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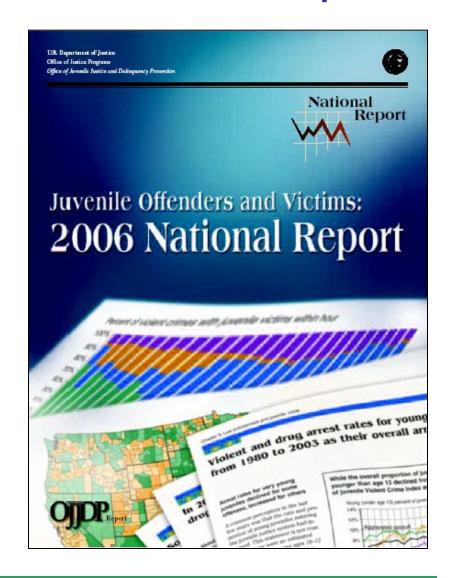
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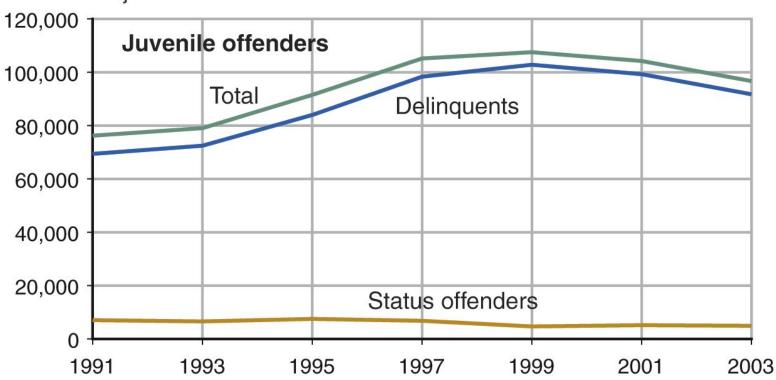
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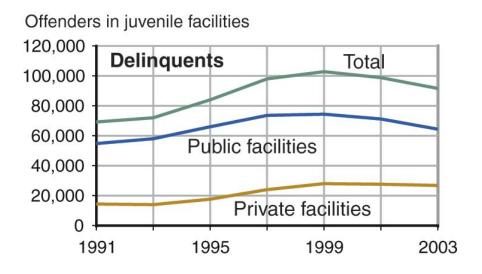
In 2003, public and private facilities held 32% more delinquents and 32% fewer status offenders than in 1991

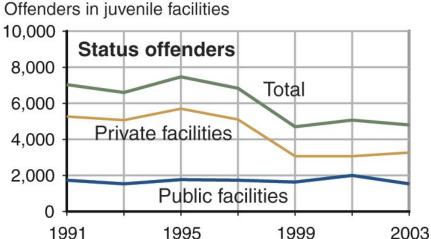
Offenders in juvenile facilities





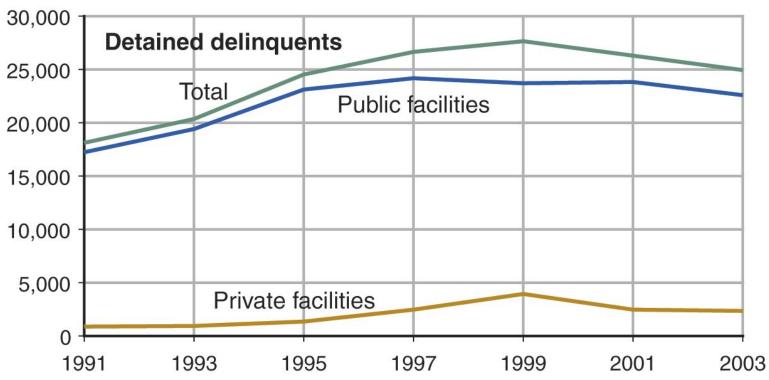
Public facilities drive the trend for the delinquency population; private facilities drive the trend for status offenders





Between 1991 and 2003, the detained delinquency population in public and private facilities increased 38%

