

# In Custody: People Imprisoned in Connection with Journalism or the Internet

The official directive from China's Propaganda Bureau this past November prohibiting the reporting of incidents of unrest indicates how threatened the Chinese authorities feel by the dissemination of accurate information regarding current events. Likewise indicative is the rash of detentions of journalists and writers at the end of 2004. While many of these detentions were temporary, they have had an intimidating effect on writers, and a number of those detained remain in custody awaiting formal charges. On the 2004 index of press freedom issued by Reporters sans Frontieres, China is exceeded only by North Korea and Myanmar in its censorship and persecution of journalists, and tops the list of countries imprisoning journalists.

The list below employs a broad definition of journalism to include a wide range of activities related to free expression and access to information. Even so, the list cannot claim to be comprehensive, and there is no doubt but that many more people are languishing in prison for no crime greater than the peaceful expression of their views.

Sources: HRIC, Independent Chinese PEN Center, Human Rights Watch, Reporters sans Frontieres, Committee to Protect Journalists, International PEN, Amnesty International

Abbreviations: CDP—China Democracy Party; CDF—Chinese Democratic Federation; WAF—Workers Autonomous Federation; FLUC—Free Labor Union of China; CFDP—China Freedom and Democracy Party; RTL—Reeducation Through Labor; PSB—Public Security Bureau

NAME	LOCATION	DATE OF DETENTION/ ARREST	BACKGROUND	SENTENCE	OFFENSE	PRISON
Chen Renjie	Fujian	Jul-83	In September 1982 Chen, Lin Youping and Chen Biling published a pamphlet entitled <i>Freedom Report</i> and distributed around 300 copies in Fuzhou. Authorities accused them of contact with Taiwanese spy organizations. Chen Biling was executed.	Aug-83, life	propaganda and incitement to encourage the overthrow of the people's democratic dictatorship	
Lin Youping	Fujian	Jul-83	See Chen Renjie above	1983, death with reprieve	propaganda and incitement	
Yu Dongye	Hunan	23-May-89	An art critic with <i>Liuyang News</i> , Yu was arrested with after defacing the giant portrait of Mao that overlooks Tiananmen Square. He is reported to have gone insane as a result of torture in prison.	20 years	counterrevolutionary propaganda others and sabotage	Hunan Province No. 1 Prison
Chen Yanbin	Beijing	13-Sep-90	b. 1964. Chen, a former university student, was arrested with Zhang Yafei while operating <i>Tielu</i> , an underground publication about the 1989 crackdown at Tiananmen Square. Chen was also accused of organizing and leading the Chinese Revolutionary Democratic Front. Zhang has completed his prison term and been released.	5-Mar-91, 15 years	organizing a counterrevolutionary group	Beijing No. 2 Prison
Hu Shigen	Beijing	27-May-92	A lecturer at Beijing Language Institute, Hu was arrested for founding the Liberal Democratic Party of China (LDPC) and the Free Labor Union of China, and also for drafting documents for LDPC and articles that commemorate the June 4th victims in 1989.	14-Dec-94, 20 years	organizing and leading counter-revolutionary group and counter-revolutionary propaganda instigation	Beijing No. 2 Prison, Beijing

