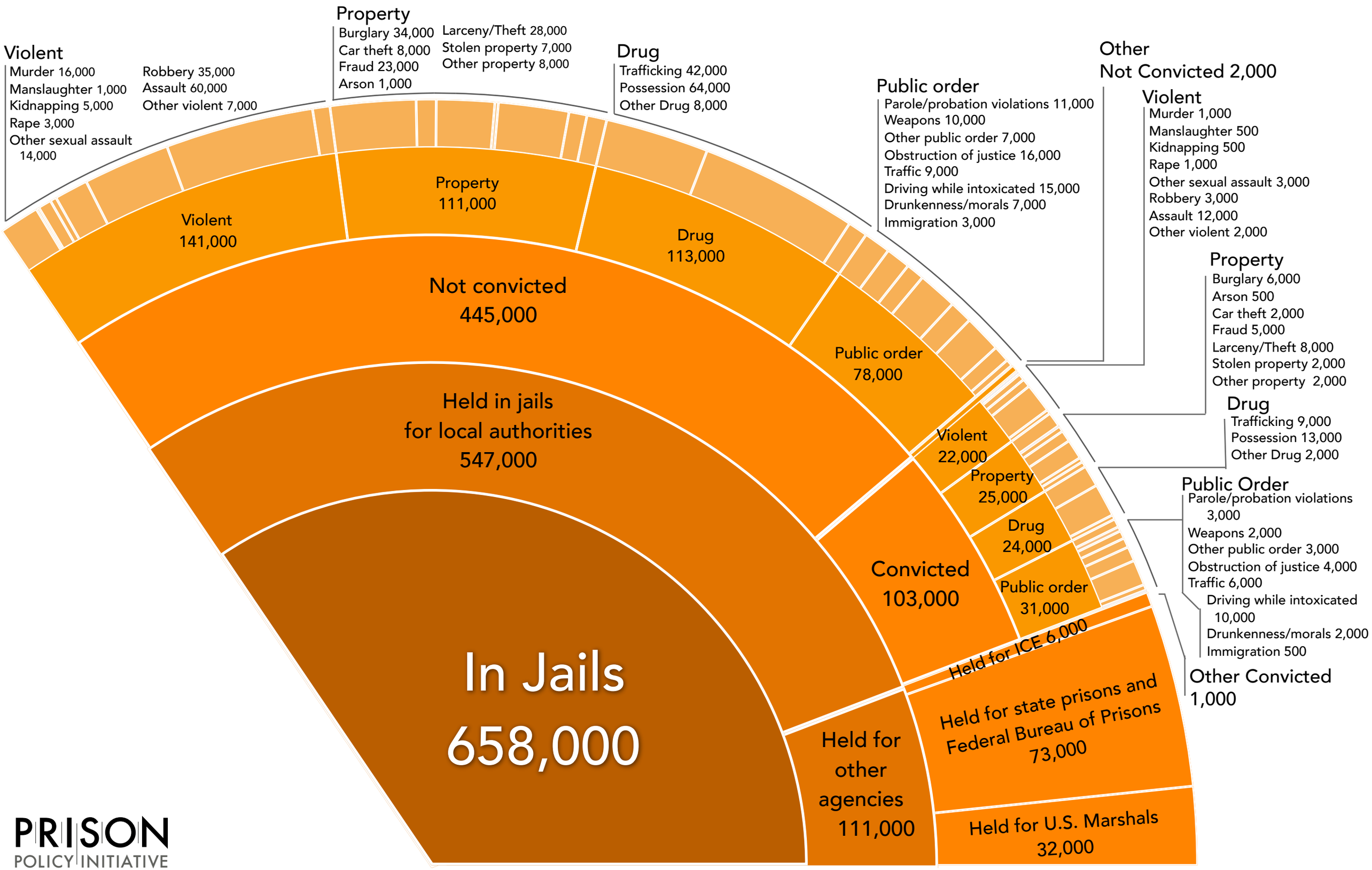
Prisons get all the attention, but 1 in 3 people behind bars is in a local jail

Jail incarceration rates are driven largely by local bail practices. Setting aside the 111,000 people held for other agencies, over 80% of those in jail under local authority have not been convicted and are presumed innocent.



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