

Glossary Term: Riot

A **riot** consists of three or more individuals, usually a crowd of individuals, in a public part of any community in their country causing disorder through violence or noise. These individuals generally intend to disturb the public and promote their personal values or opinions in protest of things such as government legislature, organizational corruption, or forms of oppression such as underemployment, chronic poverty, poor housing conditions, and lack of access to affordable healthcare. The Long Hot Summer Riots of the Civil Rights Movement from 1965 to 1967 were the cause of many deaths, several arrests, and a decent amount of financial damage. However, they “helped to point out to the nation the discrimination still prevalent at the time as well as the reforms needed to heal a nation divided by race.” (Levy)

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