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Study Description

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Series Name: National Corrections Reporting Program

Series Information: In 1983, the National Prisoners Statistics program, which compiled aggregate data on prisoner admissions and releases, and the Uniform Parole Reports were combined into one reporting system, the National Corrections Reporting Program (NCRP). The NCRP evolved from the need to improve and consolidate data on corrections at the national level. Its objective was to provide a consistent and comprehensive description of prisoners entering and leaving the custody or supervision of state and federal authorities. In addition to the state prisons, and the California Youth Authority reporting data from 1984 to 2011, the Federal Bureau of Prisons reported data to NCRP from 1984 to 1996. Federal data are now collected by BJS under the Federal Justice Statistics Program.

Study Scope

Subject Information

Keyword(s): correctional facilities, correctional facilities (juvenile), correctional system, demographic characteristics, federal correctional facilities, jail inmates, juvenile offenders, national crime statistics (USA), offenders, offenses, parole, prison inmates, probation, state correctional facilities

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Abstract

The National Corrections Reporting Program (NCRP) compiles offender-level data on admissions and releases from state prison, post-confinement community supervision and yearend prison custody records. The data are used to monitor the nation's correctional population and address specific policy questions related to recidivism, prisoner reentry, and trends in demographic characteristics of the incarcerated and community supervision populations. The Bureau of Justice Statistics (BJS) has administered the NCRP since 1983. Abt Associates has served as the NCRP data collection agent since October 2010.

This version of the NCRP data contains data for term records, prison admissions, prison releases, and year-end prison population counts. The data files have selected variables making the data suitable for public release.

Summary Data Description

Time Period: January 1, 1991 - December 31, 2014

Date(s) of Collection: January 1, 1991 - October 31, 2015

Geographic Coverage: United States

Geographic Unit: State

Unit of Analysis: Individuals

Universe: All persons admitted to state prison, released from state prison, or in state prison at year end from 1991 to 2014 in the United States.

Kind of Data: Administrative records data

Methodology and Processing

Data Collection Methodology

Time Method: Cross-section

Data Collector: United States Department of Commerce. Bureau of the Census. Abt Associates.

Frequency of Data Collection: Annually

Sampling Procedure: Participation in the data collection is voluntary. Not all states participate, and not all states have participated for each year.

Type of Research Instrument: Structured

Data Access

Dataset Availability

Location: Inter-university Consortium for Political and Social Research

Data Use Statement:

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Notes

See the **resource guide** for more information on National Corrections Reporting Program.

Data Files Description

File-by-File Description

File Name: Term Records

Contents of Files:
The data file contains one record for each separate term in prison. An individual person may have more than one record, but all will be assigned the same Abt_Inmate_ID value.

File Dimensions:
- No. of Cases: 10,907,333

- No. of Variables: 18

- Record Length: 54

- Records per Case: 1

- Overall No. of Records: 10,907,333

Type of File: ASCII data file

Data Format: Logical record length

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File Name: Prison Admissions

Contents of Files:
The data file contains one record for each admission to prison. An individual person may have more than one record if s/he was admitted more than once.

File Dimensions:
- No. of Cases: 13,815,009

- No. of Variables: 14

- Record Length: 31

- Records per Case: 1

- Overall No. of Records: 13,815,009

Type of File: ASCII data file

Data Format: Logical record length

File-by-File Description

File Name: Prison Releases

Contents of Files:
The data file contains one record for each release from prison. An individual person may have more than one record if s/he was released more than once.

File Dimensions:
- No. of Cases: 13,230,444

- No. of Variables: 18

- Record Length: 39

- Records per Case: 1

- Overall No. of Records: 13,230,444

Type of File: ASCII data file

Data Format: Logical record length

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File Name: Year-End Population

Contents of Files:
The data file contains one record for each prisoner in custody on December 31 of each year. An individual person may have more than one record if s/he stayed in prison longer than one year, or if the individual had one or more returns to prison for which s/he was in custody on December 31 in multiple years.

File Dimensions:

- No. of Cases: 18,561,093

- No. of Variables: 16

- Record Length: 33

- Records per Case: 1

- Overall No. of Records: 18,561,093

Type of File: ASCII data file

Data Format: Logical record length

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Term Records

Variable Description

Summary statistics (minimum, maximum, mean, median, and standard deviation) may not be available for every variable in the codebook. Conversely, a listing of frequencies in table format may not be present for every variable in the codebook either. However, all variables in the dataset are present and display sufficient information about each variable. These decisions are made intentionally and are at the discretion of the archive producing this codebook.

