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- Washington State Adult Drug Courts

PIERCE County

Drug Court Participants: Recidivism and Key Outcome Measures

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This dashboard presents indicators for monitoring recidivism and other key outcomes among offenders participating in Adult Drug Court. Drug Courts aim to reduce recidivism through judicially supervised substance use disorder treatment, mandatory periodic drug testing, community supervision, use of sanctions, and other rehabilitation services. County-level and statewide trends in drug court enrollment, demographics, recidivism, substance use disorder treatment participation, employment, and Medicaid coverage rates are presented for participants. Indicators are presented only for individuals who started substance use disorder treatment. Due to recent initiatives to integrate behavioral and physical health and changes in reporting systems, new enrollments for years 2016 and greater may be underreported and should not be necessarily interpreted as a decrease in the number of individuals participating in drug courts. Because Clark and Skamania counties were "early adopters" of integrated behavioral health and physical health care, indicators for these two counties were particularly impacted by these reporting changes. This is part of a series of analyses for the HCA Division of Behavioral Health and Recovery describing the experiences of recipients of treatment funded by the Criminal Justice Treatment Account (CJTA). The CJTA pays for substance use disorder treatment and recovery support services for offenders with substance abuse problems.

In 2019, 27 counties in Washington state offered Adult Drug Courts including:

- Benton
- Clallam
- Clark
- Cowlitz
- Ferry
- Franklin
- Grays Harbor
- Island
- Jefferson
- King
- KitsapKittitas
- Klickitat

- Mason
 - Okanogan
 - Pacific
 - Pierce
 - Skagit
 - SkamaniaSnohomish
 - Spokane
 - Thurston
 - Walla Walla
 - Whatcom
 - WhitmanYakima
- Lewis





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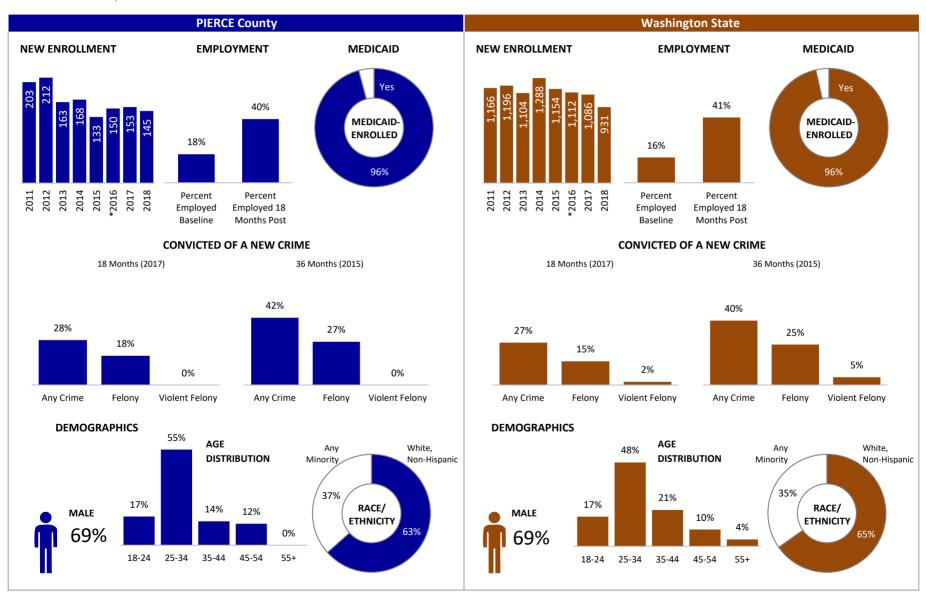
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Drug Court New Enrollment

