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Country	IFJ International Federation of Journalists		
	name		
EUROPE / 149 Journalists and Media Staff in Prison in 2025			
Azerbaijan (37)			
	1	Ahmad Mammadli	
	2	Akhmad Mukhtar	
	3	Akif Gurbanov	
	4	Alasgar Mammadli	
	5	Ali Zeynal	
	6	Arshad Ibrahimov	
	7	Aslan Gurbanov	
	8	Aynur Elgunesh	
	9	Aysel Umudova	
	10	Aytaj Ahmadova	
	11	Aziz Orujov	
	12	Bahrüz Samadov	
	13	Elnara Gasimova	
	14	Elnur Shukurov	
	15	Farid Ismayilov	
	16	Farid Mehralizada	
	17	Fatima Mövlamli	

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	18	Hafiz Babali
	19	Ibrahim Humbatov
	20	Ilkin Amrahov
	21	Imran Aliyev
	22	Khayala Aghayeva
	23	Mahammad Kekalov
	24	Musfiq Cabbar
	25	Nargiz Absalamova
	26	Natig Javadli
	27	Nurlan Gahramanli
	28	Osman Narimanoglu Rzayev
	29	Polad Aslanov
	30	Ramil Babayev
	31	Ramin Jabrayilzade
	32	Rashad Ramazanov
	33	Sevinc Vaqifqizi
	34	Shamshad Agha
	35	Teymur Kerimov
	36	Ulvi Hasanli

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37	Ulviyya Ali	
Georgia (1)		
	Mzia Amaglobeli	
Türkiye (21)		
1	Ahmet Metin Sekizkardeş	
2	Ali Ahmet Böken	
3	Ali Barış Kurt	
4	Ali Ünal	
5	Can Taşkın	
6	Cengiz Oğlağı	
7	Doğan Pehlivan	
8	Erdal Süsem	
9	Erol Zavar	
10	Fatih Altaylı	
11	Furkan Karabay	
12	Gültekin Avcı	
13	Hatice Duman	
14	Hidayet Karaca	
15	Mehmet Baransu	

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	16	Murat Çapan
	17	Murat Verim
	18	Mustafa Gök
	19	Şeref Yılmaz
	20	Zafer Aknar
	21	Ziya Ataman
Ukraine (26)		
	1	Amet Suleymanov (a)
	2	Anastasiya Glukhovska (a)
	3	Asan Akhtemov (a)
	4	Aziz Azizov (a)
	5	Ernes Ametov (a)
	6	Heorhiy Levchenko (a)
	7	Iryna Danilovich (a)
	8	Iryna Levchenko (a)
	9	Kostiantyn Zinovkin (a)
	10	Maksym Rupchov (a)
	11	Marlen Asanov (a)
	12	Oleksandr Malyshev (a)

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	13	Osman Arifmemetov (a)
	14	Remzi Bekirov (a)
	15	Ruslan Suleymanov (a)
	16	Rustem Osmanov (a)
	17	Rustem Sheikhaliev (a)
	18	Serhiy Tsyhipa (a)
	19	Server Mustafayev (a)
	20	Seyran Saliev (a)
	21	Timur Ibragimov (a)
	22	Vilen Temeryanov (a)
	23	Vladyslav Hershon (a)
	24	Yana Suvorova (a)
	25	Yevhenii Ilchenko (a)
	26	Zhanna Kyselova (a)
Belarus (32)		
	1	Aleh Supruniuk
	2	Ales Lyubychuk
	3	Ales Marchanka
	4	Ales Sabaleuski

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	5 Aliaksandr Ignatsiuk	
	6 Aliaksandr Ziankou	
	7 Andrei Aliaksandrau	
	8 Andrei Famin	
	9 Andrei Tolchyn	
	10 Andrzej Poczobut	
	11 Anton Kazelski	
	12 Daniil Palianski	
	13 Dzianis Ivashyn	
	14 Dzmitry Navazhylau	
	15 Dzmitry Semchanka	
	16 Ihar Ilyash	
	17 Kanstantsin Zalatykh	
	18 Katsiaryna Andreeva	
	19 Kiryl Pazniak	
	20 Lyudmila Chekina	
	21 Maryna Zolatava	
	22 Palina Pitkevich	
	23 Pavel Dabravolski	

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	24	Siarhei Chabotska
	25	Siarhei Satsuk
	26	Uladzimir Yanukevich
	27	undisclosed
	28	undisclosed
	29	Valerija Kastsiuhova
	30	Volha Radzivonava
	31	Yauhen Hlushkou
	32	Yauhen Nikalayevich
Russian Federation (32)		
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Yeme (11)		
Tunisia (3)		
Algeria (1)		
Egypte (15)		
Iran (3)		
	1	Azhdar Piri Sarmanloo
	2	Reza Valizadeh
	3	Mostafa Nemati

