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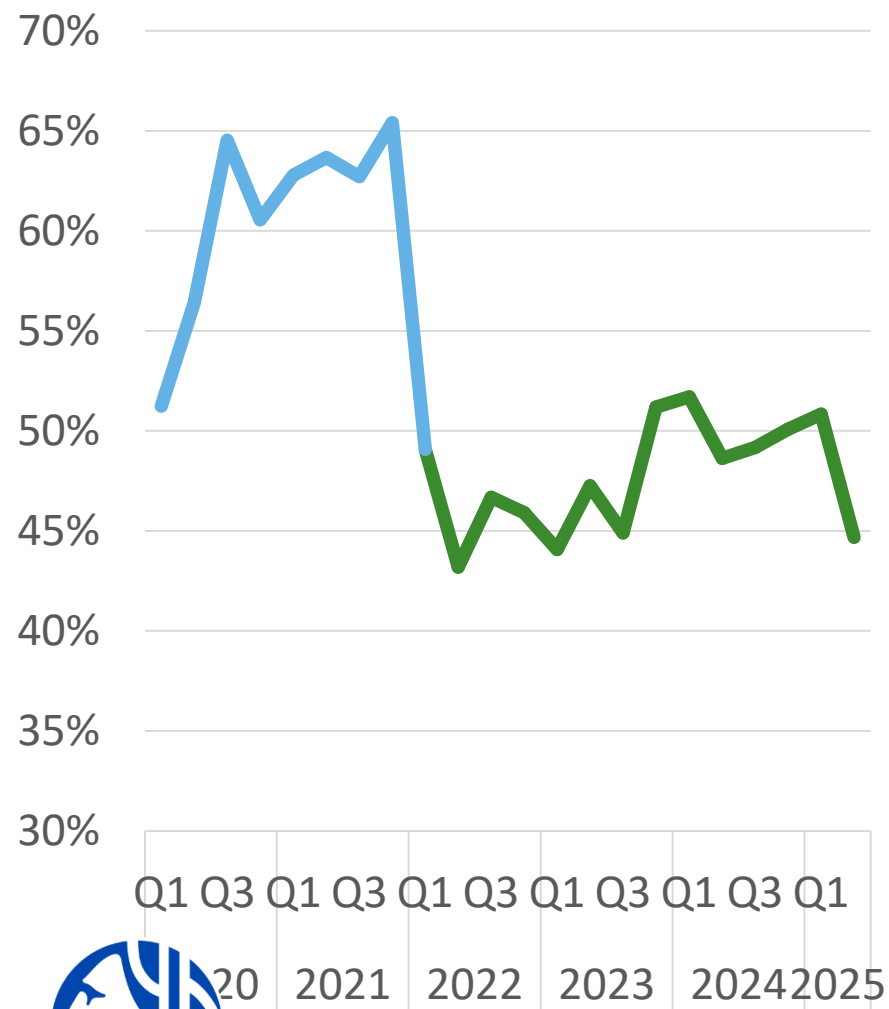
Update on New Public Safety Tools