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Term Records

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ABT_INMATE_ID - INMATE IDENTIFICATION ID

Location: 1-19 (width: 19; decimal: 0)

Variable Type: character

SEX - SEX OF INMATE

Location: 20-20 (width: 1; decimal: 0)

Variable Type: numeric

Value	Label
1	Male
2	Female

ADMTYPE - TYPE OF PRISON ADMISSION

Location: 21-21 (width: 1; decimal: 0)

Variable Type: numeric

Range of Missing Values (M): 9

Value	Label
1	New court commitment
2	Parole return/revocation
3	Other admission (including unsentenced, transfer, AWOL/escapee return)
9 (M)	Missing

OFFGENERAL - 5-LEVEL CATEGORIZATION OF MOST SERIOUS SENTENCED OFFENSE

Location: 22-22 (width: 1; decimal: 0)

Variable Type: numeric

Range of Missing Values (M): 9

Value	Label
1	Violent
2	Property
3	Drugs
4	Public order
5	Other/unspecified
9 (M)	Missing

EDUCATION - HIGHEST LEVEL OF EDUCATION OF INMATE

Location: 23-24 (width: 2; decimal: 0)

Variable Type: numeric

Range of Missing Values (M): 99

Value	Label
1	<HS diploma/GED
2	HS diploma/GED
3	Any college
99 (M)	Ungraded/unknown

ADMITYR - YEAR INMATE WAS ADMITTED TO PRISON

Location: 25-28 (width: 4; decimal: 0)

Variable Type: numeric

Range of Missing Values (M): 9999

Value	Label
9999 (M)	Missing

RELEASEYR - YEAR INMATE WAS RELEASED FROM PRISON

Location: 29-32 (width: 4; decimal: 0)

Variable Type: numeric

Range of Missing Values (M): 9999

Notes: Not all persons in the term file have been released from prison.

Value	Label
9999 (M)	Missing

MAND_PRISREL_YEAR - YEAR OF MANDATORY PRISON RELEASE

Location: 33-36 (width: 4; decimal: 0)

Variable Type: numeric

Text: Format: YYYY. The year the offender by law must be conditionally released from prison. BJS has noticed that in some cases, dates submitted by states to NCRP are out of scope. As a federal agency, BJS is responsible for disseminating the data it receives. The user is encouraged to examine the distribution of all dates in NCRP prior to analyzing the data. The user can then decide whether dates are out of scope, and choose to set these values to missing.

PROJ_PRISREL_YEAR - YEAR OF PROJECTED PRISON RELEASE

Location: 37-40 (width: 4; decimal: 0)

Variable Type: numeric

Text: Format: YYYY. The projected year the offender will be released from prison. BJS has noticed that in some cases, dates submitted by states to NCRP are out of scope. As a federal agency, BJS is responsible for disseminating the data it receives. The user is encouraged to examine the distribution of all dates in NCRP prior to analyzing the data. The user can then decide whether dates are out of scope, and choose to set these values to missing.

PARELIG_YEAR - YEAR OF PAROLE ELIGIBILITY

Location: 41-44 (width: 4; decimal: 0)

Variable Type: numeric

Text: Format: YYYY. The year the offender will be eligible for parole. BJS has noticed that in some cases, dates submitted by states to NCRP are out of scope. As a federal agency, BJS is responsible for disseminating the data it receives. The user is encouraged to examine the distribution of all dates in NCRP prior to analyzing the data. The user can then decide whether dates are out of scope, and choose to set these values to missing.

SENTLGTH - MAXIMUM SENTENCE LENGTH FOR INMATE

Location: 45-45 (width: 1; decimal: 0)

Variable Type: numeric

Range of Missing Values (M): 9 , .

Value	Label
0	< 1 year
1	1-1.9 years

Value	Label
2	2-4.9 years
3	5-9.9 years
4	10-24.9 years
5	>=25 years
6	Life, LWOP, Life plus additional years, Death
9 (M)	Missing

OFFDETAIL - DETAILED CATEGORIZATION OF MOST SERIOUS SENTENCED OFFENSE

Location: 46-47 (width: 2; decimal: 0)

Variable Type: numeric

Range of Missing Values (M): 99

Value	Label
1	Murder (including non-negligent manslaughter)
2	Negligent manslaughter
3	Rape/sexual assault
4	Robbery
5	Aggravated or simple assault
6	Other violent offenses
7	Burglary
8	Larceny
9	Motor vehicle theft
10	Fraud
11	Other property offenses
12	Drugs (includes possession, distribution, trafficking, other)
13	Public order
14	Other/unspecified
99 (M)	Missing

