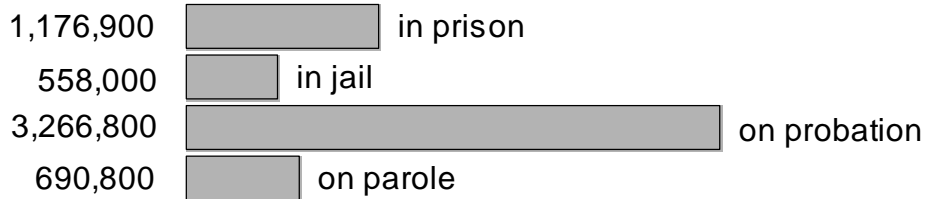




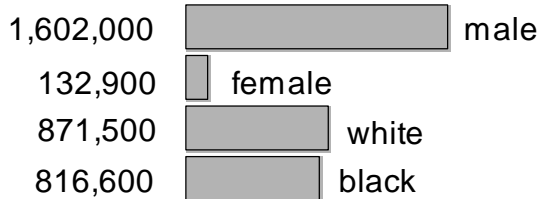
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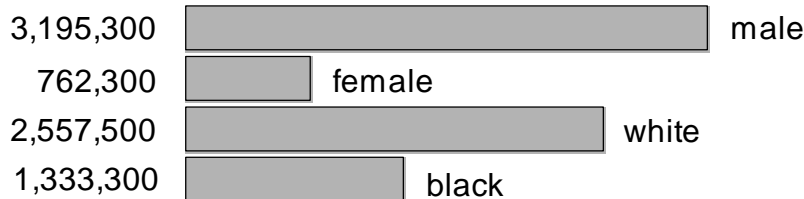
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Table 1.1. Number of adults on probation, in jail or prison, or on parole, 1990-97

Year	Total estimated correctional population ^a				
	Probation	Jail ^b	Prison	Parole	
1990	4,348,000	2,670,234	403,019	743,382	531,407
1991	4,535,600	2,728,472	424,129	792,535	590,442
1992	4,762,600	2,811,611	441,781	850,566	658,601
1993	4,944,000	2,903,061	455,500	909,381	676,100
1994	5,141,300	2,981,022	479,800	990,147	690,371
1995	5,335,100	3,077,861	499,300	1,078,542	679,421
1996	5,482,900	3,164,996	510,400	1,127,764	679,733
1997	5,692,500	3,266,837	557,974	1,176,922	690,752
Percent change 1996-97	3.8%	3.2%	9.3%	4.4%	1.6%
Average annual percent change 1990-97	3.9%	2.9%	4.8%	6.8%	3.8%

Note: Counts for probation, prison, and parole populations are for December 31 of each year and have been revised based on the most recently reported counts. Jail population counts are for June 30 of each year. Prison counts are of inmates in custody.
^aA small number of individuals may have multiple correctional statuses; consequently, the total number of persons under correctional supervision is an overestimate.
^bThe adult jail population counts are estimated for 1993-96. The jail population counts for 1994-97 exclude persons supervised outside jail facilities.

Table 1.2. Estimated number of adults on probation, in jail, in prison, or on parole and their percent of the adult population, by gender and race, 1997

	Total ^a	Gender		Race		
		Male	Female	White	Black	Other
Total	5,692,500	4,797,200	895,300	3,429,000	2,149,900	113,600
Probation	3,266,800	2,582,300	684,500	2,177,300	1,035,000	54,500
Jail	558,000	498,700	59,300	301,600	242,200	14,200
Prison	1,176,900	1,103,300	73,600	569,900	574,400	32,600
Parole	690,800	613,000	77,800	380,200	298,300	12,300
U.S. adult resident population ^b	200,032,000	97,691,000	103,340,000	167,372,000	23,858,000	8,802,000
Percent under correctional supervision	2.8%	4.9%	0.9%	2.0%	9.0%	1.3%

Note: Detail may not add to total because of rounding. The numbers for gender and race were rounded to the nearest 100. In cases where gender or race was unknown or not reported, counts were estimated first on the self-reported racial identification of Hispanics in BJS surveys and then the residual was allocated based on the known cases. Estimates will differ from counts reported in chapters dealing with jail inmates, probation and parole populations, and State and Federal prisoners.
^aA small number of individuals have multiple correctional statuses; consequently, the total number of persons under correctional supervision may be an overestimate. See *Technical note*.
^bBased on the resident population 18 years or older on July 1, 1997, and adjusted for the undercount in the 1990 census.

Table 1.3. Estimated number of adults under correctional supervision, by gender and race, 1990-97

Year	Total	Gender		Race		
		Male	Female	White	Black	Other
1990	4,348,000	3,746,300	601,700	2,665,500	1,632,700	49,800
1991	4,535,600	3,913,000	622,600	2,742,400	1,743,300	49,900
1992	4,762,600	4,050,300	712,300	2,835,900	1,873,200	53,500
1993	4,944,000	4,215,800	728,200	2,872,200	2,011,600	60,200
1994	5,141,300	4,377,400	763,900	3,058,000	2,018,000	65,300
1995	5,335,100	4,513,000	822,100	3,220,900	2,024,000	90,200
1996	5,482,900	4,630,100	852,800	3,294,800	2,083,600	104,500
1997	5,692,500	4,797,200	895,300	3,429,000	2,149,900	113,600

Note: Populations are estimated and rounded to the nearest 100. Previously published estimates for 1996 by gender and race have been revised, based on the most recently reported population totals and revised procedures for estimating missing data. See *Explanatory notes*.

Table 1.4. Percent of adults under correctional supervision, by gender and race, 1990-97

Year	Total	Gender		Race		
		Male	Female	White	Black	Other
1990	2.3%	4.2%	0.6%	1.7%	7.6%	0.7%
1991	2.4	4.3	0.6	1.7	8.0	0.7
1992	2.5	4.4	0.7	1.8	8.5	0.7
1993	2.6	4.5	0.7	1.8	9.0	0.8
1994	2.6	4.7	0.8	1.9	8.9	0.8
1995	2.7	4.8	0.8	2.0	8.8	1.1
1996	2.8	4.9	0.8	2.0	8.9	1.2
1997	2.8	4.9	0.9	2.0	9.0	1.3

Note: Percentages are based on the resident population age 18 or older on July 1 of each reference year and have been corrected for the undercount in the 1990 census.

Table 1.5. Number of adults in custody of State or Federal prisons or local jails, 1990-97

Year	Total inmates in custody ^a	Prisoners in custody ^a		Inmates held in local jails ^b	Incarceration rate ^c
		Federal	State		
1990	1,146,401	58,838	684,544	403,019	460
1991	1,216,664	63,930	728,605	424,129	482
1992	1,292,347	72,071	778,495	441,781	507
1993	1,364,900	80,815	828,566	455,500	526
1994	1,469,900	85,500	904,647	479,800	562
1995	1,577,800	89,538	989,004	499,300	598
1996	1,638,200	95,088	1,032,676	510,400	615
1997	1,734,896	101,755	1,075,167	557,974	645
Percent change, 1996-97		5.9%	7.0%	4.1%	9.3%
Average annual percent change, 1990-97		6.1%	8.1%	6.7%	4.8%

^aState and Federal inmate counts exclude those under State or Federal jurisdiction who were housed elsewhere, as in county or local jails.

^bJail population counts for 1993-96 are estimated.

^cTotal number of adults held in the custody of State, Federal, or local jurisdictions per 100,000 U.S. residents on December 31 of each reference year.

Table 1.6. Number of adults held in State or Federal prisons or in local jails, by gender and race, 1990-97

Year	White		Black	
	Males	Females	Males	Females
1990	545,900	39,300	508,800	38,000
1991	566,800	42,200	551,000	40,600
1992	598,000	44,100	590,300	42,400
1993	627,100	46,500	624,100	47,500
1994	667,400	51,300	676,000	52,300
1995	723,800	55,100	704,900	56,800
1996	751,100	60,800	714,200	59,600
1997	806,300	65,200	753,600	63,000

Note: Populations are estimated and rounded to the nearest 100. Previously published estimates for 1996 by gender and race have been revised, based on the most recently reported population totals.