September 2025

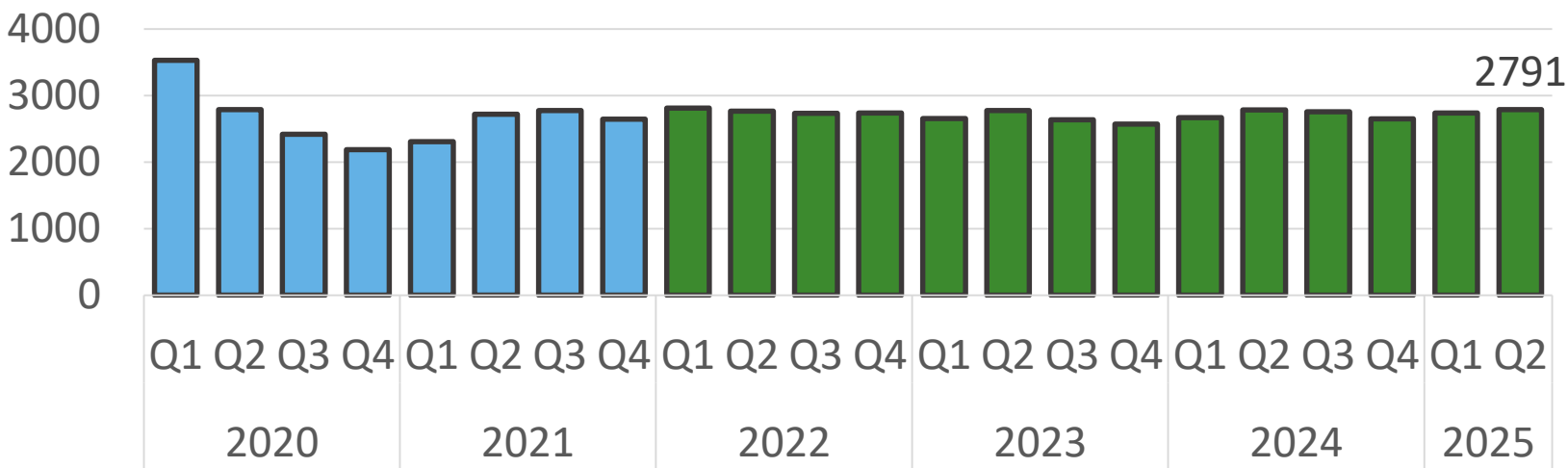
- **Criminal Division Overview**
- **Drug Prosecution & Alternative**
- **SODA**
- **SOAP**
- **Street Racing**
- **Graffiti**
- **Chronic Nuisance**



