

JUVENILES UNDER TENNESSEE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTION JURISDICTION

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The Tennessee Department of Correction had jurisdiction over seven juveniles convicted as adult felons on July 10, 2026, making up about two in 10,000 incarcerated state felons in Tennessee. Women make up about 10 percent of the overall adult incarcerated felon population, but none of the juveniles under TDOC's jurisdiction currently are female. Four of the seven juveniles are African American (57%), two are white (29%), and one is Hispanic (14%). Among the full population of incarcerated adult felony offenders, 40 percent are African American, 57 percent are white, and 3 percent are Hispanic.

Four of the seven juveniles currently under TDOC's jurisdiction are 17 years old, and three are 16 years old. They were younger when their crimes were committed, however, with one just 13 years old, two who were 14, three who were 16, one who was 17. Two of the juvenile offenders were first incarcerated at age 14, one at age 15, two at age 16, and one at age 17. One juvenile was locally sentenced and is serving his full sentence split between a Knox County jail and probation. Six juveniles are at Northwest Correctional Complex, where male juveniles who are incarcerated in a TDOC institution are generally sent.

Sentences vary from five years to life. Four juveniles have sentences of less than ten years—two for aggravated assault, one for rape, and one for carjacking. One juvenile has a sentence between 10 and 25 years—for attempted second degree murder. The life sentence is for first degree murder. Two offenders were convicted in urban counties: Knox and Rutherford. Five were convicted in mixed urban/rural counties: Bedford (1), Bradley (1), Gibson (1), and Madison (2). Three counties of conviction are in West Tennessee, two are in Middle Tennessee, and two are in East Tennessee.

GENDER		RACE		CURRENT AGE		AGE AT OFFENSE		REGION	
MALE	7	BLACK	4	15	0	13	1	EAST TN	2
FEMALE	0	HISPANIC	1	16	3	14	2	MIDDLE TN	2
		WHITE	2	17	4	15	0	WEST TN	3
						16	3		
						17	1		
						AGE INCARCERATED			
						14	2		
						15	1		
						16	2		
						17	2		