

WOMEN FIGHTING FOR WOMEN

HIGHLIGHTING WOMEN'S STORIES AT EASTERN STATE PENITENTIARY

Today, women make up approximately 10% of the total incarcerated population in the United States, representing one of the fastest-growing demographics within the prison system.



Ada Bayard (B-8280), photographed in 1916

However, their experiences have historically been neglected.

During its operation, **women constituted 2% of Eastern State Penitentiary's population**, and their experiences were often overlooked or disregarded by officials.

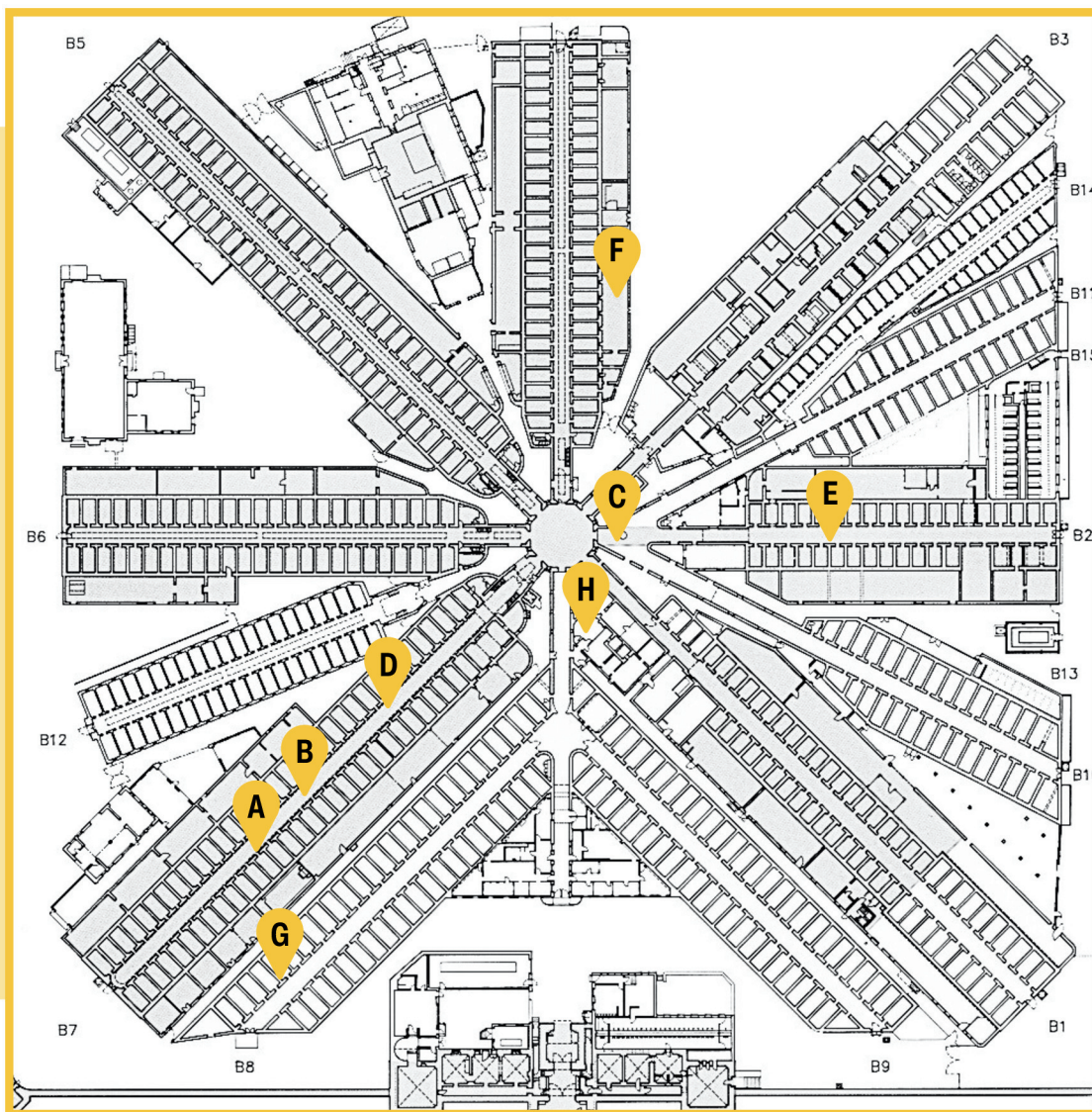
Frances Sepsie (C-9891), photographed in 1934.



**EASTERN STATE
PENITENTIARY**
HISTORIC SITE

This guide highlights locations on-site where the stories and experiences of incarcerated women are brought to light, offering a deeper understanding of their role in the history of the carceral system.

**MAP ON REVERSE
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Visit the points on the map to explore women's history at Eastern State Penitentiary and in prisons today.

- A** *Women at Eastern State* (audio stop 43)
- B** *Juveniles at Eastern State* (audio stop 55)
- C** *Women Fighting for Women* (pop-up exhibit)
- D** Cellblock 7, where women were housed until the late 19th century
- E** Cellblock 2, where women were housed until the last female prisoner was released in 1923
- F** *Prisons Today* exhibit
- G** *#BlackGirlhood* by Dehanza Rogers
- H** *Making Headlines: The Power of Prison Journalism*

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