

Impacts of Realignment and Proposition 47: Statewide and in Los Angeles County

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Presentation overview

- Introduction to the BSCC-PPIC Multi-County Study (MCS)
- Impacts of Realignment and Prop 47 on:
 - Jail and probation populations
 - Recidivism outcomes
 - Violent and property crime rates
- Next steps for the MCS

BSCC-PPIC Multi-County Study (MCS)



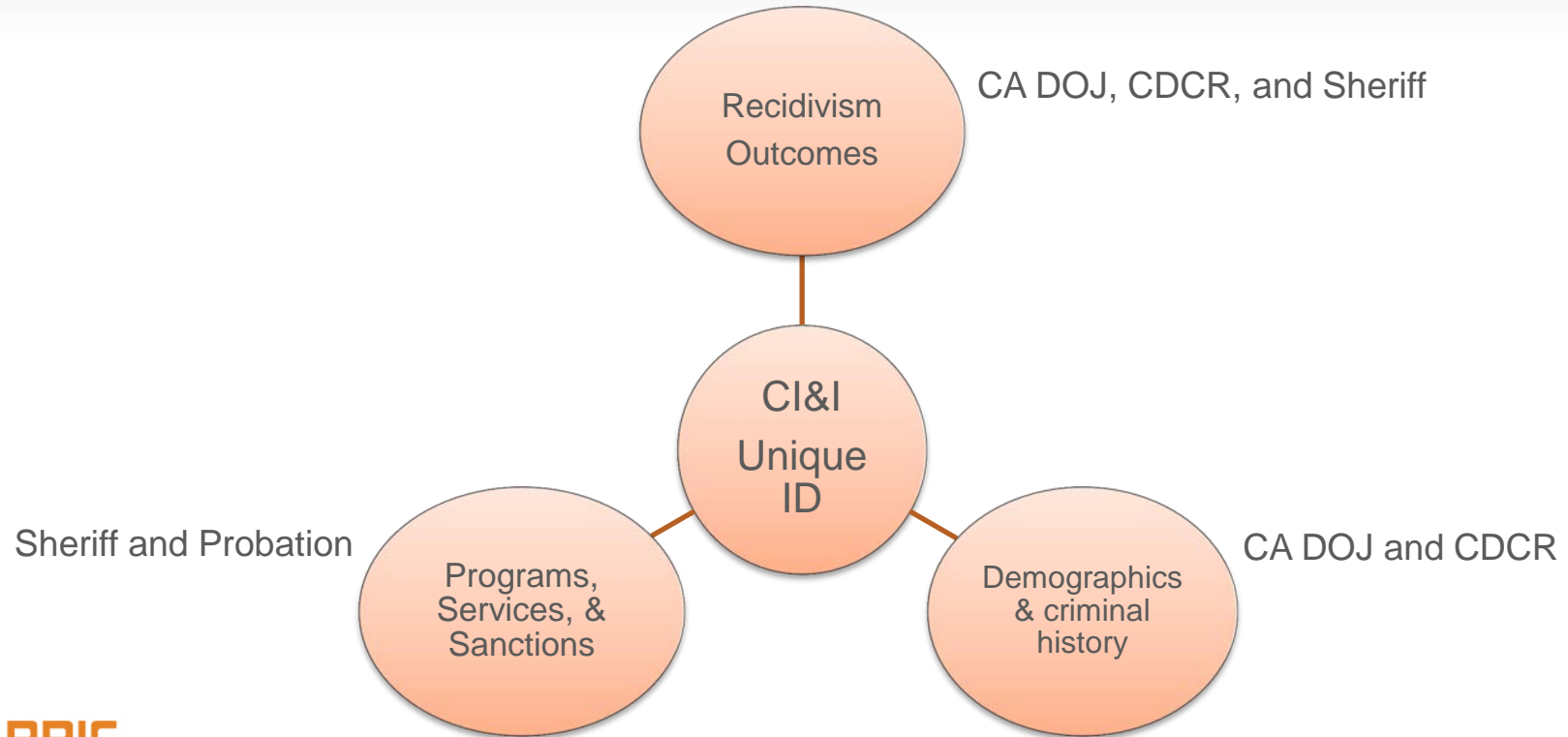
Additional engagement:

- California State Association of Counties
- County Administrative Officers Association of California
- California State Sheriffs' Association
- Chief Probation Officers of California
- California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation
- California Department of Justice

Goals motivating the MCS

- 1) Assess the effects of state policy reforms, including realignment and Prop 47, on correctional populations and recidivism.
- 2) Identify the most effective programs, services, and sanctions at the local level.
- 3) Assist counties with using their data for evaluation, resource allocation decisions, and program improvement.

