

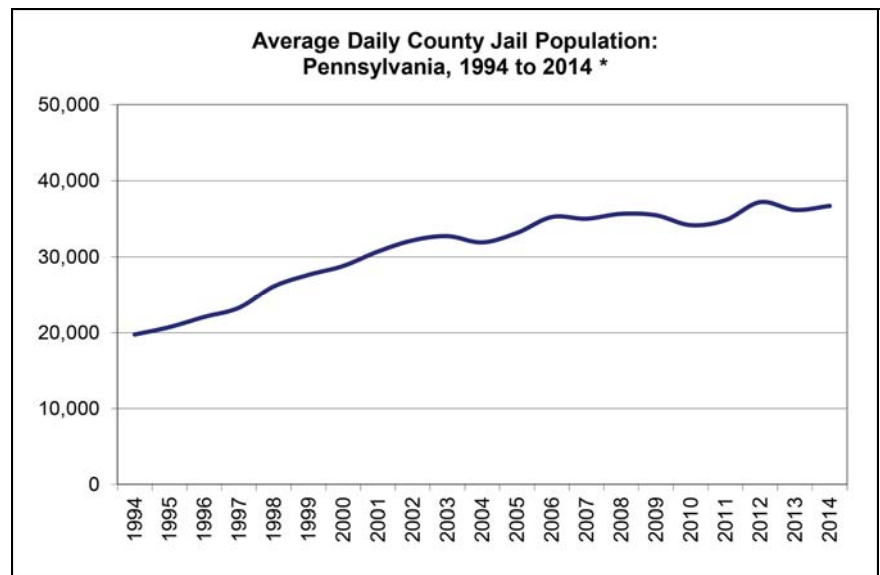
County Jail Population

Offenders sentenced to a maximum sentence of less than two years confinement serve their time in county jails while those with five years or more are sentenced to state prison. Judges have discretion as to where to sentence offenders with a maximum confinement sentence of between two and five years.

Several factors should be considered in analyzing county jail population. First, county jail population data are limited to average daily population. Given the shorter sentences and faster turnaround of offenders, this is a more relevant measure. Second, the population data reflect the counties where offenders are housed and not necessarily the home counties of offenders or the sentencing counties. Some counties house offenders for other counties (such as Bedford, Clinton, Elk, Franklin, Warren, and Wyoming). This may reflect in seemingly higher incarceration rates for those counties. Third, five counties do not have county jails: Cameron, Forest, Fulton, Juniata, and Sullivan. Last, data are not available annually for a few counties. In this instance, the most recent data are used.

Number

Pennsylvania's 2014 total average daily county jail population equaled 36,679 or 286.8 offenders per 100,000 population. The population has increased 1.4 percent since 2013, 25.5 percent since 2000, and 84.7 percent since 1994.



Total Average Daily Jail Population and Rate per 100,000: Pennsylvania, 1994 to 2014 *								
Year	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001
Number	19,756	20,735	22,079	23,297	26,125	27,650	28,820	30,713
Rate	164.1	172.1	183.4	193.9	217.7	230.5	234.7	250.0
Year	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
Number	32,171	32,728	31,911	33,153	35,228	35,010	35,645	35,459
Rate	260.8	264.7	257.2	266.7	283.2	281.6	286.3	281.3
Year	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014			
Number	34,167	34,823	37,185	36,161	36,679			
Rate	269.0	273.3	291.3	283.1	286.8			

Note: If data unavailable for counties, the most recent previous year's data were used.

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In Pennsylvania during 2014, the average daily county jail population totals for counties with jails ranged from 31 offenders in Montour County to 8,092 offenders in Philadelphia County.

Average Daily County Jail Population: Pennsylvania, 2014 *					
Adams	303	Clinton	284	Lackawanna	1,075
Allegheny	2,515	Columbia	221	Lancaster	978
Armstrong	153	Crawford	240	Lawrence	260
Beaver	332	Cumberland	414	Lebanon	538
Bedford	136	Dauphin	1,055	Lehigh	1,292
Berks	1,187	Delaware	1,887	Luzerne	696
Blair	323	Elk	74	Lycoming	378
Bradford	168	Erie	615	McKean	103
Bucks	1,104	Fayette	279	Mercer	263
Butler	374	Forest	0	Mifflin	128
Cambria	505	Franklin	415	Monroe	354
Cameron	0	Fulton	0	Montgomery	1,880
Carbon	194	Greene	75	Montour	31
Centre	337	Huntingdon	46	Northampton	699
Chester	959	Indiana	153	Northumberland	222
Clarion	100	Jefferson	129	Perry	117
Clearfield	152	Juniata	0	Philadelphia	8,092
				Pike	317
				Potter	50
				Schuylkill	294
				Snyder	94
				Somerset	100
				Sullivan	0
				Susquehanna	71
				Tioga	96
				Union	33
				Venango	145
				Warren	116
				Washington	426
				Wayne	127
				Westmoreland	589
				Wyoming	63
				York	2,323

