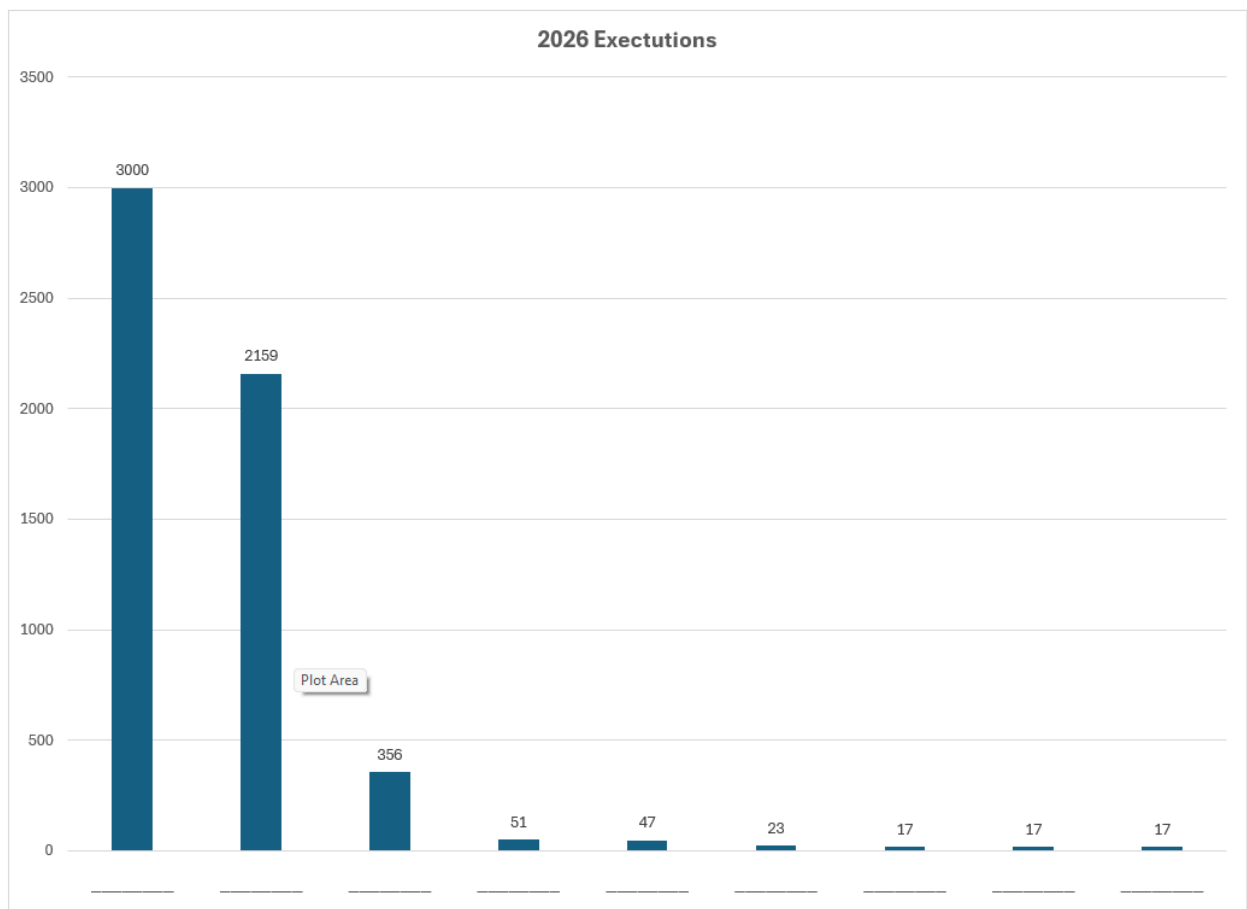
