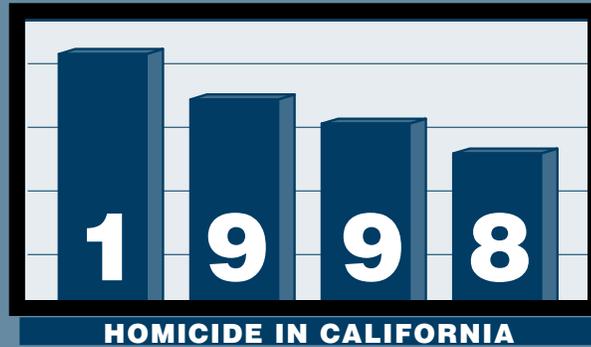


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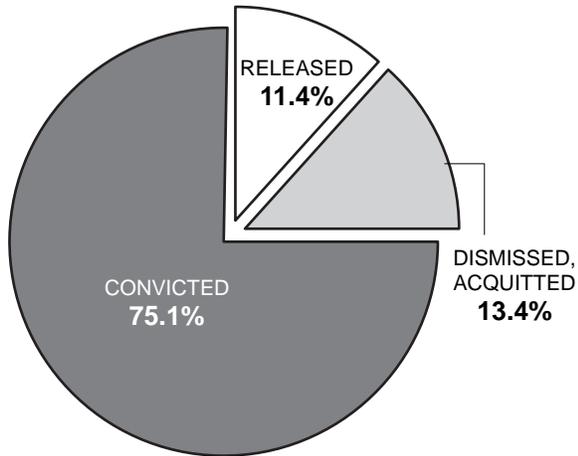


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## DISPOSITIONS OF ADULTS ARRESTED FOR HOMICIDE

This section of the report describes 1998 dispositions of adults arrested for homicide, regardless of the year of arrest. Data were obtained from California's Offender-Based Transaction Statistics (OBTS) system. This system tracks the processing of adults arrested for felony offenses from arrest through final disposition using data compiled from information collected on fingerprint cards and "Disposition of Arrest and Court Action" (JUS 8715) forms.

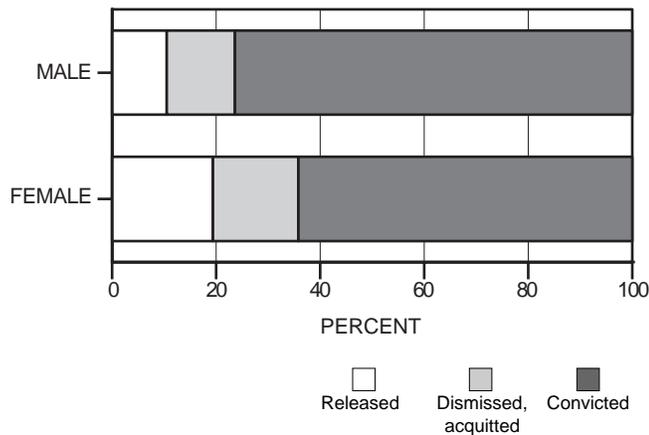
Chart 43  
DISPOSITIONS IN 1998 OF ADULTS ARRESTED  
FOR HOMICIDE  
By Type of Disposition



Source: Table 36.

Note: Percentages may not add to 100.0 because of independent rounding.

Chart 44  
DISPOSITIONS IN 1998 OF ADULTS ARRESTED  
FOR HOMICIDE  
Gender of Arrestee by Type of Disposition



Source: Table 37.

Examination of 1998 dispositions of adults arrested for homicide found that:

- 11.4 percent were released at the law enforcement level or had a complaint denied at the prosecutorial level.
- 13.4 percent were either dismissed or acquitted.
- 75.1 percent were convicted of homicide or some other offense.

And,

- Males were more likely to be convicted than females (76.4 vs. 64.2 percent).

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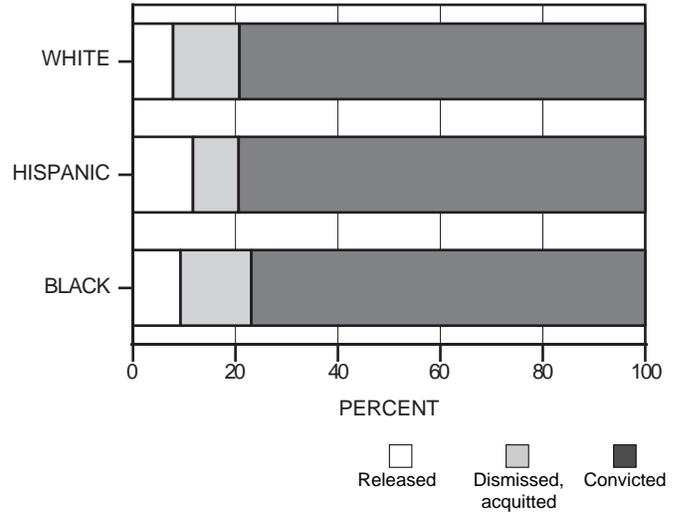
In 1998,

- The proportions of whites, Hispanics, and blacks arrested for homicide and convicted of homicide or some other offense were approximately the same (79.2, 79.4, and 76.9 percent, respectively).

