



# **Racial Disparities in the Minnesota Criminal Justice System**

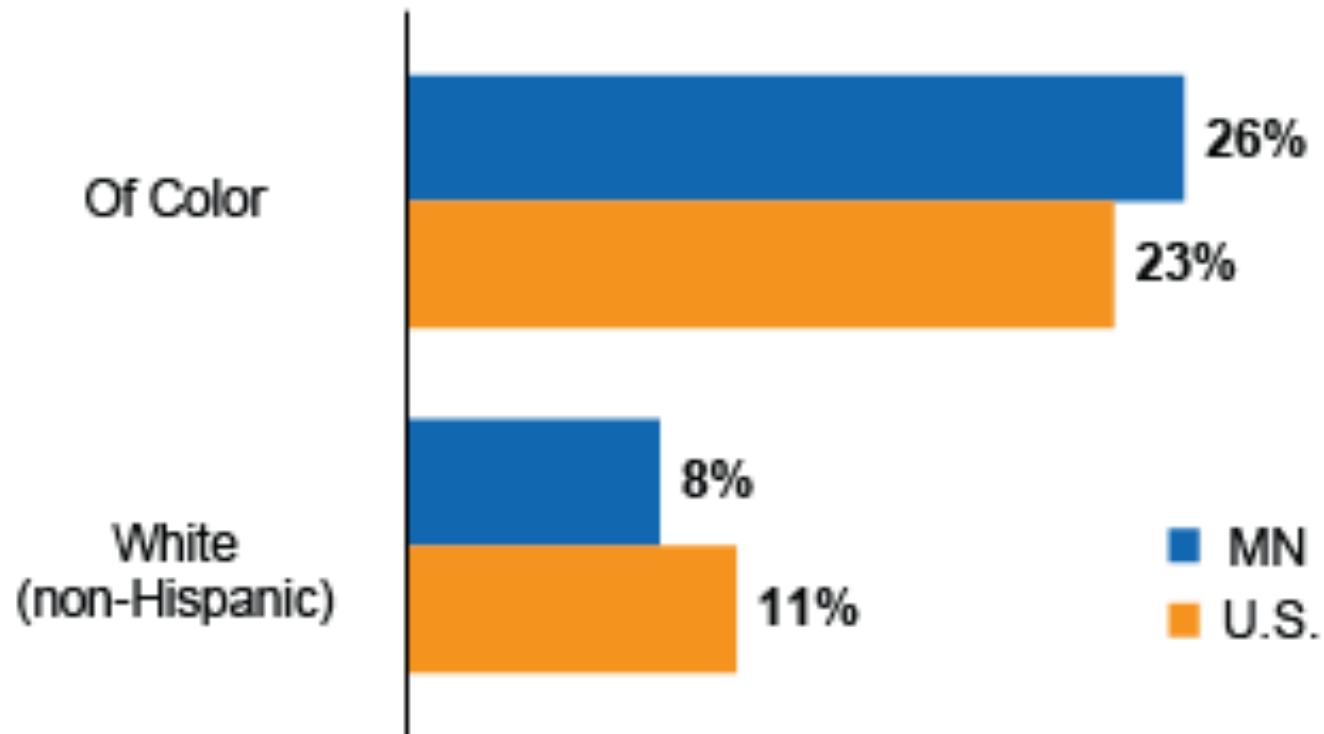


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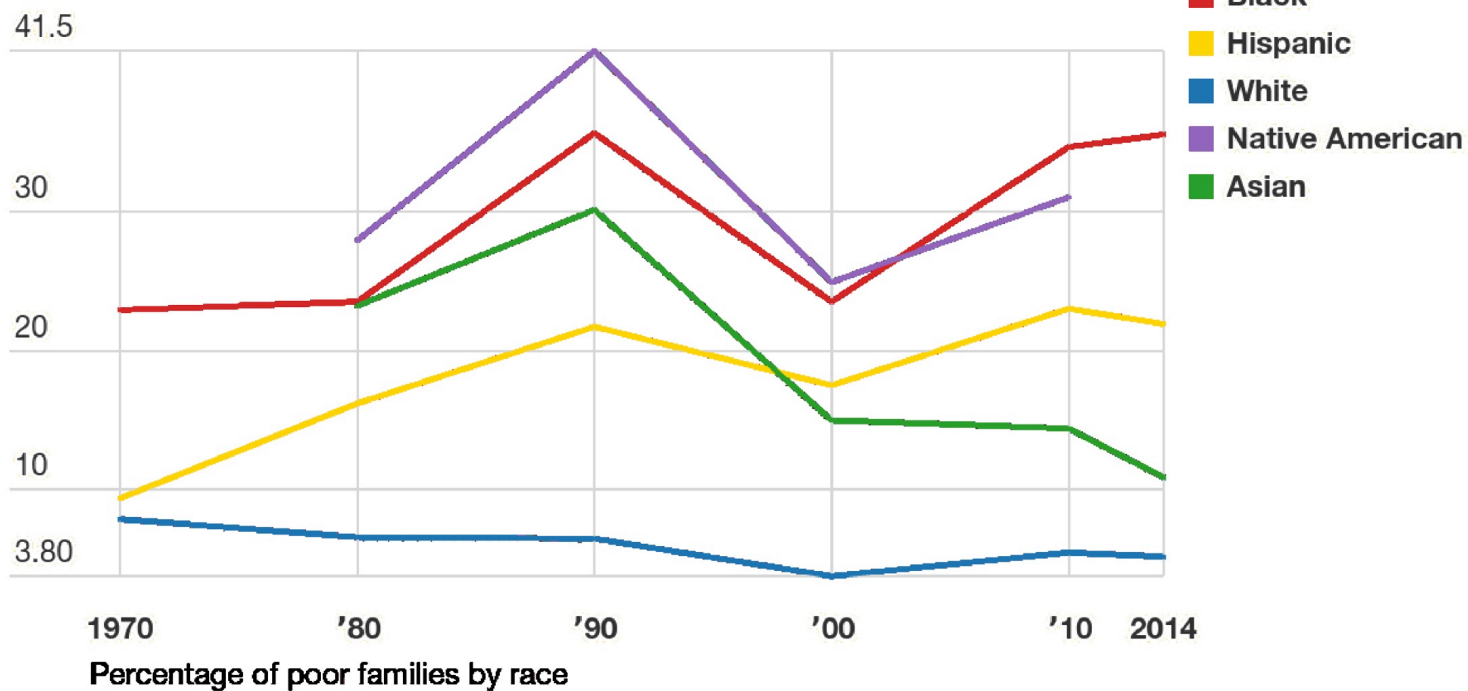
## Poverty by race, 2014



