

# YOLO COUNTY PRE-TRIAL SERVICES

Where we started. Where we are. Where we are headed.

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Board of Supervisors Meeting

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# Pre-Trial Services

The intent of any Pre-Trial Services Program, upon completion of a timely assessment and recommendation to the Court, is to:

- ✓ Reduce the risk of clients re-offending while in the community
- ✓ Reduce the likelihood clients will fail to return for future court dates
- ✓ While always considering public safety, individuals should not remain in custody longer than necessary

# Yolo Pre-Trial Timeline

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**2009**

**Start Up**

Byrne Grant awarded; funds 9 staff to run \*365-day program

**2013**

**CCP**

Byrne Grant ends; CCP funding begins

**2017**

**Staff**

CCP funding changes reduce program to 5 day-a-week program

**2020**

**COVID**

COVID, Humphreys Decision, new DA policy and No Bail dramatically increase number of Pre-Trial clients

**2021**

**SB 129**

New legislation funds creation of new or expansion of existing Pre-Trial Services

# Pre-Trial Assessment Tool

Ohio Risk Assessment System

Independent validation of Yolo County's use of its Pre-Trial Assessment Tool (ORAS) found:

**Does it work? Yes.**

- ✓ ORAS-PAT can make valid risk predictions based on an individual's risk score or level

**Is there any bias in SOR revocations? No.**

- ✓ No statistically significant bias was found based on race, gender, age, crime type