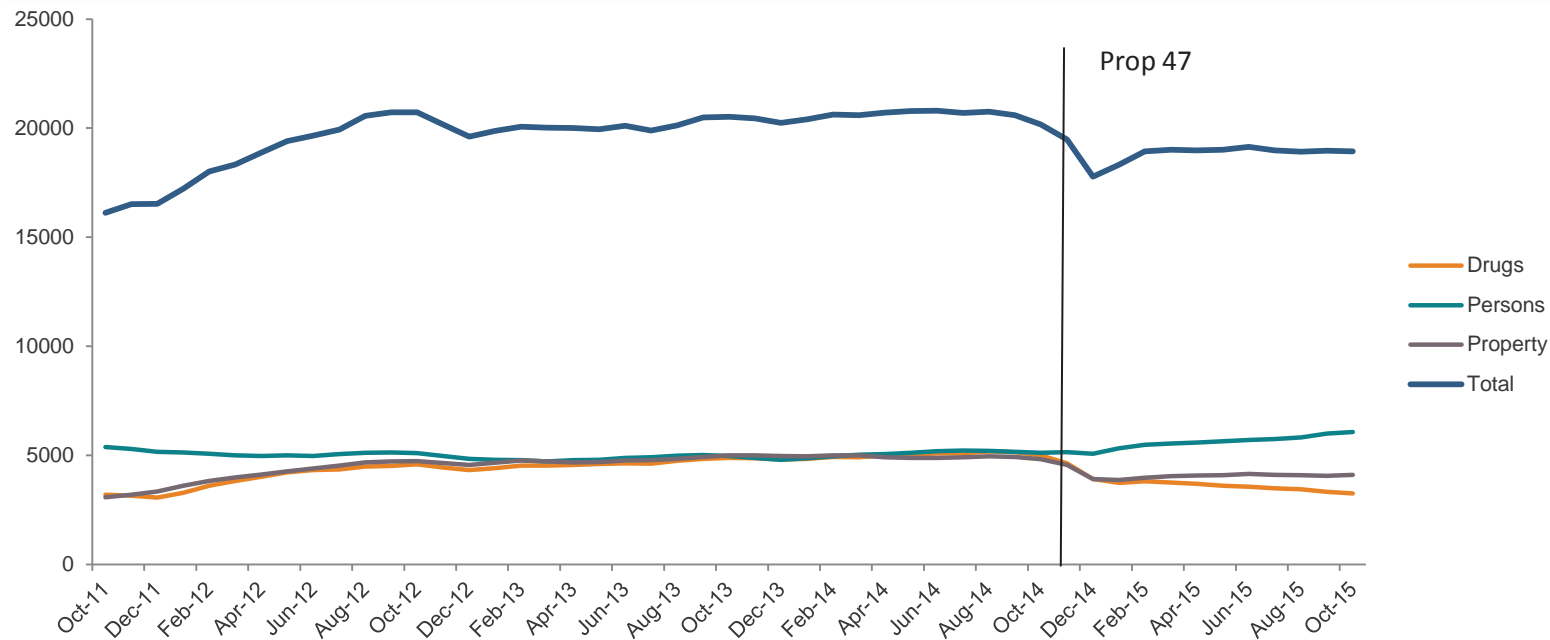
Types and sources of MCS data



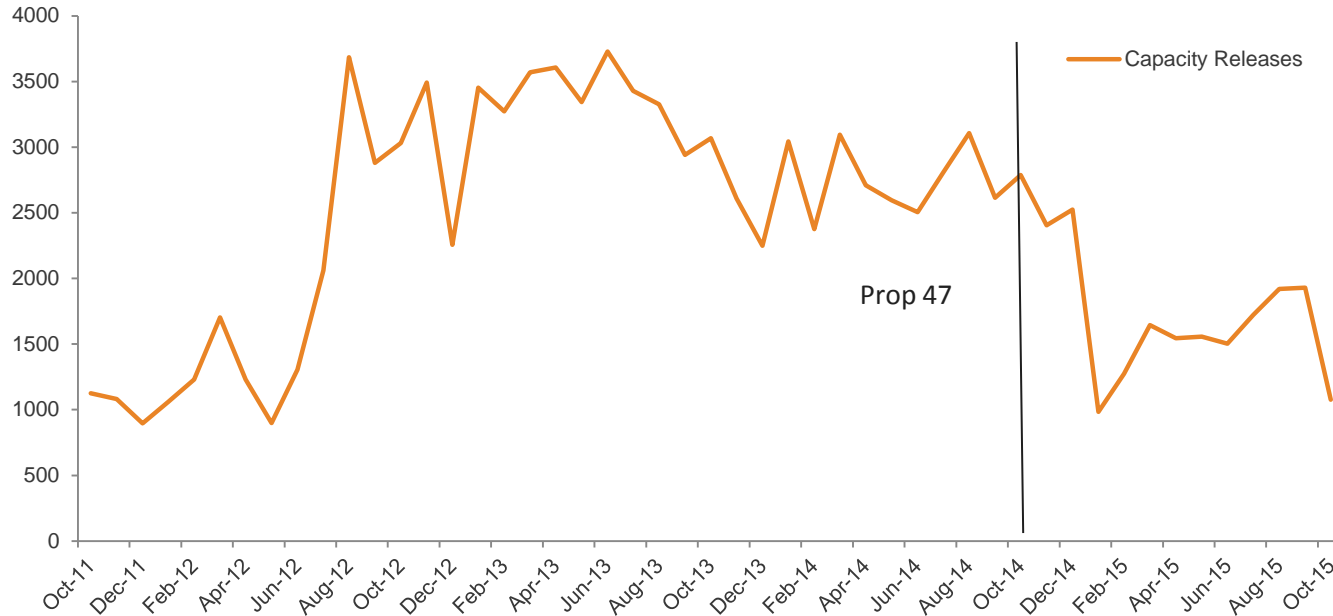
MCS research-to-date

- Changes in jail and probation populations:
 - [California County Jails in the Era of Reform](#)
 - [Expanding Healthcare Coverage in California: County Jails as Enrollment Sites](#)
 - [How has Proposition 47 Affected California's Jail Population?](#)
 - [Pretrial Release in California](#)
 - [Probation in the Era of Reform](#)
- Impacts of state-level reforms on recidivism and crime:
 - [Realignment and Recidivism in California](#)
 - [The Impact of Proposition 47 on Crime and Recidivism](#)

