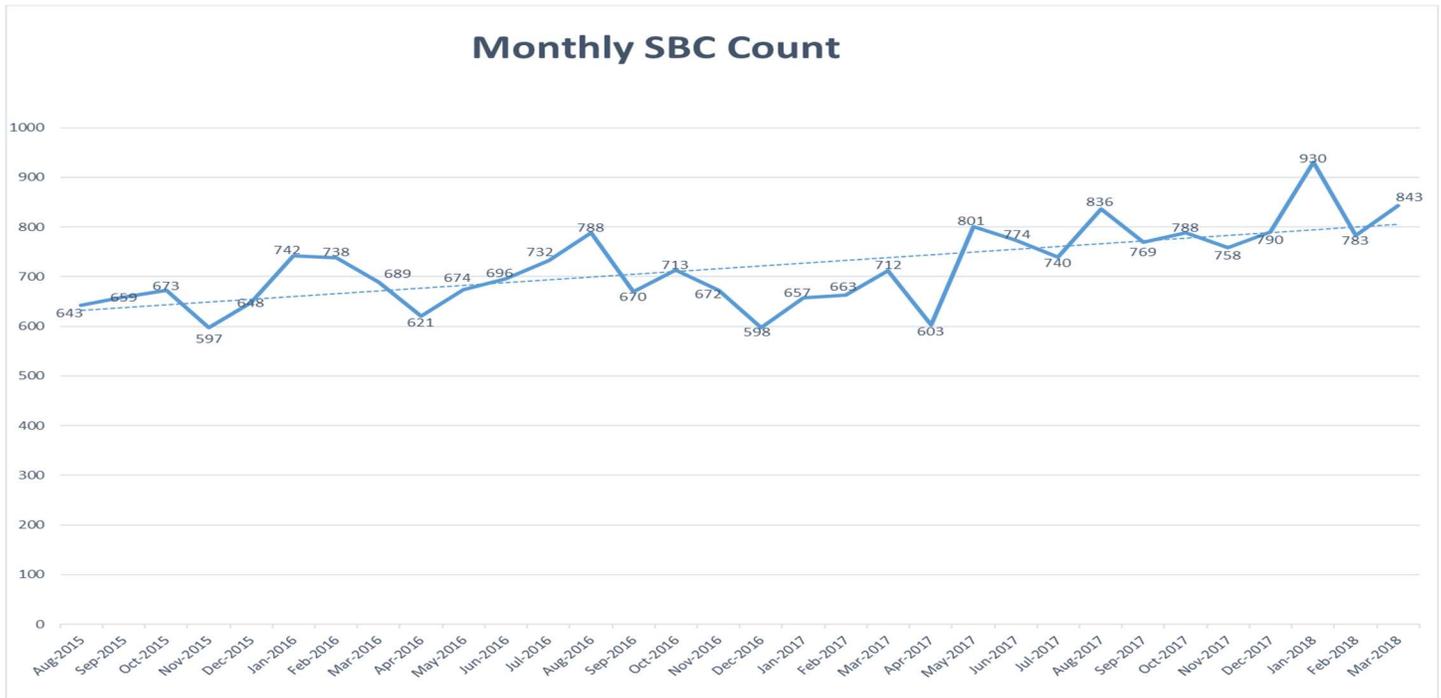


### Single Bed Certification Quarterly Update

March 2018

A Single Bed Certification (SBC) allows a person to be detained under the mental health criteria of the Involuntary Treatment Act when there are no available certified Evaluation and Treatment (E&T) facility beds. The detained person is able to temporarily receive involuntary inpatient mental health treatment services from a licensed facility that is not currently certified as an Evaluation and Treatment facility, under WAC 388-865-0500. The Behavioral Health Organization (BHO), Behavioral Health Administrative Support Organization (BHASO) or its designee (Designated Mental Health Professional) must submit a written request for the SBC to the local State Hospital. The SBC rule requires the facility named in the SBC be willing and able to provide timely and appropriate mental health treatment in order to not be considered boarding; which was found to be a violation of a person’s civil liberties in the Supreme Court decision, *In re detention DW et al.*



