

Starbucks to close 8,000 US stores for racial-bias training

Notes & Cues:	<p><b>Article:</b></p> <p>Starbucks has moved to try to resolve the uproar over the arrest of two black men at one of its stores, announcing plans to close more than 8, 000 US stores for several hours next month to conduct racial-bias training for its nearly 175, 000 workers.</p> <p>Starbucks said the stores and corporate offices will be closed on the afternoon of 29 May while it gives training to staff.</p> <p>The announcement came after the arrests last week in Philadelphia sparked protests and calls for a boycott. The two men were arrested for "trespassing" while they were waiting for a friend in the store.</p> <p>John Gordon, a restaurant industry analyst said: "There has to be a situation every day where some human being handles things wrong. You can't have that many employees and not have something stupid happen. Even with a huge operations manual that lays out what to say and what to do, you can't cover everything."</p>
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