system	Housed in single cells	304	1,887
	Housed at MOSH	343	
	Mobility impaired	241	
	Cannot be housed with general population due to threats*	333	
	Other classifications with holds	666	

*Includes MOH individuals with threats against them; these individuals have not been included in the primary MOH count

Facility-Driven Action

Current MCJ Population: 4,020 People



MCJ Facility Relocation: 1,050

The populations below will come out of the **2,133** individuals who can be relocated.



Moderate Observation Housing (MOH) could be moved to PDC South

600-person reduction



Could be relocated to NCCF if urgent care is located at Pitchess Campus

450-person reduction

Potential Transportation Cost Savings

Car Runs Average 2025-2026

Facilities	Monthly Costs	Annual Costs
NCCF	\$261,950	\$3,143,394
PDC North	\$415,353	\$4,984,236
PDC South	\$75,278	\$903,330
Total	\$752,580	\$9,030,960

- Sources: Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department.

Transport Breakdown

- Approximately 75% of the transports were for medical or related issues.
- These figures only include basic costs and do not account for variables in data collection or operational expenses. Because of this, total costs are expected to be higher once all figures are fully validated.

Framework Budget – Required Actions

\$1.16B (Funded)	\$1.54B (Funding Needed)	\$2.71B (Total)
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While these actions alone will not allow for closure in five years; it is important the County should fund and implement these actions because they are foundational to any viable pathway to closure. ***The table below does not include the \$1.5 billion cost of demolishing MCJ and relocate and/or build new infrastructure capacity for operational requirements that continue post-demolition.***

Program	Currently Funded (5-Yr Total, \$)	New Funding Needed (5-Yr Total, \$)	ADP Impact (People)	5-Year Overall Total (\$)
ODR-LEAD (RA #1.1)	\$105,500,000	\$301,900,000	Analysis not yet feasible	\$407,400,000
PD-HEAL (RA #2.1)	\$2,878,000	\$29,932,245	Program launch too recent to evaluate	\$32,810,245
SAPC-CENS (RA #3.1)	\$28,200,000	\$14,100,959	15	\$42,300,959
JCOD RDP (RA #3.2)	\$23,400,000	\$147,296,650	31	\$170,696,650
JCOD STOP (RA #3.3)	\$12,500,000	\$34,500,000	43	\$47,000,000
ODR Housing P3/P4 (RA #3.4)	\$989,000,000	\$509,700,000	249	\$1,498,700,000
ODR Housing P2 (RA #3.5)	-	\$512,500,000	124	\$512,500,000
Total	\$1,161,478,000	\$1,549,929,854	462	\$2,711,407,854

Additional Jail Closure Efforts



Independent Pretrial Services

JCIT and JCOD are looking for opportunities to promote more releases at arraignment through the pretrial model.



DMH Alternative Crisis Response

JCIT will work with DMH to track implementation of their efforts to add an additional 30 teams over the next three years.



Professional Appointee Court Expenditure

JCIT will develop recommendations for program improvements and potential funding sources.



Determining Appropriate Treatment Capacity

JCIT will collaborate with DMH and DPH-SAPC on additional chart reviews and recurring release cohort analyses.



San Fernando Early Case Resolution Pilots

JCIT is developing and collecting program metrics and exploring pilot expansion to additional sites.



Public Defender HEAL Program

JCIT is working with PD to add an additional clinician at CCB, seeking funding to expand HEAL and tracking outcomes.



DMH Court Linkage

JCIT will continue working with DMH and justice partners on strategies to accelerate referral and screening workflows and assess capacity needs.



Case Processing Workgroup

JCIT will continue to convene Case Processing Stakeholders (LASC, DA, PD, APD, IDCO, and CIO) to align around case processing standards for in-custody felony cases.

★ Actions that currently do not require new funding



Questions?