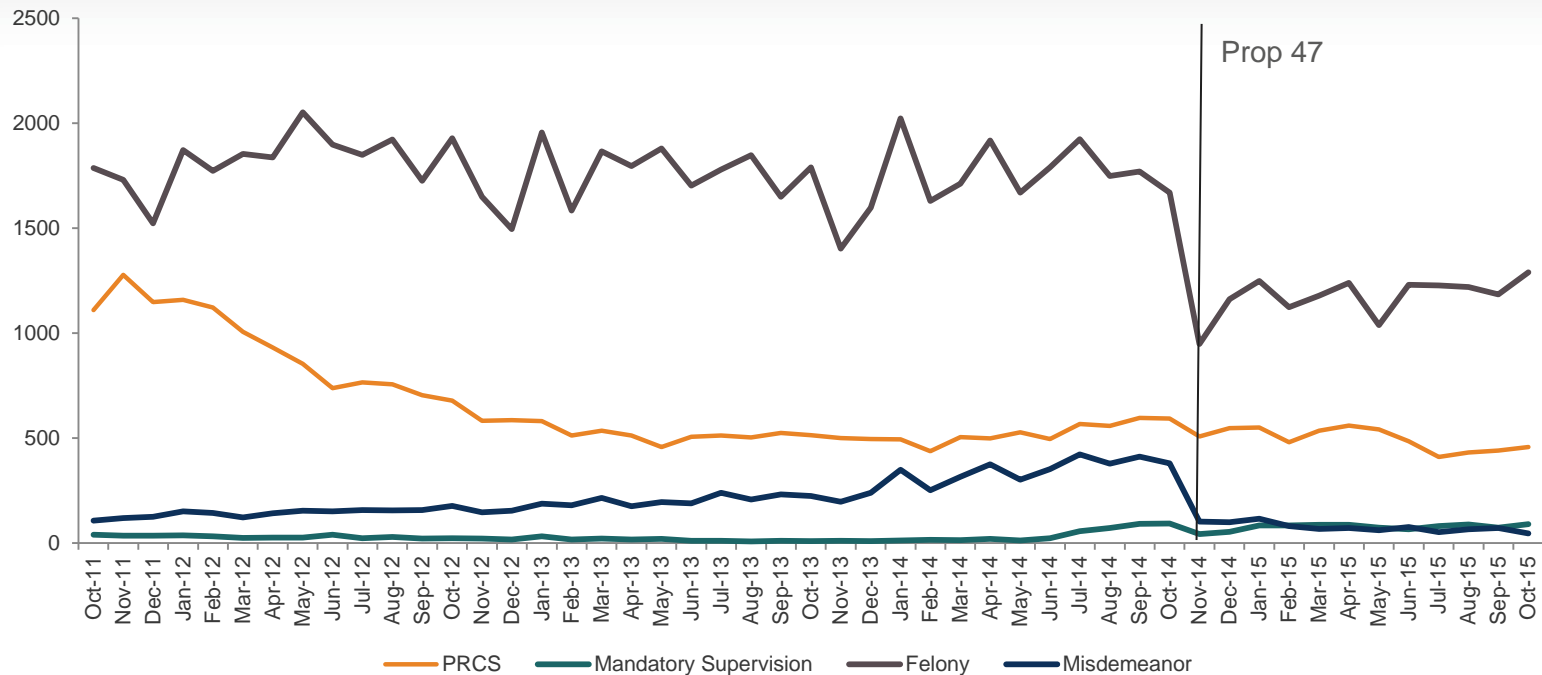
Jail ADP increased after realignment, but decreased after Prop 47



Capacity releases fell considerably following Prop 47



The number of new felony and misdemeanor probation cases declined after Prop 47



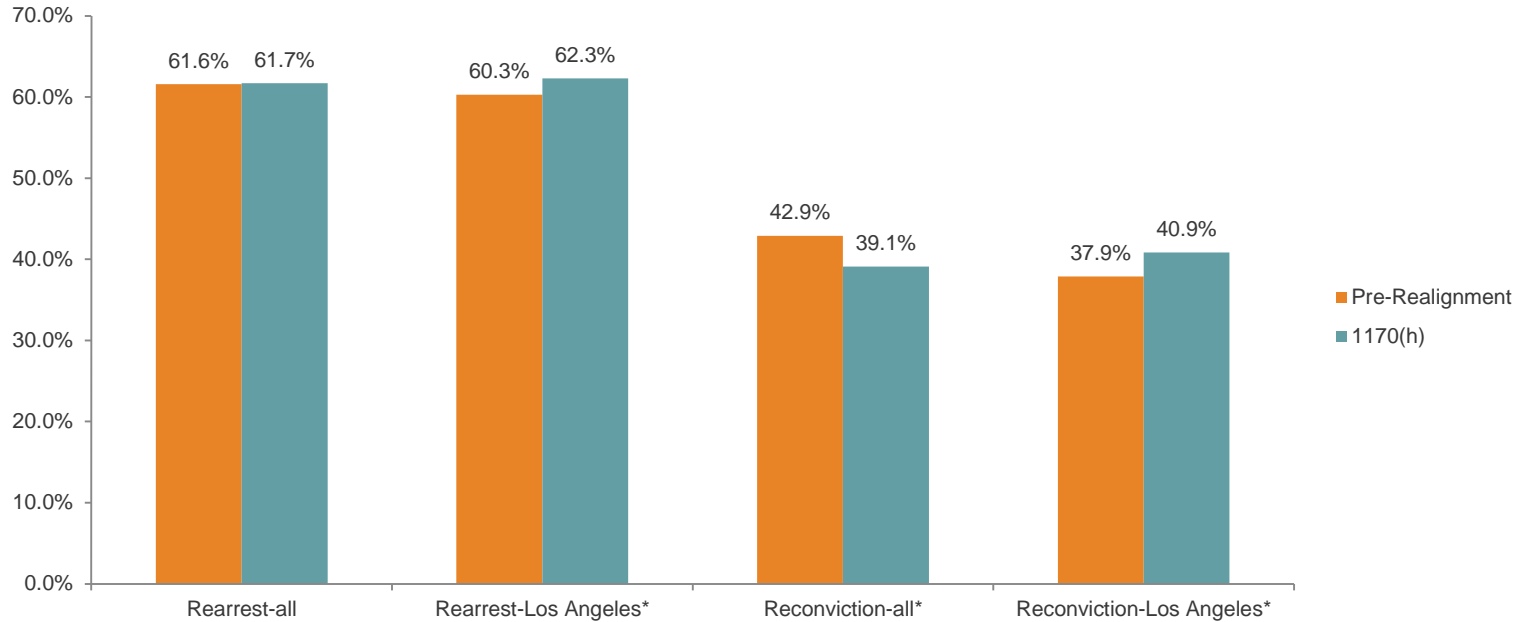
December 2017 PPIC Report: Did realignment affect recidivism?

