

Avoiding the School to Prison Pipeline

**WHY WE KNOW SUCCESS
IS POSSIBLE:**

THE JDAI CONTEXT

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JDAI VISION & MISSION

Vision

- Youth involved in the juvenile justice system will have opportunities to develop into healthy adults.

Mission

- To demonstrate that jurisdictions can establish more effective and efficient systems to accomplish the purpose of juvenile detention.

JDAI OBJECTIVES

Eliminate inappropriate or unnecessary use of secure detention.

Minimize failures to appear and delinquent behavior pending final case disposition.

Redirect public finances to successful reform strategies.

Improve conditions in secure detention.

Improve the juvenile justice system overall.

JDAI'S 8 CORE STRATEGIES

Collaboration & Leadership

Reliance on Data

Detention Alternatives

Special Populations: VOPs & FTAs

Risk Screening Tool

Timely Case Processing & Length of Stay

Eliminating Racial/Ethnic Disparities

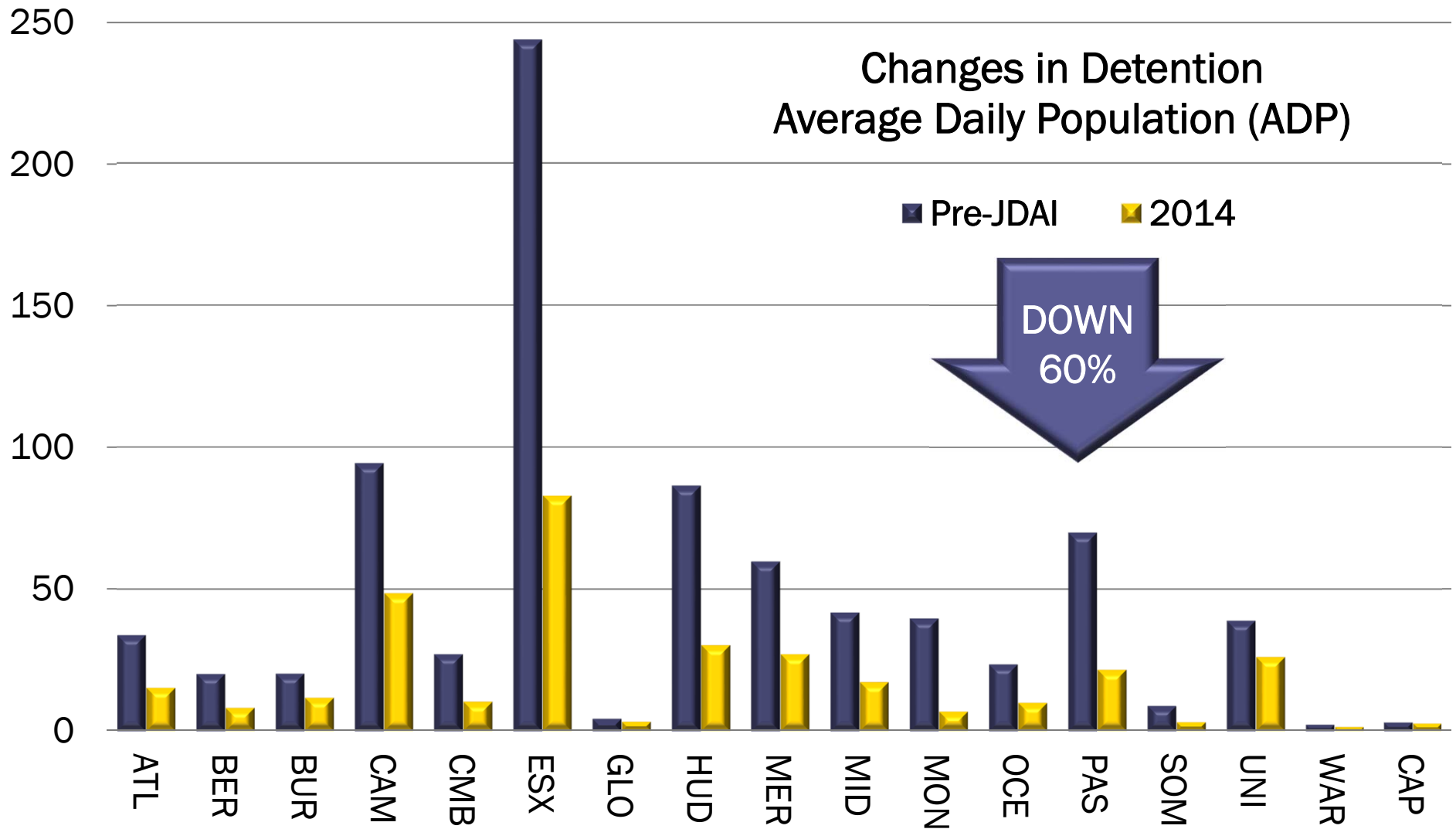
Improving Conditions of Confinement

NJ TRENDS: 1993-2002 (pre-JDAI)

