

Justice Reinvestment Act Performance Measure Update

JRA in Action



The Governor's Office of Crime Control & Prevention is working to develop a comprehensive list of performance measures which will be used to measure the impact of various Justice Reinvestment Act reforms and policies

Includes measures from the following agencies:

- Department of Public Safety & Correctional Services
- Maryland Department of Health
- Administrative Office of the Courts
- Department of Labor Licensing and Regulation
- Maryland State Commission on Criminal Sentencing Policy
- Local detention centers

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Various data will be requested to capture the various JRA performance measures, including but not limited to:

- Department of Corrections snapshots including intakes and releases
- Parole and probation snapshots
- Parole releases (administrative release etc.)
- Recidivism data
- Sentencing statistics on various offenses (drug possession, commercial, drug felony theft, etc.)
- Restitution payments, and collections
- Inmate vocational and educational courses
- Swift and certain sanctions
- Court order substance use disorder assessments and treatment
- Local detention center snapshots including intakes, releases, and pretrial inmates

Agency Updates



Department of Public Safety & Correctional Services

- Meeting with the Legislative and Research team to review the performance measures
- Largest group of performance measures
- Most measures are currently available
- Some measures require Offender Case Management System (OCMS) updates

Maryland Department of Health

- Providing data for court ordered substance use disorder assessments and treatment back to November 2016

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Administrative Office of the Courts

- Met with the Director and a Researcher of Court Operations
- Several measures are currently available
- Having some internal working groups addressing the implementation of some of the measures we requested
- A few measures require a reporting change in MDEC

Department of Labor Licensing and Regulation

- Met with the Director of Professional and Occupational Licensing
- Sent a list of measures to Workforce Development for their feedback

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Maryland State Commission on Criminal Sentencing Policy

- Met with Sentencing Commission Executive Director and Research Director
- They are working to share a sample of the data they have

Local Detention Centers

- Met with 4 Correctional Administrators to discuss performance measures to be collected by the local detention centers
- A draft “data dictionary” was sent to these Administrators
- Once approved, the measures and a finalized data dictionary will be disseminated to all correctional administrators in the state

JRA Desired Outcomes

- Lower incarceration rates
- Lower recidivism rate
- Increased victim restitution payments
- Lighter sentences for low level drug offenders
- Improved outcomes for offenders under community supervision
- Increased and timely access to treatment for offenders with a Substance Use Disorder
- Increased funding for recidivism reduction programs
- Increased alternatives to incarceration
- Strengthened earned compliance credits program for nonviolent offenders
- Increased use of medical and geriatric parole