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MARGARET MEAD

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## **A US Department of Justice Report on Mental Illness in Jail Populations**

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The US Department of Justice reports that approximately 16% of our current prison or jail population has a mental illness. Seventy-five percent of these inmates diagnosed with a mental illness also have a co-occurring substance abuse problem.

If you, or someone you love, have a problem with alcohol, there is help available.

**Alcoholism is a treatable medical disease.** Please speak with your physician, a licensed clinician, or your Mental Health Support Services about possible treatment options.