

### Chapter 1 : Black Men of America, Inc. – What They See Is What They'll Be

*Black Men of America, Inc., (The ) improves the quality of life for the communities we serve. Mentoring is the core service delivery of The , the largest network of African American male mentors in the nation.*

According to the U. Census Bureau, the ratio of women to men in the U. In more manageable terms, for every sistas, there are about 87 brothas. But if we ask those same sistas where to find good black men, there is a collective agreement that the best brothas are either hidden deep within those 87, or have somehow disappeared within the missing. If these men are not physically hidden or totally out of the relationship picture, where are they? These sentiments are spoken loudly by thousands of available black men who find it illogical to simply claim that "no good men exist. It almost seems as if black women have become so enthralled with the notion of a lack of quality men, that they fail to notice the black men who are available. With so many women believing that there is an availability issue, and so many men experiencing total confusion, we have reached a point where we should attempt to explore the depths of the problem. Most black women favor men who possess quality standards, good character, and personal responsibility. It is believed that men are more logical creatures, and as such, we tend to take a more tangible position in this argument. If you ask a black woman about the numbers, she will concede that there are plenty of black men around, but not many with whom she would want to spend the rest of her life. And many women believe the shortage is due to specific reasons like the high number of black men in prison, and those who choose to date women of other races. Going back to our Women to Men ratio, the following stats may shed some light on where black women believe the available black men are hiding: White Women Chances are, black men who desire white women today, desired them yesterday and will probably desire them for the foreseeable future. We cannot assume that a black man dates black women throughout his life, had a bad experience, and as a result, decided to explore life with a white female. If we make this assumption, black women have a verifiable argument against the theft of black men. But without making assumptions, black men who prefer other races were never available to black women anyway. Prison Unfortunately, there are a lot of black men serving time in local, state and federal prisons. But women must ask themselves, "Why would I want a man who commits crimes serious enough to land him behind bars? If women desire men of integrity and great moral stability, then we should subtract another medium-sized number 20 from the group of. Strangely enough, there are some bisexual men who desire to be with heterosexual women. Now we have the Big Three. What does it mean? This, of course, is assuming that there are available, good black women out there. If we assume there are, then the ratio reveals some pretty low numbers. Now, the task for our sistas is to locate one of the 27 men who is considered, "good".

**Chapter 2 : What happened at Starbucks in Philadelphia?**

*Men in black figure prominently in ufology and UFO folklore. In the s and s, UFOlogists adopted a conspiratorial mindset and began to fear they would be subject to organized intimidation in retaliation for discovering "the truth of the UFOs".*

While census collection of ethnic background is illegal in France , it is estimated that there are about 2. The Netherlands also has sizable Cape Verdean and other African communities. Spain Spanish singer Concha Buika. The term " Moors " has been used in Europe in a broader, somewhat derogatory sense to refer to Muslims , [60] especially those of Arab or Berber descent, whether living in North Africa or Iberia. Indeed, by the time Isidore of Seville came to write his Etymologies, the word Maurus or "Moor" had become an adjective in Latin, "for the Greeks call black, mauron". Today, there are an estimated , Afro-Spaniards in Spain. United Kingdom A painting of Mary Seacole. The preferred official umbrella term is "black and minority ethnic" BME , but sometimes the term "black" is used on its own, to express unified opposition to racism, as in the Southall Black Sisters , which started with a mainly British Asian constituency, and the National Black Police Association , which has a membership of "African, African-Caribbean and Asian origin". Afro-Russian As African states became independent in the s, the Soviet Union offered many of their citizens the chance to study in Russia. Over a period of 40 years, about , African students from various countries moved to Russia to pursue higher studies, including many Black Africans. Balkans Due to the slave trade in the Ottoman Empire that had flourished in the Balkans , the coastal town of Ulcinj in Montenegro had its own black community. Various state-based Aboriginal Protection Boards were established which had virtually complete control over the lives of Indigenous Australians " where they lived, their employment, marriage, education and included the power to separate children from their parents. A report by Sir Baldwin Spencer states that: One thing is certain and that is that the white population as a whole will never mix with half-castes The problem of our half-castes will quickly be eliminated by the complete disappearance of the black race, and the swift submergence of their progeny in the white. Activist Bob Maza said: It is this sense of pride which we are trying to give back to the aborigine [sic] today. This figure pertains to all immigrants to Australia who were born in nations in Africa regardless of race, and includes White Africans. North America Main article: Black Canadians is a designation used for people of Black African descent, who are citizens or permanent residents of Canada. The term African Canadian is occasionally used by some Black Canadians who trace their heritage to the first slaves brought by British and French colonists to the North American mainland. In addition, an estimated ten to thirty thousand fugitive slaves reached freedom in Canada from the Southern United States during the antebellum years, aided by people along the Underground Railroad. Many Black people of Caribbean origin in Canada reject the term African Canadian as an elision of the uniquely Caribbean aspects of their heritage, [] and instead identify as Caribbean Canadian. There were eight principal areas used by Europeans to buy and ship slaves to the Western Hemisphere. The number of enslaved people sold to the New World varied throughout the slave trade. As for the distribution of slaves from regions of activity, certain areas produced far more enslaved people than others. Between and ,