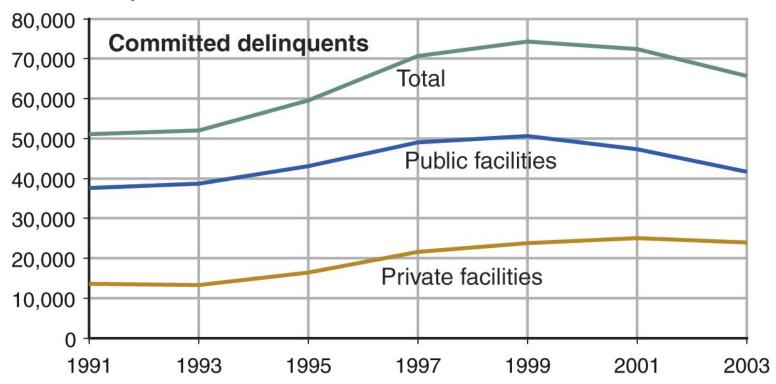






The number of committed delinquents held in public or private facilities as part of a court-ordered disposition was 28% greater in 2003 than in 1991

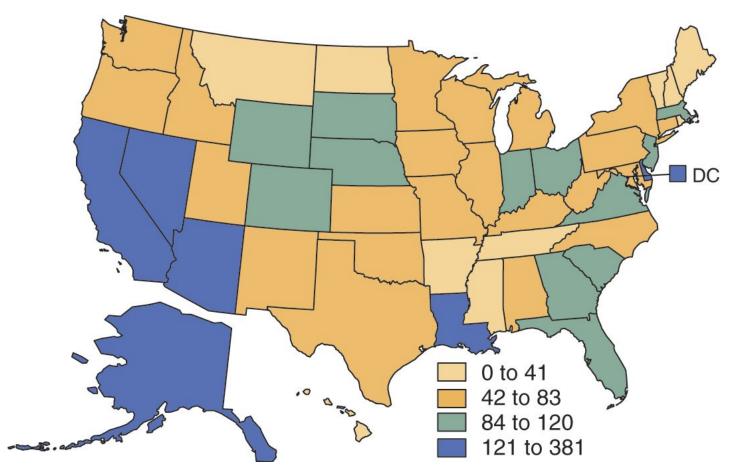
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In 2003, the national detention rate was 83 juvenile offenders in custody for every 100,000 juveniles in the population

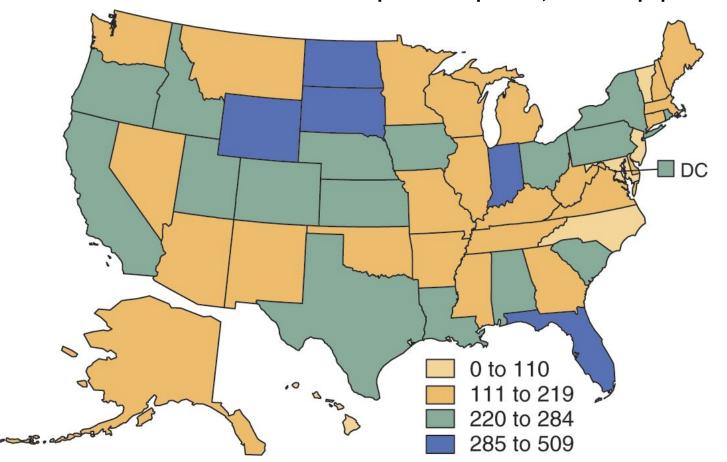
Juveniles detained in residential placement per 100,000 in the population





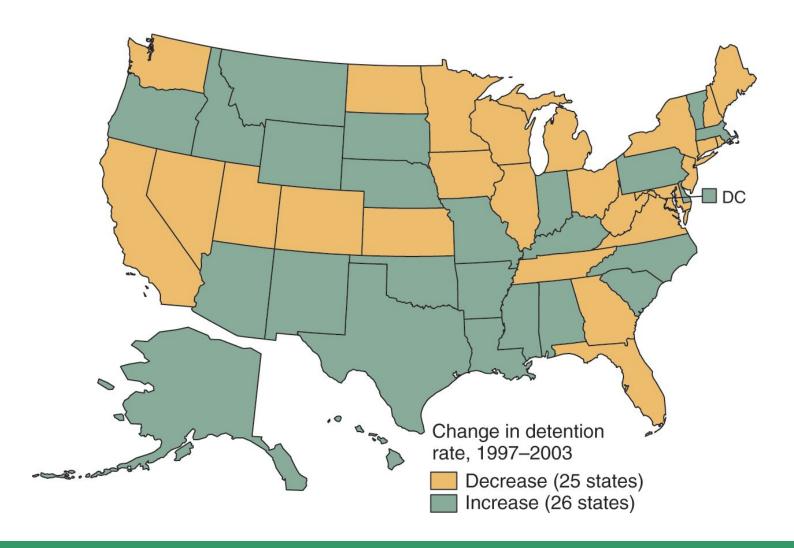
In 2003, the national commitment rate was 219 juvenile offenders in custody for every 100,000 juveniles in the population

