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BJS RELEASES CAPITAL PUNISHMENT, 2016

WASHINGTON — The Department of Justice’s Bureau of Justice Statistics released *Capital Punishment in the United States, 2016*, which presents statistics on persons under sentence of death at year-end 2016, including summary trends in the population, admissions to and releases from death row and the number of persons executed. Data are from BJS’s National Prisoner Statistics (NPS-8) series.

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