Chapter 3 : Black Men Don't Like Black Women | HuffPost

*The reason black men are three and a half times as likely as whites to be exonerated after being convicted of sexual assault is that there's generally been one standard for suburban prep-school.*

Its members effectively will be able to block all legislation that the Senate passes and the president wants. They also will be able to unleash their subpoena power mercilessly on the executive branch. Will the members of the new majority view their victory primarily as an opportunity to legislate or as a chance One such right is to be respected. Another such right is not to be abused. I am not saying spare the rod. Nor am I saying that discipline is unnecessary. But I am saying there is a difference between discipline and abuse. And you better learn the difference or you could end up in jail or worse. There is little room to debate the ultimate utility of the vote for all Americans regardless of their socioeconomic status or level of politicization. It is this understanding that the vote is the very foundation President Barack Obama, for example, lost 63 seats in the House and 6 seats in the The argument that tax cuts reduce federal revenues can be disposed We live in an incredibly polarized and partisan moment, but our political parties have never been weaker. As odd as it sounds, political parties in democracies have an important anti-democratic function. Traditionally, the parties shaped the choices put to voters. Long before voters decided anything in the primary or general There is no room to debate my propensity to re-evaluate the intellectual terrain that I have covered over the past thirty years. Last year, he had previously filed an If you do, kudos and hand claps. I often ask friends, colleagues, and associates about their professions and their passions. More often than not, those two things are not in alignment. Both Bushes, perhaps because of their love of country, comported themselves as gentlemen despite the protests. In the face of Democratic I always maintain that I am a product of everything I have ever been through, friendships, relationships, the good the bad decisions, the learning experiences. In your mind, is soul food synonymous with black people? Fried, smothered, delicious, nutritious? Candied yams and ham hocks. What about our greens? We have to have our greens! As an on-again, off-again holistic food pundit at least in my immediate circle, and work and social

Chapter 4 : Men in Black () - IMDb

*It's an open secret among African-American men and boys that people are often afraid of them. This week, we've brought that conversation to the airways and social media. We spoke with Paul Butler.*

Black men make up the largest share of people of color in the U. And black fathers living with their children are more likely to take on everyday child care duties than fathers in other demographic groups. Yet many portrayals of black men in the media continue to focus on the negative. Unfortunately, these outdated stereotypes neglect the breadth and depth of the lives of American black men, who have many roles—including father, husband, mentor and community leader, just to name a few. The program, designed to combat the persistent gaps faced by men and boys of color, has made great progress, leading to partnerships with communities, corporate and philanthropic leaders and federal agencies. All of these partnerships are working to expand opportunities and tear down barriers that hamper the likelihood of success for men and boys of color. Programs such as this are essential to continue the momentum that black men have gained in education, employment and other indicators of success. Black men ages 18 to 24, for example, are closing the enrollment gap for postsecondary education. The rise in college enrollment rates for black men goes hand in hand with rapidly declining high school dropout rates for black men ages 16 to 19. The dropout rate for black men within this age range fell from 18.5% in 2000 to 12.5% in 2010. Like the negative stereotype of the black high school dropout, the image of the neglectful, absent black father also requires scrutiny. While there are a significant amount of female-headed households in the black community, research has shown that black fathers take an active role in the lives of their children. Of fathers who live with their children, black men are more likely to be intimately involved in their lives. For example, black men living with their children are more likely to bathe, dress, diaper or assist their child in the bathroom than fathers in all other demographic groups. Additionally, a survey shows that black fathers living with their children are more likely to help them with homework on a daily basis. When it comes to serving the security needs of this country, black men make up the largest share of people of color serving in the U. They are the largest share of people of color who serve on active duty as officers in our Armed Forces. Of course, we must not gloss over the fact that far too many black men continue to come into contact with the criminal justice system. Yet there is some hope. Although people of color, especially black men, are overrepresented in our prison population, the number of black men in college is almost double the number of black men in jail. Black men also face higher unemployment rates than all other demographics. As of 2010, the unemployment rate of black men over age 16 was 16.5%. While there have been great improvements in the employment situation of black men since unemployment peaked during the Great Recession, black men have not recovered nearly as fast as the rest of the population. In 2010, the unemployment rate for the entire population ages 16 and over was 9. Furthermore, median weekly income for black men continues to lag behind their white and Asian-American counterparts. The disproportionate unemployment rate and unequal pay of black men persist as significant obstacles toward achieving a more equitable economy and society. While the consequences of slavery and Jim Crow continue to plague black men and the black community as a whole, there has been great improvement in terms of education, employment and income, among other areas. Many of these achievements have been supported by progressive policies that have helped lower unemployment, reduce poverty and further educational attainment. Despite these impressive improvements in various indicators of success, the media continues to highlight a negative narrative that associates black men with violence, crime and poverty. This article first appeared on the Center for American Progress website.

