

# Reducing Racial & Ethnic Disparities

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## Data Collection and Analysis

# DMC is a Question, Not an Answer



Measuring DMC is like taking vital signs in a hospital emergency room

- it doesn't identify illness or tell you how to treat it
- it alerts you to potential problems and tells you where to focus your diagnostic efforts

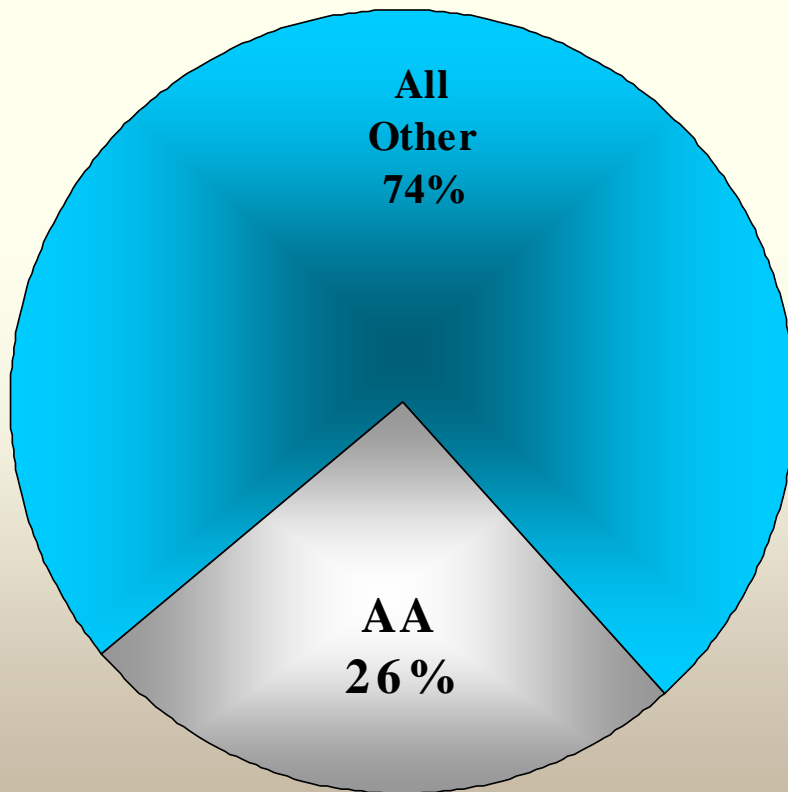
# What This Project Is



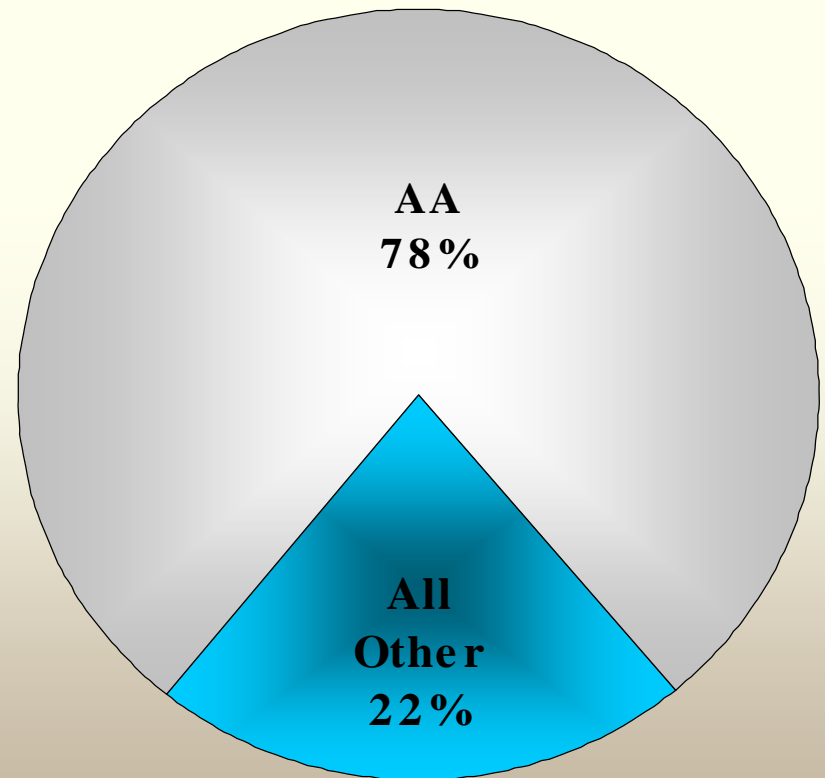
- Data Driven
  - Search for clues
  - Detention data, Police data
- Intentional/Deliberate
  - Look for “pockets”