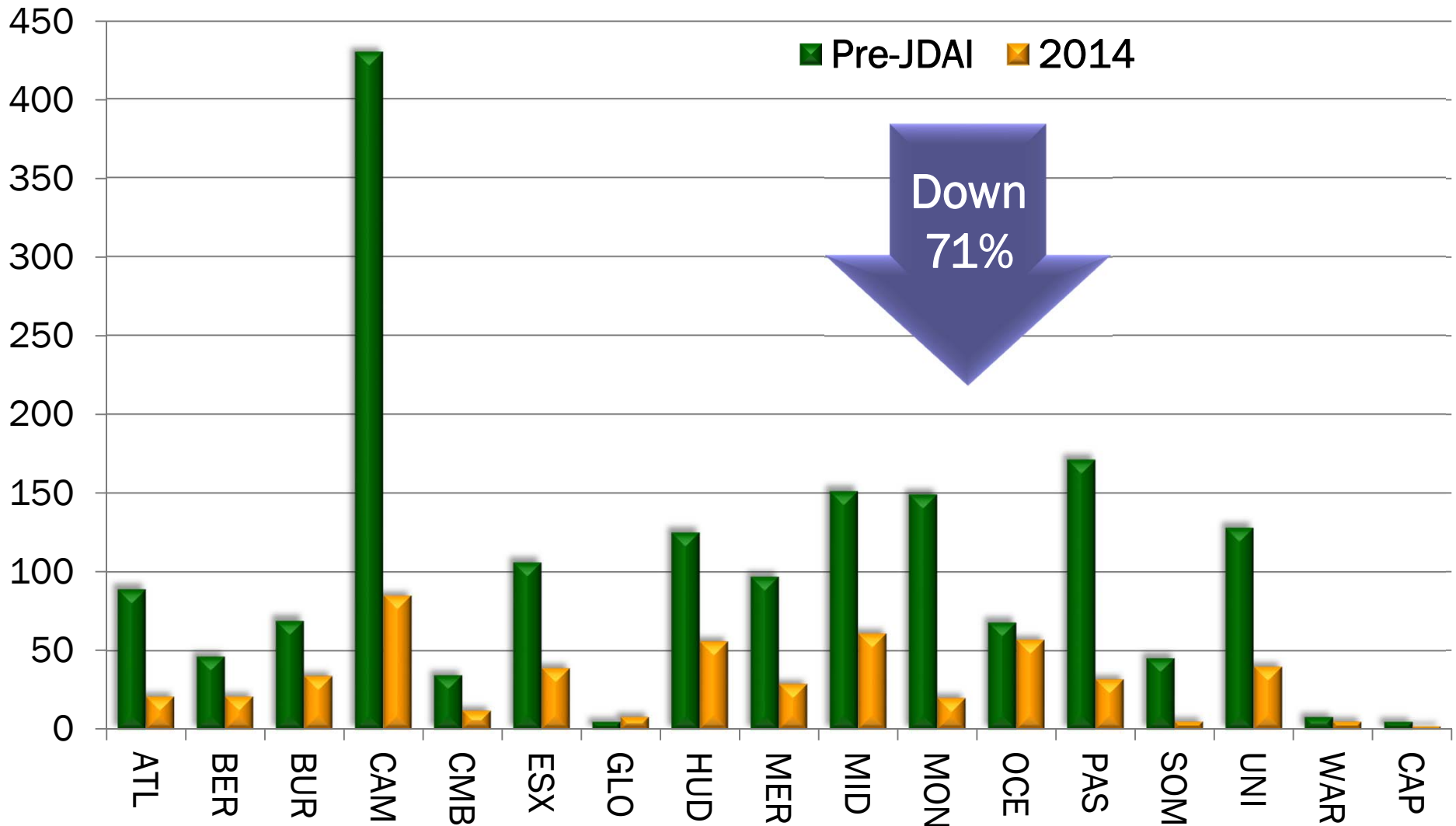
- ☞ Juvenile Arrests **DOWN 25%**
- ☞ Juvenile Index Arrests **DOWN 45%**
- ☞ Detention Population **UP 38%**

