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# DISTRICT 18 PRETRIAL SUCCESS RATE – 10/1/2024 – 9/30/2026
# KENTUCKY COURT OF JUSTICE STATISTICS CY 2019-2025

### DISTRICT COURT CASES WITH PRE-DISPOSITION ARREST INCLUDING PRETRIAL RELEASE WITH FINAL DISPOSITION DATE OR FTA DISPOSITION DATE BETWEEN 10/1/2024 AND 9/30/2026 HARRISON, NICHOLAS, PENDLETON, AND ROBERTSON COUNTIES VS. STATEWIDE

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## Report Description

On October 7, 2026, Research & Statistics received a request for a report of the Pretrial Success Rate for Judicial District 18 compared to the rate statewide for the 24-month period from October 2024 through September 2026.

**Pretrial Success Rate:**
PRIM and CourtNet were queried for District Court cases appearing in both databases in which all charges excluding post-disposition matters (e.g., Probation Violations) include final or FTA dispositions, for which the most recent final or FTA disposition of a charge was between 10/1/2024 and 9/30/2026, and for which pretrial release was indicated. Pretrial release was identified by the presence of a bond related to the case that includes a release date. PRIM cases for which a matching county and case number could not be identified were excluded. Cases associated with post-disposition arrests were also excluded. Such cases were identified as those with a PRIM Link Type of *Post-Disposition Arrest* or in which the only charges entered in PRIM reflect post-disposition matters such as Probation Violations. Cases were identified as having Pretrial Success if they do not have any associated Pretrial Court Dates with a status indicating failure to appear (*FTA/Non-Financial* or *FTA/Financial* – this does not include *FTA While in Custody*), and do not have a Pretrial event with a type indicating an arrest on a new offense during pretrial release (*Arrested on New Offense* or *Arrested on New Offense/Public Safety* – this does not include *Arrested on New Offense While in Custody*). A final charge disposition in CourtNet is a disposition other than those indicating temporary dispositions (*Diversion*, *Pretrial Diversion*, *Deferred Prosecution*, *Grand Jury*, *Failure to Appear*, *Fugitive*, or *Administrative Procedure*). An FTA disposition in CourtNet is a charge disposition of *Failure to Appear*, *Fugitive*, or *Administrative Procedure*.

## Statistical Report 26_PINS8002

The statistical report consists of a single page including a series of bar charts and cross-tabulations. At the top of the page, the bar charts present the four Pretrial Success measures (overall Success Rate, Appearance Rate, Arrest-Free Rate, and Violent Arrest-Free Rate) for District 18 cases. For each metric, separate bars representing the rate are shown for two twelve-month periods within the overall 24-month date range, comparing the period of October 2024 through September 2025 to the period of October 2025 through September 2026. The size of each bar corresponds to the rate on a scale from 0 to 100% and the percentage of each rate is also shown.

There are three cross-tabulations on the bottom of the page, each of which has the same general structure, showing the four success rate metrics described above along with the total number of cases with dispositions during the requested range and the number of distinct defendants among any of these cases. These metrics are grouped into the two 12-month date range periods as described above. The top left table includes cases statewide, the top right table includes cases from District 18, and the table at the bottom also includes cases from District 18 and is additionally grouped to show each District 18 county separately.

Statistical Analysis Considerations:

- These statistics represent a snapshot in time as of the date the data was queried (10/8/2026).
- A single defendant may be involved in one or more cases within a period of time.
- A single criminal case may have one or more charges.

