



**PSA Performance Outcomes – FY 2016-2020**

In Washington, DC, the vast majority of persons arrested and awaiting trial are released, either on their own personal recognizance or to the supervision of the Pretrial Services Agency for the District of Columbia (PSA). Below are release rates for fiscal years (FY) 2016 through 2020.

<b>Fiscal Year</b>	<b>Release Rate</b>
2016	94%
2017	94%
2018	94%
2019	94%
2020	92% <sup>1</sup>
<b>Average</b>	<b>94%</b>

PSA measures its performance using four key outcomes: judicial concurrence rate, arrest-free rate, appearance rate and continued pretrial release.

<b>Outcome</b>	<b>Target</b>	<b>FY 2016</b>	<b>FY 2017</b>	<b>FY 2018</b>	<b>FY 2019</b>	<b>FY 2020</b>
<b>Judicial Concurrence Rate</b> <i>Percentage of cases in which initial release orders match PSA recommendations.</i>	<b>70%</b>	72%	76%	81%	78%	79%
<b>Arrest-Free Rate</b> <i>Percentage of defendants who remain arrest free during the pretrial period.</i>	<b>88%</b>	88%	86%	87%	87%	88%
<b>Appearance Rate</b> <i>Percentage of defendants who make all scheduled court appearances during the pretrial period.</i>	<b>87%</b>	91%	88%	87%	88%	91%
<b>Continued Pretrial Release</b> <i>Percentage of defendants who remain on release at the conclusion of their pretrial period without a pending request for removal or revocation due to non-compliance.</i>	<b>85%</b>	88%	87%	85%	87%	85%

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<sup>1</sup> The observed reduction in the release rate is due to the COVID-19 pandemic. In most years, there are more misdemeanor cases filed than felony cases. Misdemeanor filings tend to result in higher rates of release. In FY 2020, the total number of felony cases filed was similar to that seen in FY2019; however, there was a 41% decrease in misdemeanor cases filed, resulting in an overall reduction in the release rate.