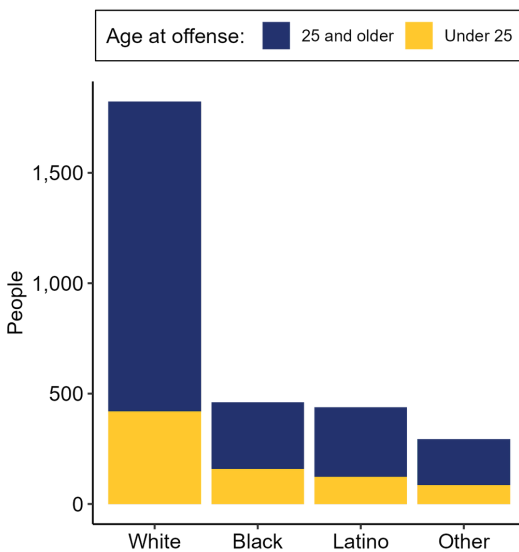
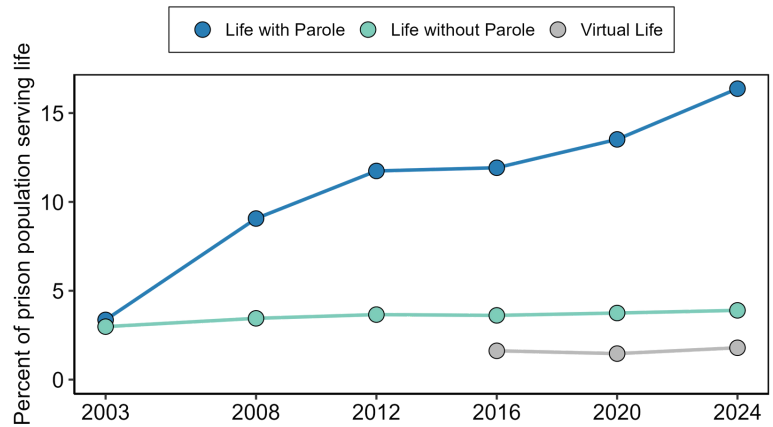
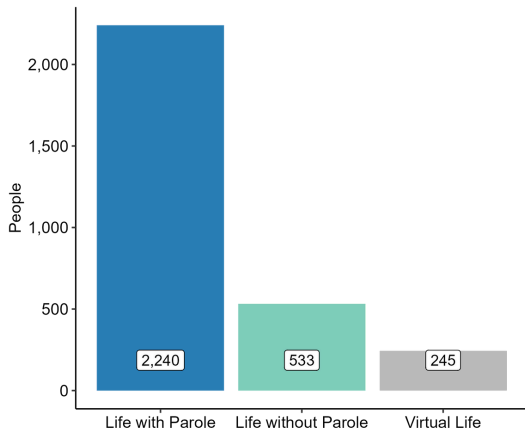


# Life Imprisonment in Washington

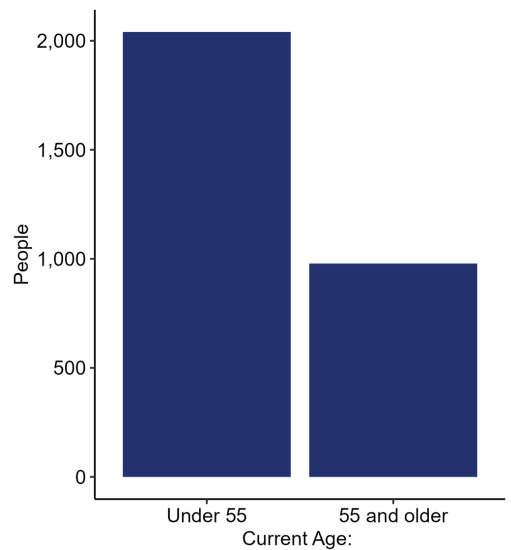


As of 2024, there were **3,018** people in Washington serving a life sentence, **22%** of the total prison population. This makes Washington the **7th** highest ranked state by proportion of incarcerated people serving life sentences.

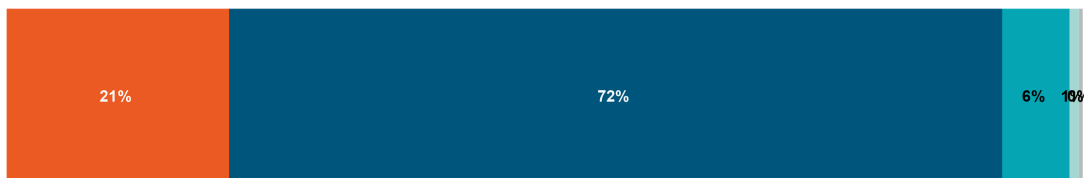


People of color make up **38%** of the population in Washington and **40%** of people serving life sentences. **35%** of Black people and **28%** of Latinos serving life sentences were **under the age of 25** at the time of offense.

**32%** of people serving life are **55 or older**.



Crime of Commitment: Homicide, Sex-related offense, Other Violent Crime, Nonviolent Crime, Other



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