

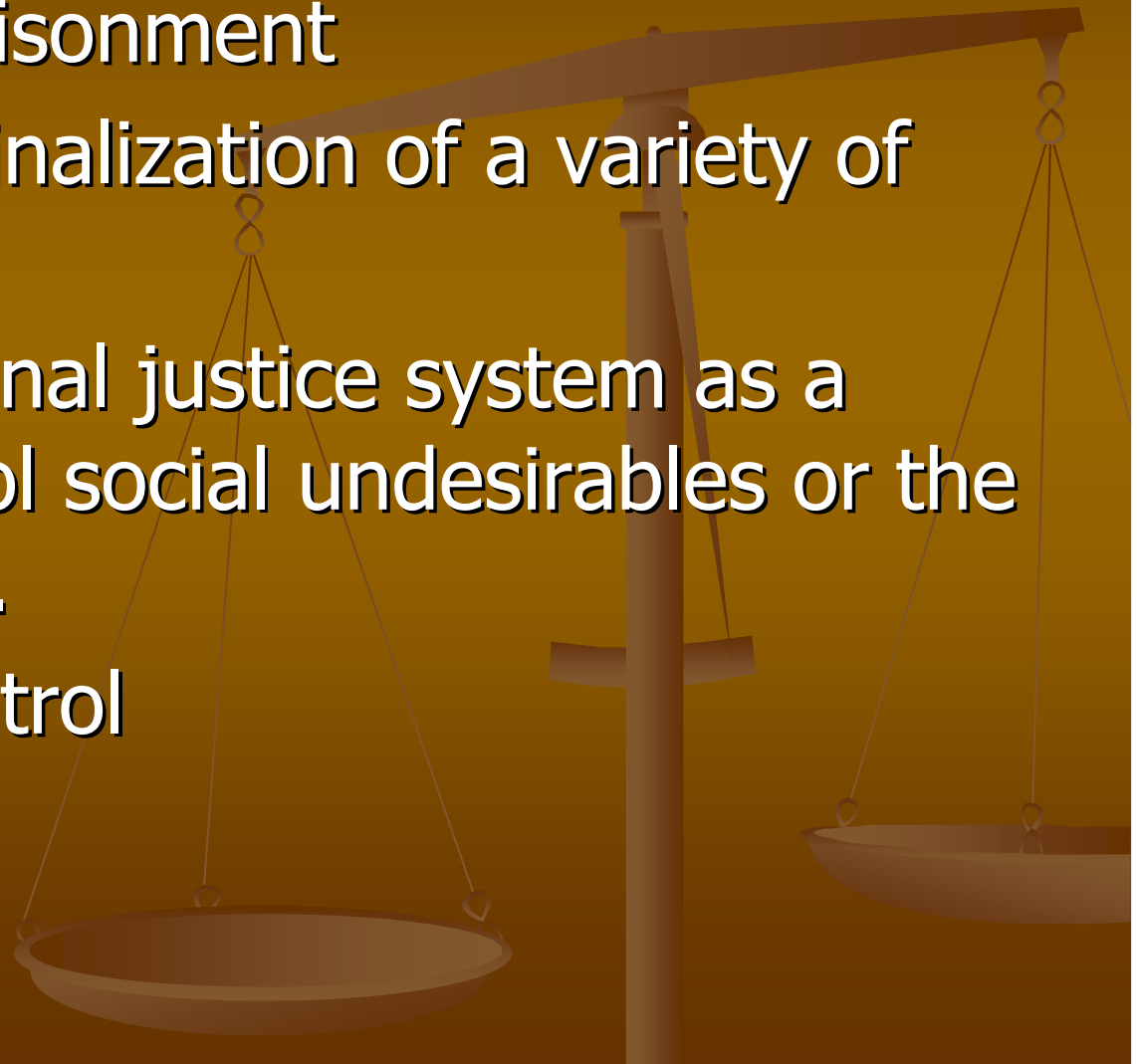
Re-Policing the Poor



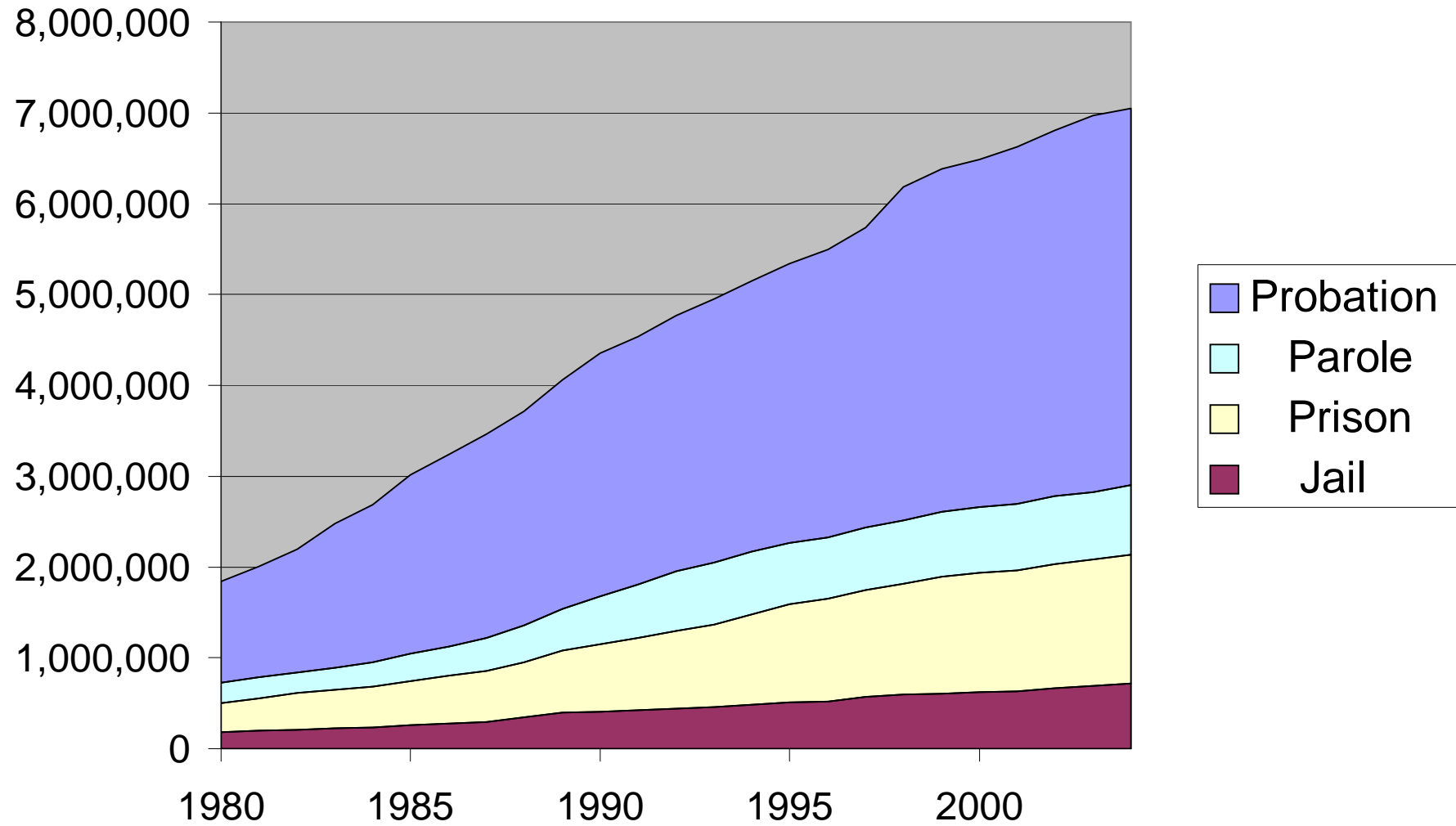
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Trends in American “Justice”

- Increasing imprisonment
- Increasing criminalization of a variety of behaviors
- Use of the criminal justice system as a means to control social undesirables or the “garbage” class.
- A culture of control