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New Enrollment

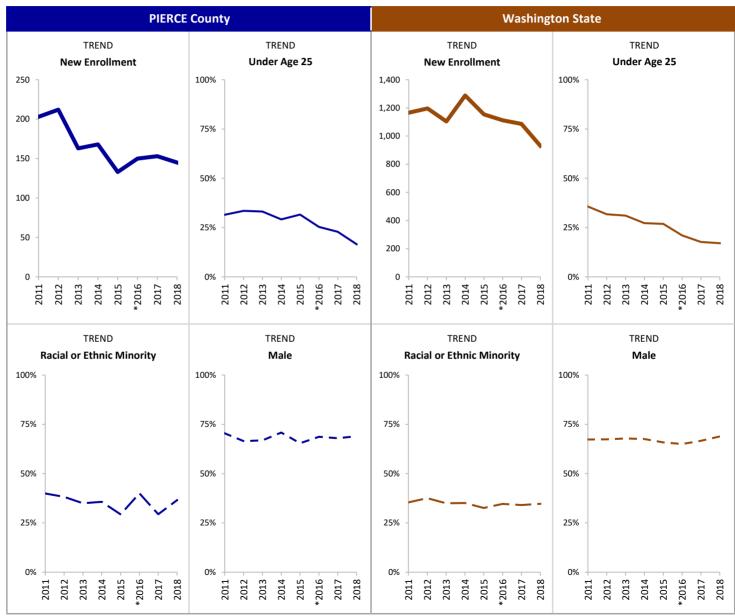
LEGEND

New Enrollment
Under Age 25
Racial or Ethnic Minority
Male

INDICATOR

New enrollment includes only new Drug Court participants who started substance use disorder treatment.

SOURCE & POPULATION



SUPPORTING TABLES | New Enrollment

CALENDAR YEAR				PIERCE	County				Washington State									
	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	*2016	2017	2018	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	*2016	2017	2018		
Total New Enrollment	203	212	163	168	133	150	153	145	1,166	1,196	1,104	1,288	1,154	1,112	1,086	931		
New Enrolled Population by Age																		
18-24	32%	33%	33%	29%	32%	25%	23%	17%	36%	32%	31%	27%	27%	21%	18%	17%		
Total Age 18-24	64	71	54	49	42	38	35	24	416	380	343	351	310	234	192	159		
25-34	32%	31%	36%	40%	45%	51%	51%	55%	33%	37%	38%	41%	45%	47%	48%	48%		
Total Age 25 - 34	65	66	58	68	60	77	78	80	389	443	416	530	515	519	525	450		
35-44	22%	20%	20%	17%	13%	16%	19%	14%	18%	18%	18%	18%	18%	21%	22%	21%		
Total Age 35-44	44	42	33	28	17	24	29	20	209	210	196	236	205	228	239	195		
45-54	11%	12%	7%	11%				12%	11%	11%	11%	11%	8%	9%	9%	10%		
Total Age 45-54	22	26	12	18				18	129	127	117	139	88	104	100	90		
55+									2%	3%	3%	2%	3%	2%	3%	4%		
Total Age 55 and Older									23	36	32	32	35	27	30	37		
New Enrolled Pop. by Race-Ethnicity																		
American Native	12%	10%	7%	9%		11%	7%	12%	10%	13%	11%	12%	12%	13%	12%	13%		
Total American Native	24	22	11	15		17	11	17	116	151	122	151	141	143	128	124		
Asian	7%	8%	9%						5%	5%	5%	6%	5%	5%	5%	4%		
Total Asian	14	16	14						58	55	60	78	57	55	53	34		
African American	15%	18%	17%	20%	13%	18%	12%	15%	14%	16%	13%	13%	12%	12%	12%	11%		
Total African American	30	39	28	33	17	27	18	22	167	188	144	163	143	128	127	102		
Hawaiian/PI	9%	5%							4%	3%	3%	3%	3%	3%	4%	3%		
Total Hawaiian/PI	18	11							42	37	34	45	33	38	44	28		
Hispanic	9%	8%				15%	8%	8%	10%	9%	9%	8%	8%	11%	10%	9%		
Total Hispanic	18	17				22	13	12	113	109	95	98	87	118	111	84		
White Non-Hispanic	60%	62%	65%	64%	71%	60%	71%	63%	64%	62%	65%	65%	67%	65%	66%	65%		
Total White Non-Hispanic	122	131	106	108	94	90	108	92	751	747	718	835	776	727	716	606		
Any Minority	40%	38%	35%	36%	29%	40%	29%	37%	35%	38%	35%	35%	33%	35%	34%	35%		
Total Any Minority	81	81	57	60	39	60	45	53	413	449	386	452	376	385	370	323		
New Enrolled Population by Gender																		
Female	30%	33%	33%	29%	35%	31%	32%	31%	33%	33%	32%	32%	34%	35%	33%	31%		
Total Female	60	70	54	49	46	47	49	45	381	389	355	418	394	389	362	289		
Male	70%	67%	67%	71%	65%	69%	68%	69%	67%	67%	68%	68%	66%	65%	67%	69%		
Total Male	143	141	109	119	87	103	104	100	785	806	749	870	760	723	724	641		

