

Women Inmates: An Exploration of Misconduct and Victimization Behind Bars

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Good morning, are you all ready? Alright,
well you're not ready until you turn

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your cell phones off. So this is your
reminder to silence all electronic

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devices please and I will check and make
sure I did that the minute I get back to

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my seat. Another bit of nuts and
bolts, each speaker will have a period of

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time that is 30 minutes long, to
give their presentation and then to take

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questions afterwards. So think about
followup questions as you listen to

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these talks. Our first speakers Karen Lahm.
Karen is an Associate Professor in the

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Department of Sociology and Anthropology
with an interest in Criminology. She's

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been on the faculty since 2006 teaching
courses in a variety of areas including

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research methods, deviant behavior, and crime victims. Her courses form part of

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the curriculum for our Crime and Justice Studies undergraduate major and the

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applied behavioral sciences graduate degree. Karen's understanding of the ABS

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degree is multifaceted since she is both a graduate of the program and

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was the program director. Her present research focuses on women

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inmates and issues of violence and victimization. The title of her talk is

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Women Inmates: An Exploration of Misconduct and Victimization Behind Bars,

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but I just have to say one more thing, she's also the star of the front page of

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the Wright State website this morning.

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An article about Karen is there, so be sure to visit that after her talk. Karen.

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It's a pleasure to be here today. I just want to thank the Dean and all the COLA

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folks down there for all their
cooperation in putting this together,

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specially Stephanie in terms of
coordination and all that. Really

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appreciate the opportunity to share some
of my research here today. Got a

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professional development grant actually
back in 2008 and 2009, which actually

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enabled me to go out and do this
research and then I was given some PDL time

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last spring that actually enabled me to complete this research and

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prepare some manuscripts from the
research I had collected a few years ago.

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So it's nice to be given the funding and
the time to do that here, so I thank COLA

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and also Research and Sponsored Programs for that as well.

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The biggest thing -- I'm usually kind of a
walker here, so I apologize here rather

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than standing at the podium -- the biggest
thing I always get with my students in

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teaching classes on prisons and just even

talking to folks in general, is the usual

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"say who cares?"

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These are bad people, we lock them up,
throw away the key and who really cares?"

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Well looking at prison is very
important for many reasons. First and

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primarily important, as you can see on
the PowerPoint there like I tell my

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students, you're paying for it. We pay for
their health care, we pay for their food,

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we pay for their rehabilitation. So you
are paying for it. That's why I always

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take my students, every time I teach
penology, to different men's and women's

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prisons so they can actually see what
they're paying for. Some are certainly

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interested in that for occupations, so as
typically as soon as that door slams,

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some of them to stay there and think "wow this is great for me" and some want to

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hit the road, just not for them.

Totally understand. The second thing here

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and it's not on the PowerPoint, but typically the numbers I have from last

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year is anywhere between 600,000... 600,000 and 700,000 inmates are released every

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year from state prisons. That's a huge number and these people aren't going to

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live under a bridge or not going to a certain location. They could be coming to

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any neighborhood. So how we treat these individuals inside prisons, how they act

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inside prisons, their overall socialization and experience in prison

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directly affects how they're going to behave when they get out and we are out

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there with them. Don't think that we are not. I talk to COs all the time, they'll

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see ex-inmates at the grocery store, at Walmart. So they're getting out. Again, between 600

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and 700 thousand each year, both men and women combine. You can see on the

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PowerPoint there that we have just a little under seven million people in

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this country under what we call the correctional umbrella. Now that includes

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prisons, that includes probation, that includes parole, and that includes local

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jails. Specifically speaking of prison, state prisons and federal prisons, we

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have just over 1.5 million Americans. We are typically one and two behind Russia as

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the top incarcerating country in the world. I don't know if that's a good looks to

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be on but, we're up there.

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Ohio specifically, were typically in the top five to top eight or so, with a

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number of state inmates. We typically have about anywhere from about forty

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five and fifty thousand here just in Ohio and spend about 1.5 billion dollars

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on inmates. That's about \$68 per inmate per day. I just read a study that talked

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to my class about last semester and there are some states that actually spend

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more on inmates than they do higher education. So we kind of see that turning

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the corner here involve five or six states, again spending more on inmates

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and corrections than they do on higher education for folks. The concern for

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women in prison has become apparent to me in the last few

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years. Most of my research has been done on men. Typically there's a lot more men.

