

World Pre-trial/Remand Imprisonment List



fifth edition

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Introduction

This fifth edition of the World Pre-trial/Remand Imprisonment List shows the number of pre-trial/remand prisoners held in penal institutions in 218 prison systems in independent countries and dependent territories. The List also shows the percentage of pre-trial/remand prisoners within each national prison population and the proportion of the national population that are pre-trial/remand prisoners (the pre-trial/remand prison population rate per 100,000 of the national population). The information is the latest available at the beginning of October 2025. In addition, the last two tables provide data, by continent, on pre-trial/remand prisoner totals and rates, and trends since about 2000.

This List, together with the World Prison Population List (14th edition published in May 2024) and the World Female Imprisonment List (6th edition published in February 2025), complement the information held in the World Prison Brief online database at www.prisonstudies.org. The World Prison Brief is updated monthly.

The World Pre-trial/Remand Imprisonment List is compiled, like the World Prison Population List, from a variety of sources. In almost all cases the original source is the national prison administration of the country concerned, or else the Ministry responsible for the prison administration. Most of the figures are recent and efforts are continually made to update them and to obtain information on the number of pre-trial/remand prisoners in the eight countries on which no figures have been traced (Bhutan, China, Cuba, Equatorial Guinea, Eritrea, North Korea, Northern Mariana Islands, Somalia). Although the figures in this List are more up to date than has been achieved in previous editions, there are a number of countries for which it has so far proved impossible to trace recent data.

We welcome the assistance of readers in notifying us of the latest figures. Care has been taken to ensure that the List is as accurate as possible but we cannot guarantee the reliability of every figure and readers are also invited to draw attention to any errors they notice and, if possible, to supply corrections.

In providing information about prisoners held in pre-trial and other forms of remand imprisonment, this List refers to those persons who, in connection with an alleged offence or offences, are deprived of liberty following a judicial or other legal process but have not been definitively sentenced by a court for the offence(s). They will be in one of the following stages, although not all legal systems and not all cases will involve each stage:

- the 'further investigation' stage, when they are being interrogated prior to a final decision to bring a court case against them;
- the 'awaiting trial' stage, after investigation has ended and a decision has been taken to bring a court case;
- the 'trial' stage, while the trial is actually taking place;
- the 'convicted unsentenced' stage, when they have been convicted by the court but not yet sentenced;
 and
- the 'awaiting final sentence' stage, when they have been provisionally sentenced by the court but are awaiting the completion of an appeal process which occurs before the definitive sentence is confirmed.

It is hoped that this edition of the World Pre-trial/Remand Imprisonment List will be useful for policy makers, prison administrators, academic criminologists, non-governmental organisations, other criminal justice experts and everyone who is interested in the extent of pre-trial/remand imprisonment.

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Key points

- ▶ This report shows that over three million people are held in penal institutions throughout the world as pre-trial detainees/remand prisoners. In addition, based on a 2014 report, it is believed that there are more than 200,000 such prisoners in China. Taking into account also those in the other countries on which official information is unavailable and of the pre-trial detainees in police facilities who are omitted from national totals, there will be well over three million held in pre-trial detention and other forms of remand imprisonment throughout the world.
- ➤ The total includes more than 467,000 in the United States, 389,000 in India, 214,000 in Brazil, 117,000 in the Philippines, 112,000 in Russia, 102,000 in Mexico, 74,000 in Pakistan, 67,000 in Thailand, 62,000 in Turkey, 61,000 in Bangladesh, 59,000 in Indonesia, 56,000 in Iran, 53,000 in Nigeria, 49,000 in Ethiopia, 46,000 in Argentina, 40,000 in Egypt, 38,000 in Morocco and 38,000 in Peru.
- In a majority of countries (67%) the proportion of the total prison population who are in pre-trial/remand imprisonment is between 10% and 40%. But pre-trial/remand prisoners constitute more than 40% of the prison population in about half the countries of Africa. The percentages in each continent are: Africa 38%, Americas 28%, Asia 41%, Europe 22% and Oceania 40%. The world percentage is 32%.
- ➤ The countries with the highest proportion of the total prison population in pre-trial/remand imprisonment are: San Marino (100%), Lebanon (87%), Haiti (82%), Bangladesh (76%), Liechtenstein (75%), India (74%), Pakistan (73%), Mali (72%), American Samoa (70%), Gabon (70%), Democratic Republic of the Congo (70%), Sri Lanka (69%), Guinea Bissau (68%), Laos (67%), Liberia (66%), Nigeria (66%), Central African Republic (65%), Philippines (65%) and Dominican Republic (65%).
- ▶ American Samoa (USA) has the highest rate in the world, with 377 per 100,000 of the territories' population in pre-trial/remand imprisonment, followed by Puerto Rico USA (371), Guam USA (280), St Lucia (200), U.S. Virgin Islands (195), Panama (182), Virgin Islands UK (175), Trinidad & Tobago (174), Namibia (172), Dominica (171), Tonga (170), Anguilla UK (167), Barbados (162), Gabon (158), Paraguay (158), Bolivia (153) and Bahamas (151).
- ➤ Since about the year 2000 the number of people in pre-trial/remand imprisonment has grown by nearly 39%. There are considerable differences between the continents:
 - the African total has risen by 24% but, omitting the figures for Rwanda, where the genocide of 1994

- led to a temporary rise in the number of pre-trial remands, the African total has risen by 60%. The numbers have trebled in Angola, Benin, Egypt, Gabon, Mali, Mauritius, Namibia, Senegal and Sierra Leone.
- the total in the Americas has increased by 59%, with numbers trebling in Bolivia and Paraguay and more than doubling in Argentina, Brazil, Ecuador, Guatemala, Peru, Venezuela and some smaller countries.
- the total in Asia has increased by 74%, with numbers rising six-fold in Cambodia, trebling in Malaysia, Jordan and the Philippines and doubling in India, Indonesia, Sri Lanka and Lebanon. By contrast the number of pre-trial/remand prisoners has fallen by 57% in Kazakhstan.
- the total in Europe has fallen by 28%, mainly due to the substantial fall in the Russian Federation (52%) and large falls also in the Baltic states and in the Czech Republic, Moldova, Poland and Romania in central/eastern Europe. If the Russian figures are omitted, the European total is 7% lower than the total in about 2000.
- the total in the countries of Oceania has increased by 313%, due to the more than quadrupling of the numbers in pre-trial/remand imprisonment in Australia and the nearly six-fold increase in the numbers in New Zealand.
- ▶ The substantial falls since about 2000 that have been noted in the pre-trial/remand prisoner populations in Rwanda and the Russian Federation have had a large effect on the change in overall pre-trial/remand prisoner levels. If these countries are omitted from the total, the number of pre-trial/remand prisoners in the rest of the world has grown by 57%.
- ➤ The growth of almost 39% since about 2000 in the total number of people in pre-trial/remand imprisonment is 5.4 percentage points higher than the growth in the world's general population since that time.
- It might be expected that changes in the number of pre-trial/remand prisoners in each continent since 2000 would broadly reflect general population trends. This is not the case. In the Americas, Asia and Oceania the growth in the number of pre-trial/remand prisoners is much greater than the rise in the general population. By contrast, in Africa the pre-trial/remand prison population has grown more slowly than the rapidly rising general population, and in Europe the general population has risen slowly while the pre-trial/remand population has fallen.

