

RESTITUTION ORDERED IN WA JUVENILE COURTS, 2018-2021

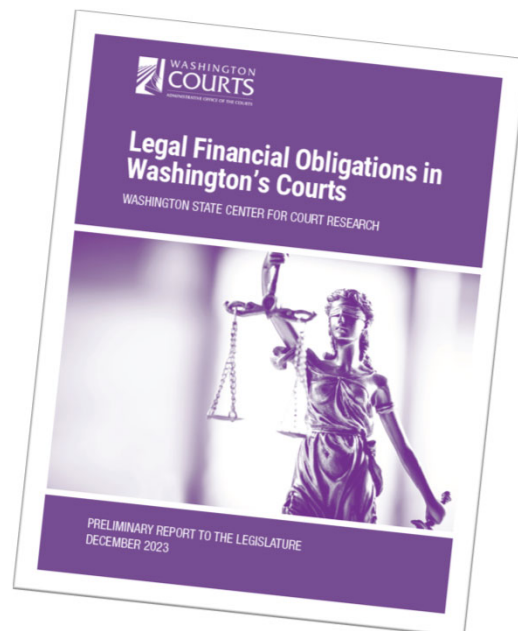
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Our work on LFOs in WA

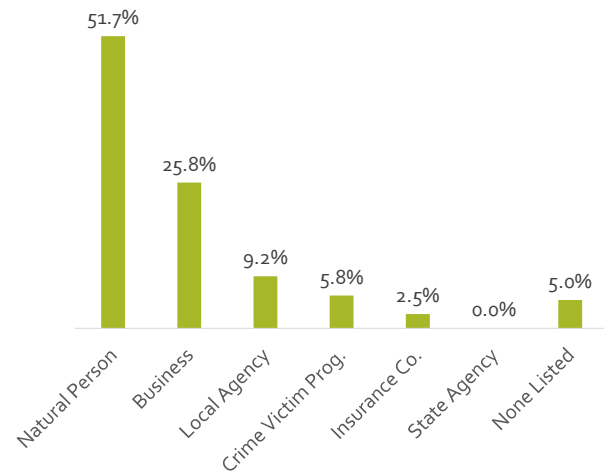
- Recent report analyzing LFO trends, 2018-2021, across adult Superior Courts, Juvenile Courts, and CLJs
- Today, focus on juvenile courts
 - Specific focus on restitution and victims



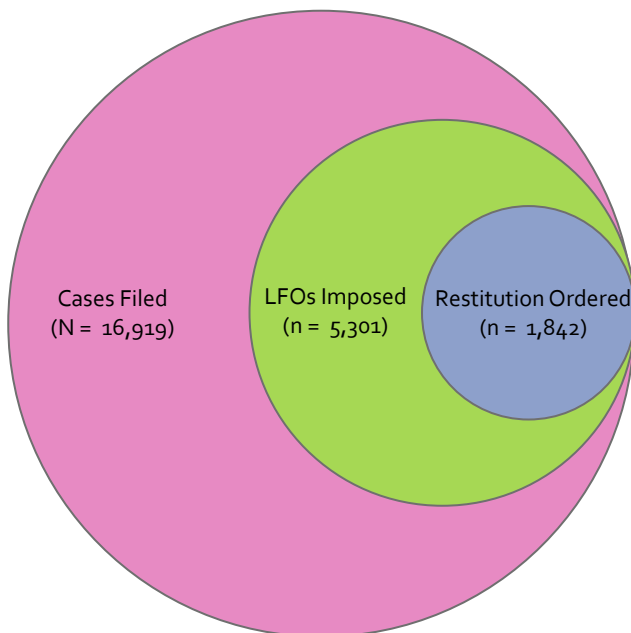
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Restitution victim data

- Free text format – difficult to code and analyze
- Long-term plan: combine machine power and human power to code data
- Short-term solution: coding and analyzing a small sample of restitution victims in juvenile court cases