Table 1.7. Number of adults held in State or Federal prisons or local jails per 100,000 U.S. adult residents in each group, by gender and race, 1990-97

Year	White		Black	
	Males	Females	Males	Females
1990	711	48	5,161	329
1991	732	51	5,503	346
1992	766	53	5,793	356
1993	797	55	6,032	393
1994	842	61	6,443	426
1995	907	65	6,618	456
1996	933	71	6,608	472
1997	990	76	6,838	491

Note: Data are based on resident population for each group on July 1 of each year and have been adjusted for the census undercount.

Figure 1. Percent of U.S. adult population in State or Federal prisons or in local jails, by race and gender, 1984-97

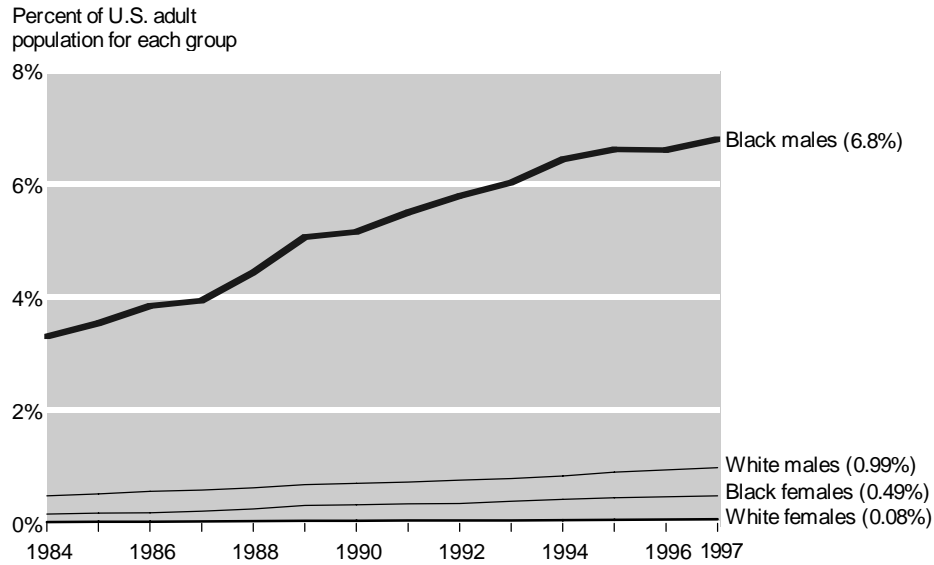


Table 1.8. Number of sentenced prisoners under State or Federal jurisdiction, by gender and race, 1990-97

Year	Number of sentenced prisoners						
	Total	Male			Female		
		All*	White	Black	All*	White	Black
1990	739,980	699,416	350,700	340,300	40,564	20,200	19,700
1991	789,610	745,808	369,200	366,500	43,802	21,100	22,000
1992	846,277	799,776	394,500	393,700	46,501	22,200	23,600
1993	932,074	878,037	428,700	434,900	54,037	25,800	27,300
1994	1,016,691	956,566	465,300	474,800	60,125	28,800	30,200
1995	1,085,022	1,021,059	487,400	509,800	63,963	30,500	31,900
1996	1,137,722	1,068,123	511,300	528,600	69,599	33,800	34,000
1997	1,194,581	1,120,787	541,300	548,500	73,794	36,300	35,500

Note: Previously published estimates by gender and race have been revised. Sentenced prisoners are those with a sentence of more than 1 year. The numbers for gender and race were rounded to the nearest 100.

*Includes Asians, Pacific Islanders, American Indians, Alaska Natives, and other racial groups.

Table 1.9. Estimated number of sentenced prisoners under State or Federal jurisdiction per 100,000 U.S. residents in each group, by gender and race, 1990-97

Year	Number of sentenced prisoners per 100,000 residents						
	Total ^a	Male			Female		
		All ^{b,c}	White	Black	All ^{b,c}	White	Black
1990	297	564	338	2,234	31	19	117
1991	313	595	352	2,368	33	19	129
1992	332	631	373	2,499	35	20	136
1993	359	685	402	2,718	40	23	155
1994	389	739	432	2,923	45	26	169
1995	411	781	449	3,095	47	27	176
1996	427	810	468	3,164	51	30	183
1997	444	840	491	3,251	53	32	192

Note: Sentenced prisoners are those with a sentence of more than 1 year.

Previously published numbers for 1996 have been revised.

^aRates are based on the U.S. resident population on December 31 of each year.

^bRates are based on the U.S. resident population on July 1 of each year and have been adjusted for the census undercount.

^cIncludes Asians, Pacific Islanders, American Indians, Alaska Natives, and other racial groups.

Table 1.10. Number of sentenced Hispanic and American Indian prisoners under State or Federal jurisdiction, by gender, 1990 and 1995-97

Year	Sentenced Hispanic prisoners ^a						Sentenced American Indian prisoners ^b					
	Number			Per 100,000 Hispanic residents ^c			Number			Per 100,000 American Indian residents ^c		
	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female
1990	130,000	123,500	6,500	548	1,016	56	6,000	5,600	400	275	516	35
1995	190,100	181,300	8,800	675	1,264	64	9,800	9,000	800	419	769	72
1996	200,400	189,300	11,100	688	1,279	78	11,000	10,100	900	462	850	77
1997	213,000	200,200	12,800	698	1,272	87	11,900	10,900	1,000	492	905	80

^aNumbers of Hispanics with a sentence of more than a year were estimated for each year using the 1991 and 1997 inmate surveys and the NPS sentenced inmate counts.

^bThe number of American Indian inmates was based on reports from NPS, which exclude those held in detention facilities in Indian country.

^cRates are based on estimates of the U.S. resident Hispanic and American Indian populations on July 1 of each year and adjusted for the 1990 census undercount.

Table 1.11. Number of sentenced prisoners under State or Federal jurisdiction per 100,000 U.S. residents in each group, by gender, race, Hispanic origin, and age, 1990 and 1997

Age	Number of sentenced prisoners per 100,000 U.S. residents in each population group ^a											
	Total		Male		Female		White ^b		Black ^b		Hispanic	
	1990	1997	1990	1997	1990	1997	1990	1997	1990	1997	1990	1997
Total	292	440	564	840	31	53	139	189	1,067	1,743	548	738
18-19	271	412	518	775	13	28	90	140	1,084	1,377	360	677
20-24	652	1,042	1,220	1,954	61	78	295	403	2,296	3,677	972	1,509
25-29	799	1,144	1,493	2,141	95	134	354	434	2,949	4,564	1,341	1,617
30-34	708	1,092	1,327	2,000	87	176	336	476	2,640	4,240	1,185	1,608
35-39	526	913	989	1,681	67	141	245	405	1,973	3,799	1,069	1,385
40-44	375	666	715	1,256	41	82	196	308	1,433	2,622	779	1,289
45-54	211	365	410	700	21	42	137	195	590	1,470	535	731
55 or older	49	71	109	154	3	5	32	44	168	243	142	203

^aBased on estimates of the U.S. resident population on July 1 of each year and adjusted for the 1990 census undercount.

^bExcludes Hispanics.

Table 1.12. Number of sentenced prisoners under State or Federal jurisdiction per 100,000 residents, by gender, race, Hispanic origin, and age, 1997

Age	Number of sentenced prisoners per 100,000 residents of each age group ^a							
	Male				Female			
	Total	White ^b	Black ^b	Hispanic	Total	White ^b	Black ^b	Hispanic
Total	840	386	3,206	1,272	53	25	199	87
18-19	775	274	2,585	1,183	28	17	83	30
20-24	1,954	788	6,993	2,600	78	41	215	128
25-29	2,141	867	8,623	2,701	134	58	452	210
30-34	2,000	949	7,479	2,585	176	83	650	235
35-39	1,681	806	6,809	2,206	141	66	546	213
40-44	1,256	614	4,837	2,215	82	37	337	131
45-54	700	394	2,773	1,262	42	21	154	99
55 or older	154	100	509	394	5	4	20	10

^aBased on estimates of the U.S. resident population on July 1 of each year and adjusted for the 1990 census undercount.

^bExcludes Hispanics.