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Wu Shisen (Wu Shishen)	Beijing	26-Oct-92	b. 1960. An editor at the Xinhua News Agency, Wu was charged with leaking an advance copy of Party leader Jiang Zemin's speech to the 14th Party Congress to a Hong Kong reporter. In November 2004, the authorities announced that Wu's life sentence would be commuted.	Apr-93, life commuted. Due for release 10-Jul-05.	leaking state secrets overseas	Beijing No. 2 Prison
Chen Meng	Guangdong	detained 14-Mar-95, formally arrested 25-May-95	b. 1961. A musician and participant in the 1989 democracy movement. Chen came across an official document detailing "reactionaries" blacklisted from entry to China and sent it to overseas media, where it was published in January 1995.	15-Apr-97, 12 years	revealing state secrets	Dongguan Prison
Hada	Inner Mongolia	10-Dec-95	An owner of Mongolian Academic Bookstore as well as the founder and editor-in-chief of <i>The Voice of Southern Mongolia</i> , Hada was arrested for publishing this underground journal and for founding and leading the Southern Mongolian Democracy Alliance (SMDA).	6-Dec-96, 15 years	incitement of separatism and espionage	No. 4 Prison of Inner Mongolia, Chi Feng
Fan Yingshang	Hebei	7-Feb-96	In 1994, Fan and Yang Jianguo printed more than 60,000 copies of the magazine <i>Remen Huati</i> (Popular Topics). Authorities accused them of purchasing fake printing authorizations. Yang avoided arrest.	7-Feb-96, 15 years	engaging in speculation and profiteering	
Hua Di	Beijing	Jan-98	b. 1937. A missile expert, Hua obtained political asylum in the U.S. after the 1989 crackdown and became affiliated with Stanford University. While overseas, he wrote articles about China's missile defense system. He was arrested when he returned to China in January 1998 for a family funeral. Originally sentenced to 15 years in November 1999, Hua received a lower sentence after retrial.	23-Nov-00, 10 years	leaking state secrets	Beijing PSB Detention Center
Tohti Tunyaz	Xinjiang	6-Feb-98	An ethnic Uighur historian and writer, Tohti Tunyaz was arrested for collecting sensitive materials and publishing articles on ethnic relations and on ethnic separation history.	10-Mar-99, 11 years	inciting national disunity, and stealing state secrets for foreign persons	Xinjiang No. 3 Prison, Urumqi, Xinjiang Uighur Autonomous Region
Zhang Shanguang	Hunan	21-Jul-98	b. 1954. Originally a teacher. Zhang went to work in a factory after being imprisoned for counterrevolutionary crimes and began organizing workers	27-Dec-98, 10 years	supplying intelligence to organizations outside China	Hunan No. 1 Prison

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Zhang Shanguang, <i>cont.</i>			under the Association to Protect Workers' Rights. Arrested after being interviewed by Radio Free Asia regarding worker protests.			
Gao Qinrong	Shanxi	Detained 4-Dec-98, formally arrested 26-Dec-98	b. 1955. A reporter with the official Xinhua News Agency, Gao was arrested after reporting on a corrupt irrigation scheme in Shanxi Province. The article raised widespread interest after it was published on May 27, 1998 in an internal reference edition of <i>People's Daily</i> .	4-May-99, 12 years	bribery, embezzlement, pimping	Jinzhong Prison, Qi County, Shanxi
Yue Tianxiang	Gansu	Jan-99,	A former employee of the Tianshui City Transport Agency, and a member of the CDP; Yue published <i>Zhongguo Gongren Guancha</i> (China Worker's Monitor), a journal supporting workers' rights. Yue was arrested with colleagues Wang Fengshan and Guo Xinmin, who have since been released.	5-Jul-99, 10 years	incitement to subvert state power	
Zhu Yufu	Zhejiang	detained May-99, formally arrested 21-Jun-99	A member of the Jiangsu branch of CDP; Zhu established the magazine <i>Zaiye Dang</i> (Opposition Party) with Mao Qingxiang, Xu Guang and Wu Yilong and circulated pro-democracy writings online.	9-Nov-99, 7 years	incitement to subvert state power	Zhejiang No. 1 Prison
Wu Yilong	Zhejiang	26-Apr-99	See Zhu Yufu.	9-Nov-99, 8 years	incitement to subvert state power	Zhejiang No. 1 Prison
Mao Qingxiang	Zhejiang	19-Jun-99	b. 1949. See Zhu Yufu.	9-Nov-99, 12 years	incitement to subvert state power	Zhejiang No. 1 Prison
Gao Hongming	Beijing	29-Jun-99	CDP member involved with the <i>China Human Rights Watch Newsletter</i> .	Aug-99, 8 years	incitement to subvert state power	
Zha Jianguo	Beijing	29-Jun-99	CDP member involved with the <i>China Human Rights Watch Newsletter</i> .	Aug-99, 9 years	incitement to subvert state power	
Qing Yongmin	Beijing	29-Jun-99	CDP member involved with the <i>China Human Rights Watch Newsletter</i> .	Dec-98, 11 years	incitement to subvert state power	
An Jun	Henan	detained 16-Jul-99, formally arrested 17-Aug-99	b. 1955. Founder of the China Corruption Monitor group, An Jun wrote essays and articles on corruption.	19-Apr-00, 4 years	incitement to subvert state power	Henan No. 1 Prison, Kaifeng
Zhang Ji	Heilongjiang	Oct-99	b. 1979. A student at Qiqihar University, Zhang was accused of distributing news and information regarding the Falun Gong.	8-Nov-99	disseminating reactionary documents via the Internet	
Li Jian	Xinjiang	Nov-99	Editor of <i>Commerce in Xinjiang</i> newspaper, reportedly arrested for publishing a reader's letter accusing local authorities of corruption.			
Gu Linna	Guangdong	25-Nov-99	b. 1961. A radio journalist and writer, Gu lost her job	14-Jun-00, 4 years	undermining implementation of the law using an evil cult	

