

Resources for addressing racial disparity in the justice system

This excellent report by The Sentencing Project provides a comprehensive discussion of issues related to racial disparity and includes recommendations for each segment of the criminal justice system. <https://www.sentencingproject.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/01/Reducing-Racial-Disparity-in-the-Criminal-Justice-System-A-Manual-for-Practitioners-and-Policymakers.pdf>

From the National Research Council, *Reforming Juvenile Justice: A Developmental Approach* (2013), Chapter 8, Reducing Racial/Ethnic Disparities. <https://www.nap.edu/read/14685/chapter/10#238>

The W. Haywood Burns Institute is a national think tank and technical assistance provider, working to eliminate racial and ethnic disparities. The Institute works by facilitating collaboration between system stakeholders and community members as they apply a racial equity lens to data-driven justice reform efforts. <https://www.burnsinstitute.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/06/Stages-of-Structural-Racism-Awareness-.pdf>

With 55 indicators, prosecutorial performance indicators (PPIs) measure performance toward three goals: Capacity & Efficiency, Community Safety & Well-being, and Fairness & Justice. This website presents the indicators, guides, training materials, and sample data from partner offices to illustrate how the PPIs work in diverse jurisdictions. <https://prosecutorialperformanceindicators.org/#indicators> and <https://ppibuild.wpengine.com/wp-content/uploads/2020/09/PPI-Brochure-Inside-Sept-2020.pdf>

This article presents a framework for understanding the sources of racial disparity in the criminal justice system and suggests actions that defense attorneys can take to address the problem. <https://www.nacdl.org/Article/June2018-HowDefenseAttorneysCanEliminat>

Links to the corresponding report and web-based interactive data dashboard is located here:
<https://ors.colorado.gov/ors-sb185>