

Table 342. Movement of Prisoners Under Sentence of Death: 1980 to 2005

[Prisoners reported under sentence of death by civil authorities. The term "under sentence of death" begins when the court pronounces the first sentence of death for a capital offense]

Status	1980	1990	1995	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005
Under sentence of death, Jan. 1	595	2,243	2,905	3,242	3,328	3,465	3,540	3,601	3,577	3,562	3,377	3,320
Received death sentence ¹	203	244	310	256	285	272	214	155	159	144	125	128
White	125	147	168	146	145	157	122	89	83	92	75	70
Black	77	94	138	106	132	104	86	61	73	44	50	52
Dispositions other than executions . . .	101	108	105	89	93	112	76	109	108	267	129	134
Executions	—	23	56	74	68	98	85	66	71	65	59	60
Under sentence of death, Dec. 31 ^{1, 2} .	688	2,356	3,054	3,335	3,452	3,527	3,593	3,581	3,557	3,374	3,314	3,254
White	425	1,375	1,730	1,876	1,906	1,948	1,990	1,969	1,931	1,878	1,850	1,805
Black	268	943	1,275	1,406	1,486	1,514	1,535	1,538	1,554	1,418	1,390	1,372

— Represents zero. ¹ Includes races other than White or Black. ² Revisions to total number of prisoners under death sentence not carried to this category.

Source: U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs, Bureau of Justice Statistics, *Capital Punishment, Series NCJ 215083*, annual. See also <<http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/bjs/abstract/cp05.htm>>.