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In Mexico and elsewhere, law recognizes the people's right to health and medical care. These provisions also include people deprived of their liberty. Indeed, at an international level, different normative standards have been developed, such as the Nelson Mandela Rules or the UN-Bangkok Rules, to protect the inmates' access to an adequate healthcare. Mexican legislation also recognizes the people's right to health and the inmates' right to effect treatment in order to achieve rehab. In practice, however, our current knowledge of the inmates' medical needs and conditions in which those needs are satisfied by the state are still unexplored. My research aims to describe and explain the current situation of health services within Mexican prisons. I seek to answer three questions: what are the health needs of the prison population? how are those needs satisfied by the state? Are there some other means through which inmates could access medical care, different that those provided by the state? Materials and methods: Statistical-descriptive analysis on the National Survey on Population Deprived of Freedom (ENPOL-INEGI, 2016) across and within national and subnational jurisdictions. Expected results: A comprehensive description on the Mexican inmates' medical needs as well as a situational assessment on the way in which those needs are satisfied within the Mexican carceral system.