

# Black People Are More Criminal Than White People

## Ask the victims

Each year, in the National Crime Victimization Survey (NCVS), the Bureau of Justice Statistics asks as many as 134,000 Americans what crimes they were victims of, and who the perpetrator was.

- In 2008, for **single-offender** crimes, compared to whites, blacks were much more likely to commit every violent crime: **2.1 times** as likely to commit **simple assault**, **3.1 times** as likely to commit **aggravated assault**, **4.0 times** as likely to commit **rape/sexual assault**, and **7.6 times** as likely to commit **robbery** (mugging).
- For **multiple-offender** (gang) crimes, blacks were even more dangerous compared to whites: **2.9 times** as likely to commit **simple assault** (in a gang), **6.4 times** as likely to commit **aggravated assault**, **7.3 times** as likely to commit **rape/sexual assault**, and **36 times** as likely to commit **robbery**.
- These multiples are actually **too low** because the NCVS counts most Hispanics as white, which increases the "white" crime rate.

## Check arrest records

In the Uniform Crime Reports (UCR), the FBI keeps track of what crimes are reported to the police, and who gets arrested for them.

- In 2008, compared to whites, blacks were **3.1 times** as likely to be arrested for **aggravated assault**, **2.8 times** as likely for **forcible rape**, and **7.8 times** as likely for **robbery**.
- Blacks were **3.9 times** as likely to be arrested for **violent crime overall** and **6.0 times** as likely for **murder**.

## Compare: it all adds up

For every crime, whether you ask the victims, read police reports, or check arrest records, you find almost the same percentage of black offenders. This shows that **the police are doing their jobs**: arresting criminals, *not* picking on minorities. Blacks are arrested more often than whites because they commit crime more often.

## Inter-racial crime: blacks target whites

The NCVS (2008) clearly shows that black criminals target whites.

- **Single-offender crimes**: blacks committed **83%** of the **520,000** violent inter-racial crimes involving blacks and whites nationwide.
- **The victims of black violent crime are mostly white**: black criminals chose white victims **54%** of the time. White criminals chose black victims only **4.6%** of the time.
- Blacks were **32 times** as likely to attack whites as whites were to attack blacks. For robbery, they were **67 times** as likely.
- There were **over 19,000 black-on-white rapes/sexual assaults**. That's about **53 every day**. However, the NCVS found **zero cases** of white-on-black rape or sexual assault.
- **Multiple-offender crimes**: blacks committed **142,000** violent gang crimes against whites nationwide, including **89,000 assaults** and **49,000 robberies**. That leaves **4,000 gang rapes/sexual assaults**, which is about **10 every day**. The NCVS found **zero cases** of violent white-on-black gang crimes of any kind.
- Gangs of black criminals chose white victims **55%** of the time. As with single-offender crimes, **blacks prefer to attack whites**.

## "But that's just because whites are richer"

Only **21%** of all black-on-white crimes were robberies. The rest were assaults and rapes, presumably with **no economic motive**.

## "But almost all serial killers are white"

Contrary to that popular myth, over **20%** of serial killers are black (Society for Police and Criminal Psychology). Blacks (**13%** of the population) commit these crimes at a **higher rate** than whites, too.

## "But black crime is caused by poverty"

- Actually, race differences in crime rates **persist** after **controlling** for socioeconomic status (Lauritsen & Sampson, "Minorities, Crime, and Criminal Justice," 2000).
- That's why **the single best indicator** of violent crime levels in an area is the percentage of the population that is **black and Hispanic**, with a startling **81% correlation** (*The Color of Crime*, 2005). The **next best indicators** are lack of education (with only a 37% correlation), poverty (with a 36% correlation), and unemployment (with a 35% correlation).
- **Control for all three**, and the race-crime correlation only drops to **78%**! In the simplest terms: if blacks had the **same jobs, incomes, and educations** as whites, they would commit violent crime at **almost exactly the same rate** they do now. It's easy to blame society for black crime, but it doesn't fit the facts.
- Think about it: how can poverty cause rape? What about unemployment causing arson? And why concoct implausible excuses for violent criminals, anyway? **Who are we protecting?**

## "But the police are racist"

- That's ignorant and insulting. After adjusting for victimization rates (from the NCVS), a white criminal is generally **more likely** to be arrested than a black criminal, for the same crime (D'Alessio & Stolzenberg, "Race and the Probability of Arrest," 2003).
- If there were systemic police racism, the **largest** arrest rate gaps would be for crimes where the police have the **most discretion** in making arrests. But in 2008, compared to whites, blacks were **less** likely to be arrested for **liquor law violations**, **1.2 times** as likely to be arrested for **drunkenness**, and **1.9 times** as likely to be arrested for **vandalism**. Is it *easier* to frame blacks for murder?
- **Asians** are arrested at **lower rates** than whites for **every crime except gambling**. Do racist cops really love Asians that much?
- The police racism theory is **full of contradictions**. It's appealing to those who want to blame black people's problems on white people, but just like blaming society, it doesn't fit the facts.

## "But I was a victim of police racism"

That's unfortunate, but according to the data, you're an exception, not the rule. Anecdotes are **statistically insignificant** in a country of 300 million people. And if police racism in America were **insignificant**, as the data strongly suggest it is, then since blacks make up 13% of the population and commit crime at **much higher rates** than whites, we should expect about **30%** of complaints against the police to come from black people anyway.

## What do these findings explain?

- Blacks make up **13%** of the US population. Where do they live?
- According to FBI crime data, in 2010, the **five most dangerous cities** in America were Flint, MI (**53%** black), Detroit, MI (**82%** black), St. Louis, MO (**51%** black), New Haven, CT (**37%** black), and Memphis, TN (**61%** black). Notice anything in common?
- Now look at the **five safest cities** in America: Irvine, CA (**1.4%** black), Temecula, CA (**3.4%** black), Cary, NC (**6.1%** black), Murrietta, CA (**3.4%** black), and Gilbert, AZ (**2.4%** black).
- This is exactly what you would expect from black crime rates. It's one more piece of supporting evidence for the one theory that fits all the data: **black people are more criminal than white people**.