

In Custody: Individuals Executed or Still in Prison for Crimes Related to June 4th

Following is a list of people who were executed or who are believed to still be in prison for offences related to the 1989 Democracy Movement. The information presented here is based on lists compiled by various groups and individuals, as well as direct contacts HRIC made recently with mainland sources to confirm the current status of imprisoned individuals. It should be noted that there are probably many more people who could be included on the list, but whose fate has never become public. Prisoners are listed according to length of sentence, and alphabetically by name. In the case of death sentences suspended for two years, it is assumed that these sentences were commuted to life in accordance with normal practice. Prisoners whose continued incarceration was directly confirmed by HRIC in May 2006 are denoted with an asterisk.*

Sources: HRIC, Human Rights Watch, Amnesty International, China Labour Bulletin, fireofliberty.org, *China Repression in the 1990s: A Directory of Victims*, 64memo.org.

SENTENCED TO DEATH AND EXECUTED

NAME	LOCATION	DATE OF DETENTION/ARREST	BACKGROUND	SENTENCE	OFFENSE	PRISON
Ban Huijie	Beijing	10-Jun-89	A 20-year-old Hubei native, Ban was accused with several others of burning a military vehicle.	17-Jun-89, death, executed 22-Jun-89	assaulting a soldier	
Chen Jian	Beijing	10-Jun-89	An 18-year-old worker. See Ban Huijie.	17-Jun-89, death, executed 22-Jun-89		
Bian Hanwu	Shanghai		An unemployed worker accused with Xu Guoming and Yan Xuerong of burning two police motorcycles on June 6 and blocking efforts to extinguish the fire.	21-Jun-89, death	arson	
Deng Wenbin	Hubei	Jul-89	Accused of killing civilians during protests in Wuhan in May 89.	death		
Li Maoqiu	Unknown			death		
Lin Zhaorong	Beijing	10-Jun-89	A 33-year-old hospital worker accused of burning a military vehicle and stealing military uniforms. See Ban Huijie.	17-Jun-89, death, executed 22-Jun-89	arson and theft	
Liu Baode	Beijing			3-Nov-89, death		
Luo Hongjun	Beijing	10-Jun-89	A 29-year-old ticket-seller for a public transport company. See Ban Huijie.	17-Jun-89, death, executed 22-Jun-89	inciting theft of military equipment	
Sun Baohe	Shandong	7-Jun-89	Aged 17, Sun was accused with two others of burning a car. His age was reportedly changed to 18 in official records so he could be sentenced as an adult.	14-Oct-89, death		
Wang Guiyang	Sichuan	Jun-89	Accused of involvement in riots in Chengdu on June 4. Four others, Zhou Xiangcheng, Cheng Yong, Ni Erfu and Zhang You, were sentenced to life.	death	participating in counterrevolutionary riots	Chengdu Municipal Prison
Wang Hanwu	Beijing	10-Jun-89	A 24-year-old peasant. See Ban Huijie.	17-Jun-89, death, executed 22-Jun-89	arson	
Wang Mingshu	Beijing	10-Jun-89	See Ban Huijie.	17-Jun-89, death, executed 22-Jun-89		
Wu Baiming	Sichuan		Accused with others of inciting riots.	Nov-89, death		
Xu Guoming	Shanghai		See Bian Hanwu, above.	21-Jun-89, death	arson	
Yan Xuerong	Shanghai		See Bian Hanwu, above.	21-Jun-89, death	arson	
Yang Jin	Chengdu		A worker, Yang was accused of illegal acts during the unrest in Chengdu.	death		
Zhang Wenkui	Beijing	10-Jun-89	A 22-year-old laborer. See Ban Huijie.	17-Jun-89, death, executed 22-Jun-89	arson	

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NAME	LOCATION	DATE OF DETENTION/ARREST	BACKGROUND	SENTENCE	OFFENSE	PRISON
Zhang Xin	Unknown		A worker.	death		
Zhang You	Sichuan	Jun-89	See Wang Guiyang.	death	participating in counter-revolutionary riots	
Zhou Jiguo	Hebei	Jun-89	A manual worker, Zhou was accused with Meng Duo and Chen Yong of killing a military policeman.	death	involvement in killing a policeman	
Zhou Qi	Qingdao		A worker, Zhou was accused of assaulting a police officer and burning shops during the Qingdao riots.	7-Nov-89, death		
Zu Jianjun	Beijing	10-Jun-89	A 25-year-old peasant from Hubei. See Ban Huijie.	17-Jun-89, death, executed 22-Jun-89	arson	

