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- A 20,000 person paramilitary force, supported by an **\$8 billion annual budget**, I.C.E. is in charge of 200 detention centers which hold up to 40,000 people. 65% are owned by for-profit corporations with whom ICE has guaranteed minimums.
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- There are thousands of documented complaints of **physical, sexual and emotional abuse** in detention; but with no oversight in place, only a small number are actually investigated.
- Recent I.C.E. policy includes **separating minor children from their parents** in detention.
- I.C.E. largely **targets people of color** for imprisonment and deportation.

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