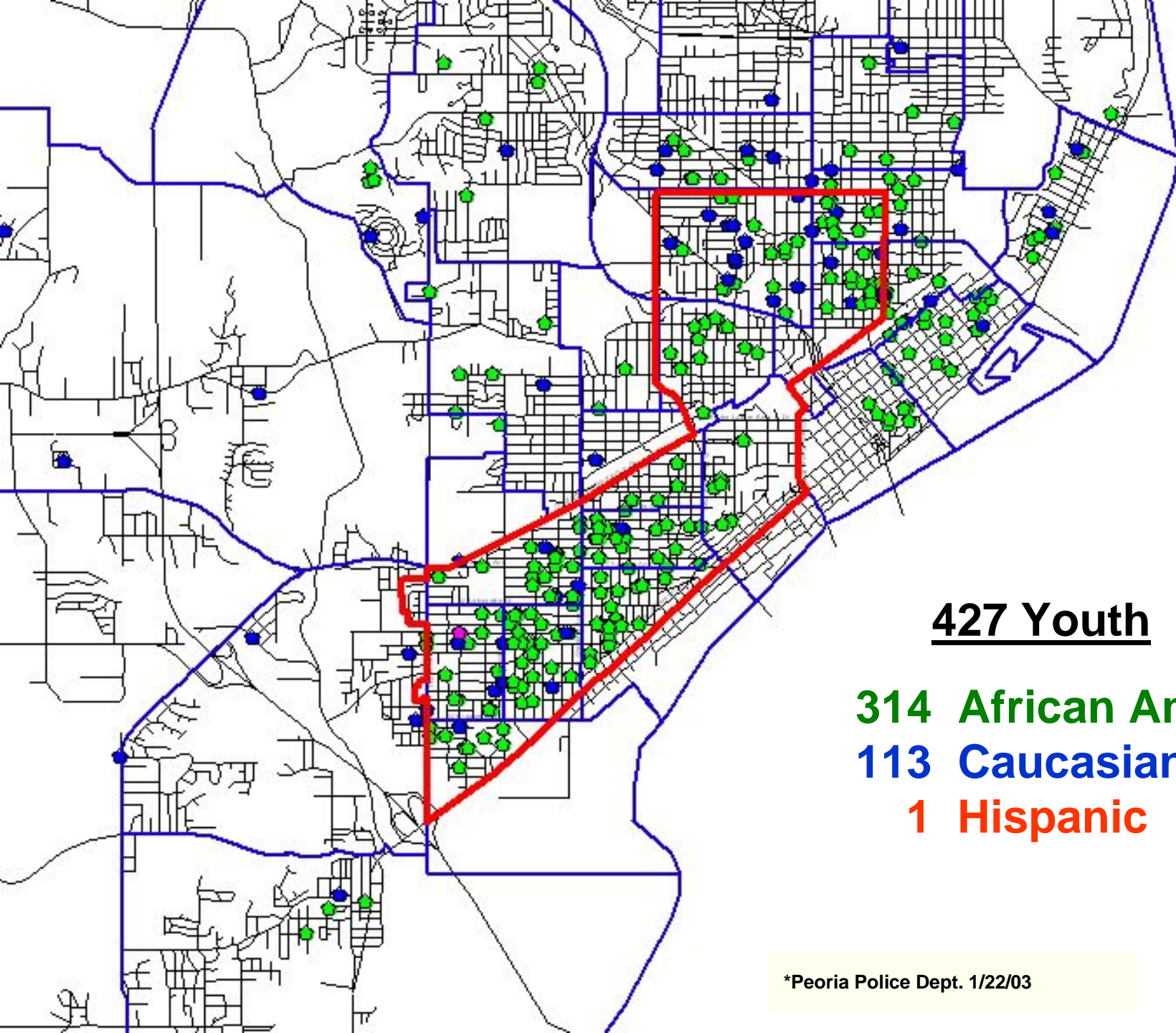
# Disproportionality-Peoria County

Total Youth Population 2002



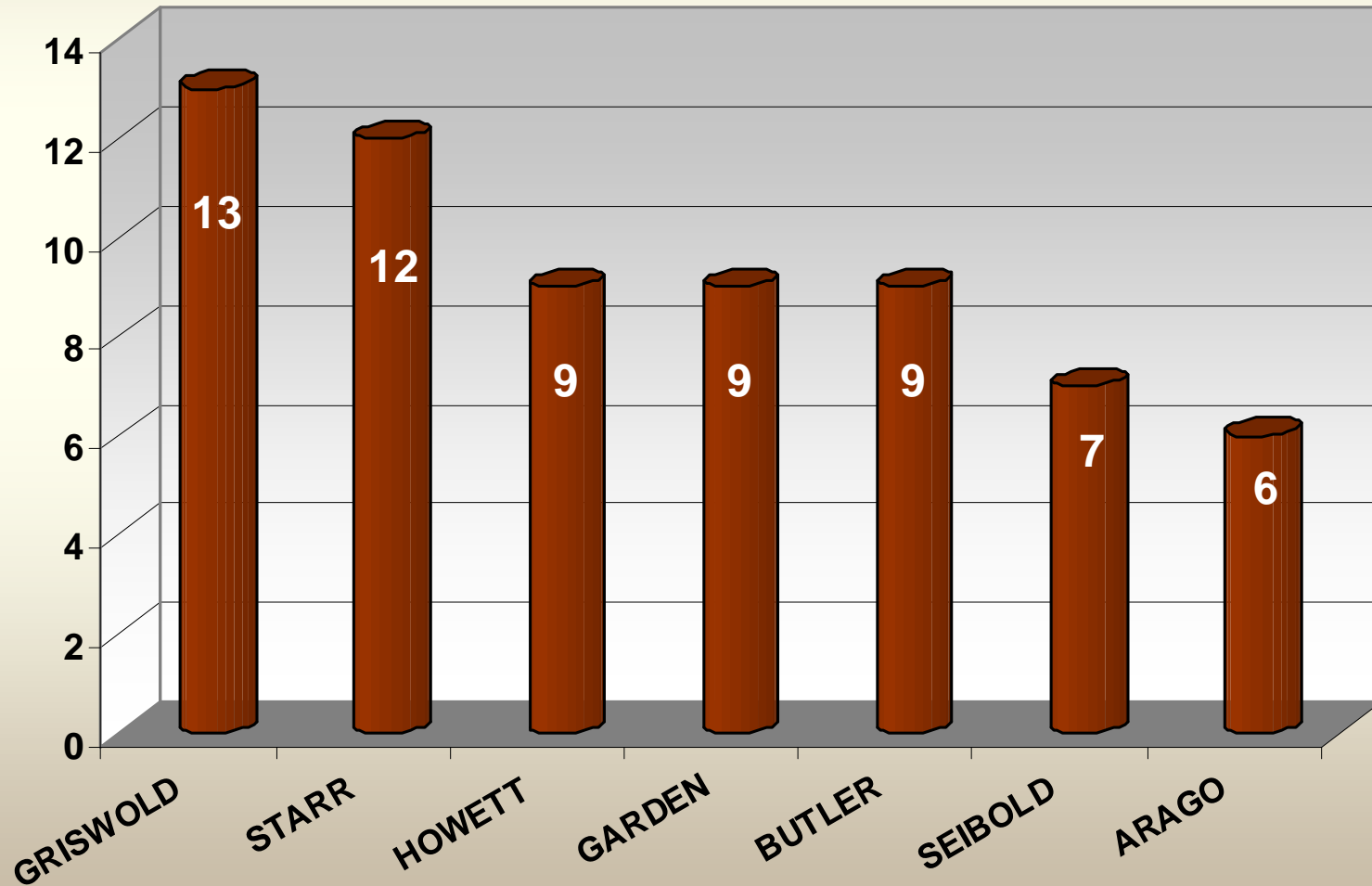
Youth in Confinement 2002





\*Peoria Police Dept. 1/22/03

# INCIDENTS PER LOCATION



\*Source – Peoria Police Department

2001

# Manual High School



# **SURVEY RESULTS**

**470 STUDENTS**

Survey conducted 9/03

## **5th & 8th GRADE**

(Concerns included)

- **Fear of Kidnapping**
- **Fear of Rape**
- **Fear of Shooting /Killing**

## **FRESHMAN**

(Concerns included)

- **Gangs**
- **Drugs**
- **Fear of Shooting /Killing**

## **COMMON THEME: FIGHTING**

Nearly half (45.8%) of the students reported they would use violence as an approach to deal with anger toward someone.

# Focus Groups

Conducted 12/03, 1/04

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- **COMMON THEME : FIGHTING**
  - Fighting over “*he said, she said*” issues
  - Fights don’t begin at school
  - Feeling unsafe because of fighting
- **CONSISTENCIES:**
  - Student responses were consistent with those of the Assistant Superintendent and school police Chief when interviewed.

