



## Incarceration Statistics New Jersey

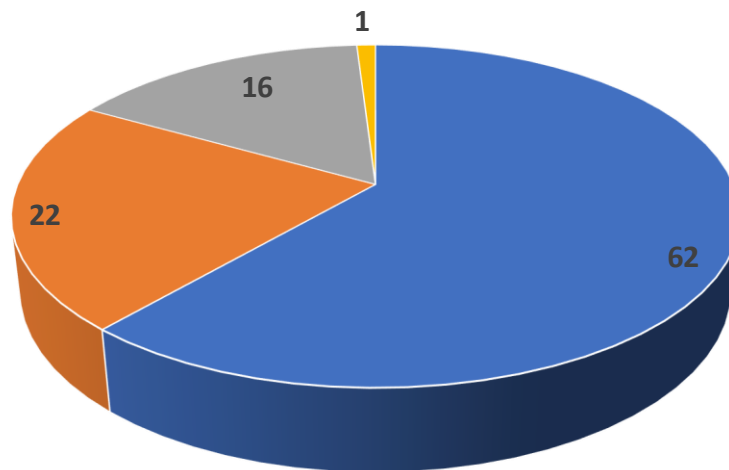
New Jersey has one of the highest racial disparities in incarceration rates with a ratio of approximately three Black people incarcerated for every one White person incarcerated.<sup>1</sup> Black Americans make up about 15% of New Jersey's population<sup>2</sup>, and yet they make up 62% of the prison population.<sup>3</sup>

**Prison Population<sup>4</sup>**  
13,799

**Men in Prison<sup>4</sup>**  
12,773

**Women in Prison<sup>4</sup>**  
1,026

**Percent Correctional Population by Ethnic-Racial Group (2020)<sup>3</sup>**

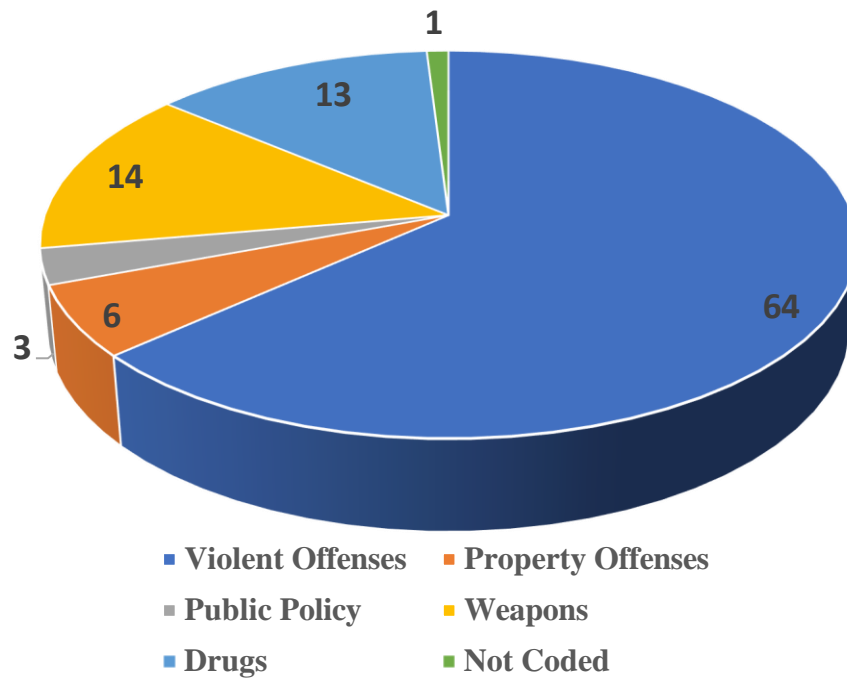


■ Blacks ■ White ■ Hispanic ■ Asian



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**Percent Correctional Population by Offense (2020)** <sup>5</sup>



<sup>1</sup>S.P. Sullivan | NJ Advance Media for NJ.com. (2016, June 14). *Racial disparity in N.J. prison rates highest in U.S., report finds.* nj. [https://www.nj.com/politics/2016/06/nj\\_has\\_12\\_times\\_more\\_black\\_prisoners\\_than\\_white\\_on.htm](https://www.nj.com/politics/2016/06/nj_has_12_times_more_black_prisoners_than_white_on.htm)

<sup>2</sup>U.S. Census Bureau QuickFacts: New Jersey. (2020). Census Bureau QuickFacts. <https://www.census.gov/quickfacts/NJ>

<sup>3</sup>Offenders in New Jersey Correctional Institutions on January 1, 2020, By Race/Ethnicity Identification. [https://www.state.nj.us/corrections/pdf/offender\\_statistics/2020/2020\\_Race\\_Ethnicity.pdf](https://www.state.nj.us/corrections/pdf/offender_statistics/2020/2020_Race_Ethnicity.pdf)



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<sup>4</sup>*New Jersey Department of Corrections Offender Characteristics Report.*

[https://www.state.nj.us/corrections/pdf/offender\\_statistics/2020/2020\\_EntireOffenderCharacteristics.pdf](https://www.state.nj.us/corrections/pdf/offender_statistics/2020/2020_EntireOffenderCharacteristics.pdf)

<sup>5</sup>*Offenders in New Jersey Correctional Institutions on January 1, 2020, By Base Offense.*

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