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### Israel Prison Service

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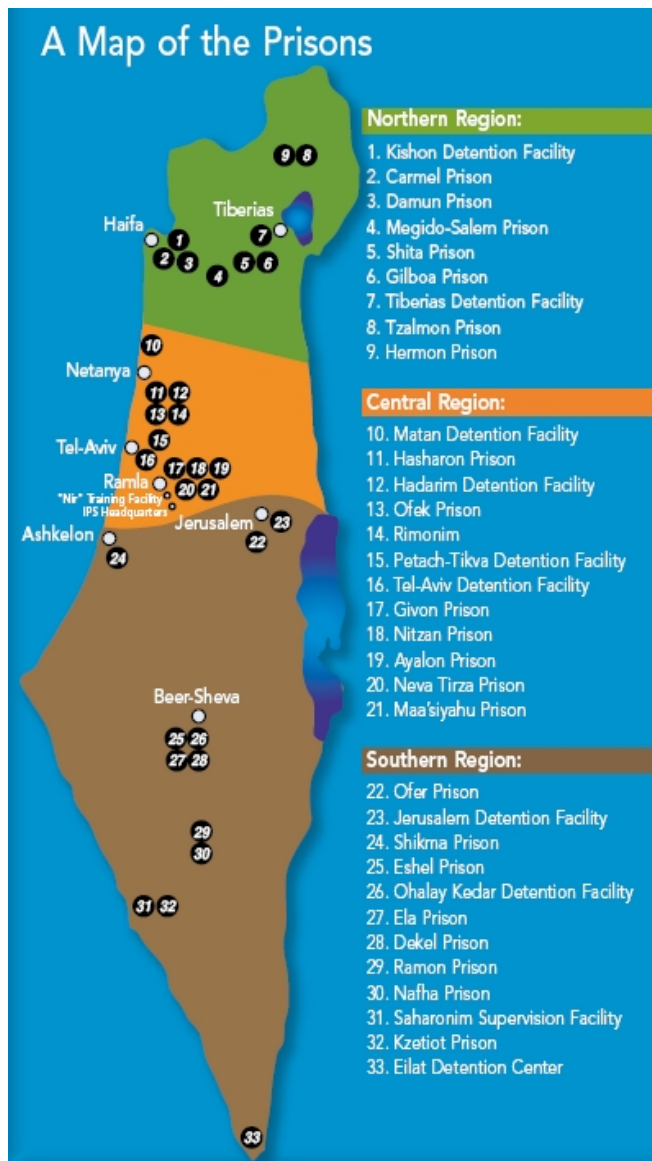


The Israel Prison Service is the national detention authority of Israel. Beyond putting criminals behind bars, the Israel Prison Service also fulfills a social mission within the criminal justice system. In brief, its mission is to enhance offenders' potential for successful integration into society while ensuring them a safe, secure, and appropriate incarceration environment.

This includes respecting their dignity and accommodating their basic needs, as well as providing them with rehabilitative services in collaboration with other government agencies and community organizations.

The main areas with which the prison service is involved:

- **Safe custody** – maximal, effective supervision of inmates inside and outside the prisons, to prevent escape and to secure the perimeters and prevent the facilities from attack.
- **Proper custody** and internment resources - improvement in the living conditions with the goal of reaching international standards, through optimal utilization of resources and development of alternatives to imprisonment.
- **Corrections** - maximum utilization of the period of imprisonment to efficiently treat the offenders in order to enable them to successfully reintegrate into society.
- **Crime prevention** - minimizing the level of crime within, from and into the prison, as part of the ongoing fight against crime in Israel.
- **Human resources** - developing human resources in accordance with the requirements of the job and its needs in a changing and challenging environment, with the knowledge that the staff is the key to the organization's success.
- **Technology** - utilizing technology to achieve goals, and to improve the work of the Israel Prison Service.



To fulfill its mission, the Israel Prison Service employs advanced technologies and incorporates findings from studies in order to foster the development of a quality, professional staff and proper and humane incarceration facilities, in accordance with legal, security and rehabilitative needs.

### Treatment of Prisoners

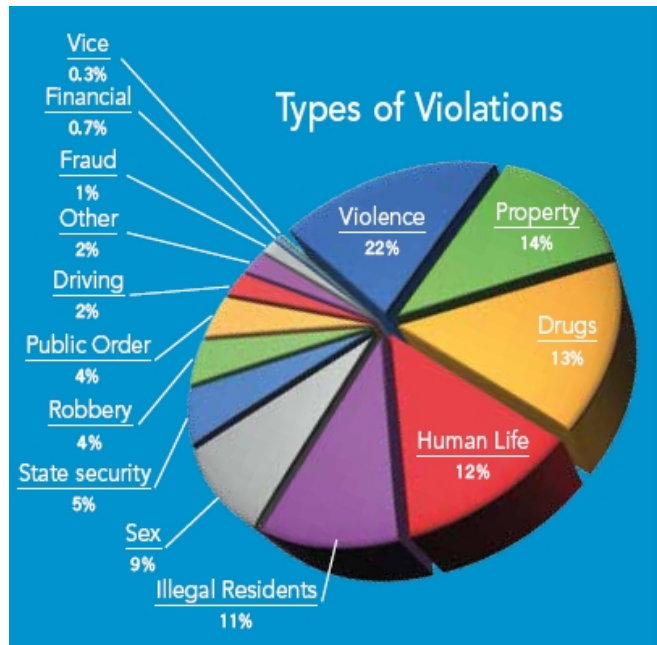
When a person enters prison to serve a sentence, his way of life changes drastically. The separation from his natural environment, his loss of freedom, the harsh living conditions and an unfamiliar society and environment all make the term of incarceration difficult.

The treatment framework provided inside the prisons aims to assist the prisoner during this period, and to motivate him to amend his criminal background, while guiding him towards other means by which to cope and live his life.

A variety of correctional activities are conducted by the Prison Service during the period of incarceration, such as: education, employment, therapy, religion and rehabilitation; all in order to prevent recidivism.

### Security Prisoners

There are some 4,500 security prisoners and detainees incarcerated in the Israel Prison Service, about 50% of whom are considered prisoners "with blood on their hands." These



prisoners include men, women and minors.

Among the security prisoners one finds senior members of Palestinian terrorist organizations, terrorists who were on their way to a suicide mission and were apprehended by the defense forces; dispatchers; attack planners; those responsible for preparing the explosives, etc. As the primary incarceration authority, the Israel Prison Service is responsible for the incarceration of these prisoners, while accommodating their basic needs in accordance with the law.

The prison services trains its guards to handle the job in the best and most professional manner, both during routine situations and emergencies; working with a populace of dangerous prisoners; protecting the prison staff while preventing any activity or preparation of terrorist activity from within the prison walls.