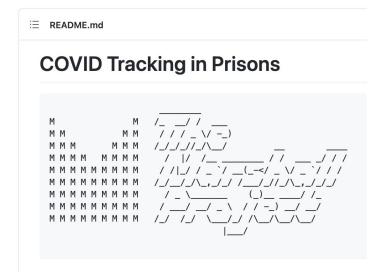# Covid-19 in Prisons

Main Problems

- Overcrowding (prisons are overcapacity)
- Vulnerable populations (older adults make up larger share of state prison population (bc of extreme sentencing), which means covid affects them more)
- Violence and abuse (more abuse within jail and prisons)
- Lack of adequate medical care access in jails
- No early release for at-risk populations

Source: *Covid-19's Impact on People in Prison*. (2020, May 11). Equal Justice Initiative.
https://eji.org/news/covid-19s-impact-on-people-in-prison/

Other Dataset:

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COVID Tracking in Prisons

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https://github.com/themarshallproject/COVID_prison_data

- `name` - The name of the state or "Federal" for the Federal Bureau of Prisons
- `abbreviation` - The two-letter postal code abbreviation for the state or "US" for the Bureau of Prisons
- `staff_tests` - The cumulative number prison employees, including correctional officers and other staff, tested.
- `staff_tests_with_multiples` - The cumulative number of tests administered to prison employees, including correctional officers and other staff where unique patients was not available.
- `total_staff_cases` - The cumulative number of positive coronavirus cases among prison employees.
- `total_staff_deaths` - The number of deaths of prison employees to date.
- `staff_partial_dose` - The cumualtive number of prison staff who've received one shot of a two-dose vaccine (Pfizer or Moderna), from the corrections agency. This number does not include those who were vaccinated on their own in the community.
- `staff_full_dose` - Cumualtive number of prison employees who received either two shots of a two-dose vaccine or the single-shot Johnson and Johnson vaccine, from their corrections agency.
- `prisoner_tests` - The cumulative number of incarcerated people tested.
- `prisoner_tests_with_multiples` - The cumulative number of tests administered to incarcerated people where unique patients was not available.
- `total_prisoner_cases` - The cumulative number of positive coronavirus cases among the incarcerated population.
- `total_prisoner_deaths` - The number of deaths of prisoners to date.
- `prisoners_partial_dose` - The cumualtive number of prisoners who've received one shot of a two-dose vaccine (Pfizer or Moderna), from the corrections agency.
- `prisoners_full_dose` - Cumulative number of prisoners who received either two shots of a two-dose vaccine or the single-shot Johnson and Johnson vaccine.
- `as_of_date` - The date these data reflect.
- `notes` - Caveats or explanation about any aspect of this row of data.

Other Datasets

UCLA Law COVID Behind Bars Data. (2021). UCLA Law Covid-19 Behind Bars Data Project.

https://github.com/uclalawcovid19behindbars/data (Original work published 2020)