DIED IN PRISON

NAME	LOCATION	DATE OF DETENTION/ARREST	BACKGROUND	SENTENCE	OFFENSE	PRISON
Lu Hongze	Beijing	Jun-89	A migrant worker, Lu threw bottles at some burning tanks on the evening of June 3. He was photographed by traffic surveillance cameras, and Lu and one of his companions were identified following broadcast of their photographs over television. Lu died while being treated in a hospital on April 4, 1998.	27-Oct-89, 15 years	arson	Beijing No. 2 Prison
Wang Jiaxiang	Beijing	4-Jun-89	A worker in his 70s, Wang was the oldest of the June 4th "hooligans." Convicted of burning military vehicles, Wang died in prison in 1997.	7-Dec-89, death commuted to life	counterrevolutionary sabotage	Beijing No. 2 Prison

SENTENCED TO LIFE

NAME	LOCATION	DATE OF DETENTION/ARREST	BACKGROUND	SENTENCE	OFFENSE	PRISON
Chang Jingqiang*	Beijing	4-Jun-89	A 25-year-old worker, Chang is alleged to have assaulted a police officer at Tiananmen Square.	life	counterrevolutionary injury and sabotage	Beijing No. 2 Prison
Chen Yong	Hebei	Jun-89	See Zhou Jiguo under "Sentenced to death."	Dec-89, life	involvement in killing a policeman	
Cheng Yong	Sichuan	Jun-89	See Wang Guiyang under "Sentenced to death."	life	participating in counterrevolutionary riots	Chengdu Municipal Prison
Dong Shengkun*	Beijing	Jun-89	Born 16-Dec-1960, Dong was a worker from a cadre family, employed at a Beijing printing company. On June 4, he left his bicycle at the scene of a violent confrontation, and was subsequently identified as the owner. He reportedly confessed while being interrogated under torture.	18-Aug-89, death commuted to life.	Arson and counter-revolutionary activities	Beijing No. 2 Prison
Feng Lisheng*	Beijing	formally arrested 27-Dec-89	Born 29-Jun-65, a peasant with a high school education.	27-Dec-89, life	stealing military equipment	Beijing No. 2 Prison
Gao Hongwei*	Beijing	19-Oct-89	Born 21-Apr-70, a peasant with a primary school education.	19-Oct-89, life	arson	Beijing No. 2 Prison
Guo Yunqiao	Hunan	9-Jun-89	A manual laborer, Guo led a protest of 10,000 workers to the municipal government offices after June 4th.	1-Sep-89, death commuted to life	hooliganism	Hunan No. 6 Prison