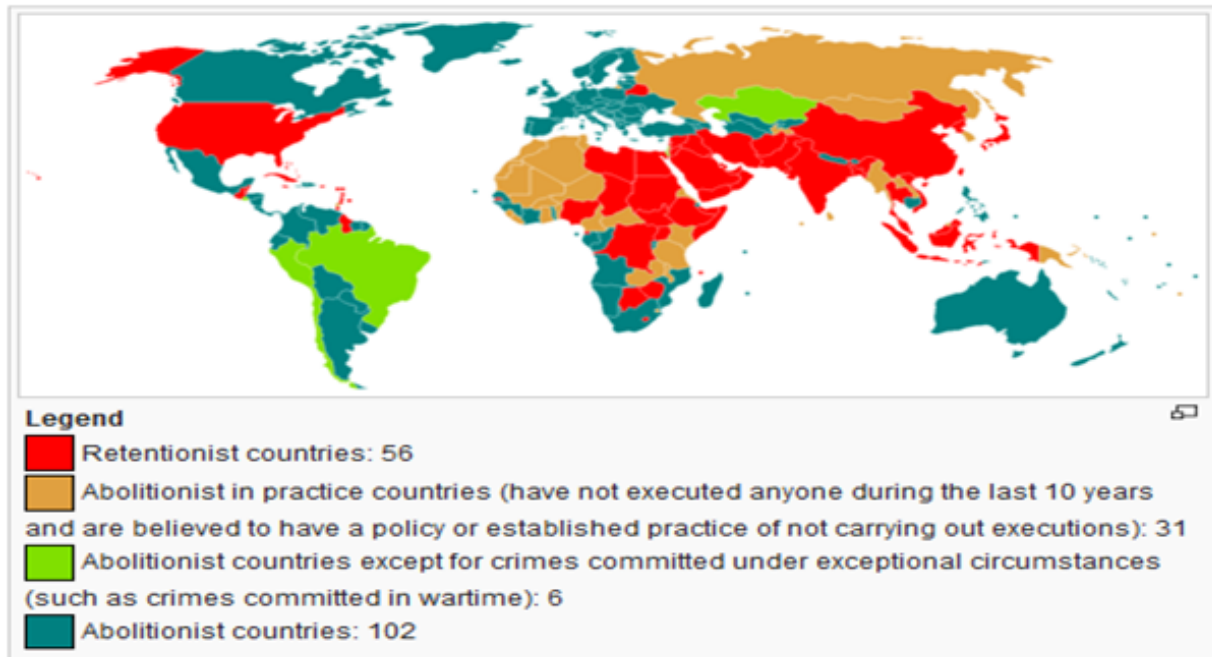


