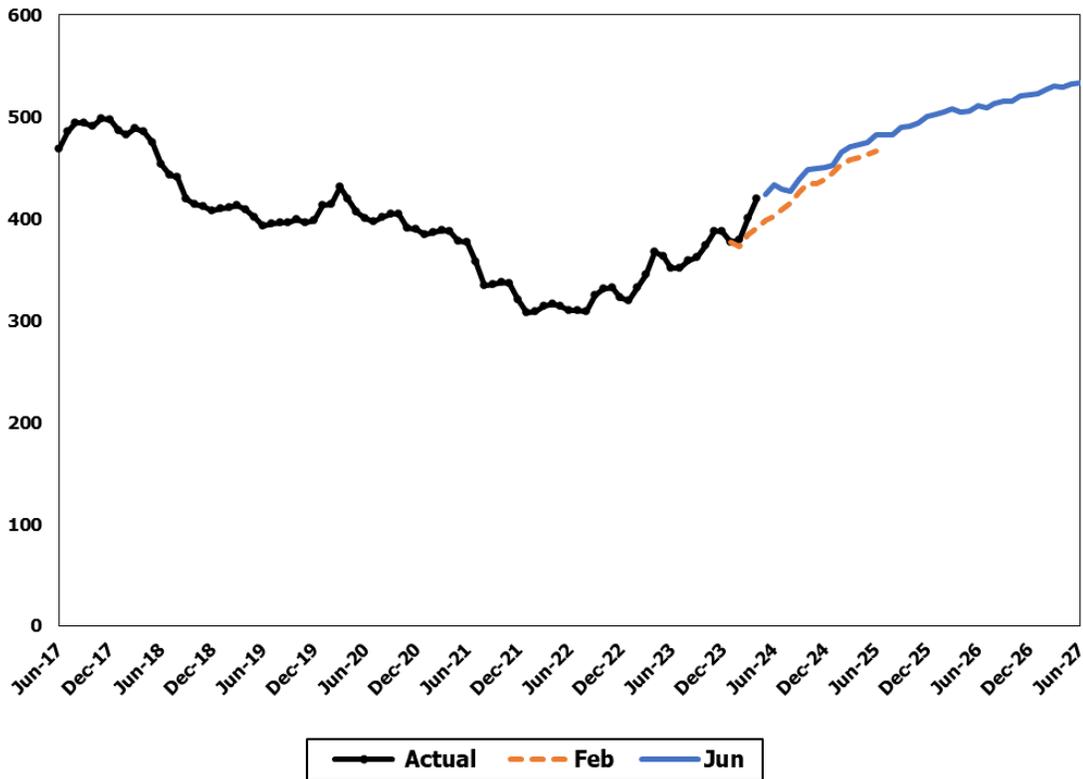


Juvenile Rehabilitation



The Juvenile Rehabilitation (JR) caseload is comprised of three components: Juvenile Commitments, Juvenile Parole Revocations, and Adult Commitments.

- Juvenile Commitments are individuals sentenced for crimes committed under age 18 and are under Juvenile Court jurisdiction.
- Juvenile Parole Revocations are individuals returned to confinement for up to 30 days for violating parole after release from a Juvenile Commitment.
- Adult Commitments are individuals who committed crimes under age 18 and are sentenced as adults to the Department of Corrections (DOC). They begin their sentences in JR facilities.

Forecast Comparisons (Fiscal Year Averages)

Fiscal Year	Feb-24 Forecast	Jun-24 Forecast	Feb to Jun Difference	Percent Difference
2024	378	388	10	2.5%
2025	442	455	13	2.9%
2026		498		
2027		522		

The June 2024 forecast is, on average, 11 cases or 2.7 percent higher than the February forecast for the 2023-25 Biennium.

Tracking the Current Forecast

Month	Feb-24		Variance	Percent
	Forecast	Actual		Variance
Jan-24	376	376	0	0.0%
Feb-24	373	379	6	1.6%
Mar-24	385	400	15	4.0%
Apr-24	391	419	28	7.2%

Actuals are tracking, on average, 12 cases or 3.1 percent above the February forecast. Most of this variance is driven by the Juvenile Commitment caseload, which is tracking, on average, 19 cases, or 7.8 percent above the February forecast. The actuals from the other two components came lower and bring down the total variance.

Fiscal Year Caseload Change

	Fiscal Year	Caseload	Change from Prior Year	Percent Change
Actual	2018	486		
	2019	414	-71	-14.7%
	2020	405	-9	-2.2%
	2021	391	-15	-3.6%
	2022	324	-66	-17.0%
	2023	334	9	2.9%
Forecast	2024	388	54	16.2%
	2025	455	67	17.4%
	2026	498	43	9.4%
	2027	522	24	4.9%

The June forecast removes the step adjustments for the incremental impacts of the two so-called "JR to 25" bills (E2SSB 6160 and HB 1646). The technical work group has discussed and agreed that these impacts most likely have been reflected in the primary trend of the actual data we observed, and therefore it is appropriate to remove them from this and future forecasts.

Risks to the Forecast

Risks to this forecast are moderate to high. There is uncertainty about what the recent hikes in Juvenile and Adult Commitments admissions may imply for the near future caseload. The increased lengths of stay observed among the Adult Commitments in recent years may also affect the overall caseload in the future. In addition, there is continued uncertainty surrounding the impact of COVID-19 on the capacity in the criminal justice system and its implication for future JR intakes.