

"There is no power on earth greater than an idea whose time has come." - Victor Hugo via Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

Here are some important Florida Death Penalty numbers:

26 - exonerations of Florida Death Row prisoners due to evidence of wrongful conviction - highest in the nation.¹

92 – Floridians put to death since executions re-started in **1979 (more than 1 exoneration for every 4 executions)**.²

400 - approximate number of people awaiting execution on Florida's Death Row.³

10 to 2 - the majority jury vote needed to recommend a sentence of death (All other jury votes in Florida law are required to be unanimous, even in civil cases. The only exception is in recommending death).

1 of 5 - new death sentences in the U.S. are from Florida (**9 of 49 nationally in 2015**).⁴

\$51 MILLION+ A YEAR - the ANNUAL amount Florida taxpayers pay to try to enforce the Death Penalty, over and above the cost seeking Life in Prison Without Parole for these same defendants (**\$1 million a week**).⁵

14,000+ - unsolved homicides accumulated in the **30** years since Florida executions resumed (lack of funding prevents most of these homicides from ever being solved. Re-allocating Death Penalty funds to solving violent crimes is just one example of smarter, better use of our crime-fighting dollars. (i.e., **"Execute Justice...Not People"**).⁶

3 - Prosecutors are **over 3 times more likely** to seek the Death Penalty when the victim is white than when the victim is African-American.⁷

3 of the 5 – women sentenced to death in the U.S. in **2011** were from Florida.⁸ **All 3 are women of color**.⁹

NEVER - Never in the history of Florida (**170 years**), has a white person been executed for killing an African-American.¹⁰

80% - 12 of 15 people sentenced to death in **Duval County** (2009 – 2012) were African-American. **100%** 5 of 5 in 2011.¹¹

TOP 5 – **China, Iran, Pakistan, Saudi Arabia, and the U.S.** were the top **5** executing nations in **2015**.¹²

62% of Floridians now favor some form of Life In Prison Without Parole for convicted murderers, while only

35% of Floridians prefer the death penalty for convicted murderers. (Public Policy Polling – Feb. 8, 2016)

How Florida compared with other death penalty states in 2015:

#1 in the number of people exonerated off Death Row since 1973 (**26**)

#2 in number of new death sentences (**9**)

#2 in size of Death Row (**400+**)

#4 in number of executions (**2**)

(From the Death Penalty Information Center)

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FADP is a coalition of individuals and organizations united to abolish the Death Penalty in Florida.

¹ Death Penalty Information Center, "Innocence and the Death Penalty."

² Florida Department of Corrections, "Execution List: 1976 - Present."

³ Florida Department of Corrections, "Death Row Roster."

⁴ Death Penalty Information Center, "Death Sentences in the U.S. From 1977 By State and By Year."

⁵ "The High Price of Killing Killers," Palm Beach Post, January 4, 2000.

⁶ FBI Uniform Crime Reports, Supplemental Homicide Reports: <http://www.scrippsnews.com/projects/murder-mysteries/database>.

⁷ Florida Supreme Court Racial and Ethnic Bias Study Commission, 1991.

⁸ Death Penalty Information Center, "Women and the Death Penalty."

⁹ Florida Department of Corrections, "Women on Death Row."

¹⁰ Radelet, Michael. *Recent Developments in the Death Penalty in Florida*, 2001. For data on executions after 2001, see Clark County Prosecuting Attorneys Office. (note – 4 people now on Death Row fit this category)

¹¹ Florida Department of Corrections, "Death Row Roster."

¹² Amnesty International, "Death Sentences and Executions in 2015."