



Racial Disparities of Youth in Multnomah County

RRIs (Relative Rate Index) and Counts

25,846 Youth of Color
Population in 2015

 = 100 youths

Path in the Criminal Justice System

Decision Point 1

Refer to Juvenile Court

Youth of Color are 1.70* times more likely to be referred.

Today's Numbers Youth of Color



1,405 youths

What would equity look like?

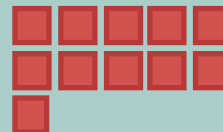


827 youths

Decision Point 2

Cases Diverted

Youth of Color are 0.91 times less likely to have their case diverted out of the criminal justice system.



1,098 youths



1,203 youths

Decision Point 3

Cases Involving Secure Detention

Youth of Color are 1.68 times more likely to have their case involve Secure Detention.



448 youths



266 youths

Decision Point 4

Cases Petitioned (Charges Filed)

Youth of Color are 1.44 times more likely to have charges filed.



348 youths



242 youths

*See other side for RRI Definition

Data Source: OYA Reports Database 00471

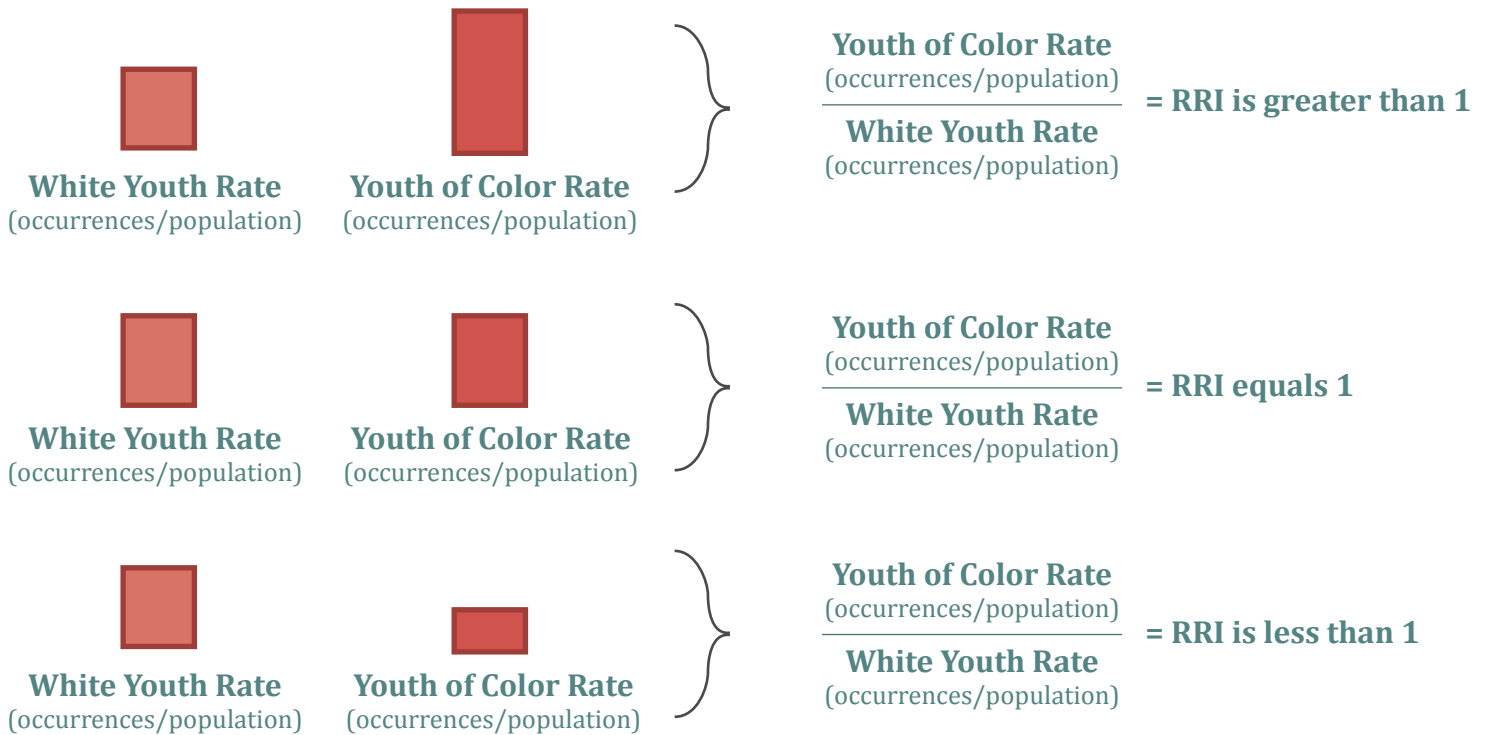
Disclaimer: RRIs document disparities but additional exploration is needed to determine the source of the differences.

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What is an RRI?

The Relative Rate Index (RRI) is a helpful way to compare the experiences of different groups of youth within the juvenile justice system. Whenever groups are treated equally – both will have an RRI equal to “1.” This is true even when one group of youth is larger than the other group of youth. When the RRI is not equal to “1,” one group of youth is receiving different treatment relative to the other.



A Look at the 2015 Population Statistics in Multnomah County

		White Youth Counts	Youth of Color Counts	RRI
	Youth Population (ages 10 through 17)	37,780	25,846	-
Decision Point 1	Refer to Juvenile Court Police	1,209	1,405	1.70
Decision Point 2	Cases Diverted Juvenile Services & District Attorney	1,035	1,098	0.91
Decision Point 3	Cases Involving Secure Detention Includes Measure 11 Juvenile Services & Judges	229	448	1.68
Decision Point 4	Cases Petitioned (Charges Filed) District Attorney	208	348	1.44