## Data Fields

| Data Variable | Description |
|---|---|
| **Charge County** | The county in which a case or complaint was filed. |
| **Jurisdiction** | Indicates whether the case was filed in Circuit or District Court. |
| **Cases** | A count of distinct Case ID's, which represent the appearance of a given court case within a pretrial interview. Each separate arrest includes a separate pretrial interview, so the same PRIM case may appear in one or more pretrial interviews and is counted separately for each interview. |
| **Defendants** | A count of distinct PRIM person ID's among any of the reported cases. |
| **Final Disposition Date** | For a PRIM case, the date of the most recent CourtNet Charge Disposition Date excluding those indicating a temporary disposition (*Diversion*, *Pretrial Diversion*, *Deferred Prosecution*, *Grand Jury*, *Failure to Appear*, *Fugitive*, or *Administrative Procedure*) or any charge screen entry of a post-disposition or administrative matter (e.g., Probation Violation). |
| **FTA Disposition Date** | For a PRIM case, the date of the most recent CourtNet Charge Disposition Date with a charge disposition type of *Failure to Appear*, *Fugitive*, or *Administrative* |

| Data Fields | |
|---|---|
| | *Procedure* for a charge other than charge screen entries of post-disposition or administrative matters. |
| **Pretrial Success** | Evaluated for each case receiving Pretrial Release, Pretrial Success is achieved if the defendant appears for all required court appearances and is not arrested during the period of pretrial release.<br>• **Appearance Rate**: Of the total cases, the number of cases that do not have any Failure to Appear (FTA) during Pretrial Release. FTA is identified by the presence in PRIM of at least one Court Appearance with a status indicating *FTA/Non-Financial* or *FTA/Financial* prior to the case's Final Disposition Date or FTA Disposition Date.<br>• **Arrest-Free Rate:** Of the total cases, the number of cases that do not have any Arrest on New Offense (AoNO) during Pretrial Release. AoNO is identified by the presence in PRIM of at least one Event with a type of *Arrested on New Offense* or *Arrested on New Offense/Public Safety* prior to the case's Final Disposition Date or FTA Disposition Date.<br>• **Violent Arrest-Free Rate:** A subset of Arrest-Free Rate focused only on arrests in which the new arrest includes at least one charge that may affect public safety. Of total cases, the number of cases that do not have any Public Safety Arrest on New Offense, which is identified only using the *Arrested on New Offense* or *Arrested on New Offense/Public Safety.*<br>• **(Overall) Success Rate:** Appearance and Arrest-Free Rates are combined to create overall success rate. Of the total cases, the number of cases that have neither FTA nor AoNO as described above. |

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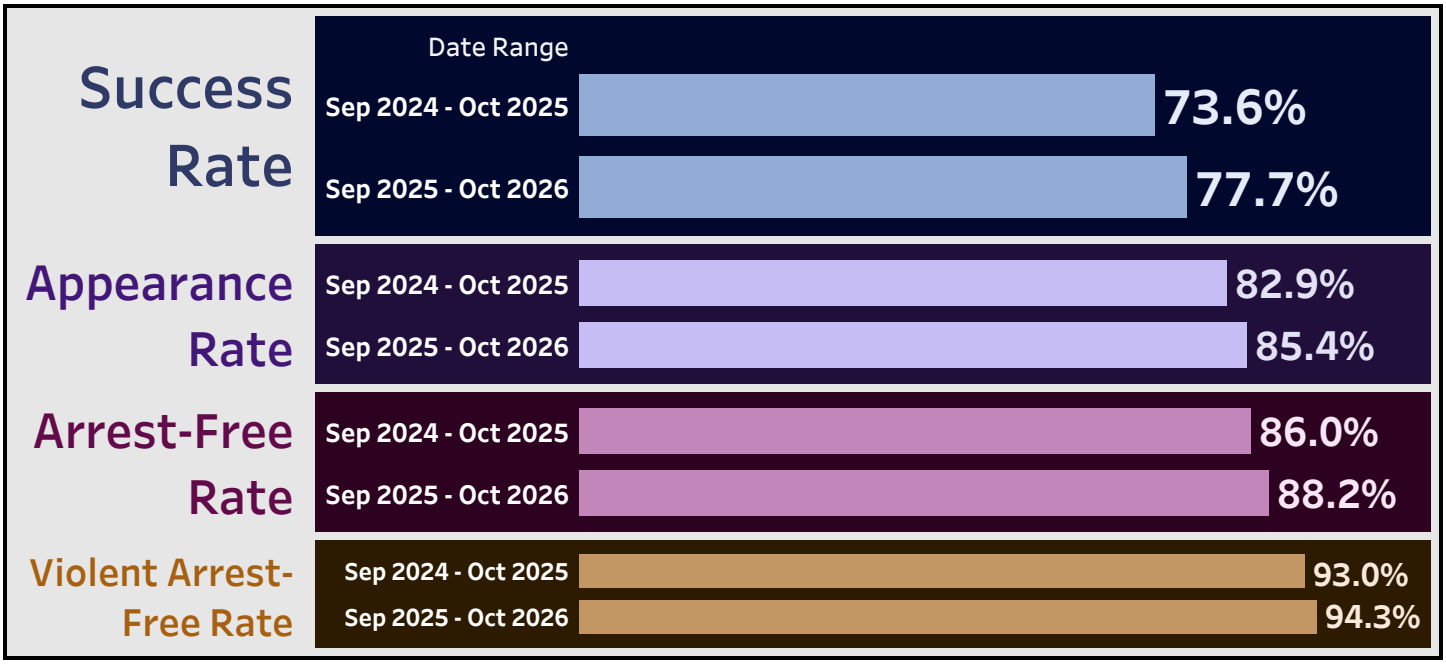
# Pretrial Success Rate

