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The Honorable Marcus R. Anderson Secretary of Public Safety and Homeland Security

The Honorable L. Louise Lucas, Chair Senate Finance and Appropriations Committee

The Honorable Luke E. Torian, Chair House Appropriations Committee

Dear Secretary Anderson, Chair Lucas, and Chair Torian,

Chapter 725, Item 385 D. of House Bill 6001, the Virginia Biennial 2024-2026 budget, states:

"The State Board of Local and Regional Jails shall include within its reporting formats on the capacity of each local and regional jail, a measure of the actual jail capacity, which shall include double-bunking, with exceptions as appropriate, in the judgment of the Board, for isolation, segregation, or medical cells, or similar units which would not normally be double-bunked. Exceptions to this measure of capacity may also be made for jails which were constructed prior to 1980. A report including the double-bunking capacity, as well as the standard State Board of Local and Regional Jails measure of rated capacity, for each jail shall be presented to the Secretary of Public Safety and the Chairs of the Senate Finance and Appropriations and House Appropriations Committees by October 1 of each year."

The summary capacity report of the local and regional jails in Virginia is attached. The annualized Average Daily Population (ADP) is provided by the State Compensation Board's Local Inmate Data System (LIDS).

It may appear that the data establishes sufficient and appropriate bed space in Virginia, however, this would be an over-simplified analysis. Bed space, or capacity, cannot be analyzed globally; it must be assessed within each individual facility for accuracy. As an example, available minimum-security bed space in Loudoun County does not benefit the Superintendent in the Northern Neck Regional Jail who needs space for an inmate with severe psychiatric disorders. The overarching issue is the maximum population level for each facility to remain safe and secure for the public, the staff and the inmates.

A rated capacity, also referenced as the design capacity, is determined by the State Board of Local and Regional Jails (BLRJ) for each facility at the time of construction. The rated capacity is the bed space assigned to the facility by the architect upon construction and is constant. It does not consider changes in the numbers of beds or bunks in cells, changes in staffing systems, improvements in technology or best practices, quality of leadership or the history of the facility. The number of beds in a facility is not the same as the number of inmates it can safely and constitutionally hold. While administrators have increased the number of beds in facilities above the rated capacity, they have done so to provide flexibility to manage specific needs and fluctuating inmate populations. It is critical for local and regional jails to have the flexibility to make safety determinations.

Thank you for this opportunity to serve the Commonwealth. Please let us know if we may provide additional information.

Respectfully,

David A. Hackworth

Chair

Attachment: 2025 BLRJ Capacity Report

cc: Brian Flaherty, BLRJ Executive Director

BLRJ Capacity Report October 1, 2025

Jail	Permanent Beds	Temporary Beds	Special Purpose Beds	Actual Capacity Including Double- Bunking	Rated Capacity	ADP 7/1/24- 6/30/25 (Compensation Board)
Accomack	103	0	0	103	46	104.05
Albemarle/Charlottesville Regional	520	0	34	554	329	265.76
Alexandria	366	254	3	623	340	260.77
Allegheny/Covington Regional	112	10	6	122	56	88.45
	711	0	2	713	474	342.61
Arlington		21	64	767		918.10
Blue Ridge Regional-Amherst	682				340	(combined)
Blue Ridge Regional-Bedford	96	2	3	101	55	
Blue Ridge Regional-Campbell Co	133	16	3	152	79	
Blue Ridge Regional-Halifax	216	8	9	233	147	
Blue Ridge Regional-Lynchburg	647	25	64	736	429	
Botetourt/Craig Regional	265	0	0	265	124	95.32
Central Virginia Regional	442	0	52	660	442	450.39
Charlotte	95	1	5	96	29	36.77
Chesapeake	747	0	215	747	747	698.21
Chesterfield	526	0	7	350	250	352.77
Culpeper	66	8	7	81	37	72.54
Danville Adult Detention Center & Farm	120	0	0	120	120	69.33
Danville City	243	0	10	243	213	194.34
Eastern Shore Regional	248	5	31	248	148	52.67
Fairfax County/City	1474	168	155	1574	1260	560.01
Fauquier	120	0	2	120	56	40.23
Franklin	70	5	0	70	49	47.77
Gloucester	86	0	0	25	49	26.51
	300	23	24	324	308	129.76
Hampton Community Corrections Center						
Henrico Regional-East	632	0	385	632	528	1078.93 (combined)
Henrico Regional-West	672	43	367	715	329	(
Henry	430	24	6	460	400	227.75
Lancaster	40	0	0	40	26	24.56
Loudoun	345	0	44	485	460	273.47
Martinsville City Jail & Farm	128	12	6	140	79	113.13
Meherrin River Regional-Alberta	596	67	34	697	400	236.18
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Meherrin River Regional-	76	35	4	80	115	(comonica)
Middle Peningula Pagianal	306	20	5	306	121	171.82
Middle Peninsula Regional			93			
Middle River Regional	817	0	93	750	396	590.10

Montgomery	115	0	7	115	60	63.79
New River Valley Regional	1183	11	68	1194	859	607.04
Newport News	100	0	0	400	300	496.84
Norfolk	912	0	640	1552	833	781.35
Northern Neck Regional	496	20	48	516	234	426.48
Northwestern Regional Adult	877	241	155	1118	556	599.10
Detention Center						
Page	76	3	0	70	34	70.81
Pamunkey Regional	530	0	64	530	302	372.83
Patrick	130	0	39	169	63	74.75
Piedmont Regional	600	0	0	600	274	446.27
Pittsylvania	72	0	4	72	36	76.15
Portsmouth	220	0	0	160	280	155.35
Prince William/Manassas Regional	1395	0	4	1320	871	546.71
Adult Detention Center						
Rappahannock Regional	1475	614	146	2235	1024	1194.28
Richmond	1638	3	2	1032	1032	547.87
Riverside Regional	1372	0	0	1137*	1372	1123.78
Roanoke City Adult Detention	822	8	4	834	409	343.44
Center						
Roanoke County	147	30	14	86*	108	88.32
Rockbridge Regional	99	63	3	165	56	113.41
Rockingham/Harrisonburg	312	0	26	312	208	291.73
Regional						
Rappahannock-Shenandoah-Warren	564	0	73	564	375	300.26
(RSW) Regional						
Southampton County Jail & Farm	103	0	3	103	90	47.98
Southside Regional	259	0	0	126	100	124.25
Sussex	86	4	3	100	28	32.52
Southwest Virginia Regional	979	163	129	1108	619	1698.22
Abingdon						(combined)
Southwest Virginia Regional	657	100	103	760	405	
Duffield						
Southwest Virginia Regional	455	57	44	499	257	
Haysi						
Southwest Virginia Regional	197	49	15	212	95	
Tazewell						
Virginia Beach	1529	0	3	2037	889	1015.48
Virginia Peninsula Regional	596	0	39	635	290	358.89
Western Tidewater Regional	1070	5	119	900	552	720.18
Western Virginia Regional	919	0	106	1024	605	635.60

^{*}Indicates quantity provided by facility is rounded: .50 rounded up, .49 rounded down