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Mass Incarceration Causes Inequality

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## **ABSTRACT**

When thinking about what to write my term paper on I thought how something that really interest me and this is mass incarceration we have here in the United States. Not only does mass incarceration cause different inequalities such as economic, social, and racial inequality, but with mass incarceration we have way to many people being incarcerated. Not only does it cause all this, but mechanisms such as default to the truth play into the problem of people that have been incarceration. With being incarcerated it makes it very difficult for people to find jobs which puts them into a social inequality group because they are labeled as a felon and that also goes into economic inequality because they are not able to get a good paying job because they are labeled as a felon.