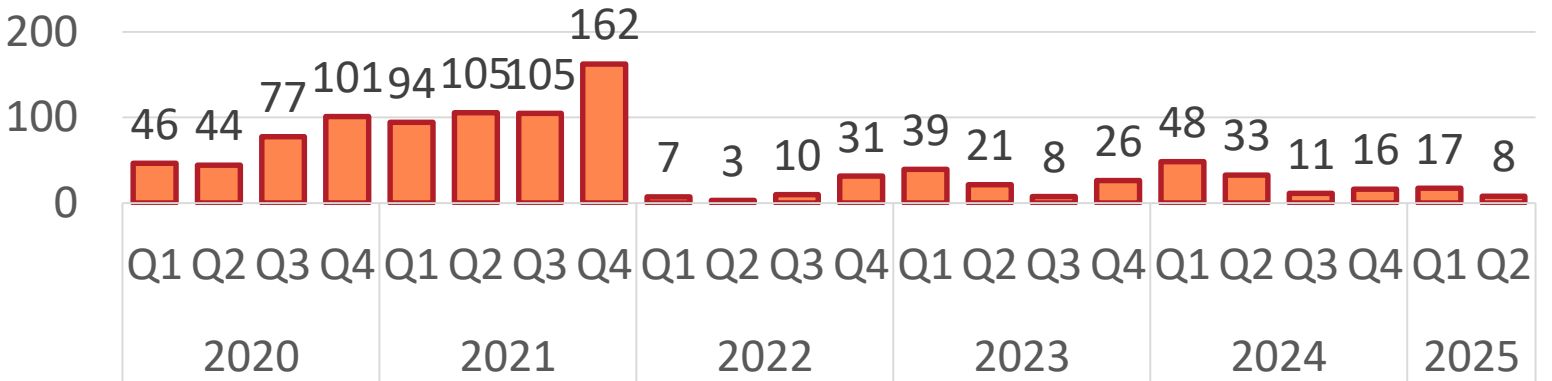
Decline Rate



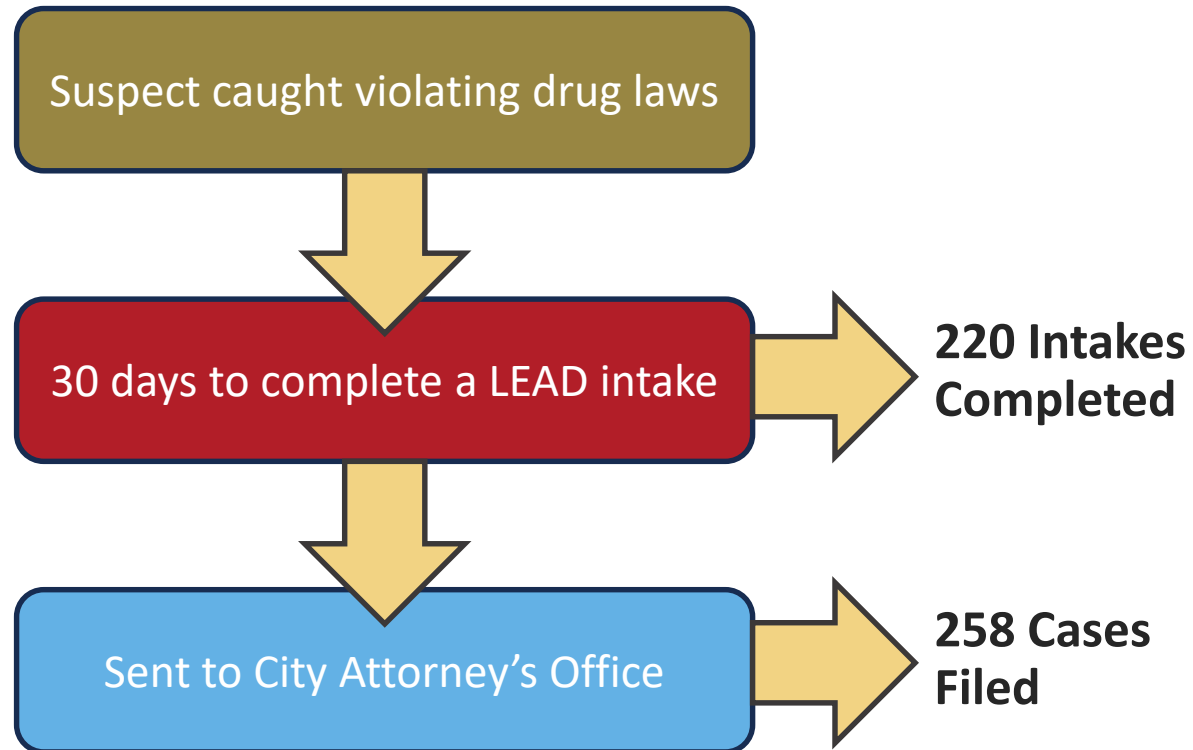
Misdemeanor Referrals



Median Time to Make a Filing Decision



Possession & Use of Controlled Substances

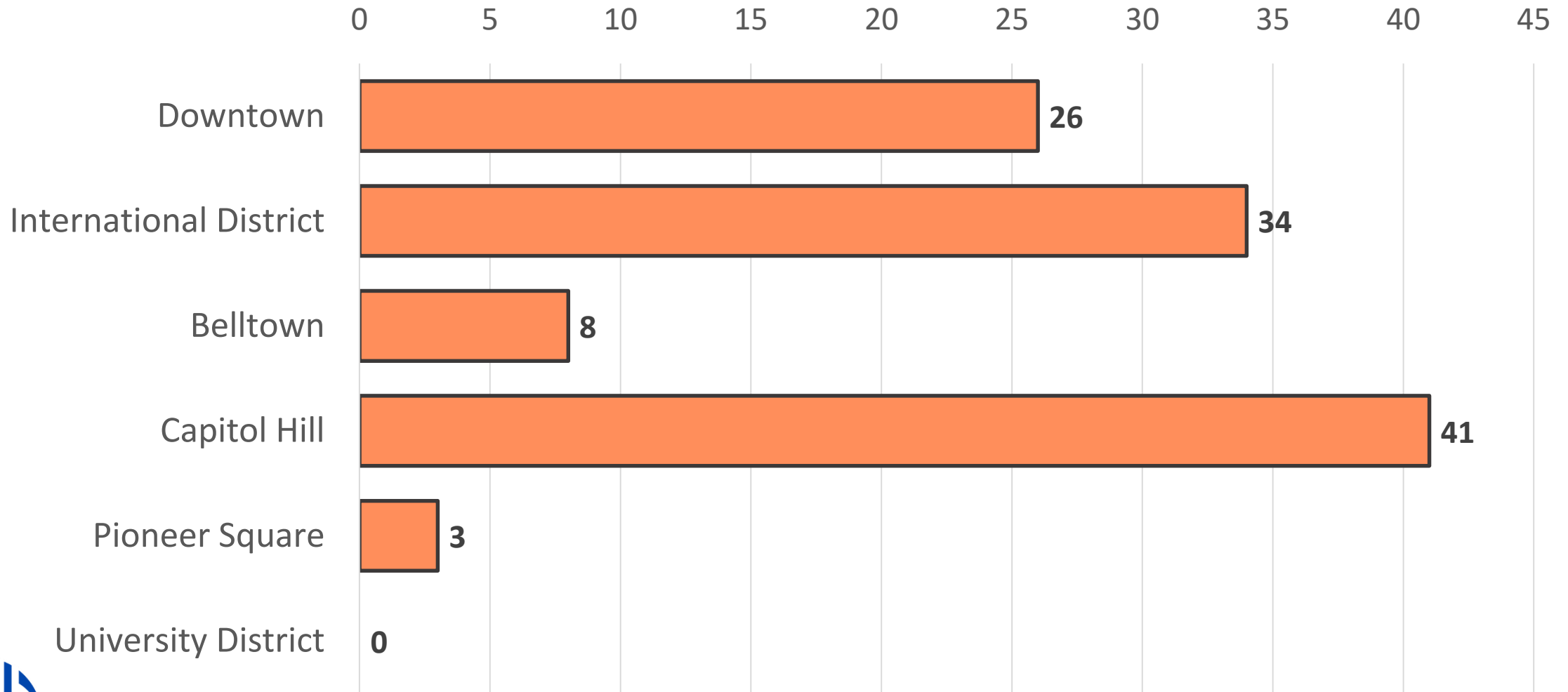


Drug Prosecution Alternative

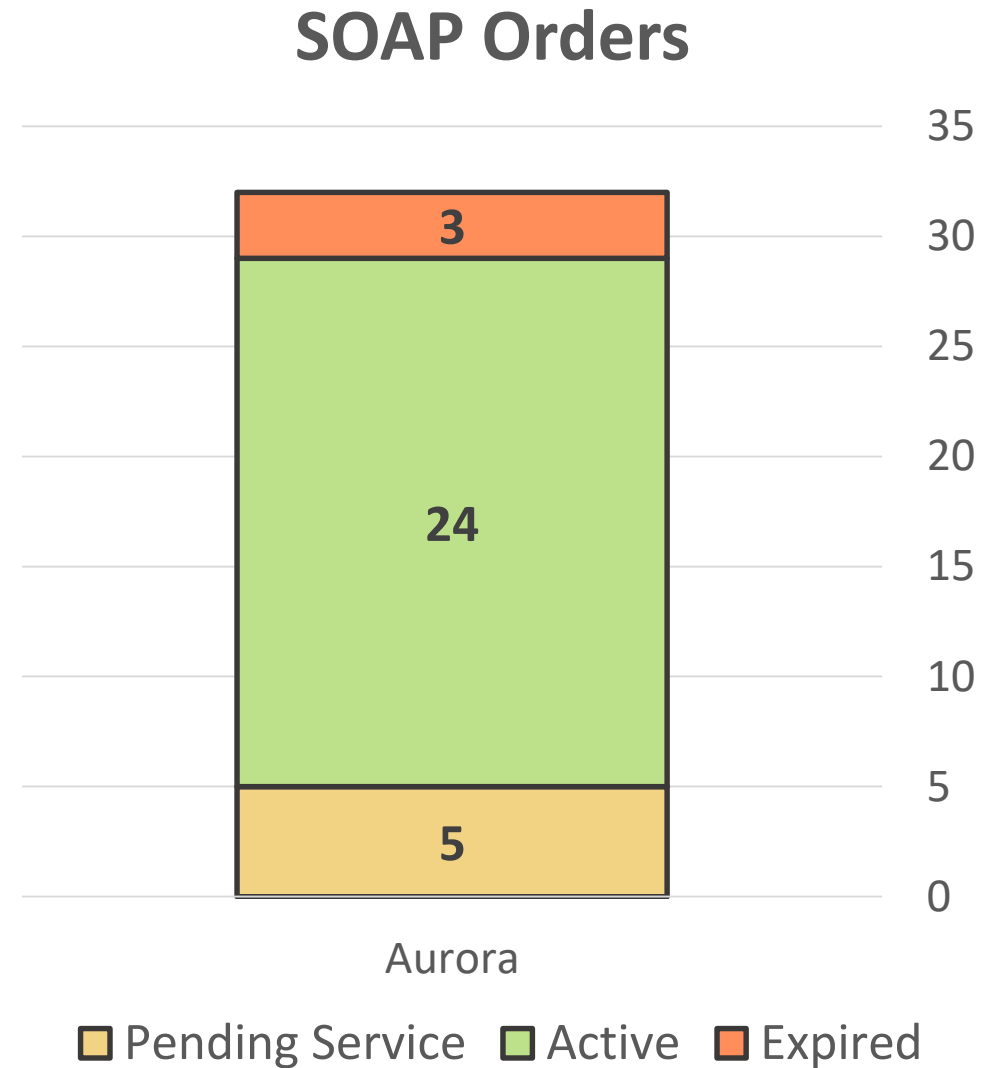
- DPA launched August 2025 as alternative to traditional prosecution for persons facing drug charges in SMC
- Requires substance use assessment and engagement with Court Resource Center to have charges dropped
- In first weeks: 4 participants opted into the program, 2 pending, and 14 additional offers extended
- CAO maintains discretion on whether to offer drug prosecution alternative based on defendant's activity and history