# Minnesota Families in Poverty



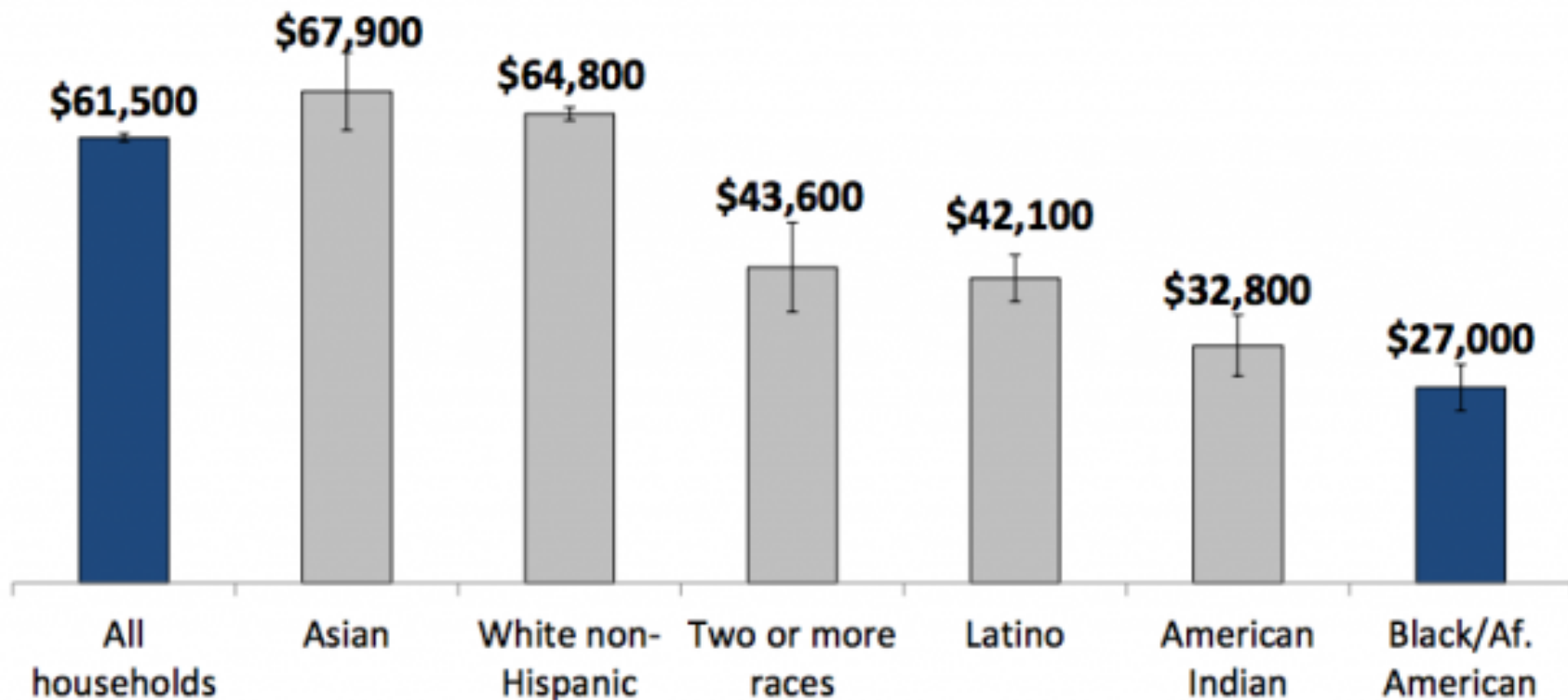
## Families in poverty



# Median Incomes for Minnesota Households

