

# Does Systemic Racism Exist in America?

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When challenged by a colleague that systemic racism might actually exist because there were so many online articles that said it did, I did some fact checking and found the following:

## Surprise Surprise!

Knowing that search engines have been designed to provide us with what they want us to see, not the truth, I did three searches using three different computers. Not surprisingly, I found each search gave different results. While there were similarities (6 of 16), the most revealing find was that when I used a brand-new computer, which had no history in searching for anything, I found 6 out of the top 7 finds were totally unique finds. All different from what the other computers with a long history of searches found. And these six reports from Google scored the worst on the effective thinking scale.

For me, this is just more evidence of what we reported in [Wakeup Sheeple](#), that Big Tech purposefully manipulates what they and their sponsors want you to know, and it's not the truth. If they wanted you to know the truth they would have directed you to books like [White Guilt](#) by Shelby Steele. Or, [Red, White, and Black](#), which provides 24 essays from experts in the field saying it doesn't exist and provides many examples of how responsible black Americans became very successful in the land of the free.

In an effort to measure the factual quality of these articles, I created an Effective Thinking Rating as follows:

Quality	Yes/No	Value
Clearly defined the problem		1 - 10
Asked why until point of ignorance		1 - 10
Provided evidence of stated causes		1 - 10
Provided effective solutions		1 - 10
Provided extensive references		1 - 10
Provided rebuttal to opposing views		-10 to +10
Shows a clear bias		-10 to +10
Includes off-topic logic (obfuscation)		-10 to +10
Requests further investigation		-10 to +10
Exhibits Groupthink		-10 to +10
	<b>Total Score:</b>	- 45 to 100

Figure 1: Effective Thinking Rating

It is important to note that this rating scheme is purely subjective on my part as an internationally known teacher of effective problem-solving and provides no more value than a relative scale of the various articles reviewed by me.

## Review of Articles:

The following is a summary of each article I found in the searches and how they are rated using the Effective Thinking assessment criteria of Figure 1.

1. [Is There Evidence of Systemic Racism in the U.S.?](#); By Greg Woldford, 9/24/20.  
He first defines Systemic Racism this way: "Systemic racism refers to the structure, organization, and rules of society. It indicates that society favors or gives advantage to one race over another. Systemic racism manifests itself in justice, employment, wealth, housing, health care, and education."  
In this article he only looks at "justice," and looks at fatal encounters with police and asks; "are more blacks than whites killed by police?" Sound familiar? This is the common corporate news media narrative about the police in the United States targeting black males for criminal activities and shooting them all the time for no good reason. This Groupthink narrative goes like this: "although half of the people shot and killed by police are White, Black Americans are shot at a disproportionate rate. They account for less than 13 percent of the U.S. population, but are killed by police at more than twice the rate of White Americans. Hispanic Americans are also killed by police at a disproportionate rate."  
He goes on to use some really weird comparisons to smoking dope and that you can't look at the fact that blacks commit more crimes because that's not fair and they're really nice people just like you and me.  
What this common narrative doesn't tell you is that only a handful of those killed were unarmed and in almost every case the dead citizen, regardless of color was resisting arrest for a previous crime; meaning they were all criminals or friends thereof who got in the way of the arrest! But for the social justice warriors, the only part of the narrative they want you to see is the color of the dead guy's skin, so they can claim (falsely) there is Systemic Racism in the United States.  
Remember this theme as we go through the rest of these articles.  
Score: - 3
2. [These 3 Studies Can Prove to Anyone That Systemic Racism Is Very Very Real;](#)  
By Lee Camp, 7/23/20.  
For this guy, the proof is found in climate change when he states: "Air pollution is disproportionately caused by white Americans' consumption of goods and services, but disproportionately inhaled by black and Hispanic Americans." He also speaks to poor education funding, low wages, and with poverty, where he makes this brilliant statement: "The white household living near the poverty line typically has about \$18,000, while black households in similar economic straits typically have a median wealth near zero. This means many black families have

a negative net worth.” Again, no causal analysis of continuing to ask why this condition exists, just bold statements that it is caused by systemic racism.  
Score: - 5

