

**Sourcebook of criminal justice statistics Online**

http://www.albany.edu/sourcebook/pdf/t6802009.pdf

Table 6.80.2009

**Prisoners under sentence of death**

By race, ethnicity, and jurisdiction, on Jan. 1, 2009

Jurisdiction	Total <sup>a</sup>	Race, ethnicity				
		White	Black	Hispanic	Native American	Asian
United States <sup>b</sup>	3,305 <sup>c</sup>	1,481	1,371	375	37	40
Federal	55	22	30	2	1	0
U.S. military	9	2	6	0	0	1
Alabama	207	105	99	3	0	0
Arizona	129	91	13	21	4	0
Arkansas	42	17	25	0	0	0
California	678	252	244	148	12	22
Colorado	3	0	2	1	0	0
Connecticut	10	3	6	1	0	0
Delaware	20	7	10	3	0	0
Florida	402	224	139	36	1	2
Georgia	109	54	51	3	0	1
Idaho	18	18	0	0	0	0
Illinois	15	8	5	2	0	0
Indiana	17	13	4	0	0	0
Kansas	10	6	4	0	0	0
Kentucky	36	29	6	1	0	0
Louisiana	84	27	53	3	0	1
Maryland	5	1	4	0	0	0
Mississippi	61	28	32	0	0	1
Missouri	52	30	22	0	0	0
Montana	2	2	0	0	0	0
Nebraska	10	5	1	4	0	0
Nevada	79	39	31	8	0	1
New Hampshire	1	0	1	0	0	0
New Mexico	2	2	0	0	0	0
North Carolina	167	65	88	4	9	1
Ohio	181	81	93	3	2	2
Oklahoma	86	45	34	3	4	0
Oregon <sup>c</sup>	35	28	3	2	1	0
Pennsylvania	226	70	136	18	0	2
South Carolina	63	29	33	1	0	0
South Dakota	3	3	0	0	0	0
Tennessee	92	48	39	1	2	2
Texas	358	107	143	104	0	4
Utah	10	6	1	2	1	0
Virginia	18	8	9	1	0	0
Washington	9	5	4	0	0	0
Wyoming	1	1	0	0	0	0

Note: The NAACP Legal Defense and Educational Fund, Inc. collects data on persons on death row. As of Jan. 1, 2009, 36 States, the Federal Government, and the United States military had capital punishment laws; all 38 of these jurisdictions had at least 1 prisoner under sentence of death.

<sup>a</sup>On Mar. 1, 2005, the U.S. Supreme Court determined in *Roper v. Simmons* that it is unconstitutional to execute a person for a crime committed when that person was under the age of 18. Only juveniles whose death sentences were vacated by court order or other official action before Jan. 1, 2009 have been removed from each State's counts.

<sup>b</sup>Detail will not add to total because eight prisoners sentenced to death in more than one State are listed in the respective State totals, but each prisoner is counted only once for the national total.

<sup>c</sup>Total includes one prisoner in Oregon whose race/ethnicity was unknown.

Source: NAACP Legal Defense and Educational Fund, Inc., "Death Row U.S.A.: Winter 2009," New York: NAACP Legal Defense and Educational Fund, Inc. 2009. (Mimeographed.) Pp. 1, 34, 35. Table adapted by SOURCEBOOK staff.