



DIRECTOR'S REPORT

September 21, 2016

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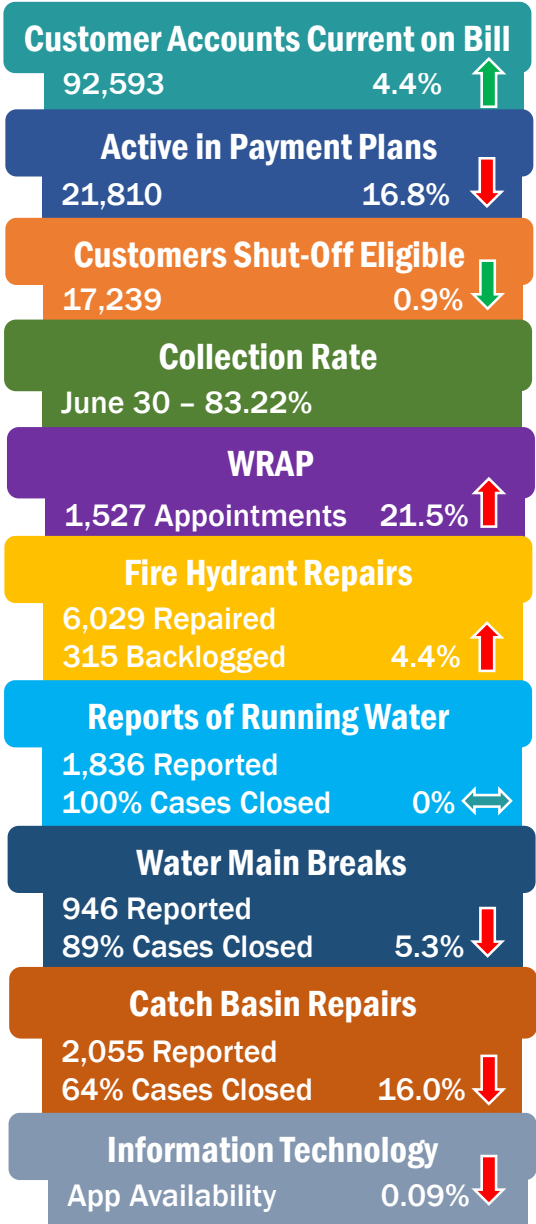
Director's Update

Recent Actions and Events:

- The collection rate continues to rise made possible through improvements in Customer Care, communications and outreach.
- DWSD took unprecedented steps to assist customers who experienced sewage backups following the July 8 and August 16 rainstorms, which included cleaning and sanitizing 392 basements.
- DWSD Drainage Charge Program team is meeting with customers to verify parcel data for the 22,000 unbilled parcels (less than 10% are church and residential), and the top 100 customers based upon number of acres.
- The lead and copper testing initiative is exceeding minimum sampling goals with results to be complete by September 30.

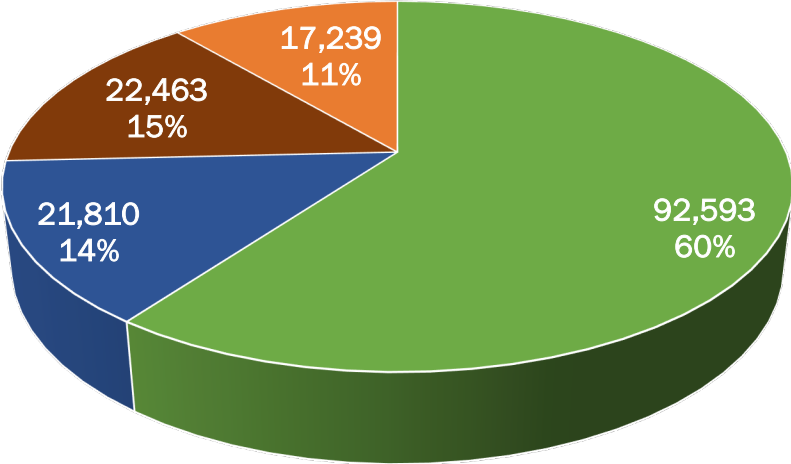
Upcoming Actions and Events (Sept - Oct):

- Customers will receive an insert with their bill illustrating the new format– the new bill layout will be used beginning in November.
- DWSD will release the engineering investigation on the July 8 and August 16 rainstorms, and continue the claims process to meet the 90-day deadline.
- Nonresidential customers with delinquent accounts will receive a dunning letter stating their past due amount will be rolled onto 2017 property tax bill if not paid by October 7, 2016.
- Drainage Charge Credits will launch in October on detroitmi.gov/drainage, and workshop dates and times will be announced soon.
- A Drainage Charge Program notification letter will be mailed to ONLY industrial customers regarding the move to the impervious acreage rate beginning in January (phase three of the program).



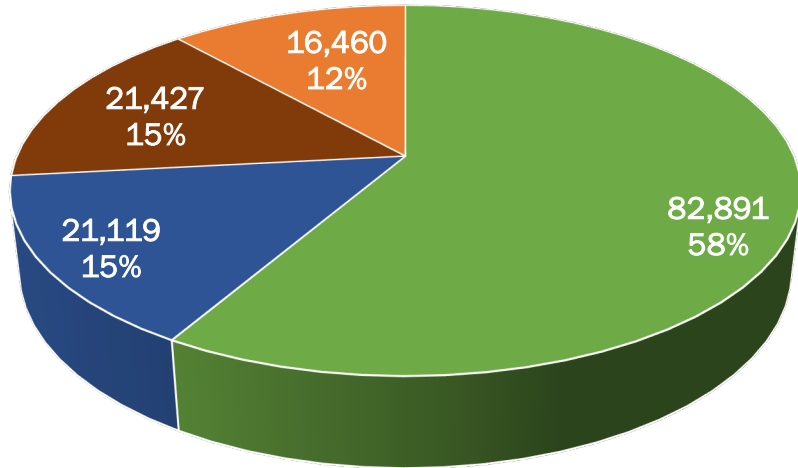
Customer Care

Customer Care: Account Status



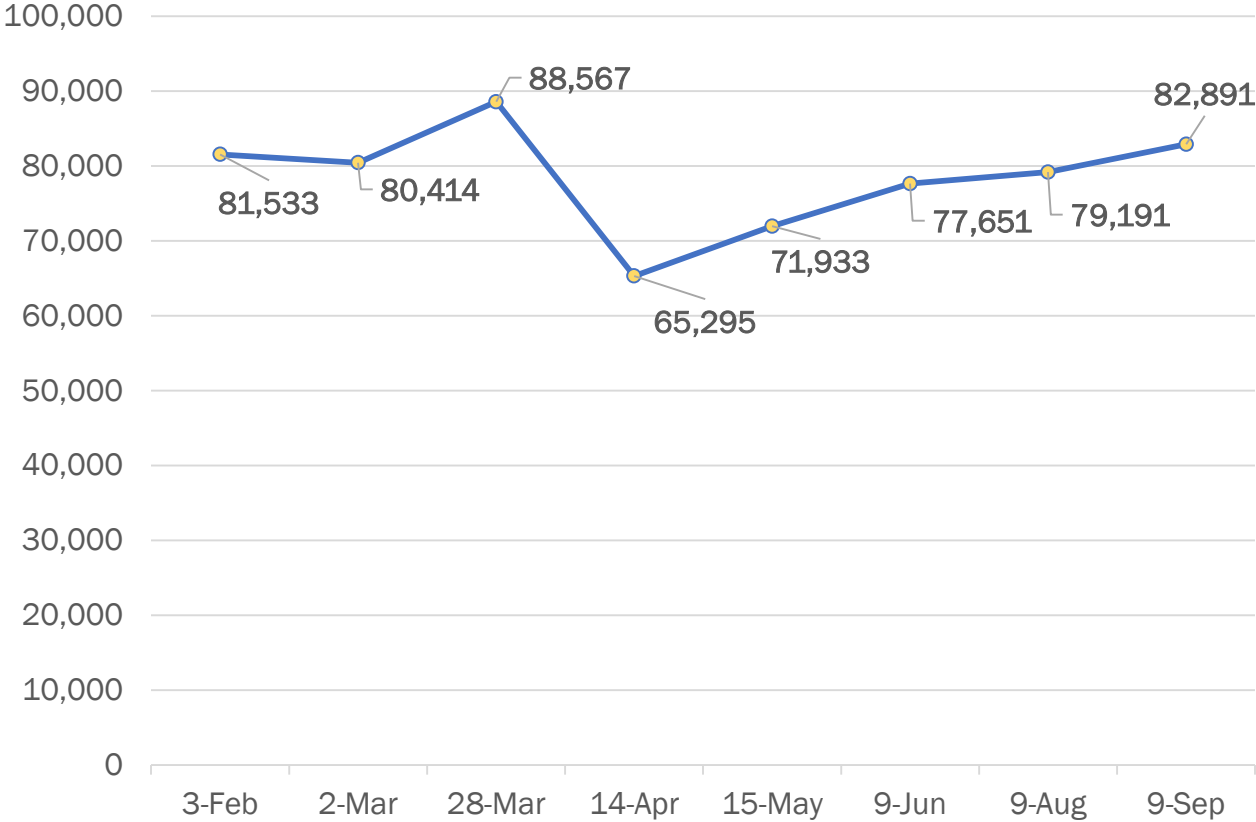
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Customer Care: Residential Account Status