3. [Systemic racism and America today](#); By John Allen, President, The Brookings Institution , 6/11/20. This guy starts out by stating, without evidence: “the most hateful remnants of slavery persist in the U.S. today in the form of systemic racism baked into nearly every aspect of our society and who we are as a people.” His only evidence of this is the terrible killings of the drug addict George Floyd and the obvious racist killing of Ahmaud Arbery. Sorry, two senseless killings of some troubled black men, does not systemic racism make.  
Score: - 14
4. [The evidence of systemic racism is complex, and conservatives can't ignore it](#); By Emily Mooney & Arthur Rizer, 6/18/20. These two neither claim there is systemic racism or deny it, simply that there are some indicators of it and we need to look closer. Good for them, at least they are honest.  
Score: 16
5. [Does Systemic Racism Exist?](#); By Samuel Sey.  
This guy gets it when he says: “Systemic racism isn’t whatever I—as a black man—says it is. My perceptions are not proof. My experiences are not authoritative. I am not God.” He goes on to say: “racial disparities between white people and black people are mostly a result of disparities concerning fatherlessness between white people and black people, not systemic racism.” Regarding the standards used by people who claim it exists, he says: “their logic lays the burden of proof on the accused, not the accuser. Systemic racism theory essentially demands groups to prove they’re not systemically racist—instead of demanding social justice proponents to prove the legitimacy of their accusations.”  
Score: 53
6. [There's overwhelming evidence that the criminal justice system is racist. Here's Proof](#); By Radley Balco 6/10/20. Sorry, you can't read this article unless you subscribe to the fake news outlet called the Washington Post (WP). A total waste of money, so don't bother. Remember: [Fake News](#) is defined as news articles that are intentionally and verifiably false. The problem is that most people simply don't know they are being duped because they have never been taught [how to think](#) and all humans have [several cognitive biases](#) that prevent us from seeing the [evidenced-based causal relationships that define reality](#). For example, in another article, the [Washington Post claims that President Trump is not liked by the veterans](#). The main stream news media like the WP, being good psychopaths, enlist the help of other purveyors of fake news to help spread their lies. In this WP article, they reference this article from *Newsweek*: [Did Donald Trump Pass the VA Choice Act, as He Says?](#) to help prove their point. Instead of telling the truth that President Trump fixed the pathetic VA Choice Act passed by Obama by enacting and signing the Mission Act in June 2018, they claim it was

President Obama and John Mc Cain who were so great for the veterans. I am a Viet Nam Vet and I use the VA for medical services and until the Mission Act was signed, it was impossible to get timely treatment from the VA. It would take up to six months to get a simple checkup, and many vets died waiting for treatment – a national disgrace the main stream media totally ignored. After the Mission Act was signed, it now only takes days. The lesson here is simple, do what you learned as a five-year-old; when someone lies to you stop listening to them!  
Score: 0

7. [Quick Study – Ways in Which Systemic Racism Show Up](#); By Barbara Castleton. This brilliant writer says that: “the disparity between how much wealth a group has versus how much wealth other groups have defies reason.” Therefore, systemic racism exists! She goes on to make the same old ‘poor black folks’ argument for housing, representation, education and healthcare, but not a single “why” question. Just that there are many disparities and it has to be systemic racism because there is no other possible answer when you are an ineffective thinker like her.  
Score: - 6
8. [26 simple charts to show friends and family who aren’t convinced racism is still a problem in America](#); Shayanne Gal, Andy Kierz, et.al., 7/8/20. The 26 charts show how blacks are “underrepresented” in employment figures, earnings, college degrees, home ownership, health insurance, and overrepresented in the categories of poverty, prisons, and of course the favorite one, shot more than white people by police. But at least we find out that black people smoke as much dope as whites.  
Score: 4
9. [7 Ways We Know Systemic Racism Is Real](#); Ben & Jerry’s Ice Cream. Once again they say that if you look at the statistics you find that blacks are ranked very low in wealth, employment, education, home ownership, and health, but are really good at being caught in criminal activities, so they spend more time in jail than white folks. But once again they don’t ask why, or provide any evidence of systemic racism.  
Score: - 6
10. [Structural Racism in America](#); By the Urban Institute. “Throughout this country’s history, the hallmarks of American democracy – opportunity, freedom, and prosperity – have been largely reserved for white people through the intentional exclusion and oppression of people of color. The deep racial and ethnic inequities that exist today are a direct result of structural racism: the historical and contemporary policies, practices, and norms that create and maintain white supremacy.” That’s it; no evidence, no examples even, no clear thinking, just a statement that this lie is true. This article, like most of them, starts with the slavery argument and that White Americans were the only purveyors of slavery. Totally ignorant of the fact that slavery of both whites and blacks was common all