RACE - RACE/HISPANIC ETHNICITY OF INMATE

Location: 48-48 (width: 1; decimal: 0)

Variable Type: numeric

Range of Missing Values (M): 9

Text:

Due to the administrative nature of racial and Hispanic origin data collection in NCRP, users should exercise caution in using these variables. The determination of race and Hispanic origin differs across states. In some states DOCs, inmates are asked to self-identify race and ethnicity at time of admission, while other states rely on information in the arrest or court documents accompanying the prisoner at admission, and in others prison officials classify the inmates visually upon entrance to the facility. Some states' computer systems are not configured to collect data on persons of multiple race or on Hispanic origin. Based on comparisons of race and ethnicity data recorded on administrative records from BJS datasets including NCRP and inmate self-identification data obtained from inmate surveys, Hispanic inmates and inmates identifying as more than one race are underrepresented in administrative data. When publishing national statistics on race, BJS uses the inmate surveys to adjust for the administrative record undercount of race/Hispanic origin (see for example, BJS's

annual report on Prisoners). NCRP race and ethnicity data available to the public at the National Archive of Criminal Justice Data are the unadjusted values originally reported by the state DOCs.

Value	Label
1	White, non-Hispanic
2	Black, non-Hispanic
3	Hispanic, any race
4	Other race(s), non-Hispanic
9 (M)	Missing

AGEADMIT - AGE AT ADMISSION

Location: 49-49 (width: 1; decimal: 0)

Variable Type: numeric

Range of Missing Values (M): 9

Value	Label
1	18-24 years
2	25-34 years
3	35-44 years
4	45-54 years
5	55+ years
9 (M)	Missing

AGERELEASE - AGE AT RELEASE

Location: 50-50 (width: 1; decimal: 0)

Variable Type: numeric

Value	Label
1	18-24 years
2	25-34 years
3	35-44 years
4	45-54 years
5	55+ years
9 (M)	Missing

TIMESRVD - TIME SERVED BY INMATE

Location: 51-51 (width: 1; decimal: 0)

Variable Type: numeric

Range of Missing Values (M): 9

Notes: Not all prisoners in the term file have been released. The time served calculated here includes persons still in prison.

Value	Label
0	< 1 year
1	1-1.9 years

Value	Label
2	2-4.9 years
3	5-9.9 years
4	>=10 years
9 (M)	Missing

RELTYPE - TYPE OF PRISON RELEASE

Location: 52-52 (width: 1; decimal: 0)

Variable Type: numeric

Range of Missing Values (M): 9 , .

Value	Label
1	Conditional release
2	Unconditional release
3	Other release (including death, transfer, AWOL, escape)
9 (M)	Missing

STATE - STATE WITH CUSTODY OF INMATE

Location: 53-54 (width: 2; decimal: 0)

Variable Type: numeric

Value	Label
1	Alabama
2	Alaska
4	Arizona
5	Arkansas
6	California
8	Colorado
9	Connecticut
10	Delaware
11	District of Columbia
12	Florida
13	Georgia
15	Hawaii
16	Idaho
17	Illinois
18	Indiana
19	Iowa
20	Kansas
21	Kentucky
22	Louisiana
23	Maine
24	Maryland

Value	Label
25	Massachusetts
26	Michigan
27	Minnesota
28	Mississippi
29	Missouri
30	Montana
31	Nebraska
32	Nevada
33	New Hampshire
34	New Jersey
35	New Mexico
36	New York
37	North Carolina
38	North Dakota
39	Ohio
40	Oklahoma
41	Oregon
42	Pennsylvania
44	Rhode Island
45	South Carolina
46	South Dakota
47	Tennessee
48	Texas
49	Utah
50	Vermont
51	Virginia
53	Washington
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55	Wisconsin
56	Wyoming

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ADMTYPE	TYPE OF PRISON ADMISSION	20
OFFGENERAL	5-LEVEL CATEGORIZATION OF MOST SERIOUS SENTENCED OFFENSE	20
MAND_PRISREL_YEAR	YEAR OF MANDATORY PRISON RELEASE	21
PROJ_PRISREL_YEAR	YEAR OF PROJECTED PRISON RELEASE	21
PARELIG_YEAR	YEAR OF PAROLE ELIGIBILITY	21
ADMITYR	YEAR INMATE WAS ADMITTED TO PRISON	21
SENTLGTH	MAXIMUM SENTENCE LENGTH FOR INMATE	21
OFFDETAIL	DETAILED CATEGORIZATION OF MOST SERIOUS SENTENCED OFFENSE	22
RACE	RACE/HISPANIC ETHNICITY OF INMATE	22
AGEADMIT	AGE AT ADMISSION	23

