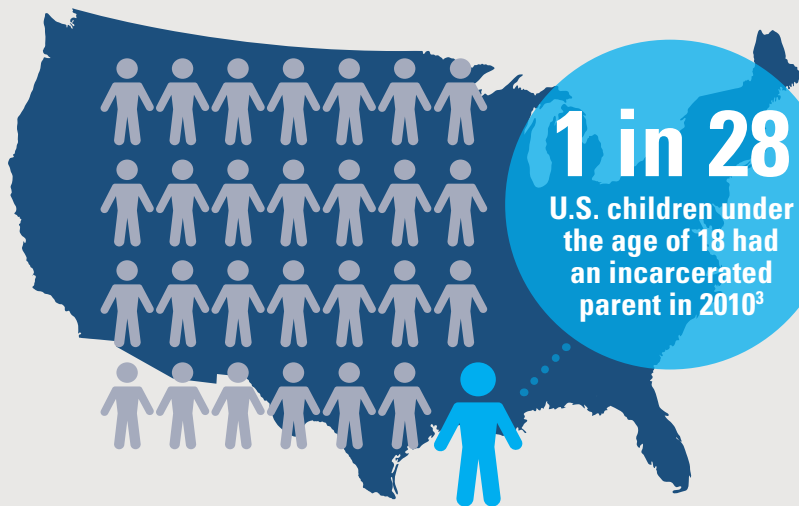


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Connecting Policymakers to People Involved with the Correctional System

Supporting Families of People in Prisons and Jails

The effects of incarceration extend beyond facility walls to the families of incarcerated people. Between 1991 and 2007, the number of parents held in state and federal prisons increased by 79 percent.¹ Parental incarceration is linked to housing instability, financial hardship and economic immobility, negative emotional and psychological effects, and juvenile delinquency.²



A 2015 study of hundreds of family members of incarcerated people found that



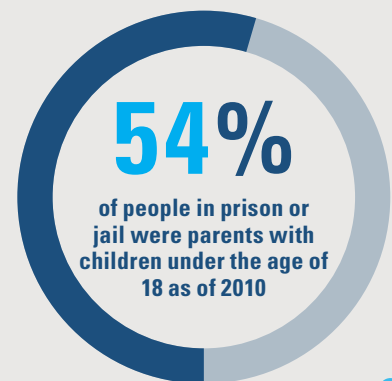
fell into debt due to the costs of phone calls and visits to their family member in a correctional facility.⁴



A 2009 study found that

23% of children

with an incarcerated father have been expelled or suspended from school. In comparison, only 4% of children who did not have an incarcerated father faced similar disciplinary action.⁵



More than 1.1 million fathers were incarcerated



More than 120,000 mothers were incarcerated⁶



A 2009 study found that family income declined by 22% during a father's incarceration.⁷



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