



The Youth PROMISE Act

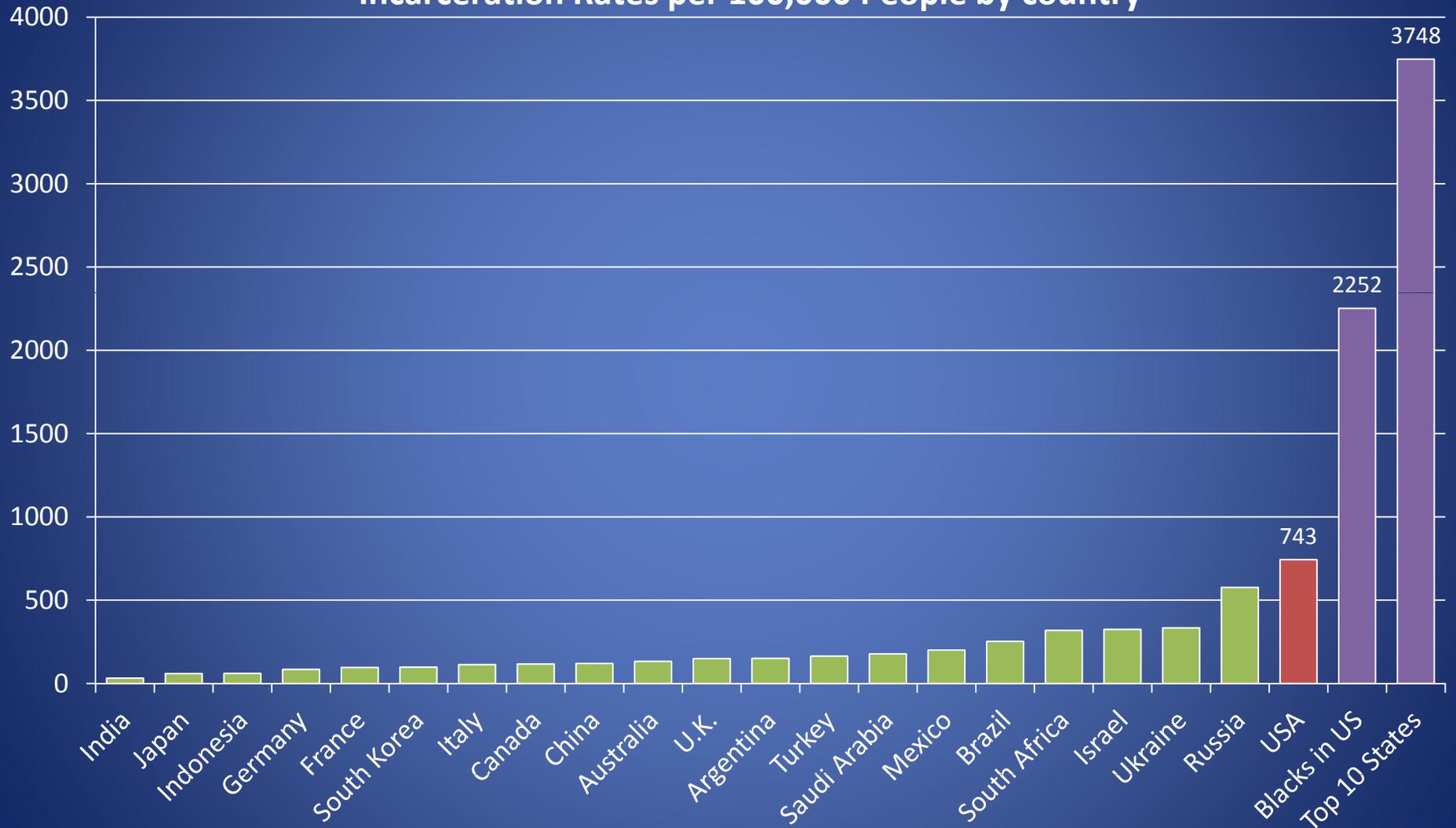
Congressman Robert C. "Bobby" Scott

Third District of Virginia

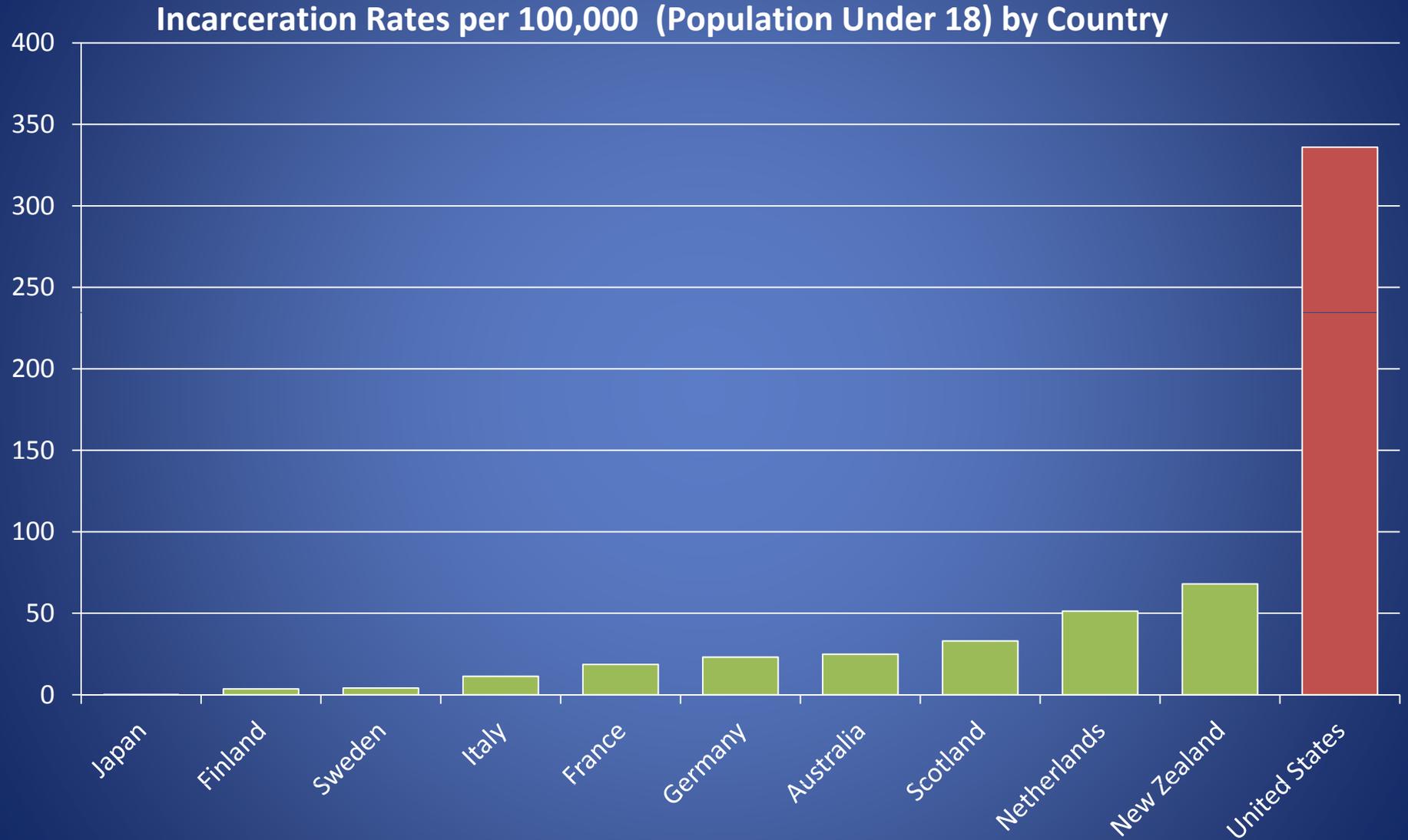
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Incarceration Rates per 100,000 People by country



