

# Jail Capacity Management Plan

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*Multnomah County Sheriff's Office*

*July 2017*

# JCMP: Why Today Matters

- The Jail Capacity Management Plan (JCMP) reflects compliance with law, budget authorization, professional public safety operation, and community expectation
- Domino-effect consequences of noncompliance impact:
  - Fiscal Responsibility (operating within authorization)
  - Legal Obligations (jail conditions)
  - Public Safety (victim notification)



## JCMP: Recent [Budget] History

- *September 2016* – Reduction in funding (closure of Dorm 4); authorized capacity went from 1310 to 1251
- *November 2016* – Board approved Resolution 2016-114 to reflect change in authorized capacity and update procedures (early warning notification)
- *December 2016* – Board authorized funding to keep Dorm 5 open through July 2017
- *July 2017* – Reduction in funding (closure of Dorm 5); authorized capacity went from 1251 to 1192 (MCDC:448, MCIJ:744)

## JCMP: Early Warning Notice

- If the number of adults in custody housed within a County facility exceeds 90% of the population limit *and* the Sheriff believes the population will remain at or above that threshold for more than 24 hours, MCSO provides an early warning notice
- Notice will be sent to MCSO personnel, criminal justice system partners, County officials, asking for review of jail bed usage and considerations of appropriate alternatives
- July 3rd: Early Warning notice issued; status maintained



# JCMP: Emergency Population Notice

- If number of adults in custody within a County facility reaches 95% of the population limit, MCSO provides emergency population notice
- Notice will be sent to MCSO personnel, criminal justice system partners, County officials, directing immediate use of alternatives to jail; notice will also be sent announcing the return to normal operational levels
- July:
  - 10<sup>th</sup>: Emergency population notice issued
  - 11<sup>th</sup>: Emergency population notice rescinded
  - MCSO remained in Early Warning status
  - 17<sup>th</sup>: Emergency population notice issued



# JCMP: Emergency Population Procedure

- Upon issuing notice, MCSO develops a prioritized list of adults in custody based on a variety of scoring criteria, in anticipation of a coordinated release:
  - Risk to self or others,
  - Criminal charges,
  - Prior criminal justice system history (failure to appear, probation conditions),
  - Classification assessment (medical)