Lesson 12

Capital Punishment

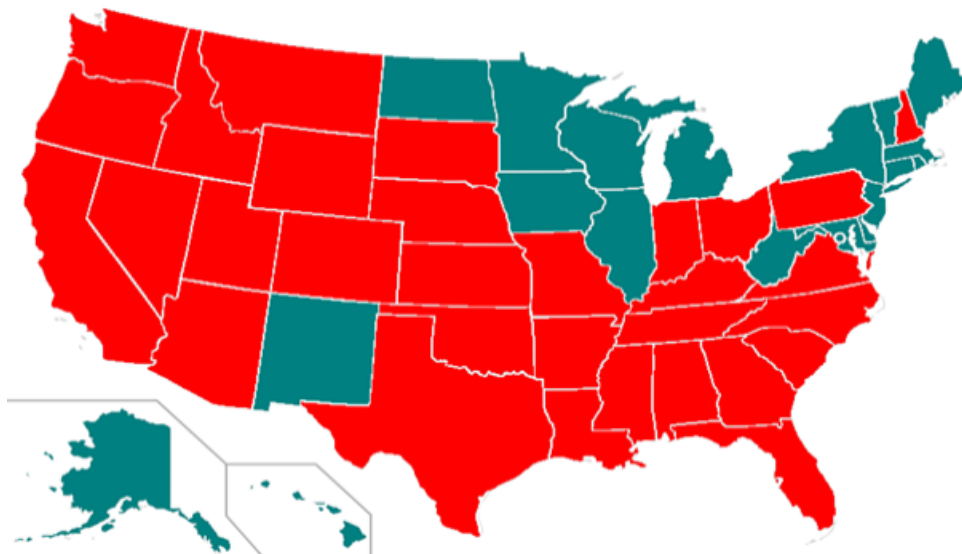
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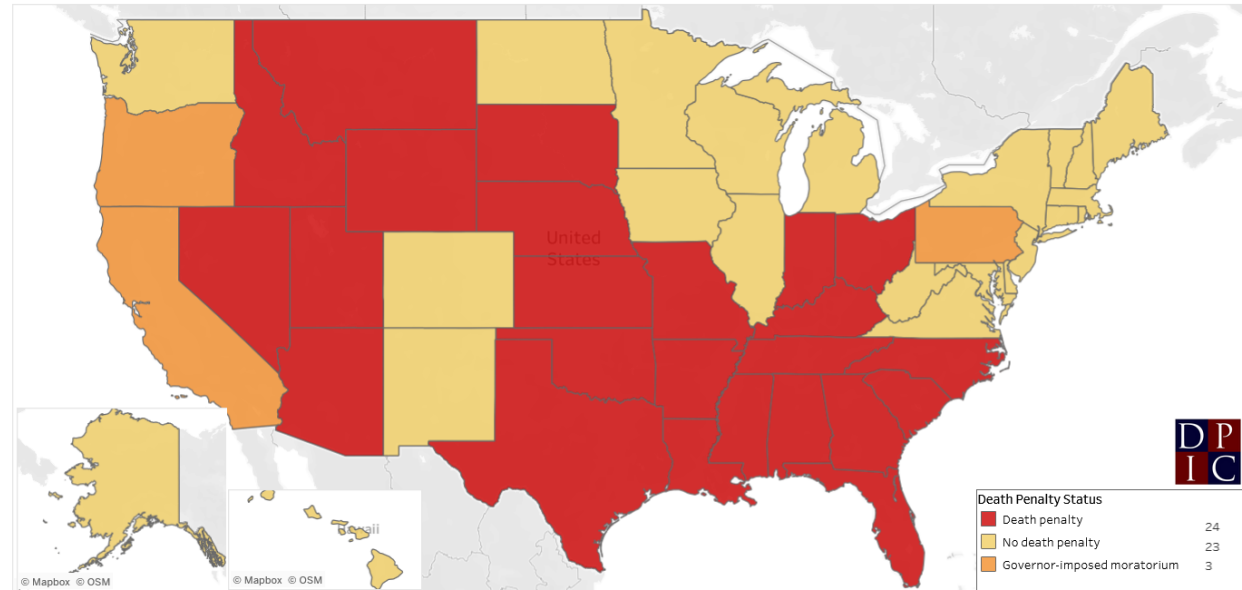


