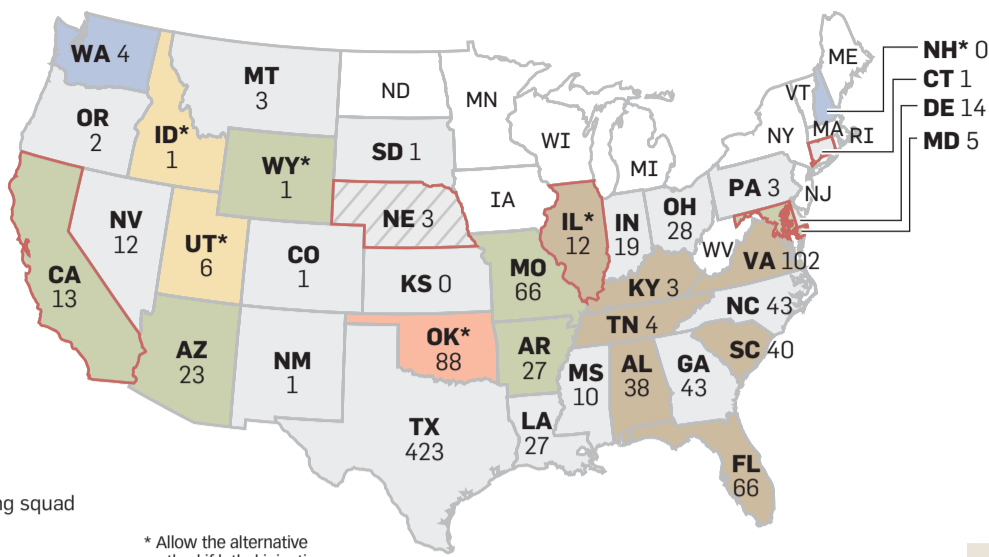


Executions by state and methods used

Thirty-five states use lethal injection as the primary form of execution.

- KEY
- Lethal injection sole method
 - Lethal injection, electrocution
 - Lethal injection, hanging
 - Lethal injection, firing squad
 - Lethal injection, lethal gas
 - Lethal injection, electrocution, firing squad
 - No method currently
 - Executions on hold (legal review)

* Allow the alternative method if lethal injection is found unconstitutional.



TOP 5 EXECUTION STATES

	Executed	On Death Row	Exonerated
Texas	423	373	35
Virginia	102	21	10
Oklahoma	88	84	9
Missouri	66	48	7
Florida	66	397	9

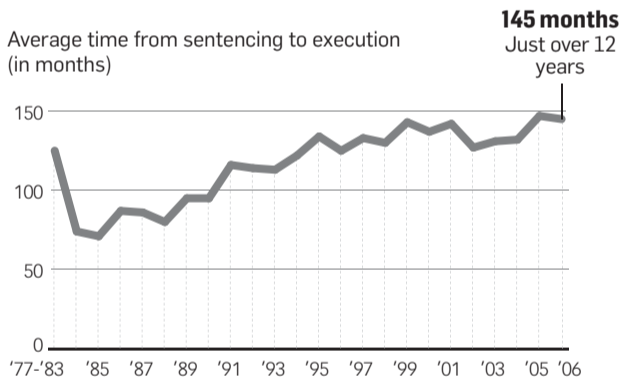
NOTE: California has the most prisoners on Death Row, with 667.

DEATH PENALTY DYING OUT?

Executions were halted in the United States in 2007 because of challenges to lethal injection. They began again last year in some states amid rulings that continue to make it harder to execute prisoners.

Time on Death Row rising

In the past 10 years, the number of death sentences and executions has dropped, while the number of inmates on Death Row remains high.