over the world and is still most [common in Africa](#). In Europe they called them indentured servants. In fact, as we learn from: [Top 10 Black Slave Owners](#), in 1850, slave owners, white or black, owned around one to five slaves on average. About 28 percent of the free black population in New Orleans at the time owned slaves, with at least six owning 65 or more. This is not to condone slavery, because it cannot be justified in any possible way, but to imply that it was only White Americans in the United States is a sick perversion of the facts.  
Score : - 35

11. [Washington Post Opinion: How to explain systemic racism to non-liberals like me](#); By Megan McArdle, 7/14/20. She asks why is COVID-19 killing more blacks than whites in America. Answer: Systemic Racism! Then goes on to explain that because America had slaves, whites are to blame for that injustice, so in her demented mind, you are responsible for this action cause. Also, the reason blacks are positioned in lower paying jobs is because they are discriminated against, not because they are not as well qualified. And, of course, there is no attempt to ask why they are less qualified, just that it is racist! And OBTW, because they don't work in a nice clean office building or telecommute, they get more COVID-19 and therefore systemic racism kills! She then goes on about some nonsensical claim that because conservatives are being pushed out by liberals, the conservatives get more racist; really? Because she has never been taught effective thinking, she does not continue asking why, rather stops at the point where her story confirms her bias. She has no idea that COVID-19 is caused by a lack of Vitamin D and all dark-skinned people have great difficulty absorbing it from the sun and hence their immune system is left open to infection. It's purely biologic and has nothing to do with racism.  
Score: - 33
12. [Institutional Racism](#); Wikipedia. As you would expect by now, this is just a rehash of the common dogma: "Institutional racism, also known as systemic racism, is a form of racism that is embedded through laws within society or an organization. It can lead to such issues as discrimination in criminal justice, employment, housing, health care, political power, and education, among other issues." And once again, no examples or evidence, just a statement that the reader is supposed to swallow that it exists.  
Score: - 24
13. [100 Statistics that Prove Systemic Racism is a Thing](#); By Kelly Burton, Director of Black Innovation Alliance, 7/13/20. More of the same! 100 statistics that show blacks are not very good at life's challenges, but not a single question that asks why this might be; just the standard racist conclusion that it is all whitey's fault.  
Score: - 7
14. [The Right's Farcical Denial of Systemic Racism](#); By Bruce Bartlett, 10/5/20. More of the same, but this guy makes this brilliant statement: "The number of true racists in society is trivially small, conservatives believe, and all evidence that

Black people are economically disadvantaged just shows that they don't work hard enough or save enough, have too many children out of wedlock, or are too comfortable being on welfare. The playbook here is clear: Always identify some reason for racially disparate life outcomes that lets white people off the hook and lays the responsibility for their circumstances squarely on Black people themselves. It's a classic case of blaming-the-victim rhetoric." So at least he presents the reasons why conservatives don't buy this garbage, but then blows it off as a non-cause, thus embracing irresponsibility as a righteous condition. This guy is brilliant!

