

Table 6.39.2009

Prisoners under age 18 held in State prisons

By sex, United States, midyear 1990, 1995, and 1999-2009

| | Prisoners under age 18 | | |
|-------------------|------------------------|-------|--------|
| | Total | Male | Female |
| 1990 | 3,600 | NA | NA |
| 1995 | 5,309 | NA | NA |
| 1999 | 4,194 | 4,027 | 167 |
| 2000 | 3,896 | 3,721 | 175 |
| 2001 | 3,147 | 3,010 | 137 |
| 2002 | 3,038 | 2,927 | 111 |
| 2003 | 2,741 | 2,627 | 114 |
| 2004 | 2,485 | 2,375 | 110 |
| 2005 | 2,208 | 2,118 | 90 |
| 2006 ^a | 2,364 | 2,260 | 104 |
| 2006 ^b | 2,390 | 2,286 | 104 |
| 2007 ^a | 2,283 | 2,192 | 91 |
| 2007 ^c | 2,639 | 2,523 | 116 |
| 2008 | 2,717 | 2,626 | 91 |
| 2009 | 2,778 | 2,644 | 134 |

Note: These data are from the National Prisoner Statistics (NPS) program sponsored by the U.S. Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Statistics. The NPS program obtains midyear and yearend counts of prisoners from the departments of correction in the 50 States and the Federal Bureau of Prisons.

Federal prisons held 39 prisoners under age 18 in 1990, but none in 1995 and 1999 to 2009. Some data have been revised by the Source and may differ from previous editions of SOURCEBOOK. For information on methodology and definitions of terms, see [Appendix 15](#).

^aTotals based on States that reported data on juveniles.

^bIncludes estimates for Nevada, which did not report data on juveniles.

^cIncludes estimates for Florida, Illinois, and Oregon, which did not report data on juveniles.

Source: U.S. Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Statistics, *Prison and Jail Inmates at Midyear 2003*, Bulletin NCJ 203947, p. 5, Table 5; *Prison Inmates at Midyear 2007*, Bulletin NCJ 221944, p. 9; *Prison Inmates at Midyear 2009-Statistical Tables*, NCJ 230113, p. 24 (Washington, DC: U.S. Department of Justice). Table adapted by SOURCEBOOK staff.