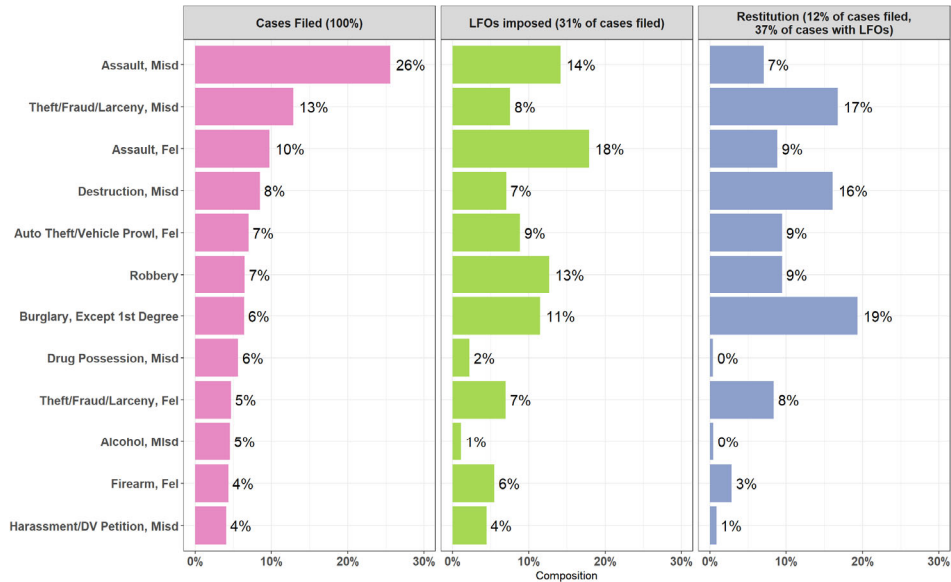
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- LFOs were imposed in 31% of juvenile cases
- Restitution was ordered in 11% of all cases and 35% of cases with LFOs

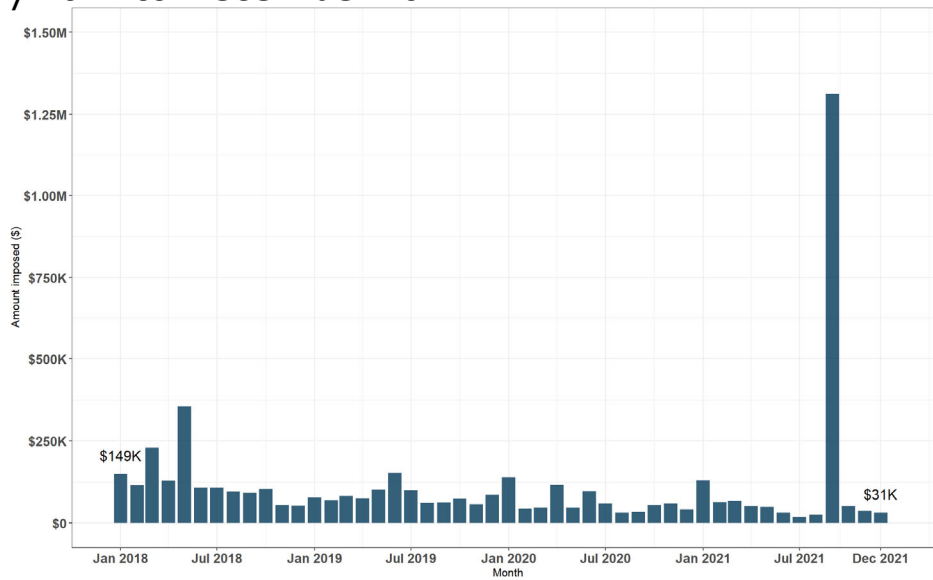
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Misdemeanor property offenses and Burglary (except 1st degree) had higher probability of restitution imposed.



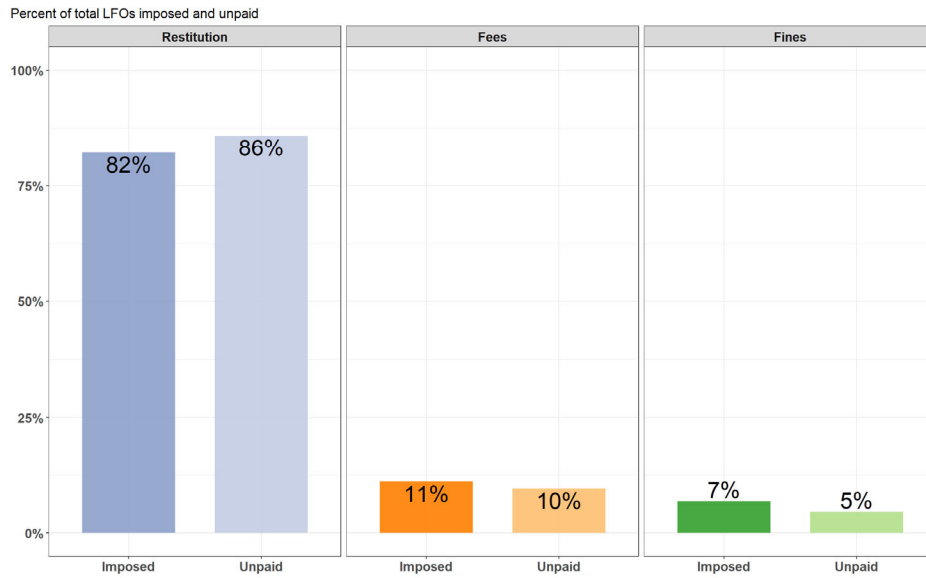
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Monthly amounts imposed in juvenile cases decreased 79% from January 2018 to December 2021.



