

Mitigating Future Jail Inequities: Understanding the Relationship Between Texas' Compliant and Non-Compliant Jails to Inform Effective Public Policies in North Carolina

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The total population count for compliant jails in December 2017 (most recent data) was 53,002, while the total population count for non-compliant jails in December 2017 was 10,965. This indicates that 1 in 6 people (roughly 17%) detained in jails in any given month reside in a non-compliant jail, even though there are 22 non-compliant jails in Texas compared to 246 compliant jails (roughly 9%).

Low-income county jails tend to house more convicted felons and by deemed non-compliant than high-income county jails.

Location	Median Income	Count
Urban	High	38
Urban	Low	29
Rural	High	59
Rural	Low	140

The median income of the population dataset is \$51,743. There are 169 low-income counties (those that have average incomes below the median of the state), and there are 97 high-income counties (those that have average incomes above the median of the state).