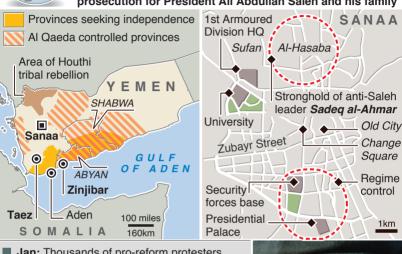


Yemen deaths follow Saleh exit deal

Loyalist gunmen shot dead at least five people in the Yemeni capital, Sanaa, as tens of thousands gathered for a mass protest against promises of immunity from prosecution for President Ali Abdullah Saleh and his family



- Jan: Thousands of pro-reform protesters demand resignation of President Saleh (right)
- Mar: Police snipers kill 52 protesters at Sanaa University. Saleh declares state of emergency. General Ali Mohsen al-Ahmar, commander of 1st Armoured Division, defects to protesters
- Apr: Gulf Cooperation Council deal for Saleh's exit fails after president vows to remain in office
- May: Dozens killed in Taez and Zinjibar
- Jun: Saleh badly injured in attack on presidential palace flown to Saudi Arabia for treatment. Returns to Yemen in September
- Oct: UN Security Council passes resolution condemning violence which has claimed almost 1,000 lives, calls for transfer of power
- Nov 23: Saleh signs deal to hand over to his deputy *Abd-Rabbu Mansour Hadi* (inset), ending 33 years of autocratic rule. **Presidential election to be held within three months**

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