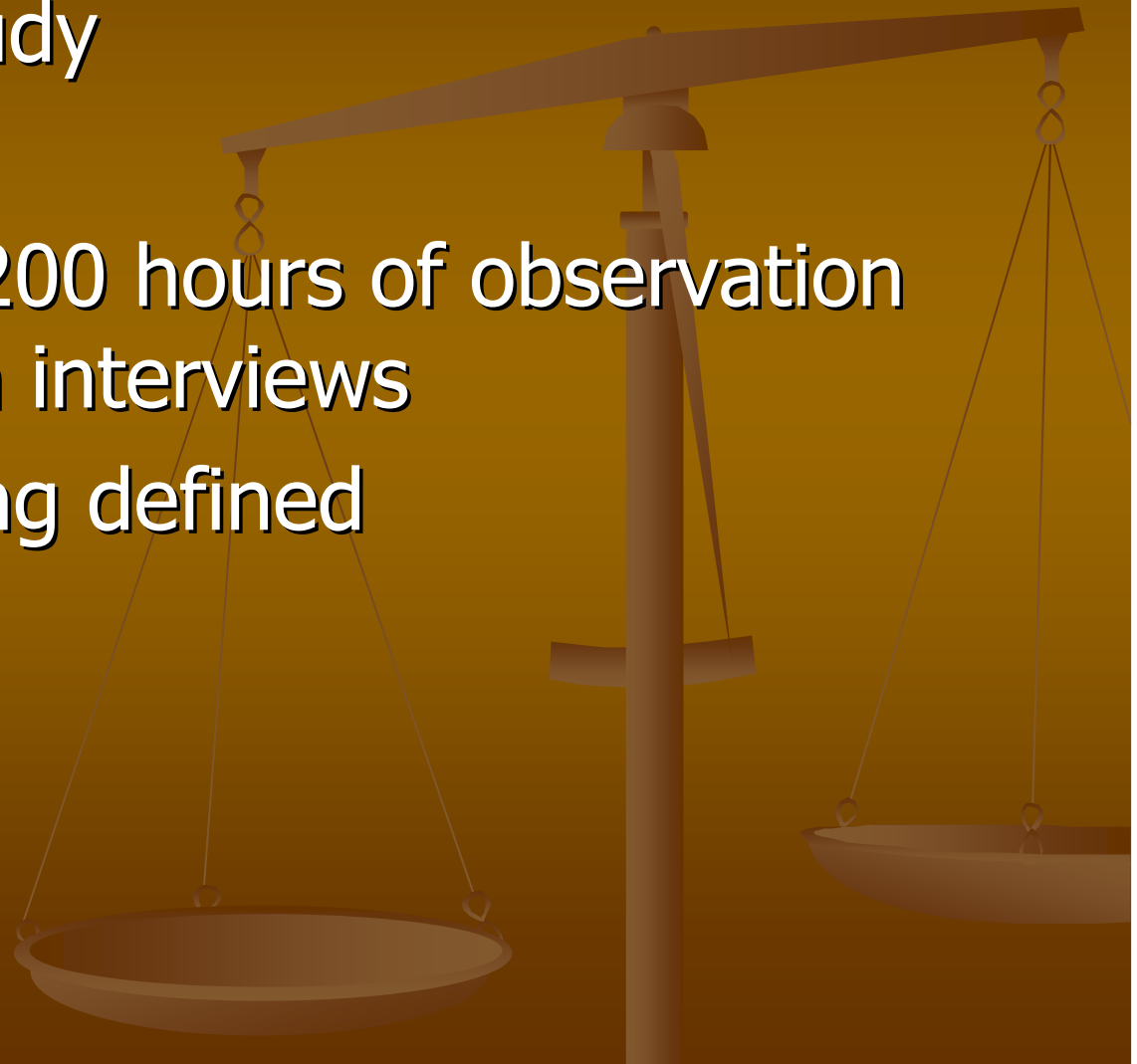


Criminal Justice Supervision 1980-2004



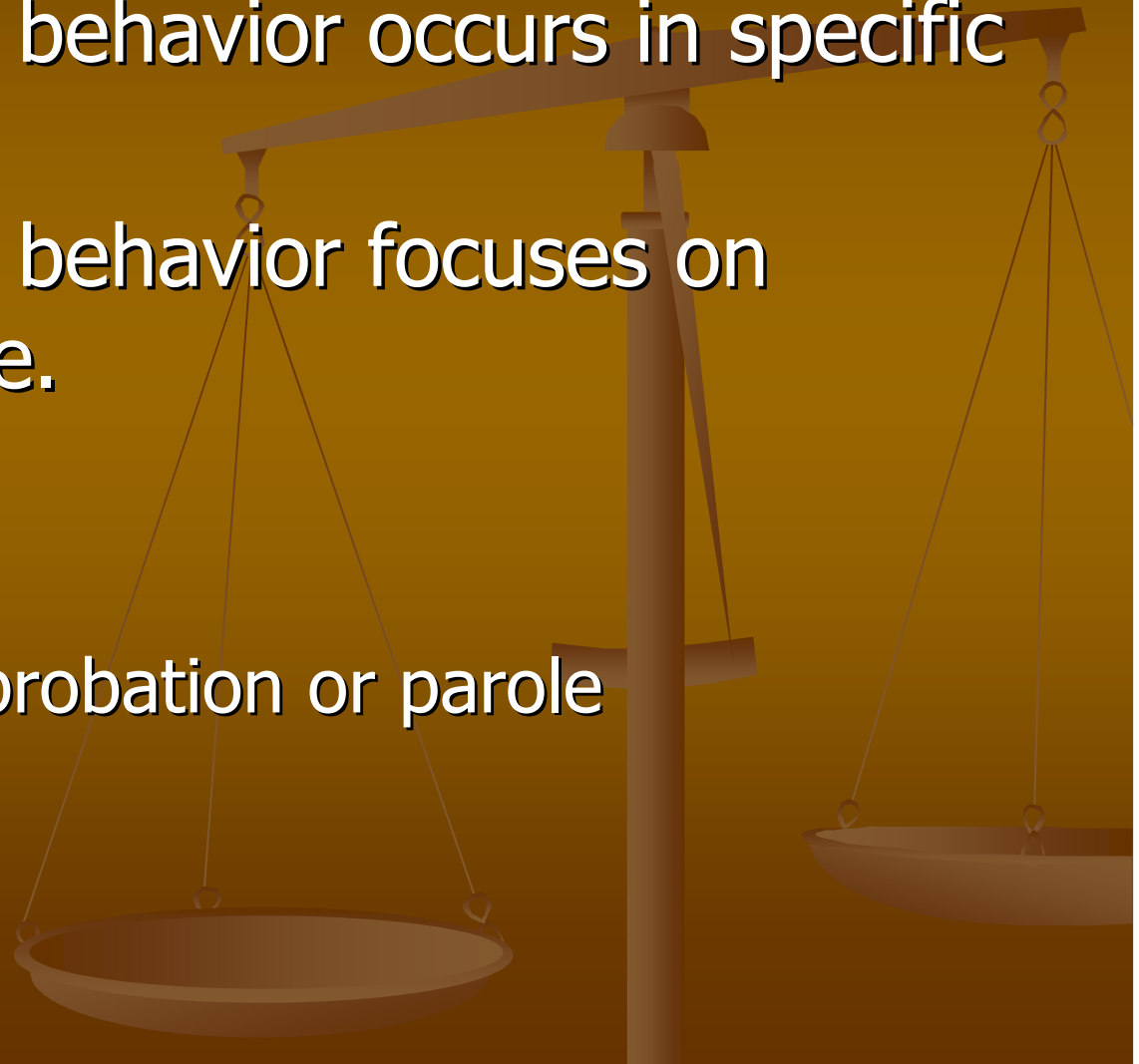
Hunting for Dirtbags: Proactive Policing, Minorities, and the Poor

- Focus of the study
- Site
- Approximately 200 hours of observation and 25 in-depth interviews
- Proactive policing defined