- We examine the effect of realignment on recidivism outcomes for PRCS and 1170(h) offenders released in the MCS counties.
- We compare these post-realignment groups to individuals with similar characteristics released from prison pre-realignment.
 - Pre-realignment group: released Oct 2009 - Sept 2011
 - Post-realignment group: released Oct 2011 - Sept 2013
- We measure recidivism using rearrest and reconviction rates, adjusted for changes in the use of revocations.

PRCS offenders had higher recidivism rates compared with those released pre-realignment



1170(h) offenders in Los Angeles had higher recidivism rates than those released pre-realignment

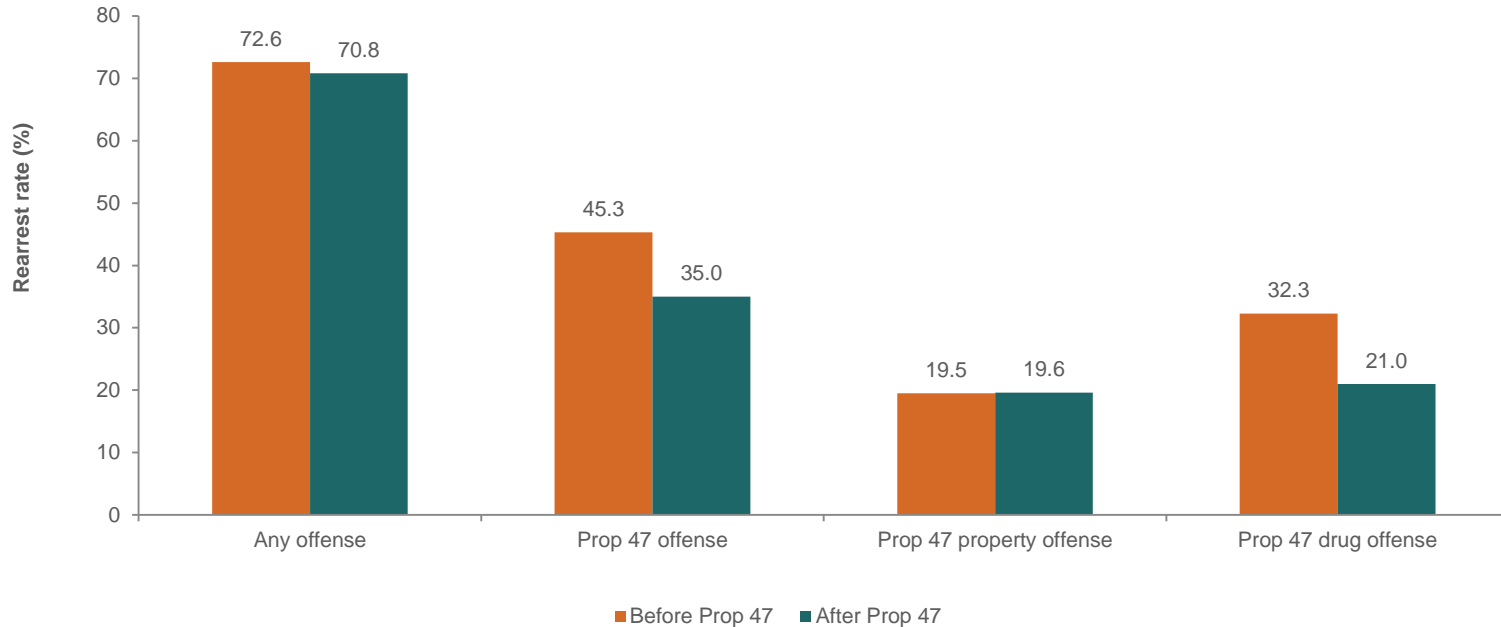




