**Deadly Urban Violence**

* AAs demands for equality led to riots in many cities
* More emphasis on ending racial separation in the North
* Northern cities practiced *De Facto Segregation:* separation by practice & custom



* Southern cities had *De Jure Segregation:* separation by law



* From 1964-1968 over 100 cities had riots

Detroit Riot of 1967

* One of the most deadly and damaging riot in US history



* Lasted 5 days total
* Extensive media coverage

Causes of the Riot

* Police brutality
* Lack of affordable housing
* Urban renewal
* Economic inequality
* Black militancy



* Demographic changes

How It Started

* Police raided a *blind pig:* unlicensed after hour club, in an AA neighborhood on Sunday July 23, 1967



* Found 82 people celebrating a soldier’s return from Vietnam, arrested everyone
* A group surrounded the cops and soon began looting area stores
* As media coverage spread, looting spread to other areas



* Soon state police were called in
* Monday alone 483 fires set, 231 total incidents , over 2,500 guns stolen from stores
* On Tuesday, LBJ authorized federal troops as well as MI National Guard troops



* Troops restored order in 48 hours

Damage Done

* 43 deaths
* 467 injured
* Over 7,000 arrested
* Over 2,500 stores looted
* 410 building destroyed by fire

Impact of Riots

* Lasting image of a city on fire occupied by tanks



* Increased white flight to suburbs