Juveniles committed to residential placement per 100,000 in the population

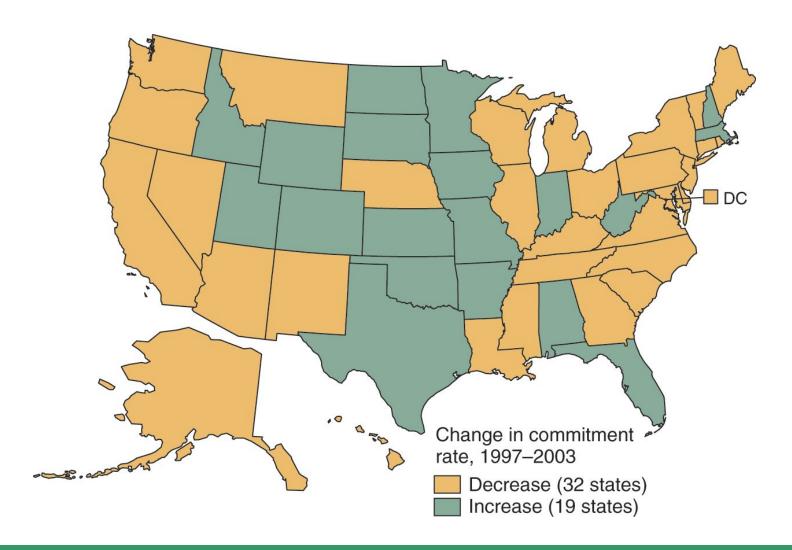




Although national custody rates declined from 1997 to 2003, not all states experienced a decline

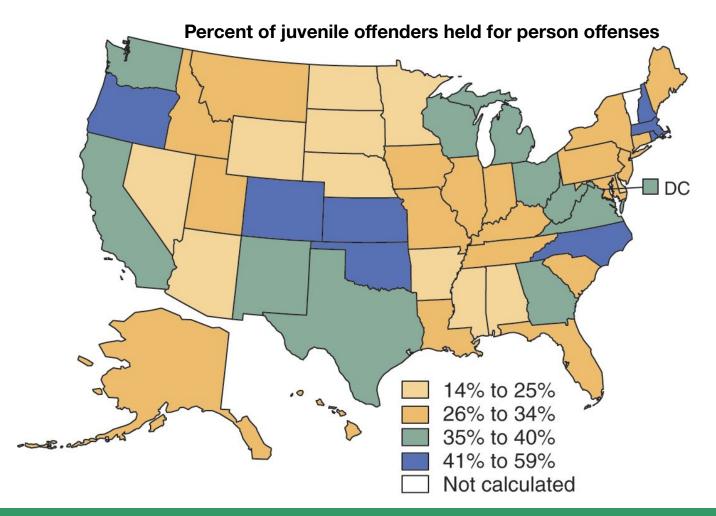


More than half of the states had lower commitment rates in 2003 than in 1997



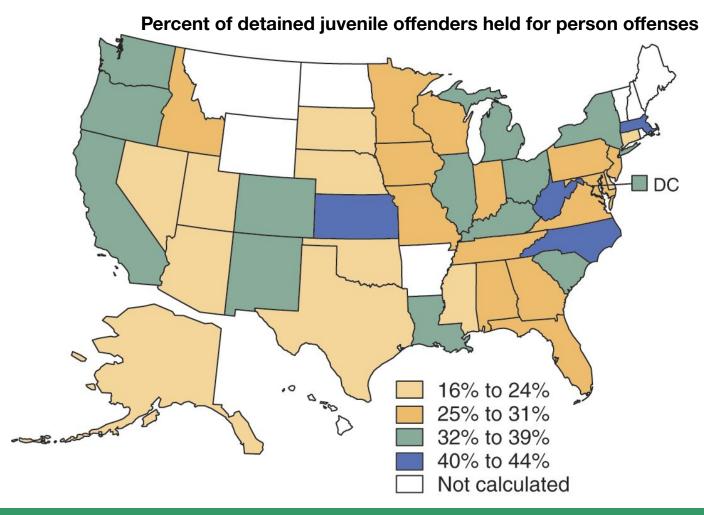


New Hampshire, Oregon, and Colorado had the highest proportions of person offenders in the custody population; Mississippi, Nebraska, and Wyoming had the lowest