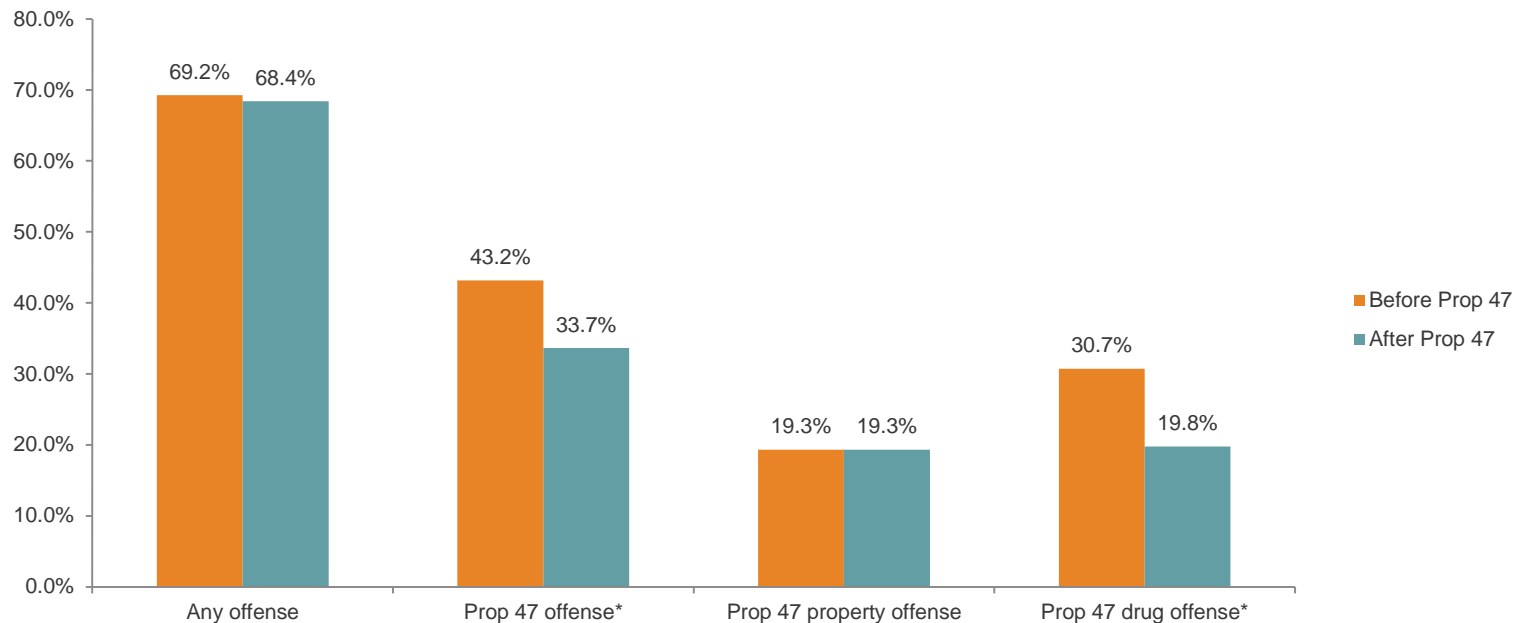
June 2018 Report: Did Prop 47 affect recidivism?

- We use MCS data to examine changes in rearrest and reconviction rates for offenders convicted of Prop 47 offenses.
- We compare recidivism outcomes before and after the proposition took effect for similar individuals with similar characteristics.
 - Pre-Prop 47 group includes individuals released between Nov 5, 2011 and Oct 31, 2012.
 - Post-Prop 47 group includes individuals released between Nov 5, 2014 and Oct 31, 2015.

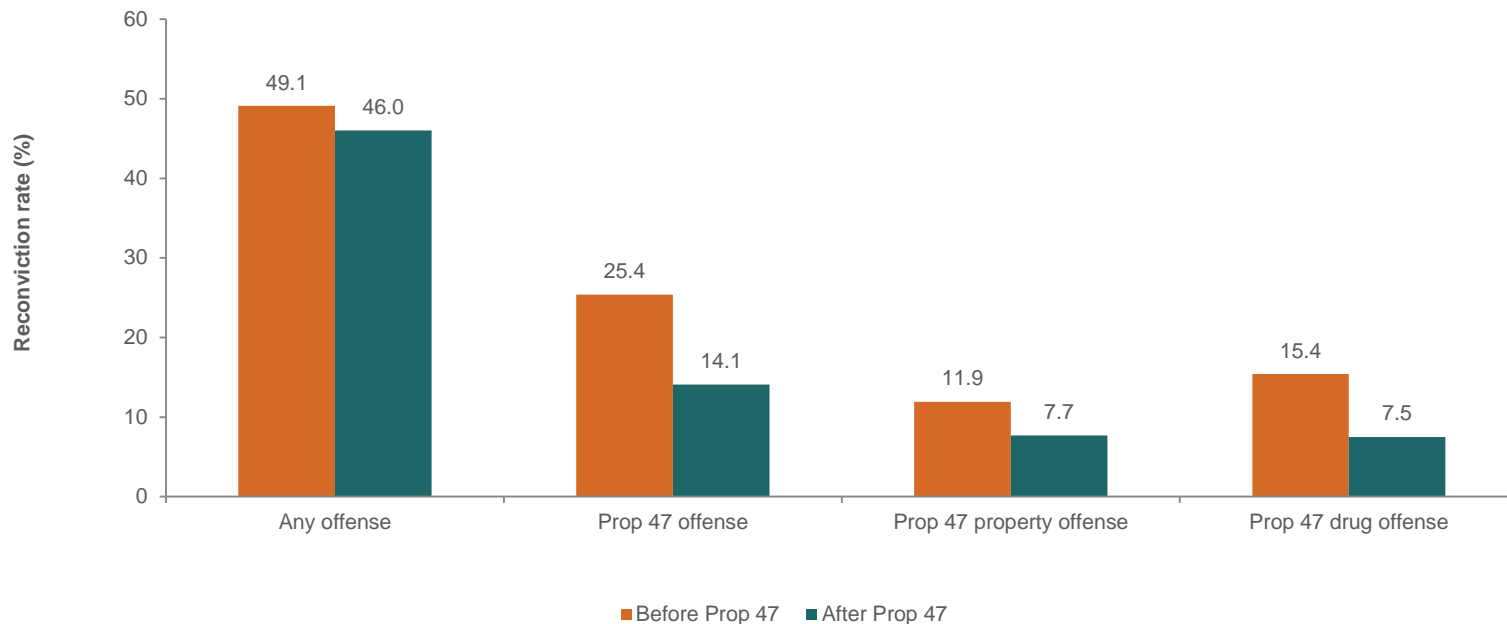
Rearrests declined in the MCS counties after Prop 47, driven by reductions in arrests for drug offenses



