

# Throwback: KRS-One-Sound Of Da Police



[youtube id="9ZrAYxWPN6c"]KRS-One's *Return Of The Boom Bap* was his first official solo album. He produced it along with DJ Premier, Kid Capri, Showbiz and Norty Cotto. "Sound Of Da Police" was KRS-One's critique of sadistic cops linking their psychology back to plantation overseers. His lyrics referenced three previous generations of men in his family having a deadly experiences with the police. By the time "Sound Of Da Police" was released as a single the infamous Rodney King police beating had become national news two years earlier. The video featured various scenes of police officers abusing their power with citizens beside KRS-One's lone figure rapping into the camera. His first official step outside of Boogie Down Productions resulted in another important hip-hop album within his catalog. "Sound Of Da Police" still has the unfortunate task of being relevant in 2018, 25 years after it was released. KRS-One released his 13th solo album *The World Is Mind* in 2017.