# Recommendations

Community Activities  
for Youth

Conflict Resolution

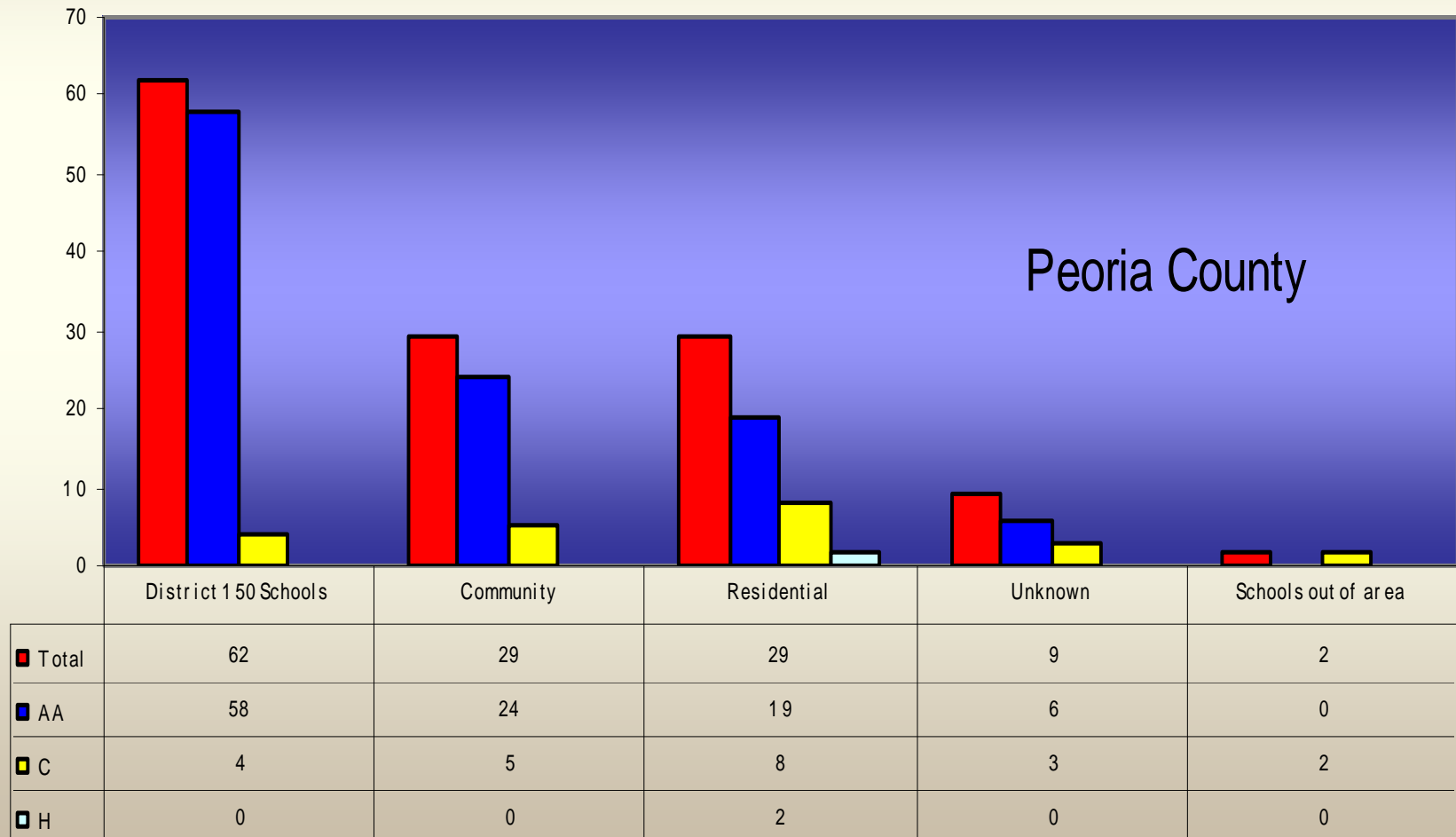
# 2004 Detention Statistics

- **Admitted Peoria County Youth** **828**
- **Youth Released within 40 Hrs.** **360 (44%)**  
(at or before the Detention Hearing – not including those referred to an alternative)  
**REVOLVING DOOR**
  - **78% were African American**
  - **Top Offense: Aggravated Battery 131 (36%)**
  - **64 (49%) Agg. Batt. Occurred at a school**
- **Detained Longer than 40 Hours** **234 (28%)**

# LOCATION OF CRIME

1/05

## 2004 Aggravated Battery Offenses



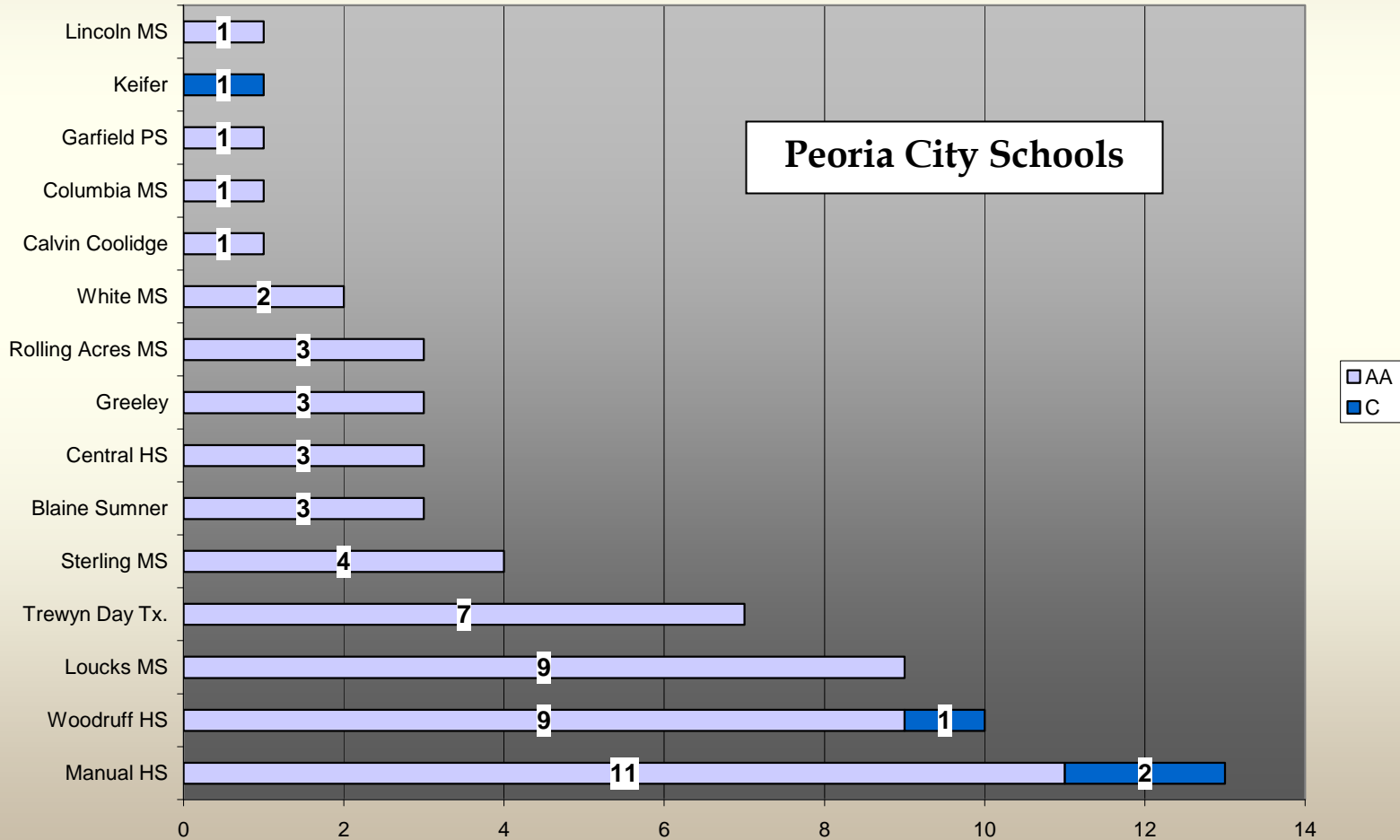
\*Source – 2004 Peoria County JDC YTD Report

