TRANSGENDER PEOPLE ARE OVERREPRESENTED

PERCENT OF ADULTS REPORTING TIME SPENT IN PRISON OR JAIL

TRANSGENDER WOMEN 21%
ALL TRANSGENDER AND GENDER NON-CONFORMING PEOPLE 16%
TRANSGENDER MEN 10%
ALL U.S. ADULTS 5%

WHY ARE TRANSGENDER PEOPLE OVERREPRESENTED?

TRANSGENDER PEOPLE ARE MORE VULNERABLE

Family Rejection & Homelessness
Unsafe Schools & Unfair Disciplinary Policies
Pervasive Discrimination in All Areas of Life

Employment
Housing
Identity Documents
Health Care

TRANSGENDER PEOPLE ARE PUSHED INTO THE SYSTEM

Bad Laws
- HIV Criminalization Laws
- Drug Laws
- Criminalization of Sex Work

Policing Strategies
- Profiling
- Collaboration Between Police and Immigration Enforcement
- Misgendering and Inaccurate Identity Documents
- Discrimination and Mistreatment
- Violence When Seeking Assistance

How are transgender people treated in the system?

Discrimination in Courts
- Discrimination by Court and Legal Staff
- Discrimination by Juries

Harassment & Abuse in Prisons, Jails, and Immigration Detention Facilities
- Unsafe Placement
- Harassment and Assault by Facility Staff
- Harassment and Assault by Other Inmates
- Lack of Access to Health Care
- Disrepect in Daily Life

How are transgender people treated upon release?
- Lack of support in reentry programs and restrictive requirements during probation and parole
- Difficulty obtaining name changes and accurate identity documents create serious obstacles to success

What is the impact on transgender people?

Discrimination + Criminal Record = Substantial Challenges to Rebuilding Lives

Unemployment
Denied Housing
Lacking Needed Health Care