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## **Abolition Geography**

Challenges and Opportunities for the Popular Front Against the Prison-Industrial Complex

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In 1998, the Critical Resistance conference popularized the phrase "prison industrial complex and, in conjunction with a broad range of groups throughout the USA and abroad, helped bring renewed and expanded focus on the fact of "mass incarceration." Now more than 15 years later, it is wise to refresh our thinking. What might be the most adequate general term or terms that gather together for scrutiny and action the disparate yet connected range of categories, relationships, and processes as those concentrated by the carceral? What's at stake is how people pursue both political strategies and alliances, how they organize, promote ideas, and pursue to completion the unfinished work of freedom.

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