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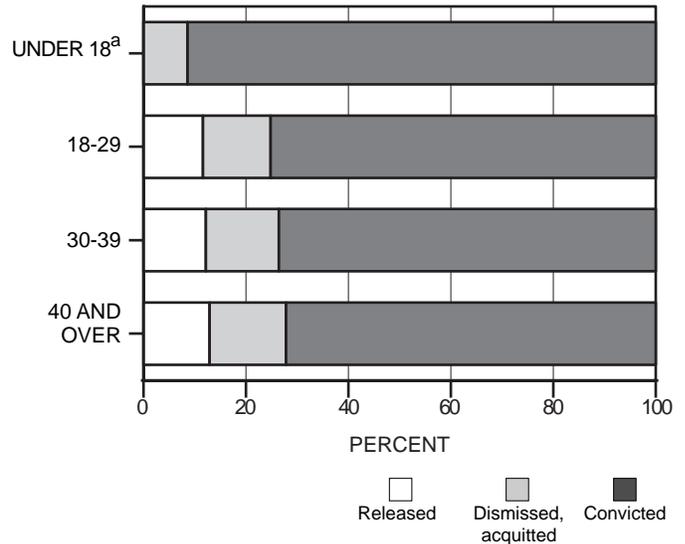
- Proportionately, more arrestees under age 18 were convicted (91.4 percent) than were arrestees in any other age group shown. (The “under 18” age group includes juveniles remanded to adult court.)

Chart 45  
DISPOSITIONS IN 1998 OF ADULTS ARRESTED FOR HOMICIDE  
Race/Ethnic Group of Arrestee by Type of Disposition



Source: Table 37.

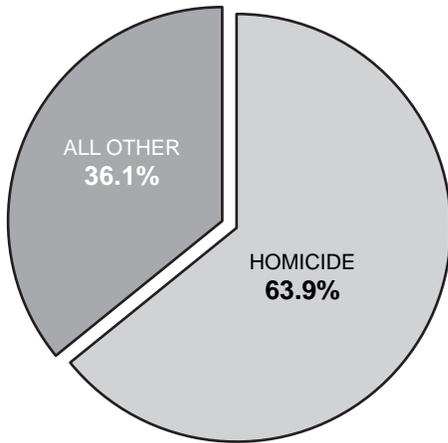
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DISPOSITIONS IN 1998 OF ADULTS ARRESTED FOR HOMICIDE  
Age of Arrestee by Type of Disposition



Source: Table 37.

<sup>a</sup> The “under 18” age group includes juveniles remanded to adult court.

Chart 47  
DISPOSITIONS IN 1998 OF ADULTS ARRESTED  
FOR HOMICIDE AND CONVICTED  
By Convicted Offense



Source: Table 41.

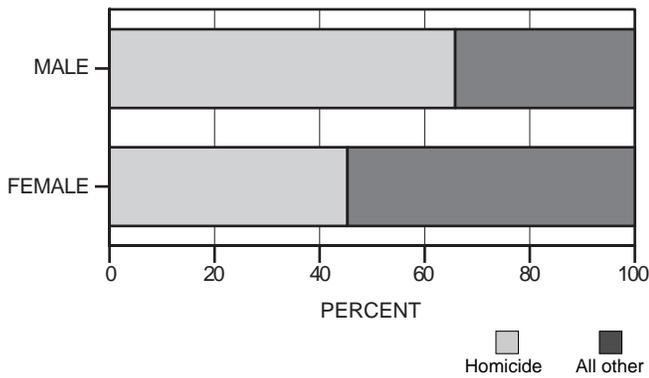
Of those adults arrested for homicide who were convicted in 1998, it was found that:

- 63.9 percent were convicted of homicide.
- 36.1 percent were convicted of lesser crimes such as robbery or assault.

And,

- More males were convicted of homicide (65.8 percent) than were females (45.3 percent).

Chart 48  
DISPOSITIONS IN 1998 OF ADULTS ARRESTED  
FOR HOMICIDE AND CONVICTED  
Gender of Offender by Convicted Offense



Source: Table 42.

