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American Lynchings

Lynchings: By State and Race, 1882-1968 *

State	White	Black	Total
Alabama	48	299	347
Arizona	31	0	31
Arkansas	58	226	284
California	41	2	43
Colorado	65	3	68
Delaware	0	1	1
Florida	25	257	282
Georgia	39	492	531
Idaho	20	0	20
Illinois	15	19	34
Indiana	33	14	47
Iowa	17	2	19
Kansas	35	19	54
Kentucky	63	142	205
Louisiana	56	335	391
Maine	1	0	1
Maryland	2	27	29
Michigan	7	1	8
Minnesota	5	4	9
Mississippi	42	539	581
Missouri	53	69	122
Montana	82	2	84
Nebraska	52	5	57
Nevada	6	0	6
New Jersey	1	1	2
New Mexico	33	3	36
New York	1	1	2
North Carolina	15	86	101
North Dakota	13	3	16
Ohio	10	16	26
Oklahoma	82	40	122
Oregon	20	1	21
Pennsylvania	2	6	8
South Carolina	4	156	160
South Dakota	27	0	27
Tennessee	47	204	251
Texas	141	352	493
Utah	6	2	8
Vermont	1	0	1
Virginia	17	83	100
Washington	25	1	26
West Virginia	20	28	48
Wisconsin	6	0	6
Wyoming	30	5	35
Total	1,297	3,446	4,743

*Statistics provided by the Archives at Tuskegee Institute.

Data by year (aggregated again!)

Year	Whites	Blacks	Total
1882	64	49	113
1883	77	53	130
1884	160	51	211
1885	110	74	184
1886	64	74	138
1887	50	70	120
1888	68	69	137
1889	76	94	170
1890	11	85	96
1891	71	113	184
1892	69	161	230
1893	34	118	152
1894	58	134	192
1895	66	113	179
1896	45	78	123
1897	35	123	158
1898	19	101	120
1899	21	85	106
1900	9	106	115
1901	25	105	130
1902	7	85	92
1903	15	84	99
1904	7	76	83
1905	5	57	62
1906	3	62	65
1907	3	58	61
1908	8	89	97
1909	13	69	82
1910	9	67	76
1911	7	60	67
1912	2	62	64
1913	1	51	52
1914	4	51	55
1915	13	56	69
1916	4	50	54
1917	2	36	38
1918	4	60	64
1919	7	76	83
1920	8	53	61
1921	5	59	64
1922	6	51	57
1923	4	29	33
1924	0	16	16
1925	0	17	17
1926	7	23	30
1927	0	16	16
1928	1	10	11
1929	3	7	10
1930	1	20	21
1931	1	12	13
1932	2	6	8
1933	2	24	26
1934	0	15	15
1935	2	18	20

1936	0	8	8
1937	0	8	8
1938	0	6	6
1939	1	2	3
1940	1	4	5
1941	0	4	4
1942	0	6	6
1943	0	3	3
1944	0	2	2
1945	0	1	1
1946	0	6	6
1947	0	1	1
1948	1	1	2
1949	0	3	3
1950	1	1	2
1951	0	1	1
1952	0	0	0
1953	0	0	0
1954	0	0	0
1955	0	3	3
1956	0	0	0
1957	1	0	1
1958	0	0	0
1959	0	1	1
1960	0	0	0
1961	0	1	1
1962	0	0	0
1963	0	1	1
1964	2	1	3
1965	0	0	0
1966	0	0	0
1967	0	0	0
1968	0	0	0
Total	1,297	3,445	4,742

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[brotherbrown](#) said...

Man, stats like that are always chilling to look at.

I bet many of those lynchings in the west that are classified as "white" were "Mexicans."

[Reply October 24, 2010 at 12:17 PM](#)

[Theothertwofifths.blogspot.com](#) said...

brotherbrown reading my mind, beat me to the click.

How would you get past the obvious and find out who in the "white" column might be Hispanic, Native American, Asian/Asian American? Or are there just "missing" columns? Just asking how one might interpret, not contesting the data.

Best hard-copy year-by-year tabulation I've seen is: [Racial and Religious Violence in America: A Chronology](#), Michael Newton & Judy Ann Newton (1991). Good luck finding a copy outside an academic library.

[Reply October 24, 2010 at 12:20 PM](#)

[Cobb](#) said...

Here's the link to the data in spreadsheet form. It includes charts.

<https://spreadsheets.google.com/ccc?key=0AkwqutEihIa-dHR6b2xOMDhJZHNSWThxYU8xMnZFUIE&hl=en>

[Reply October 24, 2010 at 10:32 PM](#)

[Thrasher](#) said...

This data is pure speculation..

[Reply March 28, 2011 at 07:31 AM](#)

[Cobb](#) said in reply to [Thrasher](#)...

Got anything better?

[Reply March 28, 2011 at 07:58 AM](#)

[Thrasher](#) said in reply to [Cobb](#)...

Yeah plenty but I reserve the right to publish anything on your site given your petty posture of deleting and censoring of comments that conflict and object to your myoptic views and perspectives...

This lynching data you have posted is a collection of data sourced by white researchers of course...

[Reply](#) [March 28, 2011 at 08:10 AM](#)

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