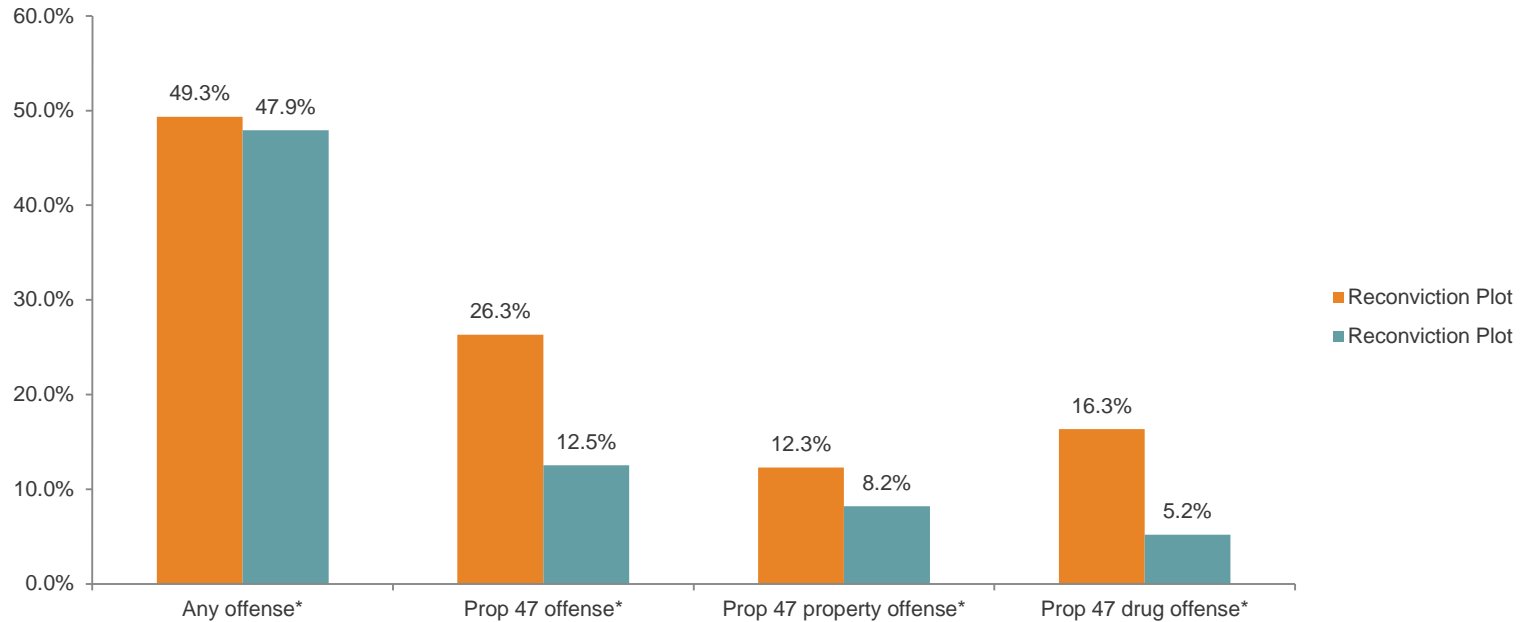
In LA, rearrests for Prop 47 offenses – particularly drug possession – declined



Reconvictions declined in the MCS counties, driven by reductions in reconvictions for Prop 47 offenses



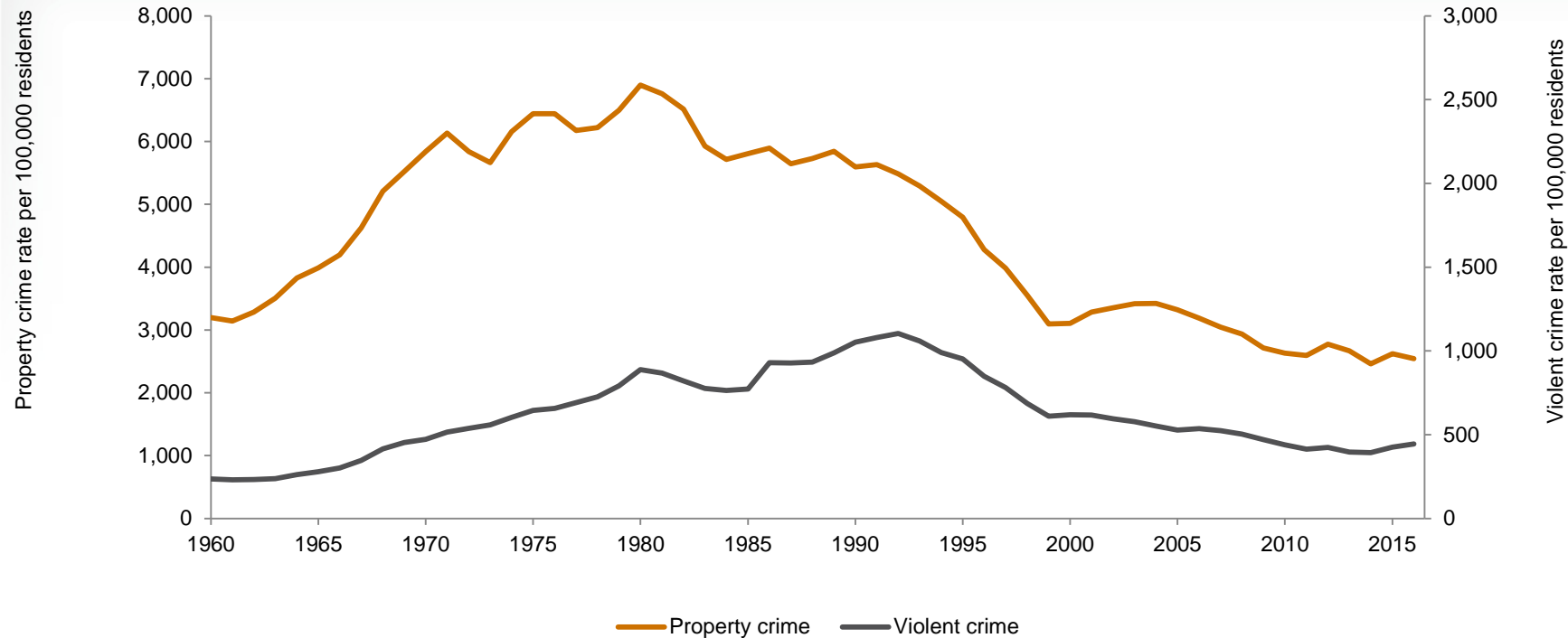
In LA, reconvictions for Prop 47 offenses declined substantially