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NAME	LOCATION	DATE OF DETENTION/ARREST	BACKGROUND	SENTENCE	OFFENSE	PRISON
Gu Xinghua	Guizhou	Jun-89, formally arrested Sep-90	A 41-year-old farmer, Gu was accused with Li Xinghua of organizing the People's Solidarity Party in late 1988 and planning military activities after the June 4th crackdown.	life	counterrevolutionary rebellion and gathering people to make weapons	Guiyang Prison
Hao Fuchun	Beijing	25-Aug-89		20-Jul-90, death commuted to life	arson, intentional assault	
He Jiang	Sichuan	Jun-89		death suspended for 2 years	arson	
Hu Liangbing	Hubei	Jun-89	A manual laborer, Hu was accused of overtuning trucks, blocking traffic and setting fire to a public vehicle.	life	arson with aggravated circumstances	
Hu Linyong	Shanghai	Jun-89	A manual laborer, Hu was arrested with Kong Qiming, Xu Guibao, Shen Minggui and Liu Ronglin for destruction of vehicles.	life	arson	
Jiang Yaqun*	Beijing	4-Jun-89	A 54-year-old unemployed man.	death commuted to life	counterrevolutionary sabotage, counter-revolutionary arson	Beijing No. 2 Prison
Li Hongjiang	Beijing	Jun-90	A 23-year-old businessman, Li was arrested for donating money to the democracy movement.	life	corruption and spreading rumors	
Li Weidong	Hunan	Jun-89	A factory worker.	death suspended for 2 years		Li's subsequent fate is unknown.
Li Weihong	Hunan	22-Apr-89	Arrested with Xia Changchun.	22-Jun-89, death suspended for 2 years		
Li Xinghua	Guizhou	Jun-89, formally arrested Sep-90	See Gu Xinghua, above.	Sep-90, life	counterrevolutionary rebellion and gathering people to make weapons	Guiyang Prison
Li Yujin ?	Beijing	Jun-89	Aged 31.	life	counterrevolutionary sabotage	Beijing No. 2 Prison
Li Yujun*	Beijing	Jun-89		death commuted to life	counterrevolutionary sabotage	Beijing No. 2 Prison
Li Zhixin*	Beijing	Jun-89	Aged 37.	life	counterrevolutionary sabotage and arson	Beijing No. 2 Prison
Liu Gang	Shanxi	1989	A 28-year-old manual laborer, Liu was detained with Sun Guanghu and others after unrest in Xi'an on April 21-22 following a memorial service for Hu Yaobang.	23-Sep-89, life	participating in counterrevolutionary riots	
Liu Yong	Hebei	Jun-89	A construction worker.	life	involvement in killing a soldier	
Liu Yuexiao	unknown		Accused of killing a Public Security officer.	Nov-89, life		
Luan Jikui	Hebei	6-Oct-89		death suspended for 2 years	arson	
Miao Deshun*	Beijing	4-Jun-89	Accused of burning a military vehicle. Miao has reportedly suffered ill-treatment in prison.	death commuted to life	counterrevolutionary arson	Beijing No. 2 Prison
Ni Erfu	Sichuan	Jun-89	See Wang Guiyang under "Sentenced to death."	life	participating in counterrevolutionary riots	Chengdu Municipal Prison
Peng Jiamin	Shanghai	10-Jun-89	A manual laborer, Peng was accused of setting fire to a train and preventing efforts to extinguish the fire.	18-Jun-89, life	participating in counterrevolutionary riots	
Rui Chaoyang	Shaanxi	Apr-89	A manual laborer, Rui was detained with Zhang Bingbing after clashes following the memorial service for Hu Yaobang. See also Liu Gang.	16-Aug-89, life	hooliganism	

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NAME	LOCATION	DATE OF DETENTION/ARREST	BACKGROUND	SENTENCE	OFFENSE	PRISON
Shi Xuezhong*	Beijing	26-Jun-89	Born 6-Apr-40, with a high school education and from a landlord family.	26-Jun-89, life	arson	Beijing No. 2 Prison
Song Kai*	Beijing	17-Jun-89	Aged 40.	life	counterrevolutionary injury	Beijing No. 2 Prison
Sun Guanghu	Shaanxi	Apr-89	See Liu Gang, above.	Sep-89, life	participating in counter-revolutionary riots	
Sun Hong	Beijing	formally arrested 4-May-90	Born 14-Jan-71, Sun was accused of burning a military vehicle and stealing a gun. Reported to have attempted suicide in October 1993.	4-May-90, death commuted to life	arson	Beijing No. 2 Prison
Tang Yong	Shanxi	22-Apr-89, formally arrested 12-Jul-89	A manual laborer, Tang allegedly participated in riots in Xi'an.	23-Sep-89, life	counterrevolutionary propaganda and incitement	Beijing No. 2 Prison
Wang Baoyu	Beijing		An airforce pilot, Wang flew to the Soviet Union in protest against the crackdown. He was repatriated, but because he had not tried to defect he was given a reprieve.	death commuted to life		Beijing No. 2 Prison
Wang Lianhui*	Beijing	27-Mar-90	Born 27-Mar-67, a peasant with primary school education.	27-Mar-90, life	robbery	Beijing No. 2 Prison
Wang Lianxi	Beijing	10-Jun-89	A 37-year-old female sanitation worker, Wang was given a 2-year reprieve due to mental imbalance. See Ban Huijie.	death suspended for 2 years		
Wei Yinchun	unknown	6-Jun-89	A worker, Wei was accused of burning a train that had reportedly struck and killed protesters.	life		
Wei Yingchun	Shanghai	6-Jun-89	A factory worker arrested during protests in Shanghai.	21-Jun-89, life	participating in counterrevolutionary riots	
Wu Chunqi*	Beijing	Jun-89	Aged 42.	life	counterrevolutionary sabotage and arson	Beijing No. 2 Prison
Wu Hepeng	Hunan	May-89	A 38-year-old manual laborer, Wu was arrested with Zhu Zhengying and others for alleged involvement in the May 19 incident in Shaoyang, when several vehicles were vandalized and the municipal offices were stormed.	17-Jun-89, death suspended for 2 years	counterrevolutionary propaganda and incitement	Hunan No. 6 Prison
Xi Haoliang*	Beijing	25-Aug-89	Born 17-Feb-71, a construction industry employee with vocational school education. On the afternoon of June 4, Xi threw his shirt at a burning armored vehicle. On August 25 he was arrested for an unrelated assault and confessed to burning the armored vehicle.	20-Jul-90, death suspended for 2 years	assault	Beijing No. 2 Prison
Xi Jingqiang	Beijing	Jun-89		life		Beijing No. 2 Prison
Yang Pu*	Beijing	6-Jan-90	Born 3-Mar-64, a peasant with a middle school education.	6-Jan-90, death commuted to life	arson	Beijing No. 2 Prison
Yang Zhizhen	Beijing		A student, Yang was accused of killing a soldier. Further information is lacking, but a death sentence or life imprisonment is likely.	Sentence unknown		
Yang Zimu	unknown		Accused of killing a police officer	life		
Zhang Baoqun*	Beijing	1989	Born 25-Apr-66, a peasant with a middle school education	8-Dec-89, life	arson	Beijing No. 2 Prison
Zhang Fudong	Beijing	1989	Aged 25	life	arson	Beijing No. 2 Prison