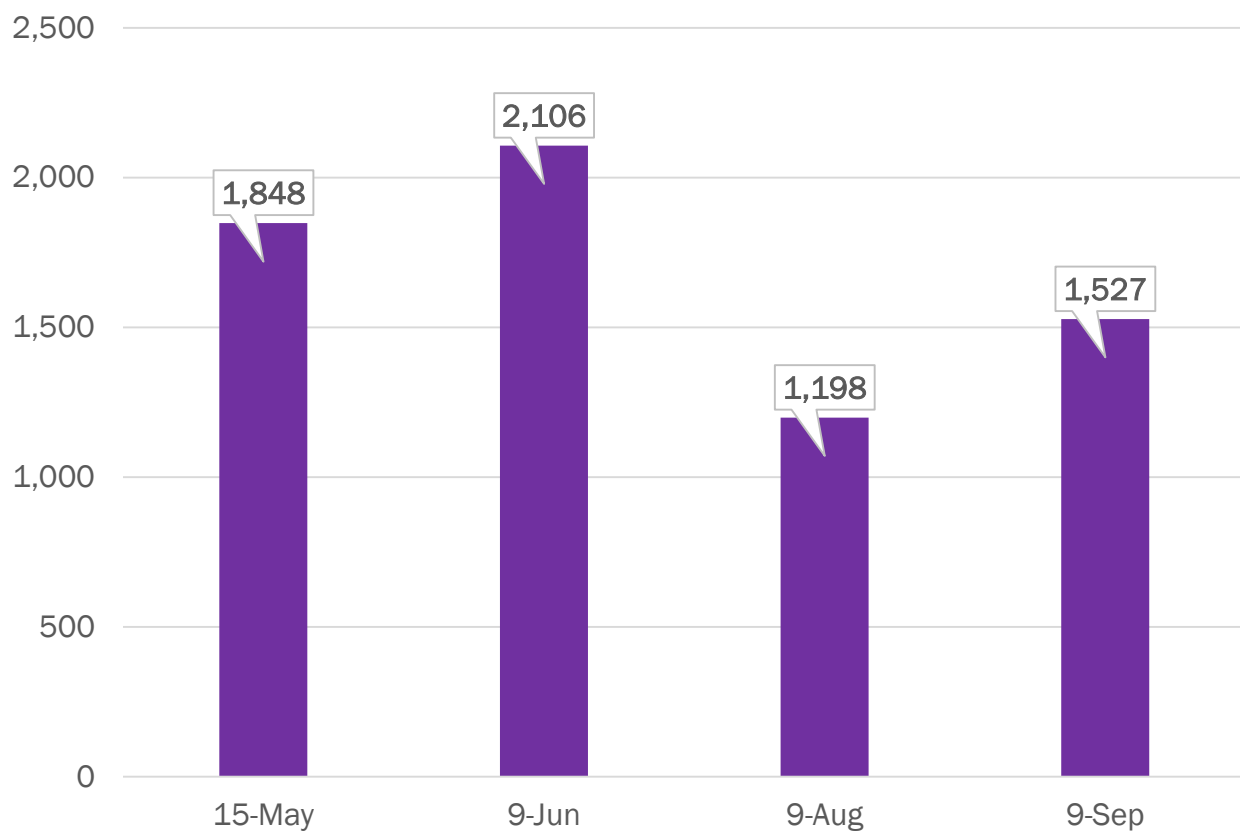


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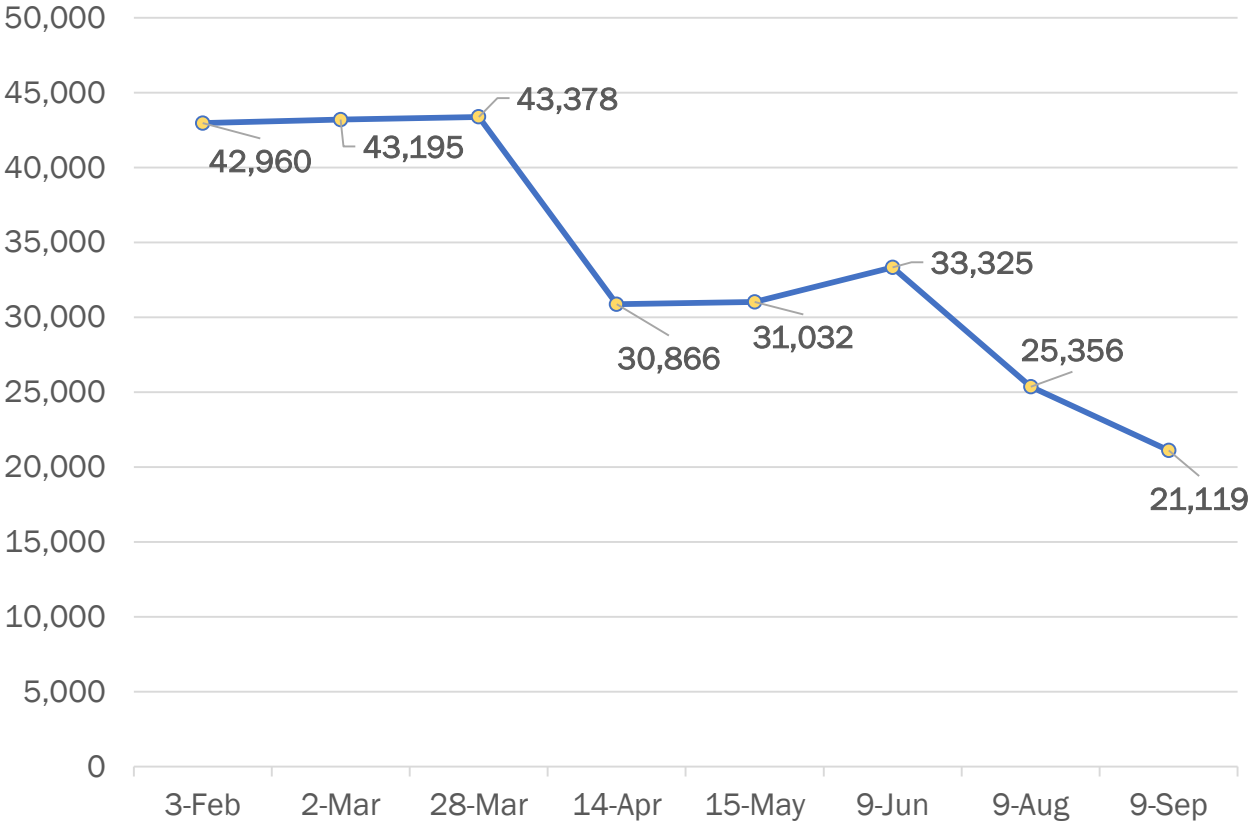
Customer Care: Residential Current on Bill



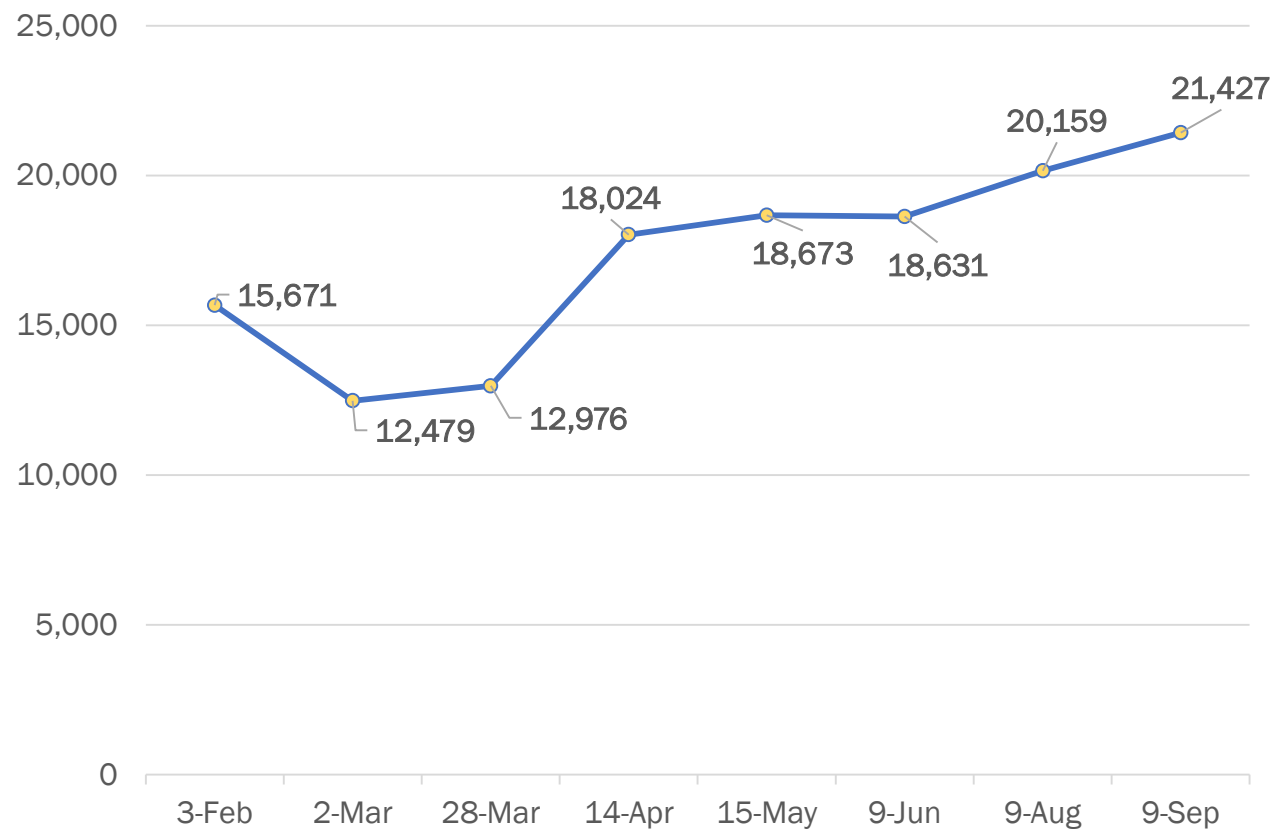
Customer Care: Appointments for Water Residential Assistance Program (WRAP)



Customer Care: Residential Payment Plans



Customer Care: Residential On the Bubble*

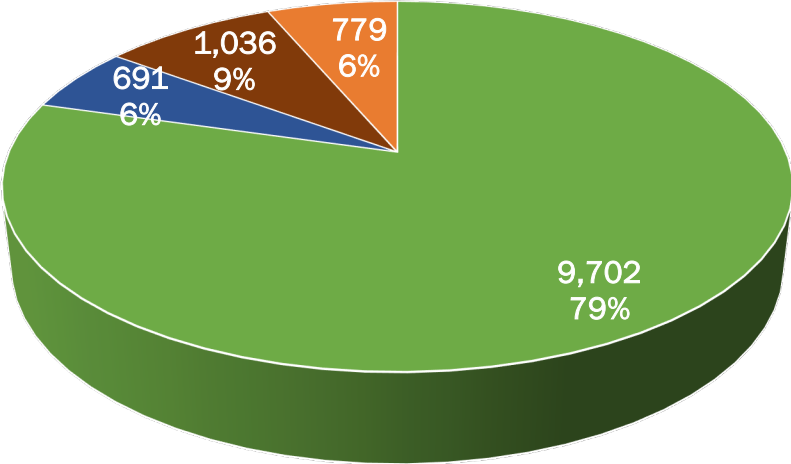


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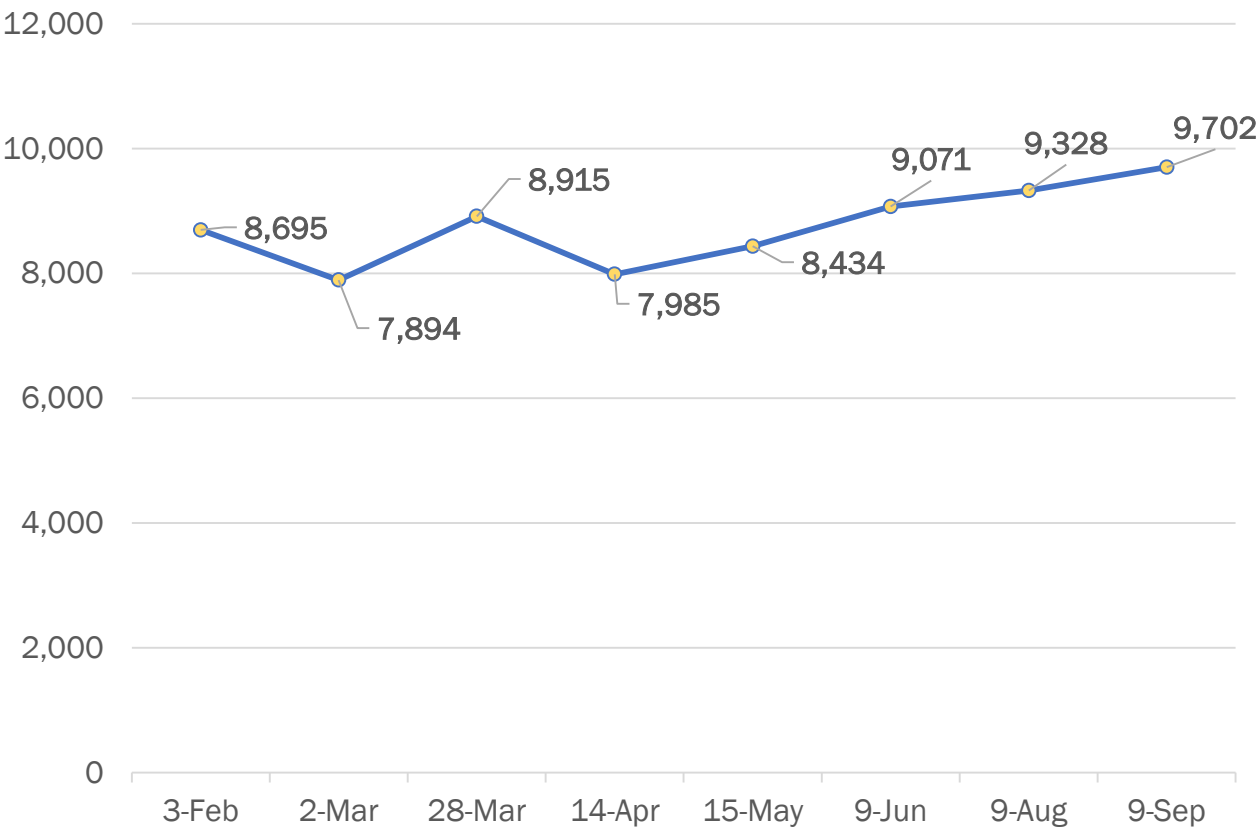


