

DID YOU KNOW:

“From 1783 at the end of the American Revolution to 1861, the number of slaves in the United States increased five times over, and all this expansion produced a powerful nation.”

— Baptist, Edward E. *The Half Has Never Been Told: Slavery and the Making of American Capitalism*. New York: Basic Books. 2014.

“No one thinks of Mexico and Peru as black. But Mexico and Peru together got 700,000 Africans in the slave trade. The coast of Acapulco was a black city in the 1870s. And the Veracruz Coast on the gulf of Mexico and the Costa Chica, south of Acapulco are traditional black lands.”

— Henry Louis Gates Jr., Harvard Professor of History

Only about six percent of all Africans shipped across the Atlantic were taken to North America. The largest numbers went to Brazil and to the Caribbean.

— Lakita Wright, author, speaker,
VP Urban Outreach Foundation

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“A people without the knowledge of their past history, origin and culture is like a tree without roots.” — Marcus Garvey

