HUMAN RIGHTS FACTS AND FIGURES 2013

In 2012, Amnesty International recorded and investigated human rights abuses in 159 countries and territories worldwide – including torture, unlawful killings, forced evictions, disappearances and violence against women, among others.

112 COUNTRIES
TORTURED THEIR CITIZENS IN 2012

101 COUNTRIES
REPPRESSED THEIR PEOPLE’S RIGHT TO FREEDOM OF EXPRESSION IN 2012

155 STATES VOTED TO ADOPT THE ARMS TRADE TREATY AT THE UN GENERAL ASSEMBLY IN APRIL 2013

ONLY 3 COUNTRIES VOTED AGAINST THE TREATY

80 COUNTRIES CONDUCTED UNFAIR TRIALS

PRISONERS OF CONSCIENCE WERE DETAINED IN 57 COUNTRIES

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Only 21 countries carried out executions in 2012.

More than two thirds of countries worldwide—140—were abolitionist of the death penalty in law or practice by the end of 2012.

Security forces were responsible for unlawful killings in peacetime in 50 countries.

Men, women and children faced forced evictions in 36 countries.

People were forcibly disappeared in 31 countries.

12 million people were stateless at the beginning of 2012.

15 million people are currently registered as refugees.

Statistics in this document are not exhaustive and refer to countries where Amnesty International documented specific human rights violations during 2012.

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