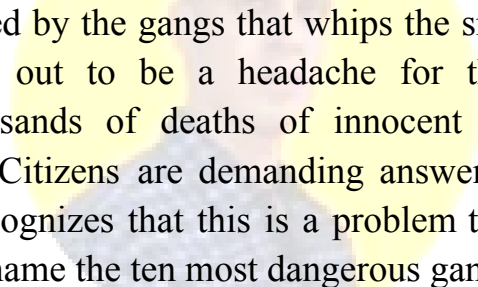


“10 Most Dangerous Gangs In The United States”



The violence generated by the gangs that whips the small and large cities of the United States, turns out to be a headache for the authorities. They are responsible for thousands of deaths of innocent citizens and other gang members each year. Citizens are demanding answers from the state, and the police department recognizes that this is a problem they can no longer handle. In this video we will name the ten most dangerous gangs in the United States.

- **Somali Gangs**¹

Generally, many of the gang members who are recruited from the Somali immigrant community choose to become members of gangs such as “Crip or Blood” upon arrival in the United States. According to FBI reports, since 2018, there has been an increase in gangs formed only by Somalis, which generates tension with other, more formed gangs. These smaller groups engage in major crimes, including alien smuggling and human trafficking, prostitution, and credit card fraud. The Federal Bureau of Investigation also detailed that the largest pockets of these Somali gangs are in Minnesota, the state of Washington and Missouri, which shows that gang violence is not just a problem in major cities.

- **The Aryan Brotherhood**²

Some white gangs were founded on a view of white hegemony, extremely racist, and the most notorious of these groups is the Aryan Brotherhood. The group, also known as The Brand, Alice Baker, AB or One-Two, was forged at California's San Quentin State Prison more than fifty years ago by bikers of Irish origin as a form of protection for white inmates in recently removed prisons. The group maintains a thriving prison network to this day; Although members of the Aryan Brotherhood make up only a small percentage of the country's prison population, they are responsible for up to twenty-five percent of all prison murders. The Aryan Brotherhood is involved in activities such as drug smuggling and prostitution, but their penchant for racially motivated violent

crime makes them one of the most dangerous gangs in the United States of America.

- **California 18th Street Gang**³

With more than fifteen thousand members, the 18th Street Gang is the largest and most established street gang in California. It has expanded rapidly in recent years, with members in thirty-two states. He has strong ties to the Mexican mafia and has even been infiltrated in the army. Los Angeles residents experience violent robberies on a daily basis by the 18th Street Gang, they are also known to be involved in murder, extortion, car theft, drug smuggling and human trafficking. According to the Department of Justice, "they have turned the northern triangle of Central America into one of the areas with the highest homicide rate in the world." They have been linked to murder, arson, assault, human trafficking and prostitution, in addition to various other crimes. While they operate primarily in Southern California, they are also seen to be active internationally in Canada, Spain, the United Kingdom, Australia, France, Chile, Peru, and Mexico. Members can be identified by the symbols XVIII, XV3, X8, 99 or 666 and the colors blue and black, the latter in homage to the Mexican Mafia.

- **The Aztecs**⁴

The Aztecs originally started in El Paso, Texas, and many of their members were recruited from within the Texas prison system. Some of the gang's activity actually occurs inside Texas prisons, including heroin production. Los Aztecas' strict military structure and ties to major Mexican cartels help maintain order, and its members have been known to engage in drug trafficking, illegal alien smuggling and murder. They were involved in the brutal 2011 murder of a US consulate official and his family. In all, three US consulate officials were killed, including the pregnant wife of one of the workers. This gang is so well known that it even appeared in the video game saga "Grand Theft Auto, San Andreas".

- **Florence 13**⁵

The Florence 13, a South Los Angeles gang with ties to the Mexican Mafia, are strong rivals to the 18th Street gang. The Florence 13 are sophisticated drug dealers known for committing murder and other violent crimes, and they also have direct ties to the US military. In 2010, ninety-four Florencia 13 gang members pleaded guilty to major crimes, but six members were sentenced by the court to life in prison for their violent crimes.

