

The U.S. has the highest rate of incarceration in the world, 25% of the world's prisoners, 5% of the world's population.

PEW Ctr. on the States, 2008

"The U.S. imprisons a larger percentage of its black p than South Africa did at height of apartheid."

M. Alexander, The New Jim Crow, 2012, Intro, p.6



30% of the total population, but 60% of the prison population, are persons of color.

US Census Bureau

60% of all inmates are non-violent offenders.

Center for Economic and Policy Research

"7.3 million people in the U.S. are under correctional control."

Alexander, p.101

90% of female inmates have been sexually victimized prior to incarceration.

Prevent Child Abuse America

Women of all races are the fastest growing inmate population.

"...the notion that the New Jim Crow can ever be dismantled through traditional litigation and policy-reform strategies that are wholly disconnected from a major social movement seems fundamentally misguided."

Alexander, p.15

October Month of Mass Resistance to Mass Incarceration, Police Terror and the Criminalization of Generations!

Not One More Police Killing! Stand with the People of Ferguson!

Step Up the Struggle Everywhere!

Are you outraged by the horrors of police terror and mass incarceration? Spread the word. Be there. Bring your friends.

October 3-5

Sermons on the New Jim Crow from every pulpit

October 22

Demonstration at 3 P.M. Public Square, Cleveland

October 30

National **Wear Orange** Day



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