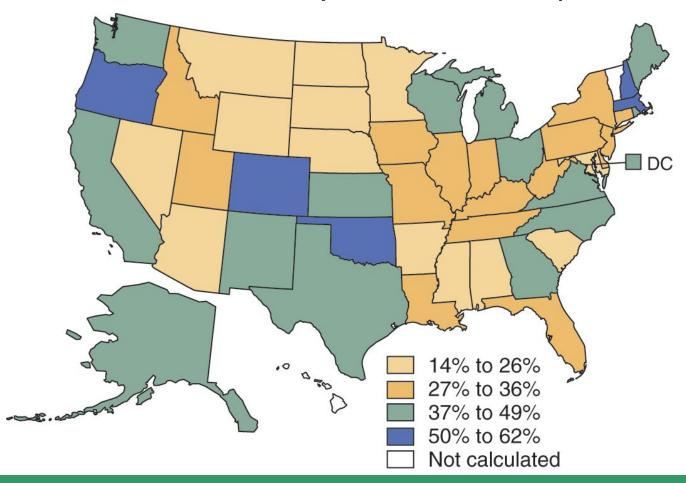
Massachusetts and North Carolina had the highest proportions of person offenders among detained juveniles; Connecticut and Mississippi had the lowest





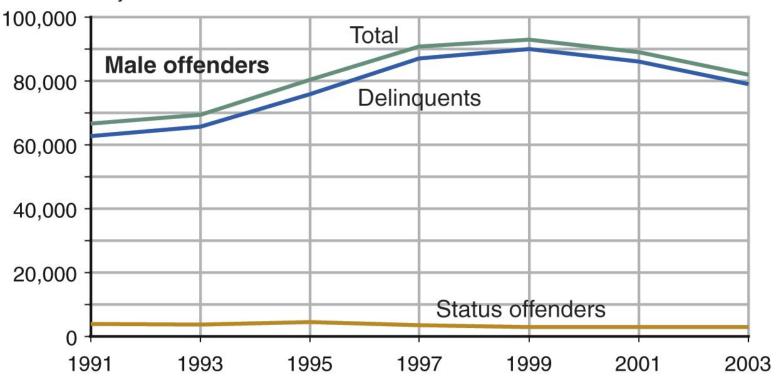
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Percent of committed juvenile offenders held for person offenses



The number of male offenders in custody increased 23% from 1991 to 2003

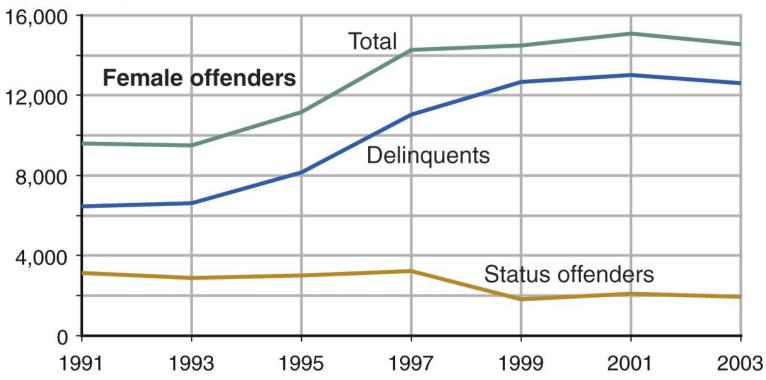






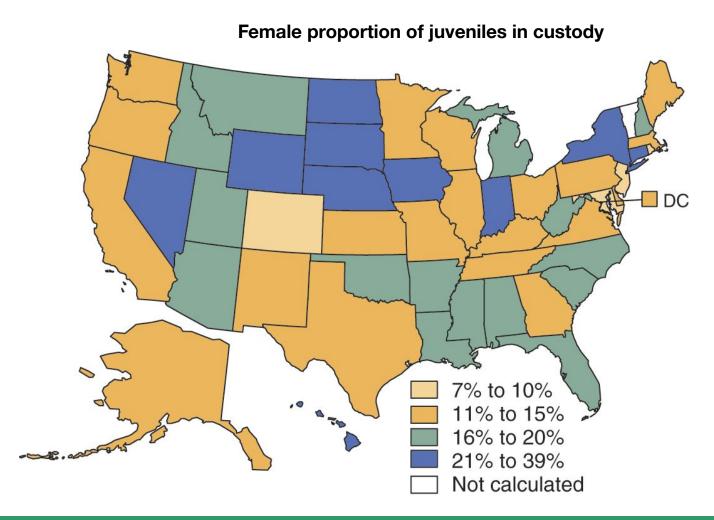
The number of female offenders in custody increased 52% from 1991 to 2003