SEX - SEX OF INMATE

Location: 1-1 (width: 1; decimal: 0)

Variable Type: numeric

Value	Label
1	Male
2	Female

RPTYEAR - YEAR DATA WERE SUBMITTED TO NCRP

Location: 2-5 (width: 4; decimal: 0)

Variable Type: numeric

STATE - STATE WITH CUSTODY OF INMATE

Location: 6-7 (width: 2; decimal: 0)

Variable Type: numeric

Value	Label
1	Alabama
2	Alaska
4	Arizona
5	Arkansas
6	California
8	Colorado
9	Connecticut
10	Delaware
11	District of Columbia
12	Florida
13	Georgia
15	Hawaii
16	Idaho
17	Illinois
18	Indiana
19	Iowa
20	Kansas
21	Kentucky
22	Louisiana
23	Maine
24	Maryland
25	Massachusetts
26	Michigan
27	Minnesota
28	Mississippi
29	Missouri
30	Montana
31	Nebraska
32	Nevada
33	New Hampshire
34	New Jersey
35	New Mexico
36	New York
37	North Carolina
38	North Dakota
39	Ohio
40	Oklahoma
41	Oregon
42	Pennsylvania
44	Rhode Island

Value	Label
45	South Carolina
46	South Dakota
47	Tennessee
48	Texas
49	Utah
50	Vermont
51	Virginia
53	Washington
54	West Virginia
55	Wisconsin
56	Wyoming

EDUCATION - HIGHEST LEVEL OF EDUCATION OF INMATE

Location: 8-8 (width: 1; decimal: 0)

Variable Type: numeric

Range of Missing Values (M): 9

Value	Label
1	<HS diploma/GED
2	HS diploma/GED
3	Any college
9 (M)	Ungraded/unknown

ADMTYPE - TYPE OF PRISON ADMISSION

Location: 9-9 (width: 1; decimal: 0)

Variable Type: numeric

Range of Missing Values (M): 9

Value	Label
1	New court commitment
2	Parole return/revocation
3	Other admission (including unsentenced, transfer, AWOL/escapee return)
9 (M)	Missing

OFFGENERAL - 5-LEVEL CATEGORIZATION OF MOST SERIOUS SENTENCED OFFENSE

Location: 10-10 (width: 1; decimal: 0)

Variable Type: numeric

Range of Missing Values (M): 9

Value	Label
1	Violent
2	Property

Value	Label
3	Drugs
4	Public order
5	Other/unspecified
9 (M)	Missing

MAND_PRISREL_YEAR - YEAR OF MANDATORY PRISON RELEASE

Location: 11-14 (width: 4; decimal: 0)

Variable Type: numeric

Text: Format: YYYY. The year the offender by law must be conditionally released from prison. BJS has noticed that in some cases, dates submitted by states to NCRP are out of scope. As a federal agency, BJS is responsible for disseminating the data it receives. The user is encouraged to examine the distribution of all dates in NCRP prior to analyzing the data. The user can then decide whether dates are out of scope, and choose to set these values to missing.

PROJ_PRISREL_YEAR - YEAR OF PROJECTED PRISON RELEASE

Location: 15-18 (width: 4; decimal: 0)

Variable Type: numeric

Text: Format: YYYY. The projected year the offender will be released from prison. BJS has noticed that in some cases, dates submitted by states to NCRP are out of scope. As a federal agency, BJS is responsible for disseminating the data it receives. The user is encouraged to examine the distribution of all dates in NCRP prior to analyzing the data. The user can then decide whether dates are out of scope, and choose to set these values to missing.

PARELIG_YEAR - YEAR OF PAROLE ELIGIBILITY

Location: 19-22 (width: 4; decimal: 0)

Variable Type: numeric

Text: Format: YYYY. The year the offender will be eligible for parole. BJS has noticed that in some cases, dates submitted by states to NCRP are out of scope. As a federal agency, BJS is responsible for disseminating the data it receives. The user is encouraged to examine the distribution of all dates in NCRP prior to analyzing the data. The user can then decide whether dates are out of scope, and choose to set these values to missing.