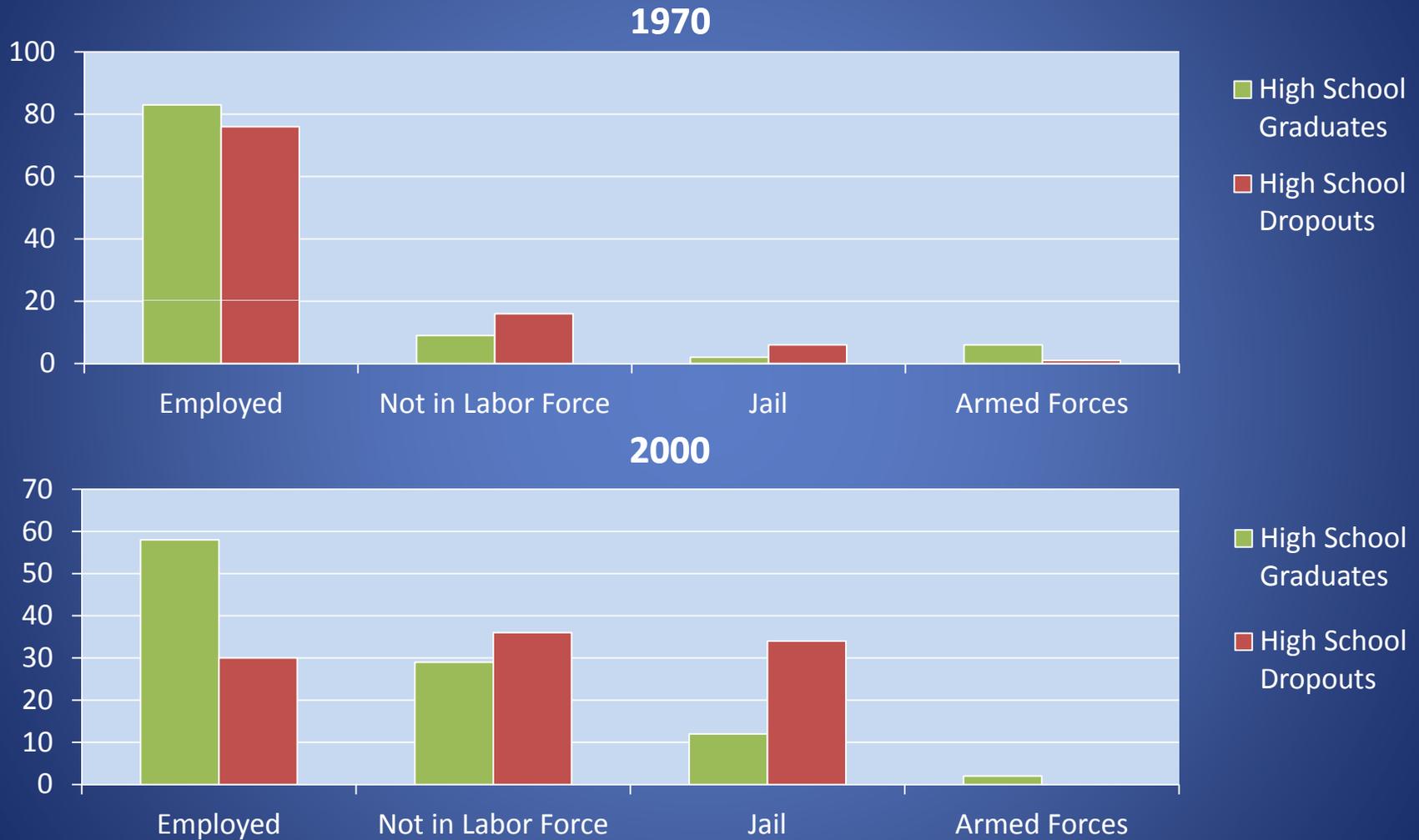
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Source: Figures for September 2002, taken from report entitled "Cross-national comparison of youth justice" (Youth Justice Board, 2008).