Table 1 AFRICA

	Number in pre-trial/	Date	Percentage of	Estimated national	Pre-trial/remand population rate		Trend info	ormation	
	remand imprisonment		total prison population	population at date shown	per 100k of national population	year	total	%age	rate
Northern Africa									
Algeria	c. 18,000	9.21	c. 19.0%	43.74m	c. 41	2000 2010 2015 2019	9,913 6,639 5,352 c. 7,800	29.2% 13.5% 8.6% c. 12%	32 18 13 c. 18
Egypt	c. 40,000	.22	c. 33.3%	106.16m	c. 38	2001 2006 2019	10,730 6,392 30,000	19.0% 9.9% 26.3%	16 9 30
Libya	c. 5,540	5.5.23	c. 29.0%	7.11m	c. 78	2004 2010 2014 2021	6,692 6,262 c. 5,569 c. 5,043	56.8% 47.3% c. 90% c. 41%	121 104 c. 89 c. 72
Morocco	38,552	31.12.23	37.6%	38.40m	100	2000 2010 2015 2020	22,929 30,469 30,340 38,837	42.2% 47.0% 41.0% 45.7%	79 95 88 106
Sudan	3,893	.13	20.4%	37.96m	10	2003 2011	c. 1,200 2,427	c. 10% 12.1%	c. 4 7
Tunisia	12,881	.21	54.9%	11.94m	108	2012 2016	c. 11,000 11,753	c. 52% 49.9%	c. 101 103
Western Africa	·								
Benin	c. 9,994	12.23	c. 55.0%	13.19m	c. 76	2002 2010 2015 2021	3,209 5,174 4,476 7,790	74.0% 74.9% 67.1% 54.9%	46 58 41 61
Burkina Faso	2,584	31.12.23	29.0%	23.04m	11	2000 2010 2015 2020	1,419 2,019 3,351 2,670	64.4% 38.8% 44.4% 36.1%	11 12 18 13
Cape Verde	491	30.9.18	31.7%	523,000	94	1999 2010 2017	283 323 359	36.5% 26.3% 23.3%	65 66 69
Cote d'Ivoire	9,824	5.24	36.2%	29.00m	34	2002 2007 2015 2020	3,688 3,031 c. 4,740 6,876	35.6% 28.5% c. 39% 32.7%	22 17 c. 22 26
Gambia	302	30.4.21	55.6%	2.48m	12	1999 2009 2014	94 c. 234 203	18.5% c. 30% 22.2%	8 c. 14 11
Ghana	1,607	25.8.25	11.4%	34.51m	5	2001 2010 2015 2021	c. 2,183 c. 3,377 2,423 1,526	20.9% 25.0% 16.9% 11.6%	11 14 9 5
Guinea (Rep. of)	3,082	3.24	55.5%	14.51m	21	2002 2008 2013 2019	1,574 1,869 c. 1,690 2,370	51.3% 67.2% c. 65% 54.2%	17 18 c. 14 18
Guinea Bissau	133	18.2.17	67.9%	1.93m	7		not ava	ailable	
Liberia	2,248	22.5.25	66.2%	5.68m	40	2007 2010 2015 2021	802 c. 1,295 1,428 1,770	91.1% c. 85% 67.9% 67.6%	23 c. 33 31 34
Mali	7,722	29.12.23	71.7%	22.43m	34	2002 2011 2014	2,714 2,522 2,748	67.2% 43.4% 52.8%	25 17 17
Mauritania	c. 1,413	16.8.22	c. 50.0%	4.92m	c. 29	2010 2015 2020	700 794 1,033	41.2% 42.4% 47.5%	19 19 23
Niger	9,810	31.12.24	62.0%	28.60m	34	2007 2010 2015 2021	3,920 2,666 6,210 6,289	59.7% 50.0% 59.8% 61.8%	27 16 32 25
Nigeria	53,771	29.9.25	66.1%	234.78m	23	2000 2010 2016 2021	27,959 35,000 45,263 49,180	62.9% 72.9% 71.7% 72.7%	22 22 24 23
Senegal	6,795	.24	48.0%	18.59m	37	2000 2011 2016 2021	1,696 3,352 4,383 5,437	34.0% 44.0% 46.5% 40.1%	18 26 28 30
Sierra Leone	2,277	13.2.24	51.1%	8.58m	27	2005 2010 2015 2020	696 c. 1,342 1,894 2,519	40.0% c. 60% 54.3% 66.2%	14 c. 23 30 31

Table 1 (continued)

