



**RELATIONS  
BETWEEN  
BLACKS AND WHITES  
IN RECENT TIMES**

A black and white profile photograph of Barack Obama, looking to the right. He is resting his chin on his hand. The image is the background for the text.

# POLITICAL RELATIONS

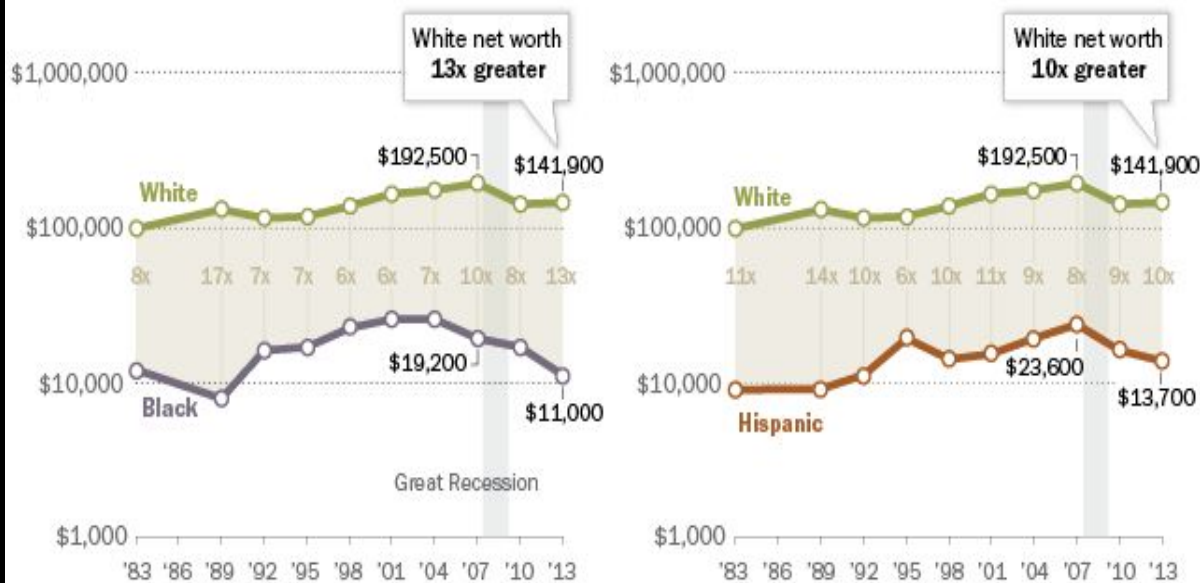
On November 4, 2008, Democratic Senator Barack Obama defeated Republican Senator John McCain to become the first African American to be elected President. At least 95 percent of African-American voters voted for Obama. He also received overwhelming support from young and educated whites

# ECONOMIC RELATION B/W BLACKS & WHITES

The wealth of white households was 13 times the median wealth of black households in 2013, compared with eight times the wealth in 2010, according to a new Pew Research Center analysis of data from the Federal Reserve's Survey of Consumer Finances.

## Racial, Ethnic Wealth Gaps Have Grown Since Great Recession

Median net worth of households, in 2013 dollars



Notes: Blacks and whites include only non-Hispanics. Hispanics are of any race. Chart scale is logarithmic; each gridline is ten times greater than the gridline below it. Great Recession began Dec. '07 and ended June '09.

Source: Pew Research Center tabulations of Survey of Consumer Finances public-use data

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Likewise, the wealth of white households is now more than 10 times the wealth of Hispanic households, compared with nine times the wealth in 2010.

The current gap between blacks and whites has reached its highest point since 1989, when whites had 17 times the wealth of black households.