Death Penalty States

States with and without the death penalty - 2015

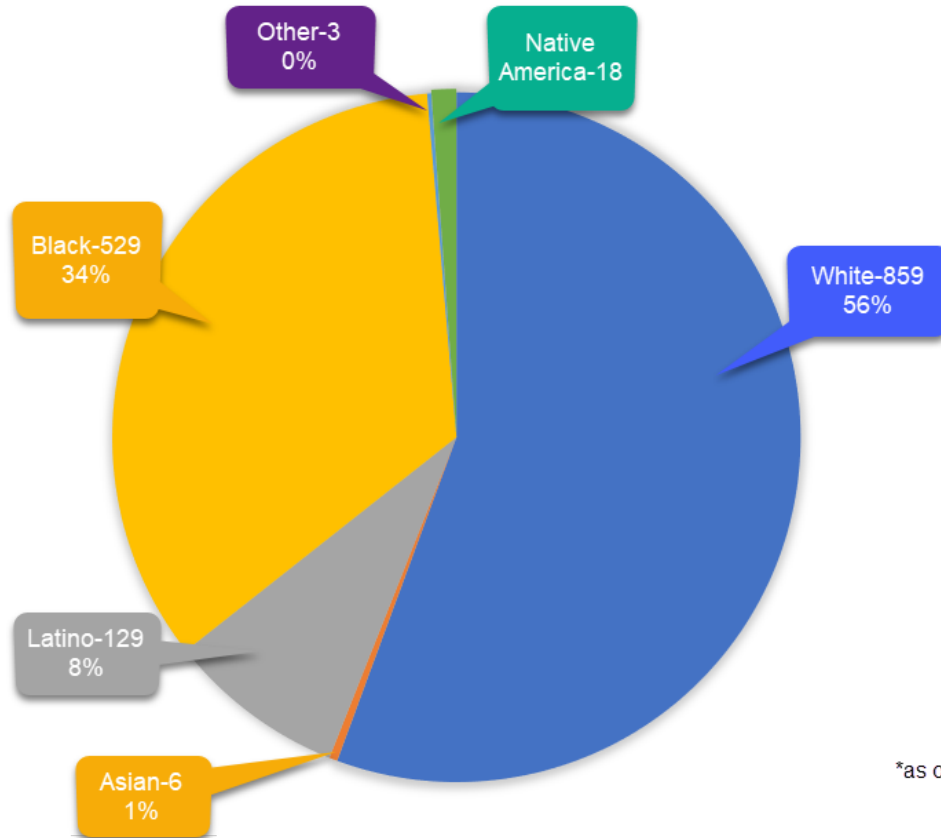


States with and without the death penalty - 2021



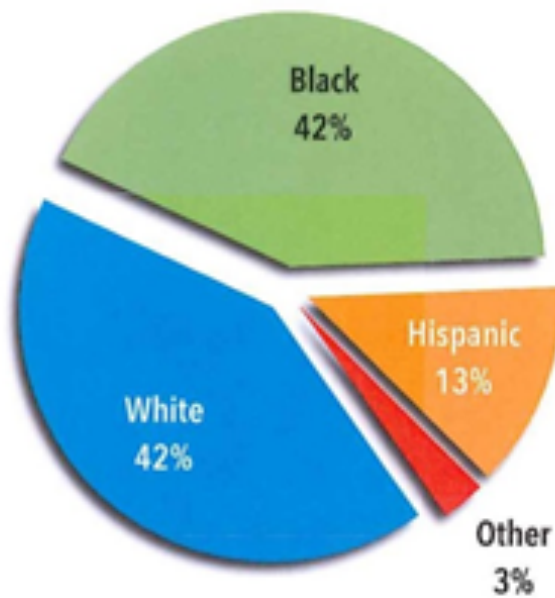
State	Since 1977	Last	Murder Rate

RACE EXECUTED



*as of 5/31/22

DEATH ROW INMATES BY RACE



Number of men on death row by state							
Alabama	170	Indiana	8	Nebraska	12	South Carolina	37
Arizona	117	Kansas	9	Nevada	65	South Dakota	1
Arkansas	30	Kentucky	27	*New Hampshire	1	Tennessee	49
~California	692	Louisiana	62	North Carolina	139	Texas	199
Florida	330	Mississippi	37	Ohio	135	Utah	7
Georgia	42	Missouri	20	Oklahoma	44	US Govt	44
Idaho	8	Montana	2	~Oregon	22	US Military	5
				~Pennsylvania	129		2443
~states currently have a Govenor imposed moritorium on executions							
*New Hampshire no longer has death penalty since 2019							

Number of women on death row by state							
Alabama	5	Indiana	0	Nebraska	0	South Carolina	0
Arizona	3	Kansas	0	Nevada	0	South Dakota	0
Arkansas	0	Kentucky	1	North Carolina	2	Tennessee	1
~California	22	Louisiana	1	Ohio	1	Texas	6
Florida	3	Mississippi	1	Oklahoma	1	Utah	0
Georgia	1	Missouri	0	~Oregon	0	US Govt	0
Idaho	1	Montana	✚ 0	~Pennsylvania	1	US Military	0
							50
~states currently have a Govenor imposed moritorium on executions							