Score: 15

15. [Both data and anecdote prove 'systemic racism' is a lie](#); By Zachary Faris, Washington Examiner, 4/21/21. After reading all these articles on "proof of systemic racism" we finally get one that calls foul: Zach says: "If the activists' **inability** to find convincing anecdotes doesn't convince you that "systemic racism" is a bogeyman, then consider the data. Of the roughly 330 million people living in the United States, 1,021 were shot and killed by police officers in 2020, according to the *Washington Post* police shooting [database](#). Of that number, only 55 were unarmed. Of those 55, 18 were black." And OBTW, they were all criminals!

Score: 21

16. [Students claim soap dispensers are proof of systemic racism. Here's my rebuttal](#); By Sullivan Israel, UCLA, 4/21/21. Here is the students reasoning: "soap dispensers are racist because they force "black and brown bodies" to show their palms — "the only light areas of the skin" — in order to get soap out." Once again these students, who have never been taught how to think don't know that if they had asked why, they would have found that the sensors on soap dispensers don't see human hands is because they don't have eyes. They work using a simple device called a PIR sensor that recognizes infrared light, which is emitted by all people, regardless of skin color as long as they're not dead. The reason they don't work sometimes is because they are poorly designed. But that's not the real problem here. As the writer informs us: "The scary thing about these claims aren't the ideas themselves, but rather the world-view that informs them: that systemic racism and white supremacy is all around us, and in everyone, and **everything**, a person encounters. These students go about their daily lives and when anything goes even slightly wrong, they immediately conclude that white supremacy, systemic racism, or racism is to blame. They don't contend that it is some people who are racist to varying degrees. Nor do they allow that there is a difference between real racism and perceived racism. No, for them the "feeling" that anything at all "negative" is racist, that all "negative" outcomes are from a racist design, and that all "good" ones must be anti-racist, has become a **default setting**. For them, racism is not a viewpoint held by a shrinking group of misguided individuals, but rather a **secret force** that exists everywhere, permeates all things, and wields power over society." He also states: "I would argue that systemic racism, as well as its connected tenants like **critical race**

[theory](#), need to be added to the list of modern conspiracy theories. There are, after all, no institutions left in this country which by law are permitted to promote or allow racist rules, unless you count racial promotion through quotas.”

Score: 44

## Analysis:

It is extremely important to remember that the question here is not: *Does Racism exist in America?* but does *Systemic Racism Exist?* As you can see from these review summaries and Effective Thinking scores, every single article fails and even the highest letter score from an anti-systemic-racist story is an F-. As we can see from reviewing so many journalism sources, our education system once again, displays their incredible incompetence. Most of these articles fail to clearly define the problem, none of them provide any evidence of systemic racism, and most are obviously caught up in a huge Groupthink. Given this abysmal showing by our elite media sources, let's go to some experts who have spent their lives exploring this subject.

Shelby Steele best describes the causes of this race card mentality in his book [White Guilt](#), where he says: “The greatest black problem in America today is freedom. All underdeveloped, formerly oppressed groups first experience new freedom as a shock and a humiliation because freedom shows them their underdevelopment and their inability to compete as equals. Freedom seems to confirm all the ugly stereotypes about the group – especially the charge of inferiority – and yet the group no longer has the excuse of oppression. Without oppression – and it must be acknowledged that blacks are no longer oppressed in America – the group itself becomes automatically responsible for its inferiority and non-competitiveness. So, freedom not only comes as a humiliation but also as an overwhelming burden of responsibility. Thus, inevitably, there is a retreat from freedom. No group that has been oppressed to the point of inferiority is going to face the realities of new freedom without flinching. Almost always, oppressed groups enter freedom by denying that they are in fact free, this as a way of avoiding the daunting level of responsibility that freedom imposes.”

He goes on to state that the liberal politicians recognized this fact and set out to use it as a way to gain power. By exploiting the fear of freedom, these wonderful white politicians took responsibility from the blacks by giving them all kinds of free stuff to atone for past transgressions. In doing so they could show they care more for the poor downtrodden blacks than anyone else and thus regain their moral authority and legitimacy as the elite problem-solvers they claim to be. Not really helping them overcome their problems, but further enslaving them with free stuff from Whitey.

