

# Tuned In and Locked Up

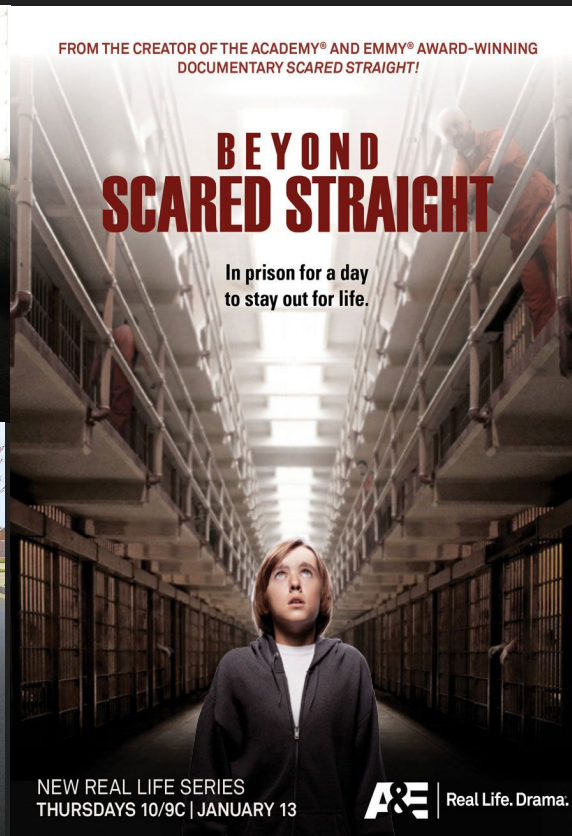
An overview of Digital Activity and Privacy in Incarcerated Facilities  
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According to the weekly Midnight Report from the California Department of Correction  
and Rehabilitation there are:

156,221

Individuals reported to be incarcerated under the state of California.

This number does not represent California's juvenile and immigrant detention center population.



How do you imagine incarcerated individuals use technology?

# Inmate Digital Timeline

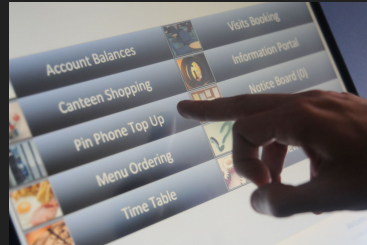


Self service kiosk were introduced in the U.S. incarcerated system in 2004. The kiosk's initial purpose was to provide access to legal information instead of using law books.



Cell Phones have populated prisons since their invention. Each year more wireless cell phones are discovered by officers competing with top contraband items drugs and weapons.

Between the years of 1994 1995 VuGate, a private company, developed the first video visitation software with collaboration with correctional officers.



After the Ipad was released in 2012, small pilot programs across the U.S. allowed tablet technology to be purchased by prisoners.





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how'd you get a phone? 6-8



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how yall charging your phone frfr 7-7



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Same wires in the light- socket made with soda can 7-7



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Wait how do you have a phone and internet in jail? Is this the norm in USA?



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must be nice to sit and watch TV all day! 8-7



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You slick som of a b!! 🤔😏💪 8-6



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That's crazy wow 8-14



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u the prison engineer lol 8-7



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bro how much u be spending on commissary monthy?? 9-18

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Cell Phone Smuggling/Contraband and Incarcerated Life on social media