# 2004 Aggravated Battery Offenses Total: 62

## Youth Released Within 40 Hours

1/05

Location of Offense



# Recommendations

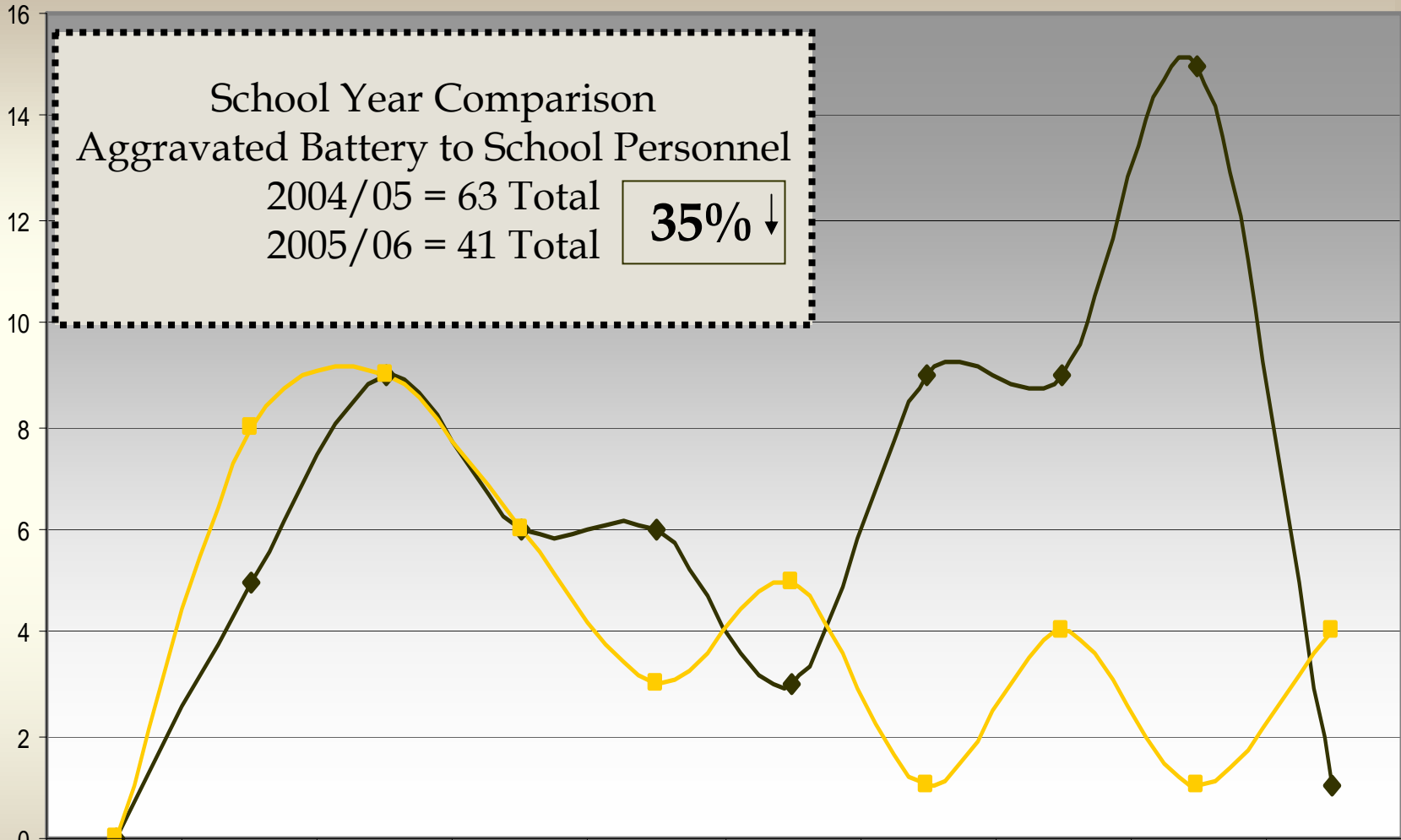
Alternative Discipline  
Options for Schools

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# So Far.....

