



## 2008 TURKEY HUMAN RIGHTS VIOLATIONS BALANCE SHEET

### RIGHT to LIFE

	DEATH	WOUNDED
<b>EXTRA JUDICIAL EXECUTIONS</b>		
Arbitrary Killing, Killed And Injured By Security Forces In Stop Warnings, And Violation Of Authority On Arm Use	33	45
Killed and wounded by Village Guards	2	11
<b>Total</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>56</b>
<b>DEATHS in PRISONS</b>	<b>37</b>	
<b>DEATHS under CUSTODY</b>	<b>8</b>	
<b>UNKNOWN ATTACKS</b>		
Men	20	183
Women	6	2
Children	3	2
<b>Total</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>187</b>
<b>OFFICIAL NEGLIGENCE and FAULT</b>		
Death and wounded people because of official negligence and fault	67	6811 (This number includes 6000 people who were poisoned from mains water in May in Aksaray province)
Suicide(s) and Attempts Suicide by Policemen or Gendarmerie	24	3
<b>Total</b>	<b>91</b>	<b>6814</b>
<b>ATTACKED PEOPLE</b>		
Members and Executives of Political Parties, Trade Unions and Associations	1	27
Journalist	-	6
Teacher/Professor	-	-
Student	-	115
Local Administratori	-	1
Worker	-	9
Other	1	7
<b>Total</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>165</b>
<b>ARMED CONFLICT</b>		
Security Force Members	<b>170</b>	<b>318</b>
Armed Militant	<b>262</b>	<b>17</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>432</b>	<b>335</b>
<i>Note: 43 died and 95 wounded soldiers, because of mine explosion, are also included.</i>		
<b>MURDERS and WOUNDS by ILLEGAL ORGANIZATIONS</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>131</b>



<b>DEATHS and WOUNDS due to EXPLOSIONS of MINES and UNIDENTIFIED ORDINANCES</b>		
Men	15	29
Women	2	1
Children	11	25
<b>Total</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>55</b>
<b>SUSPICIOUS DEATHS</b>		
Men	9	-
Women	10	-
Children	3	-
<b>Total</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>HONOUR KILLINGS</b>		
Men	3	-
Women	11	1
Children	1	-
<b>Total</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>VIOLATIONS AGAINST WOMEN'S RIGHT TO LIFE</b>		
Woman Suicide	<b>46 Suicides</b>	<b>18 Suicide attempts</b>
Women subjected to domestic violence	<b>31 deaths</b>	<b>54 women were subjected to violence and wounded</b>
Violence, Rape, Harassment Against Women in Social Area	<b>22 deaths</b>	<b>15 women were subjected to violence and wounded, 22 women were raped and 11 were harassed.</b>
Women forced to prostitution	<b>34 women</b>	
<b>VIOLATIONS AGAINST CHILDREN'S RIGHT TO LIFE</b>		
Suicide	<b>33 Suicides</b>	<b>26 Suicide attempts</b>
Children subjected to domestic violence	<b>14 deaths</b>	<b>11 were wounded and subjected to violence</b>
Violence, Rape, Harassment Against Children in Social Area	<b>14 deaths</b>	<b>10 were subjected to violence. 37 children were raped and 32 children were harassed.</b>
Children forced to prostitution	<b>2 children</b>	

## **VIOLATIONS AGAINST PERSONAL SECURITY and LIBERTY**

<b>Detained</b>	<b>11002</b>
<b>Arrested</b>	<b>2387</b>
<b>Detained Asylum Seekers and Immigrants</b>	<b>46609</b>
<b>Asylum Seekers and Immigrants who lost their lives</b>	<b>12</b>

**TORTURE, ILL TREATMENT, DEGRADING, INHUMAN TREATMENT and PUNISHMENT**

Torture and Ill-treatment under Custody	448
Torture and Ill-treatment, which practised out of official detention places	264
Torture and Ill-treatment by Village Guards	2
Torture in Prisons	333
Threatened People	55
Beaten and wounded People by Security Forces Attacks in Social Demonstrations	299
Torture and Ill-treatment by Private Security Forces (who work for security companies)	19
Violence in Schools	126
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1546</b>

**VIOLATIONS AGAINST FREEDOM of EXPRESSION**

<b>Banned Activities</b>	<b>22</b> (5 meetings, 4 drama, 2 press conferences, 2 Newroz (Kurdish festival) celebrations, 1 panel, 1 concert, 1 feast, 1 exhibition, 1 meeting, 1 film performance, 1 award ceremony, 1 training activity and 1 solidarity event)
<b>Banned and Confiscated Publications</b>	13 newspapers, 11 magazines, 7 posters, 4 books, 1 calendar and 2 statements were confiscated. 38 newspapers, 7 magazines and 1 TV channels were suspended. 3 posters, 3 bannert, 3 books, 2 songs, 1 leaflet, 1 magazine, 1 statements and 1 album were prohibited
<b>Raided Newspapers, Publishing Companies</b>	<b>11</b> (9 newspaper and magazine offices, 1 TV channel and 1 distribution company)
<b>Banned Web-sites</b>	<b>46</b>

**INVESTIGATIONS, AGAINST THOSE WHO EXPRESSED THEIR OPINIONS in 2008**

There are **136** investigations against **2641** people in 2008.