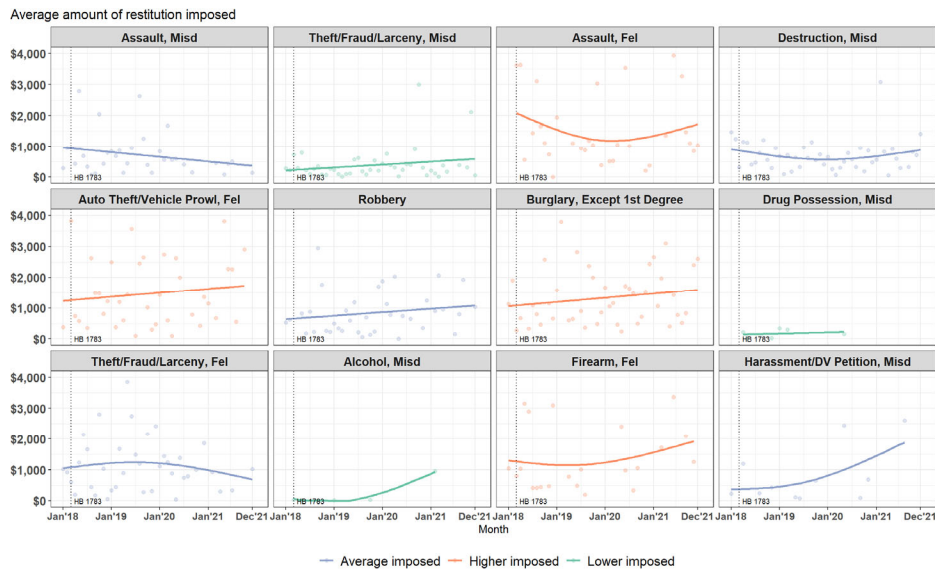
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Restitution was applied in 35% of cases with LFOs but accounted for more than 80% of total LFOs imposed and unpaid.



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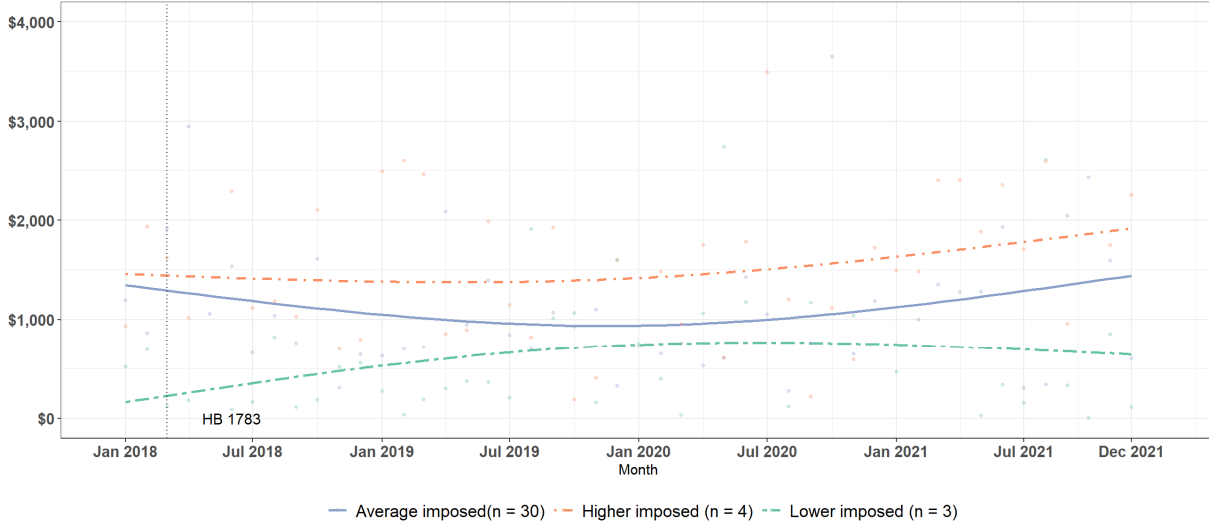
Felony offenses tended to have higher restitution amounts imposed.