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About 94% of the prison population in the USA is comprised of men, so women being a

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small number often forgotten. But women's

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incarceration has been changing over the past 30 years or so. That

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has kind of caught our attention to possibly an increase in possibly more

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violence and misconduct behind bars.

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Some of the changes we're seeing is just basically a drastic increase in the

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number of women offenders. You can
see from some of the statistics there

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that in 1990 -- twenty thirty years ago
or so -- we had just under forty five

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thousand women inmates in state and
federal facilities combined. In 2011 that

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number shot up to over a hundred and ten
thousand. So huge, huge increases in the

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population of women inmates, this is due
to economic issues. Certainly the war on

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drugs had a huge effect on women.

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We're also seeing some changes with the
kinds of female inmates that we see in

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prison. It used to be mostly drug
offenders, but we're seeing a huge

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increase in the number of women
committing violent offenses or at least

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being sentenced for violent offenses. There
used to be a notion back in the sixties

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and seventies that was called chivalry,
where men and women would often be

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having engaged in the same kind of crime and a woman would

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go in front of a judge and a man would go
in front of the judge and a woman could

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maybe sometimes turn on some tears -- this sounds terrible this explanation, but she

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also may have some children at home and
often the judge would treat these women

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are more chivalrous way and sentences
man to longer time in facilities than

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they would women. So not only have we
seen increases in women offenders, but

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this idea of chivalry treating women a
little bit kinder in the system, that is

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dead as well, so say penologists. So
we're seeing women serving longer

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sentences, engaging in more violent crimes. Now most of those violent crimes. Now most of those violent crimes are

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assault, not that I would prefer homicide
over assault, but you know what I mean by that.

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There's also been an overall decrease in
programming back in 1994 with the major

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crime bill that was passed by Bill

Clinton. A lot of the Pell grant money

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was cut and that's a lot of the money
that was used for inmates to take

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educational programs, to improve
themselves, and hopefully improve their lives when

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they get out. So we're seeing a lot more
inmates packed and facilities, especially

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for females that have a lot less
programming so that means a lot more

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idle time and we know what idle time
does too many folks and many of them

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sitting there for years and years,
literally with nothing to do

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or waiting five, six, seven years on a
waiting list just to actually get into a

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program. Many do want to improve
themselves. There's also again, been a lot

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of the get tough on crime policies here
and another interesting fact is that

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many states only have one or two women's
facilities. In Ohio we have three. So I

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told my students I guess we're lucky, but
we have one of the biggest here,

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the Ohio Reformatory for Women, which has about 2,000 inmates and that's where I

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conducted this research. I'll speak to that
in just a moment.

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Excuse me. Again, the facilities here often very very crowded

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even at ORW. I've been there several times
with my students and we've seen cots in

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the hallway, cots in the visitation room,
because they just don't have

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anywhere for these inmates to stay. About
two years ago I took my students there

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and they just opened a brand new -- it sounds like it's like some big amazing brand

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new building here -- a five hundred-person
dormitory. Took my students next semester,

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it was completely filled, 500 inmates in
less than six months and the trick is you've

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got to remember that at a lot of facilities okay, we have these open dorm type settings, which

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is basically a large gymnasium with
bunk beds. That's all it is. So 500 women

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and typically per shift, maybe one or two corrections officers per 500 women.

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That's a scary ratio. So there's going to be things that happened, going to

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be things that go on. There are cameras and they are monitoring folks,

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but they can't look in every nook and cranny of the facility at every moment.

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So we have facilities that are crowded, lack of programming, more violent inmates,

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servicing longer time. Obviously this could be a recipe for disaster in terms of

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misconduct and victimization. In general and probably the most important comments

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here as are the last two on the PowerPoint there. There's just a general lack

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of literature, in general on women inmates. most of it looks at sexual behavior,

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a la Orange is the New Black and shows like that, especially areas of misconduct and victimization,

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very very little on women, because typically this is kind of a man's area.

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Men typically are more violent so that's why they are looked at a little bit more.