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	Number in pre-trial/ remand	Date	Percentage of total prison	Estimated national population	Pre-trial/remand population rate per 100k of		Trend info		
Togo	imprisonment c. 2,994	30.8.21	population 60.0%	at date shown 8.51m	national population 35	year 1998	1,160	%age 56.8%	rate 25
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Central Africa									
Angola	11,664	7.24	48.5%	37.30m	31	2003 2011 2016 2022	3,538 9,487 11,000 10,529	58.9% 47.7% 45.8% 43.3%	21 43 43 34
Cameroon	19,109	15.4.24	55.5%	29.17m	66	2003 2011 2015 2020	c. 13,000 16,800 15,699 14,973	c. 65% 70.0% 55.8% 66.8%	76 78 66 56
Central African Republic	1,749	12.23	65.3%	5.17m	34		not ava	ailable	
Chad	2,757	2.22	28.8%	17.23m	16	2005 2011	1,980 3,064	58.0% 63.4%	20 25
Congo (Rep. of)	c. 744	8.9.14	c. 60.0%	4.58m	16	2005 2009 2012	791 1,094 c. 975	51.0% 45.4% c. 75%	22 27 c. 22
Democratic Rep. of Congo	c. 31,175	12.22	c. 70.0%	96.58m	c. 32	2010 2015	c. 18,000 c. 15,000	c. 82% c. 73%	c. 29 c. 21
Gabon	3,850	6.24	70.0%	2.43m	158	2006 2015	c. 1,100 c. 2,250	c. 40% c. 67%	c. 78 c.127
Sao Tome e Principe	52	.20	c. 20.0%	232,000	23	2002 2010 2016	76 87 28	58.5% 28.5% 15.7%	53 50 13
South Sudan	1,878	28.9.15	28.9%	12.45m	15	2011	c. 1,730	c. 30%	c. 16
Eastern Africa									
Burundi	5,303	31.8.25	45.0%	13.83m	38	2002 2010 2015 2020	5,140 5,871 c. 4,925 5,016	59.4% 59.6% 56.7% 39.3%	77 69 44 38
Comoros	184	.23	43.6%	927,000	20	2014	130	55.8%	17
Djibouti	237	.18	35.8%	939,000	25	1999 2011 2016	334 c. 375 c. 120	57.2% c. 50% c. 20%	47 c. 44 c. 13
Ethiopia	49,284	2013/14	36.0%	89.56m	55	2000/01 2005/06 2010/11	31,274 21,193 14,085	50.0% 29.3% 13.5%	47 28 17
Kenya	26,579	avrge 23	42.9%	57.55m	46	2001 2010 2015 2019	14,523 16,391 23,745 23,552	41.1% 34.0% 43.5% 44.1%	45 40 52 46
Madagascar	c. 14,349	10.23	c. 47.0%	30.17m	c. 48	1999 2010 2015 2019	13,160 7,964 11,029 15,853	65.4% 42.7% 53.6% 56.8%	86 38 46 58
Malawi	c. 2,550	12.20	c. 17.6%	20.29m	c. 13	2001 2005 2010 2015	2,217 2,239 1,267 1,958	31.6% 23.2% 10.9% 16.1%	19 17 8 11
Mauritius	1,267	29.9.25	43.8%	1.28m	99	2000 2010 2015 2020	400 862 771 1,567	24.5% 35.2% 37.2% 56.0%	33 69 58 121
Mozambique	6,120	31.12.23	28.1%	34.52m	18	1999 2008 2015 2020	6,422 4,930 5,321 5,987	72.9% 34.3% 35.0% 31.9%	49 23 19 18
Rwanda*	12,501	8.23	14.0%	13.97m	89	2000 2008 2015 2020	c. 109,250 15,935 4,022 6,399	c. 95% 26.9% 7.4% 9.7%	c. 1,300 155 32 50
Seychelles	118	30.6.25	24.5%	123,000	96	2006 2010 2016 2021	28 133 134 64	19.7% 32.0% 19.2% 22.4%	33 148 141 64
Tanzania	8,407	31.12.23	31.4%	66.08m	13	2000 2010 2015 2020	18,344 19,529 17,523 17,974	40.2% 50.8% 53.1% 55.4%	54 43 33 29

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	Number in pre-trial/	Date	Percentage of	Estimated national	Pre-trial/remand population rate		Trend info	ormation	
	remand imprisonment		total prison population	population at date shown	per 100k of national population	year	total	%age	rate
Uganda	36,490	8.25	46.3%	52.47m	70	2005 2010 2015 2020	15,163 17,367 24,803 28,772	58.0% 55.6% 54.5% 49.0%	53 52 63 62
Zambia	5,101	1.24	20.1%	20.32m	25	2000 2007 2013 2019	3,054 8,164 3,950 4,000	25.5% 54.8% 23.2% 17.6%	29 66 26 22
Zimbabwe	4,797	28.3.25	20.3%	16.04m	30	2000 2010 2014 2019	5,747 3,689 2,718 3,606	27.9% 27.6% 15.6% 18.6%	46 29 21 21
Mayotte (France)	196	1.1.20	56.5%	269,500	73	2009 2016	85 124	39.5% 46.6%	43 51
Reunion (France)	229	1.1.20	21.5%	893,500	26	2016	194	17.6%	22
Southern Africa									
Botswana	872	5.21	22.5%	2.39m	36	2000 2004 2009 2015	1,027 1,530 889 970	15.2% 25.1% 17.0% 24.5%	58 82 45 47
eSwatini / Swaziland	834	9.22	24.5%	1.40m	60	2002 2007 2012	1,610 856 619	49.6% 31.5% 18.1%	148 78 51
Lesotho	404	30.8.14	19.5%	2.26m	18	1999 2005 2010	901 477 c. 450	35.3% 16.3% c. 18%	47 23 c. 21
Namibia**	4,804	.21/22	54.0%	2.80m	172	2001 2010 2015	250 c. 340 c. 3,910	5.2% c. 8% c. 54%	13 c. 15 c. 161
South Africa	61,891	7.25	37.3%	63.85m	97	2000 2010 2015 2020	55,558 47,899 43,298 51,608	33.4% 29.9% 27.1% 33.4%	127 93 79 87

Notes:

Figures are not available for the following three countries:

Central Africa: Equatorial Guinea. Eastern Africa: Eritrea, Somalia.

^{*} Rwanda. The pre-trial/remand total in Rwanda in the year 2000 is exceptionally high because of the very large number of persons detained to await trial in respect of the genocide in that country in 1994.

^{**} Namibia. The figures for 2001 and 2010 do not include pre-trial detainees in police holding cells.

Table 2

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	Number in pre-trial/	Date	Percentage of	Estimated national	Pre-trial/remand population rate per 100k of		Trend info	ormation	
	remand imprisonment		total prison population	population at date shown	national population	year	total	%age	rate
Northern America									
Canada	16,529	2022/23	46.6%	39.22m	42	2000/01 2010/11 2015/16 2019/20	8,747 13,990 15,478 15,888	24.6% 35.0% 37.6% 41.2%	28 41 43 42
U.S.A.	467,600	.23	25.5%	338.46m	138	2000 2010 2015 2019	349,800 457,500 432,800 480,700	18.1% 20.2% 20.3% 23.2%	123 147 134 146
Bermuda (UK)	35	.18	20.2%	63,000	56	2003 2007	63 25	19.4% 9.6%	98 38
Greenland (Denmark)	38	avrge 24	22.8%	56,850	67	2000 2010 2015 2019	7 46 29 36	8.0% 26.9% 23.0% 28.7%	12 81 52 65
Central America									
Belize	476	31.5.25	36.4%	433,400	110	2001 2010 2015 2020	131 305 434 407	14.5% 21.8% 30.1% 30.0%	51 98 123 102
Costa Rica	3,100	31.12.23	17.5%	5.24m	59	2002 2010 2014 2020	1,880 2,733 2,996 3,172	24.0% 23.5% 17.2% 16.9%	46 58 61 62
El Salvador	8,477	22.3.21	23.1%	6.50m	130	2001 2010 2015 2019	5,147 8,439 8,775 10,154	54.3% 34.2% 26.9% 26.6%	86 135 139 157
Guatemala	11,015	27.11.23	47.2%	19.04m	58	2001 2010 2015 2020	4,289 5,440 9,232 12,474	58.7% 54.4% 48.6% 47.7%	37 38 57 70
Honduras	9,590	31.5.23	49.2%	10.37m	92	2002 2010 2015 2020	9,039 5,682 9,012 1,643	78.6% 50.1% 55.8% 53.7%	138 75 106 117
Mexico	102,053	31.8.25	40.4%	135.48m	75	2000 2010 2015 2020	63,724 91,297 102,740 89,130	41.2% 41.7% 41.5% 41.6%	64 81 85 69
Nicaragua	c. 3,140	10.16	21.4%	6.17m	51	1999 2004 2008 2012	1,677 807 1,445 1,127	30.8% 14.4% 21.2% 12.3%	33 15 25 19
Panama	8,460	31.8.25	34.5%	4.65m	182	2000 2010 2015 2020	5,237 7,092 10,047 7,053	63.2% 60.8% 59.7% 39.3%	169 193 250 163
Caribbean									
Antigua & Barbuda	103	7.22	43.3%	98,000	105	2005 2011 2016	52 144 c. 143	28.3% 47.7% c. 37%	62 161 c. 155
Bahamas	598	12.20	37.0%	395,000	151	2002 2005 2010 2013	290 645 c. 500 c. 600	22.7% 43.0% c. 38% c. 42%	93 196 c. 139 c. 159
Barbados	465	31.12.18	54.7%	287,000	162	2000 2007 2010 2015	502 308 357 453	35.6% 29.6% 39.2% 48.9%	188 112 127 158
Dominica	125	13.3.24	48.1%	73,000	171	1999 2007 2015 2020	128 47 60 98	43.4% 18.5% 23.4% 44.1%	183 69 85 132
Dominican Republic	16,018	31.7.25	64.6%	11.35m	141	2000 2010 2015 2020	12,335 13,619 13,983 15,141	82.2% 64.7% 56.7% 58.7%	141 136 131 136
Grenada	90	31.12.17	20.4%	111,000	81	2002 2005 2010 2015	45 41 87 86	15.2% 17.3% 19.9% 17.1%	44 40 84 78