Figure 2. Number of prisoners in custody of State correctional authorities, by offense type, 1980-97

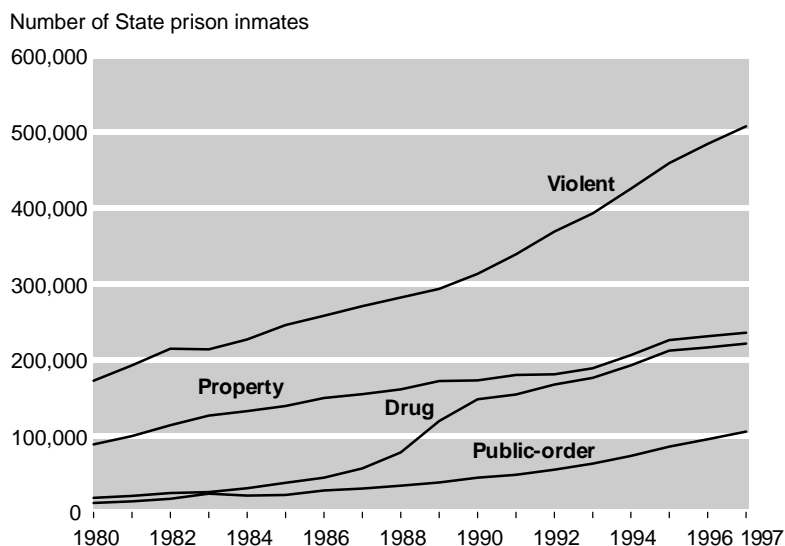


Table 1.13. Estimated number of prisoners in custody of State correctional authorities, by the most serious offense, 1990-97

Most serious offense	Number of inmates in State prison							
	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997
Total	684,544	728,605	778,245	828,400	904,647	989,005	1,032,676	1,075,167
Violent offenses	313,600	339,500	369,100	393,500	425,700	459,600	484,800	507,800
Murder ^a	72,000	77,200	85,900	92,800	100,700	110,600	118,200	125,800
Manslaughter	13,200	13,100	14,000	14,600	15,200	16,300	16,800	17,000
Rape	24,500	25,500	27,300	27,100	27,700	28,500	28,200	27,500
Other sexual assault	39,100	43,000	46,200	49,000	53,300	57,000	60,700	64,200
Robbery	99,200	107,800	113,600	122,100	131,700	139,600	146,100	152,000
Assault	53,300	59,000	67,600	72,200	80,100	89,000	95,200	100,500
Other violent ^b	12,400	13,100	14,500	15,600	17,000	18,600	19,600	20,700
Property offenses	173,700	180,700	181,600	189,600	207,000	226,600	231,700	236,400
Burglary	87,200	90,300	90,500	94,300	101,800	108,900	111,700	114,900
Larceny	34,800	35,700	33,500	35,300	39,600	44,500	45,000	45,100
Motor vehicle theft	14,400	16,000	18,100	18,900	19,700	21,300	20,200	19,800
Fraud	20,200	20,400	20,200	21,300	23,600	26,300	27,600	28,900
Other property ^c	17,100	18,200	19,400	19,800	22,300	25,600	27,200	27,700
Drug offenses	148,600	155,200	168,100	177,000	193,500	212,800	216,900	222,100
Public-order offenses^d	45,500	49,500	56,300	64,000	74,400	86,500	96,000	106,200
Other/unspecified^e	3,100	2,900	3,200	4,300	3,900	3,500	3,200	2,700

Note: Previously published estimates for 1992-96 have been revised based on data from the 1997 Survey of Inmates in State Correctional Facilities. The offense distributions for yearend 1991 and 1997 are based on survey data.

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^aIncludes nonnegligent manslaughter.

^bIncludes extortion, intimidation, criminal endangerment, and other violent offenses.

^cIncludes possession and selling of stolen property, destruction of property, trespassing, vandalism, criminal tampering, and other property offenses.

^dIncludes weapons, drunk driving, escape, court offenses, obstruction, commercialized vice, morals and decency charges, liquor law violations, and other public-order offenses.

^eIncludes juvenile offenses and unspecified felonies.

Table 1.14. Percent of prisoners in custody of State correctional authorities, by the most serious offense, 1990-97

Most serious offense	Percent of inmates in State prison								
	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	
Violent offenses	45.8%	46.6%	47.4%	47.5%	47.1%	46.5%	46.9%	47.2%	
Murder ^a	10.5	10.6	11.0	11.2	11.1	11.2	11.5	11.7	
Manslaughter	1.9	1.8	1.8	1.8	1.7	1.6	1.6	1.6	
Rape	3.6	3.5	3.5	3.3	3.1	2.9	2.7	2.6	
Other sexual assault	5.7	5.9	5.9	5.9	5.9	5.8	5.9	6.0	
Robbery	14.5	14.8	14.6	14.7	14.6	14.1	14.1	14.1	
Assault	7.8	8.1	8.7	8.7	8.9	9.0	9.2	9.4	
Other violent ^b	1.8	1.8	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.9	
Property offenses	25.4%	24.8%	23.3%	22.9%	22.9%	22.9%	22.4%	22.0%	
Burglary	12.7	12.4	11.6	11.4	11.3	11.0	10.8	10.7	
Larceny	5.1	4.9	4.3	4.3	4.4	4.5	4.4	4.2	
Motor vehicle theft	2.1	2.2	2.3	2.3	2.2	2.1	2.0	1.8	
Fraud	3.0	2.8	2.6	2.6	2.6	2.7	2.7	2.7	
Other property ^c	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.4	2.5	2.6	2.6	2.6	
Drug offenses	21.7%	21.3%	21.6%	21.4%	21.4%	21.5%	21.0%	20.7%	
Public-order offenses^d	6.6%	6.8%	7.2%	7.7%	8.2%	8.7%	9.3%	9.9%	
Other/unspecified^e	0.5%	0.4%	0.4%	0.5%	0.4%	0.3%	0.3%	0.2%	

Note: Previously published estimates for 1992-96 have been revised based on data from the 1997 Survey of Inmates in State Correctional Facilities. The offense distributions for yearend 1991 and 1997 are based on survey data. The offense distributions for other years are estimated using forward and backward stock-flow methods. See *Explanatory notes* for further details on the estimations. All estimates are based on the total number of prisoners in physical custody, including those with sentences of 1 year or less and those who were unsentenced. See definitions between custody and jurisdiction counts. Due to rounding, detail may not sum to total.

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^bIncludes extortion, intimidation, criminal endangerment, and other violent offenses.

^cIncludes possession and selling of stolen property, destruction of property, destruction of property, trespassing, vandalism, criminal tampering, and other property offenses.

^dIncludes weapons, drunk driving, escape, court offenses, commercialized vice, morals and decency charges, liquor law violations, and other public-order offenses.

^eIncludes juvenile offenses and unspecified felonies.

Figure 3. New court commitments of State prisoners, by race, 1980-97

Number of new court commitments to State prison

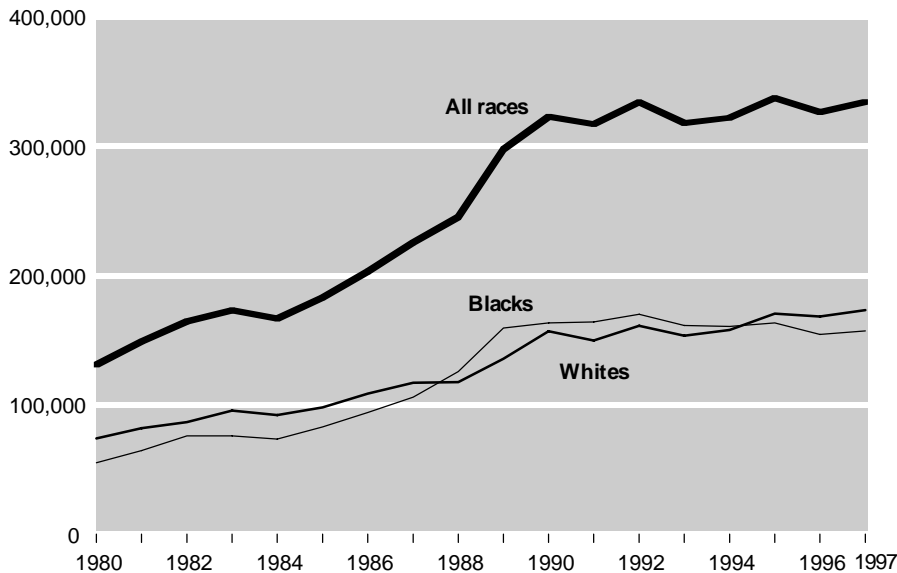


Table 1.15. Number of sentenced inmates in Federal prisons, by the most serious offense, 1990 and 1995-97

Most serious offense	Number of inmates in Federal prison ^a			
	1990	1995	1996	1997
Total	56,989	88,101	92,672	98,944
Violent offenses	9,557	11,321	11,523	11,658
Homicide ^b	1,233	966	1,084	1,015
Assault ^c	1,964	2,633	645	670
Robbery	5,158	6,341	8,334	8,464
Other violent ^d	1,202	1,381	1,460	1,509
Property offenses	7,935	7,524	7,781	8,151
Burglary	442	164	181	181
Fraud ^e	5,113	5,629	5,807	6,148
Larceny/theft/other property ^f	2,380	1,731	1,793	1,822
Drug offenses	30,470	51,737	55,194	58,610
Public-order offenses	8,585	15,762	17,227	19,197
Immigration	1,728	3,612	4,476	5,454
Weapons	3,073	7,519	7,696	8,082
Escape/court ^g	417	367	325	373
Other public-order ^h	3,367	4,264	4,730	5,288
Otherⁱ	442	0	0	0
Unknown	0	1,757	947	1,328

Note: All data are from the BJS Federal justice database. Data for 1990 and 1995 are for December 31. Data for 1996 and 1997 are for September 30. Numbers may differ from the Federal Bureau of Prisons' count because the Federal Justice Statistics Program includes prisoners in transit.

