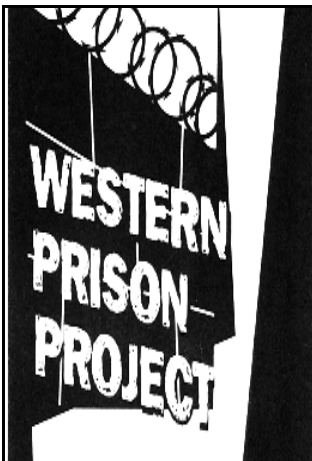


Incarceration of People of Color in Our Region

State	Black		Hispanic		Indian		Other/Asian		State
	Pop. %	Pris. %	Pop. %	Pris. %	Pop. %	Pris. %	Pop. %	Pris. %	
ID	0.6	1.5	7.9	14.9	2.1	4.1	1.5	1.3	ID
MT	0.5	1.4	2	2	7.4	20.4	0.9	0	MT
NV	7.5	26.7	19.7	14	2.1	1.8	6.4	1.2	NV
OR	2.1	10.7	8	10.7	2.5	2.3	4.2	1.2	OR
UT	1.1	7.7	9	16.7	1.8	3.7	3.2	2.2	UT
WA	4	22.3	7.5	12.1	2.7	3.4	7.4	3.3	WA
WY	1	5.3	6.4	11.7	3	5.8	0.9	0.3	WY

Pop. % refers to percent of general population as counted in the 2000 census. *Pris. %* is the percent of prisoner population as reported by State Departments of Corrections during 2000/2001. Figures have been rounded. States where the prison population represents more than twice the percentage in the general population are marked in **bold**. Circled figures indicate states with the highest disparity in incarceration rates for each race. "Hispanics" can be multiple races.



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Montana ranks third in the country for overrepresentation of **American Indians** in their prison population. Nationally, American Indians make up only 1% of the population, yet comprise 1.6% of the Federal prison population and 1.3% of prisoners in state prisons.

Blacks are incarcerated severely out of proportion to their numbers in every state in our region. Research has shown that African-Americans are treated more harshly at every juncture in the criminal process. Nationally, Blacks make up 50% of our country's prison population.

Latinos are incarcerated at rates nearly double their representation in the population in ID, UT, and WY. Nationally, Latinos are the fastest growing ethnic group. Between 1990 and 2000, the Latino population in Idaho grew by over **92%** — in Utah, the figure is **138.5%**. These are the two states with the highest rates of Latinos in prison in our region.