

## The Cost of Guantánamo

### Total Guantanamo Bay Prison Facility Costs

- ✓ **Cost of Guantanamo prison facility up to the end of 2015:** \$5.687 billion
- ✓ **Cost for 2015:** \$445 million
- ✓ **Not included in above costs:**
  - Cost of camp headquarters, built in 2004: \$13.5 million
  - Cost of Camp 7 (for “high-value” detainees): Classified
  - Cost of Justice Department, FBI, and CIA involvement in detention operations: Unknown

### 2014 Costs

- ✓ **Money appropriated by Congress for un-built fiber-optic cable:** \$31 million
- ✓ **U.S. Army costs for operations and maintenance, including contract intelligence analysts, librarians and linguists:** \$61.5 million
- ✓ **U.S. Navy costs for detainee operations security:** \$46.5 million
- ✓ **Money paid to Naval Base Guantanamo:** \$67.4 million
- ✓ **Military Commissions complex, including security, translation, flights from DC:** \$121.8 million
- ✓ **Review boards for Guantanamo detainees not cleared for release:** \$15.1 million

### Guantanamo Prison Compared to U.S. Federal Prison

- ✓ **Annual cost per detainee at Guantanamo:** More than \$10 million
- ✓ **Annual cost per prisoner at federal Supermax prison (Florence, CO):** \$78,000
- ✓ **Annual cost per prisoner at federal maximum security prison:** \$34,046
- ✓ **Annual cost savings of moving detainees to U.S. prison according to Defense Department plan to close Guantanamo:** \$65-85 million

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