- ☞ Overcrowding: in 1996, operating at 166% of capacity
- ☞ By 2002, added 349 beds, but still half the centers were overcrowded, with the most crowded at 223% of capacity
- ☞ A majority detained for violations or non-violent offenses

Changes in Detention ADP: 17 Sites Active in 2014

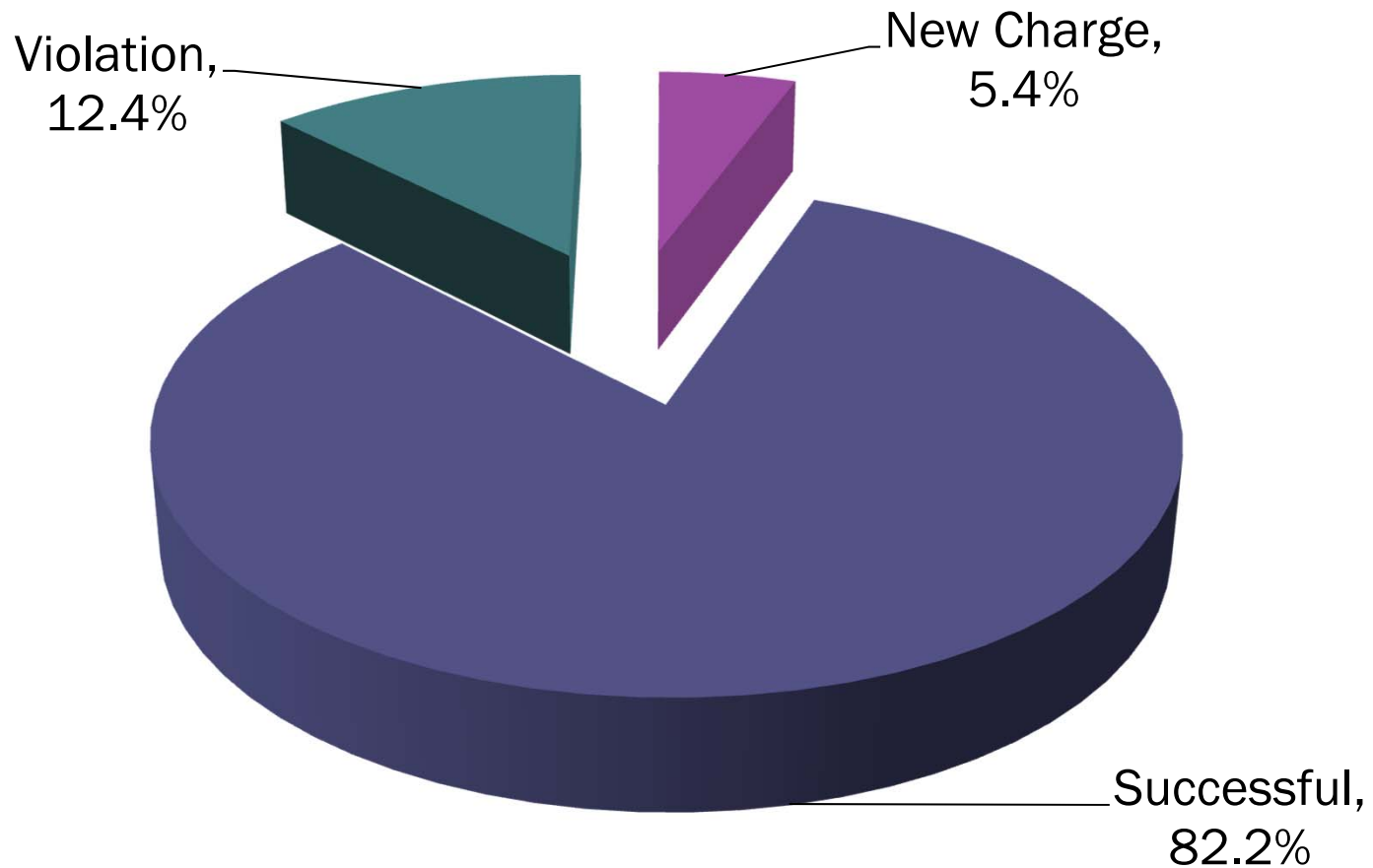


