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NUMBER OF JUVENILES IN RESIDENTIAL PLACEMENT CONTINUES TO DECLINE IN 2013

Racial and Ethnic Disparities Persist

WASHINGTON – Between 1997 and 2013, the number of youth held in residential placement for committing an offense declined 48 percent, according to a bulletin the Justice Department released today.

The Office of Justice Programs' Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (OJJDP) bulletin, *Juveniles in Residential Placement, 2013*, presents a detailed picture of the youth held in custody across the nation, including such characteristics as age, race, gender, offenses and adjudication status. This census, conducted in October 2013, provides information on 54,148 juveniles charged with or adjudicated for an offense, held in 1,947 facilities. Despite historic declines to the lowest levels since the first census was conducted in 1997, disparities persisted as youth in racial and ethnic minority groups accounted for 68 percent of juveniles in custody in 2013.

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