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Death Sentences and Executions in 2000

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During 2000, at least 1,457 prisoners were executed in 28 countries and 3,058 people were sentenced to death in 65 countries. These figures include only cases known to Amnesty International; the true figures are certainly higher.

Death sentences are known to have been imposed in the following countries and territories in 2000:

AFGHANISTAN INDIA

ALGERIA INDONESIA

ARMENIA IRAN
BAHAMAS IRAQ
BAHRAIN JAMAICA
BANGLADESH JAPAN
BARBADOS JORDAN
BELARUS KAZAKSTAN
BELIZE KENYA

BOTSWANA KUWAIT
BURUNDI KYRGYZSTAN
CAMEROON LEBANON
CHINA LIBYA

CONGO (Democratic Republic)

CONGO (Republic)

CUBA

EGYPT

MALAYSIA

MONGOLIA

ETHIOPIA

MOROCCO

GAMBIA MYANMAR
GUATEMALA OMAN
GUYANA PAKISTAN

PALESTINIAN AUTHORITY SAMOA

PHILIPPINES SAUDI ARABIA RWANDA SINGAPORE

SOMALIA UNITED ARAB EMIRATES
SRI LANKA UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

SWAZILAND UZBEKISTAN TAIWAN VIET NAM YEMEN

THAILAND YUGOSLAVIA (Federal Republic)

TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO ZAMBIA TURKEY ZIMBABWE

UGANDA

Executions are known to have been carried out in the following countries in 2000:

AFGHANISTAN KUWAIT
BAHAMAS MALAYSIA
BELARUS PAKISTAN
BURUNDI PHILIPPINES
CHINA QATAR

CONGO (Democratic Republic)

CUBA

EGYPT

GUATEMALA

IRAN

SAUDI ARABIA

SINGAPORE

SOMALIA

TAIWAN

THAILAND

IRAQ UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

JAPAN UZBEKISTAN JORDAN VIET NAM KAZAKSTAN YEMEN

In 2000, 88 per cent of all known executions took place in China, Iran, Saudi Arabia and the USA. In China, limited and incomplete records available to Amnesty International at the end of the year indicated that at least 1,000 people were executed, but the true figure was believed to be much higher. In Saudi Arabia, 123 executions were reported, but the total may have been much higher. Eighty-five people were executed in the USA. At least 75 executions were carried out in Iran. In addition, hundreds of executions were reported in Iraq but many of them may have been extrajudicial.

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