

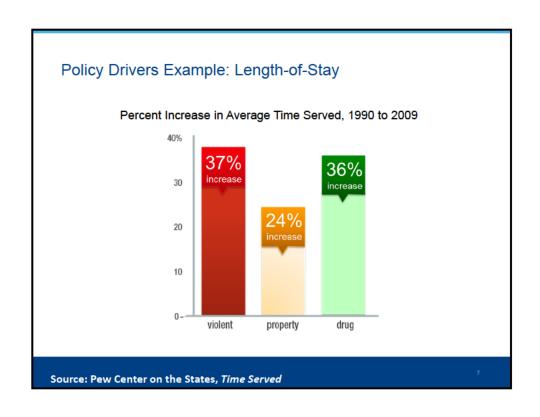
# America's National Recidivism Rate Remains Stubbornly High

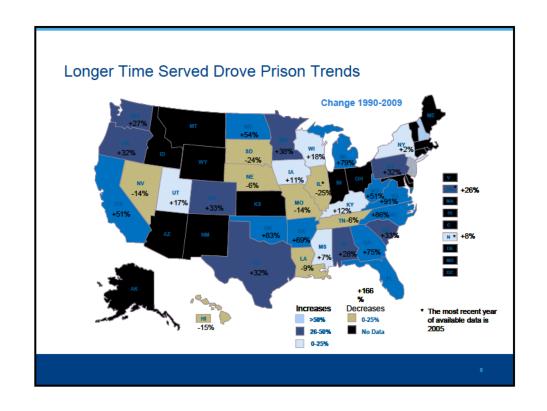
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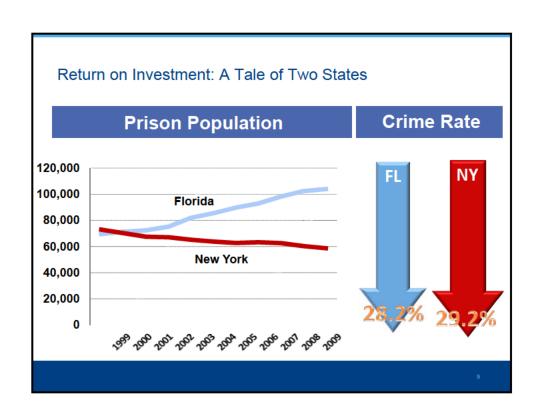
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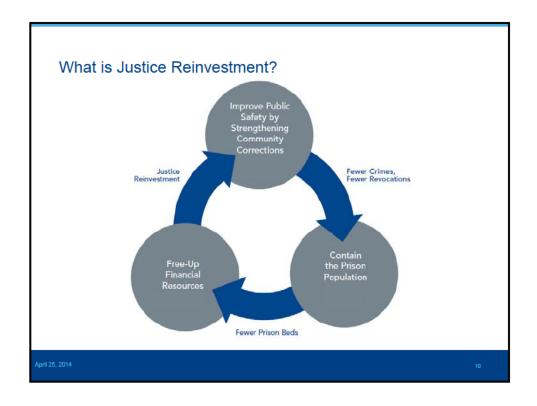












## **Strengthening Community Corrections**

#### **Proven Principles for Reducing Recidivism**

- ·Focus on high-risk offenders
- Frontload resources
- Use swift & certain sanctions
- Incorporate rewards and incentives
- · Combine surveillance with treatment

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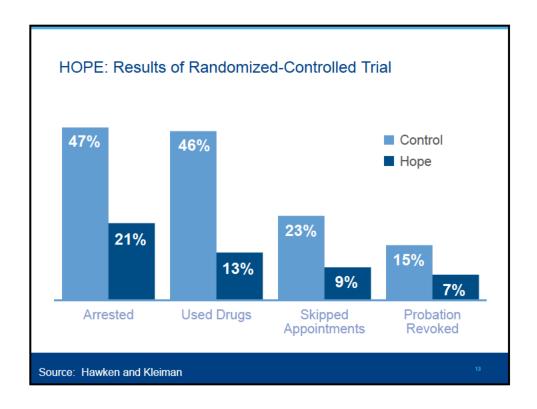
#### Hawaii's Opportunity Probation with Enforcement (HOPE)

- Created in 2004 by Judge Steven Alm of Hawaii's First Circuit
- Aims to reduce recidivism
- Rigorously evaluated



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## Containing the Prison Population: Focusing Prison Space on Chronic, Violent Offenders

Policy Area	State	Reform
Drug Crime	Arkansas Act 570 (2011)	Raises weight thresholds for lower-level possession, PWID and sales offenses, while retaining the felony designation for larger quantities and serial offenders.
Property Crime	Georgia HB 1176 (2012)	Creates a graduated scale of penalties for levels of theft based on the value of stolen items. Specifies different penalty ranges for burglary of un/occupied dwellings.
Earned Time	Kansas SB 14 (2007)	Provides for earned time off the prison portion of sentences for completion of education, vocation, or rehabilitation programs.
Parole	Mississippi HB 585 (2014)	Establishes presumptive parole, creating an expectation that an offender who meets all the requirements of his case plan will be released at his earliest eligibility date.

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## Reinvesting Savings: Performance Incentive Funding

A partnership between states and localities to align finances with policy goals.

#### **Issue statement**

When counties and probation/parole agencies reduce crime, recidivism and prison admissions, correctional savings accrue at the state prison level

#### Goal

Ensure counties and community corrections agencies have adequate resources to reduce recidivism and crime.

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PIF in the States				
	California	Ohio		
Outcome Measure	Reduce probation revocations	Reduce juvenile commitments and recidivism		
Funding Mechanism	40-45% of savings to county	Distributed by formula		
	High performance grants	Deductions for each day spent in a correctional facility		
Funding Awarded	FY2010 - \$45 million			
	FY 2011 - \$87.5 million	\$500 million since 1994		
	FY 2012 - \$136 million			
Outcome	32% reduction in prison commitments of felony probationers	80% reduction in juvenile admissions to DYS facilities		
	\$278 million in savings	\$11-\$45 in savings per dollar spent on RECLAIM programs		

