

CRIMINAL JUSTICE/CORRECTIONS

TABLE 9.21

Admissions and Releases of Sentenced Prisoners Under Jurisdiction of State or Federal Correctional Authorities, 2016 and 2017

State or other jurisdiction	Admissions (a)					Releases (b)				
	2016 Total	2017 Total	Percent change, 2016-2017	2017 New court commitments	2017 Post-custody supervision violations (c)	2016 total	2017 total	Percent change, 2016-2017	2017 Unconditional (d)(e)	2017 Conditional (e)(f)
U.S. total (g)	606,000	606,571	0.1	418,579	174,210	626,019	622,377	(0.6)	160,596	446,785
Federal (e)	44,682	44,708	0.1	40,180	4,527	52,035	49,461	(4.9)	48,457	318
State (g)	561,318	561,863	0.1	378,399	169,683	573,984	573,916	(0.2)	112,139	446,467
Alabama	10,749	12,170	13.2	8,045	1,624	12,711	13,624	7.2	3,130	8,808
Alaska (h)	1,804	1,580	(12.4)	1,446	134	2,159	1,941	(10.1)	460	1,476
Arizona	13,663	13,423	(1.8)	10,787	2,557	13,857	14,075	1.6	2,332	11,610
Arkansas	9,911	8,971	(9.5)	4,623	4,348	10,370	8,443	(18.6)	752	7,610
California (i)	35,730	37,077	3.8	32,396	4,644	34,528	36,203	4.9	98	35,576
Colorado	8,707	9,638	10.7	6,038	3,600	8,934	9,669	8.2	1,116	8,419
Connecticut (h)	4,747	4,401	(7.3)	3,658	606	5,618	5,169	(8.0)	2,451	2,707
Delaware (h)(j)	3,096	2,897	(6.4)	2,237	646	4,041	2,736	(32.3)	310	2,272
Florida (k)	29,038	28,189	(2.9)	27,423	85	31,166	30,467	(2.2)	18,703	11,313
Georgia	17,585	16,699	(5.0)	14,567	2,124	15,053	15,210	1.0	6,713	8,320
Hawaii (h)	1,538	1,528	(0.7)	876	652	1,666	1,834	10.1	345	781
Idaho	5,766	5,747	(0.3)	1,671	4,076	5,479	5,395	(1.5)	400	4,926
Illinois	25,661	24,468	(4.6)	16,401	8,062	28,615	26,850	(6.2)	3,982	22,763
Indiana	12,600	12,249	(2.8)	9,240	2,888	14,561	11,708	(19.6)	910	10,730
Iowa	5,541	5,619	1.4	3,790	1,773	5,305	5,632	6.2	1,182	4,378
Kansas	6,442	6,453	0.2	3,865	1,276	6,394	6,406	0.2	1,690	4,685
Kentucky	20,111	21,239	5.6	12,366	8,605	18,552	20,555	10.8	4,572	15,371
Louisiana	15,877	16,337	2.9	10,662	5,674	16,308	17,868	9.6	1,142	16,584
Maine	657	960	46.1	455	505	647	684	5.7	320	354
Maryland (l)	8,843	8,243	N.C.	5,823	2,415	9,459	8,850	N.C.	2,871	5,919
Massachusetts	2,059	2,141	4.0	1,909	223	2,458	2,309	(6.1)	1,745	533
Michigan	12,573	12,013	(4.5)	6,670	2,720	14,081	13,470	(4.3)	557	10,486
Minnesota	8,027	8,195	2.1	4,804	3,391	8,254	8,092	(2.0)	956	7,125
Mississippi	7,510	7,553	0.6	5,488	2,049	7,080	7,748	9.4	444	6,963
Missouri	18,426	18,551	0.7	9,816	8,729	18,410	18,431	0.1	1,528	16,779
Montana	2,666	2,644	(0.8)	1,961	683	2,546	2,770	8.8	261	2,492
Nebraska	2,310	2,436	5.5	1,979	445	2,366	2,387	0.9	654	1,710
Nevada (m)	6,059	5,862	(3.3)	4,990	794	5,778	6,548	13.3	2,401	4,100
New Hampshire	1,538	1,338	(13.0)	668	670	1,601	1,409	(12.0)	82	1,320
New Jersey	8,837	8,611	(2.6)	6,189	2,422	9,685	8,959	(7.5)	5,072	3,683
New Mexico (n)	3,615	3,848	N.C.	2,461	1,387	3,631	3,631	N.C.	989	2,626
New York	21,081	20,421	(3.1)	12,594	7,727	22,047	21,667	(1.7)	2,330	19,042
North Carolina	16,009	18,242	13.9	13,873	4,366	16,677	17,244	3.4	2,685	14,463
North Dakota (o)	1,590	1,570	N.C.	904	665	1,583	1,627	N.C.	216	1,407
Ohio (p)	22,792	21,602	(5.2)	16,554	4,401	22,850	22,299	(2.4)	889	13,246
Oklahoma	8,778	10,228	16.5	7,658	2,570	10,404	9,682	(6.9)	2,973	6,623
Oregon (q)	5,020	5,566	N.C.	3,707	1,717	4,712	5,428	N.C.	35	5,185
Pennsylvania	20,326	19,297	(5.1)	9,116	9,128	20,418	19,673	(3.6)	3,151	16,321
Rhode Island (h)	767	572	(25.4)	482	90	939	875	(6.8)	610	257
South Carolina	6,688	6,017	(10.0)	4,922	1,087	6,709	6,847	2.1	2,239	4,494
South Dakota	2,891	3,896	34.8	1,507	499	2,832	3,859	36.3	311	2,467
Tennessee	12,898	11,541	(10.5)	6,877	4,664	13,508	13,307	(1.5)	5,080	8,136
Texas	77,385	76,877	(0.7)	47,697	27,474	76,733	77,196	0.6	9,977	64,519
Utah	3,293	4,047	22.9	1,814	2,233	3,611	3,781	4.7	674	3,085
Vermont (h)(o)	1,715	1,737	1.3	607	1,130	1,733	1,795	3.6	284	1,504
Virginia (r)	12,163	12,163	0.0	12,030	133	12,648	12,698	0.4	1,054	11,537
Washington (p)	25,055	25,483	1.7	7,385	18,089	24,940	25,658	2.9	2,217	23,393
West Virginia	3,584	3,590	0.2	1,991	1,372	3,543	3,652	3.1	849	2,275
Wisconsin	6,600	6,865	4.0	4,557	2,282	5,743	5,592	(2.6)	212	5,324
Wyoming	997	1,069	7.2	820	249	1,041	963	(7.5)	185	770

