Pakistan Immigration Detention Data Profile



Global Detention Project Profile



Quick Facts			
Immigration detainees (2019)	Not Available		
Detained minors (2017)	Not Available		
New asylum applications (2019)	3,606		

NOTES ON USING THIS PROFILE

- Sources for the data provided in this report are available online at: https://www.globaldetentionproject.org/countries/asia-pacific/pakistan
- "Observation Dates" indicate the timeframe statistical data correspond to or other data were last validated. More than one statistical entry for a year indicates contrasting reports.

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DOMESTIC LAW LEGAL TRADITION Name **Observation Date** Muslim law 2017 Legal tradition Common law 2017 **COVID-19 UPDATES** Observation **Update Status** Date There are reports indicating that Pakistani authorities have taken some steps to mitigate the impact of the virus on the country's prison population, which includes non-citizen detainees imprisoned under the 1946 Foreigners Act. The government has suspended visits to penitentiaries and court hearings. On 16 March, the Sindh provincial government began screening inmates and prison staff for Covid-19, while the Punjab government announced that it was creating isolation centres for prisoners. However, critical concerns remain and there is increasing pressure to implement additional measures as the crisis becomes more acute. On 19 March, Human Rights Watch amplified calls to protect prisoners, urging the country's authorities to take urgent steps to ensure that prisoners and detainees have access to adequate medical care and protective measures against Covid-19. Amnesty International and Justice Project Pakistan also urged authorities to take measures to protect prisoners. The Justice Project Pakistan urged the government to "devise a coherent approach to protecting its prison population, currently at over **Latest Update** 77,000 individuals. Should the government fail to act now, Pakistani prisons and detention centres 2020 will become epicentres for the transmission of Covid-19." On 24 March 2020, the first case of Covid-19 within a prison was confirmed. On the same day, the Islamabad High Court ordered the release of hundreds of prisoners involved in petty crimes on bail, in a bid to reduce the hazards of the Covid-19 outbreak in jails. Since then, several provincial governments have ordered the release of prisoners: on 28 March, the Punjab government's Home Department announced that it would be releasing 20,000 prisoners out of 46,000 from the 41 jails across the province (and bail applications have been made for prisoners who committed petty crimes and for those over the age of 60); and on 30 March, the Sindh government approved the temporary release for three months of around 4,000 prisoners. (Government officials hinted that drug smugglers and those convicted of terrorism may not be released. Prisoners convicted of "minor" crimes would be eligible for temporary release. It was reported that there were around 16,024 prisoners for 13,538 places in all prisons across the Sindh). The Khyber-Pakhtunkhwa also announced that they would release prisoners 60 days early.

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Relevant international treaties and date of ratification				
International treaties	Name	Ratification Year		
	CRPD, Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities	2011		
	ICCPR, International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights	2010		
	CAT, Convention against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment	2010		
	ICESCR, International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights	2008		
	CEDAW, Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women	1996		
	CRC, Convention on the Rights of the Child	1990		
	VCCR, Vienna Convention on Consular Relations	1969		
	ICERD, International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination	1966		
Ratio of relevant international treaties ratified	8/19			

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Relevant international treaties and date of ratification					
Ratio of complaints	Number		Observation Date		
procedures accepted	dures accepted 0/7		2017		
Bilateral/Multilateral agreements linked to readmissions					
Bilateral/multilateral agreements linked to readmission	Name	Year in Force		Observation Date	
	EU	2010		2017	
Non treaty-based international human rights mechanisms					
Relevant recommendations of the UN Universal Periodic Review	Recomendation Issued		Year Issued	Observation Date	
	No		2008	2017	
	No		2012	2017	

INSTITUTIONAL INDICATORS				
Institutions responsible for immigration detention				
Custodial authority	Agency	Ministry	Ministry Typology	Observation Date

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