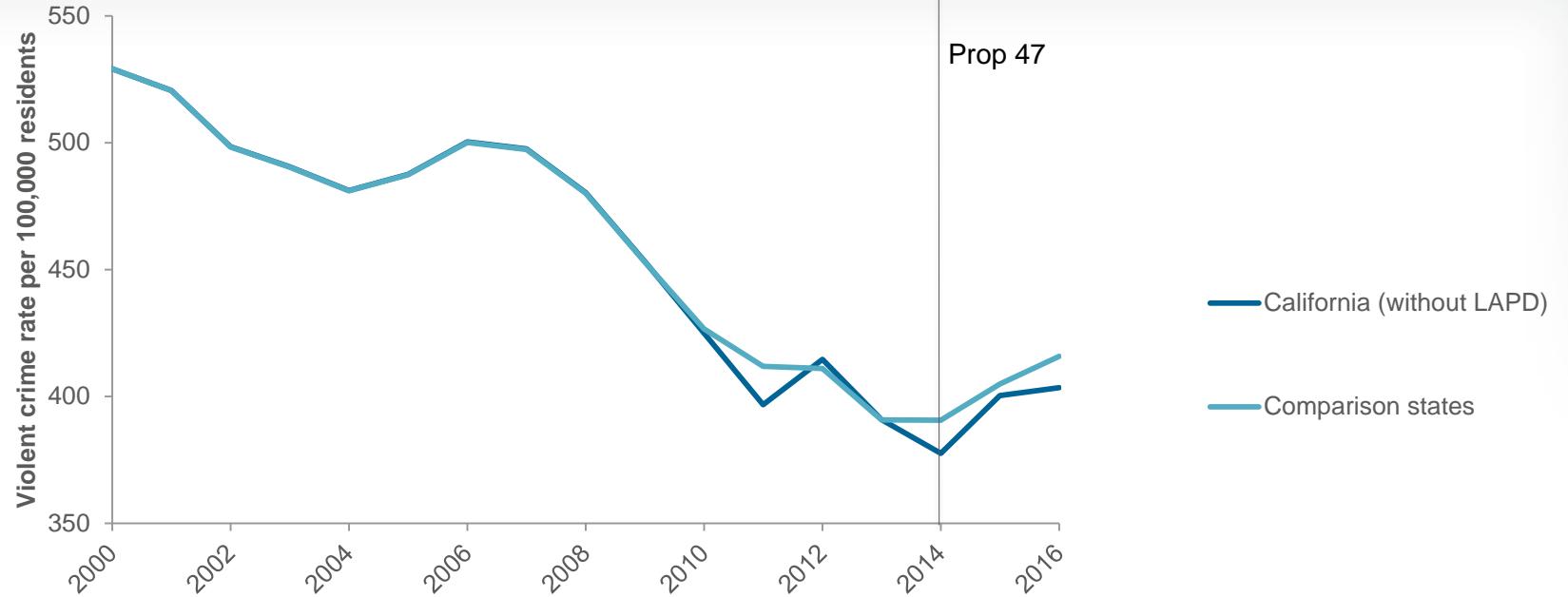
June 2018 Report: Did Prop 47 affect crime?

- We draw on data from the FBI and California Department of Justice to analyze the effects of Prop 47 on crime rates.
- We examine changes in violent and property crime rates over time within California and in comparison to other states.