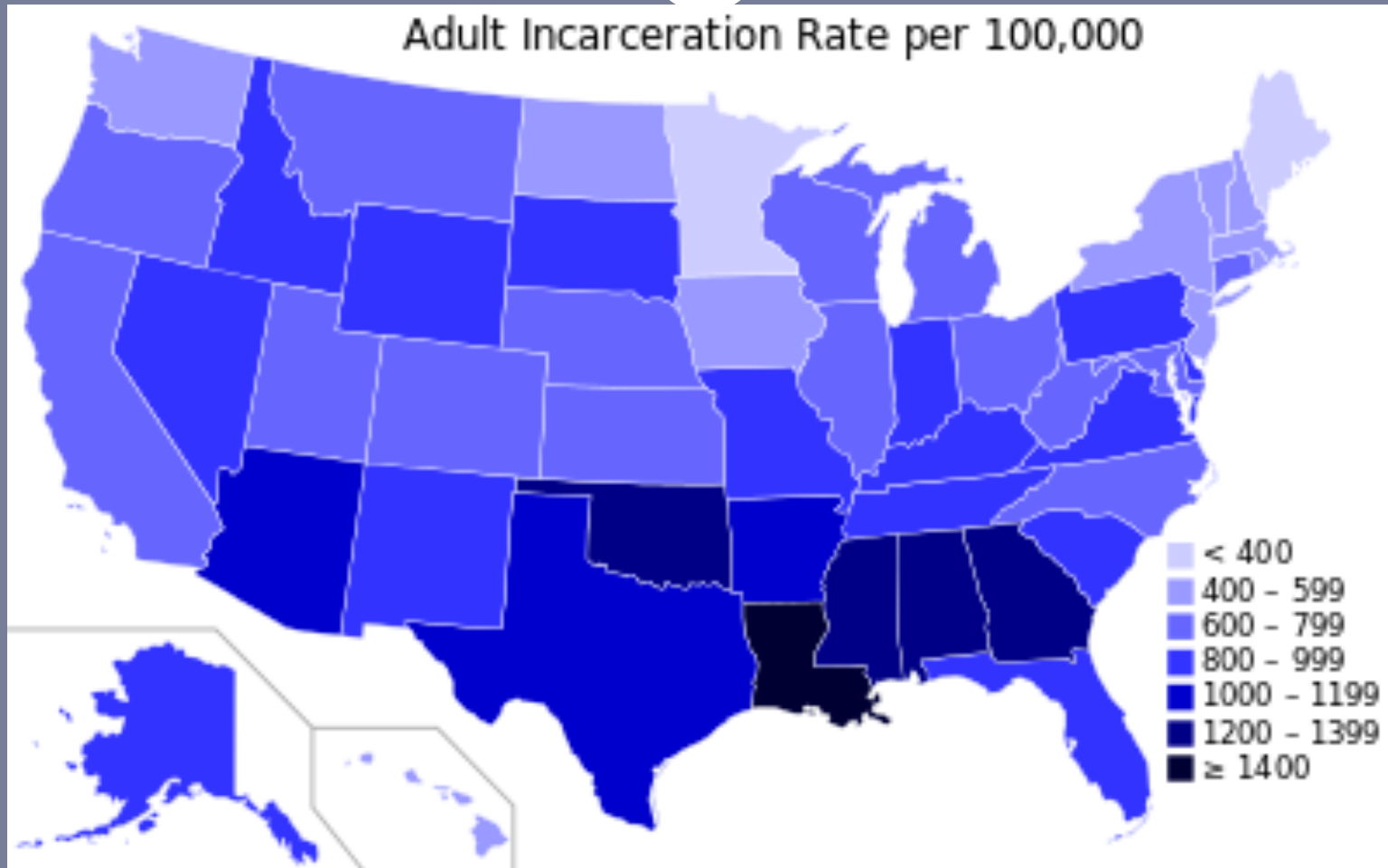


**Median household income, 2014**



Note: Confidence intervals are shown at the 95% level.

