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Current Employment

Research Associate, Public Policy Institute of California, January 2013-present.

Research Associate IV, 2020-present.

Research Associate III, 2017-2020.

Research Associate II, 2014-2017.

Research Associate I, 2013-2014.

Professional Experience

Board of Directors, Association for Criminal Justice Research – California, January 2024 – present.

Education

M.A. (Political Science), University of California, Davis: August 2012

B.A. (Political Science), Michigan State University: December 2008

Publications – Peer Reviewed Academic

“Effect of sentencing reform on racial and ethnic disparities in involvement with the criminal justice system: The case of California’s proposition 47” (with Magnus Lofstrom and Steven Raphael), *Criminology and Public Policy* v. 19, n. 4, October 2020.

Publications – Peer Reviewed PPIC Reports

“Arrests in California” (with Magnus Lofstrom and Andrew Skelton), PPIC Fact Sheet, January 2024
(Previous updates: Feb. 2023, Feb. 2021, Dec. 2018)

“California’s County Jails” (with Magnus Lofstrom and Andrew Skelton), Just the Facts, January 2024
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“Law Enforcement Staffing in California” (with Magnus Lofstrom and Andrew Skelton), PPIC Fact Sheet, January 2024 (Previous updates: Feb. 2023, Feb. 2021, Oct. 2018, Aug. 2016, Dec. 2013)

“Crime Trends in California” (with Magnus Lofstrom), PPIC Fact Sheet, October 2023 (Previous updates: Feb. 2023, Jan. 2022, Feb. 2021, Oct. 2018, Nov. 2017, Aug. 2016, Sep. 2015, Nov. 2014,

Dec. 2013)

“Are Younger Generations Committing Less Crime?” (with Magnus Lofstrom and Deepak Premkumar),
September 2023

“Policy Brief: Are Younger Generations Committing Less Crime?” (with Magnus Lofstrom, Deepak
Premkumar, and Vicki Hsieh), September 2023

“Racial Disparities in Traffic Stops” (with Magnus Lofstrom, Joseph Hayes, and Deepak Premkumar),
October 2022

“Policy Brief: Racial Disparities in Traffic Stops” (with Magnus Lofstrom, Joseph Hayes, Deepak
Premkumar, and Vicki Hsieh), October 2022

“Racial Disparities in Law Enforcement Stops” (with Magnus Lofstrom, Joseph Hayes, and Deepak
Premkumar), October 2021

“Policy Brief: Racial Disparities in Law Enforcement Stops” (with Magnus Lofstrom, Joseph Hayes,
Deepak Premkumar, and Stephanie Barton), October 2021

“California’s Future: Criminal Justice (2021)” (with Magnus Lofstrom), January 2021

“Proposition 47’s Impact on Racial Disparity in Criminal Justice Outcomes” (with Magnus Lofstrom and
Steven Raphael), June 2020

“Felony Arrests in California” (with Magnus Lofstrom, Alexandria Gumbs, and Joseph Hayes), Just the
Facts, April 2020

“Racial Disparities in California Arrests” (with Magnus Lofstrom, Justin Goss, and Joseph Hayes), Just
the Facts, October 2019

“Key Factors in Arrest Trends and Differences in California’s Counties” (with Magnus Lofstrom, Justin
Goss, Joseph Hayes, and Steven Raphael), September 2019

“Arrests in California’s Counties” (with Magnus Lofstrom, Justin Goss, and Joseph Hayes), Just the
Facts, March 2019

“New Insights into California Arrests: Trends, Disparities, and County Differences” (with Magnus
Lofstrom, Justin Goss, Joseph Hayes, and Steven Raphael), December 2018

“The Impact of Proposition 47 on Crime and Recidivism” (with Mia Bird, Magnus Lofstrom, Steven
Raphael, and Viet Nguyen), June 2018

“California’s Historic Corrections Reforms” (with Magnus Lofstrom and Mia Bird), September 2016

“California’s State Budget: The Enacted 2016-17 Budget” (with Paul Warren), Just the Facts, July 2016

“California’s Future: Corrections (2016)” (with Magnus Lofstrom), January 2016

“California’s State Budget: The Governor’s Proposal, 2016” (with Paul Warren), Just the Facts, January
2016

“Probation in California” (with Ryken Grattet), Just the Facts, December 2015

“Public Safety Realignment: Impacts So Far” (with Magnus Lofstrom), September 2015
“Alternatives to Incarceration in California” (with Ryken Grattet), April 2015
“Corrections Infrastructure Spending in California”, March 2015
“California’s Future: Corrections (2015)” (with Magnus Lofstrom), February 2015
“Key Factors in California’s Jail Construction Needs” (with Magnus Lofstrom), May 2014

Other Publications (non-refereed)

PPIC Blog

“Falling Jail Populations Have Eased Overcrowding in Most County Jails,” February 15, 2024
“County Jails House Fewer Inmates, but Over Half Face Mental Health Issues,” October 25, 2023
“Gun Incidents Drive a Climb in Violent Crime Rates,” September 25, 2023
“Retail Theft and Robbery Rates Have Risen across California,” September 7, 2023
“California’s Notable Declines in Law Enforcement Staffing,” February 14, 2023
“Violent Crimes Involving Guns Drive Recent Rise in Crime,” October 19, 2022
“Two Years of Wide Variation in Crime Trends,” March 21, 2022
“After Decreases in 2020, Both Property and Violent Crimes Are Up in 2021,” December 14, 2021
“Recent State Crime Trends Mostly Mirror the Nation,” October 8, 2021
“Who Do California’s Police Officers Stop – and Why?,” September 29, 2021
“California’s Major Cities See Increases in Homicides and Car Thefts,” April 27, 2021
“Racial Disparities in California Law Enforcement Stops,” December 3, 2020
“California’s Major Cities See Some Increases in Crime,” October 9, 2020
“How Much Do California Cities Spend on Policing?,” October 2, 2020
“African Americans Are Notably Overrepresented in Police Stops,” August 13, 2020
“Progress under Prop 47 but Racial Disparities Persist in California Arrests,” June 4, 2020
“What COVID-19 Budget Cuts Mean for Public Safety Spending,” May 22, 2020
“Jail Bookings Down Significantly during COVID-19,” May 6, 2020
“COVID-19 and Crime in Major California Cities,” April 7, 2020
“A Closer Look at Women’s Arrest Rates,” April 3, 2019
“Toward Understanding Racial Disparities in Arrests,” December 4, 2018
“New Laws Expand Criminal Justice Reforms,” November 7, 2017
“Crime Rates Stable Overall, But Some Counties See Big Changes,” September 25, 2017
“Proposition 57’s Impact on Prisons,” July 24, 2017
“Grants Awarded to Combat Recidivism,” June 15, 2017

“Uncertain Future for Cap-and-Trade,” November 14, 2016
“Next Steps for Proposition 57,” November 9, 2016
“California’s Arrest Rate Reaches a 50-Year Low,” July 20, 2016
“Preliminary Data Show Higher Crime Rates in 2015,” February 17, 2016
“Putting the Governor’s Sentencing Proposal in Context,” February 3, 2016
“Proposition 47 and Crime,” October 28, 2015
“Proposition 47 Brought Decreases to Both Prison and Jail Populations,” September 8, 2015
“How California Reduced Its Prison Population,” February 6, 2015
“A Closer Look at Early Jail Releases,” September 17, 2014
“Testimony: California’s Jail Construction Needs,” May 9, 2014