- 5 Circles trainings
- 5 Schools
- 87 Teachers trained



◆ 2004/05  
 ■ 2005/06

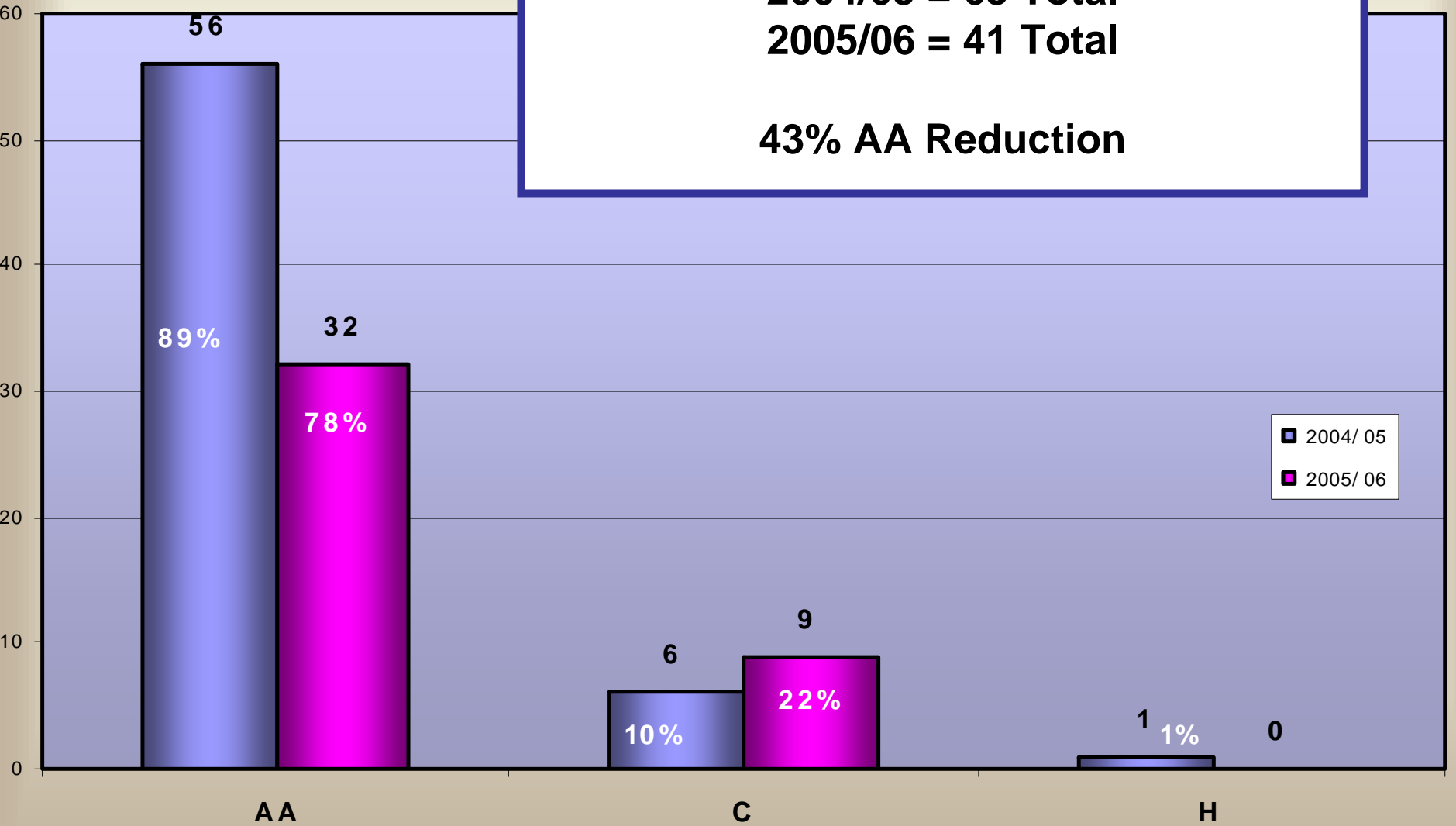
	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May
2004/05	0	5	9	6	6	3	9	9	15	1
2005/06	0	8	9	6	3	5	1	4	1	4