<b>Court Cases Filed in 2008</b>	<b>Court Cases Continued in 2008</b>	<b>Court Cases Concluded in 2008</b>
<b>140</b> court cases were filed against <b>450</b> people in 2008.	There were <b>215</b> ongoing court cases against <b>1722</b> people in 2008.	<b>177</b> court cases against <b>504</b> people were concluded in 2008. <b>124</b> people



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				were acquitted. <b>380</b> people were sentenced to <b>432</b> years, <b>7</b> months, <b>5</b> days imprisonment and <b>321.847</b> TL fine.	
ARTICLES	NUMBER OF CASES	ARTICLES	NUMBER OF CASES	ARTICLES	NUMBER OF CASES
Turkish Penal Code (TCK) 301	7	TCK 301	31	TCK 301	7
TCK 215	20	TCK 215	47	TCK 215	22
TCK 125	6	TCK 125	11	TCK 125	3
TCK 216	6	TCK 216	15	TCK 216	5
TCK 218	1	TCK 217	1	TCK 218	2
TCK 222	1	TCK 218	4	TCK 288	2
TCK 257	1	TCK 222	1	TCK 220	2
TCK 267	1	TCK 285	8	TCK 314	2
TCK 285	1	TCK 288	5	TCK 318	4
TCK 288	5	TCK 220	11	Law on Press	
TCK 299	1	TCK 314	5	Law on Political Parties	8
TCK 314	1	TCK 318	3	2Law (Numbered 2911) on Meeting and Demonstration	6
TCK 318	3	Law on Acceptance and Exercise of Turkish Alphabet	4	Law on Acceptance and Exercise of Turkish Alphabet	6
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Law on Political Parties	4	Law on Political Parties	7	Anti-Terror Law Article 7	72
Anti-Terror Law Article 6	5	Law (Numbered 2911) on Meeting and Demonstration	24	Anti-Terror Law Article 8	
Anti-Terror Law Article 7	56	Anti-Terror Law Article 5	1	Anti-Terror Law Article 13	
Other articles	31	Anti-Terror Law Article 6	3	Old Turkish Penal Code 240	1
		Anti-Terror Law Article 7	43	Old Turkish Penal Code 257	1
		Old Turkish Penal Code 159	1	Law on Association	
		Old Turkish Penal Code 312	7	Law on Crimes that committed against Ataturk	1
		Law on Crimes that committed against Ataturk	2	Other articles	36
		Other articles	27		

*NOTE: Numbers of articles-in total-are more than numbers of cases since there are more than one articles in some cases for opening a court case.*

### VIOLATIONS AGAINST FREEDOM of MEETING and DEMONSTRATION



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Meetings and Demonstrations Intervened by Security Forces	127 (74 marches, 37 press conferences, 15 meetings ve 1 feast)
Investigations Opened in 2008	There are 29 investigations against 1722 people in 2008.
Court cases filed in 2008	There are 5 court cases against 99 people in 2008.
Court cases filed before 2008 and continued in that year	There are 15 ongoing court cases, which filed before 2008, against 340 people.
Court cases concluded in 2008	In the 5 concluded court cases; 34 people were sentenced to 7 years, 3 months imprisonment and 17.000 TL fine. 21 people were acquitted.

### VIOLATIONS AGAINST FREEDOM of ASSOCIATION

Raided or Attacked Political Parties, Trade Unions and Associations	103 (64 political party offices, 35 association offices, and 4 trade union and chamber offices)
Closed Down/Attempts to Close Down Political Parties and Associations	11 (Court cases against Justice and Development Party (AKP) and Rights and Freedoms Party (HAK-PAR) to close down these parties were rejected. The court case against the Democratic Society Party (DTP) to close down it continued in 2008. There are court cases against Lambdaİstanbul, Tunceli Temel Haklar ve Özgürlükler Derneđi and Student Association in Kafkas Univeristy were abolished. Öğrenci Gençlik Sendikası (Genç-Sen), Batman Social Help with Immigrants, Solidarity and Culture Association, The Conferedations of Farmer Associations and Ege Temel Haklar ve Özgürlükler Derneđi. The Governorship in İstanbul asked to take action against IHD İstanbul Branch in accordance with Law on Association No 5233.

### VIOLATIONS AGAINST ECONOMIC and SOCIAL RIGHTS

Dismissed workers	68104
Occupational Accident	
Deaths	133
Wounded	574