Customer Care: Commercial Account Status

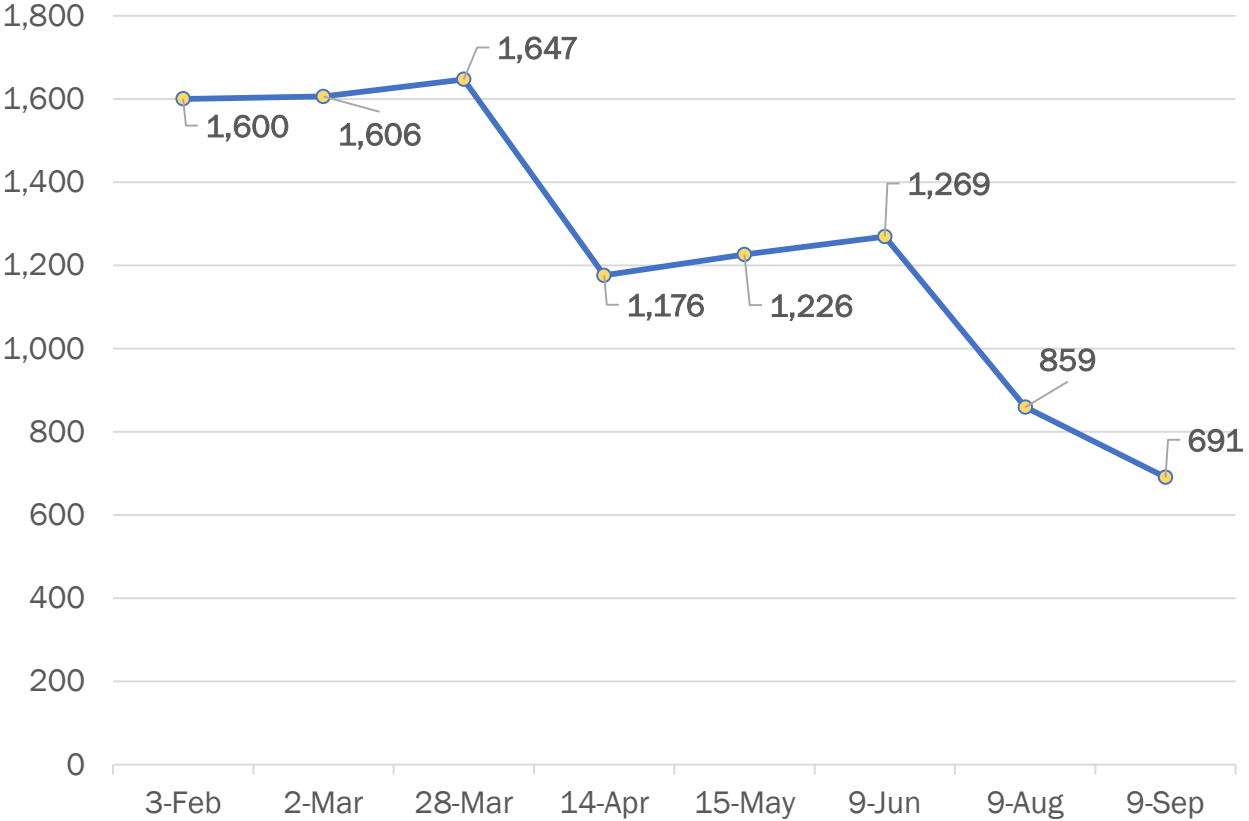


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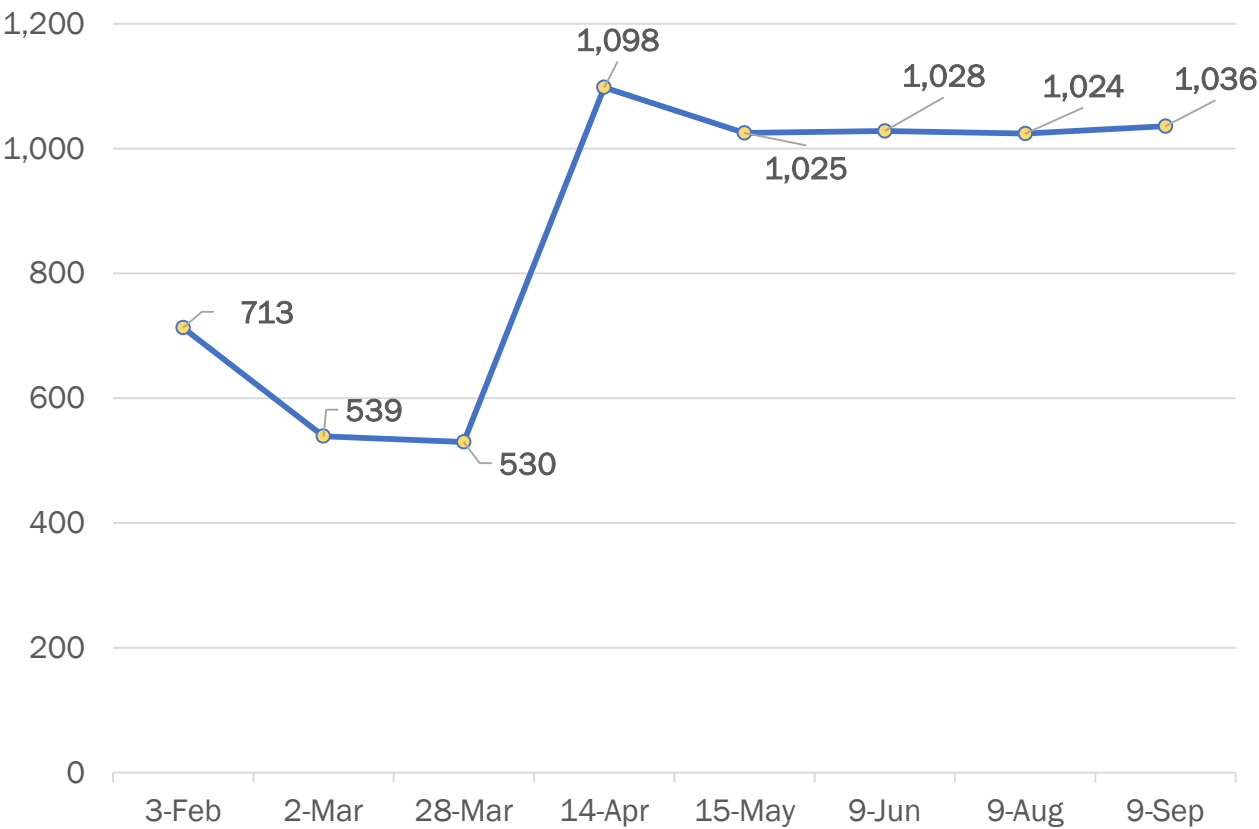
Customer Care: Commercial Current on Bill



Customer Care: Commercial Payment Plans

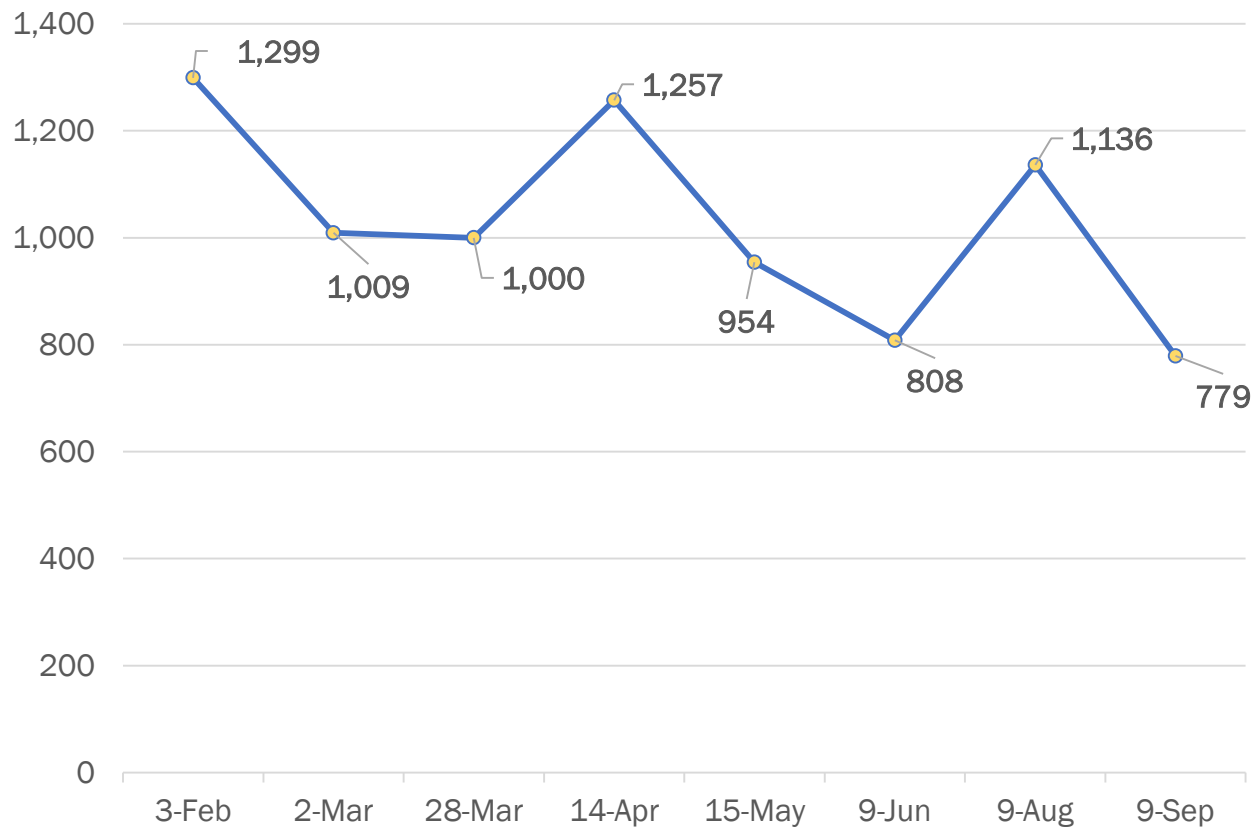


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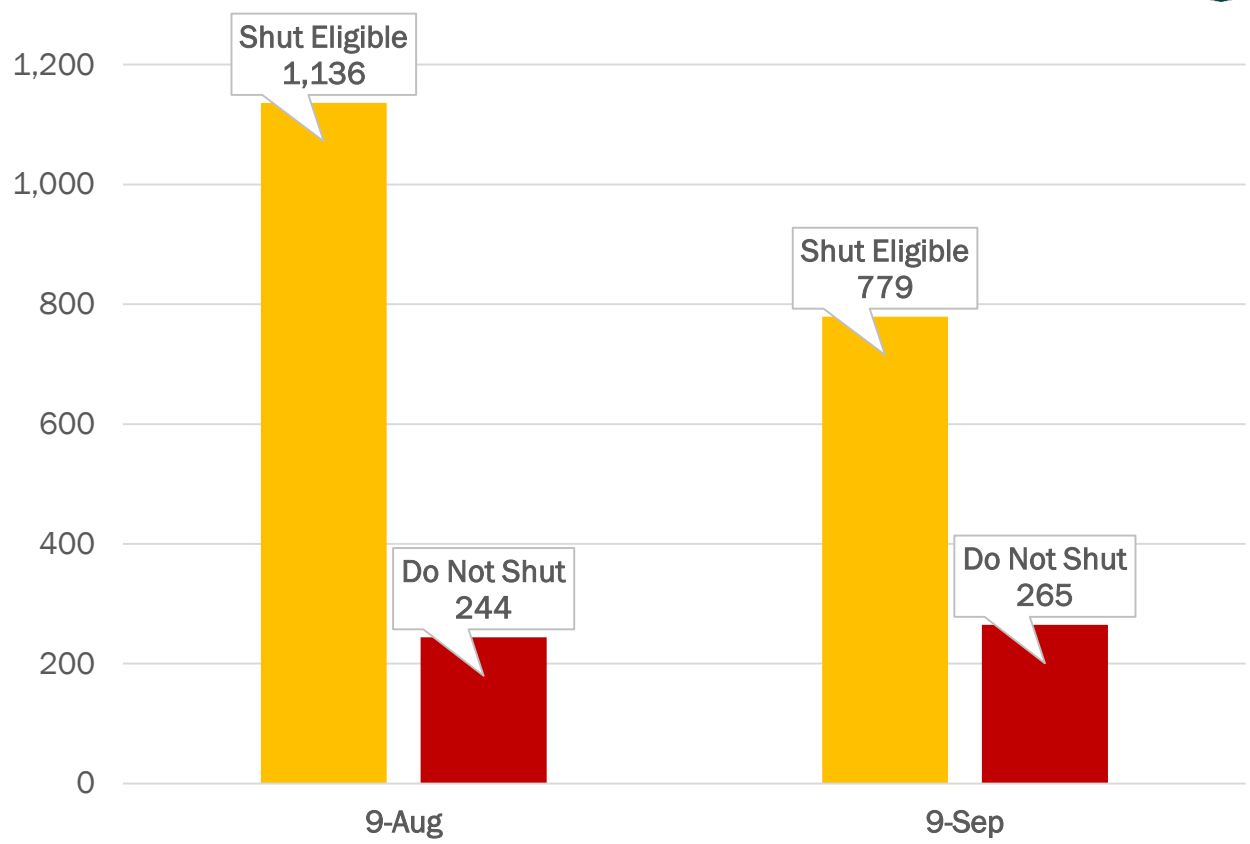


