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PRISON SLANG WORDS

AD SEG: Administrative segregation. A solitary cell reserved for problem prisoners and gang members who pose a threat to prison security. Protective custody offenders are often housed in Ad Seg.

Alicia- Offensive term used to identify a Barrio Azteca member

Avanico – Term used when describing an Aryan Circle gang member.

Blasting - term used by the Tango Blast prison gang when referring about a fellow gang member.

Abispa (Wasp) – Term used when describing an Aryan Brotherhood gang member.

B.B. Gaytan – Offensive term the Barrio Azteca uses to describe a California based rival gang formally known as the Border Brothers.

Bone – Term used when describing a shank.

Bombita - Slang term for (TCB) Tri City Bomber prison gang

Borracho – Term used by convicts when referring to a member of the PRM Partida Revulucanios Mexicanos.

Bro - Term strictly used by White gang members when describing their fellow gang members.

Cakero – Term used to describe a convict who rapes weaker inmates.

Calaca – Term used by Hispanic prisoners when describing a murder.

Calles de Oro (Streets of Gold) Term used by Hispanic gang members when referring to the streets.

Car - Slang term for prison gang

Carga - Heroin

Carnal – Term strictly used by Hispanic gang members when describing their fellow gang members.



White Prison Gangs



Hispanic Prison Gangs



Black Prison Gangs

Catch my fade - Black offender slang for fight Catching The Square – Term used by prisoners challenging another to a fight. Chanate- Offensive term used by prisoners describing a black prisoner.

Chava – Offensive term Hispanic offenders use when describing a homosexual. Chica – Offensive term used by Hispanic prisoners when describing a Texas Chicano Brotherhood gang member.

Chiva - Heroin

Chow Time – Term convicts and staff use to describe lunch and dinner time.

Chump – Term used by prisoners describing a gullible inmate.

Chuntaro – Offensive term American born Hispanics use to describe a Mexican National.

C.O.'s - Correctional Officers

Cock Blocker – Term used by convicts to describe an offender or staff who interferes or is annoyed with offenders who masturbate on female staff.

Color Scared- Term used by white offenders to describe a white inmate or staff who fears African American prisoners.

Convict – term of respect describing a prisoner who is experienced in crime and prison life.

Corpitos – Term used by Hispanic inmates when referring to Corpus Christi, Texas.

Crepa (Crap) – Offensive term used when describing a Crip gang member.

Cuerno – Term used to describe a Texas Syndicate member.

Cuz – term used by Crip gang members when describing a fellow Crip member.

Cuete- term used when referring to a (HPL) Hermandad de Pistoleros Latinos member.

Dog – Term used by Blood gang members when referring to a fellow Blood gang member.

D-Town – Term used to describe Dallas, Texas.

El Chuco – Term used to describe El Paso, Texas.

ESE – General prison term blacks and whites use when describing a Hispanic prisoner.

Back doored – Term used by offenders when describing a surprise assault on an inmate or staff.

El Sharko – Term used to describe Corpus Christi, Texas.

Encaruchado – Term used by Hispanic offenders when describing a prisoner who is a member of a prison gang.

Escina – Slang for non member gang associate who offers support to prison gang. Fama – Short for family. Hispanic prisoners generally use this term to describe a prison gang.

Fierro-Term used by Hispanics when referring to a shank.

Foritos – Term used by Hispanic prisoners when referring to Ft. Worth, Texas.

Fresh meat – term used by inmates when describing a new and weak looking prisoner.

GOON SQUAD: A term used by inmates to describe correctional officers who are fully geared in protective vests, shields and riot gas.

Kite – Term used to describe a small note sent by one prisoner to another.

Hoe – Offensive term inmates use when describing a woman.

Houstone - Term used to describe Houston, Texas.

Hug a thug- Term used by correctional officers when describing a fellow staff officer who makes friends with offenders.

H-Town Term generally used to describe Houston, Texas.

Indio- Term used to describe a Barrio Azteca member.

Jail House lawyer- Term used to describe inmate with legal experience.