^aIncludes prisoners of any sentence length.

^bIncludes murder, nonnegligent manslaughter, and negligent manslaughter.

^cBeginning in 1996 assaults with intent to commit robbery were coded as robbery.

^dIncludes kidnaping, rape, other sexual assault, threats against the President, and other offenses.

^eIncludes embezzlement, counterfeiting, forgery, bankruptcy, and fraud (excluding tax fraud but including securities fraud).

^fIncludes motor vehicle theft, trespassing, destruction of property, and transport of stolen property.

^gIncludes flight to avoid prosecution, escape, parole and probation violation, and other court offenses.

^hIncludes liquor laws, national security laws, income tax, selective service acts, bribery, gambling, traffic offenses, and other public-order offenses.

ⁱIncludes offenses not classifiable or not a violation of the United States Code.

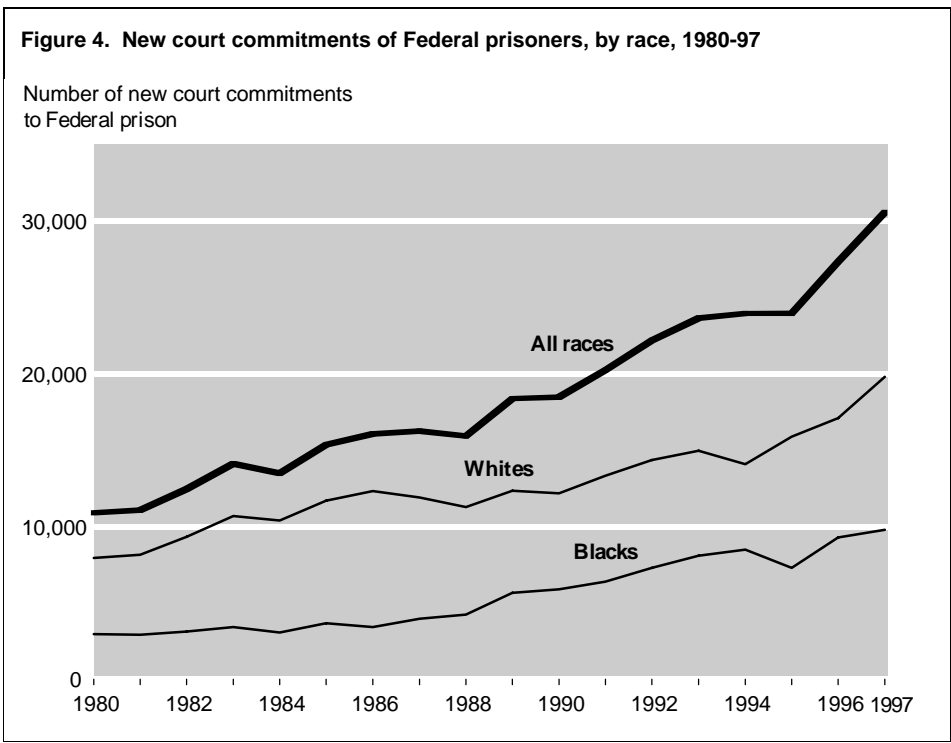


Table 1.16. Percent of sentenced inmates in Federal prisons, by the most serious offense, 1990 and 1995-97

Most serious offense	Percent of inmates in Federal prison ^a			
	1990	1995 ^b	1996 ^b	1997 ^b
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%
Violent offenses	16.8%	13.1%	12.6%	11.9%
Homicide ^c	2.2	1.1	1.2	1.0
Assault ^d	3.4	3.0	0.7	0.7
Robbery	9.1	7.3	9.1	8.7
Other violent ^e	2.1	1.6	1.6	1.5
Property offenses	13.9%	8.7%	8.5%	8.4%
Burglary	0.8	0.2	0.2	0.2
Fraud ^f	9.0	6.5	6.3	6.3
Larceny/theft/other property ^g	4.2	2.0	2.0	1.9
Drug offenses	53.5%	59.9%	60.2%	60.0%
Public-order offenses	15.1%	18.3%	18.8%	19.7%
Immigration	3.0	4.2	4.9	5.6
Weapons	5.4	8.7	8.4	8.3
Escape/court ^h	0.7	0.4	0.4	0.4
Other public-order ⁱ	5.9	4.9	5.2	5.4
Other^j	0.8%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%

Note: All data are from the BJS Federal justice database. Data for 1990 and 1995 are for December 31. Data for 1996 and 1997 are for September 30.

^aIncludes prisoners of any sentence length.

^bPercents are based on prisoners for whom most serious offense was known.

^cIncludes murder, nonnegligent manslaughter, and negligent manslaughter.

^dBeginning in 1996 assaults with intent to commit robbery were coded as robbery.

^eIncludes kidnaping, rape, other sexual assault, threats against the President, and other offenses.

^fIncludes embezzlement, counterfeiting, forgery, bankruptcy, and fraud (excluding tax fraud but including securities fraud).

^gIncludes motor vehicle theft, trespassing, destruction of property, and transport of stolen property.

^hIncludes flight to avoid prosecution, escape, parole and probation violation, and other court offenses.

ⁱIncludes liquor laws, national security laws, income tax, selective service acts, bribery, gambling, traffic offenses, and other public-order offenses.

^jIncludes offenses not classifiable or not a violation of the United States Code.

Table 1.17. Trends in State prison admissions and releases, 1990-97

Year	Admissions to State prison					Releases from State prison						
	Number	Percent of all admissions				Number	Release rate ^b	Percent of all releases				
		Admission rate ^a	New court commitments	Conditional release violators	Other			Parole board	Mandatory release	Other conditional	Expiration of sentence	Other
1990	460,739	72.7%	70.1%	29.1%	0.8%	405,374	37.0%	39.4%	28.8%	15.5%	12.7%	3.6%
1991	466,285	67.6	68.0	30.5	1.5	421,687	36.5	39.7	29.9	14.2	10.8	5.3
1992	480,676	65.6	69.5	29.5	1.0	430,198	35.5	39.5	29.5	14.1	11.4	5.5
1993	475,100	60.9	66.9	30.8	2.3	417,838	33.3	38.8	31.6	13.4	11.9	4.4
1994 ^c	498,919	58.0	64.5	33.6	1.9	418,372	30.8	35.0	35.6	12.6	12.5	4.3
1995	521,970	55.7	64.7	33.7	1.6	455,140	31.2	32.3	39.0	10.1	14.5	4.0
1996	512,618	51.2	63.7	33.7	2.6	467,193	30.9	30.4	38.0	10.2	16.7	4.7
1997	538,375	51.3	62.1	34.7	3.2	489,914	30.9	28.2	39.7	10.4	16.8	4.9

Note: Releases exclude escapees, AWOL's and transfers. All data are limited to prisoners with a sentence of more than 1 year.

^aThe number of admissions per 100 State prisoners at the beginning of each year.

^bThe number of releases per 100 State prisoners at the beginning of each year plus the number admitted during the year.

^cReleases in Alaska, by type, were estimated for 1994.