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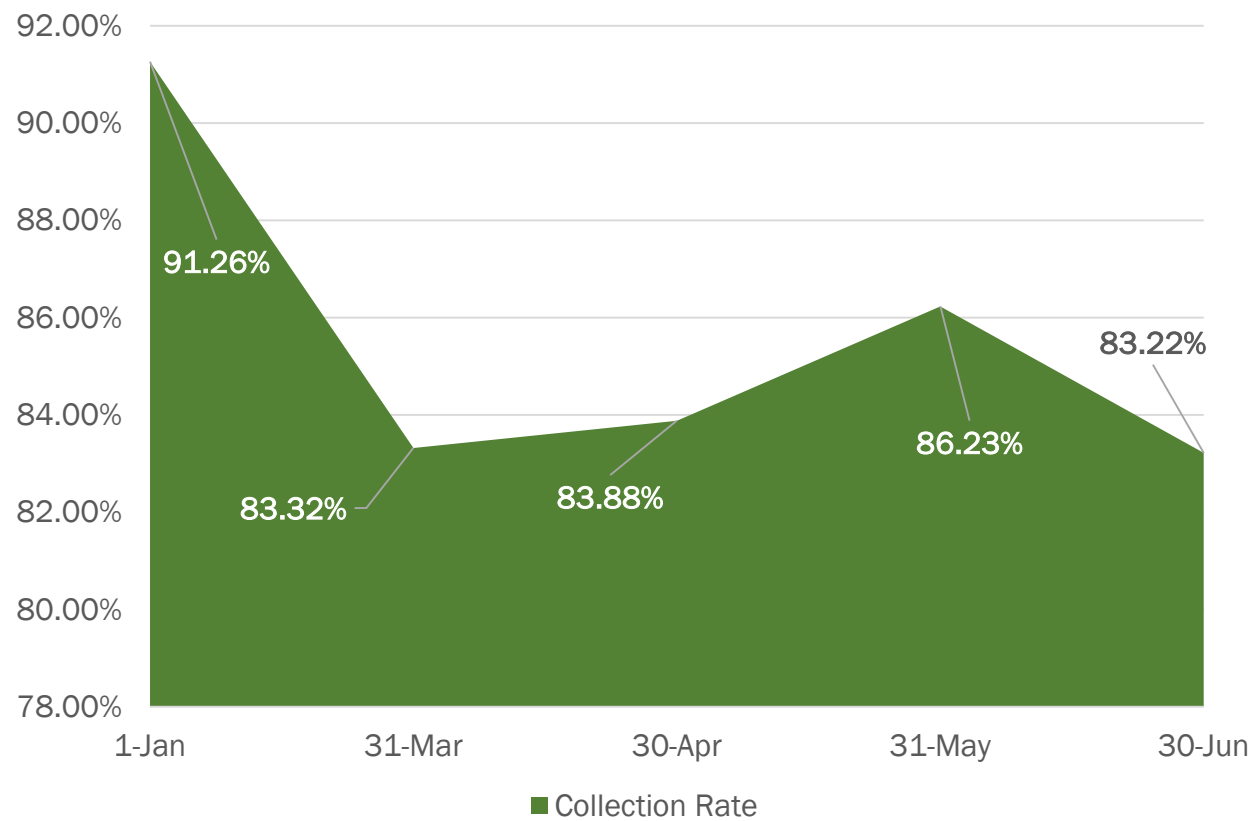
Customer Care: Commercial Shut-Off Status*



*Customers in the “do not shut” category include nursing homes and apartment buildings.

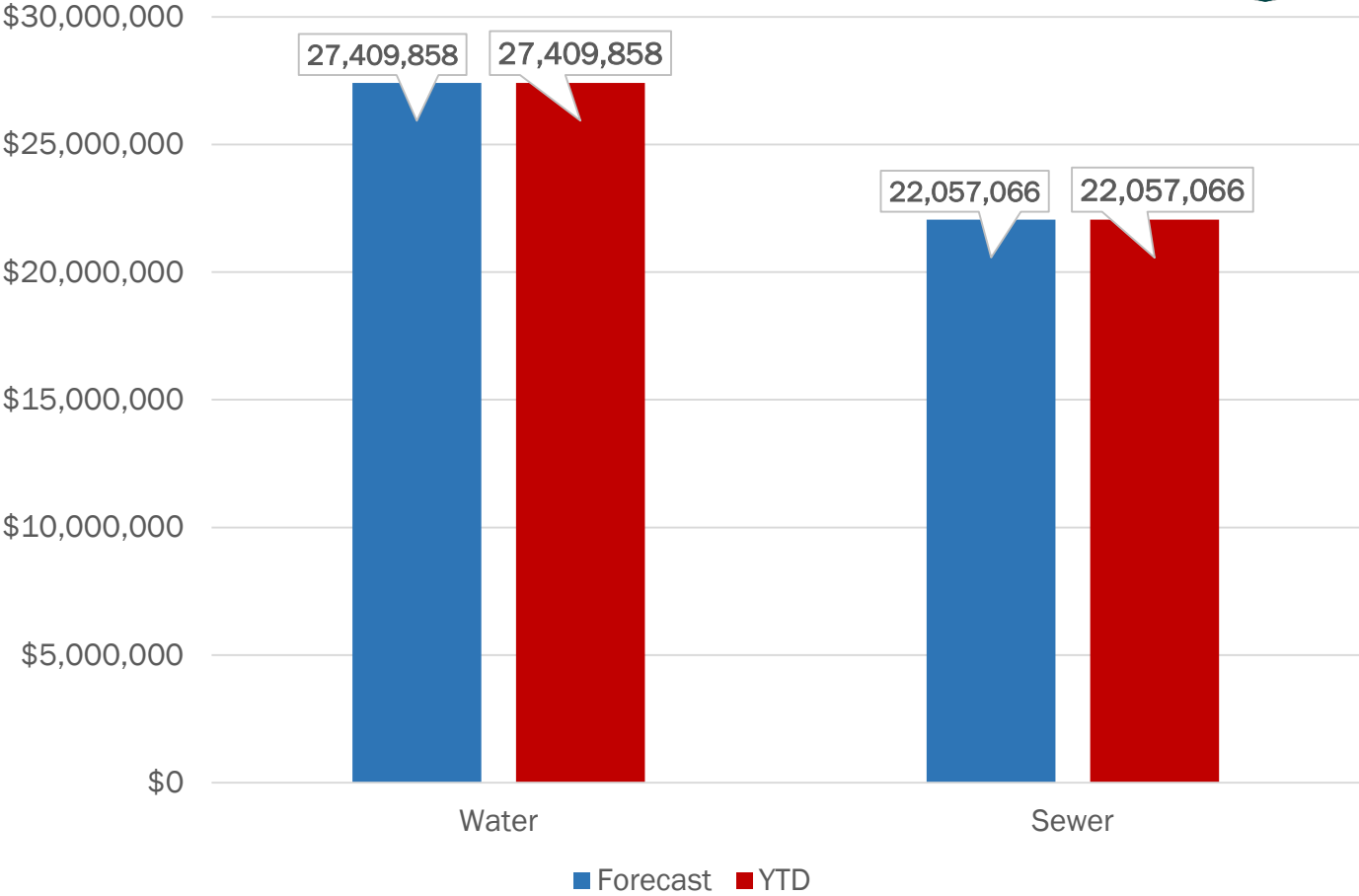
Finance

Finance: Collection Rate*



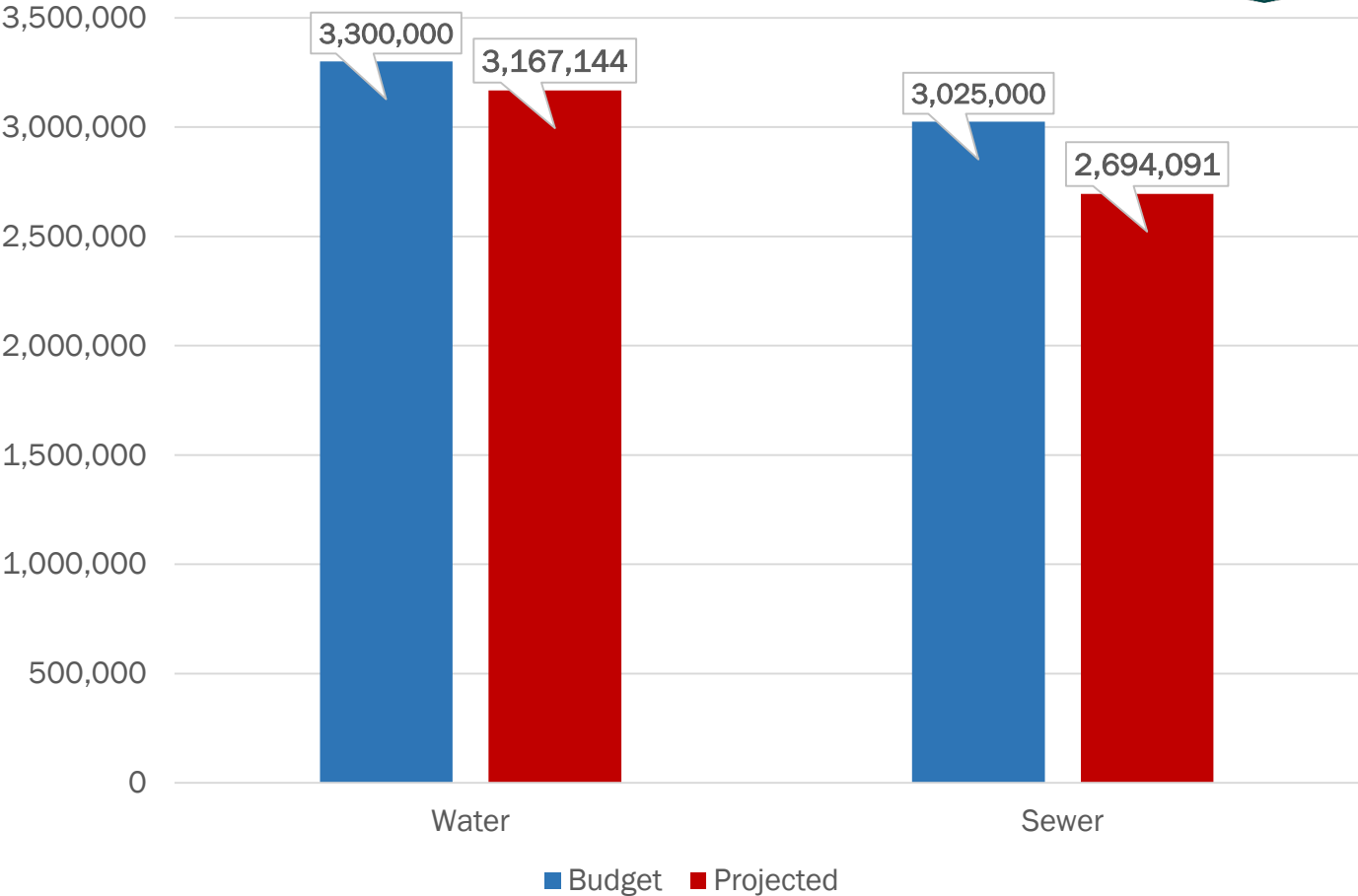
*The long-term collection rate below the 90% target is likely temporary as it dips in non-shutoff months and the months immediately following.