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Outcomes for Black Males Age 26-30 Decline Sharply Since 1970



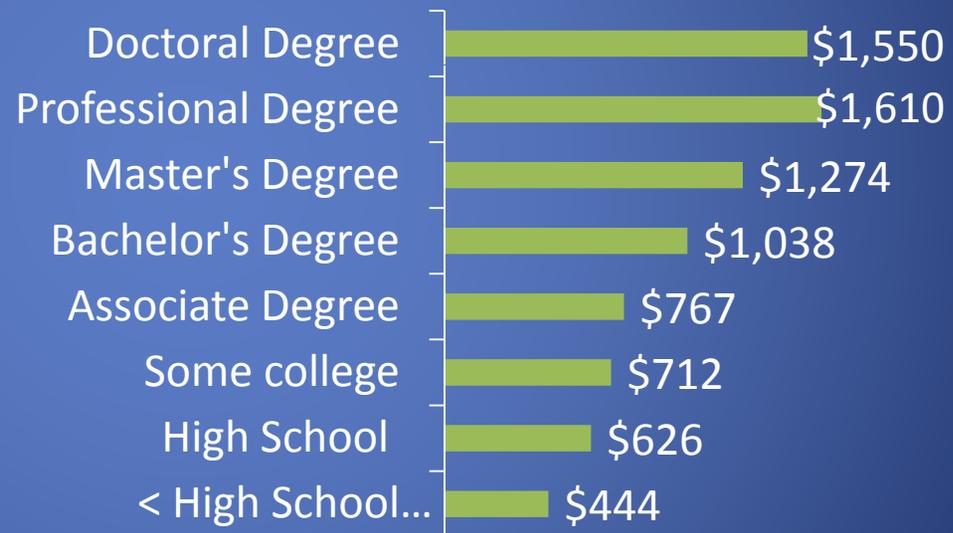
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Education Pays

Unemployment Rate in 2010



Median Weekly Earnings in 2010



Putting Money on the Table

What if we reduced the African-American incarceration rate to 500 per 100,000?*

- Reduction from 2,252 per 100,000 to 500 per 100,000
- 1,752 fewer incarcerated x \$29,000 year = \$50,808,000
- Children per 100,000 = approx. 30,000
- \$50,808,000 / 30,000 children = **\$1,693 /child/ year**
- \$50,808,000 targeted at 1/3 of our most vulnerable children = **\$5,080 /child/ year**

* In the Pew Center on the States study "1 in 31", it was determined that incarceration rates over 500 per 100,000 were counterproductive to reducing crime.

Putting Money on the Table

What if we reduced the African-American incarceration rate in the worst ten states to 500 per 100,000?* *

- Reduction from 3,748 per 100,000 to 500 per 100,000
- 3,248 fewer incarcerated x \$29,000 year = \$94,192,000
- Children per 100,000 = approx. 30,000
- \$ 94,192,000 / 30,000 children = **\$3,140 /child /year**
- \$ 94,192,000 targeted at 1/3 of our most vulnerable children = **\$9,419 /child /year**

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