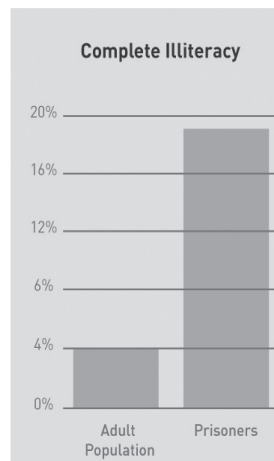
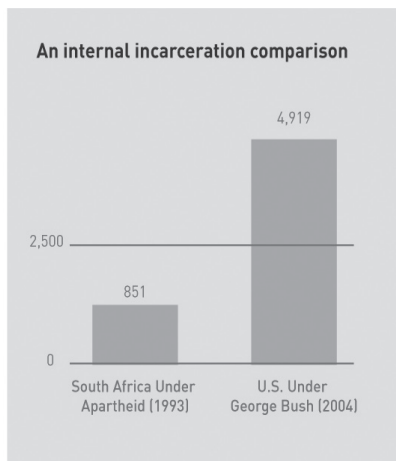
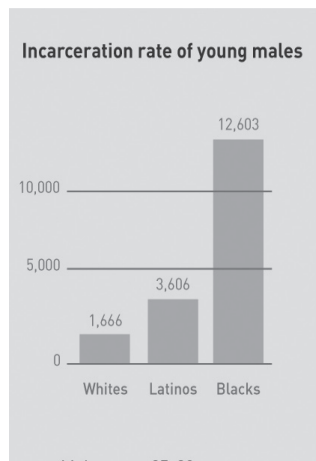


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- Angola is an 18,000 acre former slave-breeding plantation with an annual operating budget of over \$105,000,000.
- It was officially established as the Louisiana State Penitentiary in 1901.
- Primary crops include corn, soybeans, cotton and wheat. Sustaining crops include tomatoes, cabbage, okra, watermelon, onions, beans, and peppers.
- There is a 1,500 cattle beef herd, which is sold for profit, to the open market through Prison Enterprises.
- Prison Enterprises also manages the for profit license tag shop, metal fabrication facility, mattress, broom and mop factories housed on Angola.
- Every physically able prisoner is required to work for 2-20 cents an hour for a minimum of 40 hours a week.
- LSP is the largest employer in West Feliciana Parish, providing more jobs than the nuclear power plant and paper mill combined.
- A new \$10,000,000 Death Row facility was completed in April 2007.
- The 11,300 seat arena which houses the annual Angola Prison Rodeo was completed in 2002, with prison labor.
- 2 new chapels have been built on Angola in the last 2 years with profit from the Angola Rodeo and prison labor.
- 28,987 Religious Materials and 8,424 Bibles were distributed in 2005.
- Approximately 400 religious services and programs are offered each month throughout LSP.
- Prison View Golf Course is open to the public inside Angola. 24 hour reservations are required and tee off is \$20 (including cart rental).
- In 2006 incarceration rates for white males between ages 25-29; 1,685 per 100,000. For Black males ages 25-29; 12,603 per 100,000.
- Slavery has **NOT** been abolished in the United States. [Section 1] of the 13th Amendment to the United States Constitution reads: Neither slavery nor involuntary servitude, except as a punishment for crime whereof the party shall have been duly convicted, shall exist within the United States, or any place subject to their jurisdiction.
- The United States represents 4.6 percent of the world's population, but houses nearly 23 percent of humanity's prison population.
- The United States has approx. 500,000 more prisoners than China.
- Blacks represent about 12 percent of the U.S. population, but 48 percent of the prison population.
- In 2008, over 2.3 million [1 out of every 100] Americans are currently behind bars in the United States. This represents the highest per capita incarceration rate in the history of the world.
- One out of every 36 Latinos are incarcerated in the US [2008]
- One out of every 15 Black adult males are incarcerated in the US [2008]
- Incarceration rates for Black males in the US today are nearly 6-times greater than in South Africa under apartheid. (US 4,919 per 100,000; South Africa [1993], 851 per 100,000).
- Records show black Americans represent just 13 percent of drug users, but 38 percent of those arrested for drug crimes, and 59 percent of those convicted.
- When convicted of the same drug felony, Blacks are about 50 percent more likely to be sentenced to prison than whites.
- A white man's chances of spending some time in prison over the course of his life is 5.9%. For Black men, the odds are 32.2%, nearly one in three.
- One of the fastest growing sectors of the prison industrial complex is private corrections companies. Investment firm Smith Barney is a part owner of a prison in Florida. American Express and General Electric have invested in private prison construction in Oklahoma and Tennessee.
- Most of the incarcerated population in the US is poor people who commit nonviolent crimes often out of economic need. Violence occurs in less than 14% of all reported crime, injuries occur in just 3% and violent crime only constitutes about 4.6% of all arrests.
- In California, the top three charges for those entering prison are: possession of a controlled substance, possession of a controlled substance for sale, and robbery. Violent crimes like murder, rape, manslaughter and kidnapping don't even make the top ten.



Data from Education as Crime Prevention, OSI Criminal Justice Initiative, Bureau of Justice and US Statistics: [www.ojp.usdoj.gov/bjs/abstract/pjim04.htm](http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/bjs/abstract/pjim04.htm), Angola Prison Official Website: [www.corrections.state.la.us/LSP](http://www.corrections.state.la.us/LSP), and The Prison Index: [www.prisonpolicy.org](http://www.prisonpolicy.org).