Table 1.18. New court commitments to State and Federal prison, by gender, 1990-97

Year	New court admissions to prison			New court admissions to State prisons			New court admissions to Federal prisons		
	Total	Males	Females	Total	Males	Females	Total	Males	Females
1990 ^a	341,545	311,600	30,000	323,069	294,877	28,192	18,476	16,700	1,800
1991 ^a	337,478	306,800	30,700	317,237	288,408	28,829	20,241	18,400	1,900
1992 ^a	356,498	324,900	31,600	334,301	304,772	29,529	22,197	20,100	2,100
1993	341,722	310,493	29,209	318,069	288,883	27,166	23,653	21,610	2,043
1994 ^b	346,097	314,788	29,290	322,141	292,972	27,150	23,956	21,816	2,140
1995	361,464	326,403	35,061	337,492	304,567	32,925	23,972	21,836	2,136
1996	353,893	317,989	35,904	326,547	293,151	33,396	27,346	24,838	2,508
1997	365,085	327,933	37,152	334,525	300,239	34,286	30,560	27,694	2,866

^aThe total number of Federal admissions for 1990-92 is from the National Corrections Reporting Program (NCRP). The breakdown by gender is calculated by taking the percentage reported for each year and applying that to the total number of admissions.

^bThe number of State admissions for Alaska was estimated.

Table 1.19. Percent of new court commitments to State and Federal prison, by gender, 1990-97

Year	Total number of admissions	Percent of State and Federal admissions		Total number of State admissions	Percent of State admissions		Total number of Federal admissions	Percent of Federal admissions	
		Males	Females		Males	Females		Males	Females
1990 ^a	341,545	91.2%	8.8%	323,069	91.3%	8.7%	18,476	90.4%	9.7%
1991 ^a	337,478	90.9	9.1	317,237	90.9	9.1	20,241	90.9	9.4
1992	356,498	91.1	8.9	334,301	91.2	8.8	22,197	90.6	9.5
1993	341,722	90.9	8.5	318,069	90.8	8.5	23,653	91.4	8.6
1994 ^b	346,097	91.0	8.5	322,141	90.9	8.4	23,956	91.1	8.9
1995	361,464	90.3	9.7	337,492	90.2	9.8	23,972	91.1	8.9
1996	353,893	89.9	10.1	326,547	89.8	10.2	27,346	90.8	9.2
1997	365,085	89.8	10.2	334,525	89.8	10.2	30,560	90.6	9.4

Table 1.20. New court commitments to State and Federal prison, by race, 1990-97

Year	Total number of admissions	Estimated number of State and Federal admissions			Total number of State admissions	Estimated number of State admissions			Total number of Federal admissions ^b	Estimated number of Federal admissions		
		White	Black	Other ^a		White	Black	Other ^a		White	Black	Other ^a
1990	341,545	169,300	169,500	2,800	323,069	157,100	163,600	2,400	18,476	12,200	5,900	400
1991	337,478	163,200	170,700	3,600	317,237	149,900	164,300	3,100	20,241	13,300	6,400	500
1992	356,498	175,700	177,400	3,500	334,301	161,300	170,100	2,900	22,197	14,400	7,300	600
1993	341,722	168,700	169,500	3,600	318,069	153,700	161,400	3,000	23,653	15,000	8,100	600
1994	346,097	172,800	169,200	4,100	322,141	158,000	160,700	3,400	23,956	14,800	8,500	700
1995	361,464	186,700	170,800	4,000	337,492	170,800	163,500	3,200	23,972	15,900	7,300	800
1996	353,893	185,700	163,800	4,400	326,547	168,600	154,500	3,400	27,346	17,100	9,300	900
1997	365,085	193,300	167,100	4,700	334,525	173,500	157,300	3,700	30,560	19,800	9,800	1,000

Note: For Hispanic inmates of unknown racial origin, race was estimated using the racial distribution of Hispanics for whom race was known.

All data are based on prisoners with sentences of 1 year or more. Numbers by race are estimated from the NCRP (1990-97) and the Federal Justice Statistics Program (1993-97).

^aIncludes Asians, Pacific Islanders, American Indians, and Alaska Natives.

^bFederal admissions data for 1990-93 are from the NCRP and for 1994-97 from the National Prisoners Statistics with detail by race from the Federal Justice Statistics Program.

Table 1.21. New court commitments to State and Federal prison, by race, 1990-97

Year	Total number of admissions	Percent of State and Federal admissions				Total number of State admissions	Percent of State admissions				Total number of Federal admissions ^b	Percent of Federal admissions			
		Total	White	Black	Other ^a		Total	White	Black	Other ^a		Total	White	Black	Other ^a
1990	341,545	100%	48.0%	51.1%	0.9%	323,069	100%	48.6%	50.6%	0.8%	18,476	100%	66.0%	31.7%	2.3%
1991	337,478	100	46.3	52.7	1.1	317,237	100	47.2	51.8	1.0	20,241	100	65.9	31.7	2.4
1992	356,498	100	45.9	53.0	1.1	334,301	100	48.3	50.9	0.9	22,197	100	64.7	32.7	2.6
1993	341,722	100	46.4	52.5	1.1	318,069	100	48.3	50.7	0.9	23,653	100	63.3	34.2	2.5
1994 ^c	346,097	100	46.8	51.7	1.5	322,141	100	49.1	49.9	1.0	23,956	100	61.7	35.5	2.8
1995	361,464	100	51.7	47.3	1.1	337,492	100	50.6	48.4	1.0	23,972	100	66.5	30.4	3.1
1996	353,893	100	52.5	46.3	1.2	326,547	100	51.6	47.3	1.1	27,346	100	62.6	34.2	3.2
1997	365,085	100	52.9	45.8	1.3	334,525	100	51.9	47.0	1.1	30,560	100	64.6	32.1	3.2

Note: For Hispanic inmates of unknown racial origin, race was estimated using the racial distribution of Hispanics for whom race was known. All data are based on prisoners with sentences of 1 year or more. Numbers by race are estimated from the National Corrections Reporting Program (1990-97) and the Federal Justice Statistics Program (1993-96).

^aIncludes Asians, Pacific Islanders, American Indians, and Alaska Natives.

^bFederal admissions data for 1990-93 are from the National Corrections Reporting Program and for 1994-97 from the National Prisoners Statistics with detail by race from the Federal Justice Statistics Program.

^cThe number of State admissions for 1994 was estimated for Alaska.

Table 1.22. Estimated total number of sentenced prisoners admitted to State prisons, by the most serious offense, 1990-97

Most serious offense	Number of new court commitments to State prisons ^a							
	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997
All offenses	323,069	317,237	334,301	318,069	322,141	337,492	326,547	334,525
Violent offenses	86,600	91,700	95,600	93,000	94,400	97,200	96,300	100,200
Murder ^b	8,700	9,500	9,700	9,500	10,000	10,000	9,200	9,100
Negligent manslaughter	3,900	4,100	4,000	4,000	3,900	4,000	3,600	3,500
Sexual assault ^c	17,800	17,800	19,100	19,200	19,700	19,800	19,700	20,700
Robbery	29,700	32,000	33,100	31,300	30,600	30,400	29,700	30,600
Aggravated assault	22,600	24,100	25,100	24,500	25,800	27,600	28,400	29,800
Other violent	4,200	4,400	4,300	4,600	5,200	5,400	5,700	6,400
Property offenses	104,400	98,700	104,300	97,000	95,400	99,400	94,800	94,700
Burglary	46,800	42,800	44,500	41,000	39,900	40,000	39,000	39,200
Larceny/theft	26,200	25,400	27,100	25,400	24,800	26,200	24,400	23,500
Motor vehicle theft	8,400	7,600	8,400	7,500	7,700	8,000	6,800	6,900
Fraud	12,600	12,100	12,700	12,200	12,600	13,800	13,200	13,400
Other property	10,300	10,800	12,000	10,900	10,300	11,400	11,400	11,600
Drug offenses	102,400	95,200	101,600	95,100	97,300	104,100	98,700	102,600
Public-order offenses	26,000	28,200	29,400	29,500	32,200	34,500	34,600	35,700
Other	3,600	3,500	3,700	3,400	2,900	2,300	2,100	1,400

Note: All data were estimated. For each year, the proportion of new court commitments in each offense category was multiplied by the total number of new court commitments and rounded to the nearest hundred. (See table 1.23 for percentages.) Detail may not add to total because of rounding.

^aIncludes only those with sentences of more than 1 year.

^bIncludes nonnegligent manslaughter.

^cIncludes rape and other sexual assault.