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The last point on there is also very very important for my particular

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research. A lot of folks who do look at victimization of misconduct will lump

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a whole bunch of different indicators together into one variable. So you'll

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have one variable for misconduct or victimization that's not only measuring

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physical assault, but maybe also somebody being out of bounds or out of place or

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spitting on someone. So what I did with his researches pull that misconduct in

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victimization in apart -- excuse me -- and looked at several different types of

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specific victimization and specific misconduct to see what the indicators

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are rather than using a global measure for that, which sometimes that is

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necessary because the victimization and misconduct is pretty low. In terms of

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victimization and misconduct, the literature and again this is kind of two

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papers I'm cramming into one here. So we'll try to go over each one a little

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bit here. In terms of victimization what the researchers shown

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is that typically females are often less victimized than males, always that

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comparison to males. Those that are victimized in prison are typically

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victimized in terms of some kind of theft or some kind of verbal altercation. We

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know women like to speak. That's something the CEO's always tell me when I'm at a

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facility, "it's just so damn loud in here with these women. Nobody takes no for an

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answer and are always asking me why, why, why, why can't I do this? Why can't I do

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that?" Whereas with males "okay I can't do it, I'm moving on". And my students will often

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notice that noise level when we do go to facilities. We also see higher rates of

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sexual victimization for female inmates
when compared to male and I do need to

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comment on that because sexual
victimization that is not forceful

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sexual victimization, something like rape.
It is oftentimes a little bit more

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consensual for females and often more of
a sexual touching, not to get too

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involved with that there. Other variables
like age, current offense, race and

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criminal history have shown a lot of
mixed results over the past. So all of

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those variables were thrown into my
model here to try to clear some of that

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up. The last set of variables on there
especially aggression,

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sentence length, program participation, the number of children and actually engaging in

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misconduct herself, because a lot of
times we see in victimization

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literature that people that are victimized
in prison are often acting out

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themselves. So it's kind of a retaliatory
event there. I'm provoking my own

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victimization and I'm not trying to
blame the victim there, but when you read

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a lot of scenarios you typically see
that. It will be some kind of

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altercation that escalates into a fight.
Maybe a verbal altercation: I say

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something about you or I attack first
and then I am then victimized as a

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result of that. So those variables were
new, those understudied ones in italics

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down there. In terms of the misconduct
literature we also see that women

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inmates are less involved in misconduct
as well.

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Age is without a doubt for male and
female inmates, the most robust, the

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strongest predictor typically younger
inmates -- excuse me for being a

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little colloquial -- but they're just
acting a fool typically and they're the

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ones that typically get in trouble. If I take my inmates.. excuse me, if I take my inmates.

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That was a Freudian slip. If I take my students

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to a facility... Whoopsie [laughing] If I take my students to a facility and they do happen to have

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maybe a smaller section of that facility that has younger inmates there, the

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minute we walk in there, banging their heads on the door and cussing and

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screaming and just trying to get our attention. So ages without a doubt the

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most robust predictor of whether or not you're going to be a victim and or

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engage in some kind of violence or misconduct behind bars. Also being a

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violent offender and having a criminal history especially with violent

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offending is a very very strong predictor, especially of inmates engaging

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in violent behavior behind bars things, like physical assaults or sexual

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assaults. Other variables like time served and sentence length have a positive

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association with misconduct, race education, marital status, employment in

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the presence of children, has shown to show mixed results in the past. So again

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that's why all of them were included here to help clear up some of those

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effects on the different types of both victimization and misconduct. Visits,

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crowding, and program participation have been non significant in the past and

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those have been primarily studies on male. So kind to improve on that they were

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included in these models to see how they affected women. Aggression is kind of a

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new variable here, kind of a new twist to my research here. A lot of folks

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have looked at self control in the past, but I also wanted to include an

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aggression measure as well, because you would think that folks that are

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more aggressive might fall into that area of provocation. The methods here,

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again this research was conducted at the Ohio Reformatory for women, just about an hour

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hear, about an hour northeast of here, up near Columbus. ORW was opened in 1916 and it

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is a huge complex covering over two hundred and forty acres, operating

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budgets about 44 million dollars, and they typically have anywhere from about 2,200

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to over 2,500 female inmates. And again, they built a 500 bedroom dorm, I would

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say and then again like I told you we went there about three months later and

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it was completely full. So just like baseball in The Field of Dreams, build it they

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will come. I guess that applies to female inmates as well, okay.