Finance: Cash Flow Status*

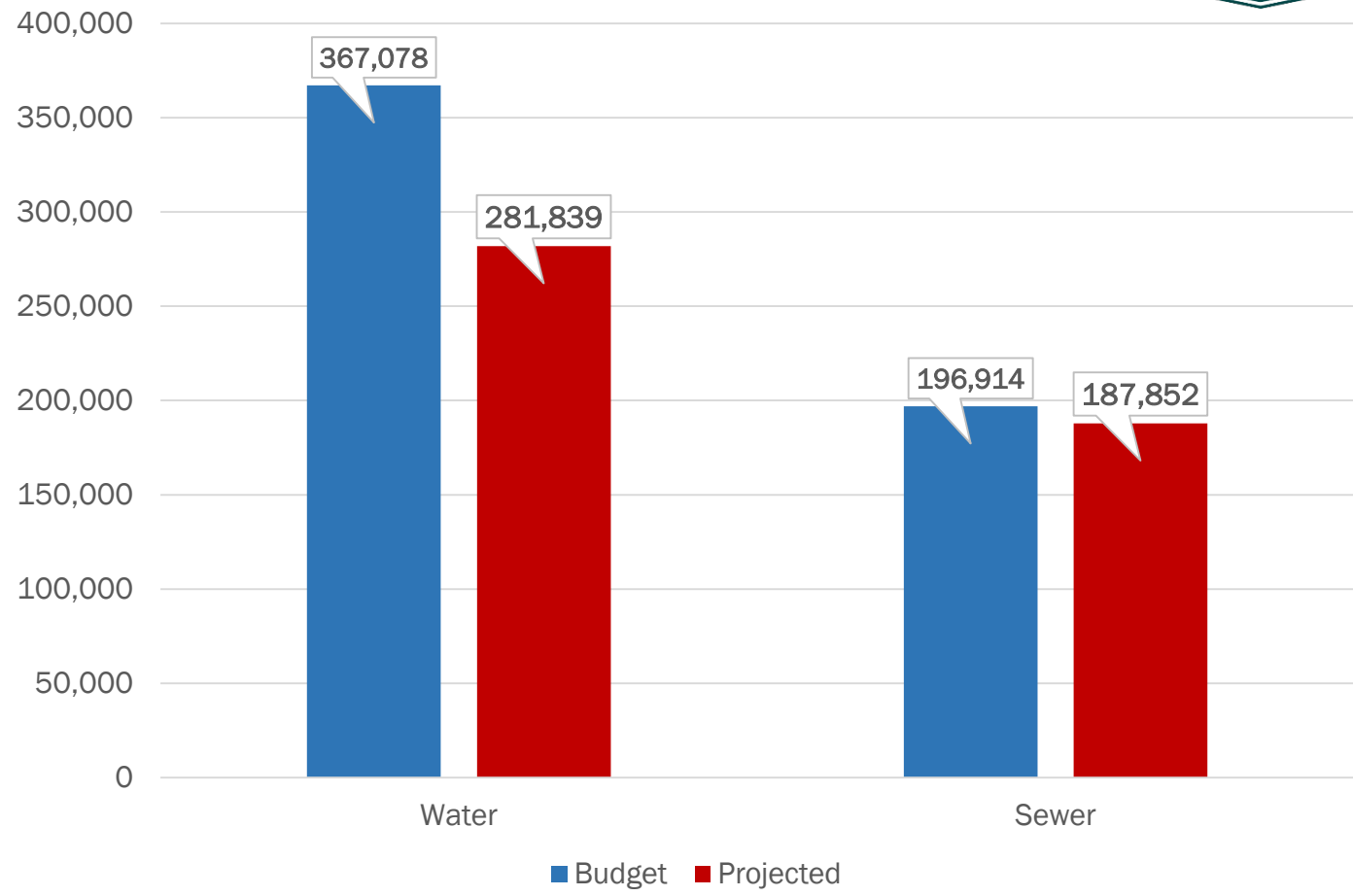


*Cash flow statement is pro forma. DWSD lacks certain data to perform a full reconciliation. Unreconciled balance as of June 30, 2016 approximates \$2 million (Actual cash approximates \$47 million versus \$49 million combined cash from cash flow statement).

