

## CIVIL RIGHTS

The **American Civil Rights Movement** developed as many worked to ensure equality and civil rights for many groups, mainly **African Americans**. Despite being citizens in theory, many black citizens were not granted the same constitutional rights as other American citizens. Public transportation and education were often **segregated** and blacks were banned from taking place in elections.



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The Civil Rights Movement was both supported and opposed by those in government. President Kennedy was a significant supporter of integration and civil rights; after his assassination there was question as to whether or not governmental backing would continue.

While the Civil Rights Movement lasted many years, African Americans were finally given the same constitutional rights as all American citizens.