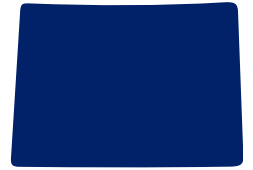
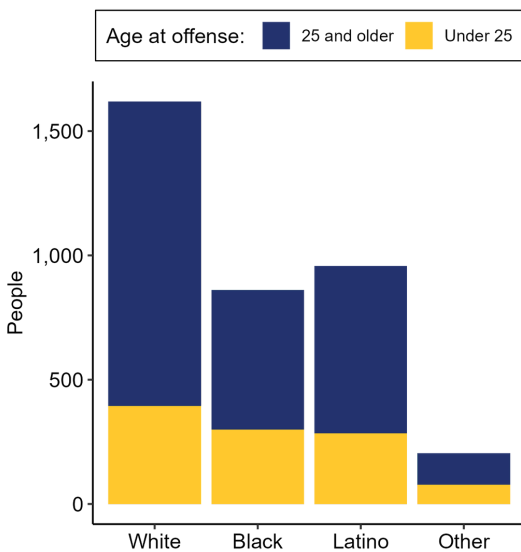
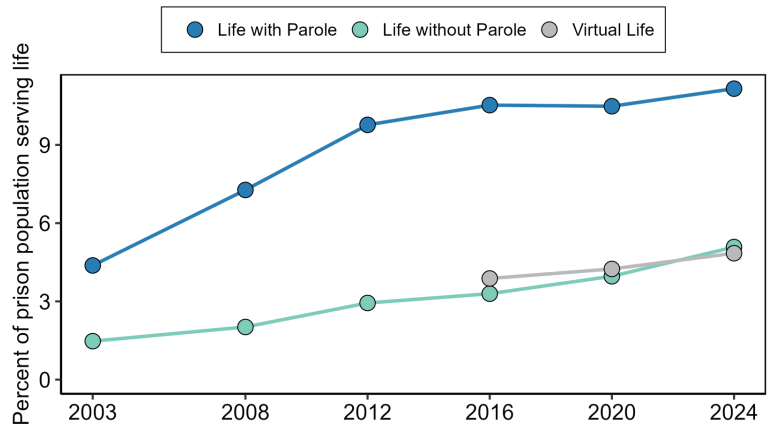
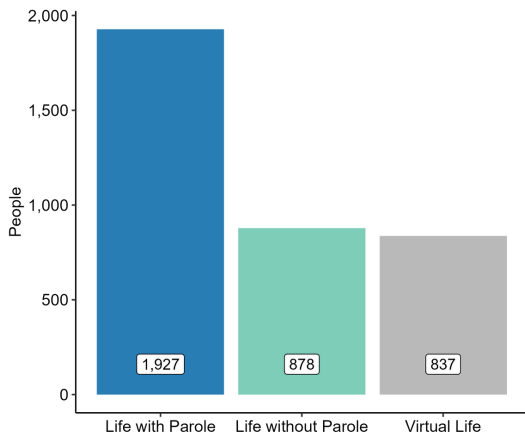


# Life Imprisonment in Colorado

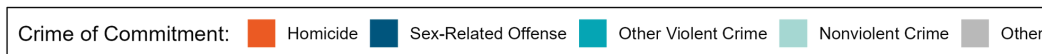
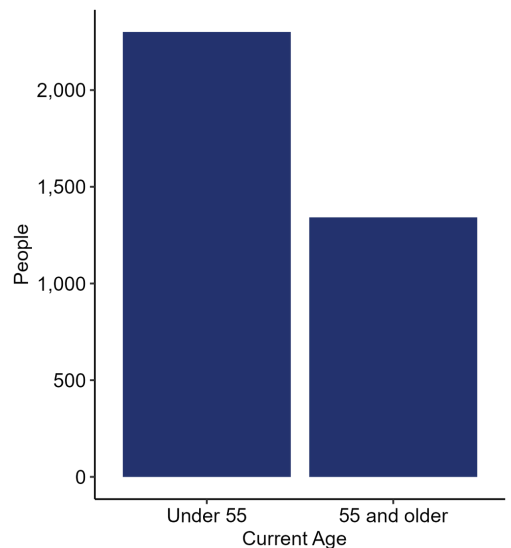


As of 2024, there were **3,642** people in Colorado serving a life sentence, **11%** of the total prison population. This makes Colorado the **10th** highest ranked state by proportion of incarcerated people serving life sentences.



People of color make up **29%** of the population in Colorado but **55%** of people serving life sentences. **35%** of Black people and **30%** of Latinos serving life sentences were **under the age of 25** at the time of offense.

**37%** 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