District Court Cases with Pre-Disposition Arrest including Pretrial Release
with Final Disposition Date or FTA Disposition Date between 10/1/2024 and 9/30/2026

18th Judicial Circuit (Harrison, Nicholas, Pendleton, & Robertson Counties)




| | | Date Range: Sep 2024 - Oct 2025 | Sep 2025 - Oct 2026 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Statewide | Success Rate | 71.3% | 71.9% |
| | Apperance Rate | 78.8% | 79.2% |
| | Arrest-Free Rate | 86.9% | 87.5% |
| | PS Arrest- Free Rate | 95.4% | 95.5% |
| | Cases | 94,747 | 97,641 |
| | Defendants | 68,603 | 70,909 |

| | | Date Range: Sep 2024 - Oct 2025 | Sep 2025 - Oct 2026 |
|---|---|---|---|
| District 18 Total | Success Rate | 73.6% | 77.7% |
| | Apperance Rate | 82.9% | 85.4% |
| | Arrest-Free Rate | 86.0% | 88.2% |
| | PS Arrest- Free Rate | 93.0% | 94.3% |
| | Cases | 584 | 458 |
| | Defendants | 474 | 385 |

| | | Charge County / Date Range: HARRISON Sep 2024 - Oct 2025 | HARRISON Sep 2025 - Oct 2026 | NICHOLAS Sep 2024 - Oct 2025 | NICHOLAS Sep 2025 - Oct 2026 | PENDLETON Sep 2024 - Oct 2025 | PENDLETON Sep 2025 - Oct 2026 | ROBERTSON Sep 2024 - Oct 2025 | ROBERTSON Sep 2025 - Oct 2026 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| DI 18 Counties | Success Rate | 71.8% | 77.1% | 73.9% | 79.7% | 75.8% | 76.9% | 81.3% | 81.8% |
| | Apperance Rate | 81.7% | 85.7% | 85.7% | 83.5% | 82.4% | 84.3% | 87.5% | 95.5% |
| | Arrest-Free Rate | 83.5% | 86.5% | 85.7% | 92.4% | 90.3% | 88.8% | 87.5% | 86.4% |
| | PS Arrest- Free Rate | 92.3% | 93.7% | 92.4% | 97.5% | 94.5% | 94.8% | 93.8% | 86.4% |
| | Cases | 284 | 223 | 119 | 79 | 165 | 134 | 16 | 22 |
| | Defendants | 224 | 183 | 99 | 71 | 139 | 115 | 14 | 20 |

**Statistical Analysis Considerations**
* Data provided from the Pretrial Information Management System.
* Rates Reported are for cases. A defendant may have one or more cases within a period of time.