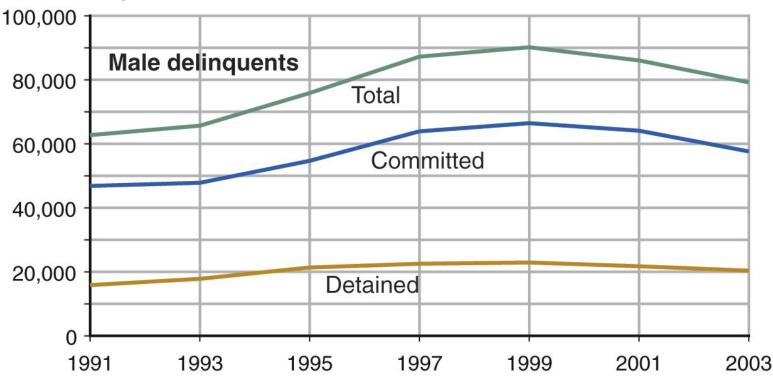
In nearly all states, females represented a relatively small proportion of juvenile offenders in residential placement in 2003





Between 1991 and 2003, detained youth constituted about one-quarter of all male delinquents in residential placement

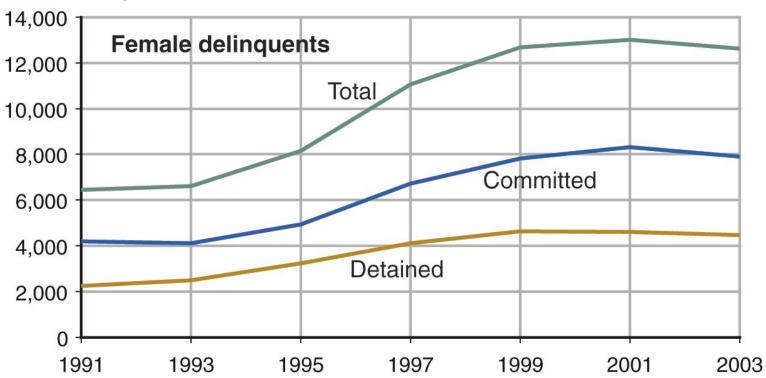






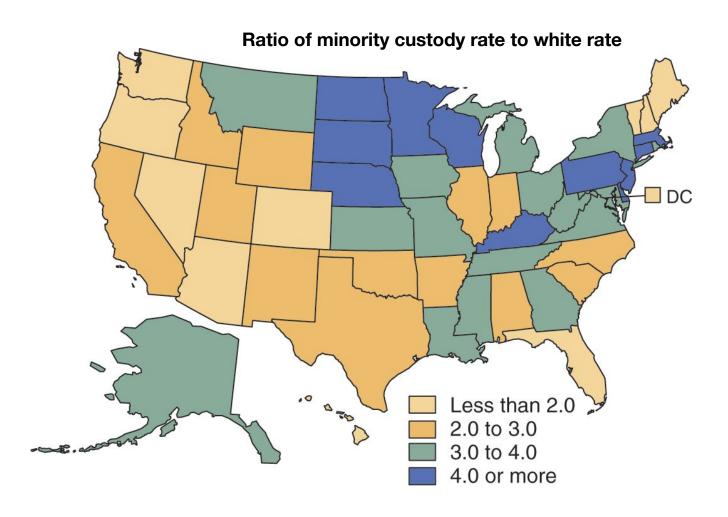
Between 1991 and 2003, detained youth constituted more than one-third of all female delinquents in residential placement

Offenders in juvenile facilities



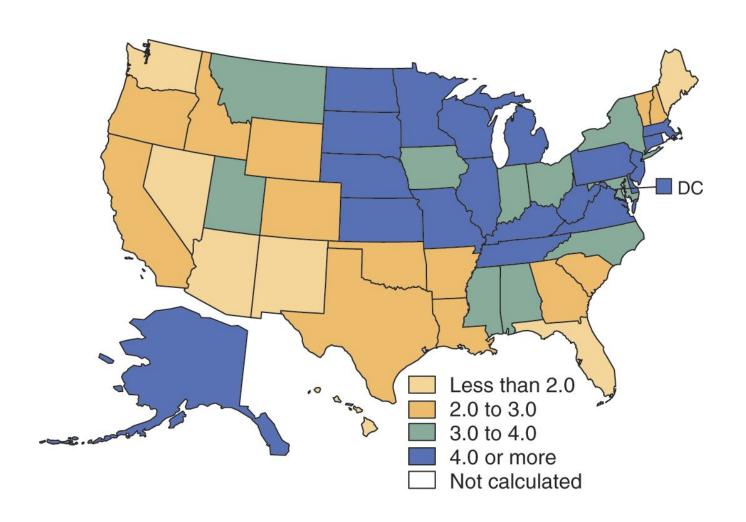


In every state except Vermont, the custody rate for black juvenile offenders exceeded the rate for whites



