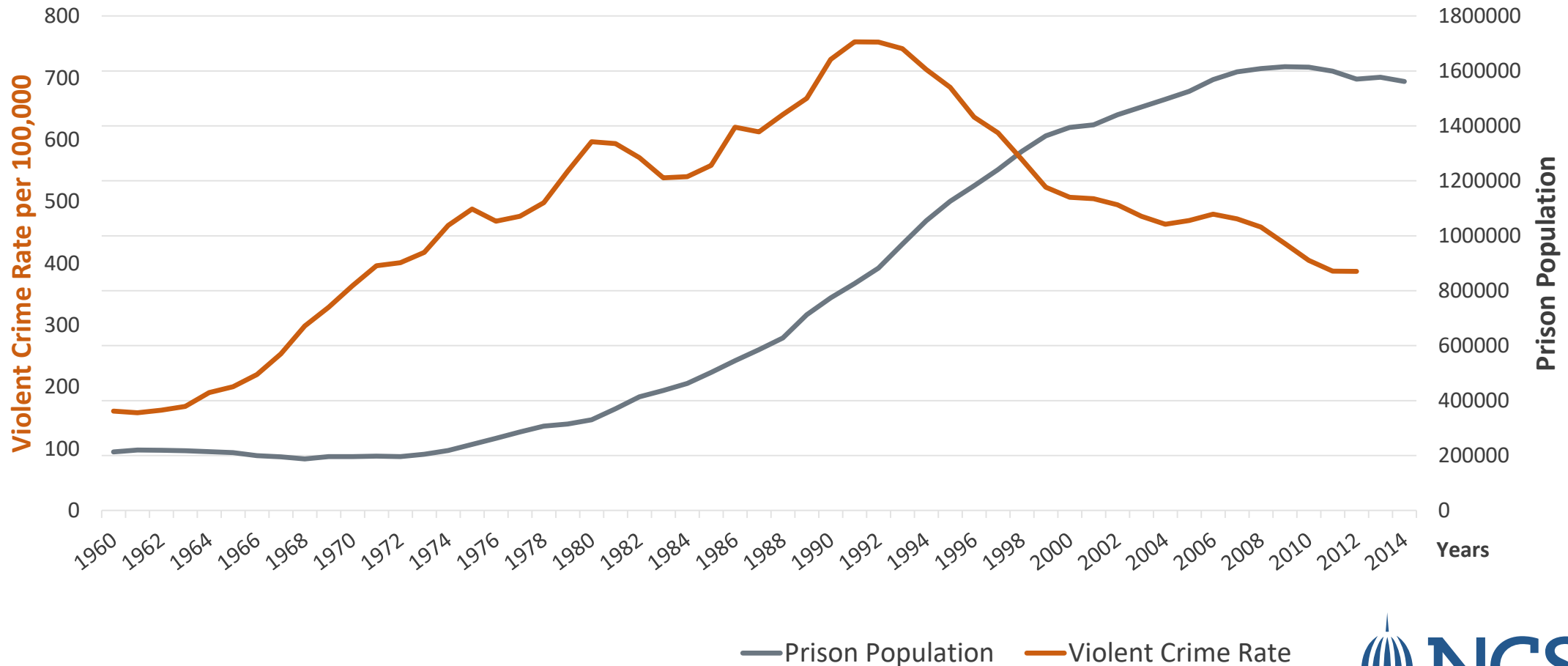

MONTANA LEGISLATIVE WEEK: PUBLIC SAFETY BREAKOUT

ALISON LAWRENCE, CRIMINAL JUSTICE PROGRAM DIRECTOR

JANUARY 15, 2020

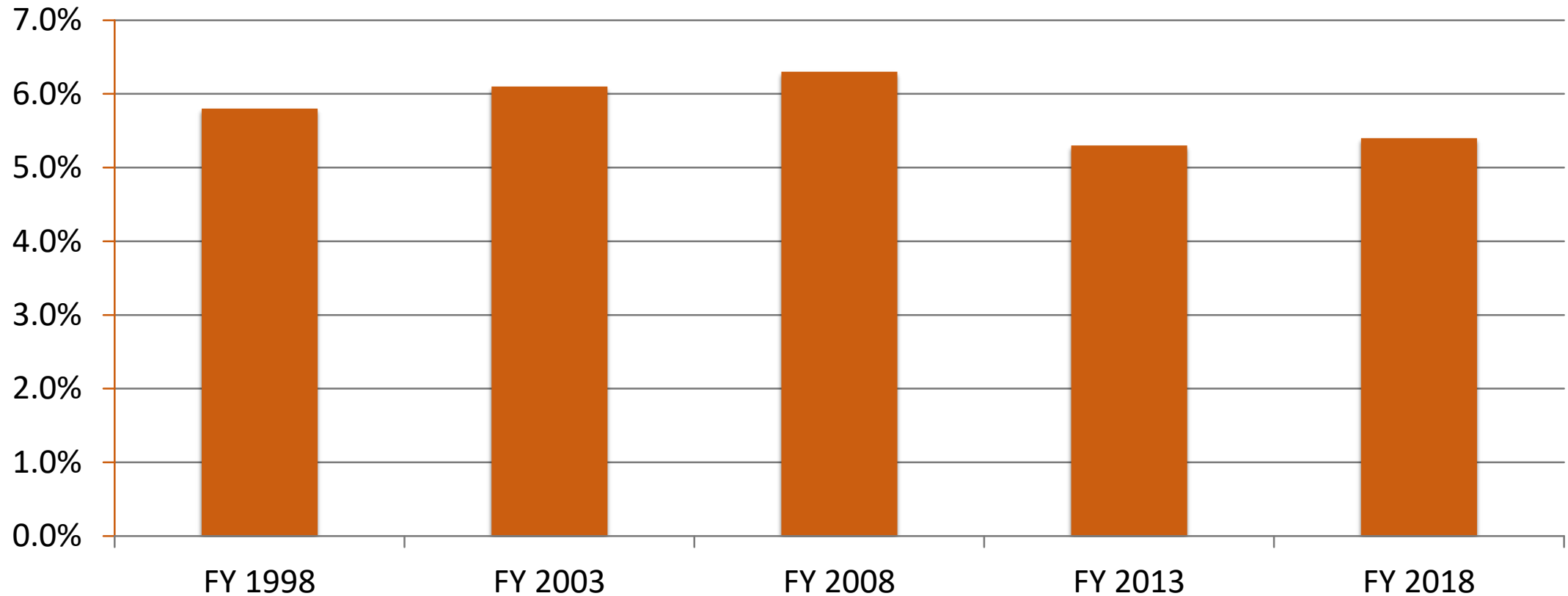


PRISON POPULATION & CRIME RATE



Source: FBI Uniform Crime Reporting & federal Bureau of Justice Statistics, 2015

STATE CORRECTIONS BUDGETS: PORTION OF GF SPENDING

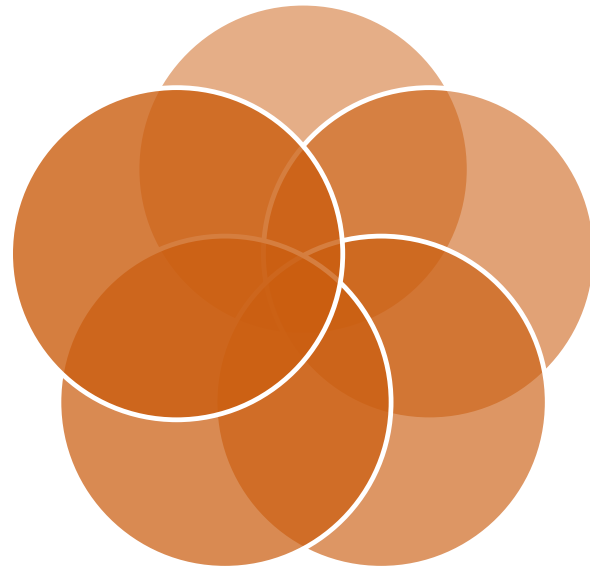


Source: NCSL, 2017

SUPPORT FOR REFORM

Rehabilitation

Fair chances



Fiscal
responsibility

Less government

Research-based

PUBLIC OPINION

MULTI-BRANCH
RECOMMENDATIONS

NEARLY
UNANIMOUS VOTES



NATIONAL CONFERENCE OF STATE LEGISLATURES

CJ REFORM COMMON DENOMINATORS

- ✓ Data-Driven
- ✓ Cross-Governmental
- ✓ Bipartisan
- ✓ Results Measured
- ✓ **JRI**



MEASURING RESULTS

GOALS OF REFORM

- Control Correctional Populations
- Maintain Public Safety
- Reduce Recidivism
- Hold Offenders Accountable
- Manage Corrections Spending

PERFORMANCE MEASURES

- Prison Population
- Probation, Parole & Jail Populations
- Crime & Recidivism Rate
- Corrections Spending
- Costs Avoided



MEASURING RESULTS

“As chair of the oversight council, I am often asked if the PSIA is working. Such a seemingly innocuous question has no simple answer, for the PSIA houses dozens of individual yet interconnected, reforms with their own performance measures.

A better question to ask is if the reforms are on the path to meet the goals and performance measure of the legislation.”

Laurie Feiler, South Dakota, chair, Public Safety Improvement Act Oversight Council,
Deputy Secretary of Corrections

MEASURING RESULTS: STATE EXPERIENCES

FUNDING REFORM

Justice Reinvestment Initiative

\$550 million invested (22 states FY10-FY17)

- ✓ \$156 million: community based treatment & services
- ✓ \$154 million: community supervision
- ✓ \$11 million: pretrial practices

SUSTAINING RESULTS

Justice Reinvestment Initiative

\$1.1 billion in preliminary savings or averted costs
(24 states 2010-2016)

- ✓ Georgia \$113 million averted from prison to accountability courts
- ✓ Idaho \$19.4 million avoided costs due to fewer bed days
- ✓ South Dakota net gain \$28,004,746