Table 2 (continued)

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	Number in pre-trial/ remand	Date	Percentage of total prison	Estimated national population	Pre-trial/remand population rate per 100k of		Trend info	ormation	
	imprisonment		population	at date shown	national population	year	total	%age	rate
Haiti	5,874	30.6.25	82.0%	12.09m	49	1999 2010 2015 2021	3,055 3,609 7,827 9,424	83.5% 67.7% 70.9% 81.9%	36 37 73 82
Jamaica	838	31.8.21	22.5%	2.85m	29	2003 2009 2013 2017	547 588 694 1,247	11.5% 11.4% 16.9% 32.3%	21 22 25 44
St Kitts & Nevis	67	6.17	30.5%	52,000	120	1999 2005 2010 2013	29 57 57 98	21.5% 27.3% 20.7% 29.7%	64 115 110 181
St Lucia	373	18.12.24	64.4%	186,500	200	1999 2010 2014 2020	106 249 374 355	28.4% 45.2% 59.0% 68.5%	68 142 203 184
St Vincent & the Grenadines	65	31.7.24	16.1%	112,000	58	2001 2006 2011 2018	51 80 126 114	16.9% 21.8% 29.4% 24.3%	47 73 116 104
Trinidad & Tobago	2,389	18.9.18	59.7%	1.37m	174	2000 2005 2011 2015	1,475 1,573 2,098 2,235	31.8% 42.2% 52.1% 60.9%	116 121 155 164
Anguilla (UK)	25	31.8.18	45.5%	15,000	167	2007 2011 2015	17 15 23	30.9% 20.8% 50.0%	131 100 153
Aruba (Neth)	c. 84	5.22	c. 33.3%	108,000	78	2005 2007 2020	10 46 145	4.3% 16.6% 57.1	10 46 136
Cayman Is (UK)	56	1.15	29.6%	58,200	96	1999 2004 2009	19 46 38	7.8% 24.6% 19.6%	48 125 67
Curacao (Neth)	181	5.22	41.7%	165,900	109	2002 2007	420 242	76.5% 41.0%	329 169
Guadeloupe (Fr)	251	1.1.20	27.0%	449,000	56	2016	253	26.9%	56
Martinique (Fr)	313	1.1.20	37.0%	385,000	81	2011 2016	436 265	49.3% 27.3%	110 69
Puerto Rico (USA)	1,190	.18	13.1%	3.19m	371	2004/05 2010 2015	2,537 1,628 1,851	17.0% 14.9% 15.3%	65 44 53
Sint Maarten (Neth)	c. 28	5.22	c. 33.7%	44,000	c. 64	2007	17	18.1%	43
Virgin Is. (UK)	c. 50	11.14	c. 37.0%	28,500	175	2010	38	32.5%	165
Virgin Is. (USA)	208	3.13	36.4%	106,700	195	2011	209	38.3%	197
South America									
Argentina	46,828	31.12.24	38.8%	47.00m	100	1999 2010 2015 2020	21,017 31,142 35,779 42,348	67.9% 52.6% 50.1% 44.6%	57 77 82 93
Bolivia	18,889	7.24	60.7%	12.32m	153	2000 2010 2015 2020	5,415 7,259 9,430 c. 11,869	66.4% 77.2% 69.0% c. 65%	63 71 85 c. 100
Brazil	214,447	31.12.24	23.6%	218.47m	98	2000 2010 2015 2020	80,775 164,683 261,786 239,407	34.7% 36.9% 37.5% 29.5%	46 84 128 113
Chile	22,529	31.8.25	36.2%	19.15m	118	2000 2010 2015 2019	16,033 11,877 12,321 14,390	48.5% 22.2% 28.7% 33.5%	104 69 69 78
Colombia	19,324	30.9.25	18.5%	52.07m	37	2000 2010 2015 2020	20,308 25,916 42,753 36,489	39.4% 30.7% 35.5% 29.8%	50 55 86 73
Ecuador	13,574	26.9.25	37.1%	18.79m	72	1999 2009 2015 2020	5,819 7,107 10,567 14,705	68.3% 46.0% 37.2% 38.0%	47 48 65 83
Guyana	c. 560	9.22	c. 27.0%	794,800	c. 70	2001 2005 2010 2017	418 481 945 762	27.7% 31.6% 43.8% 37.3%	57 64 125 99

Table 2 (continued)

AMERICAS

	Number in pre-trial/ remand	Date	Percentage of total prison	Estimated national population	Pre-trial/remand population rate per 100k of		Trend info	ormation	
	imprisonment		population	at date shown	national population	year	total	%age	rate
Paraguay	11,964	31.8.25	61.4%	7.57m	158	1999 2010 2015 2021	3,791 4,890 9,922 10,341	92.7% 78.9% 77.9% 71.6%	73 78 149 145
Peru	38,028	31.7.25	36.9%	34.54m	110	1999 2010 2015 2020	17,341 27,201 39,439 32,552	63.2% 58.9% 51.1% 35.3%	68 92 126 98
Suriname	265	11.23	32.8%	603,900	44	2011	c. 505	c. 50%	с. 96
Uruguay	c. 1,556	Avrge 21	10.8%	3.50m	44	1999 2010 2014 2018	3,096 5,807 6,254 4,277	77.2% 66.4% 65.5% 41.8%	94 172 183 123
Venezuela	12,110	.24	55.0%	30.79m	39	2000 2010 2015 2020	6,338 28,546 31,503 23,472	44.6% 66.0% 63.4% 62.5%	26 98 101 71
French Guiana/ Guyane (Fr)	183	1.1.20	27.9%	300,500	61	2016	228	25.9%	85

Figures are not available for the following country:

Caribbean: Cuba.