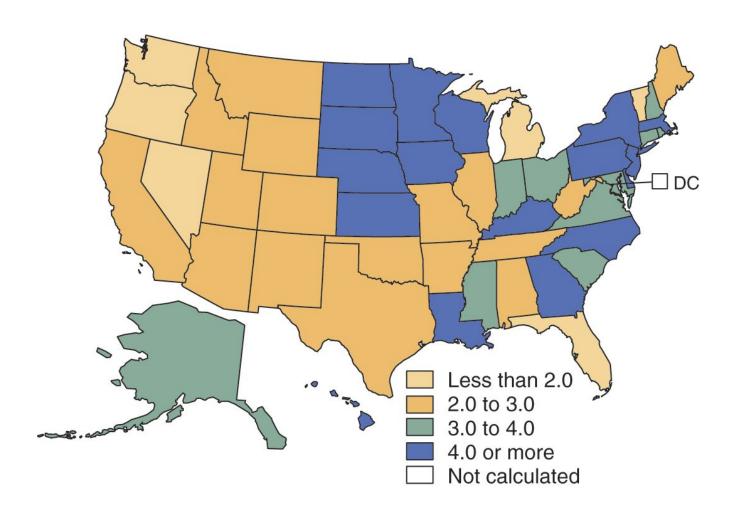


Ratio of minority rate to white rate for detained offenders in 2003



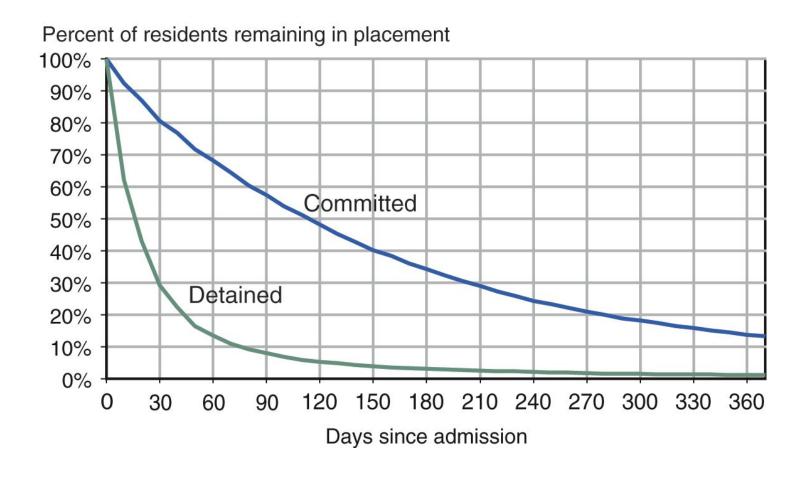


Ratio of minority rate to white rate for committed offenders in public facilities in 2003



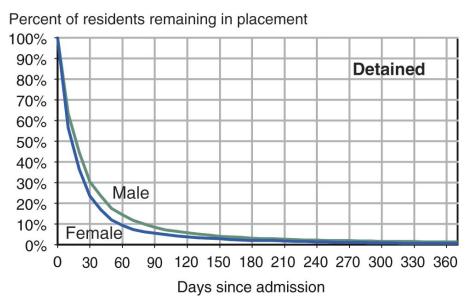


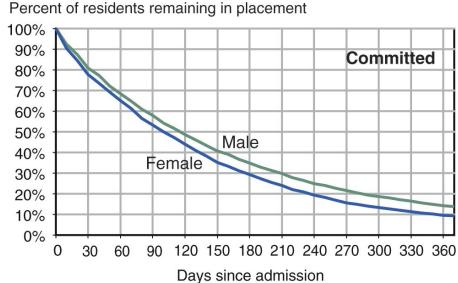
In 2003, 34% of committed offenders but just 3% of detained offenders remained in placement 6 months after admission