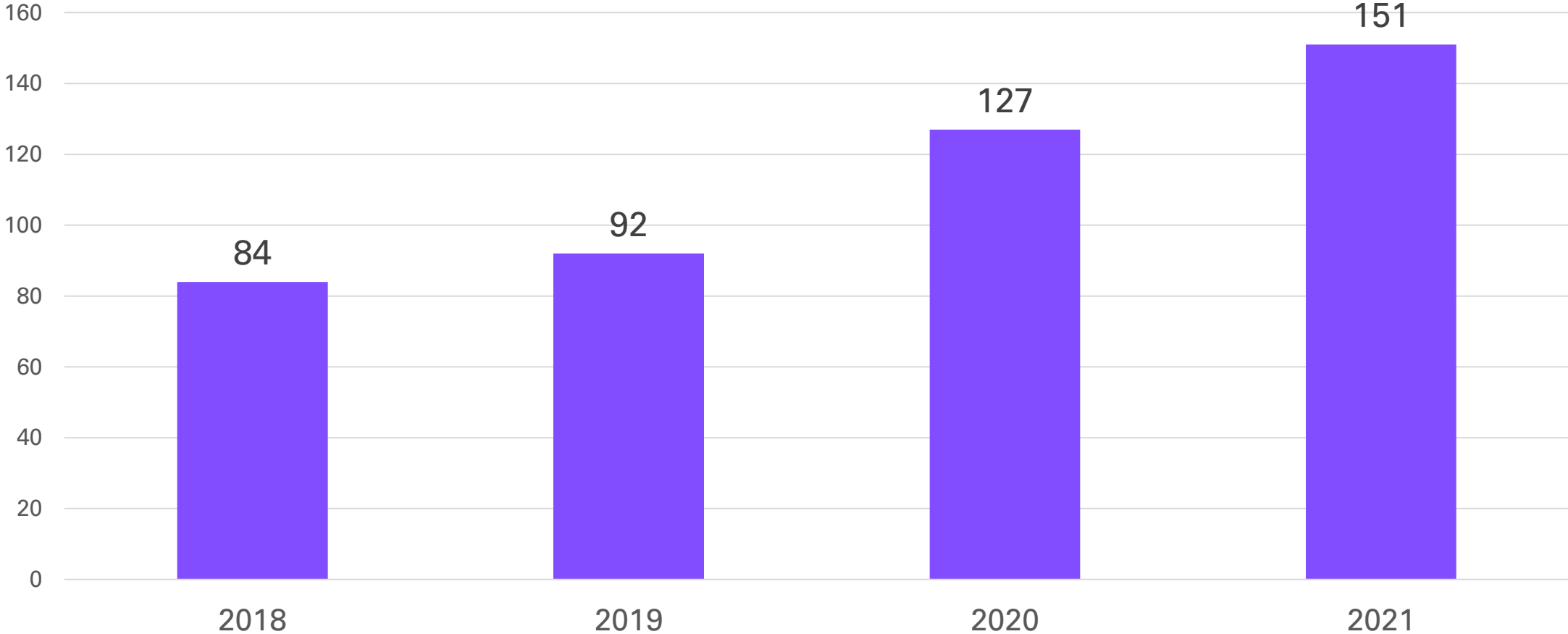
# Pre-Trial Clients

## Monthly Average and Annual New Grants



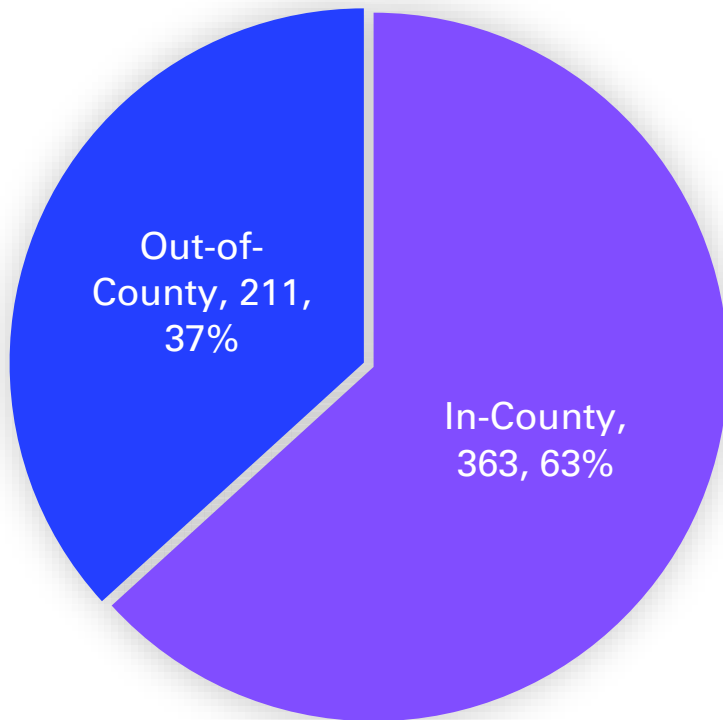
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# Average Days on Pre-Trial Supervision

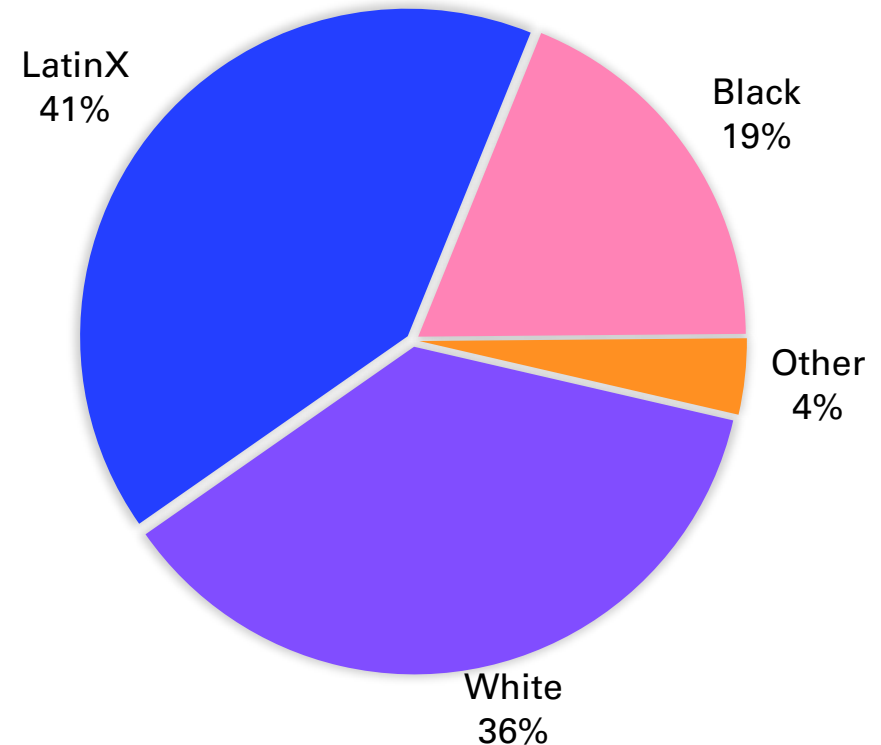


# Court Supervised Own Recognizance (SOR) Placements Demographics

2021 SOR Reports



2021 SOR Reports by Race



# Pre-Trial Clients Assessed in 2021

	Of the Total Clients Assessed by Probation			
Race	Probation Assessed for Release in 2021	Court Outcome of Released on OR, SOR, Bail or Charges Dropped	Clients Placed on SOR after Assessment	Recommendations for Release (OR, SOR)
White	241	119 (49%)	76 (32%)	54 (22%)
LatinX	193	95 (49%)	64 (33%)	51 (26%)
Black	108	52 (48%)	35 (32%)	30 (28%)
Other	32	14 (44%)	6 (19%)	5 (16%)
<b>Total</b>	<b>574</b>	<b>280 (49%)</b>	<b>181 (32%)</b>	<b>140 (24%)</b>

# Senate Bill 129

The purpose of SB 129 is to provide courts with information and the resources to support:

- ✓ Creation or expansion of a Pre-Trial Services Unit to provide timely assessments and supervision
- ✓ Assist judicial officers in making pretrial release decisions that impose the least restrictive conditions to address public safety and return to court
- ✓ Implementation of appropriate monitoring practices and provision of services for released individuals.
- ✓ The funds are available for encumbrance or expenditure for three fiscal years, until June 30, 2024.

# Expanded Pre-Trial Approach

- ✓ 365 days to include all weekends and holidays
- ✓ Pre-arraignment release decisions daily
- ✓ Reduce time in custody from 48-72 hours to 18-24 hours
- ✓ Commissioner to review during business hours
- ✓ On-Call Judge to review on weekends/holidays
- ✓ Probation will email SOR Report through e-file daily
- ✓ If pre-arraignment release is denied = Arraignment Court
- ✓ If pre-arraignment release is approved = Jail release