ON AN AVERAGE NIGHT LAST WEEK, 5,693 PEOPLE WERE LOCKED IN A Cage AT THE Harris County Jail BECAUSE THEY COULDN'T AFFORD MONEY BAIL, EVEN THOUGH IT IS ILLEGAL TO JAIL PEOPLE SOLELY BECAUSE THEY ARE POOR. THIS REPORT USES JAIL POPULATION DATA PROVIDED BY Harris County TO COMPARE THE PRETRIAL DETENTION NUMBERS OF Harris County'S FELONY JUDGES.

HARRIS COUNTY FELONY PRETRIAL DETENTION REPORT
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HARRIS COUNTY TAXPAYERS SPENT OVER $2.9 MILLION ON ILLEGAL PRETRIAL DETENTION THIS WEEK.

THAT'S MORE THAN TWICE THE $1.3 MILLION HARRIS COUNTY TAXPAYERS SPEND EVERY WEEK ON PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICES, THE PUBLIC LIBRARY, AND POLLUTION CONTROL COMBINED.