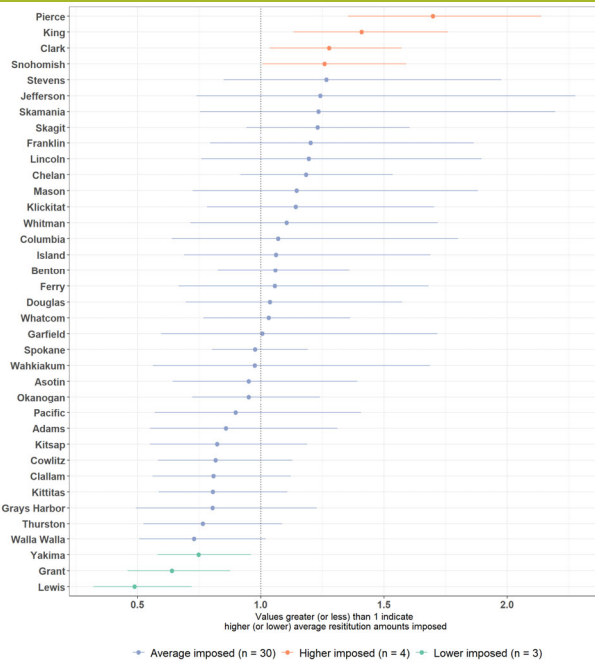
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Average restitution amounts ranged from about \$600 in low-amount courts to about \$1,300 in high-amount courts.

Average amount of restitution imposed



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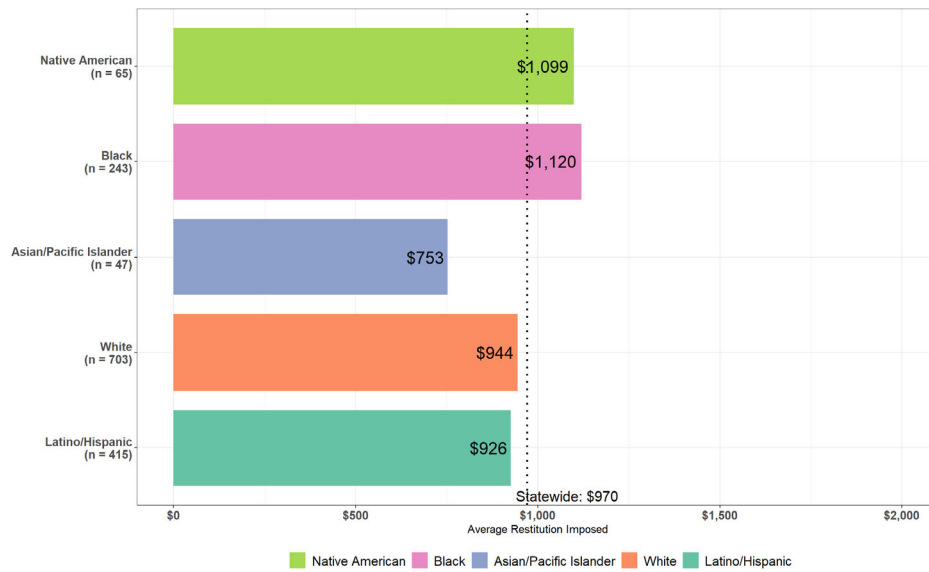


Given the same charge, average restitution amounts varied across courts.

	Misdemeanor Assault	Misdemeanor Destruction
High-amount courts	\$1,076	\$732
Avg-amount courts	\$585	\$615
Low-amount courts	\$247	\$313

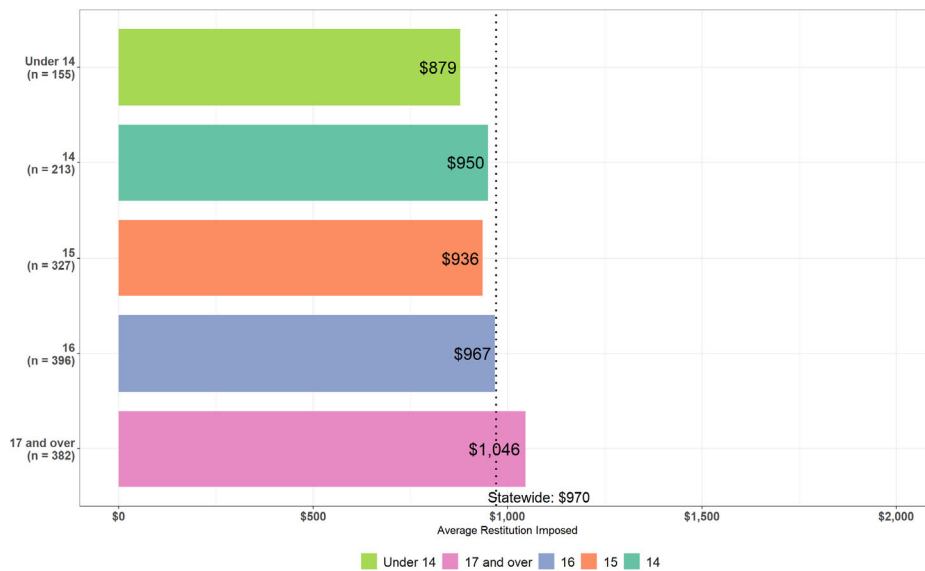
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Native American and Black youths had higher average restitution amounts imposed.



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Average amount of restitution imposed in juvenile cases generally increased with age.



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Female youth tended to have higher amounts of restitution imposed.

