## **Solitary Confinement**

**New York State Prisons** 

## More than 4,500 People Are in Solitary in NYS Prisons Today

95% of disciplinary hearings result in guilty findings

14,000
SHU sentences each year

8,000 sentences of 3 or more months 3,900 sentences of 6 or more months

## Mental Health Crisis in New York State Prisons

24% of suicides occurred in the SHU.

NYS prison suicide rate is 59% higher than national average for incarcerated persons.

From 2010-2013 in the 220-bed therapeutic alternative to solitary units for people with serious mental illness:

300 People received 6 months SHU time
148 People received 1 year SHU time
35 People received 5 years SHU time
8 People received 10 years SHU time

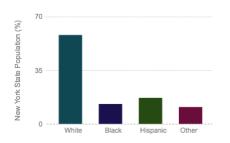
Over **700**people on the OMH
caseload are still in
Special Housing
Units each day.
That's **19%** of
all People in SHU.

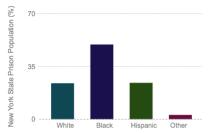
## Racial Disparities in New York State Prisons

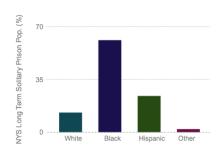
New York State Population by Race

New York State Prison Population by Race

New York State Long Term Solitary Confinement Population by Race







Source: DOCCS and OMH Data