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- **Latin Kings**⁶

The Latin Kings, born on the streets of Chicago in the 1940s, are now the largest Hispanic gang in the United States. It's hard to know exactly, but there are an estimated eighteen thousand to thirty-five thousand members in Chicago alone, and the group has reached thirty-four states. The strict organizational structure and strong religious aesthetic encourage loyalty, something the Kings take very seriously. A member suspected of violating the gang's strict rules may be subject to brutal punishment, such as a five-minute physical examination, a five-minute beating received by five other members, or an order to encourage other members to kill the offender.

- **The Crips and the Bloods**⁷

Technically they are two different gangs. These two rival gangs are perhaps the best known in the country. The Bloods are a Los Angeles street gang that formed in the 1970s and quickly spread across the country. It is estimated that there are between twenty thousand to twenty five thousand active members of the Bloods today. They can be recognized by their unusual hand signals and by wearing red attire. The Crips were also founded in California in the 1960s before expanding across the US Today they have a strong presence in New York City. There are up to fifty thousand active members of the Crips in the US Both the Bloods and the Crips became embroiled in murder, organized crime and

drug trafficking, and the bitter rivalry between the two gangs leads to frequent conflicts and violent retaliation with each other.

- **The Kings of Simon's Town**⁸

The Royals were formed in the city of Chicago in the 1950s and are the oldest and largest white gang in the United States. Fifty-three percent of gang members in Mississippi are white, even though all ninety-seven people prosecuted for gang crimes in Mississippi between 2010 and 2017 were African American. According to City University of New York criminal law professor Babe Howell, police tend to underestimate the percentage of white gang members and overestimate the number of black and Hispanic members. He explains that: "Police view groups of white youth as individuals, each responsible for their own conduct, and view youth of color on the street as gangs criminally responsible for the conduct of their peers."

- **The Outlaws**⁹

The Outlaws make up the top one percent of the most dangerous motorcycle gangs in the country, second only to the notorious "Hells Angels." The Outlaws are the biggest and toughest rivals of the aforementioned, and with over 1700 members and hundreds of stories, they are believed to be the largest outlaw motorcycle gang in the world. The Outlaws, formed in 1935 at "Matilda's Bar" located on old Route 66 in a Chicago suburb, making them the oldest organization in the world. They are extremely active in the Great Lakes region and have been known to be involved in drug smuggling across the Canadian border. Violent confrontations with rival gangs are common, including the 2017 murder of the president of the Outlaw organization by members of a 69 motorcycle gang, when his truck was at a red light, being ambushed by members of another gang.

- **The Mara Salvatrucha or MS-13**¹⁰

This one was born on the streets of Los Angeles, California, in the 1970s, to protect Salvadoran immigrants from another Los Angeles gang, MS-13, which now has members in forty-two US states. members located in Mexico and Guatemala were also seen. The deportation of many members to El Salvador was counterproductive for the authorities and facilitated the expansion of the organization throughout Central America. MS-13 does not have an official leadership structure, but its loose organization does not prevent it from being one of the most dangerous gangs in the country. With fewer than 10,000 members, they make up less than one percent of all gang members in the US, but they are so notoriously violent that the FBI has a separate special task force called MS-13 to try to combat the violence of the gangs. These members are known to be relentlessly cruel and ruthless, as evidenced by a 2008 incident in which a 21-year-old San Francisco MS-13 member murdered an entire innocent family in cold blood by briefly blocking his car in a Narrow street. MS-13 was also behind a 2004 attack on a Honduran intercity bus: six gunmen opened fire on the bus with automatic weapons, killing twenty-eight and wounding fourteen civilians, many of them women and children. They have also been seen engaging in horrific illegal activities such as child prostitution, and their reputation in the United States is growing tremendously.

Do you think the authorities are really addressing the problem, or are they looking the other way? Have you heard about any of these gangs on the news? Leave your opinion in the comments...





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