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Gu Linna, <i>cont.</i>			after she became a member of Falun Gong, and was arrested in Guangzhou after participating in a press conference on the group's behalf.			
Feng Daxun	Sichuan	16-Dec-99	b. 1941. A former journalist and a CDP member, Feng was arrested after interviewing protesting machine tool workers in Neijiang in December 1999.	Nov-01, 3 years	incitement to subvert state power	Transferred from Neijiang Dongxing Detention Center to Gong County Coal Mine
Xu Zerong (David Tsui)	Shenzhen	24-Jun-00	An associate research professor at Guangzhou's Zhongshan University and resident of Hong Kong, Xu wrote freelance articles for Hong Kong publications and co-founded a Hong Kong-based journal, <i>China Social Sciences Quarterly</i> . Xu was arrested after using historical materials for his academic research.	Jan-02, 13 years	revealing state secrets, economic crimes	
Huang Qi	Sichuan	12-Jul-00	b. 1964. Huang established the 6-4tianwang.com Web site, which posted information on persons missing after the June 4th crackdown. Huang's trial went into recess on Feb. 13, 2001, when he fainted in court.	9-May-03, 5 years	incitement to subvert state power	Chengdu PSB No. 2 Detention Center
Zhang Haitao	Jilin	detained 29-Jul-00, formally arrested 11-Oct-00	b. 1972. Creator of only China-based Web site on the Falun Gong.	?	incitement to subvert state power	
Liu Weifang	Xinjiang	26-Sep-00	b. 1961. A shopkeeper, Liu posted a number of essays on the Internet under the name "lgwf" criticizing China's leaders, political system and social issues.	13-Jun-01, 3 years	incitement to subvert state power	
Jiang Weiping	Liaoning	detained 4-Dec-00, formally arrested 3-Jan-01	b. 1955. Journalist who reported in Hong Kong publications in 1998 about a corruption case involving the mayor of Dalian. Sentence subsequently reduced to 6 years.	5-Sep-01, 8 years	revealing state secrets, incitement to subvert state power	Dalian Detention Center
Zhang Yuhui	Macao	16-Dec-00	A manager of a foreign capital company and an editor of a Web site and freelance writer, Zhang was arrested for writing and editing articles critical of the Chinese authorities on the Web site of the <i>Epoch Times</i> .	end of 2001, 10 years	incitement to subvert state power	Sihui Prison, Biqing City, Guangdong Province
Dong Yanhong	Beijing	Jan-01	b. 1972. An award-winning calligraphy artist and staff member at Tsinghua University, Dong was arrested along with Liu Wenyu, Yao Yue, Wang Xin, Meng Jun and Wang Xuefei after downloading and disseminating infor-	13-Dec-01, 5 years	using an illegal cult to undermine the law	

