Reaping What You Sow…

The Intersection Between Behavioral Health & Criminal Justice Systems

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Criminal Justice

Behavioral Health
40.3%  18.6%

1 in 7

28%  65%

40,000,000

4.1%  8%

356,268
STATE POLICY DRIVES MASS INCARCERATION
(Number of people incarcerated per 100,000 population by level of government, 1925-2012)

Compiled by the Prison Policy Initiative. For detailed sourcing, see http://www.prisonpolicy.org/reports/overtime.html
Arizona is no exception

Increase in number incarcerated

According to AZ DOC, there are currently 42,052 individuals in custody.

Options—The Legislature could:

- Continue to expand the prison system. If it decides to expand, the Legislature should consider directing the Department to further study state costs for building and operating new prisons compared to contracting with private prisons.
- Consider diverting more nonviolent, low-risk offenders from prison and/or reducing the time they serve.
- Consider directing the Department and/or the courts to further study the use and costs of non-prison alternatives for nonviolent, low-risk offenders.
- Consider expanding nonprison alternative sanctions for parole violators.

Source: Bureau of Justice Statistics, Corrections Statistical Analysis Tool.
With few exceptions, the Criminal Justice System is a Public Sector Enterprise, with Public Officials, and Governmental Employees Interpreting and Enacting Law.
The delivery of Behavioral Health Services is largely a **Private Sector Enterprise**, operated by for-profit Corporations and Non-Profit entities.
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