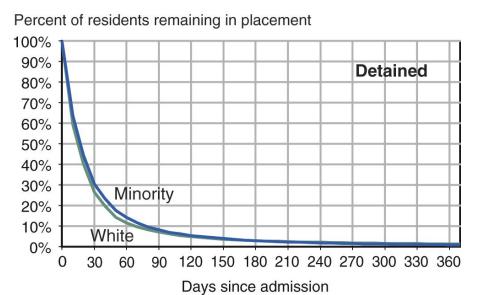


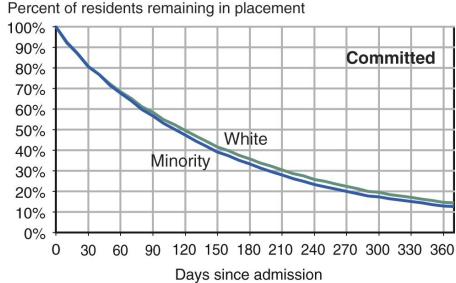
Males tended to stay in facilities longer than females in 2003





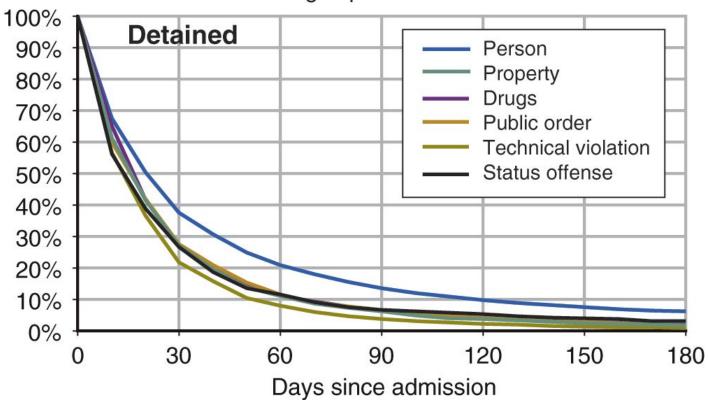
Half of detained white offenders remained in custody after 14 days; half of detained minority offenders remained in custody after 15 days





2003 time-in-placement patterns largely overlapped for detained youth held for property, drug, public order, and status offenses

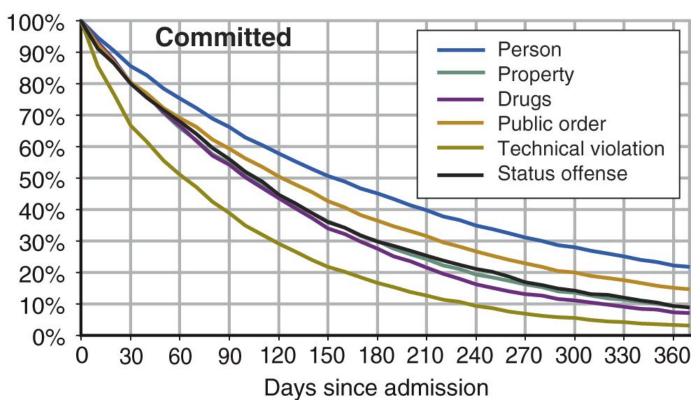






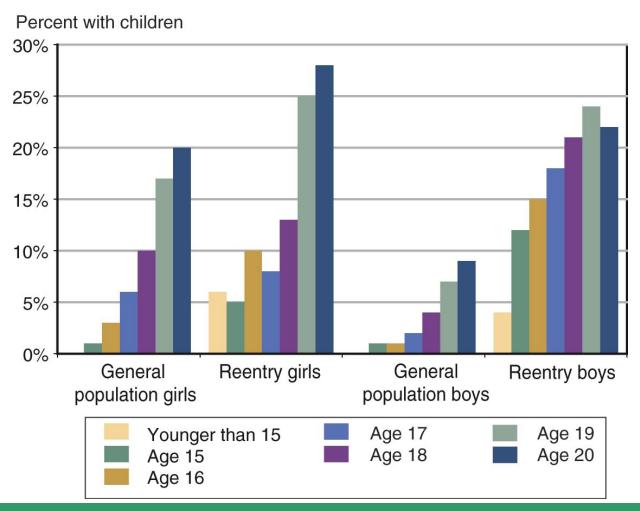
In 2003, committed person offenders were in placement longer than other types of offenders