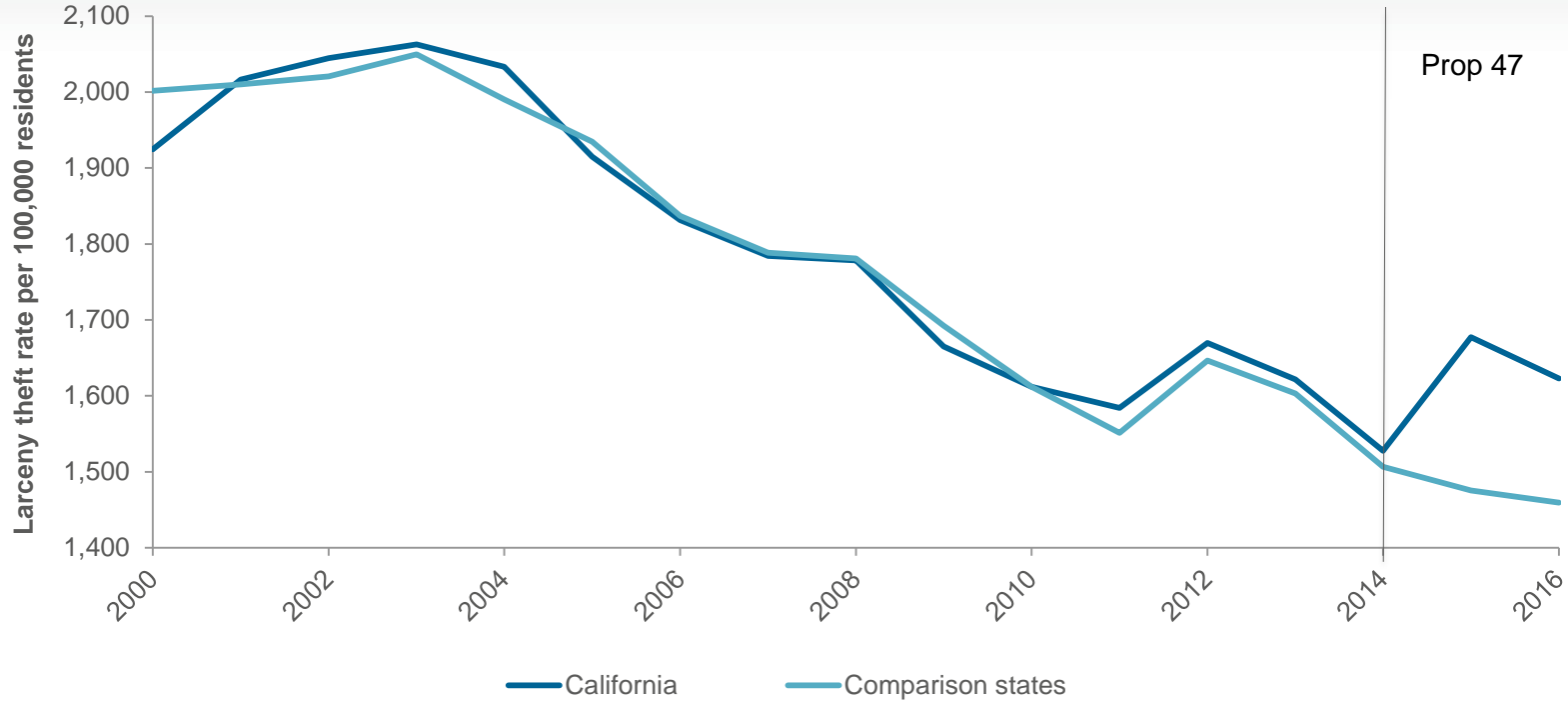
California's crime rates are still at historic lows



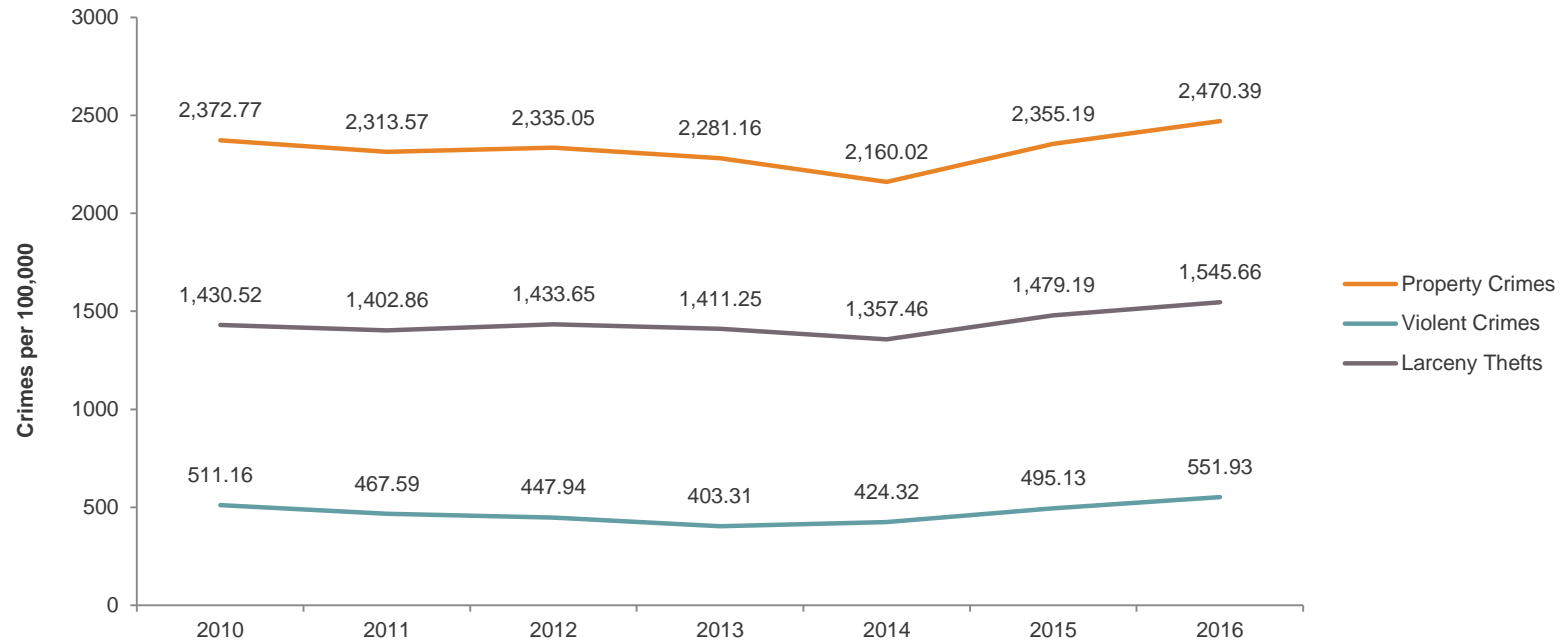
Changes in violent crime were similar to other states



California's larceny theft rate deviated from other states



Reports of violent and property crime have increased in Los Angeles



Next steps for the MCS

- MCS team has created Tableau data dashboards for each participating agency and set up a secure server.
 - Need to set up data use agreements to govern dashboard access
- We are working with partner counties to:
 - Update jail and probation population data
 - Improve data capturing program and service interventions

Notes on the use of these slides

These slides were created to accompany a presentation. They do not include full documentation of sources, data samples, methods, and interpretations. To avoid misinterpretations, please contact:

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