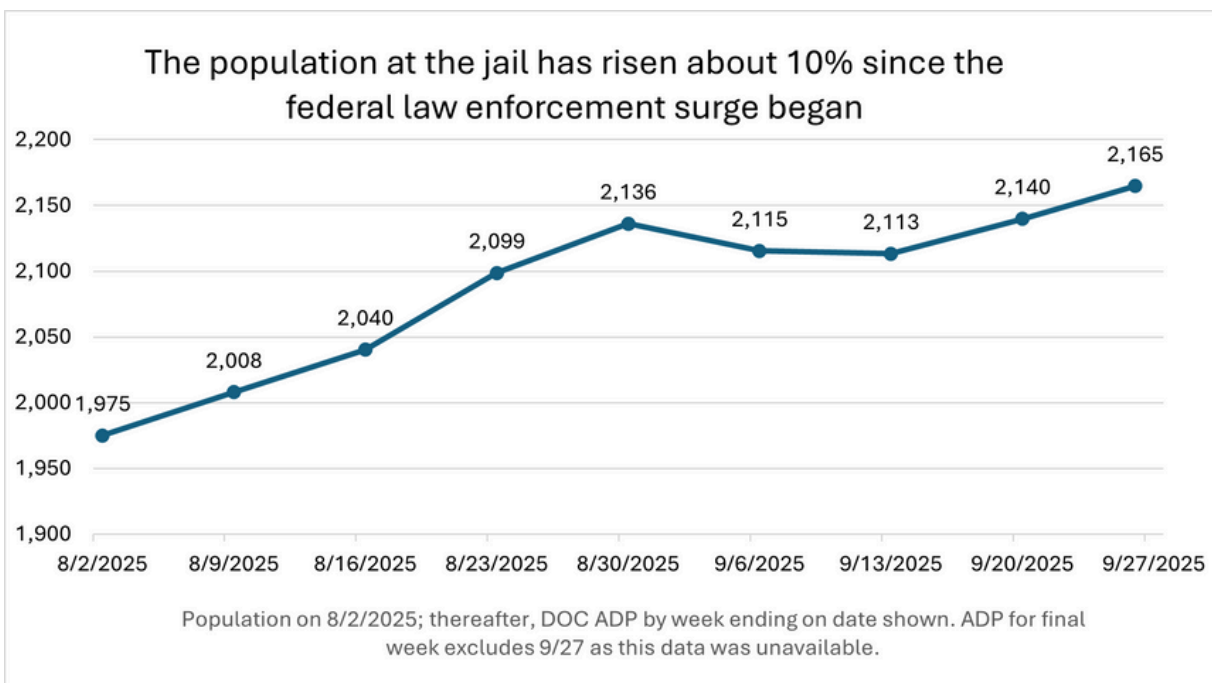


Data Snapshot: D.C. Jail Population Since Federal Law Enforcement Surge

The D.C. Jail population has increased by 10% since the federal surge began; the female population in the jail has grown by 25%.

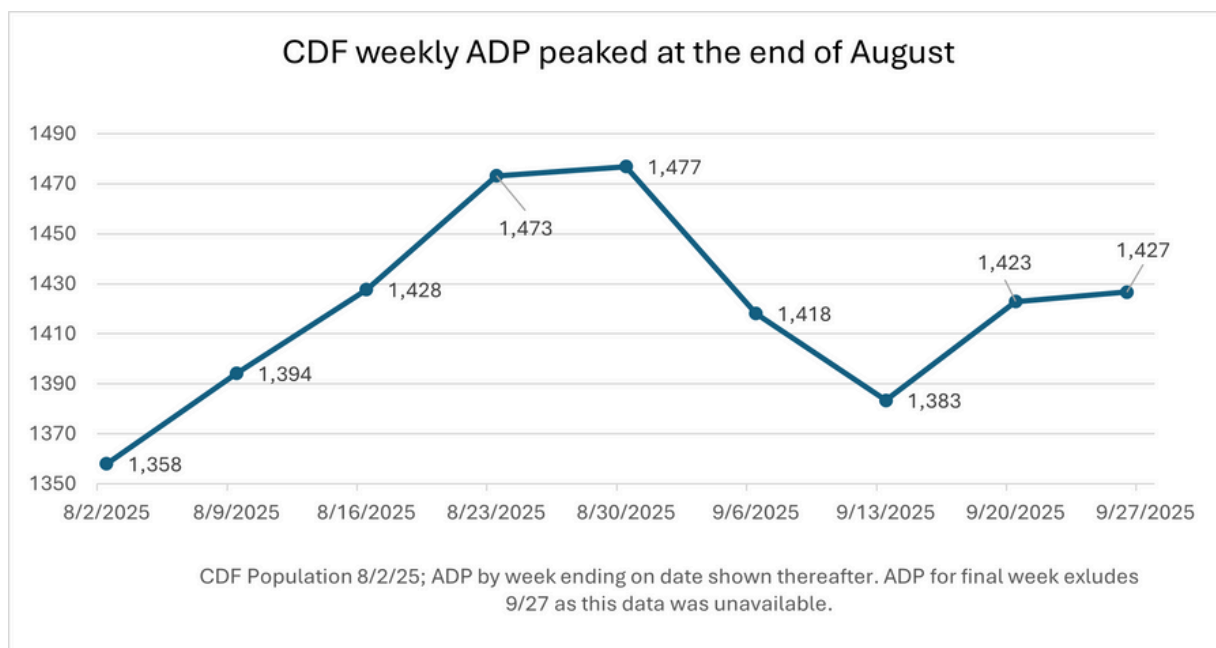
1. The total number of people in the D.C. Jail has increased by 10%.

