

Table 6.17

**Jail inmates**

By sex, race, Hispanic origin, and conviction status, United States, 1990-2003<sup>a</sup>

|                                      | Percent of jail inmates |      |      |      |      |      |                   |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |
|--------------------------------------|-------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|-------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
|                                      | 1990                    | 1991 | 1992 | 1993 | 1994 | 1995 | 1996 <sup>b</sup> | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 | 2000 | 2001 | 2002 | 2003 |
| Total                                | 100%                    | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100%              | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% |
| <b>Sex</b>                           |                         |      |      |      |      |      |                   |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |
| Male                                 | 90.8                    | 90.7 | 90.8 | 90.4 | 90.0 | 89.8 | 89.2              | 89.4 | 89.2 | 88.8 | 88.6 | 88.4 | 88.4 | 88.1 |
| Female                               | 9.2                     | 9.3  | 9.2  | 9.6  | 10.0 | 10.2 | 10.8              | 10.6 | 10.8 | 11.2 | 11.4 | 11.6 | 11.6 | 11.9 |
| <b>Race, Hispanic origin</b>         |                         |      |      |      |      |      |                   |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |
| White, non-Hispanic                  | 41.8                    | 41.1 | 40.1 | 39.3 | 39.1 | 40.1 | 41.6              | 40.6 | 41.3 | 41.3 | 41.9 | 43.0 | 43.8 | 43.6 |
| Black, non-Hispanic                  | 42.5                    | 43.4 | 44.1 | 44.2 | 43.9 | 43.5 | 41.1              | 42.0 | 41.2 | 41.5 | 41.3 | 40.6 | 39.8 | 39.2 |
| Hispanic                             | 14.3                    | 14.2 | 14.5 | 15.1 | 15.4 | 14.7 | 15.6              | 15.7 | 15.5 | 15.5 | 15.1 | 14.7 | 14.7 | 15.4 |
| Other <sup>c</sup>                   | 1.3                     | 1.2  | 1.3  | 1.3  | 1.6  | 1.7  | 1.7               | 1.8  | 2.0  | 1.7  | 1.6  | 1.6  | 1.6  | 1.8  |
| <b>Conviction status<sup>d</sup></b> |                         |      |      |      |      |      |                   |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |
| Convicted                            | 48.5                    | NA   | NA   | NA   | NA   | 44.0 | NA                | NA   | 43.2 | 45.9 | 44.0 | 41.5 | 40.0 | 39.4 |
| Male                                 | 44.1                    | NA   | NA   | NA   | NA   | 39.7 | NA                | NA   | 38.4 | 40.8 | 39.0 | 36.6 | 35.4 | 34.7 |
| Female                               | 4.5                     | NA   | NA   | NA   | NA   | 4.3  | NA                | NA   | 4.8  | 5.1  | 5.0  | 4.9  | 4.6  | 4.7  |
| Unconvicted                          | 51.5                    | NA   | NA   | NA   | NA   | 56.0 | NA                | NA   | 56.8 | 54.1 | 56.0 | 58.5 | 59.9 | 60.6 |
| Male                                 | 46.7                    | NA   | NA   | NA   | NA   | 50.0 | NA                | NA   | 50.6 | 48.0 | 50.0 | 51.9 | 53.0 | 53.5 |
| Female                               | 4.8                     | NA   | NA   | NA   | NA   | 6.0  | NA                | NA   | 6.1  | 6.1  | 6.0  | 6.6  | 6.9  | 7.1  |

Note: See Note, table 6.14. For methodology and survey sampling procedures, see Appendix 4.

<sup>a</sup>Percents may not add to total because of rounding.

<sup>b</sup>Based on all persons under jail supervision; not limited to inmates confined in jail facilities.

<sup>c</sup>Includes Asians, American Indians, Alaska Natives, Native Hawaiians, and other Pacific Islanders.

<sup>d</sup>Data for conviction status include adults only with the exception of 1999, which includes adults and juveniles.

Source: U.S. Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Statistics, *Prison and Jail Inmates at Midyear 1998*, Bulletin NCJ 173414, p. 6, Table 7 and p. 7; *2000*, Bulletin NCJ 185989, p. 7, Table 9; *2002*, Bulletin NCJ 198877, p. 8, Table 10; *2003*, Bulletin NCJ 203947, p. 8, Table 10 (Washington, DC: U.S. Department of Justice). Table adapted by SOURCEBOOK staff.