115 SODA Orders



- 32 SOAP orders to date
- Most SOAP orders are for sex buyers
- Several are for suspected pimps
 - One has a significant multi-state history of trafficking



SMC 11.58.440

July 2024

19 Street Racing Infractions so far



■ 1st Offense ■ 2nd Offense ■ 3rd Offense

- Increased fines for vehicle owners involved in illegal racing:
 - First offense: \$500
 - Second offense: \$800
 - Third and subsequent offenses: \$1,500





- Law is effective as of Aug 19th.
- CAO preparing lawsuits against multiple prolific taggers.



An aerial photograph of the Seattle skyline at sunset. The city's buildings are silhouetted against a warm, orange and yellow sky. The waterfront is visible on the right, with a large ship docked. The word "Questions?" is overlaid in a large, dark, sans-serif font in the center of the image.

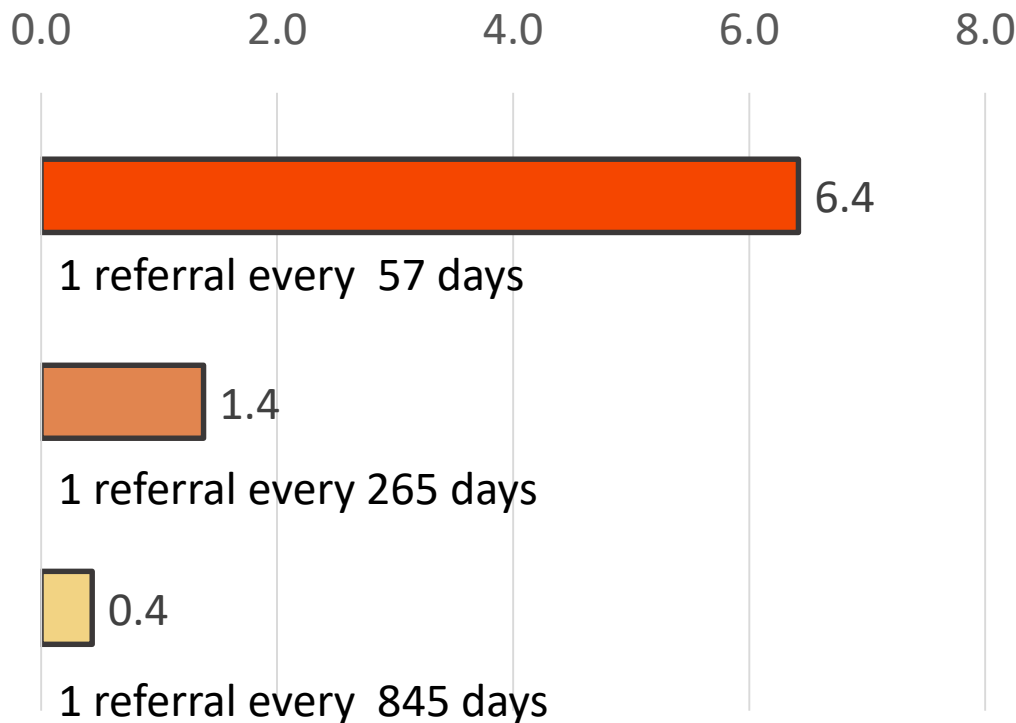
Questions?



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The High Utilizer Initiative has reduced referral rates by 80%+ and led to an estimated reduction of over 3000 referrals

Average High Utilizer Referral Rates



Referrals from High Utilizer Population

