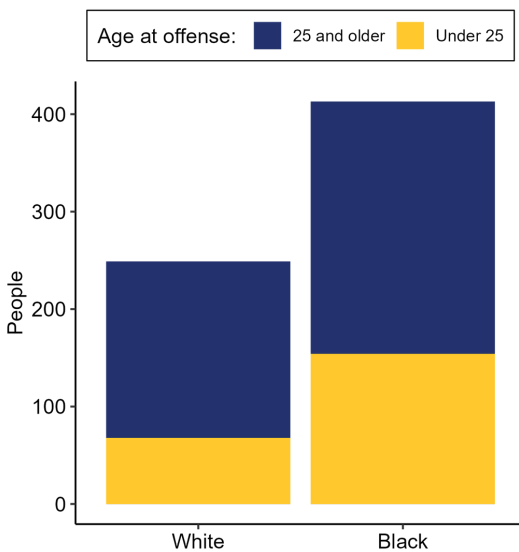
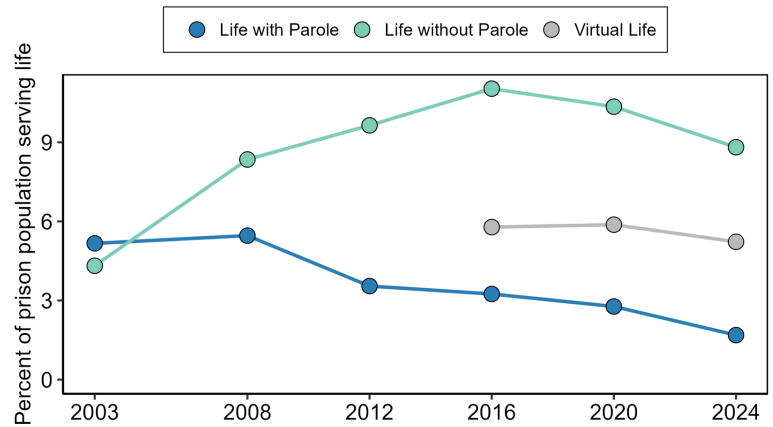
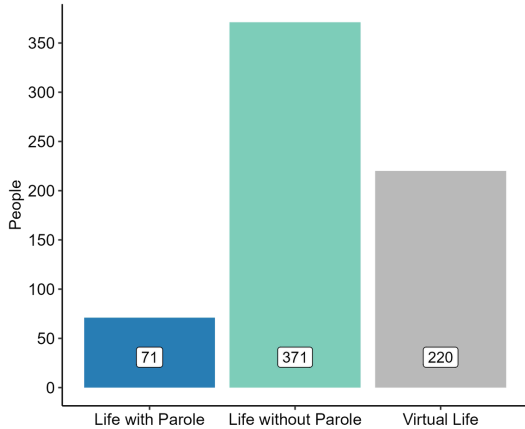


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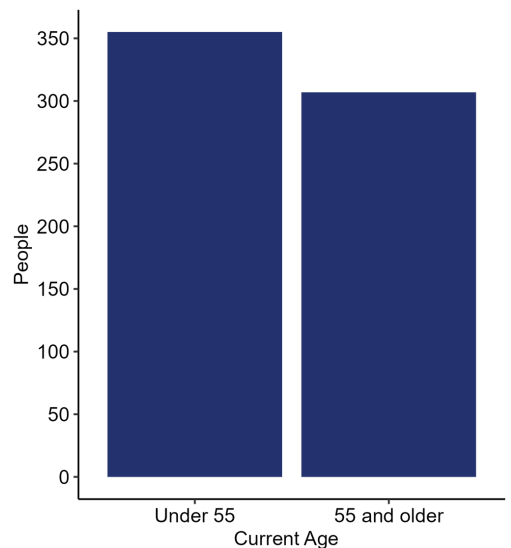


As of 2024, there were **662** people in Delaware serving a life sentence, **16%** of the total prison population. This makes Delaware the **22nd** highest ranked state by proportion of incarcerated people serving life sentences.



Black people make up **25%** of the population in Delaware but **62%** of people serving life sentences. **37%** of Black people serving life sentences were **under the age of 25** at the time of offense.

46% of people serving life are **55 or older**.



*Data Notes:

- Alabama does not record ethnicity
- Virtual Life is defined as a sentence of 50 years or more and this data was first collected in 2016