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Of those 2,500 inmates, Marysville is overwhelmingly Caucasian and that has

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typically been a trend there, again

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overwhelmingly Caucasian. That's typically different than we think for

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inmates and what we see the media present us with that image as well.

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80% are also what we call minimum and medium offenders. That's the

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lowest level of offenders at Marysville, the lowest level of offenders. So please

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keep that in mind here in looking at the dependent variables that I looked at.

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These are the lowest level offenders coming in. About 2-3 years ago what the

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staff at ORW told me is "we got rid of the bad eggs". They sent them to Dayton Correctional

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Facility. So Dayton Correctional Facility used to be a mail facility. It's now a

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female facility for a lot of, again using their terms, some of the "bad eggs" at

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Marysville were sent there. So Marysville they said has quieted down a little bit

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since that has happened, okay just to kind of give you a little context there. In terms of

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the researcher for these presentations, I

got a sampling frame of over 1,500

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inmates and kind of a key factor here
was I wanted them to have spent at least

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six months in the facility to kind of
soak up what was being offered in this

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facility, maybe take part in some
programs and also to get through that

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initial period of classification. From
that list of 1,500... 600 inmates were

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selected using a random sampling
technique to come and participate in

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self-administered questionnaires. So I went
to Marysville for about two weeks,

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took about six days to do this; three
days each week there and about 380 women

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actually showed up to take the survey.

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Got about 334 usable surveys from those women and I do

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need to make mention here.

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Me being there, I think is helpful to
inmates, because I like to roam around the

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room and talk to them. Again they are people. I know they're inmates, but there are

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also people too. It helps to clear up any questions they may have about the

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survey or I think just to talk to somebody different sometimes gives them

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a little bit more ease and maybe a little bit more trust and hopefully increase the

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validity and reliability of those survey results.

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All the women were seated at separate tables and a large gymnasium. I've

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collected data before on males, where males will be sitting at a table and a

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corrections officer will come over and say "hey Bob what'd ya put for number four?"

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That not only pisses me off when they do that, but that makes me again worry

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about the reliability and validity of the data. Inmates are often like "are you

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sure the warden's not going to look at this?

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You sure my name's not gonna be on here?" "Yes we try to take all those precautions

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so that nobody is identified". These are purely anonymous once they come back to me.

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Again, self-administered questionnaires were chosen for this particular data collection,

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because a lot of penologists believe that they often get at that hidden side of

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misconduct, because not all misconduct in prison is written up, some is written up

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on official documents, some is not. So sometimes I believe that in research has

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shown that using self-administered questionnaires is a way to get at maybe

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misconduct and victimization that maybe they didn't officially report or that a

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corrections officer didn't see and write up themselves. We have potentially lot of

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bias here with what individuals choose to write up for a

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report or not. Some sample descriptives here and again overall once all these are discussed here, not really

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too much different from the population
of the facility. Average age about 36.

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34% of the sample here were
non-white, about 36 percent had engaged

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in a prior violent offense, 38% had some
kind of prior incarceration or prior

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prison experience, little bit under a
high school education, more than half

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were employed either part-time or
full-time prior to coming to prison,

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about 76% had children. That was not just minor children, but

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children in general and that's very
common. Typically I've had studies as high

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as 80%. So where we have women inmates we
typically have children as well. About

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19% were married and I do need to make a
comment there that we also included or I

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also included a common law marriage in
there too, because we see that a lot with

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women inmates, see that a lot. Average time served: little over five years with the

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average sentence length for my
particular sample here, just over 11

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years. That's a pretty long sentence
there.