Definitions

- Capital Punishment—death penalty
- What the death penalty is

Supreme Court Cases

- 1977 Death Penalty-Murder only

- 1976 Death Penalty-Constitutional

Three Perspectives on Capital Punishment

- Abolitionist
- Retentionists
- Procedural Abolitionists

Justifications of Punishment



- Recall two ways of justifying punishment
 - Backward-looking:
 - Forward-looking:

Retributivism

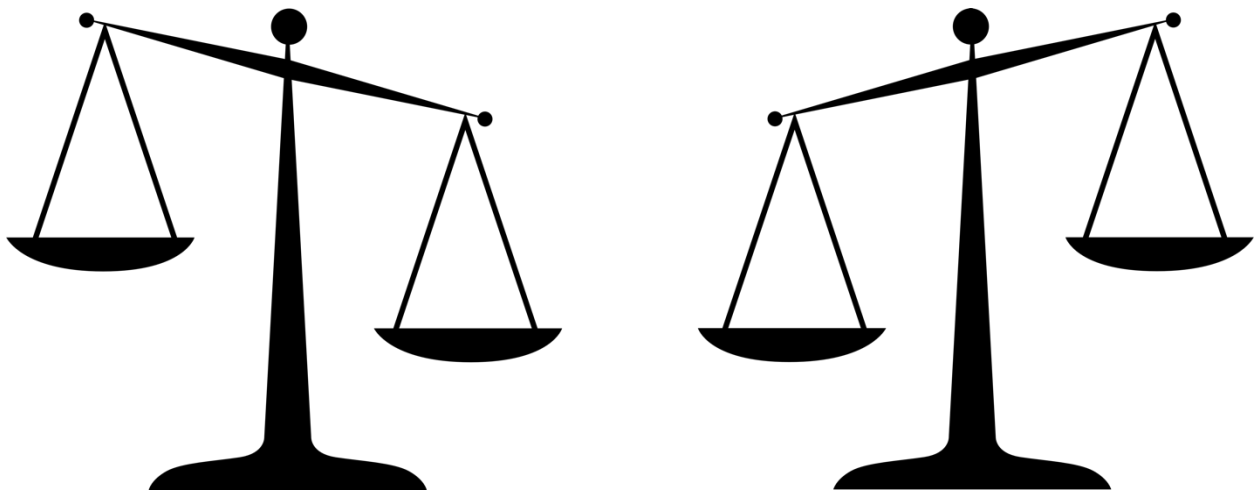
- *Lex talionis*, “an eye for an eye,” “a tooth for a tooth”
- Core concept:

Is Retributivism Just Revenge?

- Critics of retributivism
- Replies:
 - Yes, it is revenge, but that’s ok
 - No, retribution is about something more than revenge: about balancing the scales of justice, about safeguarding the rights of victims, and about changing perpetrators.

The Scales of Justice

- Fundamental metaphor: an underlying balance which must, if upset, be put back in order
- Punishment is



The Rights of Victims

- Victims, some retributivists argue, have a right to see the perpetrators suffer their just desserts
 - Example: families of victims at executions

The Effects on Perpetrators

- Some retributivists argue that punishment should have certain effects on the perpetrators, including
 - insight into their crime, including compassion for victim
 - will “wipe the slate clean”

Criticisms of Retributivism

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Changes to Death Penalty Cases

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Qualifiers for Death Penalty In North Carolina

3 Types of Murder

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- 1st Degree Murder-Life of Death

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- 1st Degree Murder-Life or Death

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Deterrence

- Many justify punishment as an institution by its deterrent effect

- **Specific deterrence:**

- **General deterrence:**

Punishment deters crime.

- Uncontroversially true in a general sense, but does it deter those who are the worst criminals?
- Are other means of deterrence better?
- It is important to realize that, for most people,

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Punishment and Prevention

- Overall goal:
- Punishment is
- Preventive approaches
- Current approaches:
 - Surveillance
 - Predictive policing

Rehabilitation

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Moral Issues To Consider

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