Finance: Commodity Volumes

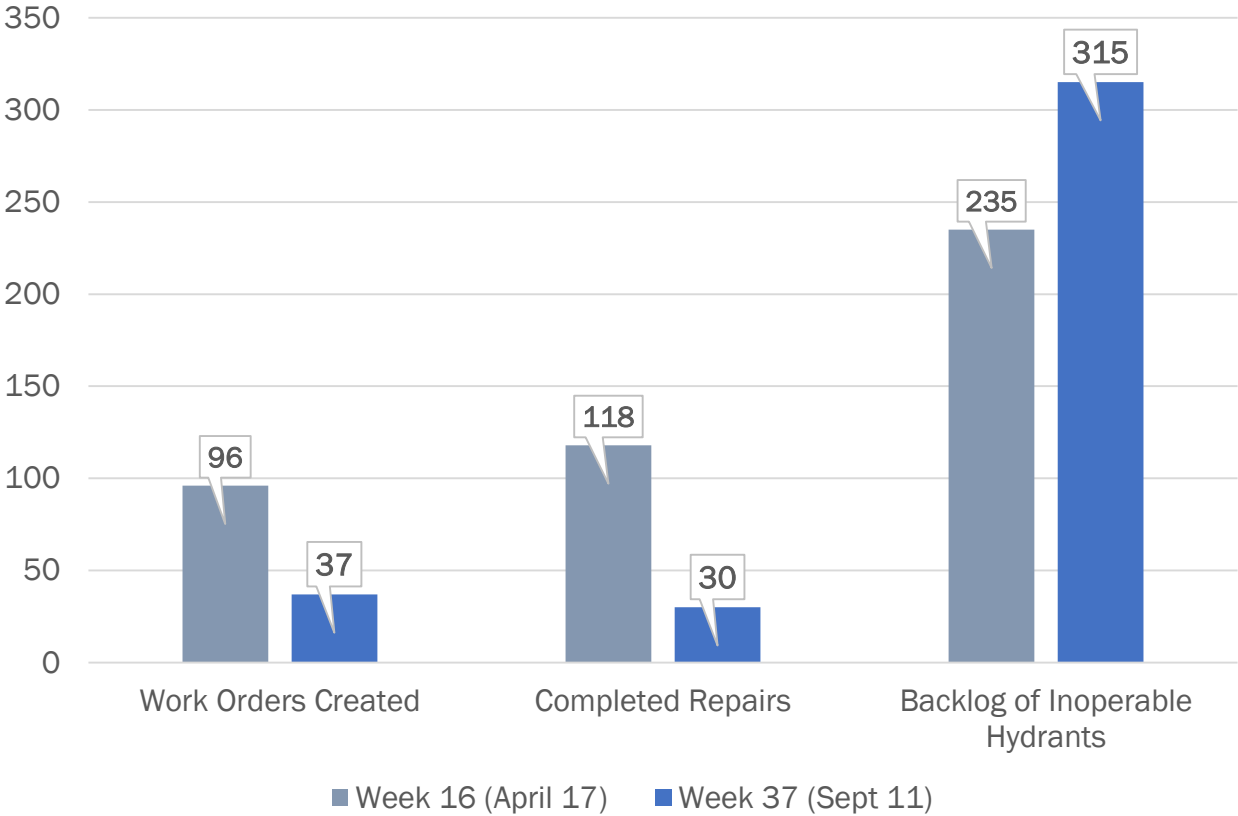


Finance: Equivalent Accounts

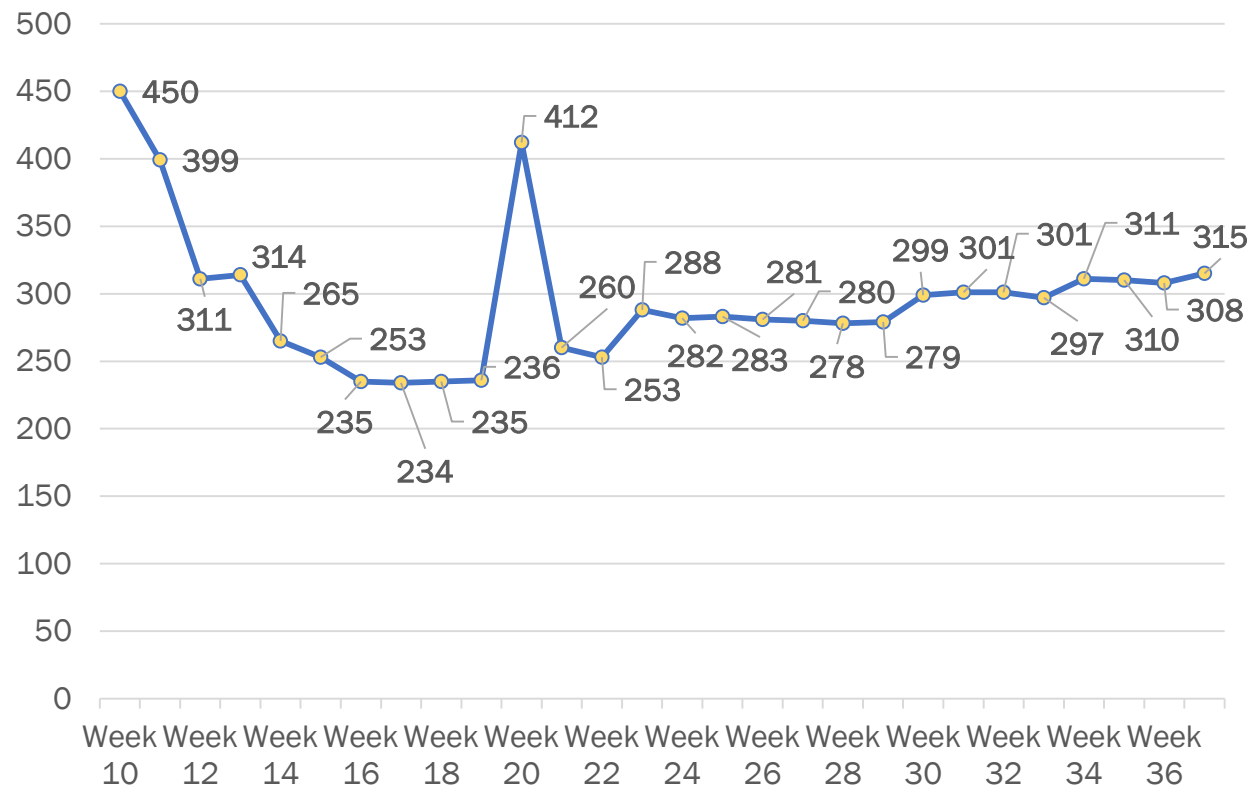


Field Services

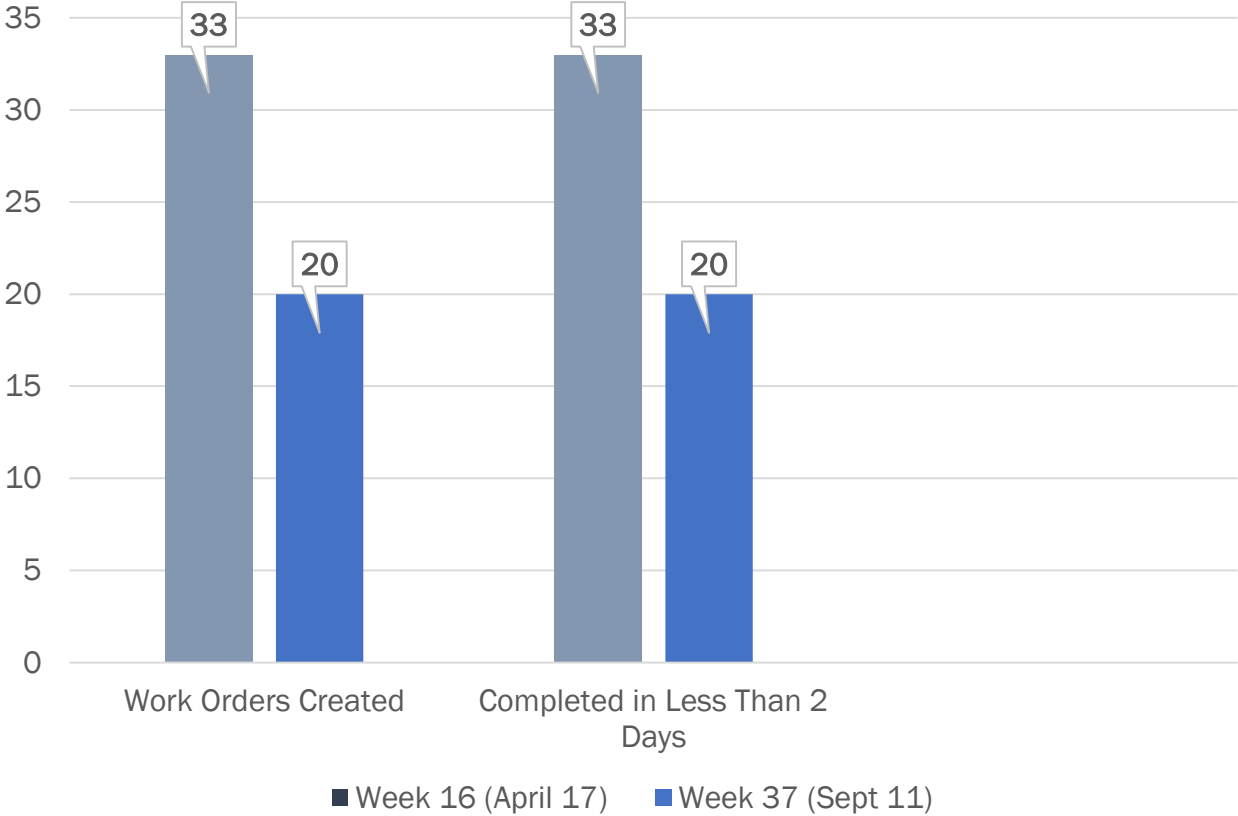
Field Services: Fire Hydrant Repairs



Field Services: Backlog of Inoperable Fire Hydrants



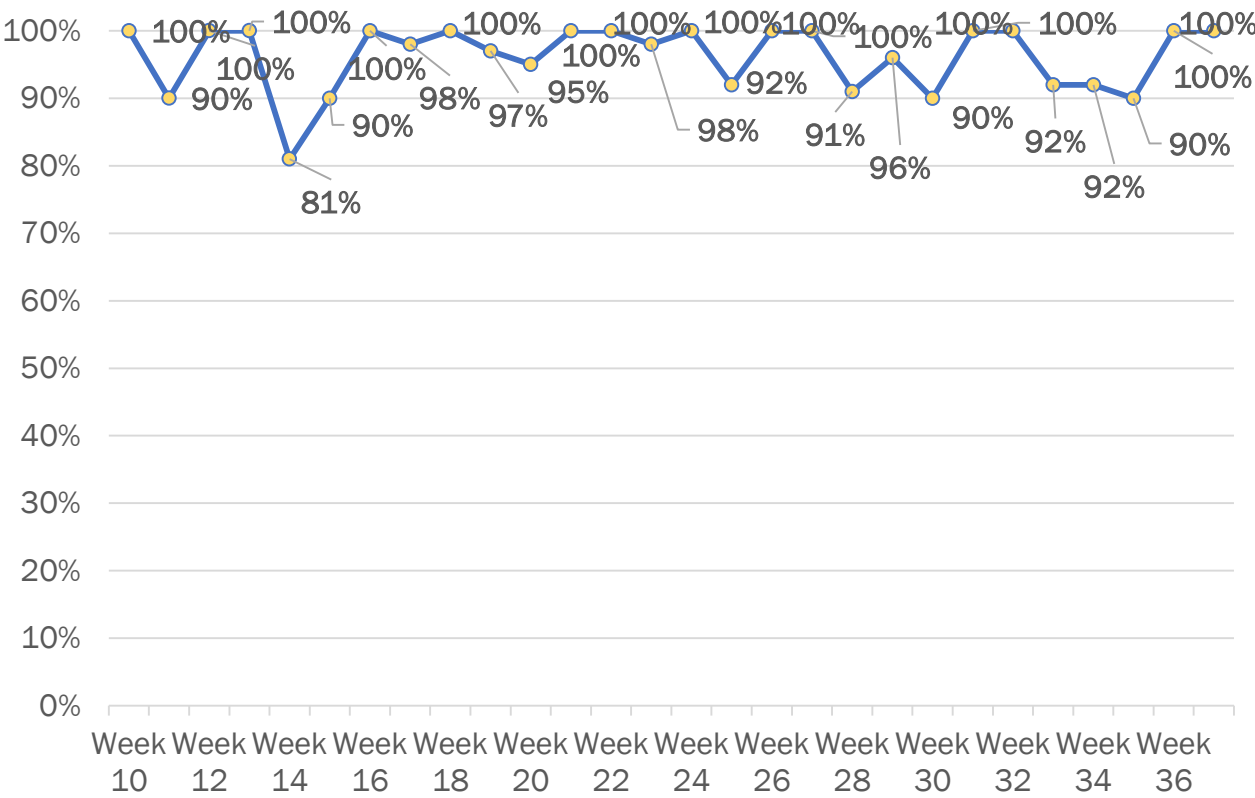
Field Services: Reports of Running Water



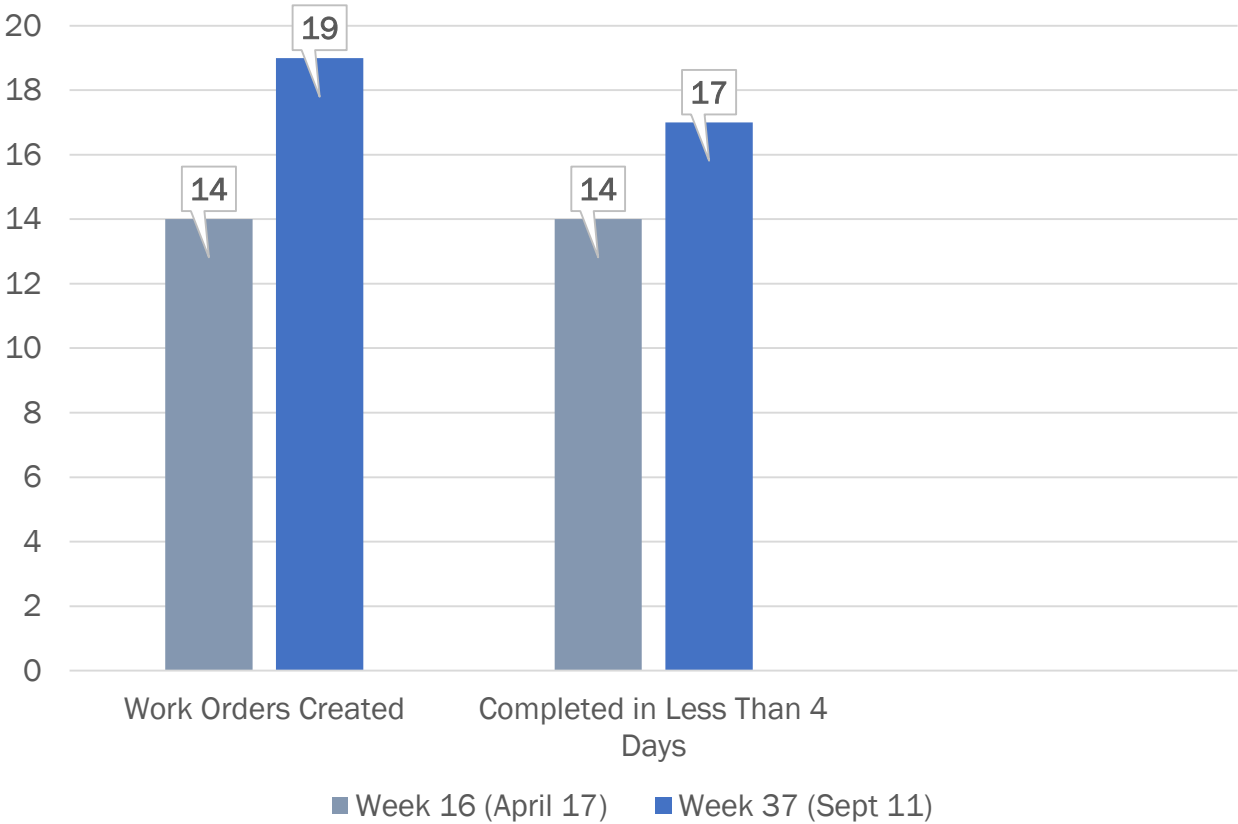
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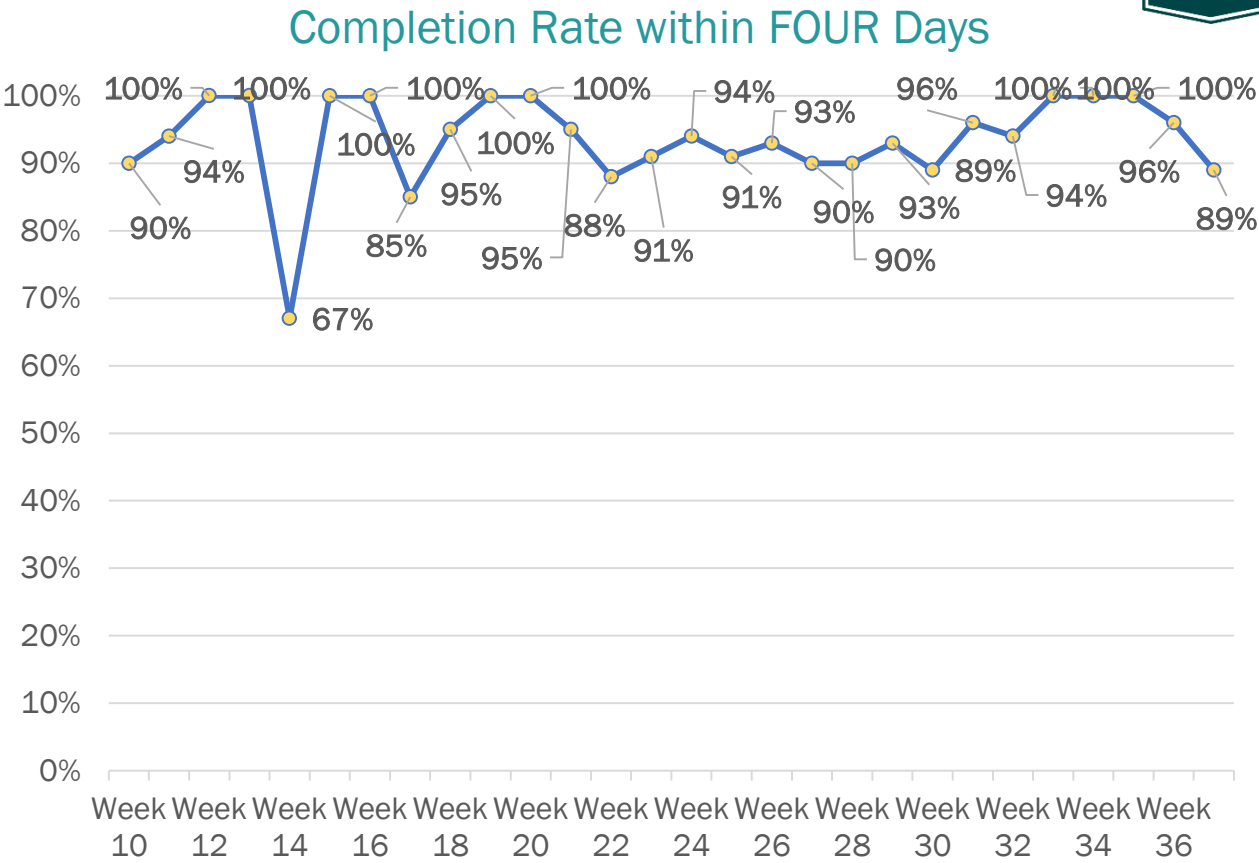
Completion Rate within TWO Days