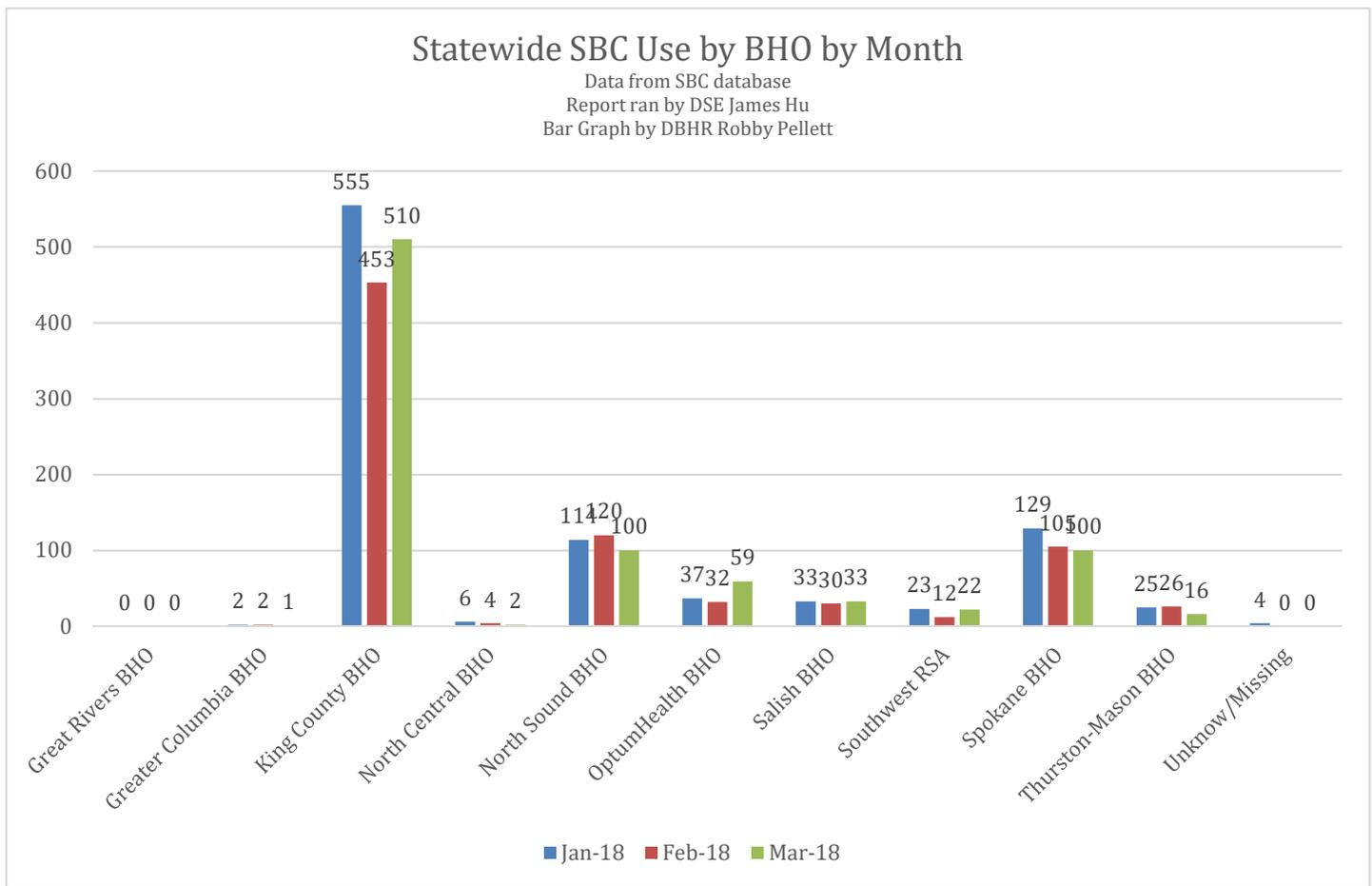
A peak of 930 Single Bed Certifications were used in January 2018. Overall the general trend shows continued upward growth in the use of SBC since August of 2015.



