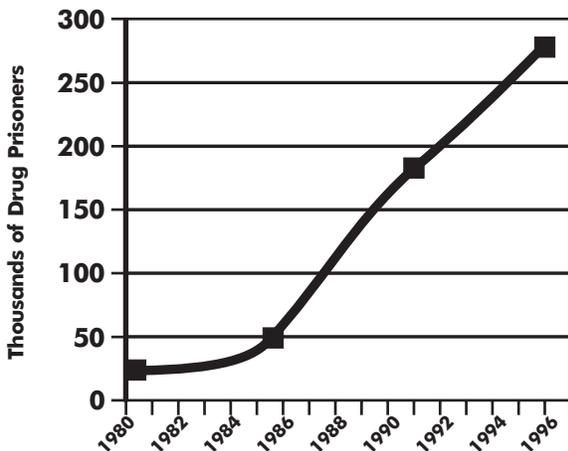
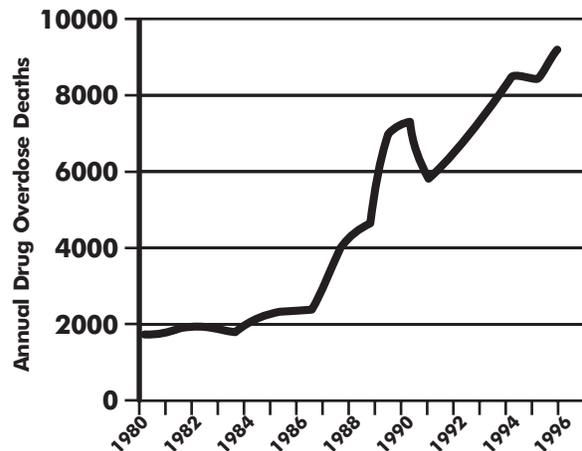


# The more we escalate the drug war, the more young people and others die.

INCARCERATION FOR DRUG ARRESTS



DRUG OVERDOSE DEATHS



Graph Sources: Bureau of Justice Statistics and U.S. Department of Health and Human Services.

- **October 14, 1982:** President Reagan calls for escalation of war on drugs
- **Fall, 1984:** Drug sentences increase, mandatory sentencing guidelines enacted, Comprehensive Crime Control Act of 1984.
- **June 7, 1986:** Presidential Directive labels drug trade "a national security concern". Authorizes expanded use of military.

**"These outcomes may be understood as public health consequences of policies that criminalize and marginalize drug users . . ."**

**- Dr. Ernest Drucker, Public Health Reports Jan./Feb. 1999 -**

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