

Table 6.69

**Offenders returning to Federal prison within 3 years of release**

By demographic characteristics, conviction offense, and type of release, United States, 1986-97 (aggregate)

| Characteristics and conviction offense | Number of first releases | Percent returned |
|--|--------------------------|------------------|
| Total <sup>a</sup>                     | 215,263                  | 15.7%            |
| <b>Sex</b>                             |                          |                  |
| Male                                   | 192,452                  | 16.2             |
| Female                                 | 22,382                   | 11.6             |
| <b>Race</b>                            |                          |                  |
| White                                  | 168,733                  | 13.4             |
| Black                                  | 41,290                   | 24.4             |
| Other                                  | 5,240                    | 21.6             |
| <b>Hispanic origin</b>                 |                          |                  |
| Non-Hispanic                           | 81,093                   | 13.7             |
| Hispanic                               | 133,741                  | 17.0             |
| <b>Age</b>                             |                          |                  |
| Under 21 years                         | 9,538                    | 13.9             |
| 21 to 40 years                         | 148,504                  | 17.7             |
| Over 40 years                          | 56,783                   | 11.0             |
| <b>Citizenship</b>                     |                          |                  |
| U.S. citizen                           | 80,992                   | 11.1             |
| Not U.S. citizen                       | 133,842                  | 18.5             |
| <b>Conviction offense</b>              |                          |                  |
| Violent                                | 13,036                   | 32.4             |
| Robbery                                | 8,880                    | 36.3             |
| Other violent                          | 4,156                    | 23.9             |
| Property                               | 48,428                   | 16.6             |
| Fraud                                  | 23,970                   | 13.2             |
| Other property                         | 24,448                   | 20.0             |
| Drugs                                  | 72,728                   | 13.4             |
| Public-order                           | 79,202                   | 14.7             |
| Weapons                                | 9,203                    | 24.2             |
| Immigration                            | 49,709                   | 14.7             |
| Other public-order                     | 20,290                   | 10.7             |
| <b>Supervision requirement</b>         |                          |                  |
| Parole or supervised release           | 130,494                  | 18.4             |
| No supervision required                | 84,769                   | 11.7             |

Note: See Note, [table 6.68](#).<sup>a</sup>Includes observations for which sex, race, Hispanic origin, age, citizenship, or conviction offense may have been missing.Source: U.S. Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Statistics, *Offenders Returning to Federal Prison, 1986-97*, Special Report NCJ 182991 (Washington, DC: U.S. Department of Justice, September 2000), pp. 3, 4; p. 5, Table 4. Table adapted by SOURCEBOOK staff.