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61% who received a visit in the last six
months, whether it be from a family member,

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friend, or other. About 86% said they felt the facility was crowded,

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About 46% little less than half,

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had participated in some kind of
educational and/or vocational program in

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00:19:11,930 --> 00:19:16,580
the past six months. I also included the
Buss and Perry aggression scale on there. I

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only did include one element... Excuse me,
one dimension of that scale, which was

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00:19:20,840 --> 00:19:25,000
the physical aggression dimension.
Because of page restraints, everything

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that I put on my survey, everything that
I want to ask has to go through the

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facility. So they will have me sometimes
take questions off or say "no, you need to

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make it under three pages. We want to get these women in here and get them out

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here when they're doing your survey" and I'm totally at their mercy and that's

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totally understandable there. There was also a question on there about

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misconduct, whether they had gotten a ticket in the past six months, but that

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was only used for the victimization study, again to kind of try to look at that

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provocation issue. So again in general the sample was very very similar to the

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population. In terms of the dependent variables examined here again, one

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dependent variable was victimization in the past six months, the other was any

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misconduct that they engaged in the last six months. For both the dependent

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variables here, I looked at violent victimization, I'll show you some

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indicators of those in just a moment, like what was considered violent.

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Property and sexual misconduct and victimization. I do need to mention that

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the sexual, both misconduct and victimization did not include any forced acts, because

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that is collected by the Prison Rape Elimination Act where the Census Bureau

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comes in and collects issues on rape. So they did not want me to put that on

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there, so I did not. Then we also have verbal victimization and then also drug

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and alcohol misconduct that these women engaged in behind bars. You might be

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thinking "drug and alcohol misconduct behind bars?"

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Yup, it goes on, okay, brought in a number of ways from visitors, unfortunately some

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staff. I once had somebody tell me a story when they opened a new Supermax men's facility

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up in Youngstown, which is located in the center city for a change --

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usually prisons are way out in the country because the air's much fresher out

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there, so better norms, better values of course -- they would take tennis balls and

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put drugs in and hit him over the fence. That's a unique way to get drugs and alcohol

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in I guess. So those things happen. Where there's a will there's a way.

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The indicators of misconduct in victimization were as follows:

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Any kind of violent misconduct or victimization was more of a physical assault,

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a physical attack on somebody. Some of that could have resulted in a serious

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injury and I also collected information also resulting in a non serious injury.

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Property misconduct and victimization, whether or not a cell was broken into. A

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lot of women who live in the big storms just have a footlocker smaller than the

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top of this podium here to keep all of their stuff in, but oftentimes that

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stuff gets stolen and broken into. Destroying or altering state property is

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also considered under that property
misconduct and victimization variable.

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Against sexual misconduct and
victimization: sexual threats, proposals,

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and any nonviolent, i.e. consensual
activity as well. Because again, that is

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not supposed to go on there and again
nothing collected on any kind of

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forceful sexual contact. That's collected
by the Census Bureau with the Prison

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Rape Elimination Act. Under misconduct
it asked about drug and alcohol

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misconduct. Whether they possessed or
used alcohol illegally, also misused

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non-prescription drugs or even possessed
any kind of drug paraphernalia and also

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verbal -- that was only on the
victimization side -- verbally threatening,

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object of abusive language, or
intimidating someone, okay. And also I do

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need to mention that all of those
indicators of misconduct and victimization

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again, were self reports over the last six months and measured questions both about

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engaging on... Excuse me, engaging in misconduct or being victimized by a

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staff or another inmate and then those were collapsed together. In terms of

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results We'll will try... I'm running out of time here a little bit. In terms of

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victimization, victimization's what I call a little more static model in terms of not

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many different variables had an effect there, but uniquely in all four types of

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victimization age had a negative effect, aggression levels had a positive effect

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as did prior education and misconduct itself. All of those variables typically

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fall into one theoretical model called importation that focus on individual

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personality variables as affecting victimization. The misconduct

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results are what I call a little bit more of a dynamic model. They included

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variables from three different
theoretical perspectives. Age and aggression

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respectively had a negative and positive
effect in all four types of misconduct.