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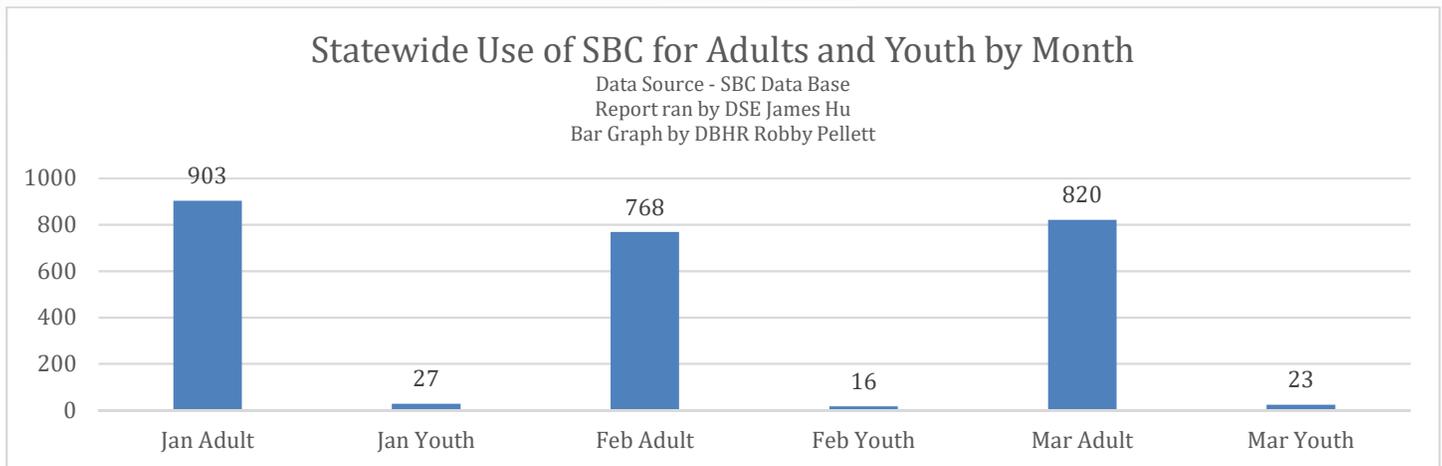
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As reflected in previous reports, the greatest use of Single Bed Certifications continues to occur in the most populous BHOs: King County BHO, North Sound BHO, Optum BHO and Spokane County Regional BHO. Increase in SBC continues to be consistent with the increase in the WSH admission waitlist.



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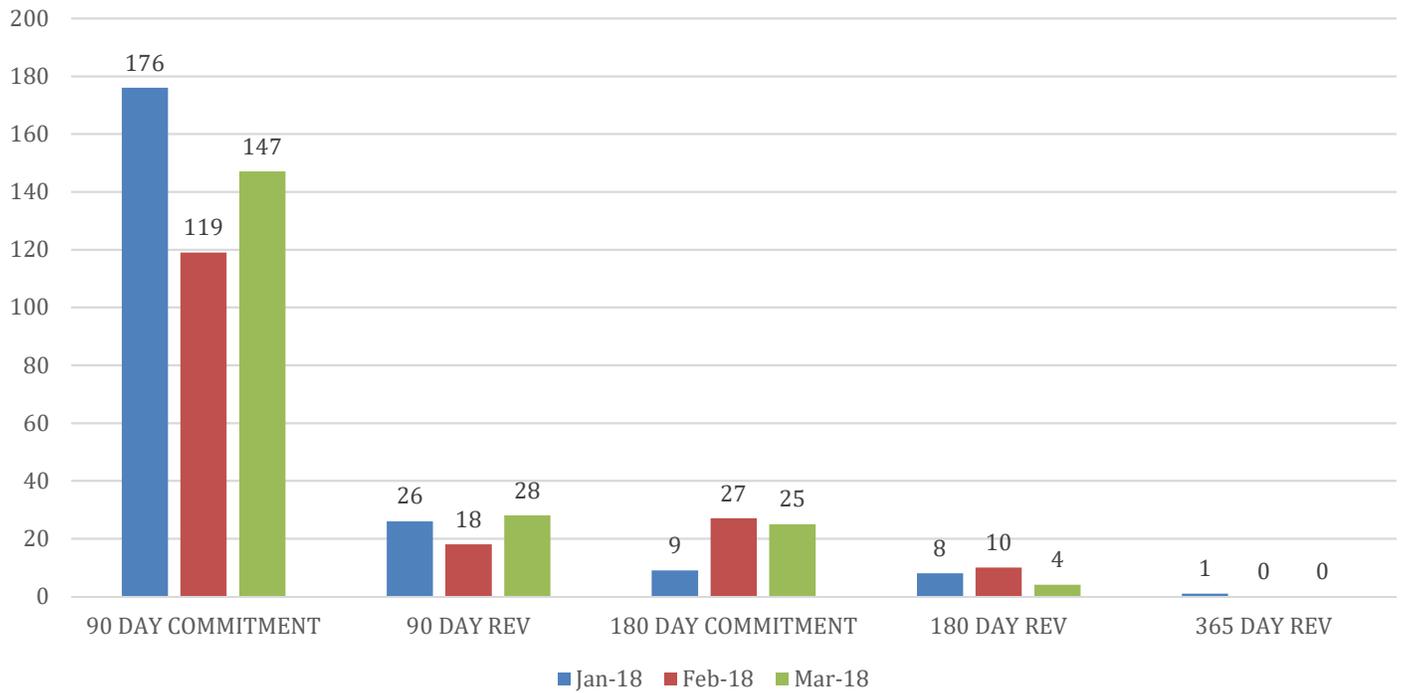
The total number of Single Bed Certifications issued during the reporting period, 2.6% were for youth. This is below the usual 3.5% of SBC for youth.