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Dong Yanhong, cont.			mation through the Internet about the Falun Gong.			
Liu Wenyu	Beijing	Jan-01	b. 1973. A professor of electric power at Tsinghua University. See Dong Yanhong.	13-Dec-01, 3 years	using an illegal cult to undermine the law	
Yao Yue	Beijing	Jan-01	b. 1973. A microelectronics researcher at Tsinghua University, and wife of Liu Wenyu. See Dong Yanhong.	13-Dec-01, 12 years	using an illegal cult to undermine the law	
Meng Jun	Beijing	Jan-01	b. 1973. An electronics professor at Tsinghua University. See Dong Yanhong.	13-Dec-01, 10 years	using an illegal cult to undermine the law	
Wang Xin	Beijing	Jan-01	An academic at Tsinghua University. See Dong Yanhong.	13-Dec-01, 9 years	using an illegal cult to undermine the law	
Wang Xuefei	Shanghai	Jan-01	A graduate student at a Shanghai City University. See Dong Yanhong.	13-Dec-01, 11 years	using an illegal cult to undermine the law	
Lü Xinhua	Hubei	detained 10-Mar-01, formally arrested 20-Apr-01	b. 1972. Born into a poor family in the countryside, Lü wrote articles about rural unrest and official corruption on various overseas Internet Web sites.	30-Dec-01, 4 years	incitement to subvert state power	Wuhan No. 2 Detention Center
Yang Zili	Beijing	13-Mar-01	b. 1973. Yang, along with Zhang Honghai, Xu Wei and Jin Haike, formed the Xin Qingnian Xuehui (New Youth Study Group) and operated a Web site, <i>Yang's Garden of Thought</i> (Yangzi de Sixiang Jiayuan), featuring essays, poems and reports on political and social issues.	28-May-03, 8 years	incitement to subvert state power	
Zhang Honghai	Beijing	13-Mar-01	See Yang Zili.	28-May-03, 8 years	incitement to subvert state power	
Xu Wei	Beijing	13-Mar-01	b. 1974. A reporter with <i>Xiaofei Ribao</i> (Consumer Daily). See Yang Zili.	28-May-03, 10 years	incitement to subvert state power	
Jin Haike	Beijing	13-Mar-01	See Yang Zili.	28-May-03, 10 years	incitement to subvert state power	
Chi Shouzhu	Jilin	18-Apr-01	b. 1956. A worker in Changchun, Chi was arrested while in possession of political articles downloaded from overseas Web sites. He had only recently been released from 10 years' imprisonment for his participation in the 1989 democracy protests.	?		Lingyuan Prison, Liaoning Province
Wang Sen	Sichuan	30-Apr-01	A CDP member, Wang posted allegations on the Internet that a medical center in the southwestern city of Dachuan was selling tuberculosis medicine, which had been donated by the International Red Cross, at inflated prices.	30-May-02, 10 years	incitement to subvert state power	Dazhou Municipal PSB Detention Center
Zhu Ruixiang	Hunan	7-May-01	b. 1951. A lawyer and former editor with Shaoyang Radio Station, Zhu was arrested after forwarding to twelve of	14-Sep-01, 3 years	incitement to subvert state power	