Table 3 ASIA

	Number in pre-trial/	Date	Percentage of	Estimated national	Pre-trial/remand population rate		Trend in	formation	
	remand imprisonment		total prison population	population at date shown	per 100k of national population	year	total	%age	rate
Western Asia									
Bahrain	895	.17	25.7%	1.49m	60	2012 2015	882 c. 1,050	38.2% c. 27.7%	67 c. 78
Iraq	21,939	23.5.21	29.8%	41.08m	53	2012 2014 2019	16,018 15,092 29,000	43.3% 35.2% 50.9%	49 43 74
Israel	5,244	31.12.14	25.2%	7.87m	67	1999 2003 2006 2010	1,314 2,738 5,683 4,370	14.1% 22.4% 27.6% 21.6%	22 43 83 60
Jordan	7,409	31.12.19	36.9%	10.14m	73	2001 2005 2010 2014	2,373 3,057 3,266 c. 4,480	42.2% 47.9% 38.7% 44.4%	48 57 45 67
Kuwait	657	11.21	14.6%	4.35m	15	2001 2005 2009 2013	606 c. 350 c. 405 c. 290	20.8% c. 10% c. 10% c. 10%	30 c. 15 c. 14 c. 9
Lebanon	7,408	8.23	87.1%	6.57m	113	2000 2009 2014 2019	3,059 3,200 3,981 6,307	62.2% 62.5% 66.2% 62.9%	96 75 79 129
Oman	78	.02	5.6%	2.31m	3	2000	236	11.7%	11
Qatar	406	.19	24.7%	2.83m	14	2006 2011	330 c. 500	41.0% c. 43.5%	31 26
Saudi Arabia	32,878	.17	48.3%	32.94m	100	2000 2002	15,613 16,790	65.8% 58.7%	76 77
Syria	5,353	.04	50.5%	17.68m	30		not av	vailable	
United Arab Emirates	3,755	.14	38.2%	9.45m	40	1998 2003 2006 2012	c. 2,500 3,670 5,134 3,365	c. 42% 41.6% 45.9% 34.3%	c. 89 109 105 37
Yemen	5,739	.17	59.0%	28.12m	20	2004 2006 2010 2013	6,009 4,831 5,927 9,920	50.6% 46.4% 47.8% 70.1%	30 23 25 38
Central Asia									
Kazakhstan	7,140	1.7.22	20.3%	19.21m	37	2000 2005 2015 2020	16,498 8,324 5,623 5,795	21.1% 15.8% 11.7% 19.7%	113 55 32 31
Kyrgyzstan	1,568	1.7.22	20.5%	6.54m	24	2003 2009 2015 2019	2,733 1,878 1,928 1,848	16.1% 19.5% 20.1% 16.6%	54 35 33 30
Tajikistan	1,355	1.1.24	9.1%	10.26m	13	2006 2008 2020	1,804 1,100 c. 1,600	16.7% 15.0% c. 14%	26 15 c. 17
Turkmenistan	c. 3,700	1.10	c. 14.0%	5.08m	c. 73	2005	1,191	8.8%	25
Uzbekistan	c. 3,400	.07	c. 10.0%	26.67m	c. 13	2003	5,500	11.5%	22
Southern Asia									
Afghanistan	c. 12,000	9.24	c. 52.2%	42.76m	c. 28	2006 2010 2014	4,262 4,867 8,297	44.4% 26.6% 31.3%	15 15 23
Bangladesh	61,367	25.11.22	75.6%	174.72m	35	2003 2010 2015 2019	45,173 50,576 52,876 71,717	67.1% 73.2% 73.8% 81.3%	32 33 33 43
India	389,910	31.12.23	73.5%	1,420.7m	27	2000 2010 2015 2020	193,627 240,098 282,076 371,848	71.2% 65.1% 67.2% 76.1%	18 20 22 27
Iran	c. 56,650	12.14	25.1%	78.59m	72	2010	c. 42,900	25.7%	c. 58
Maldives	292	2.24	24.4%	530,600	55	2020	258	c. 14.3%	48
Nepal	14,606	end-22	53.0%	30.50m	48	1999 2005 2009 2020	3,026 3,946 5,003 14,543	51.4% 55.3% 58.9% 55.3%	13 14 17 48

Table 3 (continued)

ASIA

	Number in pre-trial/ remand	Date	Percentage of total prison	Estimated national population	Pre-trial/remand population rate		Trend info	ormation	
	imprisonment		population	at date shown	national population	year	total	%age	rate
Pakistan	74,918	mid-24	73.4%	238.0m	31	1999 2009 2015 2019	61,241 57,556 55,429 51,710	77.6% 70.7% 69.1% 64.5%	43 34 30 26
Sri Lanka	24,085	3.10.25	69.4%	21.79m	111	2000 2010 2015 2020	8,245 13,890 10,069 17,256	50.2% 51.5% 52.8% 66.4%	44 67 46 81
South Eastern Asia	a								
Brunei Darussalam	40	mid-15	7.1%	423,000	9	2000 2005 2010	32 35 17	9.6% 7.1% 4.5%	10 10 4
Cambodia	11,982	12.3.24	26.6%	17.54m	68	2000 2010 2015 2021	1,967 4,443 12,111 13,549	35.8% 31.9% 69.1% 34.7%	16 31 77 79
Indonesia	59,057	30.9.25	21.3%	287.72m	21	2000 2010 2015 2020	20,980 47,048 57,547 48,473	39.3% 39.9% 32.6% 19.5%	10 20 22 18
Laos	c. 6,000	.16	c. 67.0%	6.91m	c. 87		not ava	ailable	
Malaysia	28,488	mid-24	33.6%	33.97m	84	2000 2010 2015 2021	7,744 10,472 13,186 25,739	29.8% 27.3% 25.8% 41.7%	33 37 43 79
Myanmar	12,022	.16	15.1%	52.89m	23	2001 2007 2009	4,966 7,431 6,495	15.7% 11.4% 10.8%	10 15 13
Philippines	117,954	9.22	65.2%	111.86m	105	2001 2010 2015	35,961 c. 56,325 96,402	56.9% c. 59% 69.1%	45 c. 60 96
Singapore	1,350	31.12.24	12.5%	6.06m	22	2000 2010 2015 2020	2,311 2,042 1,255 1,182	16.8% 15.0% 10.1% 10.6%	59 40 22 20
Thailand	67,271	19.7.24	22.5%	70.27m	96	2000 2010 2015 2020	80,086 53,307 66,555 63,557	38.9% 26.6% 21.8% 16.8%	128 80 99 92
Timor-Leste	153	4.17	23.2%	1.29m	12	2003 2009 2015	207 95 144	70.9% 42.6% 24.8%	23 9 12
Vietnam	15,405	6.22	11.5%	98.92m	16	2012 2015 2019	15,150 23,985 15,835	11.6% 17.6% 12.6%	17 26 16
Eastern Asia									
Japan	6,169	31.12.24	15.2%	123.59m	5	2000 2010 2015 2020	11,062 7,973 6,462 6,054	18.1% 10.9% 11.0% 13.0%	9 6 5 5
Korea (Rep of)	21,043	31.12.23	35.6%	51.35m	41	2000 2010 2015 2020	24,854 15,215 19,273 18,930	38.8% 31.8% 35.7% 35.1%	54 32 38 37
Mongolia	1,416	mid-20	24.3%	3.18m	45	2003 2005 2010 2015	1,578 1,885 1,581 965	20.0% 26.9% 22.4% 17.6%	64 74 57 32
Taiwan	4,878	31.8.25	7.9%	23.43m	21	2000 2010 2015 2020	5,686 5,015 3,736 2,548	10.0% 7.7% 5.9% 4.4%	26 22 16 11
Hong Kong (China)	4,070	31.3.25	40.0%	7.54m	54	2000 2010 2015 2020	1,252 1,365 1,582 1,962	10.4% 13.7% 18.7% 28.4%	19 19 22 26
Macau (China)	303	30.6.24	22.4%	687,000	44	2000 2010 2015 2020	175 227 281 237	20.7% 24.4% 22.0% 17.8%	41 42 43 35