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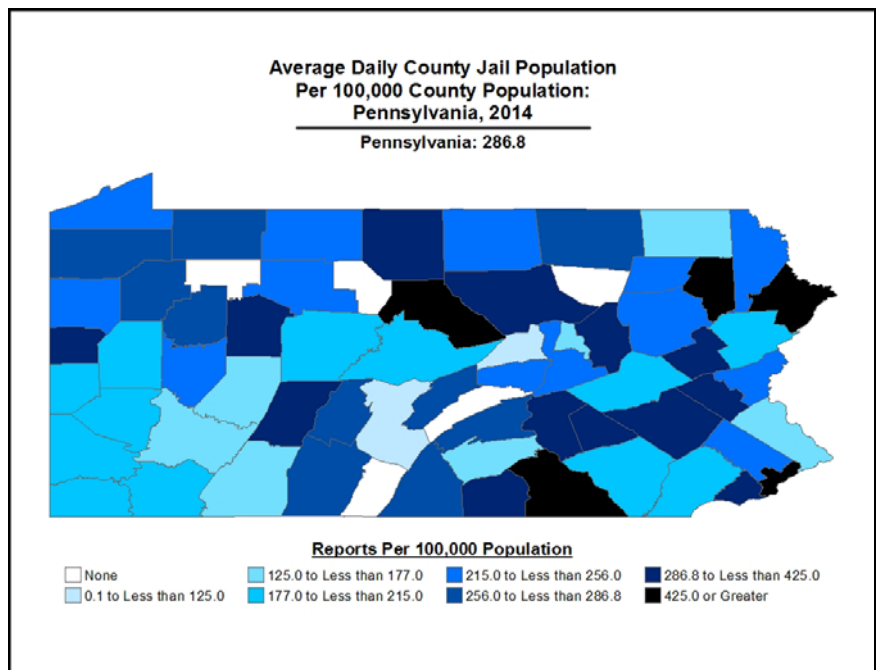
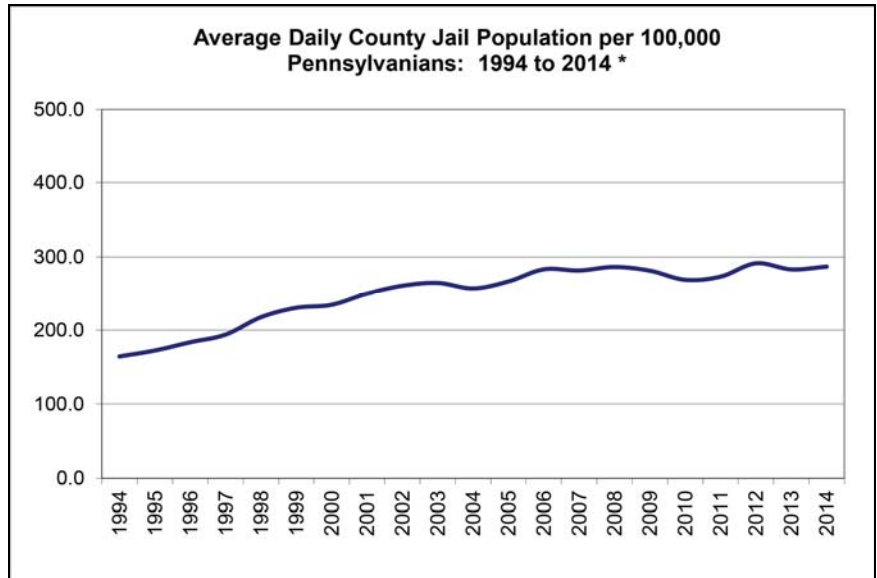
* Source: Pennsylvania Department of Corrections.

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Rate

Pennsylvania has large variability in its county populations, from rural to urban. Therefore, the rate of average daily population per 100,000 county population should be used for county comparisons.

In total, using most recent data available, the average daily county jail population was 286.8 offenders for every 100,000 Pennsylvanians during 2014.



* Source: Pennsylvania Department of Corrections.
Rates computed using U.S. Census Bureau Population Estimates.

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Individually, rates for counties with jails ranged from an average daily population of 73.5 offenders per 100,000 persons in Union County to a rate of 714.6 in Clinton County. The higher rate in Clinton County is a reflection of low county population and higher average daily jail population due to housing offenders from other counties.

Average Daily County Jail Population Per 100,000 County Population: Pennsylvania, 2014 *					
Adams	297.9	Clinton	714.6	Lackawanna	505.4
Allegheny	204.3	Columbia	329.3	Lancaster	183.4
Armstrong	225.7	Crawford	275.3	Lawrence	292.9
Beaver	196.0	Cumberland	169.8	Lebanon	394.5
Bedford	277.9	Dauphin	388.6	Lehigh	361.1
Berks	286.9	Delaware	335.2	Luzerne	218.3
Blair	256.4	Elk	237.2	Lycoming	324.4
Bradford	271.9	Erie	220.9	McKean	242.0
Bucks	176.2	Fayette	208.1	Mercer	228.9
Butler	201.1	Forest	0.0	Mifflin	275.0
Cambria	366.7	Franklin	271.4	Monroe	212.9
Cameron	0.0	Fulton	0.0	Montgomery	230.2
Carbon	301.1	Greene	198.2	Montour	166.3
Centre	212.3	Huntingdon	100.5	Northampton	232.5
Chester	187.0	Indiana	174.4	Northumberland	236.3
Clarion	257.6	Jefferson	289.0	Perry	256.4
Clearfield	187.2	Juniata	0.0	Philadelphia	518.6
				Pike	564.1
				Potter	290.6
				Schuylkill	201.7
				Snyder	233.1
				Somerset	131.2
				Sullivan	0.0
				Susquehanna	169.4
				Tioga	227.1
				Union	73.5
				Venango	270.9
				Warren	285.0
				Washington	204.6
				Wayne	247.1
				Westmoreland	163.9
				Wyoming	224.0
				York	527.1

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