Table 1.23. Percent of sentenced prisoners admitted to State prisons, by the most serious offense, 1990-97

Most serious offense	Percent of new court commitments to State prisons ^a							
	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Violent offenses	26.8%	28.9%	28.6%	29.2%	29.3%	28.8%	29.5%	29.9%
Murder ^b	2.7	3.0	2.9	3.0	3.1	2.9	2.8	2.7
Negligent manslaughter	1.2	1.3	1.2	1.3	1.2	1.2	1.1	1.0
Sexual assault ^c	5.5	5.6	5.7	6.0	6.1	5.9	6.0	6.2
Robbery	9.2	10.1	9.9	9.8	9.5	9.0	9.1	9.2
Aggravated assault	7.0	7.6	7.5	7.7	8.0	8.2	8.7	8.9
Other violent	1.3	1.4	1.3	1.4	1.6	1.6	1.8	1.9
Property offenses	32.3%	31.1%	31.2%	30.5%	29.6%	29.5%	29.0%	28.3%
Burglary	14.5	13.5	13.3	12.9	12.4	11.9	12.0	11.7
Larceny/theft	8.1	8.0	8.1	8.0	7.7	7.8	7.5	7.0
Motor vehicle theft	2.6	2.4	2.5	2.4	2.4	2.4	2.1	2.0
Fraud	3.9	3.8	3.8	3.8	3.9	4.1	4.1	4.0
Other property	3.2	3.4	3.6	3.4	3.2	3.3	3.3	3.5
Drug offenses	31.7%	30.0%	30.4%	29.9%	30.2%	30.8%	30.2%	30.7%
Public-order offenses	8.0%	8.9%	8.8%	9.3%	10.0%	10.2%	10.6%	10.7%
Other	1.1%	1.1%	1.1%	1.1%	0.9%	0.7%	0.7%	0.4%

Note: Data are from the National Corrections Reporting Program and are based on the most serious offense as reported by participating States. Data may not sum to total due to rounding.

^aIncludes only those with sentences of more than 1 year.

^bIncludes nonnegligent manslaughter.

^cIncludes rape and other sexual assault.

Table 1.24. Estimated number of sentenced prisoners returned to State prisons for a parole revocation, by the most serious offense, 1990-97

Most serious offense	Number of parole violators returned to State prisons ^a							
	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997
All offenses	133,870	142,100	141,961	146,366	168,504	175,726	172,633	186,659
Violent offenses	33,200	34,200	34,900	36,200	42,000	42,800	43,000	45,700
Murder ^b	2,300	2,600	2,300	2,200	2,600	2,700	2,400	2,600
Negligent manslaughter	700	700	700	700	900	900	700	700
Sexual assault ^c	4,000	5,300	4,800	4,600	6,000	6,400	7,200	7,300
Robbery	18,100	16,800	17,700	18,700	20,400	19,800	19,000	19,800
Aggravated assault	7,200	8,000	8,100	8,700	10,500	11,100	11,700	12,900
Other violent	900	1,000	1,200	1,200	1,700	2,000	1,900	2,400
Property offenses	61,700	61,700	58,600	57,800	64,100	65,100	60,600	64,400
Burglary	31,300	30,100	29,100	28,100	30,500	30,500	26,400	28,400
Larceny/theft	16,600	16,900	15,700	15,700	17,500	17,700	17,300	17,500
Motor vehicle theft	5,600	6,000	5,200	5,500	6,500	6,800	7,700	7,100
Fraud	5,500	6,000	5,200	4,900	5,300	5,500	4,700	5,600
Other property	2,700	2,700	3,300	3,400	4,300	4,600	4,500	5,800
Drug offenses	30,900	36,900	38,400	41,500	49,500	53,900	54,300	59,400
Public-order offenses	7,800	9,000	9,900	10,600	12,500	13,600	14,300	15,500
Other	300	300	300	300	300	400	300	1,700

Note: Data are from the National Corrections Reporting Program and are based on the most serious offense as reported by participating States. Data may not sum to total due to rounding.

^aIncludes only those with sentences of more than 1 year.

^bIncludes nonnegligent manslaughter.

^cIncludes rape and other sexual assault.

Table 1.25. Percent of sentenced prisoners returned to State prisons for a parole revocation, by the most serious offense, 1990-97

Most serious offense	Percent of parole violators returned to State prisons ^a							
	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Violent offenses	24.8%	24.1%	24.0%	24.2%	24.5%	24.0%	24.6%	24.5%
Murder ^b	1.7	1.8	1.6	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.4	1.4
Negligent manslaughter	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.4	0.4
Sexual assault ^c	3.0	4.0	4.0	3.0	4.0	3.0	4.0	3.9
Robbery	13.5	11.8	12.2	12.5	11.9	11.1	10.9	10.6
Aggravated assault	5.4	5.6	5.6	5.8	6.1	6.2	6.7	6.9
Other violent	0.7	0.7	0.8	0.8	1.0	1.1	1.1	1.3
Property offenses	46.1%	43.4%	40.3%	38.6%	37.4%	36.5%	34.7%	34.5%
Burglary	23.4	21.2	20.0	18.8	17.8	17.1	15.1	15.2
Larceny/theft	12.4	11.9	10.8	10.5	10.2	9.9	9.9	9.4
Motor vehicle theft	4.2	4.2	3.6	3.7	3.8	3.8	4.4	3.8
Fraud	4.1	4.2	3.6	3.3	3.1	3.1	2.7	3.0
Other property	2.0	1.9	2.3	2.3	2.5	2.6	2.6	3.1
Drug offenses	23.1%	26.0%	26.4%	27.7%	28.9%	30.2%	31.1%	31.8%
Public-order offenses	5.8%	6.3%	6.8%	7.1%	7.3%	7.6%	8.2%	8.3%
Other	0.2%	0.2%	2.5%	2.4%	1.9%	1.7%	1.4%	0.9%

Note: Data are from the National Corrections Reporting Program and are based on the most serious offense as reported by participating States. Data may not sum to total due to rounding.

^aIncludes only those with sentences of more than 1 year.

^bIncludes nonnegligent manslaughter.

^cIncludes rape and other sexual assault.

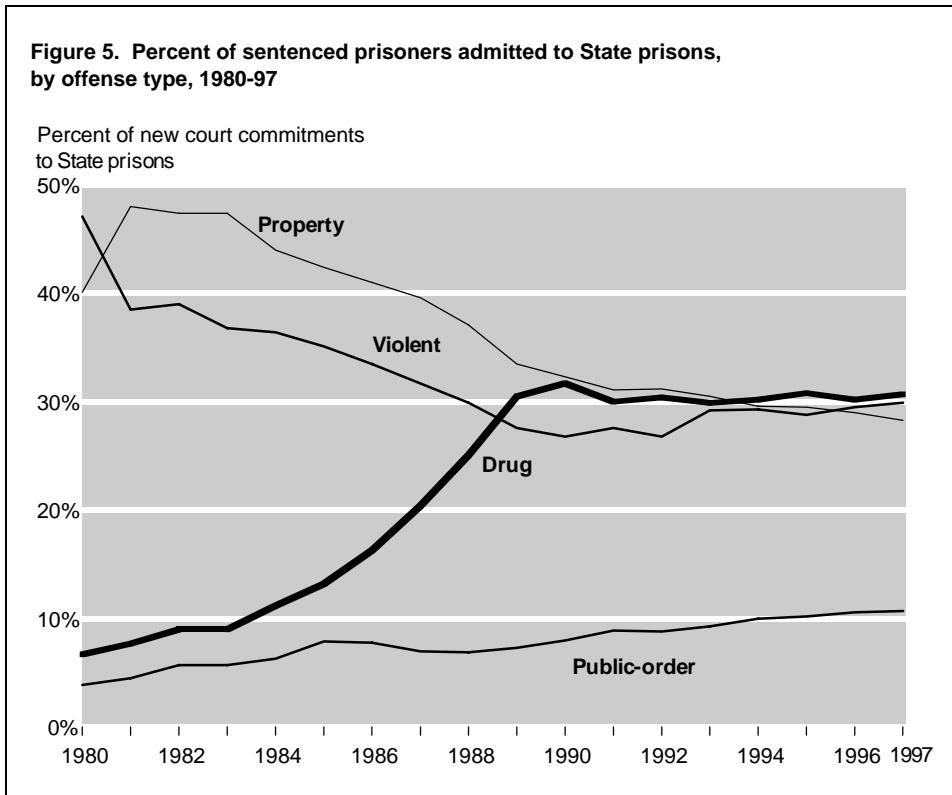


Table 1.26. Number of offenders sentenced to Federal prison in U.S. district court, by the most serious offense, 1990-97