ADMITYR - YEAR INMATE WAS ADMITTED TO PRISON

Location: 23-26 (width: 4; decimal: 0)

Variable Type: numeric

SENTLGTH - MAXIMUM SENTENCE LENGTH FOR INMATE

Location: 27-27 (width: 1; decimal: 0)

Variable Type: numeric

Range of Missing Values (M): 9

Value	Label
0	< 1 year
1	1-1.9 years
2	2-4.9 years
3	5-9.9 years

Value	Label
4	10-24.9 years
5	>=25 years
6	Life, LWOP, Life plus additional years, Death
9 (M)	Missing

OFFDETAIL - DETAILED CATEGORIZATION OF MOST SERIOUS SENTENCED OFFENSE

Location: 28-29 (width: 2; decimal: 0)

Variable Type: numeric

Range of Missing Values (M): 99

Value	Label
1	Murder (including non-negligent manslaughter)
2	Negligent manslaughter
3	Rape/sexual assault
4	Robbery
5	Aggravated or simple assault
6	Other violent offenses
7	Burglary
8	Larceny
9	Motor vehicle theft
10	Fraud
11	Other property offenses
12	Drugs (includes possession, distribution, trafficking, other)
13	Public order
14	Other/unspecified
99 (M)	Missing

RACE - RACE/HISPANIC ETHNICITY OF INMATE

Location: 30-30 (width: 1; decimal: 0)

Variable Type: numeric

Range of Missing Values (M): 9

Text:
Due to the administrative nature of racial and Hispanic origin data collection in NCRP, users should exercise caution in using these variables. The determination of race and Hispanic origin differs across states. In some states DOCs, inmates are asked to self-identify race and ethnicity at time of admission, while other states rely on information in the arrest or court documents accompanying the prisoner at admission, and in others prison officials classify the inmates visually upon entrance to the facility. Some states' computer systems are not configured to collect data on persons of multiple race or on Hispanic origin. Based on comparisons of race and ethnicity data recorded on administrative records from BJS datasets including NCRP and inmate self-identification data obtained from inmate surveys, Hispanic inmates and inmates identifying as more than one race are underrepresented in administrative data. When publishing national statistics on race, BJS uses the inmate surveys to adjust for the administrative record undercount of race/Hispanic origin (see for example, BJS's annual report on Prisoners). NCRP race and ethnicity data available to the public at the National Archive of Criminal Justice Data are the unadjusted values originally reported by the state DOCs.

Value	Label
1	White, non-Hispanic
2	Black, non-Hispanic
3	Hispanic, any race
4	Other race(s), non-Hispanic
9 (M)	Missing

AGEADMIT - AGE AT ADMISSION

Location: 31-31 (width: 1; decimal: 0)

Variable Type: numeric

Range of Missing Values (M): 9

Value	Label
1	18-24 years
2	25-34 years
3	35-44 years
4	45-54 years
5	55+ years
9 (M)	Missing

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PARELIG_YEAR	YEAR OF PAROLE ELIGIBILITY	27
ADMITYR	YEAR INMATE WAS ADMITTED TO PRISON	27
SENTLGTH	MAXIMUM SENTENCE LENGTH FOR INMATE	27
OFFDETAIL	DETAILED CATEGORIZATION OF MOST SERIOUS SENTENCED OFFENSE	28
RACE	RACE/HISPANIC ETHNICITY OF INMATE	28
AGEADMIT	AGE AT ADMISSION	29
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SEX - SEX OF INMATE

Location: 1-1 (width: 1; decimal: 0)

Variable Type: numeric

Value	Label
1	Male
2	Female

RPTYEAR - YEAR DATA WERE SUBMITTED TO NCRP

Location: 2-5 (width: 4; decimal: 0)

Variable Type: numeric

STATE - STATE WITH CUSTODY OF INMATE

Location: 6-7 (width: 2; decimal: 0)

Variable Type: numeric

Value	Label
1	Alabama
2	Alaska
4	Arizona
5	Arkansas
6	California
8	Colorado
9	Connecticut
10	Delaware
11	District of Columbia
12	Florida
13	Georgia
15	Hawaii
16	Idaho
17	Illinois
18	Indiana
19	Iowa
20	Kansas
21	Kentucky
22	Louisiana
23	Maine
24	Maryland
25	Massachusetts
26	Michigan
27	Minnesota
28	Mississippi
29	Missouri
30	Montana
31	Nebraska
32	Nevada
33	New Hampshire
34	New Jersey
35	New Mexico
36	New York
37	North Carolina
38	North Dakota
39	Ohio

