



HUMAN RIGHTS *for* KIDS

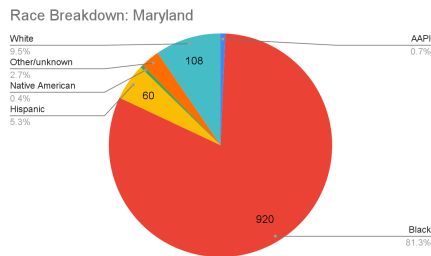
People Incarcerated as Children in Maryland

Total Population: 1,132

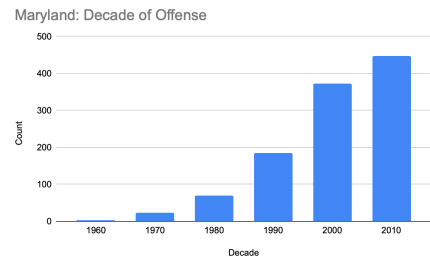
6.09% of prison population -- national average is 3%

Race/Ethnicity Breakdown

90.46% People of Color

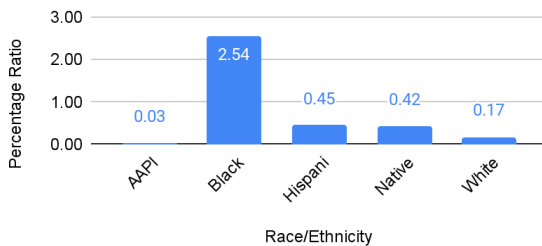


Decade



Maryland: Prison to State Population Ratio

Value of 1 means no disparity



Sentencing

Life Sentences: 224 (19.79%)

De Facto Life Sentences: 214 (18.9%)

Average sentence length: 25.69 years
(17.01 years without de facto life)

Age

Age at Offense	Count
13	2
14	22
15	96
16	369
17	643

Race/Ethnicity	Avg Sentence	Shortest Sentence	Longest Sentence
All	25.69	2.36	236.00
AAPI	22.63	7.00	40.00
Black	25.44	2.36	124.54
Hispanic	24.81	3.00	55.00
Native American	75.99	10.00	236.00
Other/Unknown	28.91	13.00	50.00
White	25.20	3.00	90.01

The Consequences of Maryland Violating Basic Human Rights Protections for Children in the Justice System

5th Highest Percentage of Overall Prison Population in the Nation

State	Population	Percentage of Prison Population	Entire state Prison Population (as of 2019)
Michigan	3,775	9.92%	38,053.00
Louisiana	2,277	7.20%	31,609.00
Wisconsin	1,709	7.13%	23,956.00
South Carolina	1,139	6.12%	18,608.00
Maryland	1,132	6.09%	18,595.00
Missouri	1,091	4.19%	26,044.00
Mississippi	770	3.97%	19,417.00
Iowa	353	3.81%	9,260.00
North Carolina	1,179	3.46%	34,079.00
Texas	5,272	3.33%	158,429.00

The number of people who have been incarcerated since childhood make up more than 6% of Maryland's entire prison population – one of the highest in the nation – and more than double the national average of 3%.

4th Highest Percentage of People of Color in the Nation

State	Percentage of People of Color
California	93.94%
Rhode Island	93.75%
Illinois	91.13%
Maryland	90.46%
New York	89.19%
Alabama	87.87%
New Jersey	86.49%
Mississippi	86.36%
Pennsylvania	84.55%
Georgia	84.55%

More than 90% of the children who were prosecuted as adults and who remain incarcerated in Maryland's prisons today are children of color.

6th Highest Percentage of People Incarcerated Since Childhood Per State Population in the Nation

State	Prison Population	State Population	Percentage
Louisiana	2,277	4,624,047	0.0492%
Michigan	3775	10,050,811	0.0376%
Wisconsin	1709	5,895,908	0.0290%
Mississippi	770	2,949,965	0.0261%
South Carolina	1,139	5,190,705	0.0219%
Maryland	1,132	6,165,129	0.0184%
Texas	5,272	29,527,941	0.0179%
Missouri	1,091	6,168,187	0.0177%
Arkansas	532	3,025,891	0.0176%
Arizona	933	7,276,316	0.0128%

5th Highest Number of De Facto Life Sentences

State	Total Number of De Facto Life Sentences
Texas	785
Pennsylvania	245
Louisiana	230
Georgia	218
Maryland	214
Michigan	198
Colorado	98
Indiana	93
Florida	89
South Carolina	85

13th Highest Average Sentence Length

State	Average Sentence Length
West Virginia	22.5
Ohio	21.66
Illinois	21.6
Maine	21
Alabama	20.9
Georgia	20.07
Hawaii	20.00
Pennsylvania	19.83
Rhode Island	18.69
Indiana	17.94
California	17.8
Arkansas	17.23
Maryland	17.01