# School Year Comparison by Race Aggravated Battery to School Personnel

2004/05 = 63 Total

2005/06 = 41 Total

43% AA Reduction

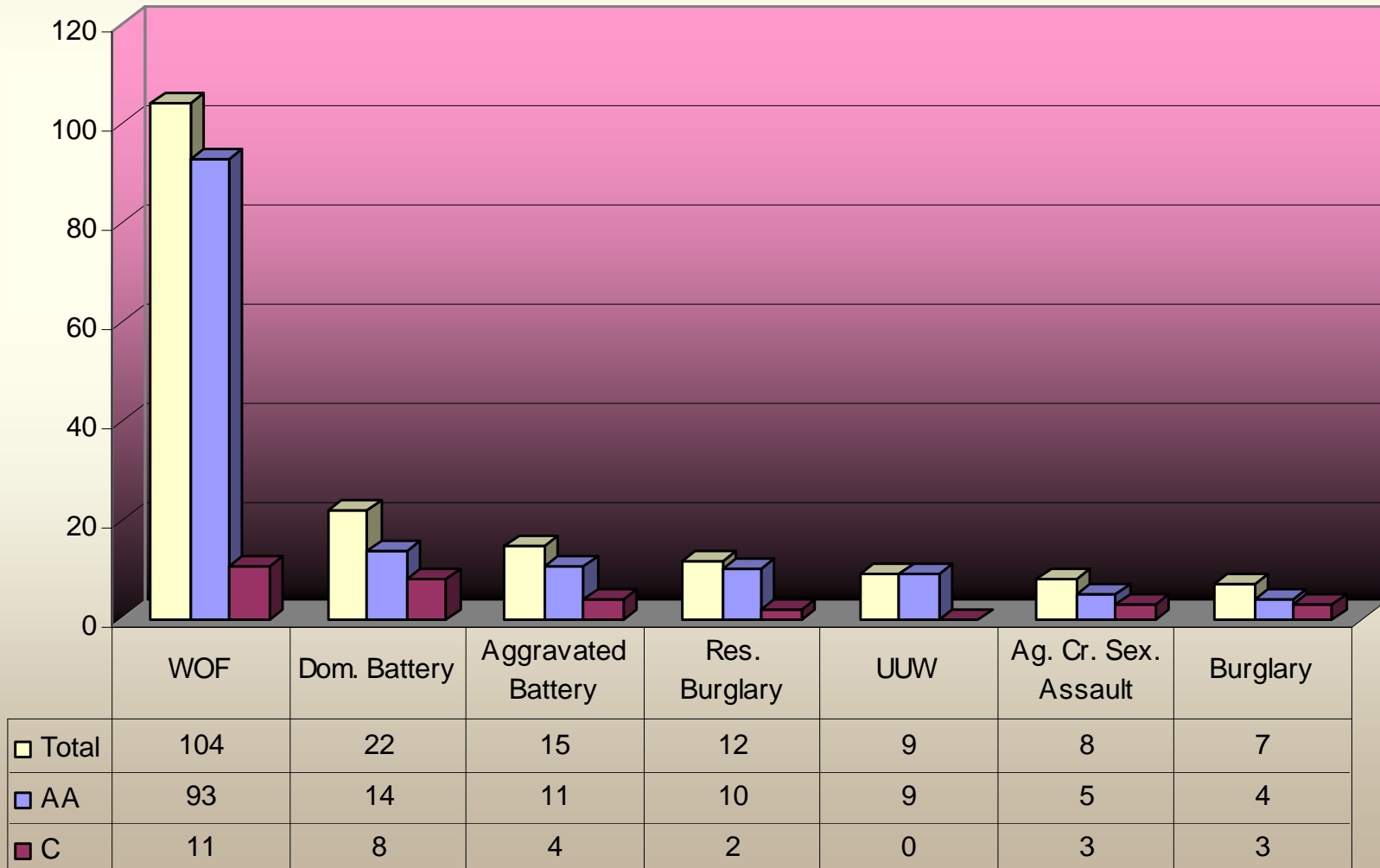


# 2004 Detained Longer than 40 Hours

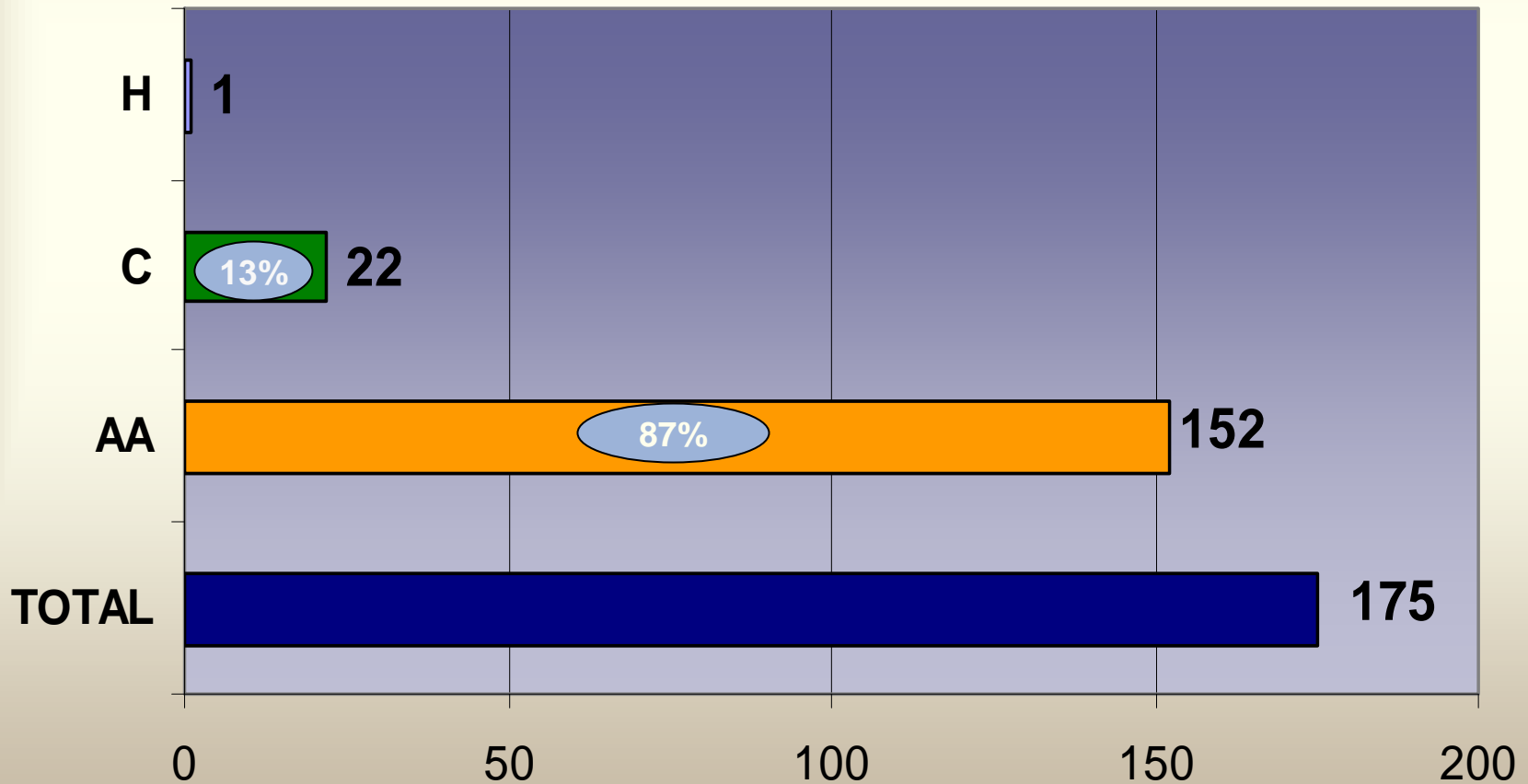
## Top Offenses by Race

Peoria County, IL

1/05



# 2004 WARRANTS BY RACE



# REASONS FOR WARRANT

\*Source – 2004 Peoria County JDC YTD Report

\*Failure to Appear

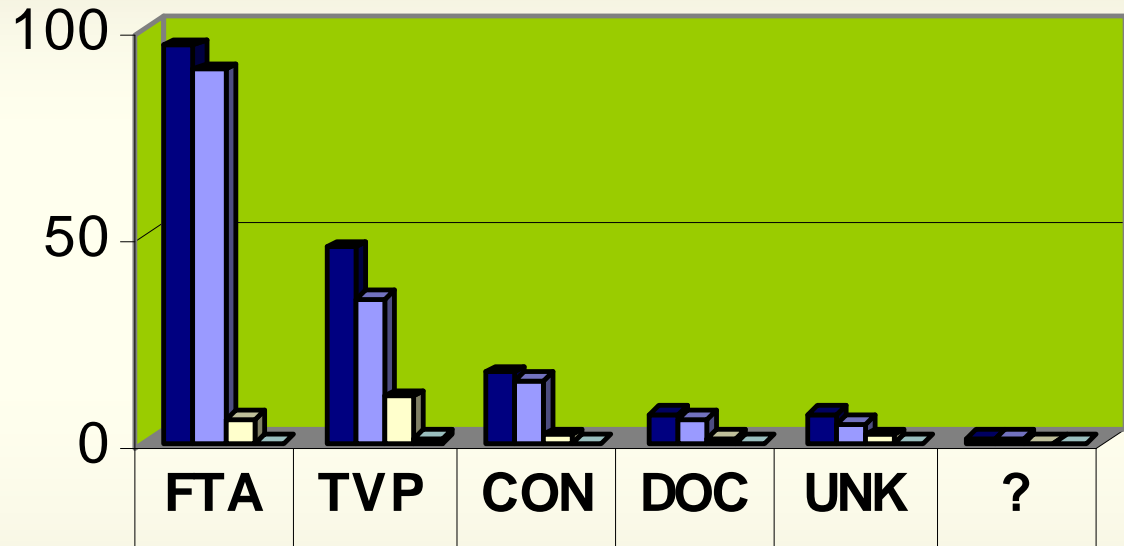
\*Technical Violation  
of Probation

\* Contempt

\* Dept. of Corrections

\* Unknown

\* Whereabouts Unk.



	FTA	TVP	CON	DOC	UNK	?
<b>COUNT</b>	96	47	17	7	7	1
<b>AA</b>	90	35	15	6	5	1
<b>C</b>	6	11	2	1	2	0
<b>H</b>	0	1	0	0	0	0

55%

27%

10%

4%

4%

.6%

# Recommendations

- Review Warrant Process
    - Reschedule Failures to Appear
    - 2-Tier Warrant
  - Risk Assessment Instrument Adjustments
    - Automatic Holds
    - Further Define Aggravated Battery
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