## Single Bed Certification Quarterly Update

March 2018

### Statewide Use of SBC for Long Term Orders by Month

Data Source - SBC data base  
Report ran by DSE James Hu  
Bar Graph by DBHR Robby Pellett



The growth in the use of SBC for 90 day commitments is in part due to the aforementioned increased use of certified evaluation and treatment beds for long term care and the marked decrease in State Hospital admissions.

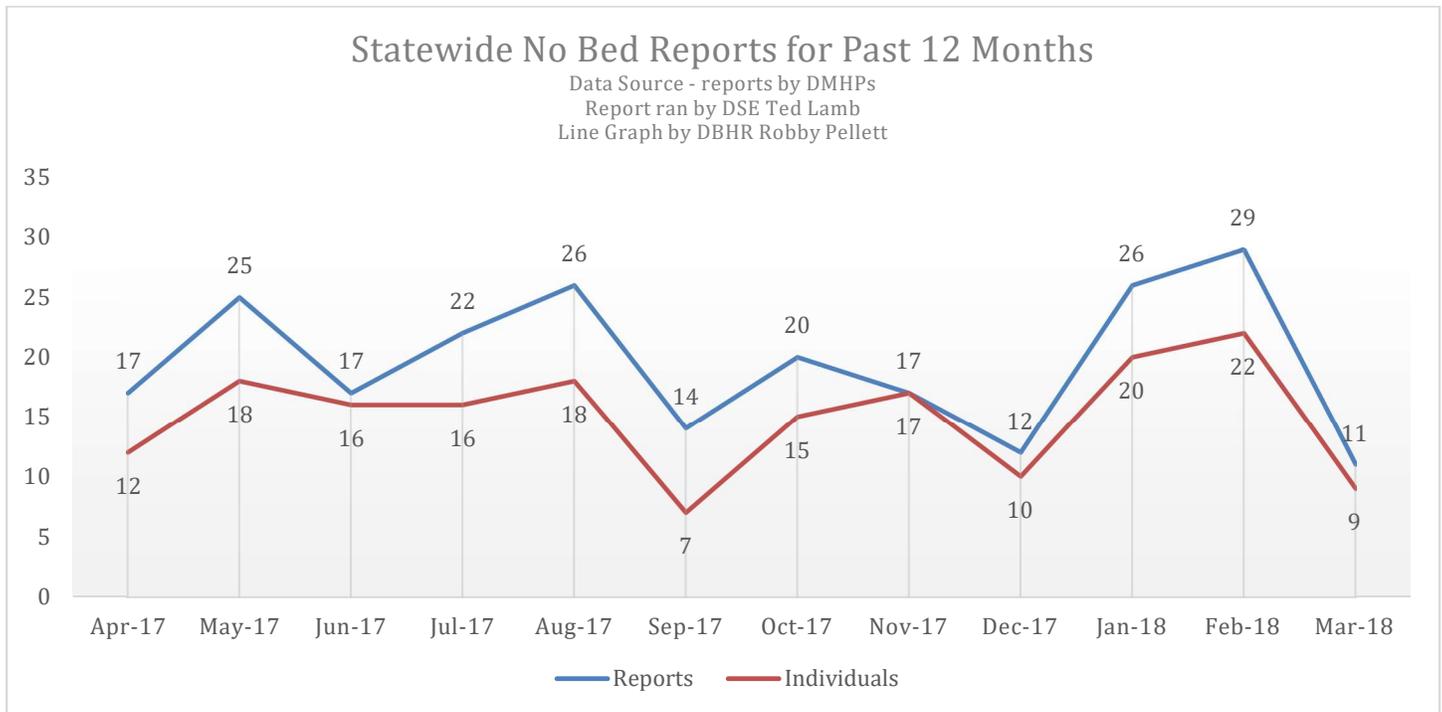


Unavailable Detention Facilities Report

March 2018

Unavailable Detention Facilities Reports (No Bed Available Reports)

