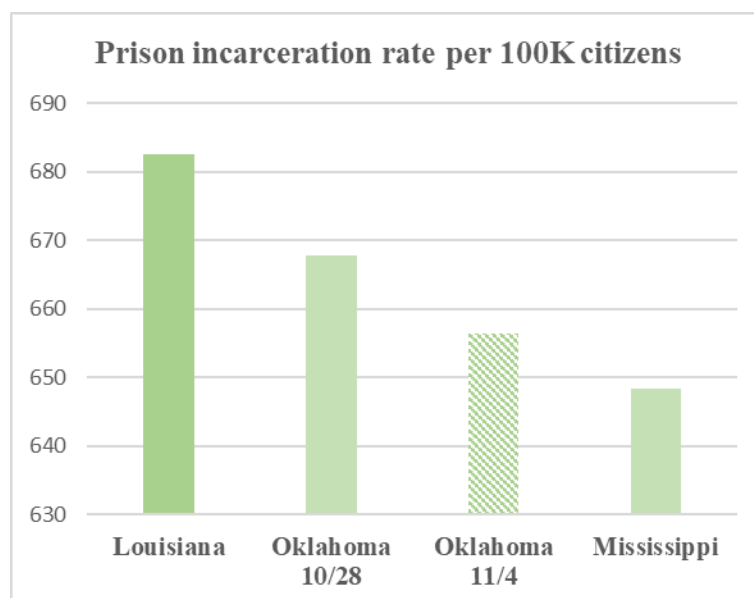




OKLAHOMA: No longer top prison incarcerator in country

Since June 2018, Oklahoma has reportedly had the nation's top incarceration rate. Upon the release of an expected **450** inmates under **House Bill 1269** on Nov. 4, Oklahoma's prison incarceration rate will drop by an expected **1.7%**, placing the state firmly at **No. 2** in prison incarceration in the U.S. and gaining on Mississippi for No. 3 in the U.S. Since November 2015, the in-custody population at the Oklahoma Department of Corrections has dropped **8.3%**, from **28,706 to 26,334**. In 2019, the in-custody population has dropped **nearly every week**.¹

Incarceration rates - Top 3 Incarcerating States			
Prison incarceration per 100K citizens			
	<i>10/2019 prison population</i>	<i>State population</i>	<i>Rate per 100K</i>
Louisiana	31,812	4,659,978	682.6
Oklahoma	26,334	3,943,079	667.8
Mississippi	19,362	2,986,530	648.3
	<i>Projected prison population after ~450 commutations</i>	<i>State population</i>	<i>Rate per 100K</i>
Oklahoma	25,884	3,943,079	656.4
Sources:			
<i>Oklahoma Department of Corrections Weekly Count for October 28th, 2019</i>			
<i>Louisiana Department of Public Safety and Corrections, Daily Count for October 30th, 2019</i>			
<i>Mississippi Department of Corrections Daily Inmate Population, October 17th, 2019</i>			
<i>American FactFinder, United States Census Bureau, 2018 Population Estimate (July 1, 2018)</i>			



¹ Oklahoma Department of Corrections Weekly Population Counts