



DANE COUNTY



COUNTY PROFILE

Population	488,073
Jail Population	843
Median Household Income	\$62,865
Land Area in Square Miles	1238
Racial Makeup	
White	84.7%
Black	5.2%
Hispanic	5.9%

Dane County Criminal Justice Council (CJC) engages multiple strategies to change criminal justice



February 2017, Dane County Team learns national best practices for Community Restorative Court (CRC).

CRC Pilot launch: Fall 2014

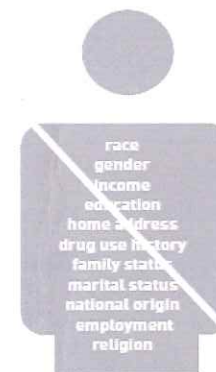


(L-r) Dane County Executive Joe Parisi, Community Relations Director Tamara Grigsby, Community Restorative Court Coordinator Ron Johnson, and Jail Re-entry Coordinator Jerome Dillard

The PSA score is calculated based on nine factors.

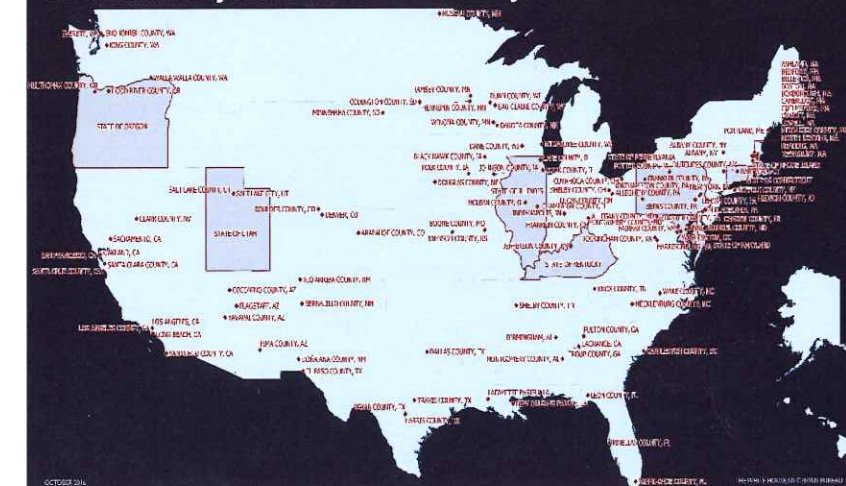
Current violent offense	Pending charge at the time of the offense	Prior misdemeanor conviction
Prior felony conviction	Prior violent conviction	Prior failure to appear pretrial in past 2 years
Prior failure to appear pretrial older than 2 years	Prior sentence to incarceration	Age at current arrest

The PSA does NOT look at any of the following factors:



The Dane County Criminal Justice Council approves a study of the PSA and outcomes related to length of stay and impact on racial inequities. Partners: LIAF and Harvard University—Access to Justice Lab.

DATA-DRIVEN JUSTICE INITIATIVE: 120 JURISDICTIONS NATIONWIDE



KEY STRATEGIES

Strategy 1: Front End Diversion

- Dane County Community Restorative Court (CRC) offers pre-charge diversion to low level offenders. In 2017, it expanded from pilot phase to full implementation.
- Pre-Arrest Diversion Frameworks—The Role of Treatment in the Diversion Process. July 2017

Strategy 2: Pretrial Assessment

- In April 2017, Dane County began using the PSA (Public Safety Assessment) at initial appearance. The PSA provides information that is race- and gender-neutral. It helps guide pretrial decision making in an effort to increase safety, reduce taxpayer costs, and enhance fairness and efficiency in the system.

Strategy 3: Data Driven Justice

- Data Driven Justice (DDJ): Dane County joins a national cohort of jurisdictions dedicated to data driven justice.
- Dane County CJC Data Sharing Benchmarks developed and endorsed by CJC (June 2017).
- Data sharing agreement endorsed by criminal justice stakeholders to explore data integration of administrative data.

Strategy 4: Re-entry Strategies

- Window to work in DCSO
- Re-entry coordinator in DCSO
- Re-entry Court (pilot program currently being planned)

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