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so they were more robust in what they
predicted. Then we get down to the bottom

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right-hand corner of that slide there and we
see that different variables from

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different models affected different
types of misconduct. In terms of physical

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misconduct, employment prior had a
negative effect in terms of sexual

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00:23:46,400 --> 00:23:51,390
misconduct, both time served and the presence of children had a positive effect. That's

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very interesting to me the presence of
children. That's also -- I just did another

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paper with a graduate student -- seems to
have a positive effect. Presence of

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children, you think that would be one way
to pull people back from engaging in

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misconduct, but oftentimes visits can be
very emotional and just very traumatic

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for some inmates. So that often leads to
misconduct after that. Drug and alcohol,

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prior violence had a positive effect and
employment prior to prison had a

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negative effect and for property
misconduct race, program participation,

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and educational programming all had a
positive effect. So little bit more of a

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dynamic model including three types of
theoretical explanations, both

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importation, deprivation, and what we call
a social bonding and also kind of an

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opportunity model there. Again in terms
of conclusions, I've kind of made the first

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two points up there with victimization
being more based on personal level

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predictors. Again we call that
importation, we call those personal

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qualities and misconduct being predicted
by a series of three separate

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theoretical predictors with a variety of
variables from each of those. So

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misconduct a little bit more dynamic, I think what all of this tells me here

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especially is that we need to continue to examine these kinds of misconduct and

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victimization separately rather than lumping them into just one model. Again,

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is it fair to look at

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misconduct when I have a physical assault or sexual assault combined in

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the same dependent variable with maybe spitting on someone -- for lack of a better

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example there I apologize for that -- or being out of place. I mean I could get

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written up for a ticket for not having my shirt tucked in or having the wrong

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uniform and I just don't think we should mush all those variables together. So I

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think we still need to look at those separately, because I do believe in what

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this research shows is they do have

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specific indicators, so different models
predicting each terms of limitations

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again only one prison was looked at here,
so certainly would like to increase the

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sampling size both at the micro and
macro level, meaning number of inmates and

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00:25:48,330 --> 00:25:53,739
number of Prisons. That will also help
with the theory explanations here as well.

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Again used self-report studies on here
on here, so the reliability is always in

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00:25:58,299 --> 00:26:01,629
question with these folks like always
get that from reviewers when I submit

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00:26:01,629 --> 00:26:05,659
manuscripts. "Why do you trust these
people? "Tell me about your reliability,

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00:26:05,659 --> 00:26:09,999
they're criminals". If I gave you
all the survey I would not feel the same

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00:26:09,999 --> 00:26:15,580
way, but I would trust you all or my
students just as much as them. I don't

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understand that point. Always brought up,
always brought up. however to help

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00:26:21,470 --> 00:26:24,769
increase reliability, I do believe that
someday triangulation would be better in

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the future not only using surveys, but then collecting information maybe via

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personal interviews with these folks and not until we actually talk to them to see

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actually how the interaction occurred, whether it be a victimization or

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misconduct, can we fully understand a situation and especially

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that issue of provocation.

I need to definitely include more variables,

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especially for females in particular. So what we call more gender specific variables

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like abuse whether or not they have been a victim of abuse. We typically see

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rates as high as 80 to 90% in terms of physical, sexual, and/or some kind of abuse

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that many of these women have endured. Mental illness issues, just completed a

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study recently and 80% of my samples on the mental health case load.

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so that's a very very important variable, especially for women. Issues of addiction

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as well and other possible contextual
prison level variables that were not

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included in this model because I only
had one contextual unit, being ORW also

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not all forms of victimization were
measured. Self-harm was left off, which is

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a very important measure, especially for
women inmates. We tend to see a lot more

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self harm, self-mutilation among women
inmates. I also left off issues of like

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spitting and throwing objects. Just
completed a study at the Ohio Department

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of Rehabilitation and Correction. It's
important to know the issues of like

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spitting and throwing objects, that's
actually considered a physical assault.

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Even if I don't lay my hands on someone,

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if I collect my urine and throw it
out at somebody or take fecies and put

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it in a toothpaste tube and then step on it
when the CO walks by, which happens all

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the time, or throw cup or throw water,
that is also considered a physical

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assault. So didn't have those in there so
possibly future studies would want to

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include those as well to make these
dependent variables a little bit more

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encompassing here. In terms of
victimization, I did separate slide for

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each of these, but they can kind of be
encompassed in both in terms of the

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policy implications. With age and
aggression being significant in both, I

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think that definitely has issues for
housing. Marysville currently houses

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adult women, but they have a separate
building for anybody who was convicted

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of an adult crime at a younger age like
seventeen or eighteen and all those

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younger women have to stay within sight
and sound away from all the other inmates.