When a Designated Mental Health Professional determines a person meets criteria for involuntary inpatient treatment, but is unable to detain the person at risk due to the lack of an available bed at an E&T facility, or the person cannot be served by the use of a Single Bed Certification, the Designated Mental Health Professional is required to make a report to the Department within 24 hours stating they were unable to detain the person due to the lack of a certified E&T bed.



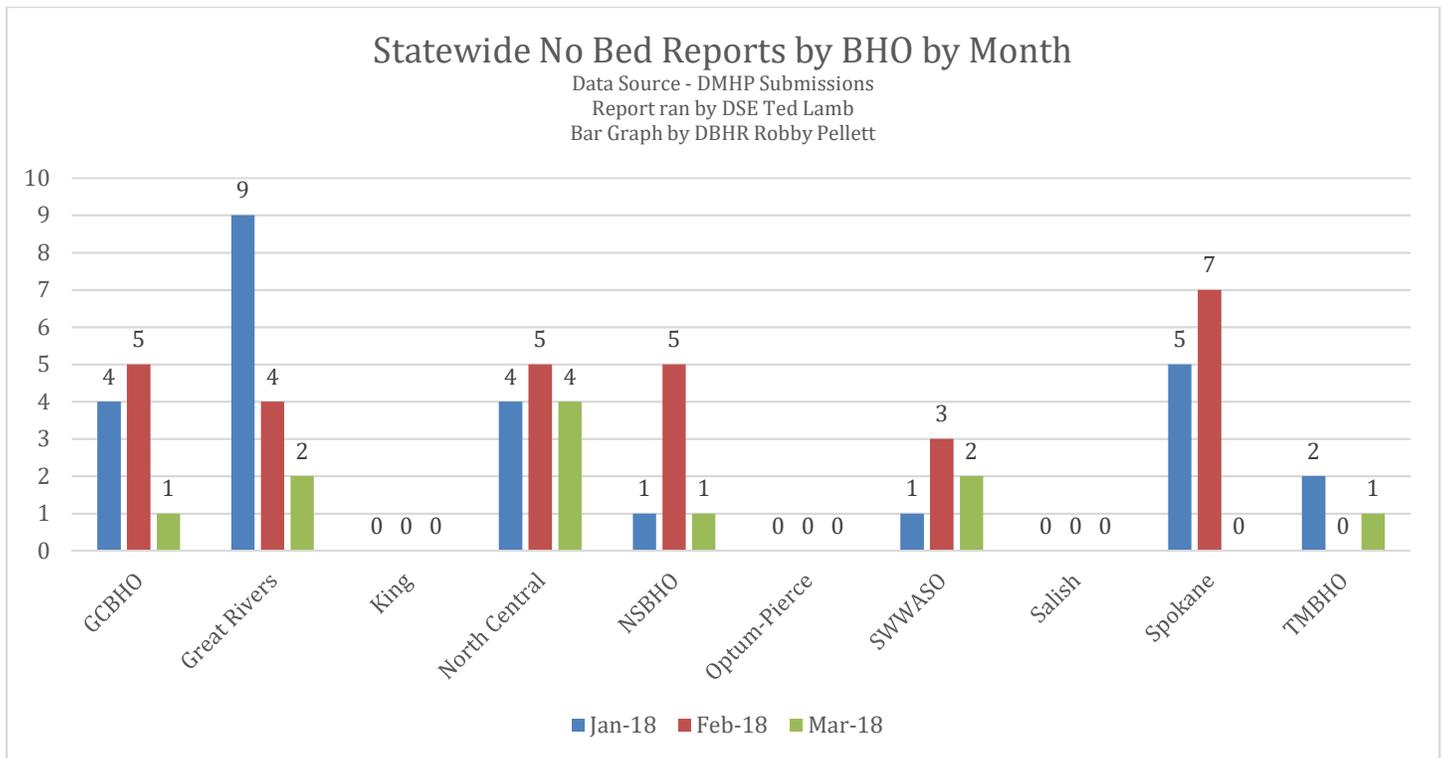
There has been a general decrease in No Bed Reports over the past 18 months. This is a very positive trend. There has been an increase in the number of certified E&T beds. There are now 1,043 involuntary treatment beds available in Washington State.