Value	Label
40	Oklahoma
41	Oregon
42	Pennsylvania
44	Rhode Island
45	South Carolina
46	South Dakota
47	Tennessee
48	Texas
49	Utah
50	Vermont
51	Virginia
53	Washington
54	West Virginia
55	Wisconsin
56	Wyoming

EDUCATION - HIGHEST LEVEL OF EDUCATION OF INMATE

Location: 8-9 (width: 2; decimal: 0)

Variable Type: numeric

Range of Missing Values (M): 99

Value	Label
1	<HS diploma/GED
2	HS diploma/GED
3	Any college
99 (M)	Ungraded/unknown

ADMTYPE - TYPE OF PRISON ADMISSION

Location: 10-10 (width: 1; decimal: 0)

Variable Type: numeric

Range of Missing Values (M): 9

Value	Label
1	New court commitment
2	Parole return/revocation
3	Other admission (including unsentenced, transfer, AWOL/escapee return)
9 (M)	Missing

OFFGENERAL - 5-LEVEL CATEGORIZATION OF MOST SERIOUS SENTENCED OFFENSE

Location: 11-11 (width: 1; decimal: 0)

Variable Type: numeric

Range of Missing Values (M): 9

Value	Label
1	Violent
2	Property
3	Drugs
4	Public order
5	Other/unspecified
9 (M)	Missing

MAND_PRISREL_YEAR - YEAR OF MANDATORY PRISON RELEASE

Location: 12-15 (width: 4; decimal: 0)

Variable Type: numeric

Text: Format: YYYY. The year the offender by law must be conditionally released from prison. BJS has noticed that in some cases, dates submitted by states to NCRP are out of scope. As a federal agency, BJS is responsible for disseminating the data it receives. The user is encouraged to examine the distribution of all dates in NCRP prior to analyzing the data. The user can then decide whether dates are out of scope, and choose to set these values to missing.

PROJ_PRISREL_YEAR - YEAR OF PROJECTED PRISON RELEASE

Location: 16-19 (width: 4; decimal: 0)

Variable Type: numeric

Text: Format: YYYY. The projected year the offender will be released from prison. BJS has noticed that in some cases, dates submitted by states to NCRP are out of scope. As a federal agency, BJS is responsible for disseminating the data it receives. The user is encouraged to examine the distribution of all dates in NCRP prior to analyzing the data. The user can then decide whether dates are out of scope, and choose to set these values to missing.

PARELIG_YEAR - YEAR OF PAROLE ELIGIBILITY

Location: 20-23 (width: 4; decimal: 0)

Variable Type: numeric

Text: Format: YYYY. The year in which the offender will be eligible for parole. BJS has noticed that in some cases, dates submitted by states to NCRP are out of scope. As a federal agency, BJS is responsible for disseminating the data it receives. The user is encouraged to examine the distribution of all dates in NCRP prior to analyzing the data. The user can then decide whether dates are out of scope, and choose to set these values to missing.

ADMITYR - YEAR INMATE WAS ADMITTED TO PRISON

Location: 24-27 (width: 4; decimal: 0)

Variable Type: numeric

Range of Missing Values (M): 9999

Value	Label
9999 (M)	Missing

SENTLGTH - MAXIMUM SENTENCE LENGTH FOR INMATE

Location: 28-28 (width: 1; decimal: 0)

Variable Type: numeric

Range of Missing Values (M): 9

Value	Label
0	< 1 year
1	1-1.9 years
2	2-4.9 years
3	5-9.9 years
4	10-24.9 years
5	>=25 years
6	Life, LWOP, Life plus additional years, Death
9 (M)	Missing

OFFDETAIL - DETAILED CATEGORIZATION OF MOST SERIOUS SENTENCED OFFENSE

Location: 29-30 (width: 2; decimal: 0)

Variable Type: numeric

Range of Missing Values (M): 99

Value	Label
1	Murder (including non-negligent manslaughter)
2	Negligent manslaughter
3	Rape/sexual assault
4	Robbery
5	Aggravated or simple assault
6	Other violent offenses
7	Burglary
8	Larceny
9	Motor vehicle theft
10	Fraud
11	Other property offenses
12	Drugs (includes possession, distribution, trafficking, other)
13	Public order
14	Other/unspecified
99 (M)	Missing

RACE - RACE/HISPANIC ETHNICITY OF INMATE

Location: 31-31 (width: 1; decimal: 0)

