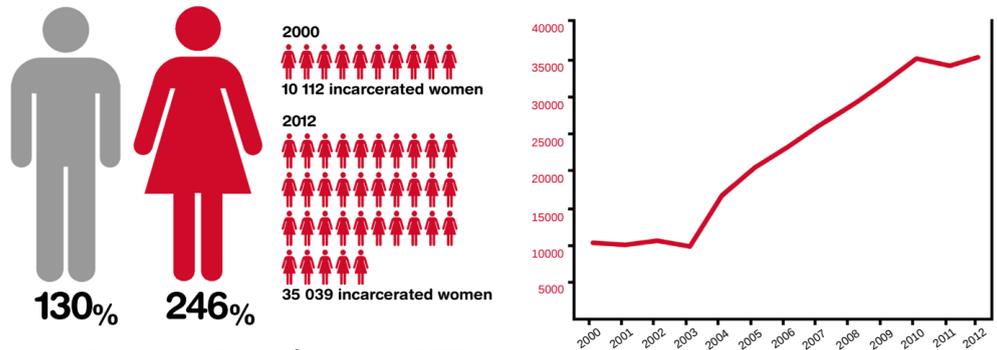


Increase of female incarceration in Brazil

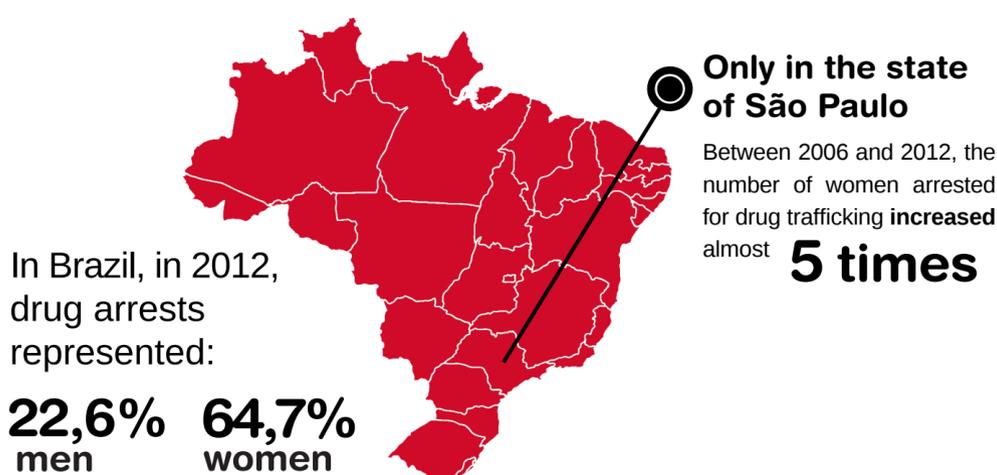


In other countries*



*Data regarding a ten-year period (2000-2010).
 Source: International Centre for Prison Studies

High representativeness of drug-related crimes



Regarding women, between 2003 and 2004 these crimes represented:



Other factors in common amongst women:

- Absence of criminal records
- Main or only household providers
- Low school level
- Difficulty accessing formal jobs
- Employed in small retail activities of trafficking and national and international transportation ("mules").

Being a woman is a three-dimensional sentence*

- 1** Asymmetry in power relations between men and women before prison;
- 2** Mostly punished for trafficking, they have their penal sentences and regimes aggravated;
- 3** Specific forms of discrimination within prison.

*Triple sentencing is a concept debated by researcher Corina Giacomello.

When the crime is drug trafficking, punishment is given even before trial and is harsher than for any other crime.

Source: Núcleo de Estudos da Violência da USP (NEV)

48% The apprehended drug was not in possession of the accused person and the police officers involved in the arrest were the ones to establish the connection between the narcotic and the person in custody, without any investigation prior to the arrest indicating that connection.

74% of the arrests for drug trafficking in São Paulo counted only with the testimony of the police officers who apprehended the accused person.

Under the argument of protecting public order, judges in Rio de Janeiro choose to maintain **98%** of arrests in *flagrante delicto*. This number is even higher than that of homicide, in which the maintenance of the arrest happens in **93%** of the cases.

In prison, the other crime is being a woman

Women suffer offenses to their sexuality and their bodies, besides denouncing sexual bribery. They have fewer opportunities of work, education, leisure and health care. Exams such as the Papanicolaou (pap smear) and the mammography are hardly made available and there is no adequate medical care before and after labour.

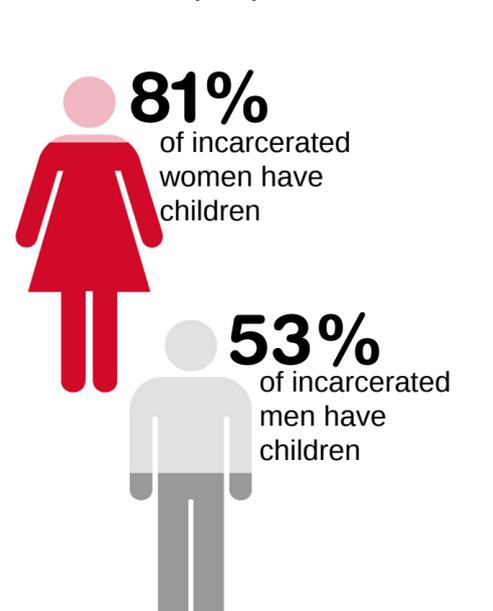
The term between the arrest in *flagrante delicto* and the first hearing, which is generally also the first meeting with the defense attorney, is longer for women.

109 days waiting (men) | **136** days waiting (women)

87,2% of the women held in custody at the Female Penitentiary of Sant'Ana were interested in studying, but both the penitentiary administration and the Judiciary refused to put that right into effect.

Source: Ação Educativa, Pastoral Carcerária and ITTC

Incarcerated people with children



Cohabitation with children

Source: Tecer Justiça