Admissions to Detention for Violations of Probation



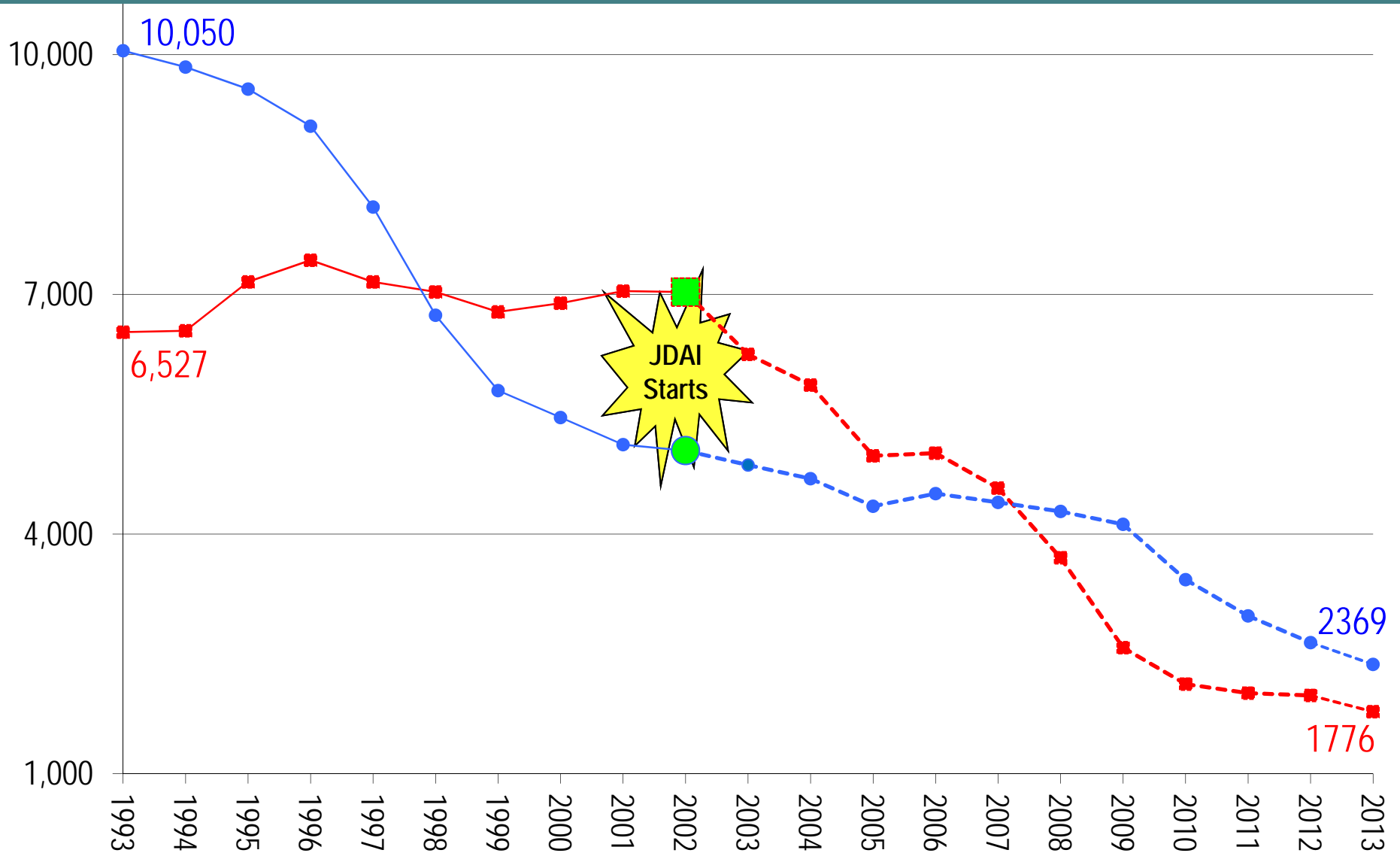
Effective Use of Detention Alternatives

Alternative Outcomes: 17 Sites Active in 2014



Original 5 JDAI Sites

Admissions ■ vs. Juvenile Index Arrests ● - 1993-2013



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