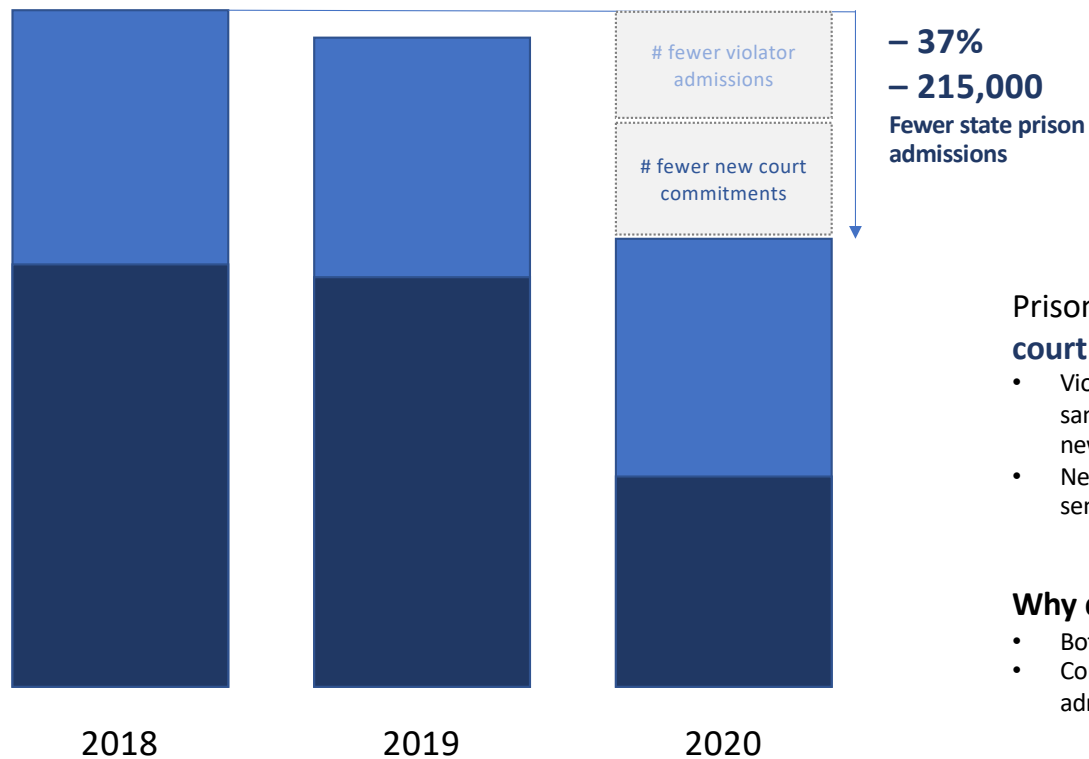


215,000 fewer people were sent to state prisons in 2020 compared to 2018, a 37 percent decline.