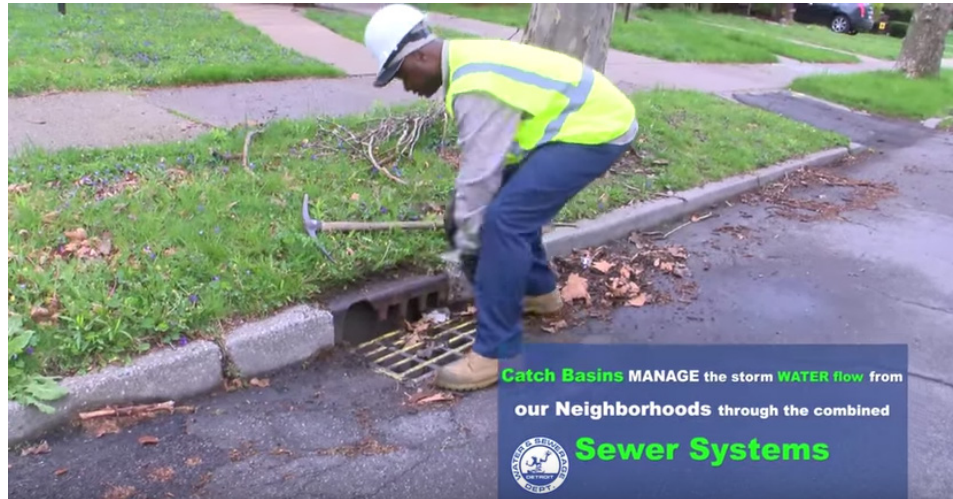
Field Services: Water Main Repairs



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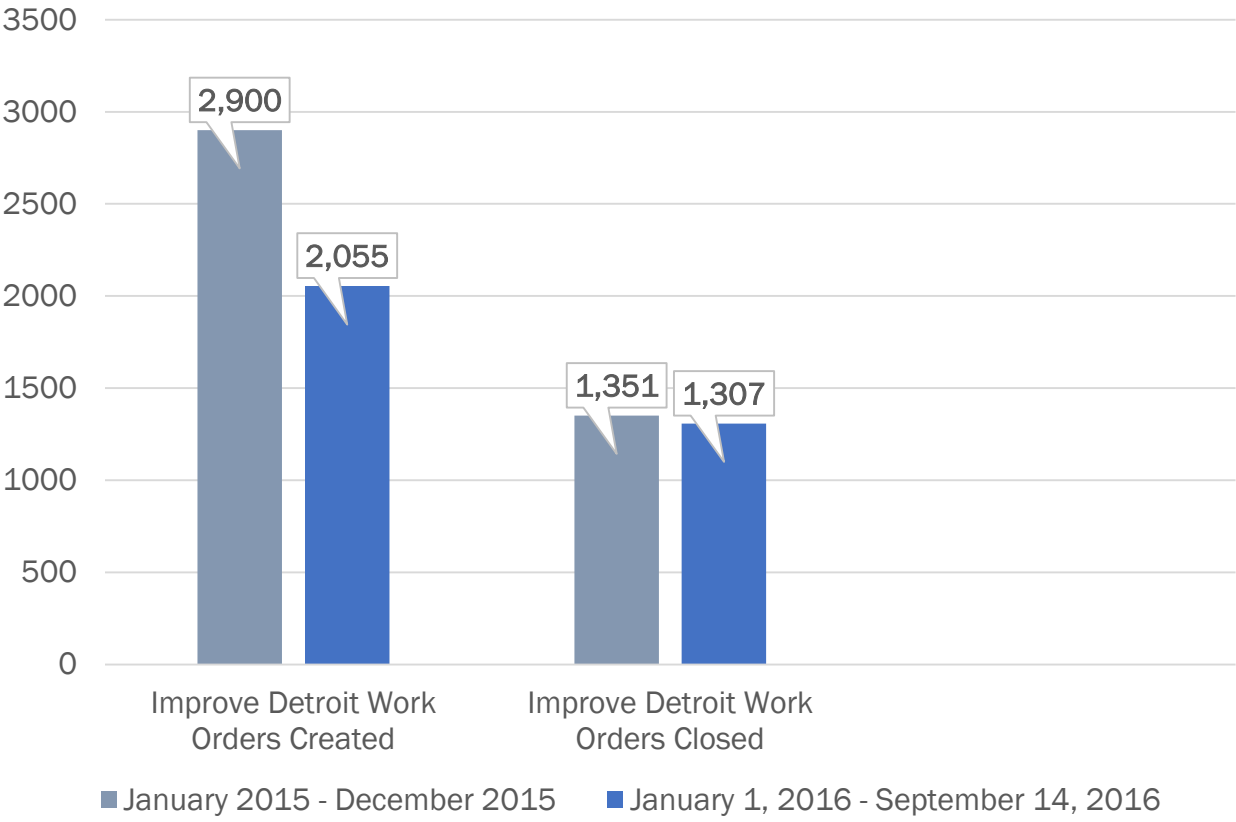


Field Services: Catch Basins



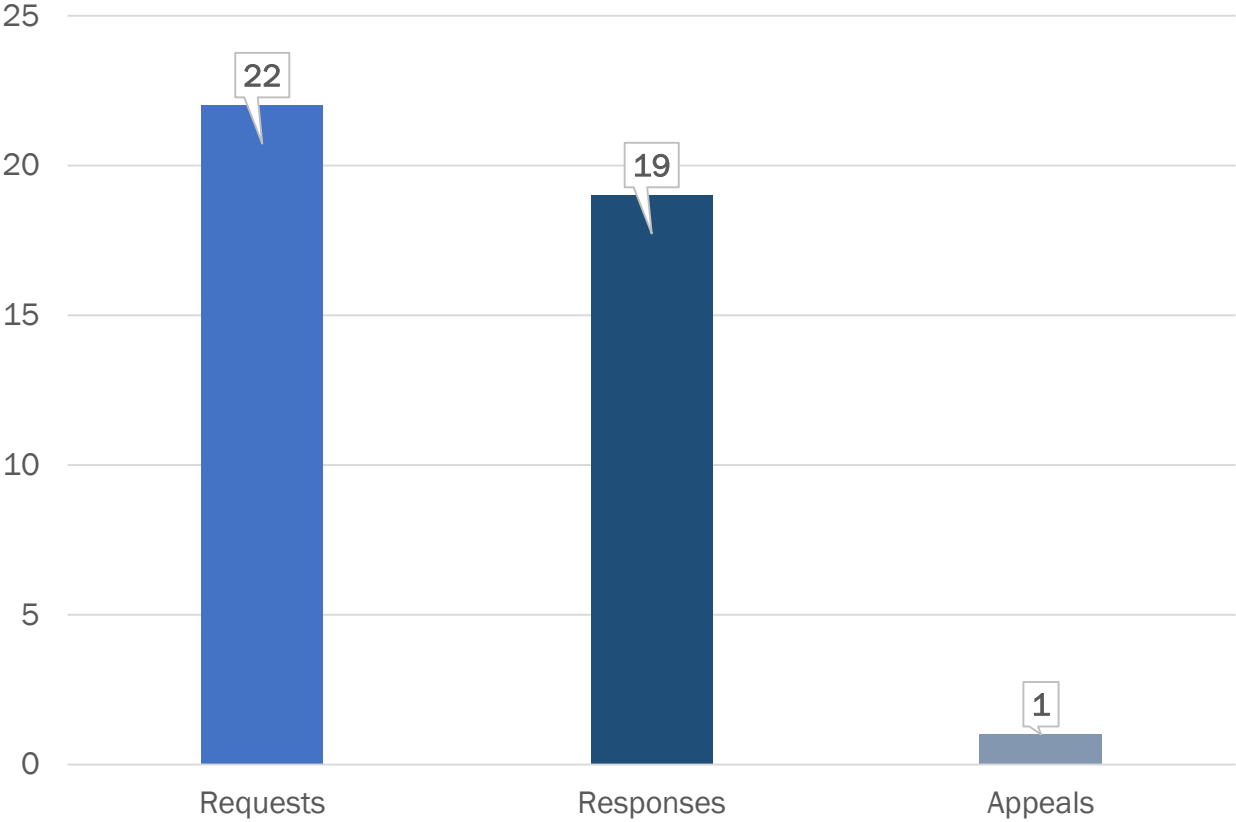
- ❑ Close to 95,000 catch basins in the city
- ❑ Five trucks to clean catch basins – same trucks used to clean sewers
 - Priority 1: Water in basement complaint investigation; cleaning/repair
 - Priority 2: Clogged catch basin investigation; cleaning/repair

