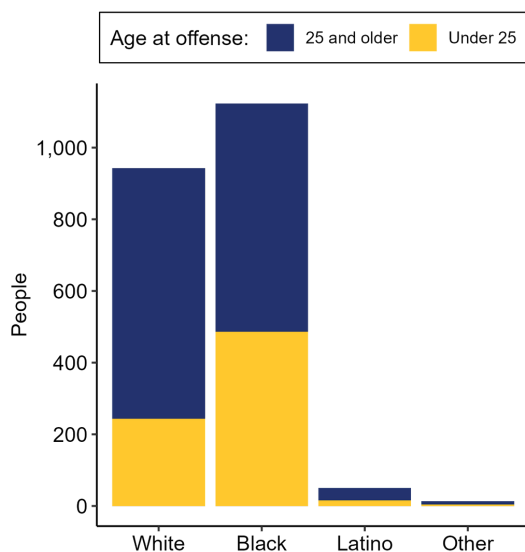
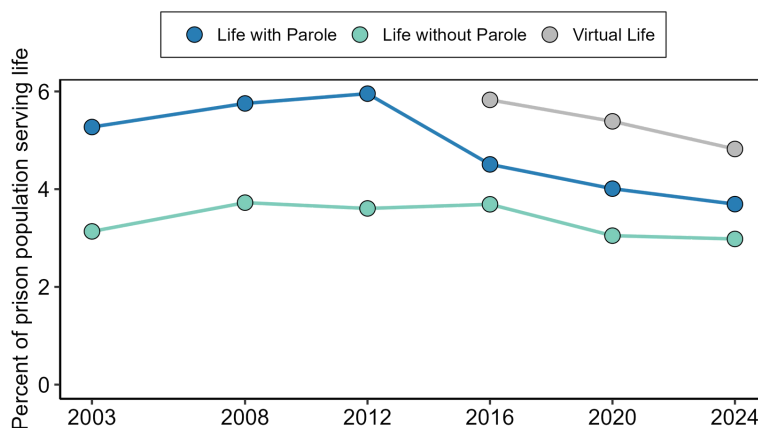
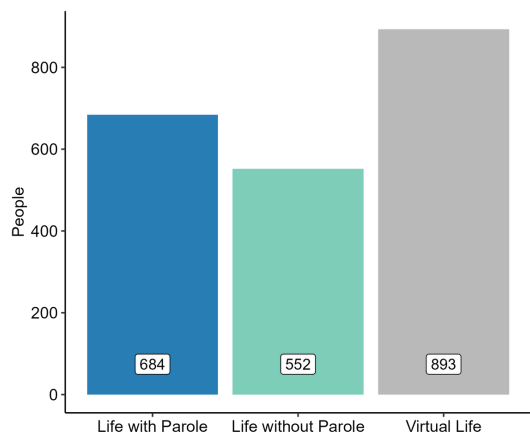


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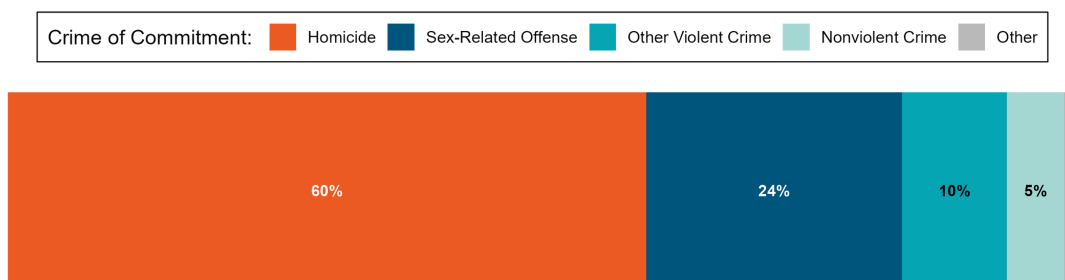
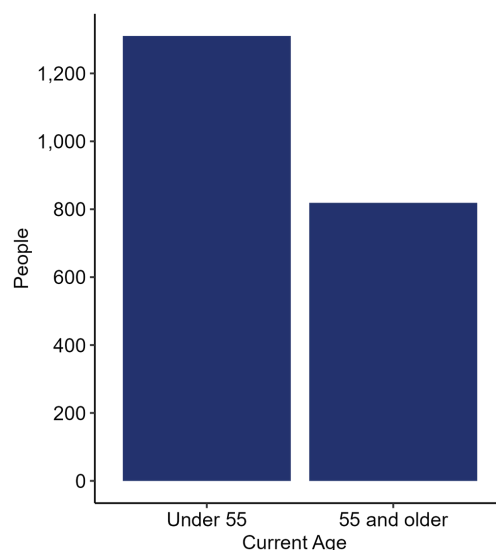


As of 2024, there were **2,128** people in Arkansas serving a life sentence, **11%** of the total prison population. This makes Arkansas the **35th** highest ranked state by proportion of incarcerated people serving life sentences.



Black people make up **17%** of the population in Arkansas but **53%** of people serving life sentences. **43%** of Black people serving life sentences were **under the age of 25** at the time of offense.

39% of people serving life are **55 or older**.



*Data Note: Virtual Life is defined as a sentence of 50 years or more and this data was first collected in 2016