Most serious offense	Number of offenders sentenced to Federal prison ^a							
	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997
Total^b	28,659	30,555	33,622	34,844	31,586	31,805	36,373	39,431
Violent offenses	2,032	2,260	2,618	2,679	2,443	2,209	2,419	2,619
Homicide ^c	144	140	135	148	222	307	233	233
Sexual assault ^d	226	254	271	227	215	242	326	422
Robbery	1,313	1,504	1,860	1,950	1,628	1,289	1,515	1,691
Assault	282	283	282	272	284	281	220	171
Other violent	67	79	70	82	94	90	125	102
Property offenses	5,885	6,033	6,557	6,980	6,466	6,709	7,161	7,686
Burglary	83	119	106	158	131	74	58	38
Larceny/theft	940	951	901	929	851	754	805	850
Motor vehicle theft	200	170	251	321	308	264	94	92
Fraud ^e	4,464	4,542	5,039	5,378	4,967	5,258	5,751	6,282
Other ^f	198	251	260	194	209	359	453	424
Drug offenses	14,092	15,012	16,401	17,343	14,835	14,067	16,492	17,964
Trafficking	13,640	14,558	15,987	16,667	14,272	13,133	15,248	16,718
Possession	452	454	414	676	563	934	1,244	1,246
Public-order offenses	6,650	7,250	8,045	7,833	7,838	8,813	10,293	10,813
Immigration	1,876	1,742	1,741	2,099	2,243	3,169	4,492	5,502
Weapons	1,894	2,632	3,426	2,910	2,812	2,803	2,773	2,662
Escape	545	470	475	438	448	485	435	410
Regulatory	799	884	856	912	876	572	540	603
Other ^g	1,536	1,522	1,547	1,474	1,459	1,784	2,053	1,636

Note: Data are from the BJS Federal Justice Statistics Program. Data for 1990-94 are based on persons sentenced during each calendar year. Data for 1995-97 are based on the fiscal year ending September 30.

^aIncludes all offenders sentenced to incarceration. Excludes offenders with suspended sentence to time already served, and those convicted of petty offenses.

^bTotal may include offenders for whom the offense category could not be determined.

^cIncludes murder, nonnegligent manslaughter, and negligent manslaughter.

^dIncludes rape and other sex offenses.

^eIncludes forgery, fraud, embezzlement, and counterfeiting.

^fIncludes arson, transportation of stolen property, and other property offenses.

^gIncludes bribery, perjury, national defense, tax law violations (excluding tax fraud), racketeering extortion, gambling, liquor offenses, mail or transport of obscene materials, and other public-order offenses.

Table 1.27. Percent of offenders sentenced to Federal prison in U.S. district court, by the most serious offenses, 1990-97

Most serious offense	Percent of offenders sentenced to Federal prison ^a							
	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997
Total^b	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Violent offenses	7.1%	7.4%	7.8%	7.7%	7.7%	6.9%	6.7%	6.7%
Homicide ^c	0.5	0.5	0.4	0.4	0.7	1.0	0.6	0.6
Sexual assault ^d	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.7	0.7	0.8	0.9	1.1
Robbery	4.6	4.9	5.5	5.6	5.2	4.1	4.2	4.3
Assault	1.0	0.9	0.8	0.8	0.9	0.9	0.6	0.4
Other violent	0.2	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3
Property offenses	20.5%	19.7%	19.5%	20.0%	20.5%	21.1%	19.7%	19.7%
Burglary	0.3	0.4	0.3	0.5	0.4	0.2	0.2	0.1
Larceny/theft	3.3	3.1	2.7	2.7	2.7	2.4	2.2	2.2
Motor vehicle theft	0.7	0.6	0.7	0.9	1.0	0.8	0.3	0.2
Fraud ^e	15.6	14.9	15.0	15.4	15.7	16.5	15.8	16.1
Other ^f	0.7	0.8	0.8	0.6	0.7	1.1	1.2	1.1
Drug offenses	49.2%	49.1%	48.8%	49.8%	47.0%	44.2%	45.3%	46.0%
Trafficking	47.6	47.6	47.5	47.8	45.2	41.3	41.9	42.8
Possession	1.6	1.5	1.2	1.9	1.8	2.9	3.4	3.2
Public-order offenses	23.2%	23.7%	23.9%	22.5%	24.8%	27.7%	28.3%	27.7%
Immigration	6.5	5.7	5.2	6.0	7.1	10.0	12.3	14.1
Weapons	6.6	8.6	10.2	8.4	8.9	8.8	7.6	6.8
Escape	1.9	1.5	1.4	1.3	1.4	1.5	1.2	1.0
Regulatory	2.8	2.9	2.5	2.6	2.8	1.8	1.5	1.5
Other ^g	5.4	5.0	4.6	4.2	4.6	5.6	5.6	4.2

Note: Data are from the BJS Federal Justice Statistics Program. Data for 1990-94 are based on persons sentenced during each calendar year. Data for 1995-97 are based on the fiscal year ending September 30.

^aIncludes all offenders sentenced to incarceration. Excludes offenders with suspended sentences or those sentenced to time already served, and those convicted of petty offenses.

^bPercents exclude offenders for whom the offense category could not be determined.

^cIncludes murder, nonnegligent manslaughter, and negligent manslaughter.

^dIncludes rape and other sex offenses.

^eIncludes forgery, fraud, embezzlement, and counterfeiting.

^fIncludes arson, transportation of stolen property, and other property offenses.

^gIncludes bribery, perjury, national defense, tax law violations (excluding tax fraud), racketeering, extortion, gambling, liquor offenses, traffic offenses, mail or transport of obscene materials, and other public-order offenses.

Table 1.28. Number of persons held in State or Federal prison and local jails per 100,000 residents, by gender, race, Hispanic origin, and age, 1997

Age	Number of persons in prison and jail per 100,000 residents in each group ^a								
	Total	Male				Female			
		All	White ^b	Black ^b	Hispanic	All	White ^b	Black ^b	Hispanic
Total	642	1,207	595	4,470	1,773	97	48	349	139
18-19	1,011	1,880	875	5,860	2,570	88	59	215	95
20-24	1,645	3,023	1,408	10,219	3,928	190	110	491	280
25-29	1,659	3,036	1,370	11,658	3,760	265	130	868	343
30-34	1,587	2,846	1,465	10,278	3,501	318	155	1,196	347
35-39	1,275	2,315	1,194	9,138	2,847	231	113	865	304
40-44	894	1,663	865	6,257	2,769	134	67	495	201
45-54	468	892	513	3,511	1,565	60	31	213	135
55 or older	86	187	125	599	465	7	5	26	11

Midyear population estimates in 1,000's for the calculation of total incarceration rates, 1997

Age	Adjusted male U.S. resident count					Adjusted female U.S. resident count			
	Total	All	White ^b	Black ^b	Hispanic	All	White ^b	Black ^b	Hispanic
		Total	271,686	133,416	95,980	15,996	15,741	138,269	99,854
18-19	7,675	3,951	2,608	572	593	3,724	2,474	577	507
20-24	18,150	9,322	6,088	1,261	1,495	8,828	5,822	1,324	1,241
25-29	19,522	9,824	6,571	1,231	1,493	9,698	6,553	1,379	1,235
30-34	21,125	10,604	7,320	1,307	1,496	10,520	7,275	1,436	1,284
35-39	22,908	11,478	8,341	1,340	1,322	11,431	8,250	1,486	1,178
40-44	21,526	10,730	8,045	1,197	1,052	10,846	8,019	1,351	986
45-54	33,679	16,516	12,969	1,583	1,328	17,162	13,203	1,896	1,343
55 or older	55,399	24,266	20,143	1,975	1,434	31,133	25,626	2,835	1,791

Estimated total custody population in prison and jail, 1997

Age	Male inmates					Female inmates			
	Total	All	White ^b	Black ^b	Hispanic	All	White ^b	Black ^b	Hispanic
		Total	1,744,022	1,610,489	571,182	715,051	279,018	133,533	47,863
18-19	77,566	74,289	22,818	33,495	15,251	3,277	1,466	1,241	479
20-24	298,559	281,825	85,699	128,854	58,735	16,734	6,385	6,497	3,468
25-29	323,904	298,243	90,017	143,498	56,147	25,661	8,523	11,967	4,234
30-34	335,332	301,844	107,253	134,371	52,390	33,487	11,262	17,174	4,459
35-39	292,072	265,695	99,612	122,413	37,649	26,377	9,319	12,859	3,578
40-44	192,959	178,431	69,563	74,869	29,132	14,528	5,393	6,684	1,985
45-54	157,690	147,409	66,519	55,602	20,783	10,281	4,107	4,044	1,808
55 or older	47,704	45,465	25,170	11,840	6,668	2,239	1,288	724	192

^aBased on estimates of the U.S. resident population on July 1 and adjusted for the 1990 census undercount.