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Recidivism at 18 Months: Percent Convicted of a New Offense and Average Prior Convictions

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18-Month Recidivism and Prior Convictions

LEGEND

New Conviction: Type of Offense

Any Crime
Felony
Violent Felony

Prior Convictions

Any Prior

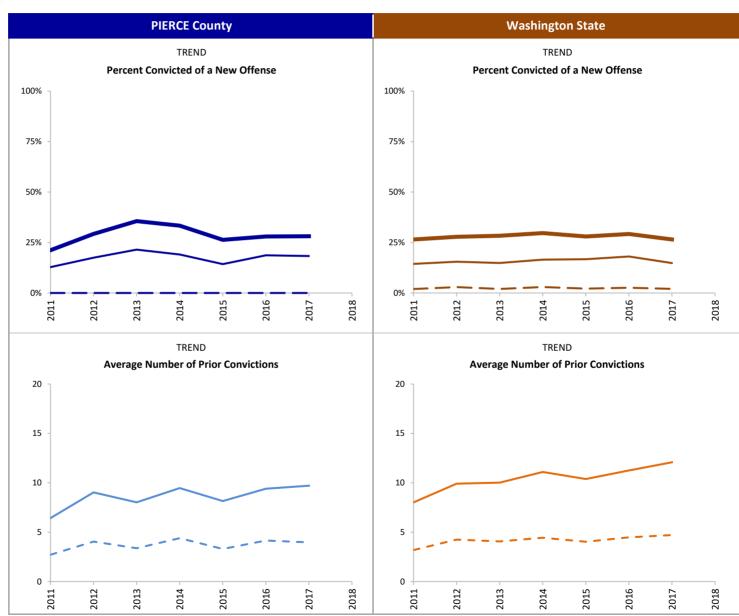
Felony Prior

INDICATOR

Percent of Drug Court participants convicted of a new offense, committed within 18 months after starting substance use disorder treatment.

Average number of prior convictions is based on a count of each charge that resulted in a conviction prior to starting treatment.

SOURCE & POPULATION



SUPPORTING TABLES | 18-Month Recidivism and Prior Convictions

CALENDAR YEAR				PIERCE	County				Washington State									
	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018		
Total New Enrollment	203	212	163	168	133	150	153		1,166	1,196	1,104	1,288	1,154	1,112	1,086			
NEW Conviction (18 Months)																		
Any Crime	21%	29%	36%	33%	26%	28%	28%		27%	28%	28%	30%	28%	29%	27%			
Total with Any Crime	43	62	58	56	35	42	43		309	333	313	382	323	325	288			
Felony	13%	17%	21%	19%	14%	19%	18%		14%	15%	15%	17%	17%	18%	15%			
Total with a Felony	26	37	35	32	19	28	28		168	185	164	213	193	201	161			
Violent Felony									2%	3%	2%	3%	2%	3%	2%			
Total with a Violent Felony									23	35	22	38	25	29	22			
Average Number PRIOR Convictions																		
Any Crime	6.4	9.0	8.0	9.5	8.2	9.4	9.7		8.0	9.9	10.0	11.1	10.4	11.3	12.1			
Total with Any Crime	181	193	151	156	124	145	144		1,085	1,116	1,051	1,228	1,109	1,080	1,044			
Felony	2.7	4.0	3.4	4.4	3.3	4.2	4.0		3.2	4.2	4.1	4.4	4.0	4.5	4.7			
Total with Any Felony	133	158	125	132	103	120	108		854	947	876	1,043	922	924	879			
Violent Felony	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.4	0.2		0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.3			
Total with a Violent Felony	27	29	21	25	23	32	28		143	187	178	220	192	204	241			
Non-Violent Felony	2.6	3.8	3.2	4.2	3.0	3.8	3.7		3.0	4.0	3.8	4.2	3.8	4.2	4.4			
Total with a Non-Violent Felony	133	158	125	132	103	120	108		854	947	876	1,043	922	924	879			
Misdemeanor	3.7	5.0	4.7	5.1	4.8	5.2	5.7		4.8	5.7	6.0	6.7	6.4	6.8	7.4			
Total with a Misdemeanor	166	184	139	142	117	135	134		995	1,047	991	1,170	1,049	1,035	997			

