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Examining a criminal justice system that has incarcerated a greater percentage of its citizens – especially Blacks and Latinos – than any other country in the world.

**From the PROVIDENCE JOURNAL:** "[High incarceration rates prompt RWU forum speakers to call justice system 'broken'](#)" by Paul Davis, Journal Staff Writer

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**Bristol, R.I., Mar. 27, 2015:** The American criminal justice system is broken, said speakers at a Friday forum on mass incarceration at Roger Williams University.

"There are too many people in prison and on probation," and too many of them are black and Hispanic, said **former Superior Court Judge [and RWU Law Distinguished Jurist in Residence] Judith Savage.**

About 350 people -- judges, lawyers, students, lawmakers and government officials among them -- attended the all-day forum, sponsored by the university's School of **Law Review.**

On a case-by-case basis, it often seems like justice is served, Savage said. But once you step back, a different picture appears. "Once you see the forest, there's no going back," she said. [...]