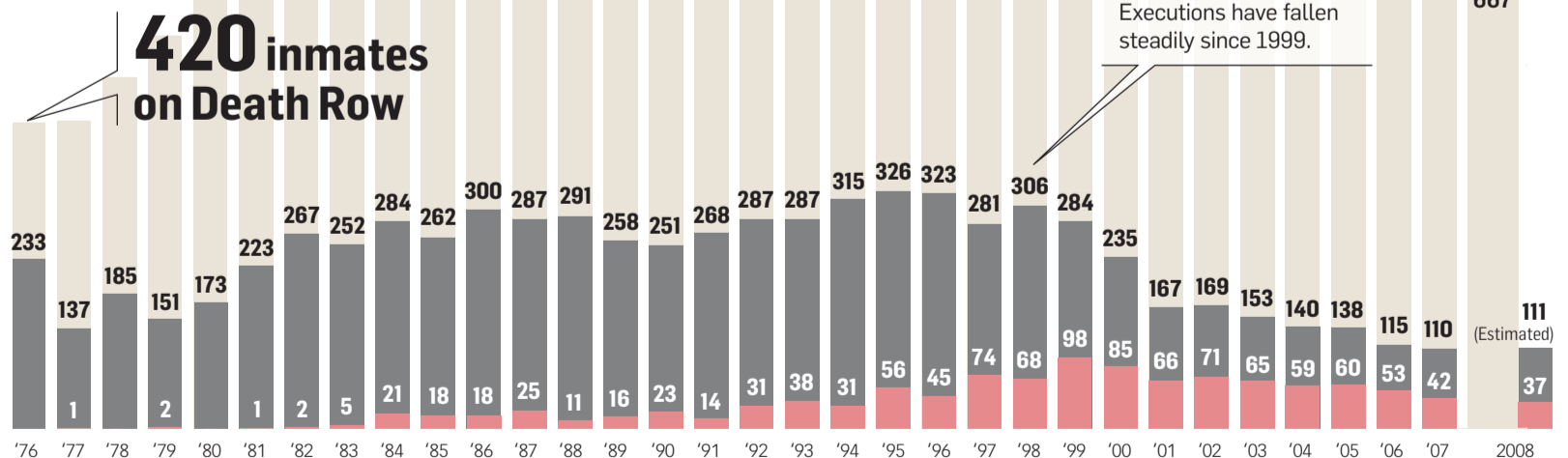
FLORIDA'S COSTS

The death penalty costs an estimated \$51 million a year more than what it would cost to punish all convicted first-degree murderers with life without parole. That works out to \$24 million per execution.**

The average time on Death Row: 12 years
 Cost for one year on Death Row: \$2 million
 Cost for life in prison: \$19,308

For life in prison to cost the same as the death penalty, an inmate would have to be in prison for 1,243 years.

- KEY
- Inmates on Death Row
 - Death sentences per year
 - Executions per year



FLORIDA'S LETHAL INJECTION PROBLEMS

In December 2006, Angel Diaz suffered burns and extreme pain when needles injecting the deadly chemicals missed the vein. It triggered a halt on executions and an investigation into procedures, which were corrected. Executions resumed July 1, 2008.

Cutting back on the death penalty: Some recent court rulings

2000 Attempt to repeal
 The New Hampshire legislature repeals death penalty laws. Gov. Jeanne Shaheen vetoes decision.

2003 Flaws lead to clemency
 Illinois Gov. George Ryan grants clemency to all 167 Death Row inmates because a flawed process led to sentences.

2004 Laws declared unconstitutional
 Death penalty laws in New York are ruled unconstitutional by state courts.

2007 First state bans execution
 New Jersey becomes the first state to legislatively ban capital punishment since it was reinstated nationally in 1976.

2008 February Cruel and unusual
 The Nebraska Supreme Court finds electrocution, the state's only execution method, to be cruel and unusual punishment.

April More questions
 U.S. Supreme Court rules Kentucky's three-drug protocol for lethal injection is not cruel and unusual punishment. Questions about lethal injection arise in other states. Some holds on executions remain. A judge in New Mexico

halts the death penalty until enough money is appropriated for the defense.
November Another ban?
 The Maryland Commission on Capital Punishment votes to recommend the abolition of the death penalty.

** Based on a study by The Palm Beach Post in 2000.
 Sources: Death Penalty Information Center; Florida Department of Corrections; The Innocence Project; The Palm Beach Post