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Recidivism at 36-Months: Percent Convicted of a New Offense and Average Prior Convictions

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36-Month Recidivism and Prior Convictions

LEGEND

New Conviction: Type of Offense

Any Crime
Felony
Violent Felony

Prior Convictions

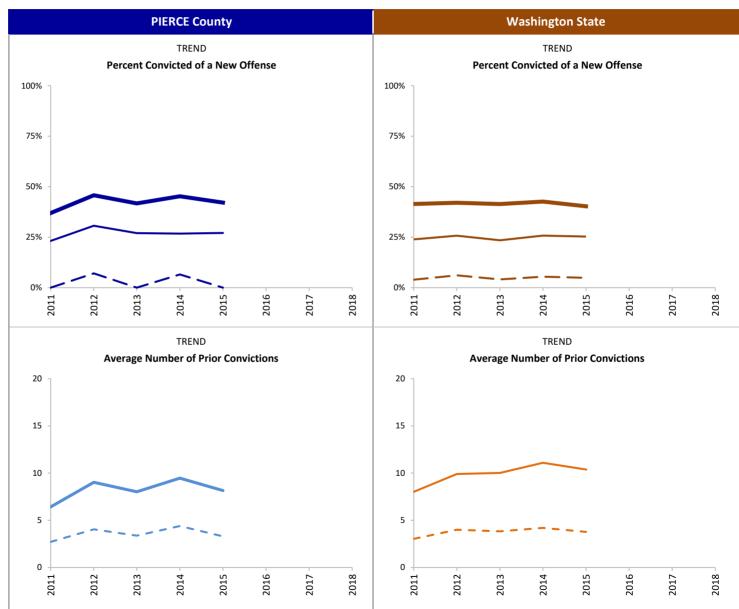
Any Prior
Felony Prior

INDICATOR

Percent of Drug Court participants convicted of a new offense, committed within 36 months after starting substance use disorder treatment.

Average number of prior convictions is based on a count of each charge that resulted in a conviction prior to starting treatment.

SOURCE & POPULATION



SUPPORTING TABLES | 36-Month Recidivism and Prior Convictions

CALENDAR YEAR				PIERCE	County				Washington State									
	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018		
Total New Enrollment	203	212	163	168	133				1,166	1,196	1,104	1,288	1,154					
NEW Conviction (36 Months)																		
Any Crime	37%	46%	42%	45%	42%				41%	42%	41%	43%	40%					
Total with Any Crime	75	97	68	76	56				483	503	457	549	465					
Felony	23%	31%	27%	27%	27%				24%	26%	23%	26%	25%					
Total with a Felony	47	65	44	45	36				279	308	259	332	292					
Violent Felony		7%		7%					4%	6%	4%	5%	5%					
Total with a Violent Felony		15		11					46	73	45	70	56					
Average Number PRIOR Convictions																		
Any Crime	6.4	9.0	8.0	9.5	8.2				8.0	9.9	10.0	11.1	10.4					
Total with Any Crime	181	193	151	156	124				1,085	1,116	1,051	1,228	1,109					
Felony	2.7	4.0	3.4	4.4	3.3				3.2	4.2	4.1	4.4	4.0					
Total with Any Felony	133	158	125	132	103				854	947	876	1,043	922					
Violent Felony	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.3				0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.3					
Total with a Violent Felony	27	29	21	25	23				143	187	178	220	192					
Non-Violent Felony	2.6	3.8	3.2	4.2	3.0				3.0	4.0	3.8	4.2	3.8					
Total with a Non-Violent Felony	133	158	125	132	103				854	947	876	1,043	922					
Misdemeanor	3.7	5.0	4.7	5.1	4.8				4.8	5.7	6.0	6.7	6.4					
Total with a Misdemeanor	166	184	139	142	117				995	1,047	991	1,170	1,049					