Figures are not available for the following three countries:

Southern Asia: Bhutan. Eastern Asia: China, Democratic People's Republic of (North) Korea.

Table 4

EUROPE

	Number in pre-trial/remand	Date	Percentage of total prison	Estimated national population	Pre-trial/remand population rate per 100k of		Trend info	ormation	
	imprisonment		population	at date shown	national population	year	total	%age	rate
Northern Europe									
Denmark	1,465	31.1.24	35.5%	5.96m	25	2000 2010 2015 2020	887 1,384 1,153 1,533	26.2% 34.9% 33.7% 37.5%	17 25 20 26
Estonia	323	9.25	20.5%	1.37m	24	2000 2010 2015 2020	1,639 836 713 470	35.5% 23.5% 23.5% 19.6%	119 62 54 35
Finland	783	31.1.24	25.7%	5.61m	14	2000 2010 2015 2020	376 599 597 632	13.2% 18.2% 19.5% 22.6%	7 11 11 11
Iceland	45	31.1.24	32.1%	399,900	11	2000 2010 2016 2020	16 13 15 28	19.5% 7.9% 12.1% 17.1%	6 4 8 8
Ireland	1,114	26.9.25	20.4%	5.53m	20	2000 2010 2015 2020	379 642 525 720	13.1% 14.8% 14.2% 19.4%	10 14 11 14
Latvia	774	1.1.24	23.7%	1.87m	41	2000 2010 2015 2020	3,641 2,000 1,469 949	41.3% 28.3% 31.0% 27.8%	153 89 74 50
Lithuania	538	1.1.24	11.8%	2.91m	18	2000 2010 2015 2020	2,207 1,208 868 726	15.3% 14.0% 10.1% 11.8%	63 36 30 26
Norway	888	31.8.25	29.5%	5.59m	16	2000 2010 2015 2020	609 1,045 983 809	23.0% 28.7% 26.8% 25.2%	14 21 19 15
Sweden	2,763	31.1.24	28.3%	10.55m	26	2000 2010 2015 2020	1,376 1,548 1,478 2,331	24.2% 22.4% 25.6% 30.6%	15 16 15 22
UK: England & Wales	17,701	30.6.25	20.3%	62.52m	28	2000 2010 2015 2020	11,433 13,004 11,785 11,388	17.5% 15.3% 13.7% 14.3%	22 24 20 19
UK: Northern Ireland	738	31.1.24	39.3%	1.93m	38	2000 2010 2015 2019	311 508 398 514	29.1% 34.7% 24.0% 34.1%	19 28 22 27
UK: Scotland	2,106	26.9.25	25.2%	5.59m	38	2000 2010 2015 2020	951 1,441 1,605 1,918	16.2% 18.3% 20.7% 25.7%	19 28 30 35
Faeroes (Denmark)	5	avrge 24	38.5%	54,560	9	2003 2010 2015 2020	5 4 2 7	38.5% 37.9% 18.9% 64.5%	10 8 4 13
Guernsey (UK)	23	3.10.25	25.6%	66,300	35	2001 2010 2015 2020	24 22 9 14	34.3% 31.9% 10.8% 15.1%	38 33 14 21
Isle of Man (UK)	22	30.11.21	20.2%	86,500	25	2000 2005 2010 2015	10 16 28 7	18.5% 26.7% 28.9% 9.0%	13 20 33 8
Jersey (UK)	39	31.10.19	28.1%	107,800	36	2001 2005 2010 2015	27 49 53 36	20.1% 28.2% 27.6% 22.6%	30 54 55 35
Southern Europe	•	•	'		•				
Albania	2,593	8.25	58.7%	2.35m	110	2001 2010 2015 2020	1,458 1,880 3,039 2,354	47.8% 39.6% 51.2% 50.7%	47 59 105 83
Andorra	19	31.1.24	31.1%	85,330	22	2001 2010 2015 2020	34 20 36 20	70.8% 55.6% 69.2% 40.0%	51 24 46 26

Table 4 (continued)

