

JUVENILES UNDER TENNESSEE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTION JURISDICTION

September 9, 2026

The Tennessee Department of Correction had jurisdiction over six juveniles convicted as adult felons on September 9, 2026, making up about two in 10,000 incarcerated state felons in Tennessee. Women make up about 10% of the overall adult incarcerated felon population, but none of the juveniles under TDOC's jurisdiction currently are female. Four of the six juveniles are African American (67%), and two are white (33%). Among the full population of incarcerated adult felony offenders, 40% are African American, 57% are white, and 3% are Hispanic.

Four of the six juveniles currently under TDOC's jurisdiction are 17 years old, and two are 16 years old. They were younger when their crimes were committed, however, with one just 13 years old, two who were 14, two who were 16, and one whose judgment order is not yet filed and so whose age at offense is not currently known. Two of the juvenile offenders were first incarcerated at age 14, one at age 15, two at age 16, and one whose age at first incarceration is not currently known. One juvenile was locally sentenced and will serve his full sentence split between a Marshall County Jail and probation. Five juveniles are at Northwest Correctional Complex, where male juveniles who are incarcerated in a TDOC institution are generally sent.

Sentences vary from two years to life. Three juveniles have sentences of less than ten years—two for aggravated assault, and one for sexual battery. Two juveniles have sentences between 10 and 25 years—one for attempted second degree murder, and one for rape of a child. The life sentence is for first degree murder. One offender was convicted an urban county: Rutherford. Five were convicted in mixed urban/rural counties: Bedford (1), Gibson (1), Madison (2), and Marshall (1). Three counties of conviction are in West Tennessee, and three are in Middle Tennessee.

GENDER	
MALE	6
FEMALE	0

RACE	
BLACK	4
HISPANIC	0
WHITE	2

CURRENT AGE	
15	0
16	2
17	4

AGE AT OFFENSE	
13	1
14	2
15	0
16	2
17	0
AGE INCARCERATED	
14	2
15	1
16	2
17	0

REGION	
EAST TN	0
MIDDLE TN	3
WEST TN	3