*The Black Men, Sleidinge, Oost-Vlaanderen, Belgium. 1, likes 27 talking about this. De Beste Covergroep van Sleidinge en ver daarbuiten!*

I am intelligent, not what society deems "ghetto," and from what I am told, and given where I work in the television business, I am attractive. Why is that necessary to say? Yes, I said it. My boyfriend and I were having a conversation about black men vs. He is black and Puerto Rican. Other races are always seen as a trophy on the arm of a black man. But I thought in my head, "At least black women value black men. My boyfriend had said lightheartedly, "I hope our son has my hair. But my heart sank. What did he mean? I am known for being sensitive, so I asked. He said, "Courtney, I see you struggle with your hair, and I think it would be nice if he had my curly hair. What was he trying to say about my hair? Why are rap songs all about white women? Granted, I think everyone is entitled to a personal preference regarding whom they like. Even Psychology Today published an article about black women being unattractive. Black men, your mom is black. Your sisters are black. Your favorite aunt is black. They want a baby with "light skin or light eyes and good hair. Do you even want us to anymore? I never understood why it makes a certain type of black man feel good to have a white woman on his arm. It would be one thing if it were true love, but some are just doing it because they see it as a prize. From the way I spoke on the phone to the way I "act," I have been dubbed the "whitest black girl" everywhere from my hometown to a city close to the Canadian border Syracuse, what, what! I will get an attitude over normal things, like any woman would. I have many black friends who would prefer to not be confrontational and would rather pretend an event never happened than address it. Most of my friends are educated --more educated than their significant others -- and grew up in families from middle- to upper-class backgrounds. We are not all ghetto. But have you met a woman named Gabrielle Union? Vanessa Williams who, by the way, is fully black; people get off on thinking very attractive black women are mixed. I can go through this all day. Even the women in my own family -- beautiful! I like good hair. Do men not realize all races of women are capable of wearing weaves and clip-ins? For some reason they think only black women wear extensions. I personally know many women of other races who wear extensions. As in every race, there are some black women with beautiful, natural hair. Is that so hard to believe? I, for one, am tired. I am intelligent, can hold a conversation and come from a background more like The Cosby Show than the PJs. Do you remember that show? Why do I feel so invisible sometimes, then? And, most importantly, why are our own men making us feel this way?

**Chapter 6 : The Media Narrative of Black Men in America Is All Wrong**

*Mela Machinko tweeted, "Cishet black men are the white people of black people" over a year ago and apparently received so much criticism for it that she temporarily locked her account. But in a conversation we had earlier today, she shared that her tweet was actually a revision of another tweet she'd read.*