# POPULATION DENSITY

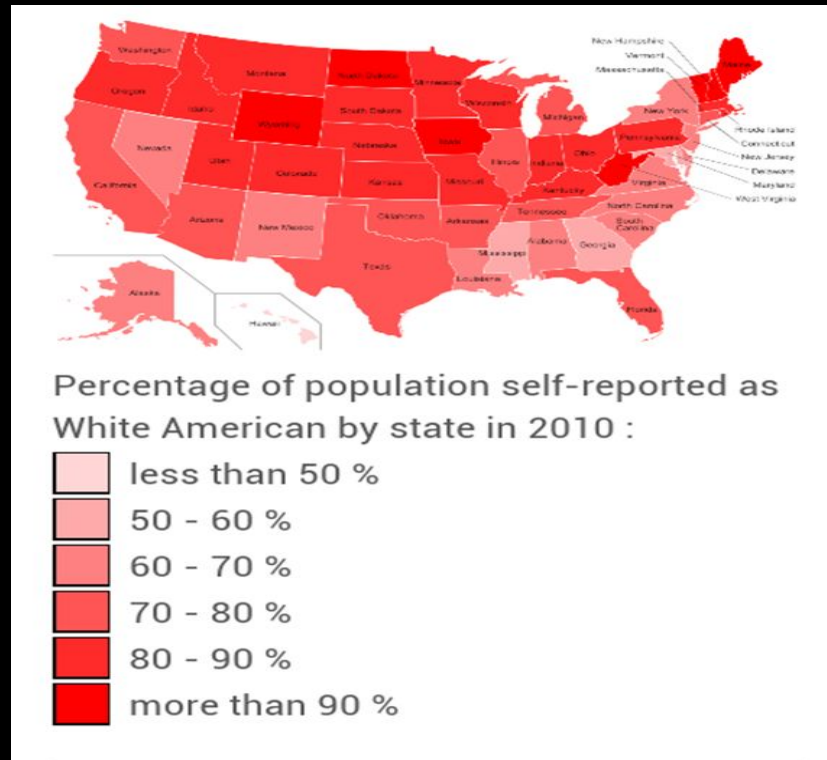
WHITE AMERICANS  
= 72.2%

AFRICAN AMERICANS  
= 13.2%

Those who identified only as African American made up 13.2% of the U.S. population-over**41.7 million people**. The US Census Bureau projects that by the year 2060 there will be**74.5 million** African Americans including those of more than one race in the United States, making up 17.9% of the total U.S. population.

# LAND DISTRIBUTION

Even after having 9,826,657 km<sup>2</sup> the 12.7% of blacks lived with the density of 67 per km<sup>2</sup> but after 2005 this changed to 34.2 per km<sup>2</sup>



# POVERTY

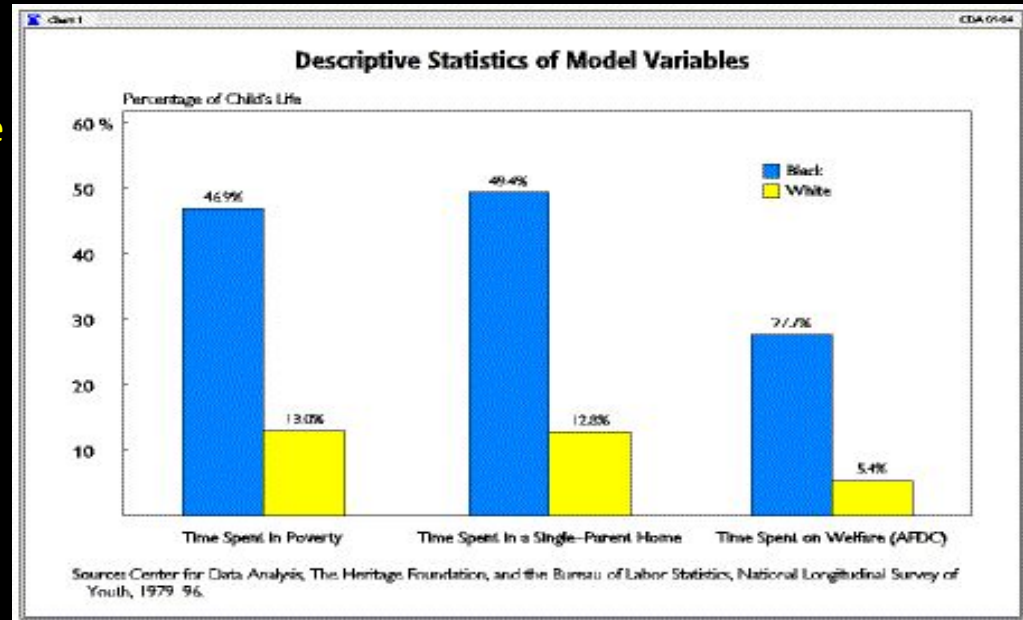
The major underlying factors producing child poverty in the United States are welfare dependence and single parenthood.

Race is not a factor in producing child poverty; race alone does not directly increase or decrease the probability that a child will be poor.

When a black child is compared with a white child raised in identical circumstances, both children will have the same probability of living in poverty.

Similarly, when whites with high levels of single parenthood and welfare dependence (matching those typical in the black community) are compared to blacks, the poverty rates for both groups are nearly identical.

Black American children are more likely to live in poverty than are white children, primarily because black children are far more likely to live in single-parent families and to be on welfare.



# Statistics on Interracial Relationships



When African-Americans and Whites marry, there is 2.65 times more likely to be an African-American husband and a white wife. In fact, 73 percent of all African-American and White marriages have this setup.





Fewer than one in three black Americans and not even half of whites say the United States has made “a lot” of progress toward achieving racial equality in the half-century since the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. declared he had “a dream” that one day freedom, justice and brotherhood would prevail and that his children would “not be judged by the color of their skin but by the content of their character

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