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Drug Court Substance Use Disorder Treatment Participation

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Substance Use Disorder Treatment

LEGEND

Engagement and Retention

Engaged in TreatmentRetained in Treatment

Primary Substance

Heroin/Other Opioids

Methamphetamine

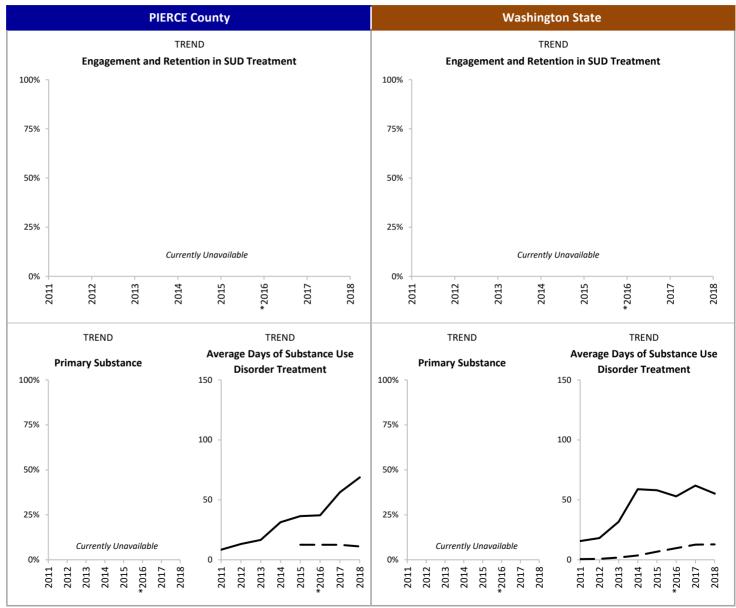
Average Days of SUD Tx

Outpatient
Inpatient

INDICATOR

Percent of Drug Court participants with Engagement and Retention in substance use disorder treatment. Engagement is defined as initiating treatment and receiving two additional services within 30 days after initiation. Retention is defined as receiving treatment services at least once per month for the first 90 days after initiation (see Technical Notes for full definition).

SOURCE & POPULATION



SUPPORTING TABLES | Substance Use Disorder Treatment

CALENDAR YEAR				PIERCE	County			Washington State									
	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	*2016	2017	2018	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	*2016	2017	2018	
Total New Enrollment	203	212	163	168	133	150	153	145	1,166	1,196	1,104	1,288	1,154	1,112	1,086	931	
Engagement and Retention																	
Engagement																	
Total Engaged in Treatment																	
Retention				Currently C	Jnavailable _I							Currently C	Jnavailable 				
Total Retained in Treatment																	
Primary Substance																	
Heroin and Other Opioids																	
Total Heroin and Other Opioids																İ	
Methamphetamine																	
Total Methamphetamine																İ	
Cannabis				Currently C	Jnavailable I							Currently C	Jnavailable 				
Total Cannabis																İ	
Alcohol																	
Total Alcohol																	
Type of SUD Treatment																	
Outpatient Treatment	19%	25%	48%	74%	83%	87%	88%	91%	23%	26%	52%	75%	82%	87%	90%	88%	
Number in Outpatient Tx	38	52	79	124	110	131	135	132	266	310	576	972	941	965	973	816	
Average Days in Outpatient Tx	8.4	13.1	16.6	31.3	36.5	37.1	56.3	68.7	15.6	18.1	31.7	58.9	58.0	52.9	61.9	55.3	
Inpatient Treatment					19%	N/A	39%	35%	2%	1%	3%	7%	14%	N/A	37%	34%	
Number in Inpatient Tx					25		60	51	18	16	36	94	165		406	321	
Average Days in Inpatient Tx					12.5		12.5	11.1	0.5	0.8	1.9	3.6	6.7		12.6	12.8	
Medication Assisted Treatment						25%	40%	31%	1%	1%	1%	2%	9%	16%	24%	31%	
Number in Medication Assisted Tx						38	61	45	11	11	16	31	99	179	258	284	