Unavailable Detention Facilities Report

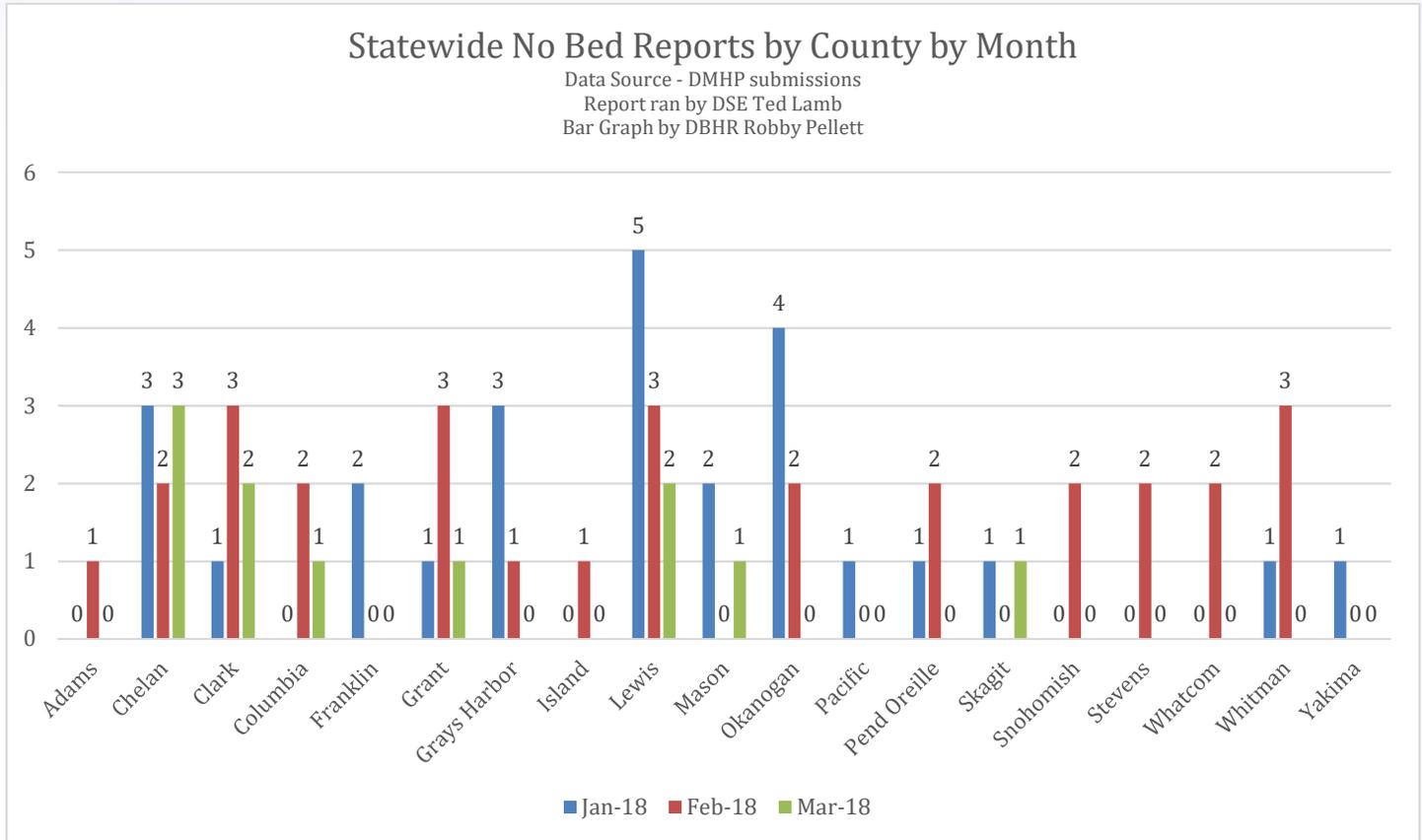
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Great Rivers BHO submitted the highest number of (15) No Bed Reports in the past quarter. We anticipate that this will decrease with opening of their Freestanding Evaluation and Treatment Center in Lewis County in the coming months.



Unavailable Detention Facilities Report

March 2018



Lewis County submitted the largest number of No Bed Reports this quarter with 10 reports Chelan Co follows closely with 8 reports submitted.

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