

CLOSE GUANTANAMO

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Guantánamo in numbers

- ③ About 775 detainees have been held in Guantánamo since 11 January 2002.
- ③ About 430 detainees of over 35 nationalities were still held in Guantánamo in late 2006.
- ③ Detainees have been taken into custody in at least 10 countries before being transferred to Guantánamo, without any judicial process. These countries include Afghanistan, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Egypt, Gambia, Indonesia, Mauritania, Pakistan, Thailand, United Arab Emirates and Zambia.
- ③ Up to 17 of those held at Guantánamo were under 18 years old when taken into custody; four of them were still held at the camp at the end of 2006.
- ③ About 345 have been transferred out of Guantánamo to countries including Afghanistan, Albania, Australia, Bahrain, Belgium, Denmark, Egypt, France, Germany, Iran, Iraq, Jordan, Kuwait, Maldives, Morocco, Pakistan, Russia, Saudi Arabia, Spain, Sweden, Sudan, Tajikistan, Turkey, Uganda, United Kingdom and Yemen.
- ③ No Guantánamo detainee has been convicted of a criminal offence by the USA.
- ③ 10 detainees were charged for trial by military commissions, which were then ruled unlawful by the US Supreme Court.
- ③ 558 detainees had their status reviewed by Combatant Status Review Tribunals (CSRTs) between August 2004 and March 2005; 520 of them were found to be “enemy combatants” by these panels of three military officers. Detainees had no access to lawyers or to secret evidence used by the CSRT, which could also rely on coerced evidence.
- ③ More than 40 suicide attempts in Guantánamo have been reported; 3 men died at Guantánamo in June 2006 after apparent suicides.
- ③ An analysis of around 500 of the detainees concluded that only 5 per cent had been captured by US forces; 86 per cent had been arrested by Pakistani forces or Afghanistan based Northern Alliance forces and turned over to US custody, often for a reward of thousands of dollars.
- ③ Up to 200 detainees have staged hunger strikes to protest against their circumstances and conditions of detention.
- ③ 14 detainees were transferred to Guantánamo in September 2006 after they had been held incommunicado in secret CIA custody for up to 4½ years.

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