The jail population has fallen by 67% since its peak in 1991, while crime has continued to decline.

Since 2013:
• Total admissions are down 46%, from 80,500 to 43,400 in 2018.
• Average number of people in jail on any given day has dropped 39%, from 11,696 in 2013 to 7,109 in September 2019.
  * Crime is down 15% and murders are down 11%.

Jail population reductions, alongside crime reductions, over the past five years have been achieved by a combination of factors, including:
• Diversions from pretrial detention
• Alternatives to city sentences
• Clearing the oldest cases in the system
• Making it easier to pay bail
• Declines in crime overall and reductions in arrests

NYC HAS THE LOWEST INCARCERATION RATE OF ANY LARGE CITY IN AMERICA

Sources: NYC DOC; MOCJ analysis of DOC data.  
Source: MOCJ Analysis, estimated incarceration rate per 100,000 residents 15-64 years old—last updated August 2019.
In 2017, the City projected the jail population would reach 7,500 by 2022 and 5,000 by 2027 [Smaller Safer Fairer]. The city is well ahead of this, reaching a population of 7,500 earlier in 2019. In August 2019, the jail population fell below 7,000 for the first time since 1980.

Based on changes in the bail law and investments in citywide pretrial and sentencing diversion as well as reentry services, the City now projects an even lower jail population: 3,300 by 2026. The projections anticipate:

- People admitted pre-trial will decrease from 34,000 now to 9,500 - 12,000/year
- Many fewer people charged with misdemeanors and non-violent felonies will be in jail. Because under the new bail reform bill effective January 1, 2020, judges will have limited ability to detain or set bail for people charged with these offenses. Additionally, for those charged with a violent felony, judges must consider non-monetary release options and a defendant's ability to pay bail.
- A small proportion of individuals will enter jail due to open warrants or new felony arrests.
- Number of city sentenced individuals will continue to decline
- Detention for alleged technical violations of State Parole will reduce
- Crime will continue to decline

The Jail Population in NYC: 3,300 by 2026

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*Numbers rounded to nearest 5