^bExcludes Hispanics.

Table 1.29. Number of adults on probation, in jail, in prison, or on parole per 100,000 adult residents, by gender, race, Hispanic origin, and age, 1997

Age	Number of adults under correctional supervision per 1000,000 residents in each group ^a								
	Total	Male				Female			
		All	White ^b	Black ^b	Hispanic	All	White ^b	Black ^b	Hispanic
Total ^c	2,850	4,970	3,141	16,423	6,726	867	648	2,279	1,054
18-19	3,180	5,567	3,861	13,487	5,562	647	506	881	1,274
20-24	6,114	10,436	7,150	27,828	10,475	1,550	1,179	3,126	1,828
25-29	5,519	9,277	6,191	27,443	9,744	1,712	1,428	3,949	1,177
30-34	5,009	8,147	5,327	24,468	8,770	1,846	1,468	4,540	1,549
35-39	4,005	6,522	4,439	19,840	6,921	1,476	1,168	3,631	1,407
40-44	2,703	4,449	2,937	14,320	5,405	975	804	2,173	1,045
45-54	1,491	2,533	1,699	8,496	3,800	490	362	1,411	638
55 or older	314	656	467	2,180	1,144	47	40	114	60

Midyear population estimates in 1,000's for the calculation of total incarceration rates, 1997

	Adjusted male resident count,					Adjusted female resident count, 1997			
	Total	All	White ^b	Black ^b	Hispanic	All	White ^b	Black ^b	Hispanic
		Total	271,686	133,416	95,980	15,996	15,741	138,269	99,854
<18	71,653	36,726	23,896	5,531	5,526	34,927	22,632	5,370	5,220
18-19	7,675	3,951	2,608	572	593	3,724	2,474	577	507
20-24	18,150	9,322	6,088	1,261	1,495	8,828	5,822	1,324	1,241
25-29	19,522	9,824	6,571	1,231	1,493	9,698	6,553	1,379	1,235
30-34	21,125	10,604	7,320	1,307	1,496	10,520	7,275	1,436	1,284
35-39	22,908	11,478	8,341	1,340	1,322	11,431	8,250	1,486	1,178
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45-54	33,679	16,516	12,969	1,583	1,328	17,162	13,203	1,896	1,343
55 or older	55,399	24,266	20,143	1,975	1,434	31,133	25,626	2,835	1,791

Total under correctional supervision, 1997

Total ^c	Adult males					Adult females			
	Total	All	White ^b	Black ^b	Hispanic	All	White ^b	Black ^b	Hispanic
		5,701,600	4,805,800	2,263,888	1,718,655	687,070	895,800	500,514	279,945
18-19	244,100	220,000	100,700	77,100	33,000	24,100	12,500	5,100	6,500
20-24	1,109,700	972,800	435,300	350,900	156,600	136,800	68,600	41,400	22,700
25-29	1,077,400	911,400	406,800	337,800	145,500	166,000	93,600	54,500	14,500
30-34	1,058,200	864,000	389,900	319,900	131,200	194,200	106,800	65,200	19,900
35-39	917,400	748,600	370,300	265,800	91,500	168,800	96,300	54,000	16,600
40-44	583,100	477,300	236,300	171,300	56,900	105,800	64,500	29,400	10,300
45-54	502,300	418,300	220,400	134,500	50,500	84,000	47,700	26,700	8,600
55 or older	173,800	159,100	94,100	43,100	16,400	14,700	10,300	3,200	1,100

Note: Populations are estimated and rounded to the nearest 100.

^aBased on estimates of the U.S. resident population on July 1 and adjusted for the 1990 census undercount.

^bExcludes Hispanics.

^cIncludes persons under age 18 under adult correctional supervision.

Explanatory notes

Offense distributions are estimated

The offense distributions of State prisoners at yearend were estimated for 1990-97 by combining data from the 1991 and 1997 State prison inmate surveys, counts by offense of annual admissions and releases in the National Corrections Reporting Program (NCRP, 1990-97), and NPS data for 1990-97. The following procedures were used:

1. The total number of sentenced prisoners under State jurisdiction in 1990 by offense was estimated using the forward and backward stock-flow procedures, as outlined in *Correctional Populations in the United States, 1995* (NCJ 163916).
2. The offense distribution for 1991 was obtained from the 1991 State prison inmate survey and then multiplied by the total number of sentenced inmates under State jurisdiction (from NPS-1) to obtain estimates by offense at yearend.
3. The offense distributions for 1992-96 were derived from the NCRP. In each year forward estimates of the number of inmates by offense were calculated by adding all admissions and subtracting all releases from the base population of the previous year. The estimated end-of-year distribution was then used as the base for the next year. This procedure was repeated for each year through 1996. Backward estimates were obtained annually by adding releases and subtracting admissions from the yearend base populations. This procedure was repeated for each year until the 1991 survey year was reached.
4. Final estimates were obtained by calculating a weighted sum of the forward and backward estimates. The forward and backward estimates were weighted inversely to the elapsed number of years (up to 6 years) from the base population and then summed.

5. Because the 1991 and 1997 survey estimates were based on custody counts, the final estimates (which were based on the sentenced jurisdictional counts) were then converted to custody counts. To estimate the number of inmates by offense, the total number of inmates in physical custody was multiplied by the proportion of inmates in each offense category.

Racial distributions of offenders are estimated

The following procedures were used to estimate counts by race:

1. For the probation and parole populations in 1995-97, estimates were obtained by summing the number of Hispanic probationers and parolees in States that reported Hispanics as having an unknown race. The race of these Hispanic offenders was then calculated, using racial self-identifications reported in BJS surveys. For probationers, the racial identification of Hispanics in the 1995 Survey of Adults on Probation was used; for parolees, the race of Hispanic inmates in the 1997 State prison inmate survey. An estimate of the counts by race were then obtained by multiplying the total number of Hispanics with unknown race by the proportions from each survey. The racial distribution of the remaining probationers and parolees (with an unknown race) was then calculated using the combined distributions for whom data on race were reported.
2. The racial distributions of jail inmates in 1995-97 were estimated by combining estimates from the Annual Survey of Jails (ASJ) in each year and the 1996 Survey of Inmates in Local Jails (SILJ). Estimated proportions from SILJ by race and sex were multiplied by the national estimates by sex from the ASJ.
3. Estimates of State inmates at yearend for 1990-97 were obtained by first summing the numbers of Hispanic inmates among States that reported Hispanics as having an

unknown race. The racial distribution of these inmates was then calculated using the racial self-identification in the 1991 and 1997 prisoner surveys (and interpolated for other years). The race of the remaining inmates (with an unknown race) was then based on the combined distribution of inmates for whom race was known.

4. The racial distributions of new court commitments to State prison for 1990-97 were obtained from NCRP. For Hispanic inmates of unknown racial origin, race was estimated using the racial distribution of Hispanics for whom race was known. By combining these estimates with the known totals from NCRP, the distributions were recalculated and then multiplied by the total number of new court commitments with sentences of more than 1 year (from NPS-1) to obtain estimates by race.

Technical note

To estimate the total correctional populations, the four correctional populations were assumed to contain individuals with only one status at a time. This assumption may not be valid. Multiple correctional statuses may occur because —

- probation and parole agencies are not always notified of new arrests, jail entries, or prison admissions;
- absconders on agency caseloads in one jurisdiction may actually be incarcerated in another jurisdiction;
- individuals may be admitted to jail or prison before formal revocation hearings by a probation or parole agency.

By adding the number of persons on probation, on parole, in jail, and in prison, we may count some persons more than once; consequently, the sum will be an overestimate of the total number of persons under correctional supervision at any one time. The magnitude of the overestimation is not known; however, past estimates have suggested the double counting may total about 4%. (See *Correctional Populations in the United States, 1995*.)