Field Services: Catch Basins

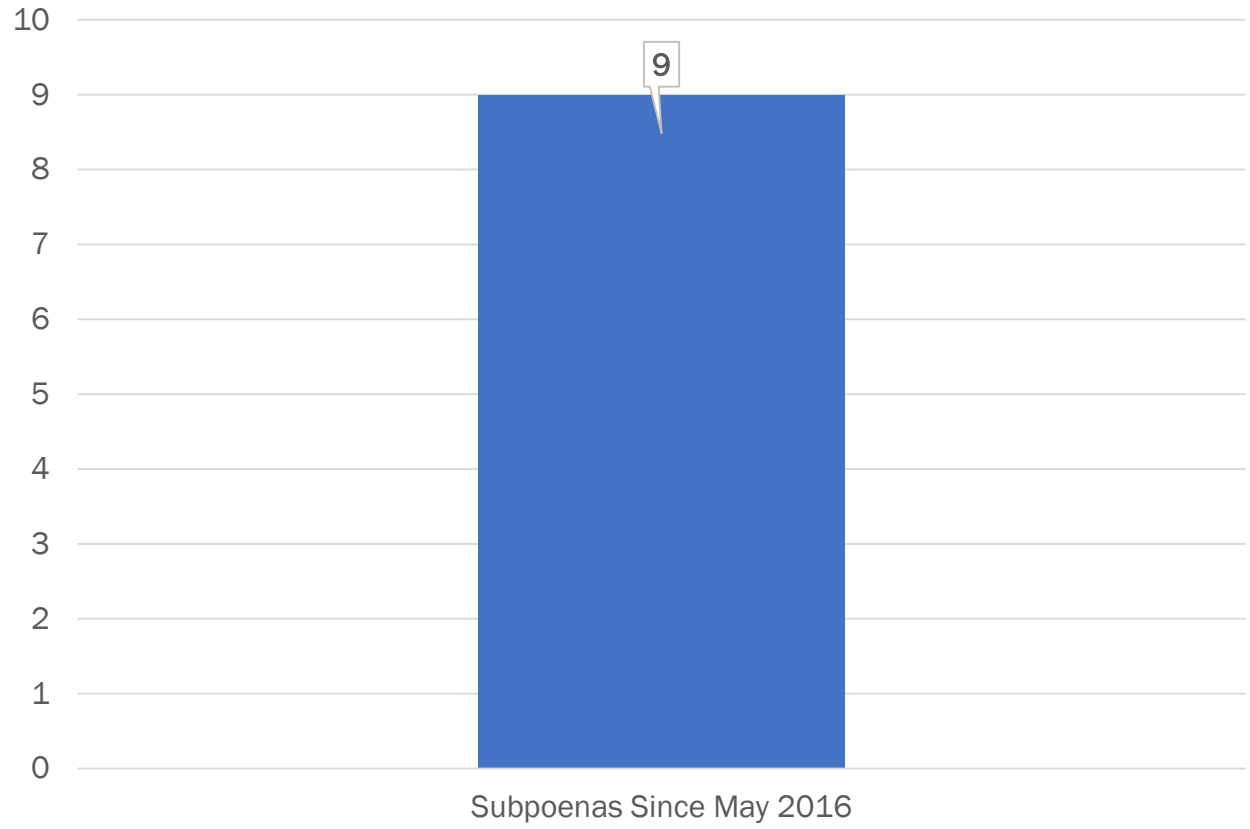


Legal Services

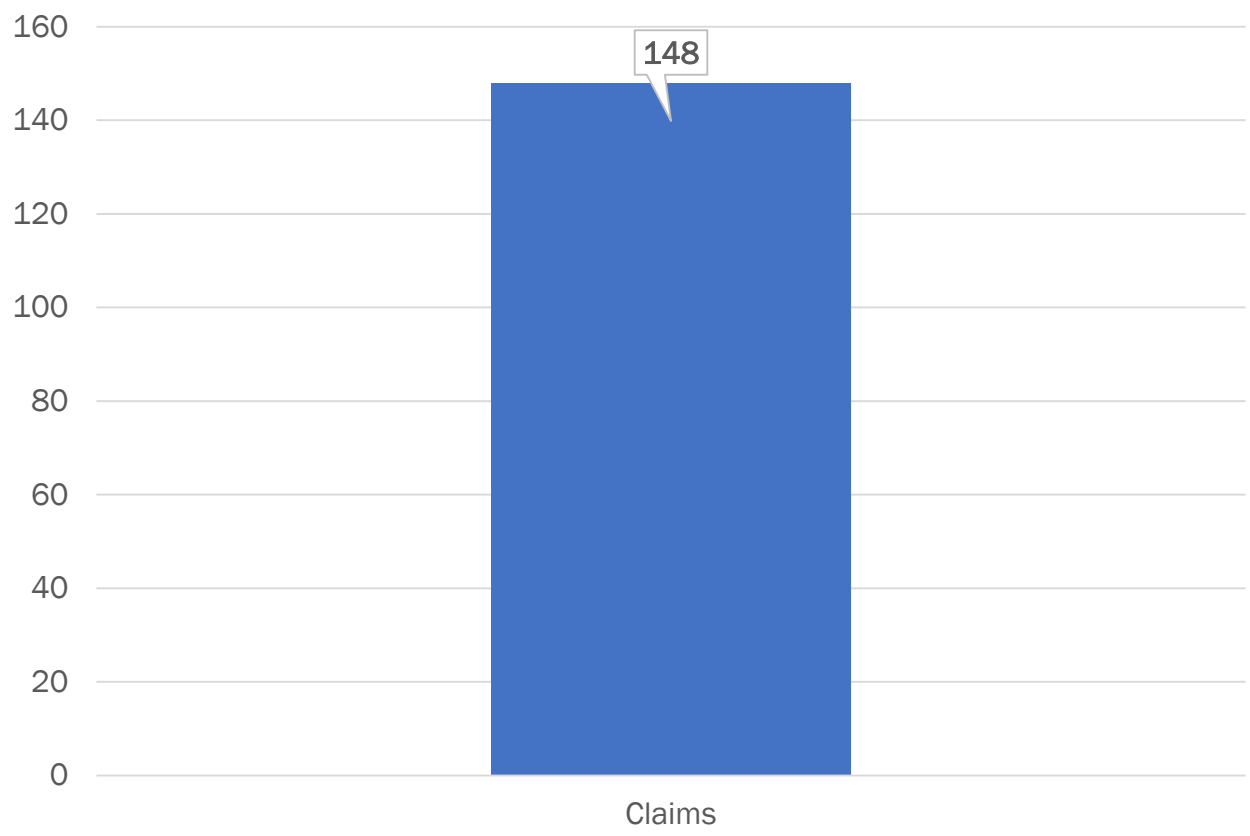
Legal: FOIA Requests



Legal: Subpoenas



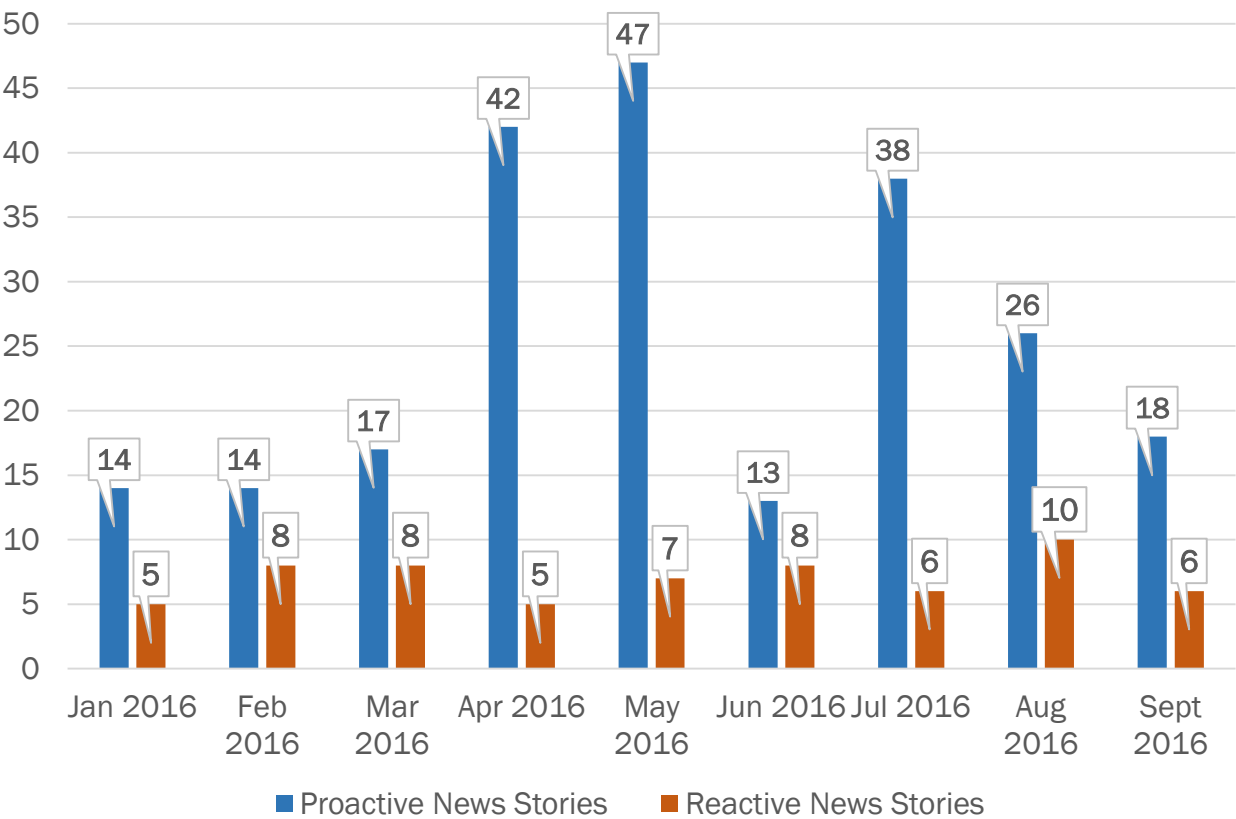
Legal: Customer Claims*



*The number of claims is current as of August 2016. The department is tabulating the claims received and will provide an updated figure. The majority of claims are sewage backups in the Jefferson Chalmers and Cornerstone Village neighborhoods following the July 8 and August 16 rainstorms.

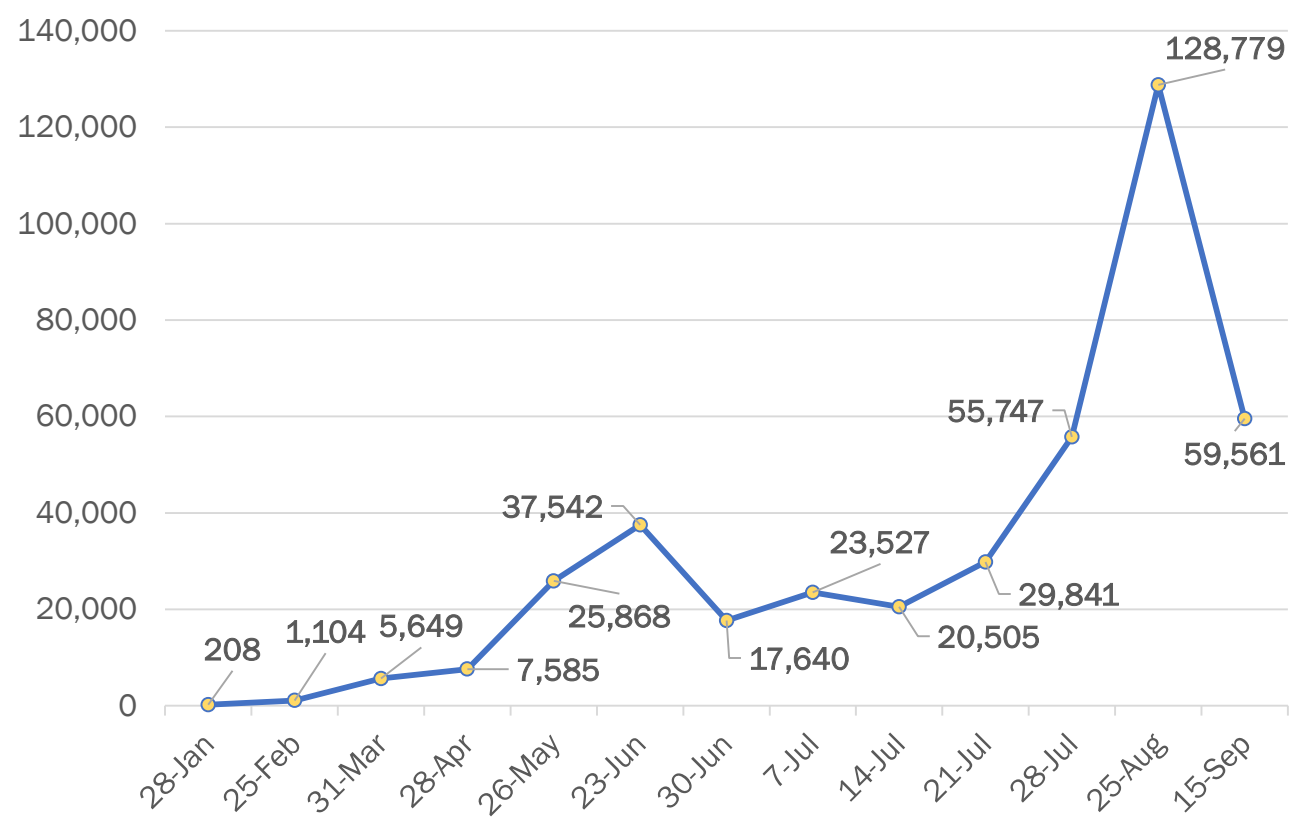
Public Affairs

Public Affairs: News Media Placements*



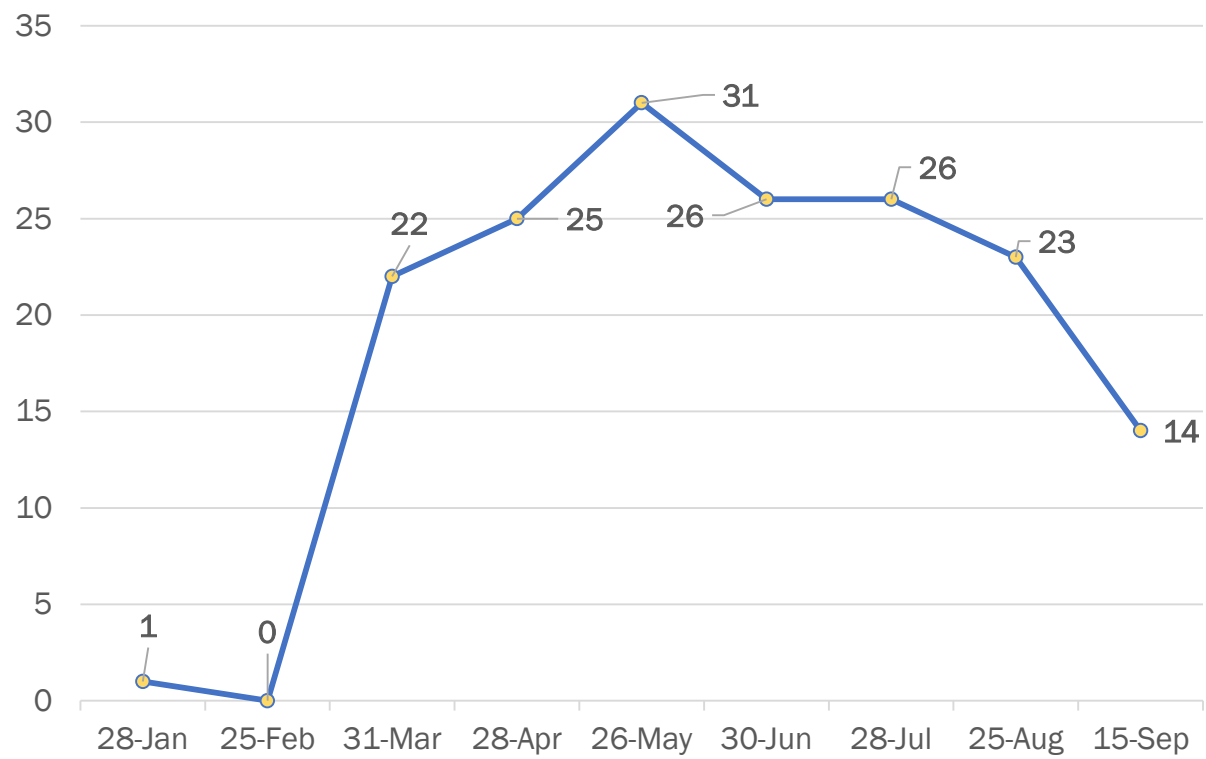
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Public Affairs: Social Media Reach*



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Public Affairs: Community Engagement Activities*



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Information Technology

Information Technology: Software

Application Availability for Customer Care, Field Services and Finance



Customer Service Application Availability Last 90-Days

