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RIGHT TO LIFE

	DEATH	WOUNDED
EXTRA-JUDICIAL EXECUTIONS		
Killed And Injured By Security Forces In Stop Warnings, And Violation Of Authority On Arm Use	36	71
Killed and Injured by Private Security Officers	-	1
Killed and wounded by Village Guards	61 ¹	46
Total	97	118
DEATH IN PRISON	36	
DEATHS under CUSTODY	6	
UNKNOWN ATTACKS		
Men	14	29
Women	1	3
Children	3	5
Total	18	37
OFFICIAL NEGLIGENCE and FAULT		
Death and wounded people because of official negligence and fault	42	30
Suicide(s) and Attempts to Suicide by Policemen or Gendarme	34	-
Total	76	30
ATTACKED PEOPLE		
Members and Executives of Political Parties, Trade Unions and Associations	4	152
Journalist	2	10
Teacher/Professor	-	3
Student	-	111
Local Administrator	3	5
Worker	-	32
Other	27	249
Total	36	562
ARMED CONFLICT		
Security Force Members ²	50	105
Armed Militant	91	1
Total	141	106
<i>Not: 21 died and 38 wounded soldiers, because of explosion of mine, are also included.</i>		
MURDERS and WOUNDS by ILLEGAL ORGANIZATIONS	6	7

¹ The number includes 44 death and 3 wounded because of armed attack by vilalge guards in the village of Mazıdağ, Mardin on May 4, 2009.

² The definition of Security Force includes army, temporary vilalge guard and special team..

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DEATHS and WOUNDS due to EXPLOSIONS of MINES and UNIDENTIFIED ORDINANCES		
Men	14	30
Women	-	2
Children	8	9
Total	22	41
SUSPICIOUS DEATHS		
Men	18	-
Women	11	-
Children	12	-
Total	41	
HONOUR KILLINGS		
Men	1	-
Women	25	1
Children	5	1
Total	31	2
VIOLATIONS OF WOMEN'S RIGHT TO LIFE		
Women Suicide	64 Suicides	21 Suicide attempts
Women subjected to domestic violence	46 deaths	14 wounded
Violence, Rape, Harassment Against Women in Social Area	36 deaths	12 women were subjected to violence and wounded, 8 women were raped.
Women forced to prostitution	7 women	
VIOLATIONS OF CHILDREN'S RIGHT TO LIFE		
Children's Suicide	41 Suicides	16 suicides attempts
Children subjected to domestic violence	20 deaths	12 were wounded
Violence, Rape, Harassment Against Children in Social Area	14 death	6 were subjected to violence, 34 children were raped or harassed.
Children forced to prostitution	1 child	

TORTURE, ILL TREATMENT, DEGRADING, INHUMAN TREATMENT and PUNISHMENT

Torture and Ill-treatment under Custody	305
Torture and Ill-treatment, which were practiced out of official detention places	358
Torture and Ill-treatment by Village Guards	34
Torture and ill-treatment in Prisons ³	397
Threatened People by law-enforcement officers	51
Beaten and wounded People by Security Forces Attacks in Social Demonstrations	565
Torture and Ill-treatment by Private Security Forces (who work for security companies)	10
Violence in Schools	115
Total	1835

³ Data of torture and ill-treatment in prison are taken from "İHD 2009 Prison Report"

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VIOLATIONS AGAINST PERSONAL SECURITY and LIBERTY⁴

Detained	7718 people
Arrested	1923 people
Detained Asylum Seekers and Immigrants	23.014 people
Asylum Seekers and Immigrants who lost their lives	33 death / 30 wounded

VIOLATIONS AGAINST FREEDOM of EXPRESSION

Banned Activities	23 (7 celebrations, 5 dramas 4 festivals, 3 demonstrations, 1 mawlid, 1 photograph exhibition 1 concert and 1 march)
Banned, Confiscated and Fined Publications and	10 newspapers for 27 times and 7 journals for 15 times were confiscated. 1 TV broadcasting were suspended for 2 times. 11 books, 6 posters, 5 banners, 1 leaflet and 1 sticker were prohibited. Doğan Media Group were sentenced 4 billion 581 million TL fine by Ministry of Finance on February and September, 2009
Raided Newspapers, Publishing Companies	16 (11 newspaper offices, 3 TV channel and 2 radio)
Banned Websites	2601 websites were banned from November 2007 in which the law of 5651 on arrangement of publication in Internet and fight against Internet crimes became effective, to May 11 2009. While 54 of them were closed down by the court decision, 2 of them were closed by Telecommunication Headquarter (TIB) under the law no 5816, law for crimes against Atatürk. 161 websites were blocked off by court decision with reason beyond the scope of law of 5561 and TIB did not share detailed reason of these closures. After the statistic published on May 11, 2009, TIB announced that it will not publish official statistic regarding blocked websites anymore. Now, it does not publish them officially.

INVESTIGATIONS, AGAINST THOSE WHO EXPRESSED THEIR OPINIONS in 2009

There are **88** investigations against **516** people in **2009**

⁴Arrests and detention given in this part are evaluated as violations of freedom of expression, association and movement, and arbitrary detention.

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Court Cases Filed in 2009	Court Cases Continued in 2009	Court Cases Concluded in 2009
166 cases were opened against 853 people in 2009	There were ongoing 86 case against 657 people in 2009.	In 2009, 2012 cases against 741 people were concluded. 110 people were released. 568 peoples were sentenced to 1078 years 10 months imprisonment and 164.896 Turkish Lira fine. 5 cases against 4 people were abatemented and 55 people were sentenced to reading 3 books fines.

VIOLATIONS AGAINST FREEDOM of DEMONSTRATION AND MEETING

Meetings and Demonstrations intervened by Security Forces	229 (113 demonstration and public meetings, 101 marches, 8 press conferences, 6 feast and 1 signature stand)
Investigations Opened in 2008	There are 12 investigations against 340 people in 2009
Court cases filed in 2008	There are 18 court cases against 205 people in 2009.
Court cases filed before 2008 and continued in that year	There are 7 ongoing court cases against 79, which filled before 2009.
Court cases concluded in 2009	In the 19 concluded court cases 172 were sentenced 263 years 7 months imprisonment and 25.200 YTL fine. 22 people were released.

VIOLATIONS AGAINST FREEDOM of ASSOCIATION

Raided or Attacked Political Parties, Trade Unions and Associations	227 (143 political party offices 51 associations, 14 trade unions, 7 party vehicles, 5 cultural centers, 3 municipal buildings, 2 election convoys, 2 foundations)
Closed Down/Attempts to Close Down Political Parties and Associations	10 (Democratic Society Party, Confederation of Farmer Trade Unions, Güldünya Association were closed down. Closure cases against Union of 68s association, Siyah Sembe Üçgen LGBTT Association and Özgür Düşünce ve Eğitim Hakları association were opened. The closure case against Öğrenci Gençlik trade Union, which was opened before 2009 has continued. The closure cases against Lambada İstanbul and Scientific and Cultural Research Foundation was rejected. The closure case against Communist Party of Turkey was dismissed.

This balance sheet was prepared by the Documentation Unit of IHD headquarters, based on data reached through applications to IHD, reports of Human Rights Investigation and Research Commission established by IHD branches, scanning of national and local newspapers, reports of other NGOs and findings of public agencies.