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Palestine (41)			
	1	Abdel Nasser Al-Lahham	
	2	Abdullah Shatat	
	3	Mohammad Hleileh	
	4	Amer Abu Arafah	
	5	Ibrahim Al-Zuhairi	
	6	Adeeb Al-Atrash	
	7	Dr. Mahmoud Fatafteh	
	8	Hamzeh Jaber	
	9	Hazem Nasser	
	10	Assem Al-Shannar	
	11	Ramez Awwad	
	12	Mujahid Al-Saadi	
	13	Jihad Al-Badawi	
	14	Maher Hawarn	
	15	Samer Abu Eisha	
	16	Hassan Imad Abu Al-Hasan	
	17	Yaseen Abu Lafeh	
	18	Samer Khweira	

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	19 Ibrahim Abu Safieh	
	20 Ali Al-Samoudi	
	21 Mujahid Mardawi	
	22 Ahmad Al-Khatib	
	23 Mujahid Bani Mufleh	
	24 Farah Abu Ayyash	
	25 Moaz Ammarneh	
	26 Aseed Ammarneh	
	27 Mohammad Anwar Muna	
	28 Nidal Al-Wahidi	
	29 Haitham Abdel Wahid	
	30 Moamen Al-Halabi	
	31 Osama Rushdi Dabbour	
	32 Mohammad Arab	
	33 Waseem Saeed Mohammad Al-Amawi	
	34 Ihab Dhiab	
	35 Samer Yousef Mustafa Abed	
	36 Amjad Arafat	
	37 Nidal Alyan	

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	38	Osama Al-Dreini
	39	Tawfiq Al-Sayyed Saleem
	40	Hani Issa
	41	Islam Ahmad
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Myanmar (49)		
	1	Nyein Chan Wai
	2	Myo Win Aung
	3	De Myat Nyein Ko (Myint Myat Aung)
	4	Khaing Myint Tun (Shwe Lin Thit)
	5	Htet Htet Khine
	6	Sithu Aung Myint
	7	Moe Min Oo
	8	Myo San Soe
	9	Hmu Yadanar Khet Moh Moh Tun
	10	Aung San Lin
	11	Than Lwin Thu (Ma Nwe)(Win Win Nwe)
	12	Thurein Kyaw
	13	Zarni War

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	14	Nay Naw (Myo Naung Naung Zaw)
	15	Aung Lwin (Kan Pauk Thar)
	16	Min Theik Tun
	17	Maung Maung Myo
	18	Si Thu (Yay Pearl)
	19	San Lin Phyo
	20	Thaung Moe (Thaung Win)
	21	Myat Kalay (Naing Win Tun)
	22	Sai Zaw Thaike (Sai Zaw)
	23	Myo Aung
	24	Shin Daewe
	25	Yan Naing Soe
	26	Htet Aung
	27	Soe Win Aung
	28	Thura Aung
	29	Aung San Oo
	30	Myo Myint Oo
	31	Hla Myo Aung
	32	Htoo San Ko (Thet Tun Aung)

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	name	
	33 Sai Lwin (Moe San)	
	34 Soe Linn Aung	
	35 Than Htike Myint	
	36 Tin Nwe Tun (Janimar)	
	37 Ye Naing Swe	
	38 Yu Wai Myint	
	39 Zaw Min Oo	
	40 Aung Win Htay	
	41 Ko Ko Oo	
	42 Kyaw Lin Naing	
	43 Lwin Than Htike (Than Htike)	
	44 Mu Dra	
	45 Wai Lin Yu	
	46 Htet Htet Aung	
	47 Win Naing Oo	
	48 Myat Thu Kyaw	
	49 Zin Naing	
China (136)		
	1 Abdulla Memetjan	

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	name	
	2	Ehmet Tursun
	3	Tursun Mehet
	4	Gulmira Imin
	5	Kahar Niyaz
	6	Memetjan Abdulla
	7	Hailaite Niyazi aka Gheytrat Niyaz
	8	Liu Wei'an
	9	Hu Yazhu
	10	Mutellip Imin
	11	Ilham Tohti
	12	Abduqeyum Ablimit
	13	Atikem Rozi
	14	Lü Gengsong
	15	Dawa Tsomo
	16	Chen Shuqing
	17	Qin Yongmin
	18	Zhang Haitao
	19	Gui Minhai
	20	Sidiq Mehmутjan