Jiggers – Term used by prisoners for another prisoner who is asked to watch out for officers during the commission of a crime.

Juaritos – Term used by Hispanic prisoners when referring to Ciudad Juarez Mexico. La Capirucha – term used by Hispanic convicts when referring to Austin, Texas.

La Escura – Term used by Hispanic gang members when describing a fellow gang member who is excluded from all gang activities as a form of punishment.

La Lista Negra (The Black list) – term Hispanic gang members use to describe an ex gang member marked for death.

La Oreja – Term used to describe San Antonio, Texas.

La Playa – Term used by Hispanic prisoner when describing a shower. Larette – term used by Hispanic inmates when referring to Laredo, Texas.

La Yoga – term Hispanic prisoners use to describe a toilet.

Lobo – Term used by Hispanic prisoners when referring to Lubbock, Texas. Luz Verde – term used by Hispanic gang members to describe a contract murder or bit

Melasa – Term used by Hispanic prisoners when describing a Correctional Officer.

Meskin – Offensive term black and white offender's use when describing a Hispanic inmate.

Merecido – Term used to describe a Mexican mafia member.

Mexicles – term used to describe prisoners from Mexico. Mexicles is also a term used to describe a unity of Mexican Nationals in prison.

Miona – Offensive term used to describe a Mexican mafia member.

Moyo – Offensive term used by Hispanic prisoners when describing a black man. Mud – slang term used by convicts to describe coffee.

Neutron- Term used by both black and white gang members when describing a

prisoner not affiliated with a gang.

New Boot – Term used to describe a new correctional officer or inmate.

Ojo de Agila (Eagles Eye) – Term used by convicts when advised to "Watch Out" for officers and snitches.

Old School – Term of respect used to describe older prisoner.

Oregano – Term used by Hispanic gang members when referring to money.

Orejon – Term used to describe prisoner from San Antonio, Texas.

Peckerwood – A white offender usually affiliated with a prison gang.

Perica – term used by Hispanic prisoners when referring to a radio.

Perra – Offensive term Hispanic convicts use to describe a PRM member.

Pico – Term used by Hispanic inmates when describing a shank.

Punk – Offensive term to describe a homosexual or weak offender.

Rata – Offensive term used by Hispanic prisoner when describing a Raza Unida gang member.

Rat Pack – Term used by offenders to describe an assault on one inmate or staff by a large group of gang members.

Relaje – Term used by Hispanic offenders describing a prison snitch.

Ride – Slang term for prison gang.

Riding – Slang term to describe a weaker offender buying protection from a prison gang.

Scrub – Term used to describe a prisoner who begs other inmates for necessities.

SHAKE DOWN: A term used by both correctional officers and inmates to describe when officers search an inmate cell.

Shank - Prison made knife.

Slob – Offensive term when describing a Blood gang member.

Soda – Term used by Hispanic prisoners when referring to cocaine.

Solano – Term used by Hispanic gang members when describing a prisoner not affiliated with a gang.

Square- Term used to describe a cigarette.

SSI – Abbreviation for Support Service Inmates. Term used to describe an inmate trusty.

Taxi – Term used by convicts when referring to a trusty inmate.

Tejano – Term used to describe Texas Syndicate member.

Tenedor – Term used to describe a Disciple gang member.

Teta – Offensive term used to describe a Texas Syndicate member.

The dime – A term gang members use to describe the 10% tax charged on non member criminals selling drugs on gang territory.

Thug – Term used to describe a joint.

Trucha – Slang term for "Be Alert" signal that officers are around.

Vaca – offensive term used by Hispanics when referring to Texas Syndicate member.

Valluco – term used to describe the south Texas Valley.

Warriche – Slang term used by Hispanic prisoners when describing coffee.

Weso – Term used by Hispanic inmates when referring to West Texas.

White boy- Offensive term used by convicts describing a weak Anglo inmate.

Woods- White prisoners who have earned the respect of fellow offenders by fighting back when provoked.

Yeska – term used by Hispanics when referring to marijuana.

5-o – term used to describe the police.