# Incarceration Rates are Low in Minnesota



# And Our Racial Disparities are Extremely High



- [Sentencing Project State-by-State Data](#)

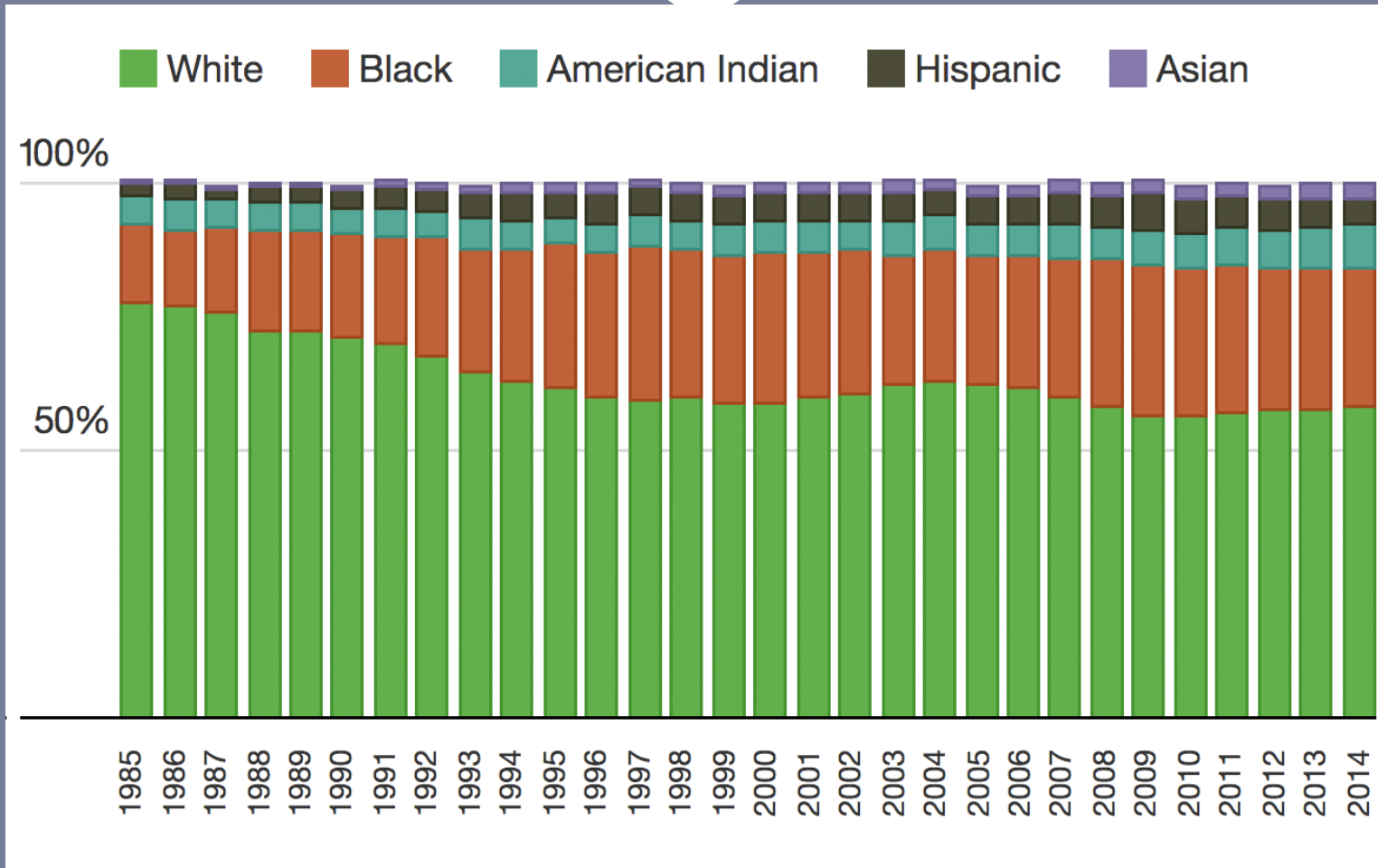
# But Our Prison Population is Growing...