EUROPE

	Number in pre-trial/remand	Date	Percentage of total prison	Estimated national population	Pre-trial/remand population rate per 100k of		Trend info	ormation	
	imprisonment		population	at date shown	national population	year	total	%age	rate
Bosnia & Herzegovina - Federation	360	1.1.24	21.3%	2.15m	17	2000 2010 2014 2019	337 332 216 359	31.6% 19.4% 12.5% 19.8%	15 14 9 16
Bosnia & Herzegovina - Republika Srpska	134	31.1.24	22.7%	1.20m	11	2001 2010 2015 2020	182 190 87 77	21.4% 18.2% 9.9% 13.8%	13 14 7 6
Croatia	1,839	31.12.23	41.4%	3.86m	48	2000 2010 2015 2020	766 1,212 812 1,252	37.8% 24.8% 21.6% 35.4%	17 27 19 31
Cyprus	307	31.1.24	30.8%	934,500	33	2000 2010 2015 2020	39 401 170 287	12.5% 44.6% 26.0% 34.6%	6 50 20 32
Greece	2,817	31.1.24	27.6%	10.40m	27	2000 2010 2015 2020	2,217 3,541 2,470 2,892	29.1% 31.2% 20.9% 26.6%	20 31 23 29
Italy	15,559	30.9.25	24.6%	58.91m	26	2000 2010 2015 2020	23,456 29,986 17,785 16,810	43.4% 43.6% 34.1% 31.7%	41 49 29 28
Kosovo	652	4.23	35.6%	1.84m	35	2001 2010 2015 2020	374 489 367 381	71.8% 36.7% 24.8% 27.3%	19 24 21 22
Malta	279	31.1.24	41.6%	565,200	49	2001 2010 2015 2020	79 233 129 260	30.7% 39.0% 22.7% 30.1%	20 56 30 50
Montenegro	496	31.1.24	47.4%	623,650	80	2000 2010 2015 2020	243 536 298 381	36.6% 33.8% 26.3% 34.4%	40 86 48 61
North Macedonia	314	31.1.24	12.1%	1.83m	17	2000 2010 2015 2020	224 474 363 303	16.1% 18.8% 10.4% 14.3%	11 23 18 15
Portugal	3,066	1.10.25	23.6%	10.83m	28	2000 2010 2015 2020	3,854 2,307 2,316 2,282	29.8% 19.9% 16.3% 20.0%	38 22 22 22
San Marino	15	31.1.24	100.0%	33,950	44	1999 2010 2015 2020	0 0 2 0	0% 0% 100% 0%	0 0 6 0
Serbia	2,518	31.1.24	21.5%	6.60m	38	2000 2010 2015 2020	1,256 3,332 1,538 1,959	20.9% 29.7% 14.5% 18.6%	17 46 22 29
Slovenia	718	31.1.24	39.8%	2.12m	34	2000 2010 2015 2020	335 338 242 399	29.2% 25.9% 17.3% 34.0%	17 16 12 19
Spain	10,472	31.12.24	17.7%	49.08m	21	2000 2010 2015 2020	9,084 14,980 8,109 9,403	20.2% 19.7% 12.7% 17.0%	23 32 17 20
Gibraltar (UK)	15	12.12.16	26.8%	33,950	44	2001 2005 2010 2014	3 10 19 13	15.8% 43.5% 35.8% 25.0%	11 35 65 39
Western Europe									
Austria	1,882	1.10.25	19.5%	9.24m	20	2000 2010 2015 2020	1,669 1,935 2,059 1,783	24.2% 22.5% 22.8% 21.0%	21 23 24 20
Belgium	3,922	31.1.24	32.6%	11.84m	33	2000 2010 2015 2020	3,023 3,712 3,499 4,013	34.8% 35.1% 31.7% 37.1%	30 34 31 35
France (metropolitan France)	24,046	1.9.25	31.0%	66.45m	36	2000 2010 2015 2020	17,321 14,870 16,450 18,472	35.8% 23.2% 22.5% 29.3%	29 24 26 28

Table 4 (continued)

EUROPE

	Number in pre-trial/remand	Date	Percentage of total prison	Estimated national population	Pre-trial/remand population rate per 100k of		Trend info	rmation	
	imprisonment		population	at date shown	national population	year	total	%age	rate
Germany	15,600	31.1.24	26.3%	83.47m	19	2000 2010 2015 2020	18,201 10,941 11,359 12,064	22.9% 15.2% 17.9% 20.8%	22 13 14 15
Liechtenstein	6	31.1.24	75.0%	40,000	15	1999 2010 2015 2020	8 7 3 11	34.8% 50.0% 37.5% 78.6%	25 20 8 28
Luxembourg	290	31.1.24	47.3%	673,000	43	2000 2010 2015 2020	179 303 284 266	45.4% 43.9% 42.6% 44.8%	41 60 50 42
Monaco	13	31.1.24	41.9%	38,300	34	2000 2010 2014 2020	9 3 19 6	50.0% 25.0% 67.9% 46.2%	26 8 51 16
Netherlands	3,372	30.9.23	29.2%	17.91m	19	2000 2010 2015 2020	4,372 5,701 3,041 3,438	39.1% 43.0% 29.6% 32.6%	27 34 18 20
Switzerland	3,410	31.1.25	48.8%	9.12m	37	2000 2010 2015 2020	2,353 2,534 2,725 2,882	41.5% 41.0% 39.6% 41.8%	33 32 33 33
Central & Eastern I	Europe								
Belarus	5,417	31.12.18	16.6%	9.43m	57	2000 2005 2010 2015	10,601 7,472 5,044 6,886	18.7% 18.0% 12.7% 20.7%	106 77 53 72
Bulgaria	1,400	31.1.23	21.5%	6.44m	22	2000 2010 2016 2020	2,113 1,977 1,469 1,715	20.8% 19.6% 17.6% 23.4%	26 26 21 25
Czech Rep.	1,687	31.8.25	8.6%	10.92m	15	2000 2010 2015 2020	5,967 2,499 1,960 1,570	27.7% 11.4% 9.4% 8.1%	58 24 19 15
Hungary	4,277	31.1.24	22.8%	9.58m	45	2000 2010 2015 2020	4,105 4,803 3,978 3,421	26.4% 29.4% 22.8% 20.4%	40 48 40 35
Moldova	1,188	1.4.25	20.2%	2.31m	51	2000 2010 2015 2020	3,236 1,030 1,634 1,053	33.2% 16.1% 20.9% 16.0%	89 29 46 30
Poland	7,644	31.8.25	11.0%	36.40m	21	2000 2010 2015 2020	22,032 8,389 4,162 8,692	31.2% 10.4% 5.9% 12.8%	58 22 11 23
Romania	2,269	31.12.24	9.2%	19.07m	12	2000 2010 2015 2020	10,792 4,630 2,453 2,301	22.4% 16.4% 8.7% 10.6%	48 22 12 12
Slovakia	1,203	1.9.25	14.8%	5.42m	22	2000 2010 2015 2020	1,902 1,464 1,346 1,657	27.4% 14.6% 13.6% 15.8%	35 27 25 30
Ukraine*	16,051	31.12.23	36.5%	37.86m	42	2000 2010 2015 2020	44,700 38,030 16,035 18,919	20.4% 25.7% 21.8% 36.0%	90 83 44 c. 53
Europe/Asia									
Armenia	1,317	31.1.24	53.3%	2.99m	44	2001 2010 2015 2020	762 1,336 1,113 1,017	18.1% 27.2% 28.7% 45.8%	25 45 37 34
Azerbaijan	6,524	1.1.24	24.3%	10.18m	64	2000 2010 2015 2020	2,357 2,750 4,436 3,369	10.0% 12.6% 18.3% 16.0%	29 30 46 33
Georgia	2,342	31.8.25	23.1%	3.86m	61	2000 2010 2015 2020	2,511 2,745 1,316 1,646	30.1% 11.6% 13.5% 18.0%	57 61 35 44