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Drug Court Employment and Earnings

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Employment and Earnings

LEGEND

Earnings

Employment

Baseline

18 Months Post

_____ Baseline

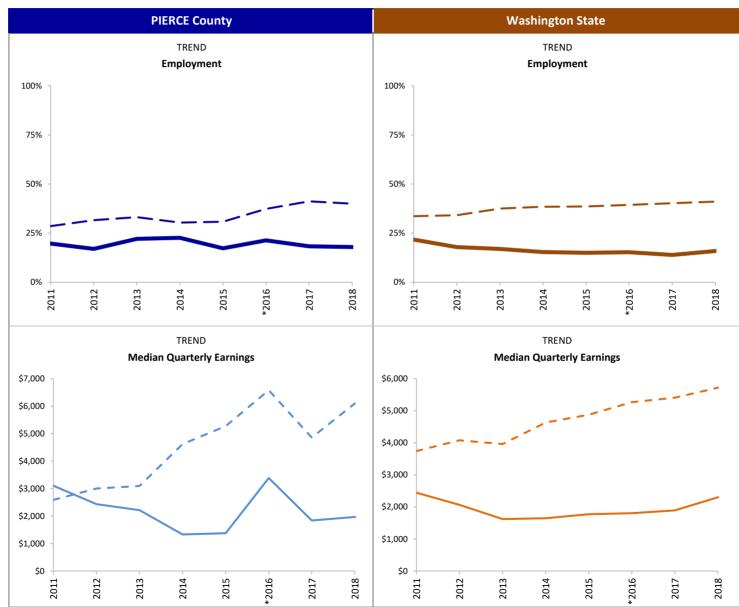
18 Months Post

INDICATOR

Percent of Drug Court participants employed part-time or full-time at baseline and 18 months after starting substance use disorder treatment.

Baseline includes individuals with any employment in the quarter prior to starting treatment. Individuals were considered employed 18 months post if they had any earnings in the 6th quarter (18 months) after starting treatment. Median quarterly earnings is calculated only for those with nonzero earnings in the quarter.

SOURCE & POPULATION



SUPPORTING TABLES | Employment

CALENDAR YEAR				PIERCE	County				Washington State									
	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	*2016	2017	2018	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	*2016	2017	2018		
Total New Enrollment	203	212	163	168	133	150	153	145	1,166	1,196	1,104	1,288	1,154	1,112	1,086	931		
Employed Prior to Enrollment																		
Percent Employed Baseline	20%	17%	22%	23%	17%	21%	18%	18%	22%	18%	17%	15%	15%	15%	14%	16%		
Number Employed at Baseline	40	36	36	38	23	32	28	26	253	214	187	198	173	170	151	148		
Median Qtrly Earnings Baseline	\$ 3,106	\$ 2,434	\$ 2,216	\$ 1,332	\$ 1,377	\$ 3,386	\$ 1,840	\$ 1,970	\$ 2,444	\$ 2,066	\$ 1,622	\$ 1,647	\$ 1,772	\$ 1,806	\$ 1,892	\$ 2,303		
Median Qtrly Hours Worked Baseline	223	185	217	124	115	276	138	120	197	186	138	132	145	139	151	145		
Employed 18 Months After Enrollment																		
Percent Employed 18 Months Post	29%	32%	33%	30%	31%	37%	41%	40%	34%	34%	38%	38%	39%	39%	40%	41%		
Number Employed 18 Months Post	58	67	54	51	41	56	63	58	392	408	414	495	445	438	437	382		
Median Qtrly Earnings 18 Mos. Post	\$ 2,590	\$ 3,004	\$ 3,096	\$ 4,622	\$ 5,274	\$ 6,581	\$ 4,858	\$ 6,101	\$ 3,743	\$ 4,078	\$ 3,961	\$ 4,633	\$ 4,876	\$ 5,268	\$ 5,408	\$ 5,719		
Median Qtrly Hours 18 Mos. Post	261	232	310	355	357	445	324	343	328	366	325	355	357	369	352	377		

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Drug Court Medicaid Enrollment

