How many people are locked up in the United States?

The U.S. locks up more people per capita than any other nation, at the staggering rate of 698 per 100,000 residents. But to end mass incarceration, we must first consider where and why 2.3 million people are confined nationwide.

Local Jails 631,000

State Prisons 1,291,000

Federal Prisons & Jails 226,000

Sources and data notes: See https://www.prisonpolicy.org/reports/pie2020.html