



## Today in History

*October 31, 2014*

▲ The Virgin Galactic space plane, SpaceShipTwo, broke up and crashed into California's Mojave Desert soon after takeoff. One of the two pilots was killed

**1863:** The Maori Wars, between New Zealand's colonial government and the indigenous population, resumed as British troops invaded Waikato

**1995:** Nigerian rights activist Ken Saro-Wiwa was sentenced to death

**2000:** The first full-time residents of the International Space Station blasted off in a Soyuz rocket from Kazakhstan

**2000:** An Italian tanker carrying 6,000 tonnes of toxic chemicals sank off the coast of northern France