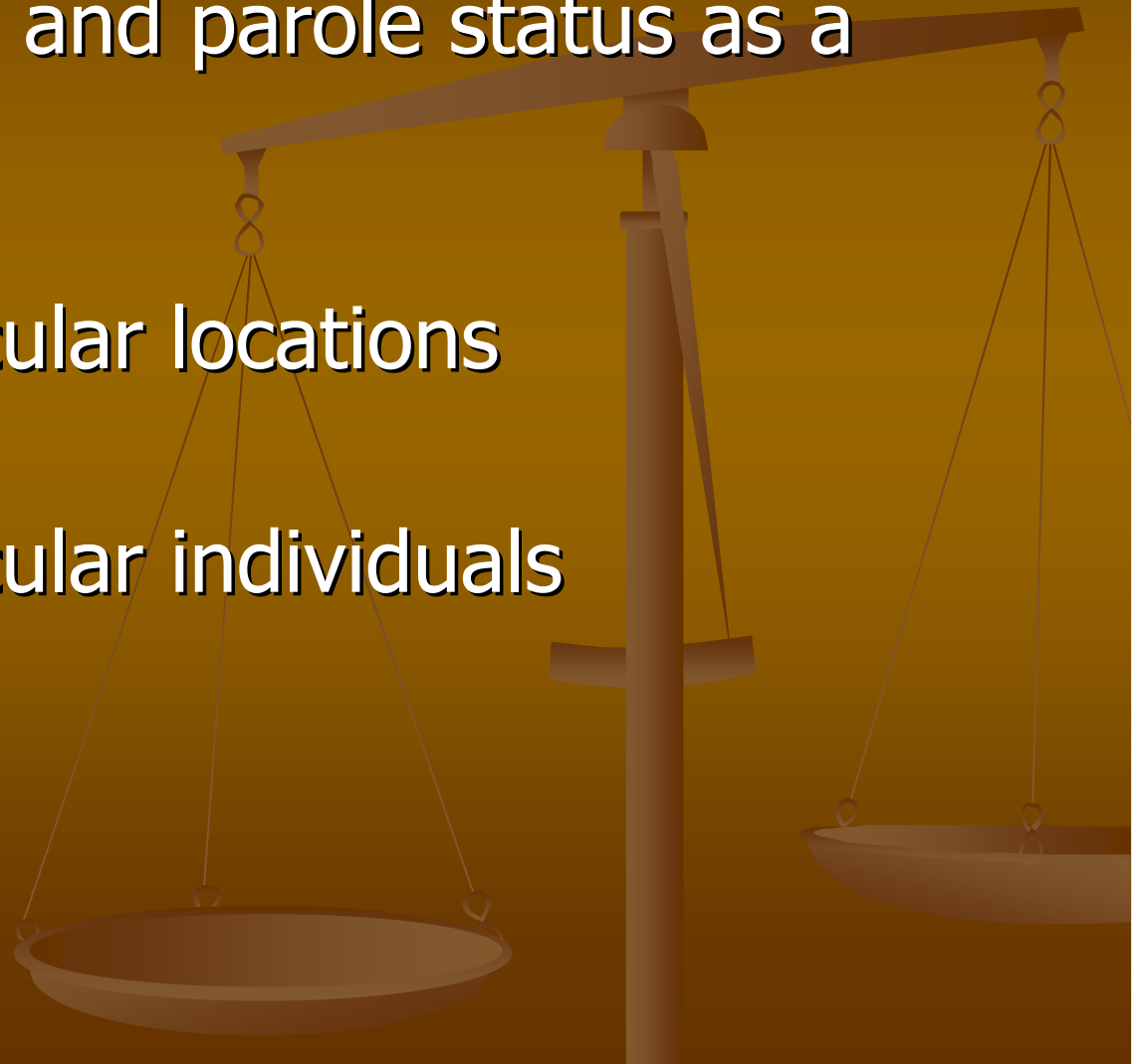
Major findings

- Proactive police behavior occurs in specific locations.
- Proactive police behavior focuses on particular people.
 - Minorities
 - Poor
 - Individuals on probation or parole