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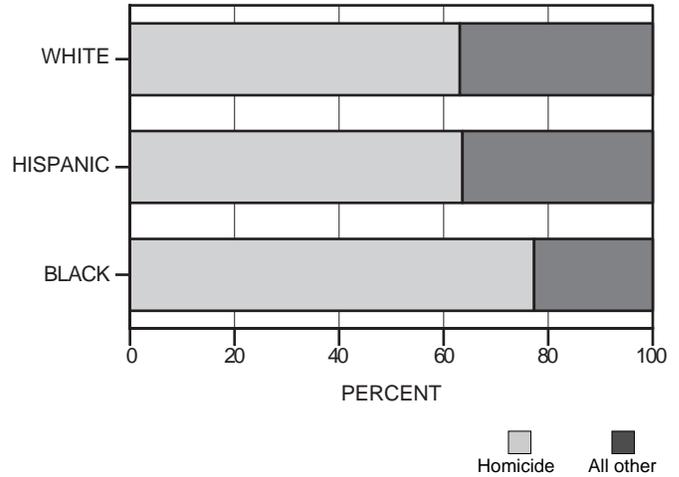
In 1998,

- Proportionately, more blacks were convicted for homicide than were whites or Hispanics (77.3 vs. 63.1 and 63.6 percent, respectively).

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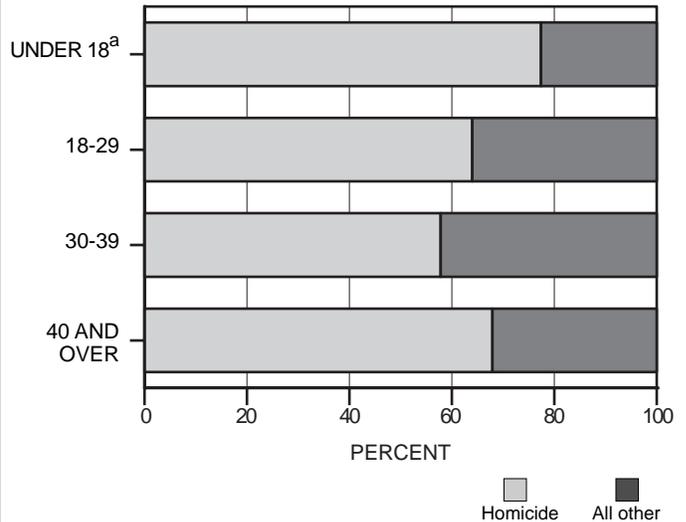
- Proportionately, more arrestees under age 18 were convicted of homicide (77.4 percent) than were arrestees in any other age group shown.

Chart 49  
DISPOSITIONS IN 1998 OF ADULTS ARRESTED FOR HOMICIDE AND CONVICTED  
Race/Ethnic Group of Offender by Convicted Offense



Source: Table 42.

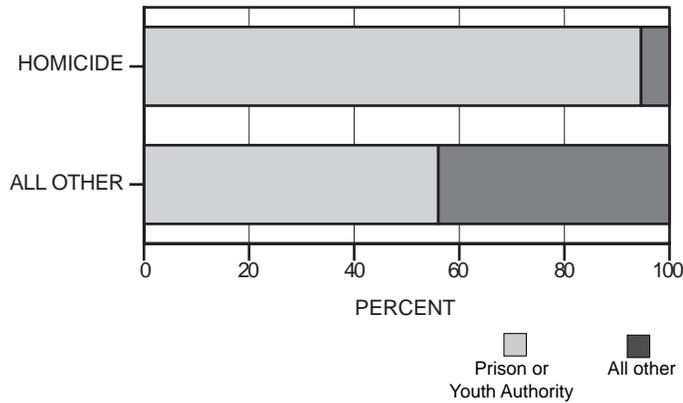
Chart 50  
DISPOSITIONS IN 1998 OF ADULTS ARRESTED FOR HOMICIDE AND CONVICTED  
Age of Offender by Convicted Offense



Source: Table 42.

<sup>a</sup> The "under 18" age group includes juveniles remanded to adult court.

Chart 51  
DISPOSITIONS IN 1998 OF ADULTS ARRESTED  
FOR HOMICIDE AND CONVICTED  
Convicted Offense by Sentence



Source: Table 43.

Note: Prison includes 1998 death penalty dispositions for adults arrested for homicide.

Of those adults arrested for homicide who were convicted in 1998, it was found that:

- 94.6 percent of those convicted of homicide and 56.0 percent of those convicted of lesser offenses received sentences to prison or to the California Department of the Youth Authority. See the “**Death Penalty Sentences**” section (Pages 40-41) for additional information.

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