Race in Black and White Statistical data on Race, Violence and Police In America

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RACE

Other

White

Black

Data gathered from various sources -The terms Black and White may also refer to Caucasian and african American. These are the most reliable numbers available. Some years have more figures available, so the dates will vary slightly if not disclosed.

population

Other

Population Of America

POPULATION BY RACE	PERCENT OF PEOPLE
Other	15
White	72
Black	13

White people are the largest racial majority.

Number of people killed by police 1999-2011

RACE OF PERSON SHOT	FATALITIES
Black	1,130
White	2,151

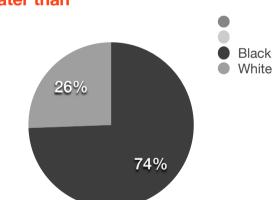
White Black 13% 15% 72%Black White 34%

66%

This means that the total number of white people shot by police is greater than that of blacks.

RACE OF PERSON SHOT	FATATLITIES
Black	81,360
White	27,963

Number of people killed by police adjusted to population



Per Capita a Black person is 3 times more likely to be shot by Police than a White person. • Other White 12% 17% **Population of Police** Black PERCENT 17 71 71% 12

Per population law enforcement is roughly represented by race evenly.

Percentage of shootings by Black Police officers

RACE OF PERSON SHOT	PERCENT
Black	78
other	22

Black officers shoot Black civilians more than two thirds of the time.

Percentage of shootings by White Police officers

RACE OF PERSON SHOT	PERCENT
Black	46
other	54

White officers are more likely to shoot someone who is not Black.

Homicide crimes committed by Race

RACE OF PERSON OFFENDING	PERCENT
other	2
White	45
Black	53

Blacks commit more homicides than all other racial groups combined.

Homicide crimes by Race adjusted for population

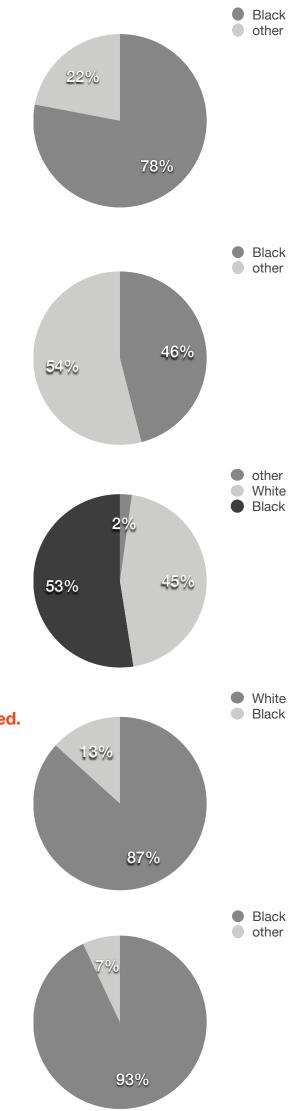
RACE OF PERSON OFFENDING	PER POP
White	3,816
Black	585

Blacks are 6.5 times more likely to commit homicides than Whites.

Homicide crimes committed by Blacks

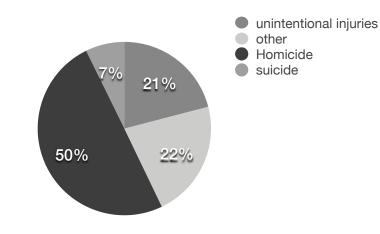
RACE OF VICTIM	PERCENTAGE
other	7
Black	93

Black Victims of homicide are killed by other black 93% of the time.



Biggest Killer of Black Men age 15-24

RACE OF VICTIM	PERCENTAGE
Homicide	50
unintentional injuries	21
suicide	7
other	22



This means that approximately 47% of all deaths of black men 15-24 are caused by other people in the black community.

Black Homicide by other Blacks, causes more deaths than the next 9 leading causes combined.

The biggest killer of Black Men is other Black Men.



If you are Black, you are 31 times more likely to be killed by a black person, than the police.

If you are Black, the Police statistically are more likely to help you, than kill you.

A 2012 study by the Department of Justice's Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention revealed that in 2010 black youths committed 6 times more murders, 3 times more rapes, 10 times more robberies and 3 times more assaults than did their white counterparts.

So what is responsible for the Violence in Black communities? Is Black culture just more violent? Or is the violence tied to something much more complicated that is Socio-Economic in nature?

We will explore ideas of poverty and the way we talk about race in the next piece.

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