



PRISON INMATES AT MIDYEAR 2007

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In June 2008, the Bureau of Justice Statistics released the report *Prison Inmates at Midyear 2007*. The following data and chart summarize the findings contained in this report. A copy of the full report can be found at: <http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/bjs/pub/pdf/pim07.pdf>.

At midyear 2007, 1,595,034 persons were incarcerated in the Nation's state and federal prisons. Nearly 88 percent were under state jurisdiction. More than 95 percent under state and federal jurisdiction were sentenced to more than one year.

Prison population in the U.S. and Ohio

Between January and June 2007, the prison population in the U.S. rose 1.6 percent. The growth rate increased at a slower rate for state prisons (+1.4 percent) than for federal prisons (+3.1 percent). Forty-one states, including Ohio, reported increases in their prison population during this time period. Ohio, one of the 10 largest prison population states, had an increase of 2.5 percent in the prison population.

As of June 30, 2007, the rate of imprisonment for those sentenced to more than one year was 509 per 100,000 U.S. residents. The rate was higher for males (957 per 100,000 male residents) compared to females (69 per 100,000 female residents).

State prisons admitted 2.3 percent more prisoners in 2006 (the most recent data available on prison admissions and releases) than in 2005. About one-third of all admissions to state prisons were offenders sentenced for violations of parole or conditions of supervised release.

Prison and Jail Inmates at Midyear 2007

As of June 30, 2007, an estimated 2.3 million inmates were held in custody in state or federal prison facilities or in local jails. Approximately 2/3 of these were held in prison. During the first six months, the total custody population increased 1.8 percent. The incarceration rate (the number of inmates held in state or federal prisons or in local jails per 100,000 U.S. residents) for those in custody was 762.

Characteristics of those in custody

- Of the 2.3 million inmates in custody, 2.1 million were men and 208,300 were women.
- Approximately 34 percent of the total incarcerated male population was ages 20 to 29, while 36 percent of the incarcerated female population was ages 30 to 39.
- The estimated incarceration rate for black males was 4,618 per 100,000, whereas the incarceration rate for white males was 773 per 100,000. Hispanic males had an estimated incarceration rate of 1,747 per 100,000.
- The incarceration rates for females, while significantly lower than that of males, patterned the same. The incarceration of black women was 348 per 100,000, compared to 146 per 100,000 for Hispanic women and 95 per 100,000 for white women.
- From midyear 2000 through midyear 2007, Hispanic men represented the largest increase to the custody population, accounting for 1/3 of the overall change in the number of inmates in prison or jail.
- At midyear 2000, black women were incarcerated at a rate six times that of white women. By June 30, 2007, the incarceration for black women declined to 3.7 times that of white women. These

incarceration rate changes are due to an overall decline in the incarceration rate for black women (-8.4 percent) and an overall increase in the incarceration rate for white women (+51 percent).

- The number of non-U.S. citizens held in state or federal custody on June 30, 2007 increased by 3.7 percent compared to 2006.
- The number of juveniles held in state custody increased 10.4 percent from June 30, 2006 to 2007.

Table 8. Prisoners and inmates held in custody in state or federal prisons or in local jails, December 31, 2000-2006 and June 30, 2007

	December 31							June 30, 2007	Average annual change, 2000-2006	Percent change, 12/31/2006-06/30/2007
	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006			
Total inmates in custody	1,937,482	1,961,247	2,033,022	2,081,580	2,135,335	2,195,873	2,258,983	2,299,116	2.6%	1.8%
Federal prisons ^a										
Total	140,064	149,852	158,216	168,144	177,600	186,364	190,844	196,804	5.3%	3.1%
Prisons	133,921	143,337	151,618	161,673	170,535	179,220	183,381	188,779	5.4	2.9
Federal facilities	124,540	130,601	137,942	146,279	152,832	159,318	163,118	166,425	4.6	2.0
Privately operated facilities	9,381	12,736	13,676	15,394	17,703	19,902	20,263	22,354	13.7	10.3
Community Corrections Centers ^b	6,143	6,515	6,598	6,471	7,065	7,144	7,463	8,025	3.3	7.5
State prisoners	1,176,269	1,180,155	1,209,331	1,222,135	1,243,745	1,261,980	1,302,129	1,321,731	1.7%	1.5%
Inmates held in local jails ^c	621,149	631,240	665,475	691,301	713,990	747,529	766,010	780,581	3.6	1.9
Incarceration rate ^d	684	685	701	712	723	737	751	762		

Note: Counts include all inmates held in public and private adult correctional facilities and in local jails.

^aAs of December 30, 2001, sentenced felons from the District of Columbia were the responsibility of the Federal Bureau of Prisons.

^bNon-secure, privately operated community corrections centers.

^cCounts for inmates held in local jails are for the last working day of June in each year. Counts were estimated from the Annual Survey of Jails in every year except 2005 when a Census of Jail Inmates was conducted. See *Methodology*.

^dThe total number in custody per 100,000 U.S. residents. Resident population estimates were as of January 1 of the following year for December 31 estimates. Resident population estimates are as of July 1, 2007 for June 30, 2007 estimates.

Source: Bureau of Justice Statistics Bulletin, Prison Inmates at Midyear 2007.