

Human Rights Violations in Turkey by Numbers: Military & Police

- 668 of 25 July 2016, listed more than **1,600** members of the armed forces, dismissed on these grounds.[1]
- In September 2012 an Istanbul court had sentenced **331** of the 365 suspected coup plotters, all members of the military, to jail time, including three retired Turkish generals who were handed life sentences that were later reduced to 20 years each. Thirty-four suspects were acquitted. The Court of Cassation upheld the majority of the sentences in October 2013.[2]
- All **236** military suspects were cleared of all charges (After a retrial in March 2015).[3]
- To date, in three waves of arrests, **180** police have been detained, with 40 placed in pretrial detention pending completion of criminal investigation, 5 of them on suspicion of attempting a coup (article 312 of the Turkish Penal Code).[4]

[1] Amnesty International Reports, Turkey: no end in sight: purged public sector workers denied a future in Turkey (May 2017), p.7, para.1

[2] Human Rights Watch Reports, Silencing Turkey's Media: The Government's Deepening Assault on Critical Journalism (December 2016), p.26, para.3

[3] Human Rights Watch Reports, Silencing Turkey's Media: The Government's Deepening Assault on Critical Journalism (December 2016), p.27, para.1

[4] Human Rights Watch Reports, Turkey's Human Rights Rollback: Recommendations for Reform (September 2014), p.26, para.4