

# 1,000 AL-Qaeda Suspects Arrested From Pakistan

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A comprehensive study by the Pak Institute of Peace Studies (PIPS) reveals that Pakistani security agencies arrested more than 1,000 al-Qaeda suspects between January 2002 and May 2006. Of them, 70 came from Algeria , 86 from Saudi Arabia , 20 from Morocco , 22 from the United Arab Emirates , 11 from Libya , 7 from Kuwait , 20 from Egypt , 28 from Indonesia , 18 from Malaysia , and 36 from the West Asian countries. They also included 18 citizens of Western countries: 5 from the United States , 2 from Australia , and 11 from the United Kingdom . They also included an unknown number of French and German citizens.

The study is based on the reports in the media and does not include all the arrests of the Afghans and Pakistanis fighting against the Pakistani security forces in the tribal areas of Pakistan . The PIPS study includes only the important Pakistani and Afghan members of al-Qaida from these areas.

Moreover, the security forces have also killed more than 1,000 al-Qaeda fighters in operations in Pakistan.

However, the Pakistani government has announced the arrests of only 660 Al-Qaeda operatives.

Year	Number of arrests	Places of arrests	Nationalities of the arrested al-Qaida operatives	Important arrests
2001	89	Kohat and Peshawar	Saudi, Egyptian, Kuwaitis, French	
2002	376	Kohat, Peshawar , Faisalabad, Lahore , Karachi , and Quetta	Egyptian, Saudi, Yemeni, Algerian, Uzbek, Tajik, American, Chechen, Somali, Sudanese, Palestinian, German, Turkish, Afghan	Abu Zubaida, Abdullah-al-Muhajir, Ubaid Ullah, Sheikh Ahmed Salim, Ramzi bin Al Shiba, and Dr Amer Aziz,
2003	121	Karachi , Lahore , Tribal Areas, Lahore , Rawalpindi , Peshwar, Khuzdar, and Quetta	Algerian, Egyptian, Saudi, Chinese, Malaysian, Tunisian, UAE, Syrian	Khalid Sheikh Mohammad, Walid Mohammad bin Attash, Hafwan al-Hasham, Adil Al-Jazeera, Haris bin Asim,
2004	183	Gujrat, Peshawar , Karachi , Quetta , Tribal areas, Swat, Nawab Shah, Lahore ,	Egyptian, Moroccan, Algerian, Tajik, Tunisian, Saudi, Chinese, Afghan	Khalifa bin Hussain, Ahmed Khalfan Ghailani, Abdul Hakeem, Naeem Noor Khan
2005	111	Karachi , Islamabad , Quetta , Charsada Peshawar, Tribal areas	Iraqi, Algerian, Saudi, Syrians, Uzbeks, Afghan	Abdul Aziz Zahid, Usama Bin Yousaf, Habib Ullah, Yousaf Hassan
2006	21 (Until May)	Tribal Areas, Peshawar	Tunisian, Uzbek, Syrian, Spanish, Afghan	Abdur Rehman