

Rwanda genocide remembered



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Population: Divided between ethnic Hutus, who make up 85% of 8.2 million people and Tutsi minority which formed traditional elite

▶ **1994, Apr 6:** Rwandan president *Juvenal Habyarimana* – ethnic Hutu negotiating peace with Tutsi rebels – is killed along with Burundian president when their plane is shot down

▶ **April 7:** Hutu extremists seize control of army and government and begin systematic massacre of Tutsis

▶ **April-July: Around 800,000 Tutsis and moderate Hutus killed in 100 days**

▶ **July:** *Paul Kagame's* Tutsi-led rebel movement captures capital, Kigali. Two million Hutus, including militias, flee to Zaire, now Democratic Republic of Congo

▶ **1995-2003:** International UN tribunal set up. Genocide leaders indicted but to date only 17 convicted. Around 100,000 genocide suspects still held in jails in Rwanda