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Medicaid Enrollment

LEGEND

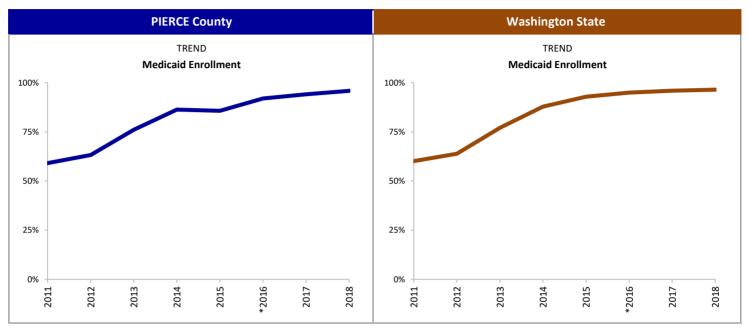
Percent Enrolled in Medicaid

INDICATOR

Percent of Drug Court participants enrolled in Medicaid at any point during the 12 months after starting substance use disorder treatment.

SOURCE & POPULATION

DSHS Integrated Client Databases. Drug Court participants who started substance use disorder treatment.



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SUPPORTING TABLES | Medicaid Enrollment

CALENDAR YEAR		Washington State														
	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	*2016	2017	2018	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	*2016	2017	2018
Total New Enrollment	203	212	163	168	133	150	153	145	1,166	1,196	1,104	1,288	1,154	1,112	1,086	931
Medicaid Enrollment																
Percent Enrolled in Medicaid	59%	63%	76%	86%	86%	92%	94%	96%	60%	64%	77%	88%	93%	95%	96%	96%
Number Enrolled in Medicaid	120	134	124	145	114	138	144	139	701	764	851	1,131	1,072	1,056	1,042	898

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TECHNICAL NOTES

POPULATION

- Total New Enrollment: Includes all new Drug Court participants who started substance use disorder treatment within 12 months of their Drug Court start date. The dashboard indicators are based on the enrolled population. Blank cells indicate data were missing or suppressed due to fewer than 10 enrolled participants.
- The decrease in new enrollment in 2016 is due to underreporting of treatment records during the implementation of a new behavioral health data system and the integration of behavioral and physical health care. It should not be interpreted as a decrease in the number of individuals participating in Drug Courts. Future updates will address this shortcoming with available data.

INDICATORS

- **Recidivism:** Defined as a new conviction for an offense that occurred 18 or 36 months after the month the participant started substance use disorder treatment. The conviction may occur anytime after the offense date. The average number of prior convictions is based on a count of all charges that resulted in a conviction for offenses that occurred prior to the treatment start date. Conviction data were obtained from the Administrative Office of the Courts.
- Substance Use Disorder Treatment: The Washington Circle Measure of Engagement is defined as initiating substance use disorder treatment and receiving two additional services within 30 days of initiation. Retention is an additional measure used in Washington State which is defined as receiving treatment services at least once per month for the first 90 days after initiation, or completing treatment and being discharged within 90 days, or transferring to a residential treatment facility within 90 days. Engagement and Retention measures are calculated only for those whose first treatment episode was an outpatient service. Data from the Treatment and Assessment Report Generation Tool (TARGET) and the Behavioral Health Data System (BHDS) were used to identify substance use disorder treatment, primary substance and average days of treatment. Treatment shown is not necessarily the treatment approved by the court. Due to changes in the behavioral health data system, the engagement and retention measures are not currently available.
- **Employment:** Quarterly employment and earnings data were obtained from the Washington State Employment Security Department. Median quarterly earnings and hours worked are reported only for individuals with non-zero earnings during the quarter.
- Medicaid Enrollment: Obtained from eligibility codes available in the DSHS Integrated Client Database (ICDB).

DATA SOURCES

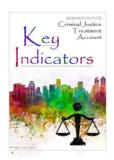
- DSHS Integrated Client Database
- Washington State Drug Courts
- Drug Court Case Management System (DCCM)
- Administrative Office of the Courts Adult Drug Court Docket Codes

MISSING DATA

 Klickitat, Pacific, Skagit and Whitman county Drug Court data are missing for 2016.

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