Weekly data published by the D.C. [Department of Corrections](#) (DOC) shows that the D.C. Jail population has continued to rise since [the federal and local law enforcement surge began](#). The weekly average daily population (ADP) of people in DOC custody rose to 2,165 as of the last full week in September. These additional 190 people above the August 2 population represents an increase of about 10%.

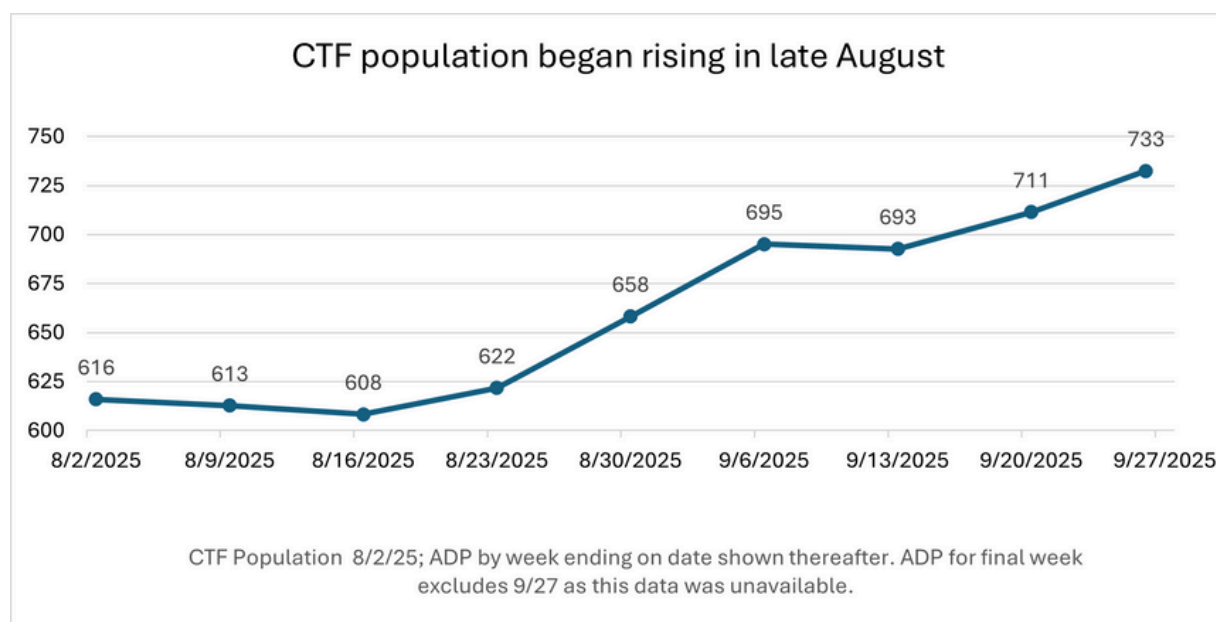


2. Both Jail facilities have had peak populations: CDF in August, CTF in September.

The D.C. Jail includes two correctional buildings: the Central Detention Facility (CDF), the larger facility that houses only males and the [conditions of which have deteriorated](#) over its almost half-century history; and the Correctional Treatment Facility, where all detained females and some males in specialized units are held. Through the end of August, the increase in the overall jail population was concentrated at the Central Detention Facility (CDF); on three days during the last week in August, there were over 1,500 people in CDF. The weekly ADP in CDF remains 69 people above the August 2 population there.