Variable Type: numeric

Range of Missing Values (M): 9

Text:
Due to the administrative nature of racial and Hispanic origin data collection in NCRP, users should exercise caution in using these variables. The determination of race and Hispanic origin differs across states. In some states DOCs, inmates are asked to self-identify race and ethnicity at time of admission, while other states rely on information in the arrest or court documents accompanying the prisoner at admission, and in others prison officials classify the inmates visually upon entrance to the facility. Some states' computer systems are not configured to collect data on persons of multiple race or on Hispanic origin. Based on comparisons of race and ethnicity data recorded

on administrative records from BJS datasets including NCRP and inmate self-identification data obtained from inmate surveys, Hispanic inmates and inmates identifying as more than one race are underrepresented in administrative data. When publishing national statistics on race, BJS uses the inmate surveys to adjust for the administrative record undercount of race/Hispanic origin (see for example, BJS's annual report on Prisoners). NCRP race and ethnicity data available to the public at the National Archive of Criminal Justice Data are the unadjusted values originally reported by the state DOCs.

Value	Label
1	White, non-Hispanic
2	Black, non-Hispanic
3	Hispanic, any race
4	Other race(s), non-Hispanic
9 (M)	Missing

AGEADMIT - AGE AT ADMISSION

Location: 32-32 (width: 1; decimal: 0)

Variable Type: numeric

Range of Missing Values (M): 9

Value	Label
1	18-24 years
2	25-34 years
3	35-44 years
4	45-54 years
5	55+ years
9 (M)	Missing

RELYR - YEAR INMATE WAS RELEASED FROM PRISON

Location: 33-36 (width: 4; decimal: 0)

Variable Type: numeric

Range of Missing Values (M): 9999

Value	Label
9999 (M)	Missing

RELTYPE - TYPE OF PRISON RELEASE

Location: 37-37 (width: 1; decimal: 0)

Variable Type: numeric

Range of Missing Values (M): 9

Value	Label
1	Conditional release
2	Unconditional release
3	Other release (including death, transfer, AWOL, escape)
9 (M)	Missing

AGERLSE - AGE AT RELEASE

Location: 38-38 (width: 1; decimal: 0)

Variable Type: numeric

Value	Label
1	18-24 years
2	25-34 years
3	35-44 years
4	45-54 years
5	55+ years
9 (M)	Missing

TIMESRVD_REL - TIME SERVED BY RELEASED INMATE

Location: 39-39 (width: 1; decimal: 0)

Variable Type: numeric

Range of Missing Values (M): 9

Value	Label
0	< 1 year
1	1-1.9 years
2	2-4.9 years
3	5-9.9 years
4	>=10 years
9 (M)	Missing

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SEX - SEX OF INMATE

Location: 1-1 (width: 1; decimal: 0)

Variable Type: numeric

Value	Label
1	Male
2	Female

RPTYEAR - YEAR DATA WERE SUBMITTED TO NCRP

Location: 2-5 (width: 4; decimal: 0)

Variable Type: numeric

STATE - STATE WITH CUSTODY OF INMATE

Location: 6-7 (width: 2; decimal: 0)

Variable Type: numeric

Value	Label
1	Alabama
2	Alaska
4	Arizona
5	Arkansas
6	California
8	Colorado
9	Connecticut
10	Delaware
11	District of Columbia
12	Florida
13	Georgia
15	Hawaii
16	Idaho
17	Illinois
18	Indiana
19	Iowa
20	Kansas
21	Kentucky
22	Louisiana
23	Maine
24	Maryland
25	Massachusetts
26	Michigan
27	Minnesota
28	Mississippi
29	Missouri
30	Montana
31	Nebraska
32	Nevada
33	New Hampshire
34	New Jersey
35	New Mexico
36	New York
37	North Carolina
38	North Dakota
39	Ohio
40	Oklahoma

Value	Label
41	Oregon
42	Pennsylvania
44	Rhode Island
45	South Carolina
46	South Dakota
47	Tennessee
48	Texas
49	Utah
50	Vermont
51	Virginia
53	Washington
54	West Virginia
55	Wisconsin
56	Wyoming

EDUCATION - HIGHEST LEVEL OF EDUCATION OF INMATE

Location: 8-8 (width: 1; decimal: 0)

Variable Type: numeric

Range of Missing Values (M): 9

Value	Label
1	<HS diploma/GED
2	HS diploma/GED
3	Any college
9 (M)	Ungraded/unknown

ADMTYPE - TYPE OF PRISON ADMISSION

Location: 9-9 (width: 1; decimal: 0)

