

## Population of sentenced prisoners

- At yearend 2022, persons sentenced to more than 1 year under the legal authority of state and federal correctional authorities accounted for 96% (1,185,600) of the total U.S. prison population (**table 3**).
- In addition, 20,000 persons in state or federal prison at yearend 2022 were sentenced to serve 1 year or less and 22,600 were unsentenced (not shown in tables).
- The number of persons sentenced to more than 1 year in state or federal prison increased almost 2% (up 19,900) from yearend 2021 to yearend 2022.
- Males accounted for 93% of the sentenced U.S. prison population in 2022, with 1,103,200 males sentenced to more than 1 year in state or federal prison.
- On December 31, 2022, approximately 32% of persons sentenced to state or federal prison were black; 31% were white; 23% were Hispanic; 2% were American Indian or Alaska Native; 1% were Asian, Native Hawaiian, or Other Pacific Islander; and 11% were multiracial or some other race.

**TABLE 3**

**Sentenced prisoners under the jurisdiction of state or federal correctional authorities, by jurisdiction, sex, and race or Hispanic origin, 2012–2022**

Year	Total <sup>a</sup>	Federal <sup>b</sup>	State	Male	Female	White <sup>c,d</sup>	Black <sup>c,d</sup>	Hispanic <sup>d</sup>	American Indian/ Alaska Native <sup>c,d</sup>	Asian <sup>c,d,e</sup>
2012	1,512,430	196,574	1,315,856	1,411,076	101,354	470,900	536,600	336,100	21,500	17,000
2013	1,520,403	195,098	1,325,305	1,416,102	104,301	469,800	530,100	343,100	19,800	16,900
2014	1,507,781	191,374	1,316,407	1,401,685	106,096	463,800	516,800	339,500	21,300	17,300
2015	1,476,847	178,688	1,298,159	1,371,879	104,968	450,600	496,400	335,800	20,500	17,800
2016	1,459,948	171,482	1,288,466	1,354,109	105,839	440,700	484,600	342,100	20,400	18,000
2017	1,439,877	166,203	1,273,674	1,334,828	105,049	436,800	473,000	338,800	21,200	17,800
2018	1,413,370	163,653	1,249,717	1,309,194	104,176	430,500	461,500	332,900	21,100	17,900
2019	1,379,786	158,498	1,221,288	1,278,484	101,302	422,900	449,900	322,700	21,500	17,500
2020	1,185,733	142,028	1,043,705	1,105,750	79,983	360,100	390,700	276,100	19,000	14,900
2021	1,165,736	144,448	1,021,288	1,086,337	79,399	356,000	378,000	273,800	18,700	14,700
2022	1,185,648	146,108	1,039,540	1,103,170	82,478	367,800	384,600	273,900	19,400	15,000
<b>Percent change</b>										
2012–2022	-21.6%	-25.7%	-21.0%	-21.8%	-18.6%	-21.9%	-28.3%	-18.5%	-9.8%	-11.8%
2021–2022	1.7	1.1	1.8	1.5	3.9	3.3	1.7	0.0	3.7	2.0

Note: Jurisdiction refers to the legal authority of state or federal correctional officials over a prisoner, regardless of where the prisoner is held. Counts are for December 31 of each year and are based on prisoners with a sentence of more than 1 year. As of December 31, 2001, persons sentenced for a felony in the District of Columbia were the responsibility of the Federal Bureau of Prisons. Counts for 2021 and earlier may have been revised from previous reports.

<sup>a</sup>Includes persons of two or more races and other races that are not broken out.

<sup>b</sup>Includes adult prisoners held in nonsecure community corrections facilities and adults and persons age 17 or younger held in privately operated facilities.

<sup>c</sup>Excludes persons of Hispanic origin (e.g., “white” refers to non-Hispanic white persons and “black” refers to non-Hispanic black persons).

<sup>d</sup>Race or Hispanic origin estimates are rounded to the nearest 100.

<sup>e</sup>Includes Asians, Native Hawaiians, and Other Pacific Islanders.

Source: Bureau of Justice Statistics, Federal Justice Statistics Program, 2022 (preliminary); National Corrections Reporting Program, 2021; National Prisoner Statistics, 2012–2022; Survey of Inmates in State and Federal Correctional Facilities, 2004; and Survey of Prison Inmates, 2016.