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Source: Bureau of Justice Statistics, National Prisoner Statistics (NPS), 2016–2017. *Prisoners in 2017* NCJ 252156.

Note: Jurisdiction refers to the legal authority of state or federal correctional officials over a prisoner, regardless of where the prisoner is held. Counts cover January 1 through December 31 for each year and are based on prisoners admitted to or released from state or federal correctional authorities with a sentence of more than one year.

Key:

N.C.—Not calculated

(a) Excludes transfers, escapes, and those absent without leave.

Includes other conditional release violators, returns from appeal or bond, and other admissions.

(b) Excludes transfers, escapes, and those absent without leave. Includes deaths, releases to appeal or bond, and other releases.

(c) Includes all conditional release violators returned to prison from post-custody community supervision, including parole and probation, for either violations of conditions of release or new crimes.

(d) Includes expirations of sentence, commutations, and other unconditional releases.

(e) Includes prisoners held in nonsecure, privately operated community corrections facilities and juveniles held in contract facilities. The Federal Bureau of Prisons reports prison releases as unconditional even though prisoners may serve post-custody community supervision. The 318 conditional releases are persons who were sentenced before the 1984 Sentencing Reform Act that eliminated federal parole.

(f) Includes releases to probation, supervised mandatory releases, and other unspecified conditional releases.

(g) U.S. total and state estimates for 2016 include imputed counts for North Dakota and Oregon, which did not submit 2016 NPS data on admissions and releases. U.S. total and state estimates for 2017 include imputed counts for New Mexico and North Dakota, which did not submit 2017 NPS data on admissions and releases.

(h) Prisons and jails form one integrated system. Data include total jail and prison populations.

(i) California reported that 16,887 prisoners were released as transfers in 2016. These prisoners were released from state jurisdiction to post-custody supervision by county authorities. BJS counted these as conditional releases.

(j) Releases include offenders who received a combined sentence of prison and probation of more than one year.

(k) Florida does not report technical violation prison admissions. All admissions represent new sentences, with the 85 supervision violation admissions representing persons who committed new crimes while on post-custody community supervision.

(l) Due to implementation concerns with a new information system, Maryland's counts of admissions and releases for 2017 are estimates and should not be compared to earlier years.

(m) Admissions include local jail inmates admitted to the Nevada Department of Corrections due to medical, behavioral, protective, or local staffing issues and persons ordered by judges to serve six months or less in prison prior to actual sentencing for felonies.

(n) State did not submit 2017 NPS data on admissions or releases.

Total and detailed types of admissions and releases were imputed from counts reported in 2016 and included in U.S. and state totals. All admissions and releases were included in the reported 2016 data, regardless of sentence length. Estimates of admissions and releases in 2017 are not comparable to previous years' data.

(o) State did not submit 2016 or 2017 NPS data on admissions or releases. Total and detailed types of admissions and releases were imputed and included in U.S. and state totals.

(p) Includes all admissions and releases from state prison, regardless of sentence length.

(q) State did not submit 2016 NPS data on admissions or releases. Total and detailed types of admissions and releases were imputed and included in U.S. and state totals. Estimates of admissions and releases in 2016 are not comparable to reported 2017 data.

(r) Admission and release counts are preliminary estimates for fiscal year 2017. Counts for 2016 have been updated.