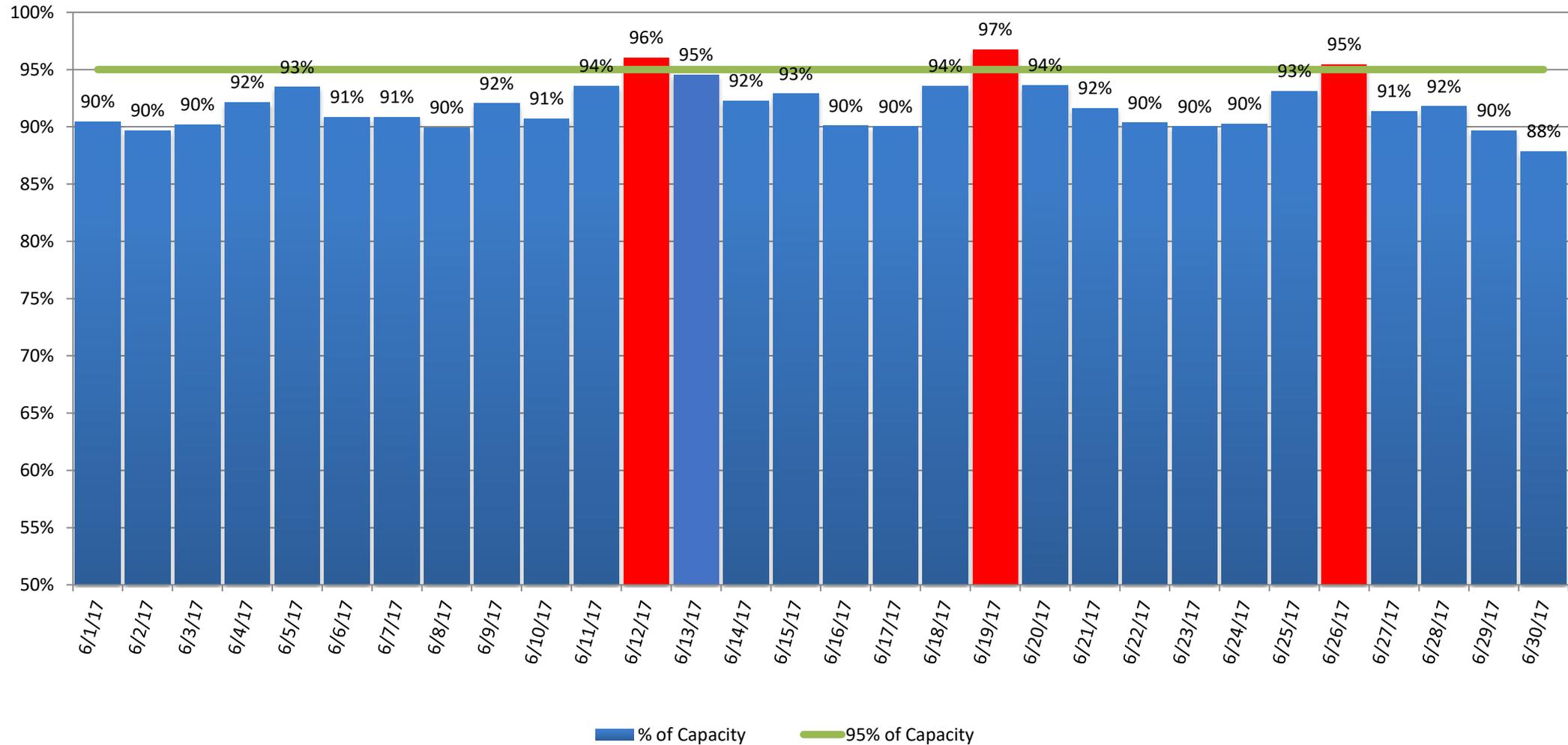
# JCMP: Recent Population Trends

- Standard Bookings:
  - As standard bookings go up, daily jail population goes up
  - PPB represents the majority of standard bookings
  - Other variables: DA charges, Court docket, and DCJ sanctions
- June: Retroactively applying a funded capacity of 1192
  - Early Warning (90% capacity): All but one day
  - Emergency Population (95% capacity): 3 days
- July: Managing a funded capacity of 1192
  - Early Warning (90% capacity): All but one day
  - Emergency Population (95% capacity): 2 days



# Percentage of Jail Capacity Filled, June 2017

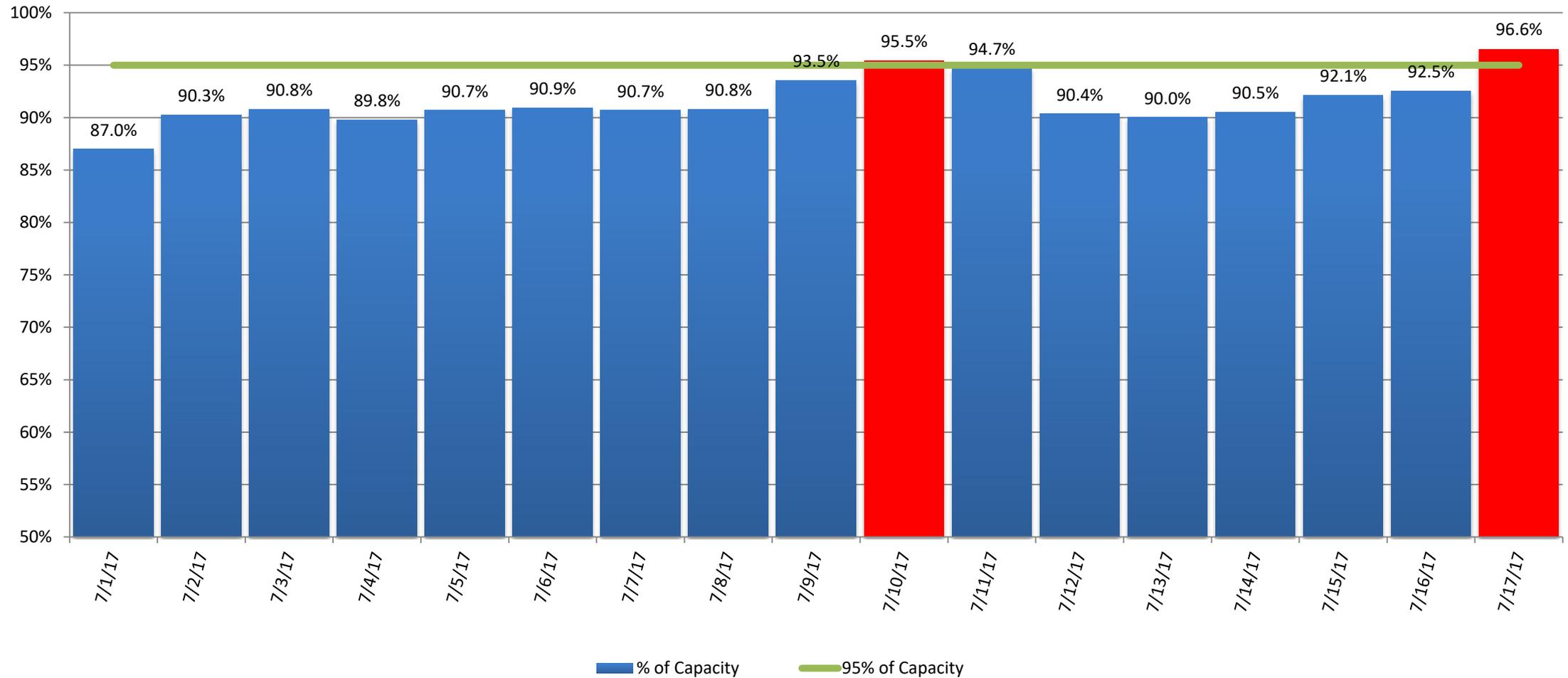
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Red bars indicate days at or above 95% capacity threshold.

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## JCMP: August and Everything After

- Daily population has a strong positive correlation with standard bookings, with some reliable seasonal variation
- Between 2014 and 2016, average standard bookings
  - Increased by 2.2% from June to July
  - Increased by an additional 1.3% from July to August
  - Decreased by 6.8% from August to September
- Given historical trends and holding other factors constant, average daily population is expected to hold or slightly increase for the remainder of July and August

# JCMP: MCSO Respectful Requests

- Today:
  - Recognize Early Warning/Emergency Population as the new normal
  - Approve the Resolution and the Jail Capacity Management Plan
  - Ensures compliance with the law and budget authorization
- Future:
  - Continually consider data regarding jail population
  - Communicate with MCSO through early warning notification
  - Work with MCSO to manage emergency population status

