

# Reflecting on the DMC Numbers Nationwide

## National

<p>281,421,906 31% 6,467,200 500,000</p> <p>70% 75.9%</p> <p>34,658,190 602,032 791,600</p>	<p>US population in 2000 Percent of racial and ethnic minorities in the US in 2000 Number of people in jails and prisons in 2000 (2.3%) Number of people in jails and prisons in 1980 (less than 0.5%)</p> <p>Percent of all new inmates between 1985 and 2000 who were minorities Percent of people who are incarcerated for non-violent crimes</p> <p>Number of African American people in the US in 2000 Number of African Americans in Colleges and Universities in the US in 2000 Number of African Americans in jails and prisons in the US in 2000</p>
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## Adults

<p>30,640,000 34%</p> <p>2,838,300 71% 26%</p> <p>1,755,100 66% 31%</p> <p>326,800 38% 62% 71%</p> <p>107,000 14,500 50% 46%</p> <p>193 264 305</p>	<p>Youth ages 10 to 17 in US in 1997 Percent minority youth ages 10 to 17 in the US in 1997</p> <p>Estimated number of US youth arrested in 1997 of those arrested were white of those arrested were African American</p> <p>Number of youth whose cases were referred to delinquency courts in 1997 of those referred to delinquency courts were white youth of those referred to delinquency courts were African American youth</p> <p>Number of youth detained in the US in 1997 of those detained were white youth of those detained were minority youth (including African Americans) of those minority youth detained were African American</p> <p>Number of youth (under 18) incarcerated on any given day Number of youth housed in adult facilities (9,100 in local jails and 5,400 in prisons) on any given day of those waived to adult court were white youth of those waived to adult court were African American youth</p> <p>Average number of days a white youth spends in a state public facility Average number of days an African American youth spends in a state public facility Average number of days a Latino youth spends in a state public facility</p>
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## Youth

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According to a recent article published by Gannett State, spending on corrections grew at six times the rate of spending on Higher Education during the 1980's and 90's.

In Iowa, state spending on prisons grew 107% between 1985 and 2000. At the same time, Iowa decreased spending on Higher Education by 60%.

**Sources:**

"And Justice for Some" Report, National Council on Crime and Delinquency  
 Juveniles in Adult Prisons: A National Assessment; US Department of Justice  
 Minorities in the Juvenile Justice System: Statistical Brief; National Council of  
 La Raza;  
 Iowa Disproportionate Minority Confinement Resource Center

[http://www.uiowa.edu/~nrcfcp/index\\_dmcr.htm](http://www.uiowa.edu/~nrcfcp/index_dmcr.htm)

**\*\*\*\*FACTOIDS\*\*\*\***

- The Iowa Department of Education reported that in 2000-2001 minorities represented 8.15 percent of grade 7 to 12 enrollments in Iowa. In the same year minorities represented 19.93 percent of all dropouts.
- In the same school year Hispanics were 9% of dropouts while being only 3% of the total 7-12<sup>th</sup> grade population in Iowa. (In the 2000-2001 school year 5.4 percent of all 7-12<sup>th</sup> grade Hispanic students in Iowa dropped out).