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Zhu Ruixiang, cont.			his friends some articles from an overseas website criticizing the government. He was originally sentenced to only 9 months, but the sentence was increased on re-quest from the authorities.			
Wang Jinbo	Shandong	9-May-01	b. 1972. A CDP member, Wang had posted essays on a number of Internet sites. He was arrested after e-mailing essays to overseas organizations calling for a reassessment of June 4th.	13-Dec-01, 4 years	incitement to subvert state power	Shandong No. 1 Prison
Wang Zhenyong	Shenzhen	2-Jun-01	b. 1971. A former assistant professor of psychology at Southwestern Normal University in Chongqing, Wang was arrested for downloading and distributing information about the Falun Gong through the Internet.	?		
Lu Wenbin (Lu Wanbin)	Jiangsu	22-Dec-01	b. 1982. An electrician at the Xinfeng Gin Cotton Factory, and special correspondent for the <i>Textile Daily</i> newspaper, Lu was arrested after investigating massive worker protests at the privatized Huainan Textile Factory in Dafeng City.	?		current whereabouts unknown
Fang Guokun	Guangxi	2002	A 30-year-old railroad worker, Fang was arrested after posting an article regarding persecution of Falun Gong on the Internet.			
Cai Lujun	Hebei	detained 21-Feb-02, arrested 8-Apr-03	An owner of a foreign trading company and a freelance writer, Cai was arrested for writing and publishing dissident articles.	10-Sep-03, 3 years	incitement to subvert state power	No. 1 Detention Center of Shijiazhuang City, Hebei Province
Yang Jianli		Apr-02	A permanent resident of the U.S., Yang established the 21st Century Foundation for China and edited the online magazine <i>Yibao</i> (China Weekly). He was arrested after entering China under a friend's passport to investigate labor strikes.	13-May-04, 5 years	espionage, illegally entering Chinese territory	
Li Dawei	Gansu	detained 14-Apr-02, formally arrested 22-Apr-02	b. 1962. A former policeman in Tianshui, Li became a political dissident and was arrested after downloading June 4th materials from Web sites onto his computer.	24-Jul-02, 11 years	incitement to subvert state power	
Tao Haidong	Xinjiang	9-Jul-02	b. 1957. Previously served 3 years RTL for political activities. Editor of a book, <i>Imaginings of a New Human Race</i> , and participant in Internet discussion groups.	Feb-03, 7 years	incitement to subvert state power	Urumqi Dadaowan Detention Center

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Tao Haidong, <i>cont.</i>			Accused of slandering Party officials.			
Zhang Wei	Chongqing	19-Jul-02	Zhang was arrested after publishing and selling two underground newspapers, <i>Shishi Zixun</i> (Current Events) and <i>Redian Jiyao</i> (Hot Topics), which included materials downloaded from the Internet.	25-Dec-02, 6 years	illegal publishing	
Zuo Shangwen	Chongqing	19-Jul-02	Business associate of Zhang Wei (above).	25-Dec-02, 5 years	illegal publishing	
Abdulghani Memetemin	Xinjiang	26-Jul-02	A 40-year-old writer, teacher, translator and advocate for Xinjiang's Uighur ethnic group, Memetemin was convicted on the basis of articles he translated for the German-based East Turkistan Information Center, and for recruiting additional reporters for ETIC.	Jun-03, 9 years	leaking state secrets overseas	
Chen Shaowen	Hunan	detained 6-Aug-02, formally arrested in Sep-02	b. 1962. Originally employed at a hardware company, Chen was a freelance writer who posted many essays and articles regarding China's social problems on overseas Web sites such as <i>Huang Hua Gang</i> and <i>Minzhu Luntan</i> .	awaiting trial	using the Internet to subvert state power	
Liang Changying	Guangxi	5-Sep-02	A teacher and Falun Gong practitioner, Liang was arrested after posting an article regarding persecution of Falun Gong on the Internet.	25-Jul-03, 5-1/2 years		
Jiang Lijun	Liaoning	6-Nov-02, formally arrested 14-Dec-02	Believed to be a close confederate of Internet activists Liu Di, Li Yibin and Ouyang Yi. Signatory of open letter to the 16th Party Congress.	28-Nov-03, 4 years	incitement to subvert state power	Beijing Qincheng Prison
Zhao Changqing	Xi'an	7-Nov-02	A freelance writer and a former secondary school teacher, Zhao was arrested after writing and publishing on internet an open letter for political reform to the 16th Party Congress.	4-Aug-03, 5 years	incitement to subvert state power	Weinan Prison, Shaanxi Province
Sang Jiancheng	Shanghai	10-Nov-02	A retired worker, Sang was arrested for writing and publishing on internet an open letter for political reform to the 16th Party Congress.	6-Jan-03, 3 years	incitement to subvert state power	Shanghai
He Depu	Beijing	detained 14-Nov-02, arrested 30-Jan-03	A freelance writer and formally a worker at Beijing Academy of Social Science, He Depu was arrested for leading the CDP and for writing and publishing dissident articles. He also wrote and published an open letter for political reform to the 16th Party Congress.	6-Nov-03, 8 years	incitement to subvert state power	Beijing No. 2 Prison
Dai Xuezhong	Shanghai	Dec-02	One of the 192 signatories of the open letter to the 16th Party Congress.	2-Jan-03, 3 years RTL		