Variable Type: numeric

Range of Missing Values (M): 9

Value	Label
1	New court commitment
2	Parole return/revocation
3	Other admission (including unsentenced, transfer, AWOL/escapee return)
9 (M)	Missing

OFFGENERAL - 5-LEVEL CATEGORIZATION OF MOST SERIOUS SENTENCED OFFENSE

Location: 10-10 (width: 1; decimal: 0)

Variable Type: numeric

Range of Missing Values (M): 9

Value	Label
1	Violent
2	Property
3	Drugs
4	Public order
5	Other/unspecified
9 (M)	Missing

MAND_PRISREL_YEAR - YEAR OF MANDATORY PRISON RELEASE

Location: 11-14 (width: 4; decimal: 0)

Variable Type: numeric

Text: Format: YYYY. The date the offender by law must be conditionally released from prison. BJS has noticed that in some cases, dates submitted by states to NCRP are out of scope. As a federal agency, BJS is responsible for disseminating the data it receives. The user is encouraged to examine the distribution of all dates in NCRP prior to analyzing the data. The user can then decide whether dates are out of scope, and choose to set these values to missing.

PROJ_PRISREL_YEAR - YEAR OF PROJECTED PRISON RELEASE

Location: 15-18 (width: 4; decimal: 0)

Variable Type: numeric

Text: Format: YYYY. The projected year the offender will be released from prison. BJS has noticed that in some cases, dates submitted by states to NCRP are out of scope. As a federal agency, BJS is responsible for disseminating the data it receives. The user is encouraged to examine the distribution of all dates in NCRP prior to analyzing the data. The user can then decide whether dates are out of scope, and choose to set these values to missing.

PARELIG_YEAR - YEAR OF PAROLE ELIGIBILITY

Location: 19-22 (width: 4; decimal: 0)

Variable Type: numeric

Text: Format: YYYY. The year in which the offender will be eligible for parole. BJS has noticed that in some cases, dates submitted by states to NCRP are out of scope. As a federal agency, BJS is responsible for disseminating the data it receives. The user is encouraged to examine the distribution of all dates in NCRP prior to analyzing the data. The user can then decide whether dates are out of scope, and choose to set these values to missing.

ADMITYR - YEAR INMATE WAS ADMITTED TO PRISON

Location: 23-26 (width: 4; decimal: 0)

Variable Type: numeric

Range of Missing Values (M): 9999

Value	Label
9999 (M)	Missing

SENTLGTH - MAXIMUM SENTENCE LENGTH FOR INMATE

Location: 27-27 (width: 1; decimal: 0)

Variable Type: numeric

Range of Missing Values (M): 9

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0	< 1 year
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2	2-4.9 years
3	5-9.9 years
4	10-24.9 years
5	>=25 years
6	Life, LWOP, Life plus additional years, Death
9 (M)	Missing

OFFDETAIL - DETAILED CATEGORIZATION OF MOST SERIOUS SENTENCED OFFENSE

Location: 28-29 (width: 2; decimal: 0)

Variable Type: numeric

Range of Missing Values (M): 99

Value	Label
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7	Burglary
8	Larceny
9	Motor vehicle theft
10	Fraud
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14	Other/unspecified
99 (M)	Missing

RACE - RACE/HISPANIC ETHNICITY OF INMATE

Location: 30-30 (width: 1; decimal: 0)

Variable Type: numeric

Range of Missing Values (M): 9

Text:
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9 (M)	Missing

AGEADMIT - AGE AT ADMISSION

Location: 31-31 (width: 1; decimal: 0)

Variable Type: numeric

Range of Missing Values (M): 9

Value	Label
1	18-24 years
2	25-34 years
3	35-44 years
4	45-54 years
5	55+ years
9 (M)	Missing

AGEYREND - AGE ON DECEMBER 31 OF THE REPORTING YEAR

Location: 32-32 (width: 1; decimal: 0)

Variable Type: numeric

Value	Label
1	18-24 years
2	25-34 years
3	35-44 years
4	45-54 years
5	55+ years
9 (M)	Missing

TIMESRVD_YREND - TIME SERVED BY INMATES STILL IN CUSTODY

Location: 33-33 (width: 1; decimal: 0)

Variable Type: numeric

Range of Missing Values (M): 9

Value	Label
0	< 1 year
1	1-1.9 years

Value	Label
2	2-4.9 years
3	5-9.9 years
4	>=10 years
9 (M)	Missing