SENTENCED TO LIFE, cont.

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Zhang Fukun*	Beijing	12-Aug-89	Born 25-Jun-59, a peasant with a middle school education.	8-Dec-89, life	arson	Beijing No. 2 Prison
Zhang Guodong*	Beijing	16-Mar-90	Born 29-Dec-70, a peasant with a primary school education.	16-Apr-90, life	arson	Beijing No. 2 Prison
Zhang Jie	Beijing	20-Aug-89	A manual laborer born in 1966.	death commuted to life	robbery, hooliganism and concealing weapons	Beijing No. 2 Prison
Zhang Maosheng*	Beijing	1989	Born 28-Jun-68, a peasant with a middle school education.	10-Nov-89, death commuted to life	arson	Beijing No. 2 Prison
Zhang Qijie	Beijing	20-Aug-89	Born 31-Mar-66, a worker with a middle school education.	20-Aug-90, suspended death sentence commuted to life.	robbery, hooliganism and concealing weapons	Beijing No. 2 Prison
Zhang You	Sichuan	Jun-89	See Wang Guiyang under "Sentenced to death."	life	participating in counterrevolutionary riots	Chengdu Municipal Prison
Zhao Suoran*	Beijing	4-Jun-89	A 30-year-old worker.	1989, life	counterrevolutionary sabotage	Beijing No. 2 Prison
Zhao Xiaoran	Beijing	Jun-89	Aged 32.	life	disrupting social order	Beijing No. 2 Prison
Zhao Yuetang	Beijing	Jun-89	Accused with two others of killing a soldier. Further information is lacking, but a death sentence or life imprisonment is likely.	Sentence unknown		
Zhou Xiangcheng	Sichuan	Jun-89	See Wang Guiyang under "Sentenced to death."	life	participating in counterrevolutionary riots	Chengdu Municipal Prison
Zhu Fangming	Hunan	11-Jun-89	A 28-year-old employee of the Hengyang Flour Mill and vice-president of the Hengyang Workers Independent Federation, Zhu organized a demonstration demanding reassessment of June 4th.	Dec-89, life	hooliganism	Hengyang Prison (Hunan No. 2 Prison)
Zhu Gengsheng*	Beijing	4-Jun-89	Aged 33.	death commuted to life	counterrevolutionary sabotage	Beijing No. 2 Prison
Zhu Zhengying	Hunan	May-89	See Wu Hepeng, above.	Sep-89, life	arson	Hunan No. 6 Prison