Share3 Shares 3K Men in black have been popping up for awhile, usually whenever someone claims to have recently sighted a UFO. Shortly after each sighting, the person in question is visited by strange men who usually wear black suits, black ties, and white shirts. The details and motives sometimes vary, but even stranger are the variations in the descriptions of the men in question. While some tales simply describe them as cold, aloof gentlemen wearing black suits, others say that they get an uncanny vibe from those who visit them. The stories tell of men who are unnaturally bald, men who talk in an almost robotic voice and wear lipstick over lipless mouths. Some suggest that they are from another world, disguising themselves as humans to learn our ways. Others believe that they are experimental cyborgs in the employ of the government. The truth behind the men in black is still shrouded in mystery, and we may never know the identity of these strange stalkers. This weird presence explained that he was not from Earth, but beyond that he gave no reason for contacting Larry. Somewhat skeptical, Larry asked the presence to provide some proof of its existence beyond simply sending thoughts into his head—he wanted a face-to-face meeting. The presence agreed to provide him with further proof—he would show up during the day when Larry was with his best friend. Eventually, he caught up with his buddy at an Independence Day celebration at a nearby park. As Larry was talking with his friend, a black van pulled up nearby and two black-clad men got out. Two more similarly dressed men exited the van after them, but they did not appear to be entirely human in shape. The strange men sat down at a nearby picnic table, looked over at Larry, and then reentered their van and left just as mysteriously as they had arrived. Larry never found out why they had contacted him. He had his own publication called Space Review in which he planned to spread his discovery. After compiling all of his collected wisdom on the matter, he mailed it to a friend to look it over before he unveiled it to the world. Unfortunately, this attracted the attention of the men in black, who decided that it was time to pay him a visit and prevent him from leaking all their secrets to the world. A couple days later, Bender was on his bed when he suddenly had a dizzy spell. He noticed several dark shapes in the room with him that slowly materialized into men in black suits with black hats obscuring their eyes and faces. They made him promise to destroy his findings and cease all of his research into the subject—Bender was so scared that he was only too happy to comply. The stories say that the employee in question had recently seen a UFO and had told others about his experience. Not long after, these two men showed up at his place of employment. Luckily for him, he was not working during their visit. According to witness accounts, the men were asking people not only about the employee in question, but also about conspiracies in general. They had no eyebrows or eyelashes, strange, hypnotic eyes, bald heads possibly disguised by wigs, and clothes that seemed to be meant for fitting in, but somehow were just enough out of place to raise alarm bells. These two men were definitely caught on camera—the question is whether they were clandestine government agents, beings from another world in disguise, or simply the product of a clever hoax. Regardless of the answer, there is something hair-raising about two men in suits walking into a hotel in the middle of the day and asking strange questions about one of the employees, then leaving as mysteriously as they came. When he was finished, he looked around for a trash can and, finding none, decided to just toss it onto the ground. Before he could leave the area, a security guard approached and lectured him for his negligence, explaining that the entire building and surrounding grounds were under constant surveillance. The postal worker thought about this, along with the fact that he already had to be buzzed in to deliver the mail, and began thinking that there was more to this place than met the eye. Awhile later, he was out on his usual delivery run when he came by the foreboding building again. They waddled when they walked instead of putting one foot in front of the other, and they were abnormally thin—it was this thinness more than anything that frightened him. Though shaken, he decided to soldier on and march his way up to the door to deliver the mail. When he entered, he found a group of men who began

questioning him about what he had seen moments earlier. He was flabbergasted and unable to respond until one of the strange beings who he had seen earlier sidled up near him, at which point he felt even more terrified. After more grilling by the men in the room, and after repeating that he had seen nothing at all, he was allowed to leave. His mail route was changed shortly afterward. In one account, a woman claims that when she was a child her engineer father was regularly visited by a man in black who went simply by the name Lev. This man was completely bald, which she noted was very odd during her time. When she went to shake his hand, the skin was impossibly smooth, as if he had no hair whatsoever on his body. The man constantly wore his trademark dark suit, glasses, and hat, even on scorching summer days. He was known for hanging around several engineers in the area, and her father always visited him in a little house near the local supermarket. The woman who tells the story says that she is sure her father knew Lev was an alien, although she never figured out what they talked about during their meetings. He meandered through the lobby for awhile until security became suspicious of him and headed over to usher him out of the building. However, before they could do so, he saw something that he would never forget. The elevator opened and five men got out. Two of them were very businesslike and wore gray suits that were formal, but hardly remarkable beyond that. What drew his attention were the other three men in their escort. These men wore black hats pulled low over their eyes and long, black trench coats, even though it was the middle of the summer. Near the dropped portfolio, he found a small coin with words written in no language he could identify— one side depicted a man with features like a wolf and the other had navigational lines and two crescent moons. Dig into the mysteries surrounding these mysterious shadow agents with the book *Men in Black*: William Shearer claimed to have seen a UFO, and a few days later two men showed up at his house. One of the men stayed by the car and maintained an intimidating presence while the other grilled Shearer about his experience. The men spoke in a strange voice that seemed flat and expressionless and had extremely pale skin. This, along with the oddly intimidating behavior, was enough to scare Shearer and he chose not to let them into his house. Unfortunately for him, his experience was not yet at an end. The men ominously proclaimed that they would visit him again and, not long after, they turned up at his work. They made it clear that they wanted to talk about UFOs and once again asked permission to enter. When Shearer turned them down again, the men vanished and never returned— although Shearer believes that since then his phone has been tapped. Many people believe that the depths of the lake contain a primordial creature from the early days of the Earth and some have dedicated their lives to proving its existence. One man named Frederick Holiday was well known for being passionate about the study of cryptozoology and had spent years looking for evidence of creatures in the lake. Perhaps paranormal phenomena are more connected than we might have thought, because while out investigating the lake for the Loch Ness monster, Holiday had an experience that he would never forget. Holiday looked up on a hill near the lake and spotted a strange man dressed in a black suit. He was profoundly disturbed and reported feeling malevolence from the being that was staring him down. Before he could do anything, there was a bizarre noise and the man was gone as mysteriously as he had appeared. Just one year later, Holiday was back at the Loch for further studies when he had a heart attack— as he was being carried to the ambulance, he passed over the exact place where the strange man had been standing. He was just relaxing in a chair and reading his book when he noticed what appeared to be a leg and a shoe out of the corner of his eye. Before he knew it, there was a man sitting in a chair in front of him. The man immediately asked Rojcewicz about the book he was reading and questioned him on whether he had seen UFOs or was at all interested in the phenomenon. After the encounter, Rojcewicz got up to walk around the library. However, none of the librarians were anywhere to be seen. The same went for the guards and all the patrons. In fact, as far as he could tell, the library was completely deserted except for him. The professor returned to his chair in an attempt to gather his wits. In about an hour, according to the professor, he decided to get up and look around again— and this time he found that everything was as it should be. You might have heard of this photo as the Solway Firth Spaceman, which captures what looks like an unexplained figure in an astronaut outfit in the background. Stranger than the photo is the experience that Templeton had shortly after taking it. He was at work when a car arrived with two men who claimed to be working for the government. When asked, they refused to identify themselves beyond the codes 9 and 10. Even though their badges pointed to no specific