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So they eat separately, they rec
separately, and that creates a lot of

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problems and they also know that the
COs can't touch them, so they typically

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00:28:42,549 --> 00:28:46,200

act a fool as we said a little bit
before. Have a lot of issues with the

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younger inmates and ironically the
younger inmates are in the same housing

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unit as the lady on death row. Hmm. Aggression, again aggression was important in both

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victimization and misconduct. So this is
obviously an important variable. Need to

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get all of the indicators in there, again
only use the indicator for physical

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aggression here. So I think we're gonna
probably need to start putting that on

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intake and classification forms and was
actually more important than criminal history,

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which is always on intake forms. So maybe
some changing and classification tools and

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intake forms and also changing with
staffing. A lot of the staff and lot of

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the COs that work at women's facilities
come from men's facilities. So they may

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need some different training and some different classes in dealing with women,

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especially women with mental issues and aggressive personality and where do

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we want to house these women that have highly aggressive personalities. Where are

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we going put them? And with older ladies who want everything to be quiet and calm, that's not

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going to work. So housing is a big issue here, but again got to have money to make

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more housing and build more housing on many of these facilities here.

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Education was also significant in the presence of tickets and the victimization

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models suggesting

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that we have an issue with the provocation and the education variable

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suggests that we have an issue with some of these women who have education prior, more

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bonded to non-criminal types of personalities. They may need more

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orientation, just really don't know what that life is about.

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Same with misconduct, the first two on there are the same.

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Issues of time served and children

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definitely has effects for visitation
for inmates, prisonization, and also

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relationships. Women are very very
relationship centered and that does not

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stop when they are in a facility. Issues
of race, program participation, and

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education, again ,opportunity. We are in no
way saying just because these variables

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increase misconduct, that we should take
away programming. I'm not

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trying to say that all. Program is very
important and we often see issues of

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lesser types of misconduct for those
women who engage in programming here at...

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You know what I mean by lesser? It's not
the worst of the worst, because I don't

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think they want to lose those privileges.
It could be "I forgot to leave this piece

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of material here" or maybe "I was out of
place for a moment or maybe "I was a little late

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to work." So the misconduct is different
here so and no way am I advocating that we

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take away visits or programs, none of
that here. I know I'm running out of time. Thank you, any questions?

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[applause]

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Yes, Kristen.

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I was really interested in the percentages of Caucasian women [inaudible]

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Yes.

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I was wondering if anybody has done you know, studies on the media impact of what we think prisons [inaudible]?

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Okay, Kristen asked about those racial
percentages and the media impact there.

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None to my knowledge looking directly at
those issues there, but Marysville is

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really really unique Kristen, with
being such a high percentage of

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Caucasians. I don't know if we'll that in many other states, I would have to look

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at those to give you an honest answer there, but in terms of comparing our

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media perception and what's actually in there. No direct studies to my knowledge,

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but it is kind of a disconcerting issue, because typically in class when I asked

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students to describe an inmate, I get a totally different picture from them in terms of

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race, gender, so that's definitely an issue there that definitely needs to be

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addressed in the future. I wish I could give you more specifics there, but I

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can't think of any studies off the top of my head that look directly at that.

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But definitely an important issue. Yes.

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You said, I think, that their correlation between length of sentence had an increase in violence? I would have assumed it would have been like [inaudible] more passive or [inaudible]

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What the research shows there Dr. Weinzimmer, is that a lot of these ladies actually know how to get away

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with a little bit more the more time

they spend there. So some get a little

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bit more bold in terms of what they do and take some more chances. That's recently

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what I've read a lot about. So you would think it's kind of a counter-intuitive

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finding there, but they think that many of them actually again, know better ways to

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not get caught doing things and I know that was also a significant variable for

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the sexual activity and a lot of that was consensual. So women seeking out that

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nurturing and touching for lack of a better term there. Again, not necessarily

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a violent offense, but again the institution still poo poos any kind of

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activity like that and many don't get to see their children.

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Estimates between 50 and 60% of both male and female inmates don't to get

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to your children the whole time they're in there. So again your hormones don't

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shut down. That nurturing that females
have, it doesn't stop. So I think that

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might be explained by them just seeking
out some comfort from other females.

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Thank you Karen.

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Sure. Thank you all, thank you.

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[applause]