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Han Lifa	Shanghai	detained 26-Dec-02, formally arrested 17-Mar-03	One of the 192 signatories of an open letter to the 16th Chinese Communist Party Congress.	3 years RTL		
Li Jian	Chongqing	2003	A Falun Gong practitioner, Li was convicted with four others in connection with information posted on the Internet regarding the treatment of another Falun Gong practitioner on the Internet.	19-Feb-04, 13 years	libeling the government and spreading fabricated stories	
Lu Zengqi	Chongqing	2003	A Falun Gong practitioner and executive of a technology company. See Li Jian, above.	19-Feb-04, 10 years		
Yan Qiuyan	Chongqing	2003	A Falun Gong practitioner accused of helping Lu Zengqi publish articles on the Internet. See Li Jian, above.	19-Feb-04, 10 years		
Chen Shumin	Chongqing	2003	A Falun Gong practitioner, and head of the technology company where Lu Zenqi worked. See Li Jian, above.	19-Feb-04, 14 years		
Yin Yan	Chongqing	2003	A Falun Gong practitioner accused of helping Lu Zenqi. See Li Jian, above.	19-Feb-04, 5 years		
Yan Jun	Xi'an	Apr-03	A 32-year-old biology professor, Yan was arrested after publishing essays on the Internet regarding June 4th and media censorship.	8-Dec-03, 2 years	incitement to subvert state power	
Zhang Yuxiang	Nanjing	12-Mar-03	Zhang Yuxiang was detained and taken to a guest house in Jiangsu Province after posting online articles expressing support for detained student Internet essayist Liu Di.	?		
Luo Changfu	Chongqing	13-Mar-03	b. 1963. Luo was arrested after posting articles on the Boxun.com Web site calling for the release of Liu Di.	16-Nov-03, 3 years	incitement to subvert state power	Chongqing No. 2 Prison
Zheng ?	Henan	27-Mar-03	A 17-year-old girl identified only by her last name was reported by the official China News Service to have been arrested after posting "socially harmful messages" on the Internet under the pen name Sini.	?		
Huang Qunwei	Beijing	May-03	A 25-year-old unemployed man, Huang was arrested for "spreading false and sensational information" regarding SARS over the Internet.	12-Jun-03, 3 years		
Li Zhi	Sichuan	Aug-03	A former employee of Dazhao's municipal finance department, Li was arrested after posting an essay on an overseas Web site accusing Sichuan officials of corruption.	11-Dec-03, 8 years	incitement to subvert state power	
Luo Yongzhong	Jilin	13-Jun-03, formally arrested 7-Jul-03	b. 1967. Handicapped by a lame leg, and supporting himself by working at a shop	14-Oct-03, 3 years	incitement to subvert state power	Changchun No. 3 PSB De- tention Center