In the United States, whenever the term racism is used, it always seems to mean whites feel superior to blacks. Sure, there will always be individual bigots who are incapable of evidence-based causal thinking, but that does not constitute a social order of racism. By looking at racism as an institutionalized condition, B. J. Campbell provides another helpful view of this racist dogma. As previously discussed in my paper titled [Wakeup Sheeple](#), in order to find the best answer to your question or problem you must first

understand your goal. If your goal as an individual is to be 100% responsible for yourself, then the whole notion of racism is an aberrant condition - it means someone is acting with the belief that he or she is superior because of his or her race. Not accomplishments, or intelligence, or being more successful at something, but simply because of a conditional cause of skin color or race. How could that be possible? It doesn't make any sense whatsoever!

Even if someone believes they are superior because of race, they are not racist unless they act in racist ways, which would violate the fundamental principles of being honest, responsible, following the Golden Rule, and thinking causally, so they are losers from the get go.

When it comes to systemic racism, B. J. Campbell teaches us that if your mindset is that racism is institutionalized in hierarchies of societal power like governments, corporations and organizations, then individual racism doesn't really exist. It requires that the individual belong to some organization or defined group that has been deemed to be racist. The notion that power cannot reside in individuals, but resides only in groups, is a Marxist doctrine propagated by much of liberal academia. Power is a fixed quantity and the only way to have it is to be part of a group and fight for it or against it. That is why "Black Lives Matter" and why, in their eyes, all whites as a group are racists. This observation helps us understand why so many of the articles analyzed herein are written by sheeple caught up in this huge Groupthink, totally void of any critical thinking.

The sickness of this mindset is that simply by having the same skin color as other members of a group, you can easily claim victimhood (or be labelled the oppressor). You don't have to do anything, especially be responsible for yourself – just feel like a victim, belong to a group and engage in identity politics. It's so easy, but it is the path of fools.

As someone who lived in the South for a short period of time in the early 1960s, I know what racism looks like. By categorizing me, because I am a member of the "Old White Male Group," as a racist, (Definition: *the belief that race accounts for differences in human character or ability*), simply because I am white, are these so-called intellectuals not meeting the definition of "racist" themselves? As Sullivan Israel stated in his "soap dispenser" story, the real problem in America today is not Systemic Racism, it is a total failure of our education system to teach [effective thinking](#), which results in pathetic journalism like this and readers who can't discern the truth.

So, let's just stop all this focus on race, or color, or any kind of victimhood and focus on being good, successful people who remain humble, and follow the fundamental principles of success by being honest, responsible, follow the Golden Rule, and think causally. And oh, by the way, as I previously discussed, once you discover that one of these journalistic sources have lied to you, do as any 5-year-old would do; stop listening to them! Or, at least be more discerning and fact check everything when you do read their pathetic examples of journalism.

**Figure 2: Search Engine Results with Score**

No.	Article	Bing Search; Colleague's Computer	Google Search; New Computer	Duck-Duck Go Search; Old Computer	Effective Thinking Score
1	<a href="#">Is there evidence?</a>	#1		#1	- 3
2	<a href="#">These 3 Studies</a>	#2		#2	- 5
3	<a href="#">SR &amp; America</a>	#3		#5	- 14
4	<a href="#">Evidence is Complex</a>	#4			16
5	<a href="#">Does SR Exist?</a>	#5		#4	53
6	<a href="#">Overwhelming Evidence</a>	#6		#6	0
7	<a href="#">Ways SR Shows Up</a>	#7			- 6
8	<a href="#">26 Charts</a>	#8	#1	#8	4
9	<a href="#">SR is Real</a>		#2		- 6
10	<a href="#">SR in America</a>		#3		- 35
11	<a href="#">How to Explain SR</a>		#4		- 33
12	<a href="#">Institutional Racism</a>		#5		- 24
13	<a href="#">100 Statistics Prove SR</a>		#6		- 7
14	<a href="#">The Right's Farcical Denial</a>		#7		15
15	<a href="#">Both Data &amp; Anecdote Prove SR is a Lie</a>			#3	21
16	<a href="#">Students Claim Soap Dispenser proves SR</a>			#7	44