government agency, Templeton agreed to get in the car with them and drive back to the Marsh to answer their questions. The questions were pretty strange. Apart from the expected ones, like where it had happened and whether there were any other witnesses, they also wanted to know about the weather conditions and the behavior of the animals in the area. Templeton told the men that the domestic animals in the area had seemed scared on the day in question and had huddled together for protection. It was after stating this that the men became much more hostile toward Templeton and started questioning the validity of his story. The men seemed to be unconvinced and headed back to their car. They drove off and simply left the baffled photographer in the dust to find his own way home. You can follow Greg on Twitter.

### Chapter 7 : Men in black - Wikipedia

*Black men are viewed as sexy and, in a sense, a 'trophy' for another race, but black women are never deemed the most attractive. Other races are always seen as a trophy on the arm of a black man."*

The piece is titled "The myth that there are more black men in prison than in college, debunked in one chart". The author appears to believe through proving this assertion about prison and education ratios to be inaccurate either a point of great progress can be demonstrated, or an overstatement of calamity about the state of African American men can be corrected. Yet the real issue is the number of people in prison should never be similar to the number educated. For most in our country this in fact holds true, but for black men the two numbers are in fact close and that is the inescapable problem. The supposed myth on its face may in fact be incorrect. There may be more black men in college than in prison, but the truth still stands that there are a socially catastrophic number of black men behind bars in the United States. Let me give a bit of context for this discussion. Referencing the same article above "The Census estimates that approximately 18,, people in the U. In fact, there are more African American men incarcerated in the U. Between and , a period during which overall and violent crime rates tripled in Germany, Finland, and the United States, German politicians chose to hold the imprisonment rate flat, Finnish politicians chose to substantially reduce theirs, and American politicians generally enacted policies that sent more people to prison, along with lengthened prison terms. Today in the United States there are approximately 18 million black men, and nearly million women of all races. According to the Sentencing Project the total number of women incarcerated in America is about , Even more shocking despite the population of black men being about a tenth the size, there are nearly 4 times as many black men incarcerated in comparison to women of all races in the U. To give a more appropriate contrast than just black men in college and black men incarcerated, lets look at the debated education vs incarceration reality for white women and black men comparatively. According to the Census in total there are about 8. For black men the numbers are as listed above, there are about 1. So in the end the contrasting of college enrollment vs. While it is part of an analysis, only by applying it with more depth can we see a fuller and more accurate picture. It is more important to look at these rates and be honest about the advantaged, and disadvantaged. The key is that as then presidential candidate Barack Obama stated "We have more work to do

### Chapter 8 : 10 Creepy Stories Of Encounters With Men In Black - Listverse

*The author of the acclaimed Chokehold: Policing Black Men writes on how the system treats African Americans with contempt: 'If police patrolled white areas as they do poor black neighborhoods.*

### Chapter 9 : Black men arrested at Philadelphia Starbucks reach agreements - CNN

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