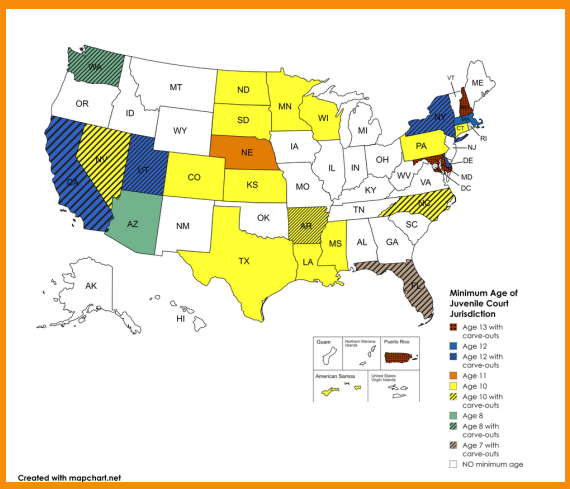
# JUVENILE DETENTION




Years Juvenile Courts Established by State

## INTRODUCTION

- **Juvenile detention = temporary care of juveniles who are awaiting court hearings or who have been sentenced to serve time in a facility**
- **Late 1900's**
- **625 facilities across in the US**
- **47 000 prisonners (2020)**

Roper v Simmons 2005

## CHALLENGES ON JUVENILE DETENTION

### Over-representation of minority youth

- 4x + Black youth than Whites youth
- = racial disparities

### Conditions of confinement

- Poor living conditions
- Inadequate healthcare
- Bad mental wee-being

### Rehabilitation

- Punitive nature of detention undermines rehabilitation
- Exacerbating existence issues
- Detention increases recidivism

## AMERICAN GOVERNMENT'S ACTIONS

### Alternatives to incarceration

- Community-based supervision
- Restaurative justice

### Trauma-informed care

- Understanding youth's health issues
- Recongizing traumas

### Volunty to reduce recidivism

- Providing access to education
- Mental health services

=> during and after incarceration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