Percent of residents remaining in placement



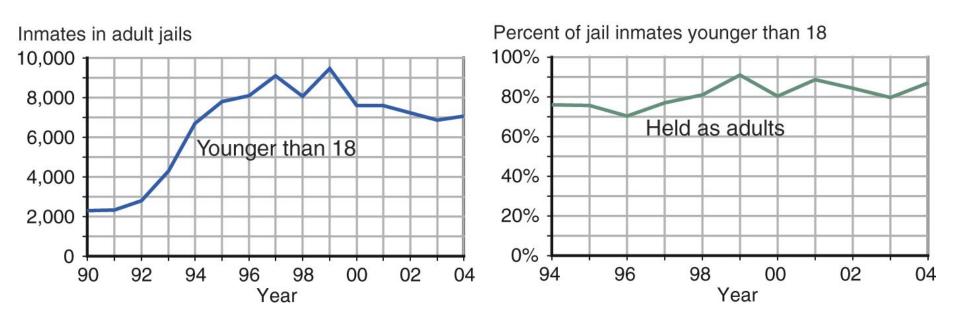


Compared with youth in the general population, at all ages, higher proportions of youth who are reentry candidates are themselves parents

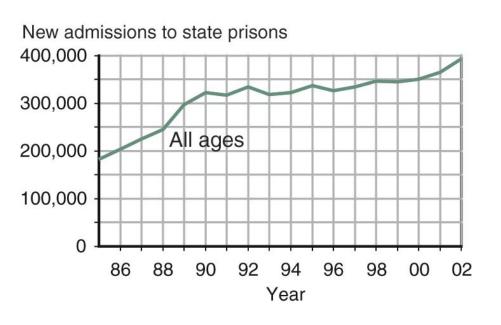


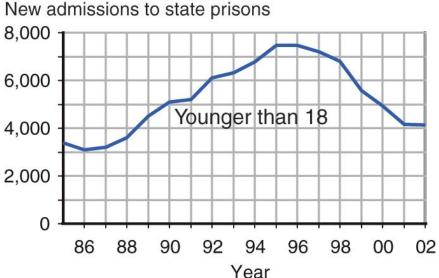


On a typical day in 2004, about 7,000 persons younger than 18 were inmates in jails in the U.S.—most were held as adults



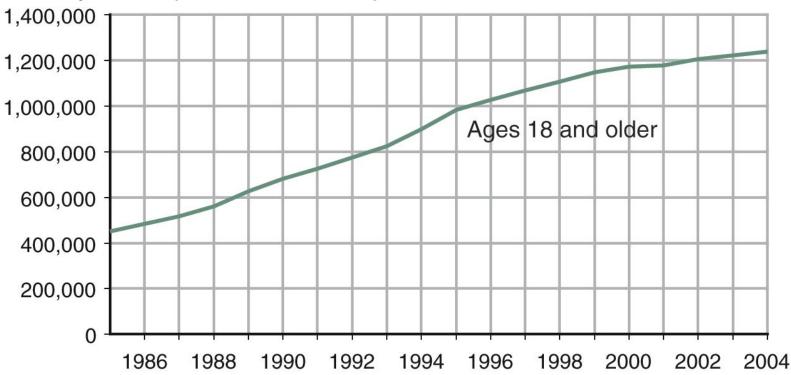
Between 1996 and 2002, the number of new admissions of youth younger than 18 to state prisons fell 45%





The population of older inmates grew 16% between 1997 and 2004

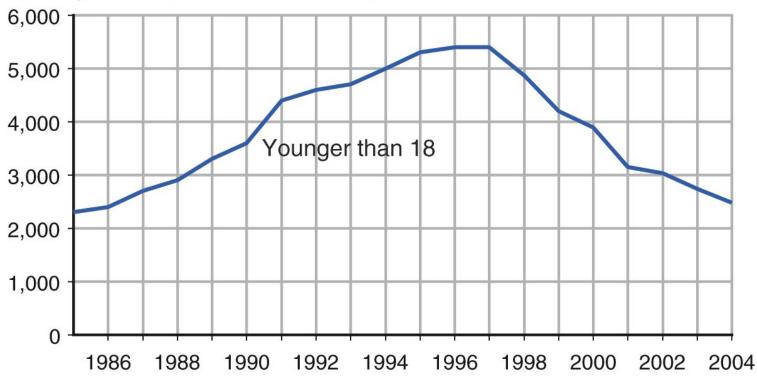






The population of inmates younger than age 18 fell 54% between 1997 and 2004







Although 20 states had death penalty provisions for offenders age 17 or younger when Roper v. Simmons was decided in 2005, few applied those provisions