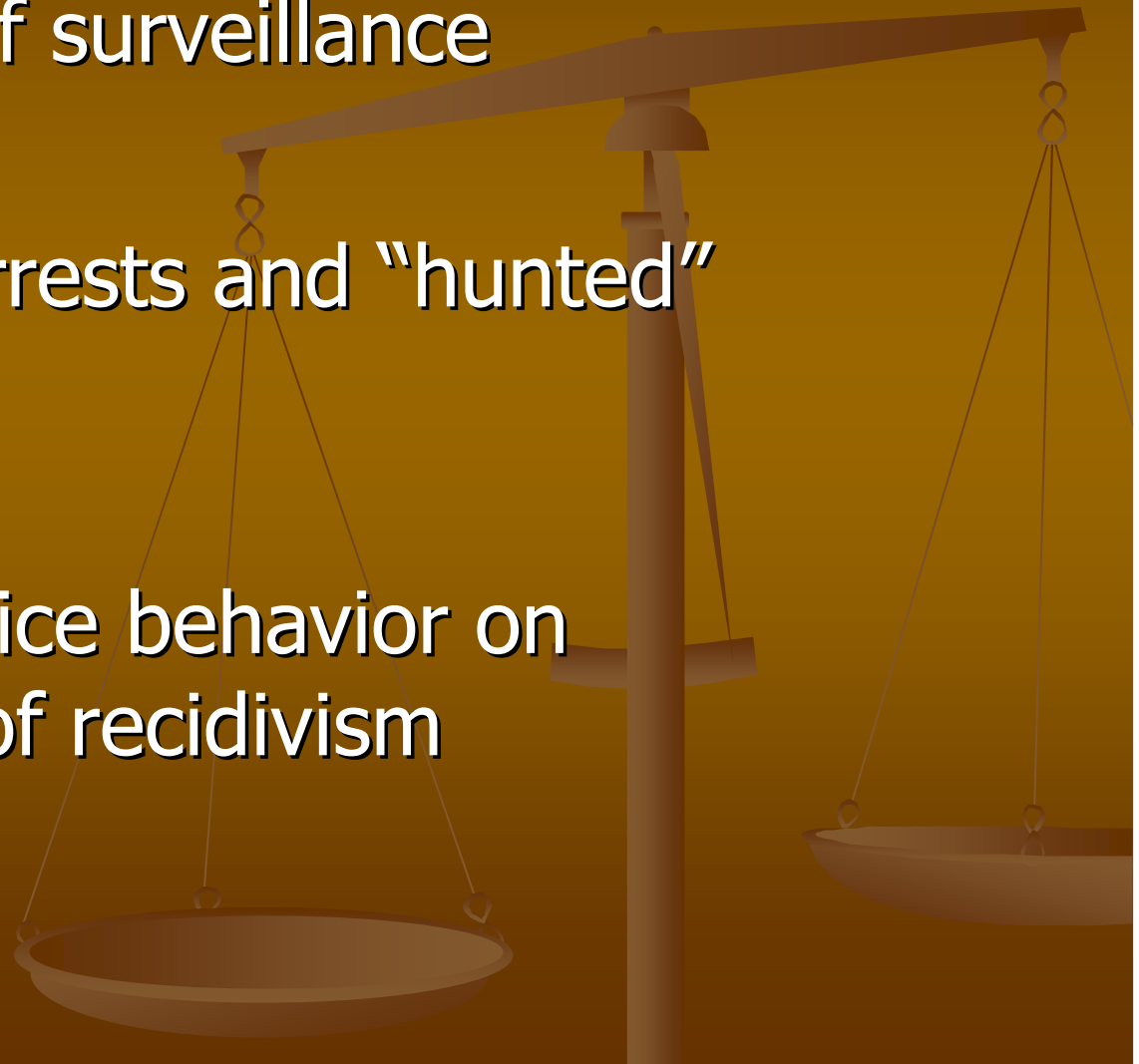
Use of Search Status

- Using probation and parole status as a proactive tool
- Targeting particular locations
- Targeting particular individuals
- Cyclists



Recidivism and Differential Impacts

- Varying levels of surveillance
- Link between arrests and “hunted” offenses
- Influence of police behavior on understanding of recidivism



Conclusions

- The police play an integral part in the new penology.
- Proactive policing or 'hunting' leads to higher police surveillance of probationers and parolees, which influences our understanding of recidivism.

