Youth being placed in WRAP, spit mask and helmet by Division of Youth Corrections staff.
Use of the WRAP by the Colorado Division of Youth Corrections

- Between Jan 2016 - Jan 2017, DYC used the WRAP a total of 259 times on 134 youth.
- Youth age 14-17 accounted for 73% of all WRAP use (189 incidents, 97 unique youth).

![Total Number of Wrap Restraint Incidents by Age of Youth](image)

- DYC uses the WRAP on even its youngest children:
  - One 10 year old in the WRAP
  - Three 11 year olds in the WRAP, one eleven year old twice
  - Three 12 year olds in the WRAP, some more than once
  - Eight 13 year olds in the WRAP, some more than once

Colorado is an outlier in its use of the WRAP on kids

- Very few juvenile justice systems in the country use the WRAP, yet Colorado’s Division of Youth Corrections uses the restraint in all ten of its state-operated facilities. DYC facilities account for a quarter of all juvenile justice facilities in the country which have contracted to use this restraint.
- Other jurisdictions have recognized the harm that the WRAP causes to children. In 2014, the Arkansas Juvenile Ombudsman investigated the use of the WRAP and called the device “torture.” The Ombudsman subjected himself to the device and helmet, finding it was difficult to breathe and that it increased anxiety. Less than two weeks after receiving the Ombudsman’s letter, the Arkansas Division of Youth Services banned the WRAP, commenting that it has “no known therapeutic uses,” exposes youth to ridicule and humiliation, and presents a serious risk of harm to youth.

* Data on ages of DYC youth reflect youth held in DYC’s 10 state-run facilities as of December 13, 2016. DYC Detention and Commitment: Age Breakdown on 12-13-16 by Facility
** Data on physical restraints, fights and assaults and critical incidents reflect youth held in DYC’s 10 state-run facilities from January 2016 - January 2017. DYC answers to questions relating to document titled OCYF-27 DYC Answers to JBC, dated Feb. 22, 2017.