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	name	
	21	Es'et Eziz
	22	Tursunjan Memet
	23	Omerjan Hasan
	24	Nurmambet Osmon
	25	Qin Chao
	26	Yalqun Rozi
	27	Huang Qi
	28	Qutluq (Nezeri) Enwer
	29	Qutluq (Nezeri) Enwer
	30	He Linxia
	31	Abdulla Abdurehim
	32	Tahir Nasir
	33	Khoja (Ümidwar) Mehmetjan
	34	Khoja (Ümidwar) Mehmetjan
	35	Tahir Talip
	36	Wahitjan Osman
	37	Qurban Mamut
	38	Qurban Mamut
	39	Abdushukur Qawul

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	40	Zeydin Ablet
	41	Zulpiqar Koresh
	42	Zunun Osman
	43	Dilshat Oralbai
	44	Baktgul Oralbaikizi
	45	Erkin Tursun
	46	Ekber Polat
	47	Afarat Polat
	48	Dilshat Perhat Ataman
	49	Abdurahman Abey
	50	Ebey Abdurakhman
	51	Ilham Weli
	52	Chen Jieren
	53	Juret Haji
	54	Abliz Boriyar Memetjan
	55	Ablajan Siyit
	56	Ömer Abliz
	57	Zunun Osman
	58	Siyit Ablajan

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	59	Emet Erkin
	60	Yang Henjun
	61	Enwer Omer
	62	Abdurehim Abdurahman
	63	Achchiq Eysajan Turdi
	64	Adiljan Ayit
	65	Aqan Maqadas
	66	Ayshem Peyzulla
	67	Enwer Emrulla
	68	Erkin Muhemmet
	69	Hekim Anargul
	70	Hekim Hamutjan
	71	Ibrahim Ebeydulla
	72	Kazim Perhat
	73	Mahibeder Mekhmut
	74	Mirza Muqeddes
	75	Quadir Alsan
	76	Quadir Nurbaqit
	77	Tehran Ablikim

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	78	Tiemuer Guihahan
	79	Yasin Hamut
	80	Qadiri Telet
	81	Ekber Sirajidin
	82	Jarup Shirmuhemmet
	83	Sadiq Qabilquan
	84	Eli Hebibulla
	85	Dai Zigeng
	86	Xu Zhiyong
	87	Ren Zhiqiang
	88	Tuniyaz Ilyas
	89	Pema Rinchen
	90	Ou Biaofeng
	91	Gangkya Drubpa Kyab
	92	Ruan Xiaohuan
	93	Huang Xueqin (Sophia Huang)
	94	Yang Maodong (Guo Feixong)
	95	Abdusemet Abdureshit
	96	Yuyu Dong

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	97	Yanhe Li
	98	Esqer Gheni
	99	Lu Jianhua
	100	Lü Hua
	101	Yunkai Shangguan
	102	Yunkai Shangguan
	103	Li Yanhe (Fu Cha)
	104	Yang Zewei
	105	Abduhelil OBULQASIM
	106	Akbar Imin
	107	Chen Pinlin
	108	Zhang Zhan
	109	Li Weizhong
	110	Abliz Boriyar Memetjan
	111	Wang Linlin
	112	Chai Xiaoming
	113	Li Xinde
	114	Anargul Hekim
	115	Hamut Mahinur

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	116	Halide Israyil
	117	Mömin Ekhmetjan
	118	Qasim Guzelnur
	119	Sidiq Memet
	120	Yasin Zilal
	121	Memtimin Obul
	122	Mirkami Ablimit
	123	Aynur Tash
	124	Kairat Domalin
	125	Kuandyk Koben
	126	Luo Yuwei
	127	Perhat Halmurat
	128	Shoret Nijat
	129	Chen Yunfei
	130	Liu Tianyi
	131	Zan Aizong
	132	Lu Huihuang
	133	Zhou Guoqiang (Aqu Qiangba)
	134	Chen Zhaozhi

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	name	
	135	Yu Wensheng
	136	Yang Shaozheng
Hong Kong (7)		
	1	Jimmy Lai
	2	Ryan Law Wai-kwong
	3	Cheung Kim-hung
	4	Fung Wai-Kong (Frankie Fung)
	5	Lam Man Chung
	6	Chan Pui-man
	7	Yeung Ching-kee (Li Ping)
Bangladesh (7)		
	1	Shakil Ahmed
	2	Farzana Rupa
	3	Monjurul Alam Panna
	4	Mozammel Babu
	5	Shahriar Kabir
	6	Shyamal Dutta
	7	Shah Alom Sarkar (Gaibandha)
Kazakhstan (3)		

