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Counting America's Youth: Easy Access to Population Data

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Easy Access to Juvenile Populations is a new online interactive data dissemination tool that provides demographic information about juveniles for States and counties. It was designed for the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (OJJDP) by the National Center for Juvenile Justice (NCJJ) in Pittsburgh, PA. A component of OJJDP's Statistical Briefing Book found on the OJJDP Web site (www.ojjdp.ncjrs.org/ojstatbb/), the data site enables users to view, print, and download juvenile population estimates according to age, gender, race, and Hispanic ethnicity. This information has not been widely available in the past because printed population reports usually do not provide this level of detail and many electronic population data files are inaccessible and difficult to use. Based on estimates developed by the U.S. Bureau of the Census, Easy Access to Juvenile Populations provides detailed tables of population estimates for 1990 and 1998 for the entire United States, each State, and each of the Nation's 3,141 counties.

The detail provided in these tables will help meet most of the population information needs of juvenile justice practitioners. The tables provide estimates for several age groups—0 to 5, 6 to 9, 10 to 12, and 13 to 14—and for the individual ages of 15, 16, and 17. The tables also provide age groupings pertinent to juvenile justice issues, including ages 0 to 17 and 10 to 17. Because States vary in

their upper age of original juvenile court jurisdiction, Easy Access to Juvenile Populations presents population groupings that incorporate this feature for each State. The population groupings are consistent with those used in the Federal Bureau of Investigation's Uniform Crime Reporting Program, which allows users to produce county-level and State-level arrest rates. The age groups are further subdivided by gender, race (white, black, Native American, Asian), and Hispanic ethnicity.

Easy Access to Juvenile Populations http://www.ojjdp.ncjrs.org/ojstatbb/ezapop/index.html

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A data dissemination software package developed for the U.S. Department of Justice's Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention by the National Center for Juvenile Justice.

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Juvenile Population of United States: 1998
 (Upper Age of Original Juvenile Court Jurisdiction Varies by State)

Ages	Total	Male	Female	Hispanic
All Ages	270,298,524	132,046,334	138,252,190	30,250,255
0 to 17	69,871,830	35,794,981	34,076,849	10,747,217
10 to 17	30,984,830	15,903,736	15,081,094	4,257,102
10 to UpAge	29,075,191	14,921,272	14,153,919	3,995,479
0 to 5	22,914,445	11,719,384	11,195,061	4,022,317
6 to 9	15,972,555	8,171,861	7,800,694	2,467,798
10 to 12	11,608,833	5,944,216	5,664,617	1,595,145
13 to 14	7,632,975	3,910,572	3,722,403	1,038,363
15	3,893,104	1,999,550	1,893,554	536,596
16	3,919,888	2,019,578	1,900,310	537,879
17	3,930,030	2,029,820	1,900,210	549,119
18 to 20	11,578,606	5,933,676	5,644,930	1,622,593
21 to 24	13,891,833	7,059,052	6,832,781	2,052,130

Ages	White	Black	Native American	Asian
All Ages	223,000,759	34,430,559	2,359,946	10,507,260
0 to 17	55,272,909	10,791,509	808,062	2,999,350
10 to 17	24,533,871	4,793,801	384,150	1,273,008
10 to UpAge	23,081,993	4,408,415	371,649	1,213,134
0 to 5	18,154,041	3,460,736	244,003	1,055,665
6 to 9	12,584,997	2,536,972	179,909	670,677
10 to 12	9,162,657	1,812,066	146,063	488,047
13 to 14	6,039,351	1,180,879	96,951	315,794
15	3,095,382	595,422	47,418	154,882
16	3,117,885	599,767	46,882	155,354
17	3,118,596	605,667	46,836	158,931
18 to 20	9,190,278	1,777,031	128,178	483,119
21 to 24	11,063,673	2,079,682	148,514	599,964

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With the click of a button, a displayed table can be converted to a printer-friendly format and then printed. This format removes the Web navigation icons from the screen display and produces a more cleanly formatted document. To capture the contents of the table in a spreadsheet format for additional manipulations, users can select the "data export" button to create a tab-delimited file that can be saved and stored electronically.

To ensure that Easy Access to Juvenile Populations always displays the most current juvenile population data available, NCJJ will update population estimates as new data become available.

For further information

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