Minnesota prison population (2000-2010)



# Minnesota Prison Composition Over Time



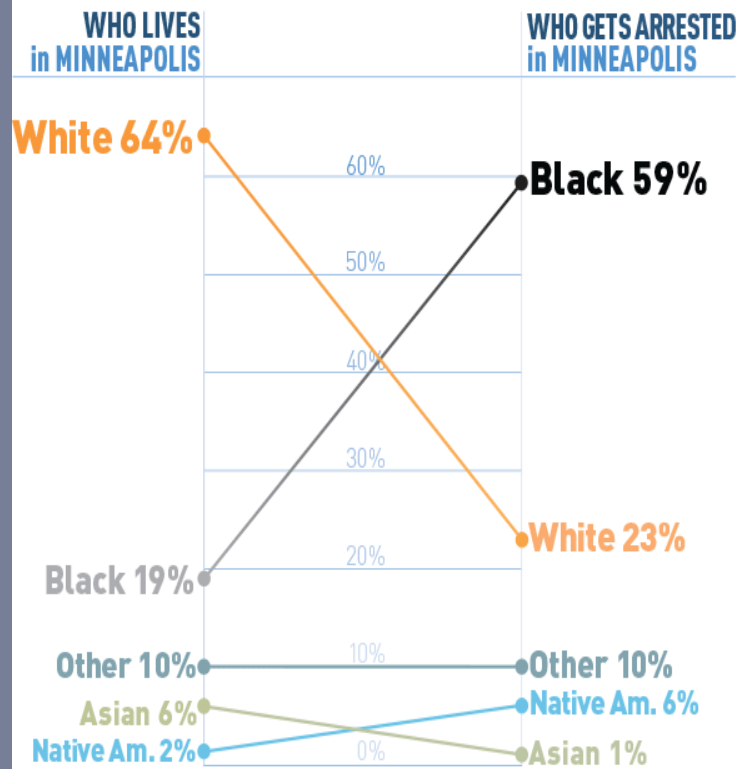


# Where are Disparities Worst?

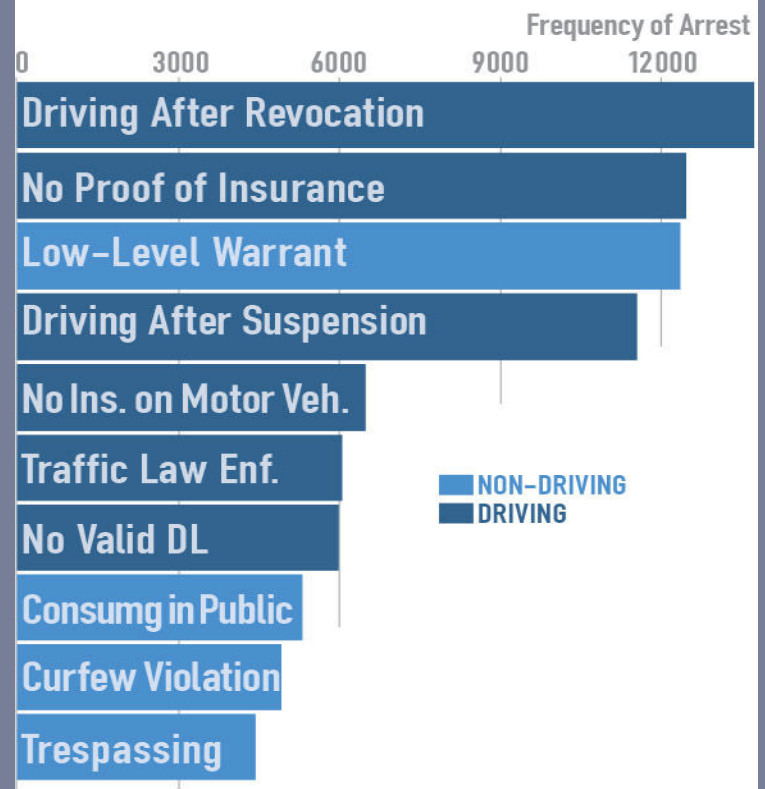
## ACLU Study of Low Level Arrests (2012-2014)

### LOW-LEVEL ARRESTS BY RACE:

Jan. 1, 2012-Sept. 30, 2014



Top ten charges accounted for 64% of the total 130,930 low-level charges between Jan. 1, 2012 and Sept. 30, 2014



# Metro Transit Study of Enforcement (Dec. 2015)



- African American adults are:
  - 16% more likely than whites to be issued a citation
  - 40% more likely to be arrested than whites
- Native American adults are:
  - 55% more likely than whites to be issued a citation
  - Twice as likely to be arrested than whites