SENTENCED TO MORE THAN 17 YEARS

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Du Jianwen	Beijing	19-Sep-89	Born 28-Dec-69, a worker with a middle school education. During the crackdown, Du threw bricks at troops opening fire on protesters.	17 years	robbery and hooliganism	Beijing No. 2 Prison
Gao Liang*	Beijing	14-Dec-89	Born 16-Sep-71, a manual laborer with a vocational school education. Gao was accused of breaking the windows of a military vehicle.	14-Dec-89, life later reduced to unknown term	arson	Beijing No. 2 Prison
Gao Zhenghe*	Beijing	17-Jun-89	Born 26-Oct-70, a peasant with a middle school education.	17-Jun-89, 20 years	robbery and hooliganism	Beijing No. 2 Prison
Guan Jian	Beijing	16-Sep-91	A 46-year-old journalist.	20 years	espionage	Beijing No. 2 Prison
Li Hongqi	Beijing	13-Jun-89	Born 21-Oct-66, a worker with a middle school education.	13-Jun-89, 20 years	hooliganism, robbery and stealing military equipment	Beijing No. 2 Prison

SENTENCED TO MORE THAN 17 YEARS, cont.

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Li Jueming	Guangdong	Jun-89	Li was accused of using the student movement as a pretext for destroying 15 military vehicles, assaulting two women and other violent acts.	18 years, subsequently reduced by one year	assault, sabotage and theft	Meizhou Prison
Liu Jian	Hunan	Jun-89	Aged 33. Electrical workers Liu Jian, Liu Zhihua and Peng Shi led more than 1,000 workers protesting the June 4th crackdown and were accused of vandalizing the home of a factory official. Liu's death sentence was commuted after a strike by fellow workers.	Aug-89, death commuted to	hooliganism	Hunan No. 6 Prison
Liu Jianwen*	Beijing	13-Jun-89	Born 24-May-69, a worker with a middle school education.	20-Jun-89, 20 years	theft of military equipment and hooliganism	Beijing No. 2 Prison
Liu Zhenzhuang	Beijing	Jun-89	A factory worker, Liu was accused of setting fire to military vehicles and stealing police helmets. After his trial, Liu's family was intimidated and told not to appeal.	17 years	robbery and arson	
Liu Zhihua	Hunan	Jun-89	A 33-year-old factory worker. See Liu Jian, above.	Aug-89, life reduced to 15 years; 5 years added in 1997 for assault in prison, reduced by 2 years.	hooliganism	Hunan No. 6 Prison
Peng Shi	Hunan	Jun-89	A 26-year-old factory worker. See Liu Jian, above.	life, subsequently reduced, due for release 2006	hooliganism	Hunan No. 6 Prison
Shao Liangchen	Shandong	15-Jun-89	A leader of the Jinan City WAF and Workers Democratic Federation.	Sep-89, death commuted to life, subsequently reduced, due for release in 2007	destroying public transportation equipment	Weihsu Prison, Shandong Province
Sun Chuanheng*	Beijing	7-Jun-89	Born 1-Jul-70, a worker with a vocational school education. Sun was a stalwart of the WAF.	14-Aug-90, life reduced to 20 years	participating in counterrevolutionary riots	Beijing No. 2 Prison
Sun Yancai*	Beijing	10-Jun-89	Born 23-May-66, a peasant with a primary school education, Sun was accused of breaking into a martial law command post and damaging a traffic surveillance camera.	27-Mar-90, life, subsequently reduced to 17 years	sabotage	Beijing No. 2 Prison
Wang Lianxi*	Beijing	23-Jun-89	Born 23-Sep-55, a worker with a middle school education.	23-Jun-89, life subsequently reduced to unknown term	arson	Beijing No. 2 Prison
Zeng Weidong	Guangdong	6-Jun-89	A peasant, Zeng was arrested during protests in Zhuhai.	9-Oct-89, 18 years	participating in counterrevolutionary riots, assault, sabotage and robbery	
Zhang Jie	Shandong	5-Jun-89	Born in 1968, Zhang had just been accepted for study at the Beijing Institute of Cinematography when he participated in student protests in Qingdao. He was arrested while conducting a memorial services for victims of the June 4th crackdown.	Nov-89, 18 years	counterrevolutionary incitement and disrupting social order	Weifang No. 3 Prison, Shandong Province
Zhao Qing*	Beijing	24-Aug-89	Born 29-Jan-70, a worker with a middle school education.	18 years	robbery and arson	Beijing No. 2 Prison
Zhu Wenji*	Beijing		Born 22-May-61, a worker with a high school education. Zhu was accused of burning a bus and obstructing martial law troops.	26-Oct-89, death subsequently commuted to 20 years	counterrevolutionary sabotage	Beijing No. 2 Prison