



Key Challenges

Poor quality of forensic expertise and forensic medical examinations.
Loss of evidence of torture and ill-treatment. Classified status of key statistics.

Population	6 592 000
Prison population	9 995
Convicted	8 235
In pre-trial detention	1 760
Detainees (under administrative arrest)	No data
Law enforcement budget	—
Budget per prisoner per year	240 - 360 EUR (20 000 - 30 000 KGS)
Number of Penitentiary Service employees	Classified data
Number of police officers	Classified data

Judgments documenting the problem of torture

Judgments and decisions of international bodies documenting the problem of torture and ill-treatment	-(22)?
Judgments of Kyrgyz courts	2
Judgments excluding evidence obtained under torture	No data

Criminalization of torture and ill-treatment

Explicit prohibition of torture in criminal law	Torture is explicitly prohibited by law
Criminalization of acts falling within the definition of torture	There are concrete and clear sanctions
Definition of torture consistent with international treaties	Not fully consistent with the relevant Conventions

Government body investigating allegations of torture and ill-treatment

There is a body authorized to investigate torture	Torture cases are investigated by the National Security Committee and the Prosecutor General's Office. These bodies are part of the executive branch of government
Number of investigators	Classified data
Investigator workload	—
Investigating body's jurisdiction	Shared between the two investigating bodies to avoid conflict of interest. The proportion of torture cases is less than 50%
Geographic coverage	Available only in large territorial units of the Republic
Budget	The budget covers the minimum essential costs
Number of complaints of torture and ill-treatment	79
Including those from places of detention	116 (according to the National Center for Prevention of Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment — the NPM body)
Number of criminal cases instituted	43
Sent to court	1

Ratification of relevant international treaties

Relevant conventions	All relevant UN conventions are in force
Optional Protocol to the UN Convention against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment (2002)	Signed and ratified
Ratification of individual complaints procedures of the UN Treaty Bodies	Only the UN HRC Protocol
Istanbul Protocol	Partially implemented in national legislation

Procedural guarantees

Documenting the actual detention start time	Detention time must be documented from the moment of delivery to a police department. Applied selectively in practice
Lawyer notification at the actual detention start time	In practice, lawyer notification is selective
Family notification	Applied selectively in practice
Medical examination	Required but performed selectively and with a delay following arrest

Preventive mechanisms

Independent external review mechanism	Created and operating throughout the Republic; funding is not consistent.
Video surveillance	Some, but not all facilities are equipped
Access to, and safekeeping of video evidence	Unprotected and accessible to officials at places of detention