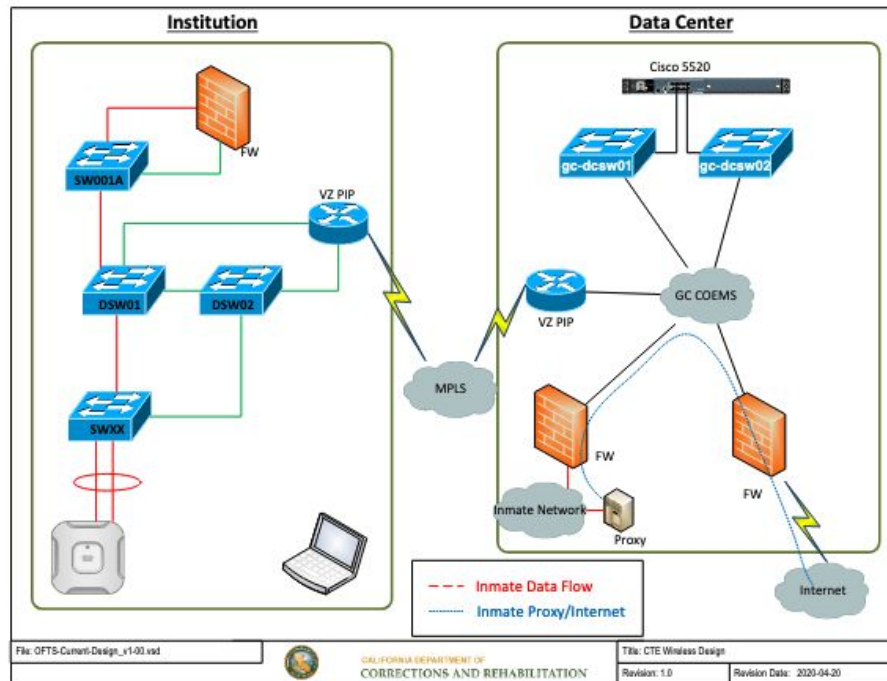


Figure 2-2: Inmate Data Flow

## Current CDCR Network System Set-Up

# What actors manage and influence Incarcerated Technology Policy?

Government: CDCR, Federal Bureau of Prisons, FCC, FTC

Private Sector: GTL, Securus, JPay, Starbucks, Verizon

Non-Profits: Root and Rebound, The Last Mile

Individuals: General Public and family of incarcerated individuals

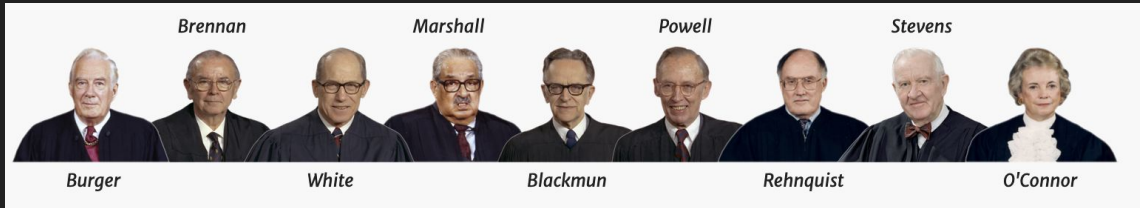


# 4th Amendment Rights and Incarcerated Individuals

*"The right of the people to be secure in their persons, houses, papers, and effects, against unreasonable searches and seizures, shall not be violated, and no Warrants shall issue, but upon probable cause, supported by Oath or affirmation, and particularly describing the place to be searched, and the persons or things to be seized."*

—FOURTH AMENDMENT

In *Hudson v. Palmer* (1984), Supreme Court unanimously ruled that prisoners have “no reasonable expectation of privacy in their prison cells” entitling them to Fourth Amendment protection. It was emphasized that maintenance of prison security was entirely “incompatible” with prison surveillance and therefore security concerns outweigh privacy concerns.

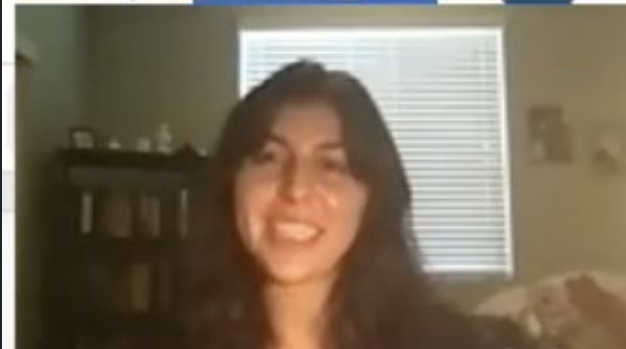




# Reboot and Rebound Interview

“I don’t usually think about my information when I am on these calls. They already got me, they know everything about me, but more so for the client who are used to the recording and monitoring...they don’t always think these calls can be used against them later.”

“When on calls with clients, I don’t state my full name and not so my clients won’t know me but because you don’t know where my name and this information will end up because it is stored.”

