



Incarceration & Inequality Data Access License Terms

This agreement (“Agreement”) is entered into between the Vera Institute of Justice, Inc. (“Vera”) and the individual(s) (each a “Recipient”) who download the *Incarceration and Inequality* Dataset (the “Dataset”).

Vera has developed and owns the Dataset, a collection of jail and prison population statistics and economic indicators that contains up to 54 years (1970-2024) of data for most of the 3,144 United States counties (see the Dataset Github page for complete detail on the source at datasets) <https://github.com/vera-institute/incarceration-inequality-public>. The Dataset was compiled by Vera staff using publicly available data from Vera’s Incarceration Trends data, Bureau of Labor Statistics, and United States Census. Vera is willing to grant Recipient access to the Dataset on the following terms:

1. Limited License

By downloading the Dataset, you hereby agree to all of the terms specified in this license. Vera hereby grants to Recipient the limited right to use the Dataset for Recipient’s own academic, nonprofit, and research purposes. The Recipient may not use the Dataset for any commercial or profit-making purpose. Recipient may only use the Dataset in accordance with this Agreement. Vera retains all right, title, and interest in and to the Dataset, and does not grant any rights in the Dataset other than as specified herein.

2. Non-dissemination and Assurances

Recipient acknowledges that the Dataset is the proprietary information of Vera. The Recipient agrees to protect the Dataset from unauthorized access or use. The Recipient agrees not to use or distribute the Dataset in any form, electronic or otherwise, except as expressly permitted hereunder. The Recipient agrees that as a condition of accessing the Dataset, the Recipient agrees to the respective terms of use for datasets provided by the entities listed in the attached Exhibit A, as those terms apply to data sourced from these entities and included in the Dataset.

3. Indemnity

Recipient shall defend, indemnify, release, and hold Vera harmless from and against any and all claims, losses, damages, and expenses arising out of their use of or access to the Dataset, including, without limitation, those arising from Recipient’s negligence or breach of any of the

terms of this Agreement. This provision will survive the expiration or termination of this Agreement.

4. Miscellaneous

The Dataset is provided “as is.” Vera disclaims any and all warranties of any kind with respect to the Dataset, and the Recipient hereby releases Vera and waives any and all claims it may have against Vera in connection with Recipient’s use of the Dataset. Neither party may assign its rights under this Agreement without the express written permission of the other party. This Agreement is the entire agreement of the parties with respect to the subject matter hereof. New York law will govern this Agreement and the New York courts will have jurisdiction over disputes arising hereunder.

Exhibit A

Incarceration Trends : <https://github.com/vera-institute/incarceration-trends/blob/main/License.md>

Bureau of Labor Statistics: <https://www.bls.gov/developers/termsOfService.htm>

United States Census Bureau: <https://www.census.gov/data/developers/about/terms-of-service.html>