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	1	Daniyar Adilbekov
	2	Temirlan Ensebek
	3	Duman Mukhammedkarim
Kyrgyzstan (6)		
	1	Azamat Ishenbekov
	2	Makhabat Tazhibek
	3	Alesya Nesterenko
	4	Alexander Alexandrov
	5	Elena Kozhanova
	6	Zhomart Duulatov
Tajikistan (9)		
	1	Abdusattor Pirmukhammadzoda
	2	Ahmad Ibrohim
	3	Daler Imomali
	4	Zavkibek Saidamini
	5	Avazmat Gurbatov (Abdullo Gurbati)
	6	Khikmatullo Sayfullozoda
	7	Khurshed Fozilov
	8	Khushruz Dzhumaev (Khushom Ghulam)

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	9	Rukhshona Khakimova
Uzbekistan (4)		
	1	Esimkhan Kanaatov
	2	Abdimalik Khozhanazarov
	3	Bakhtiyar Kadirbergenov
	4	Salamat Seitmuratov
India (2)		
	1	Irfan Mehraj
	2	Rupesh Kumar Singh
Philippines (1)		
	1	Frenchie Mae Cumpio
Cambodia (7)		
	1	Kim Den
	2	Noeub Bun
	3	So Sambo
	4	Doung Akara
	5	Lay Socheat
	6	Phorn Sopheap
	7	Pheap Pheara

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Afghanistan (8)			
	1	Mahdi Ansari	
	2	Aziz Watanwal	
	3	Ghulam Mohiuddin Sahibzada	
	4	Jihadmal Habibi	
	5	Abuzar Sarempuli	
	6	Basheer Hatif	
	7	Shakib Ahmad Nazari	
	8	Hamid Farhadi	
Vietnam (37)			
	1	Sohrab Barket	
	1	Nguyen Vu Binh	
	2	Truong Huy San (Huy Duc)	
	3	Thai Van Duong	
	4	Nguyen Chi Tuyen	
	5	Nguyen Lan Thang	
	6	Pham Chi Dung	
	7	Nguyen Tuong Thuy	
	8	Le Huu Minh Tuan	

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	9	Le Trong Hung (Hung Gan)
	10	Minh Duc Truong
	11	Pham Doan Trang
	12	Le Thach Giang
	13	Le Minh The
	14	Nguyen Lan Thang
	15	Le Manh Ha
	16	Nguyen Thai Hung
	17	Vo Hoang Tho (Bo Hoang Tho)
	18	Y Wo Nie
	19	Lê Van Dung (Lê Dung Vova)
	20	Nguyen Hoai Nam
	21	Tran Thi Tuyet Dieu
	22	Le Huu Minh Tuan
	23	Truong Duy Nhat
	24	Tran Thi Xuan
	25	Nguyen Van Tuc
	26	Nguyen Trung Ton
	27	Le Dinh Luong

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	28	Tran Huynh Duy Thuc
	29	Nguyen Van Hoa
	30	Nguyen Van Oai
	31	Duong Van Thai
	32	Huynh Ngoc Tuan
	33	Tran Hoang Huan
	34	Tran Anh Kim
	35	Tran Duc Thach
	36	Quach Duy
	37	Do Van Nga
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Guatemala (1)		
	1	José Rubén Zamora
Nicaragua (1)		
	1	Elsbeth D'Anda
Venezuela (4)		
	1	Leandro Palmar
	2	Rory Branker
	3	Nakary Mena Ramos

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	4	Gianni Gonzalez
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Burundi (1)		
	1	Sandra Muhoza
Cameroon (1)		
	1	Thomas Awah Junior
Democratic Republic of Congo (2)		
	1	Ricardo Olenga
	2	Christian Bofaya
Eritrea (7)		
	1	Dawit Isaac
	2	Emanuel Asrat
	3	Hamid Mohamed Said
	4	Jim'ie Kimeil
	5	Mohamed Osman
	6	Ahmed Usman
	7	Nebeil Edris
Ethiopia (3)		
	1	Dawit Begashaw

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	2	Genet Asmamaw
	3	Gobeze Sisay
Nigeria (4)		
	1	Koko Robson
	2	Victor Akpan
	3	Okon Ben
	4	Muktar Dahiru
Niger (2)		
	1	Ali Soumana
	2	Hassane Zada
Sudan (5)		
	1	Mummar Ibrahim
	2	Youssef Al Bachir Moussa Abdelmalek
	3	Rachid Mohammed Haroun Jerad
	4	Issam El Dine Mohammed Haroun
	5	Mustapha Fadel Maoula
Ethiopia (1)		
	1	Ahmed Awga
Cameroon (1)		

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