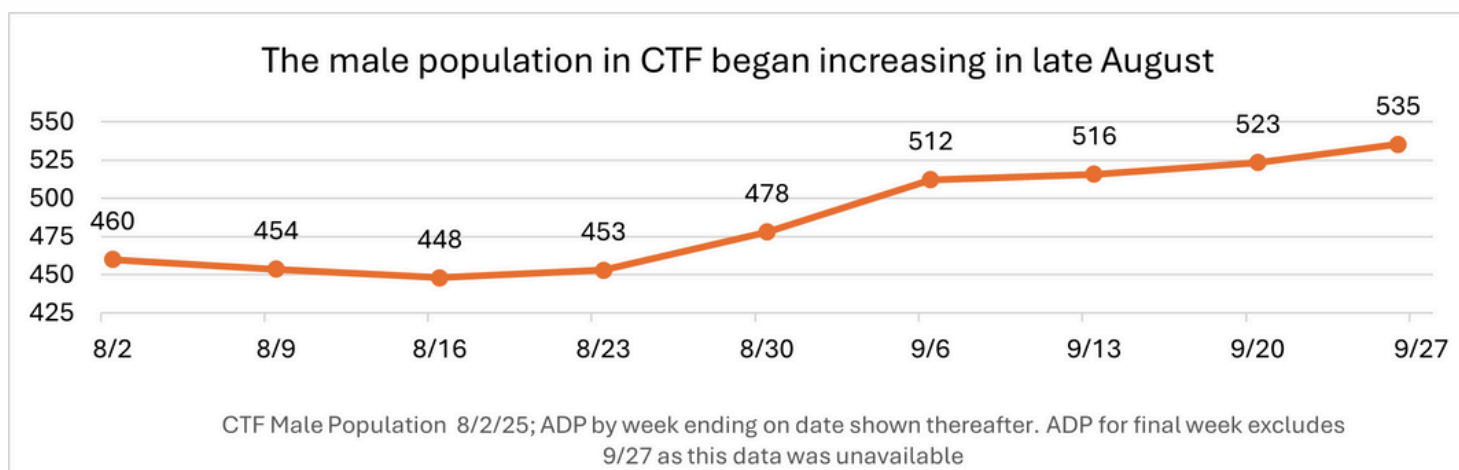
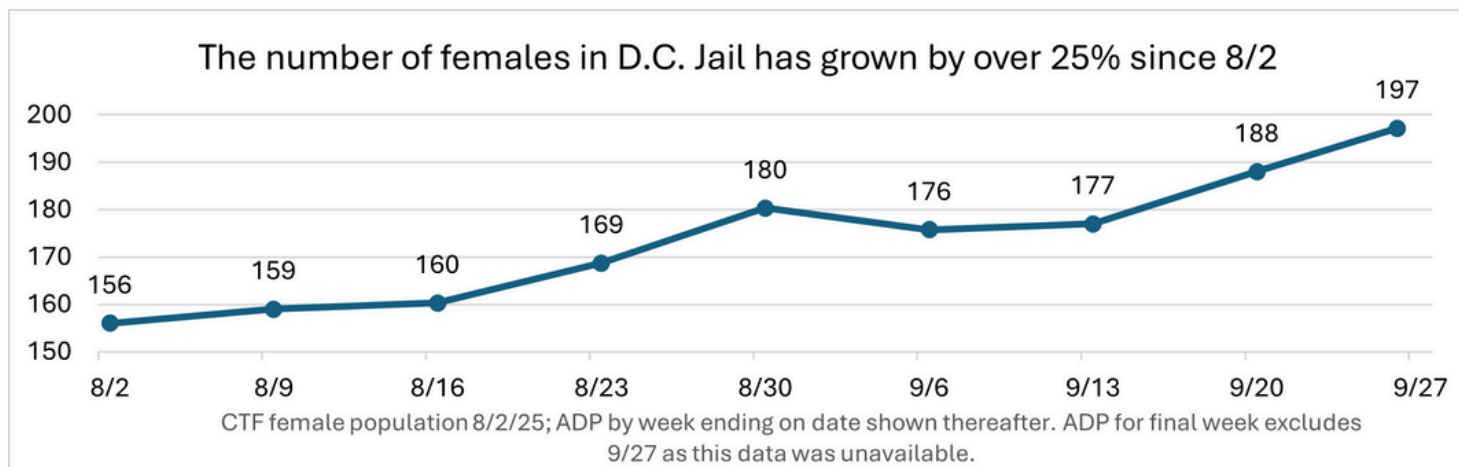
Since late-August, the increase in the jail population has shifted to the Central Treatment Facility (CTF). The weekly ADP at CTF is 117 people above the population on August 2.



3. Since mid-August, both female and male weekly ADPs have grown, with the population of females increasing over 25%.

There has been an increase of over 25% in the number of females held in the jail at CTF. There were 156 females at CTF on August 2nd, while the weekly ADP of females has grown to 197; 200 or more women were held in the jail on three days during the last full week of September.

The most current weekly ADP shows there are 146 more men in jail than on August 2nd. Beginning in late August the increase in men in the jail shifted to CTF.



4. What don't we know about the increase in the D.C. Jail population?

The weekly population data published by the Department of Corrections does not provide any other additional demographic information about the residents or the status of their charges or sentences. When the DOC publishes its next quarterly data, CCE plans to continue to analyze and share more detailed trends in jail population. Absent this information, it is unknown the extent to which the population increases are due to more admissions or longer lengths of stay. Additionally, while most males in general population have generally been held at CDF, it is unknown whether the increase in males at CTF is because they are held on low-level charges, because CDF cannot safely manage populations approaching 1,500, or some other reason.

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