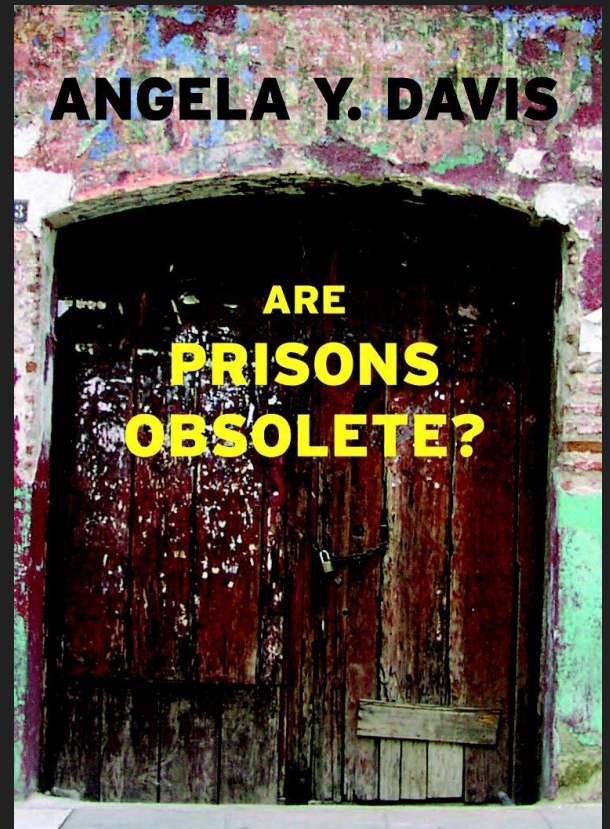
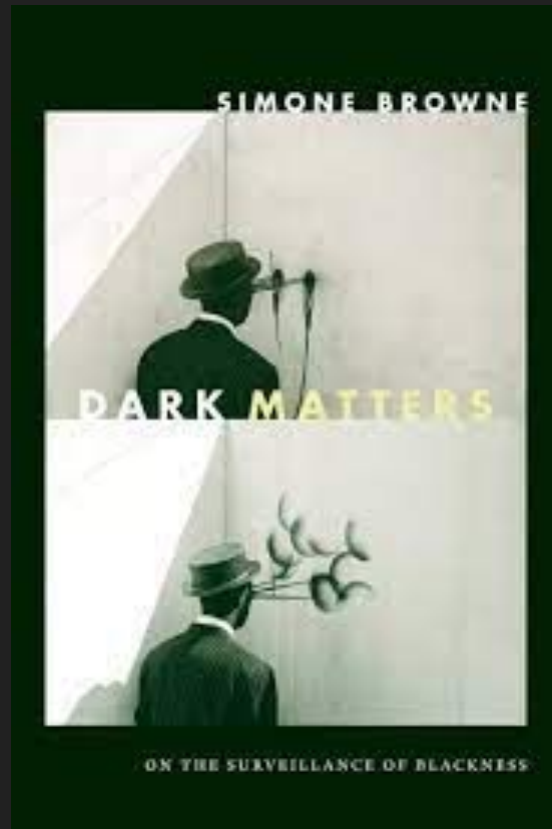
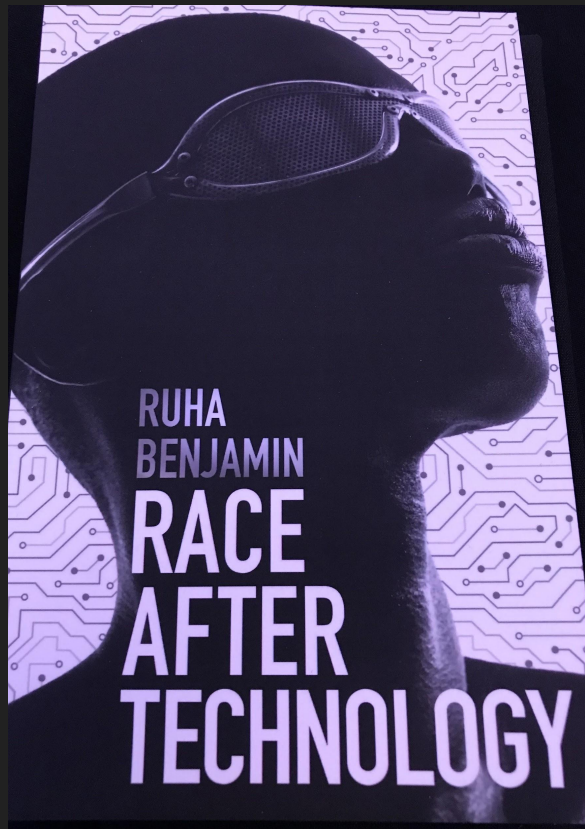




# What does the future hold for incarcerated individuals and their digital activity/interaction?



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Books for your consideration!

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