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Table 4 (continued)

EUROPE

	Number in pre-trial/ remand imprisonment	Date	Percentage of total prison population	Estimated national population at date shown	Pre-trial/remand population rate per 100k of national population	year	Trend info	rmation %age	rate
Russian Fed	112,225	1.11.22	25.5%	144.5m	78	2000 2010 2015 2020	232,864 119,010 117,759 104,220	25.2% 14.5% 18.2% 21.6%	160 83 82 72
Turkey**	62,484	1.9.25	14.9%	85.86m	73	2000 2010 2016 2020	29,953 56,107 87,548 48,752	41.7% 46.6% 43.7% 17.3%	44 77 110 58

Notes:

- * Ukraine Since 2014 the Ukrainian prison administration has not been in control of penal institutions in areas overrun by the Russian army. Prisoners now held there are not included in Ukrainian statistics. Thus, the trend information shown for 2000 to 2010 is not comparable with that for 2015 nor with the latest Ukrainian figures.
- ** Turkey The figures for 2020 and 2025 do not include remand prisoners who have been convicted but not yet sentenced.

Table 5

OCEANIA

	Number in pre-trial/ remand imprisonment	Date	Percentage of total prison population	Estimated national population at date shown	Pre-trial/remand population rate per 100k of national population	Trend information			
						year	total	%age	rate
Oceania									
Australia	18,036	30.6.24	40.6%	27.23m	66	2000 2010 2015 2020	3,785 6,367 9,898 13,097	17.4% 21.4% 27.4% 31.9%	20 29 42 51
Fiji	473	.23	20.6%	916,000	52	2000 2010 2015 2020	63 305 426 c. 612	5.3% 27.8% 26.7% c. 24%	8 35 48 c. 66
Kiribati	7	mid-16	5.4%	114,000	6	2000 2005 2010 2015	7 2 4 8	12.3% 2.7% 4.4% 5.5%	8 2 4 7
Marshall Is.	4	9.14	11.4%	53,000	8	2010	4	9.3%	8
Fed. States of Micronesia	22	31.12.14	16.7%	104,000	21	2012	26	28.9%	25
Nauru	13	mid-23	34.2%	11,000	118	2005 2010	0 5	0% 25.0%	0 35
New Zealand	4,452	30.6.25	41.3%	5.43m	82	2000 2010 2015 2020	749 1,908 2,127 3,458	13.3% 21.6% 24.1% 36.5%	19 44 46 69
Palau	4	30.4.05	4.1%	20,000	20	not available			
Papua New Guinea	2,303	mid-23	42.9%	9.47m	24	2000 2009 2015 2019	1,428 2,637 1,841 1,751	40.4% 49.9% 37.8% 34.4%	26 39 24 21
Samoa	83	3.19	23.2%	200,400	41	2003 2007	19 26	6.8% 14.0%	11 14
Solomon Is.	182	mid-24	32.7%	756,000	24	1999 2010 2015 2018	42 96 166 224	31.3% 35.8% 61.3% 46.8%	11 18 28 36
Tonga	184	mid-22	33.0%	108,000	170	2002 2005 2009 2014	4 3 1 13	3.5% 2.3% 0.6% 7.4%	4 3 1 12
Tuvalu	0	8.14	0%	10,000	0	2005 2010	0 1	0% 12.5%	0 10
Vanuatu	37	mid-24	16.1%	337,000	11	1999 2010 2014 2018	9 40 23 31	19.6% 21.4% 15.2% 15.3%	5 17 9 11
American Samoa (USA)	211	3.22	70.1%	56,000	377	2004	19	10.9%	32
Cook Is. (NZ)	7	6.16	14.6%	21,000	33	2000 2005 2011 2014	2 1 1 6	8.7% 3.7% 4.0% 16.2%	11 5 5 29
Fr. Polynesia (Fr)	122	1.1.20	19.0%	280,000	44	2011 2016	90 57	21.4% 14.4%	33 20
Guam (USA)	490	23.7.25	52.8%	175,000	280	2005 2011 2017 2022	171 359 301 380	33.9% 59.8% 45.1% 54.3%	108 222 182 221
New Caledonia (Fr)	65	1.1.20	12.1%	284,000	23	2016	71	14.2%	26

Figures are not available for the following country:

Northern Mariana Is. (USA).

Sources

The figures in the above tables originate almost always from the national prison administrations. Some were obtained indirectly, via the Ministry responsible for prisons, via national statistical offices, via United Nations surveys, via surveys for the annual meetings of the Asian and Pacific Conference of Correctional Administrators, via the Council of Europe Annual Penal Statistics (SPACE) and via U.S. State Department human rights reports.

Table 6 Pre-trial/remand prison population levels – summary by continent

	Pre-trial/remand prison population total	Pre-trial/remand prisoners as percentage of total prison population	Pre-trial/remand population rate per 100,000 of national population
AFRICA	549,408	38.3%	39
AMERICAS	1,060,161	28.3%	101
ASIA	1,100,353	41.1%	35
EUROPE	350,069	21.7%	41
OCEANIA	26,695	39.6%	59
WORLD	3,086,686	32.4%	48

Table 7 Pre-trial/remand prison population levels – change since about the year 2000

	Estimated pre-trial/remand prison population total at about 2000*	Latest available pre-trial/remand prison population total (at 7.10.2025)	Change in pre-trial/remand prison population total since about 2000	Change in national populations mid-2000 to mid-2025 (United Nations)
AFRICA without Rwanda**	444,449 335,199	549,408 536,907	+ 23.6% + 60.2%	+86.1%
AMERICAS	656,461	1,060,161	+ 59.0%	+27.3%
ASIA	631,258	1,100,353	+ 74.3%	+28.8%
EUROPE without Russia***	488,867 256,003	350,069 237,844	- 28.4% - 7.1%	+5.7%
OCEANIA	6,466	26,695	+ 312.9%	+44.3%
WORLD without Rwanda & Russia	2,227,501 1,885,387	3,086,686 2,961,668	+ 38.6% +57.1%	+33.2%

^{*} Some of the figures on which the totals for about the year 2000 are based are estimates and so the totals in this column must similarly be regarded as estimates. The column does not include estimates of the number of pre-trial/remand prisoners in 2000 in the ten countries on which no figures are available for any date near to 2000.



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^{**} The pre-trial/remand total in Rwanda in the year 2000 was exceptionally high because of the large number of persons awaiting trial following the genocide of 1994. These figures show the effect of omitting Rwanda from the comparisons.

^{***} The pre-trial/remand total in the Russian Federation has fallen substantially. Russia has by far the largest national population in Europe and heavily skews the European levels. These figures show the effect of omitting Russia.