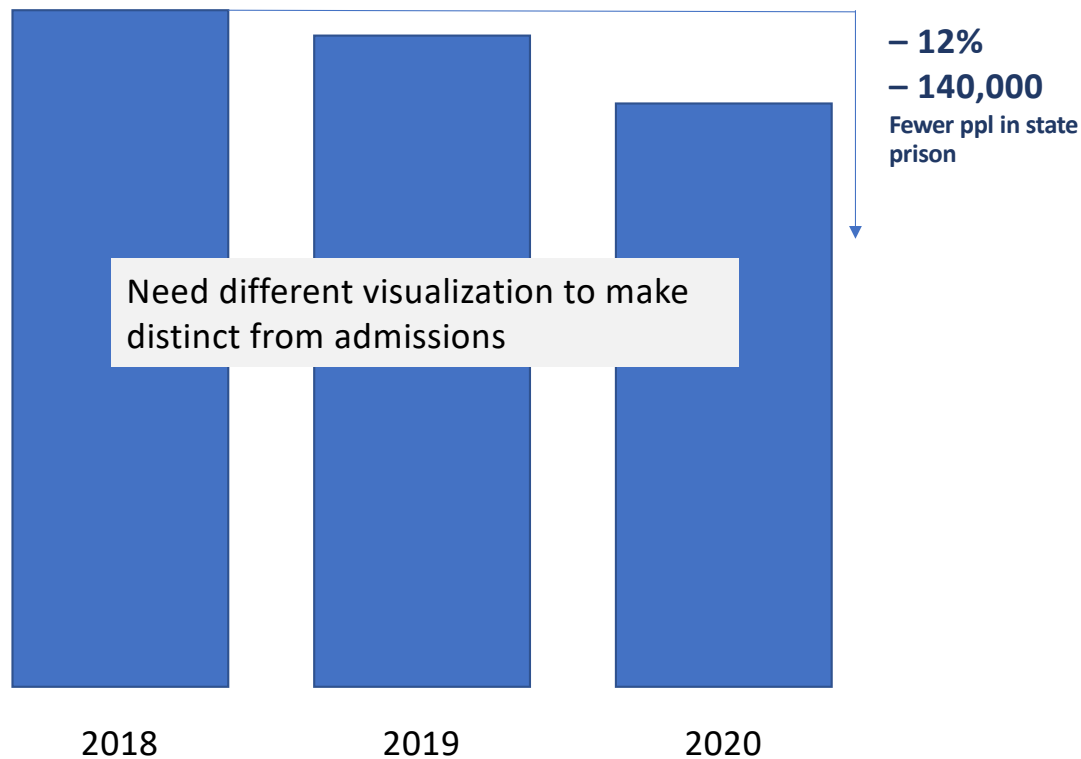
Prison admissions include **violator admissions** and **new court commitments**.

- Violator admissions include people on supervision who are being sanctioned or revoked for violating a condition of supervision (including new offenses).
- New court commitments are people not on supervision who are sentenced to prison by the courts following a conviction.

Why did prison admissions decline?

- Both types of admissions declined dramatically in 2020.
- Compared with 2018, 40% of the drop was due to fewer violator admissions, while 60% was due to fewer new court commitments.

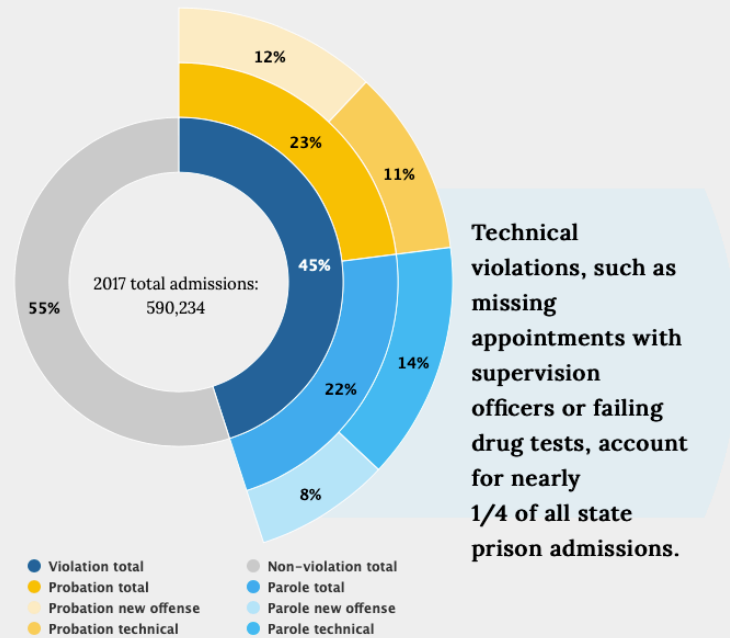
**Fewer admissions caused prison populations to drop 12 percent.
140,000 fewer people were in prison at the end of 2020 than in 2018.**



On average, incarcerating 140,000 people in prison would cost states \$3.9 billion annually.

45% of state prison admissions nationwide are due to violations of probation or parole for new offenses or technical violations.

2019/2020 data to get at most states possible.



Note change from 2018 in some way.

In # states, the population in state prison for supervision violations fell by more than 15 percent

