Countries that have or are experiencing genocides

**Genocide**

Although the coined term is only 72 years old, genocide has led a destructive path for the past 30,000 years.

Genocide has taken the innocent lives of an estimated 262,000,000 people in the past 100 years.

The phrase “never again” has become closely associated with genocide, yet it continues on into 2016-2017.

HELP END GENOCIDE, TAKE ACTION

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"THE WORLD IS A DANGEROUS PLACE—NOT BECAUSE OF THOSE WHO DO EVIL, BUT BECAUSE OF THOSE WHO LOOK ON AND DO NOTHING." —ALBERT EINSTEIN

WILL THE ATROCITIES EVER COME TO AN END?

Kaelyn Sanford with help by Chandra Oberlin

A partial view of genocide’s victims

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*No consensus- govt. denies their very existence
**Latest update: 2008, due to inadequate reporting

The millions otherwise affected are not reflected in these numbers

Photo by Rev. Wilfredo Benitez for Orange County for Darfur
About Genocide

**Why?**
Genocide is employed in order to:
- Eliminate a real or potential threat
- Spread terror among real or potential enemies
- Acquire economic wealth
- Implement a belief or ideology

**Where?**
The false assumption is that this occurs only in developing countries, but genocide can take place anywhere.

**When?**
Genocide can arise at any time but does not occur spontaneously; it takes planning & organization.

**How?**
Plans of destruction are developed & set into action. Warning signs include:
- Heightened tension between groups
- Sudden changes in power
- Symbolism/identification
- Isolation of a group
- Dehumanization of a group

**Who?**
**Victims:** Those targeted & exterminated
**Perpetrators:** Those who carry out plans & commit crimes against the victims
**Bystanders:** Those who are present but refrain from involvement
**Rescuers:** Those who aid & save victims

To prevent genocide, the U.N. takes steps to:
- Prevent armed conflict
- Protect civilians in armed conflict
- End impunity through judicial action
- Gather information & set up early warning system
- Take swift & decisive action

With a necessary 5/5 vote, to date, the U.N. has successfully prevented 0 genocides & has only a slightly better record of stopping them.

**Current Events: Genocide in Darfur**

Where?
Darfur: the western region of Sudan, Africa

Who?
Sudanese President Omar al-Bashir & his allied militia, the Janjaweed, are targeting non-Arab villagers

Why?
Two rebel groups mounted an insurgency against Sudan's central govt. in 2003. In response, non-Arab civilians (of similar background) have been targeted in pursuit to create a union of Arab states.

Destruction:
Over 2 million people have been displaced. Villages are destroyed, & people are murdered, enslaved, & raped. Livestock are stolen, food stocks burned, & water sources contaminated by the dead

Death Toll:
300,000 have died as of 2008. It is estimated that the death rate is 5,000/mo.

What has been done?
2004: Recognized genocide
2008: U.N. sends 26,000 troops
2009-2011: Arrest warrant is issued for Omar al-Bashir for crimes against humanity & genocide

China & Russia have blocked many U.N. resolutions due to political & economic investments