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Percent distribution of characteristics of felony offenders convicted in State courts

By offense, United States, 2006^a

Most serious conviction offense	Percent of convicted felons who were:													
	Total	Sex		Race			Age						Mean (in years)	Median (in years)
		Male	Female	White	Black	Other ^b	Under 20 years	20 to 29 years	30 to 39 years	40 to 49 years	50 to 59 years	60 years and older		
All offenses	100%	83%	17%	60%	38%	2%	7%	40%	26%	20%	6%	1%	33	31
Violent offenses	100	89	11	58	39	3	11	42	24	16	5	2	31	29
Murder, nonnegligent manslaughter	100	90	10	46	51	3	7	48	23	14	6	2	31	28
Sexual assault, rape	100	97	3	74	24	2	8	35	24	19	8	5	34	32
Rape	100	96	4	70	28	2	10	34	27	18	7	4	34	32
Other sexual assault ^c	100	97	3	77	21	2	7	36	22	20	9	6	35	33
Robbery	100	91	9	42	57	1	21	48	18	11	2	(d)	27	24
Aggravated assault	100	86	14	59	39	3	9	41	26	18	6	1	32	30
Other violent ^e	100	88	12	69	28	3	7	41	26	19	5	2	32	30
Property offenses	100	75	25	65	33	2	9	40	26	19	5	1	32	30
Burglary	100	90	10	66	32	2	16	44	21	15	4	(d)	29	26
Larceny, motor vehicle theft	100	75	25	64	34	2	7	37	26	21	7	1	33	32
Motor vehicle theft	100	86	14	70	26	5	13	49	24	11	3	(d)	29	26
Fraud, forgery, embezzlement	100	59	41	66	32	2	3	39	31	21	6	1	34	32
Drug offenses	100	82	18	55	44	1	4	41	26	21	7	1	33	31
Possession	100	80	20	62	36	2	4	37	27	24	7	1	34	32
Trafficking	100	83	17	50	49	1	5	43	26	19	7	1	33	30
Weapons offenses	100	95	5	43	55	2	10	48	22	13	5	1	30	27
Other offenses ^f	100	87	13	67	30	3	5	34	27	23	8	2	35	33

Note: These data are from the National Judicial Reporting Program (NJRP), a biennial survey of State felony courts. Data were collected for the U.S. Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Statistics by the U.S. Census Bureau. The 2006 NJRP survey was based on a sample of 300 counties selected to be nationally representative. The sample included at least one county from every State except, by chance, Nevada, South Dakota, and Wyoming. Only offenses that State penal codes define as felonies are included. Excluded are Federal courts and State or local courts that did not adjudicate adult felony cases. Data on sex were reported for 86% of convicted felons; data on race for 74%; and data on age for 87% of convicted felons. Racial categories include persons of Latino or Hispanic origin. These data are estimates derived from a sample and therefore are subject to sampling variation. For survey sampling procedures and definitions of terms, see [Appendix 16](#).

^dLess than 0.5%.

^eIncludes offenses such as negligent manslaughter and kidnaping.

^fComposed of nonviolent offenses such as receiving stolen property and vandalism.

Source: U.S. Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Statistics, *Felony Sentences in State Courts, 2006--Statistical Tables*, NCJ 226846, Tables 3.1 and 3.2 [Online]. Available: <http://bjs.ojp.usdoj.gov/content/pub/pdf/fssc06st.pdf> [Feb. 15, 2011]. Table adapted by SOURCEBOOK staff.

^aDetail may not add to total because of rounding.

^bIncludes American Indians, Alaska Natives, Asians, Native Hawaiians, and other Pacific Islanders.

^cIncludes offenses such as statutory rape and incest with a minor.