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Luo Yongzhong, <i>cont.</i>			selling beer and cigarettes in Changchun, Luo posted more than 150 articles on the Internet, and was arrested after an article criticizing the government's handling of SARS.			
Huang Jinqu	Jiangsu	13-Sep-03	A veteran journalist, Huang began posting essays on the Boxun Internet Web site under the name Qing Shuijun (Lord Clearwater), and in January 2003 stated his intention to found the China Patriotic Democracy Party. He was arrested soon after returning to China from Malaysia, where he had been studying journalism under a scholarship at the Central Academy of Art.	27-Sep-04, 12 years	incitement to subvert state power	Changzhou Detention Center, Jiangsu Province
Du Daobin	Hubei	detained 28-Oct-03, formally arrested 12-Nov-03	A civil servant, Du was arrested on the basis of 26 essays he posted on the Internet in 2002 and 2003 regarding official policies and social issues.	11-Jun-04, 3 years, suspended for 4 years under house arrest	incitement to subvert state power	
Kong Youping	Liaoning	Nov-03	Kong was arrested for posting articles and poems on an overseas Web site criticizing corruption and supporting the CDP.	16-Sep-04, 15 years	incitement to subvert state power	
Ning Xianhua	Liaoning	Nov-03	Ning was arrested after posting articles on the Internet supporting the CDP.	16-Sep-04, 12 years	incitement to subvert state power	
Li Minying	Guangzhou	Mar-04	Editor of <i>Nanfang Dushi Bao</i> (Southern Metropolitan Daily), Li was detained along with deputy editor-in-chief Yu Huafeng after a series of controversial articles were published in the newspaper. Editor-in-chief Cheng Yizhong, detained on March 20, was released on August 27, 2004. Li's sentence was reduced to 6 years on June 15, 2004.	19-Mar-04, 11 years reduced to 6 years	bribery	
Yu Huafeng	Guangzhou	Mar-04	Deputy editor-in-chief and general manager of <i>Nanfang Dushi Bao</i> . See Li Minying, above. Yu's sentence was reduced to 8 years on June 15, 2004.	19-Mar-04, 12 years reduced to 8 years	corruption	
Ma Yalian	Shanghai	19-Mar-04	Ma posted articles on official harassment of petitioners on the legal Web site <a href="http://chineselawyer.com.cn">chineselawyer.com.cn</a> and on the <i>Epoch Times</i> Web site.	19-Mar-04, 18 months RTL		
Liu Shui	Shenzhen	2-May-04	A 37-year-old freelance journalist for <i>Nangang Dushi Bao</i> and <i>Shenzhen Evening News</i> , Liu was arrested after posting	May-04, 2 years RTL	soliciting prostitutes	Xili Detention Center, Shenzhen

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Liu Shui. <i>cont.</i>			sensitive material on the Internet regarding the 1989 Tiananmen crackdown.			
Zhao Yan	Shanghai	17-Sep-04	A news assistant at the Beijing Bureau of <i>The New York Times</i> and a former reporter and editor at <i>China Reform</i> magazine, Zhao was arrested for allegedly revealing the news of Jiang Zemin's resignation from the Central Military Commission.	awaiting trial	illegally providing state secrets to foreigners	National Security Bureau Detention Center, Beijing
Shi Tao	Shanxi	24-Nov-04	A 36-year-old poet and freelance journalist for <i>Dangdai Shangbao</i> and other newspapers and Web sites, Shi Tao was reported to have been formally charged on December 14, 2004 with "leaking state secrets overseas." He is believed to have been charged in connection with an article he posted on the Internet in May 2004.	awaiting trial		
Li Boguang	Fujian	14-Dec-04	A legal scholar and writer, Li Boguang worked closely with journalist Zhao Yan (above) in advocating for peasant rights. Li posted a number of articles on Web sites, including one in article stating that police had ordered peasants in Fujian and elsewhere to report his whereabouts.	awaiting trial		
Zhang Qianfu	Henan	Sep-04	A 70-year-old writer, Zhang was arrested with Zhang Zhengyao and originally charged with subversion after publishing an article commemorating the anniversary of Mao's death. Both were subsequently convicted of libel at the Chengzhou People's Court .	24-Dec-04, 3 years	libel	
Zhang Zhengyao	Henan	Sep-04	See Zhang Qianfu. <i>abpve.</i>	24-Dec-04 3 years		
Zhang Lin	Anhui	29-Jan-05	A veteran of the 1989 democracy movement, Zhang Lin has written many essays regarding China's current social conditions for publication on overseas Web sites. Zhang's wife was told that he is in criminal detention, but was given no information on the charges under which he is being held.	awaiting trial		