

Name of Camp: Sachsenhausen-Oranienburg

Location of Camp:

Oranienburg is a town 35 km from the center of Berlin.

Brief description of the Camp:

This camp was built by inmates from another camp called Esterwegen. Many people died in the process of building the camp because of lack of food and water. Oranienburg and Sachsenhausen joined together to become one camp. In September of 1938, almost 1,000 Jewish people were transferred to this camp. A year later, many communists, social democrats and former union leaders were arrested and also sent to this camp.

How many people were imprisoned at the Camp? How many people perished at the Camp?

The number of people imprisoned was not recorded. Many people died due to the lack of medical treatment, and food. Others died from shootings or hangings. There were gas chambers built later but the number of people killed in them was not recorded. It is believed that between 30,000 - 35,000 people were killed.

What were the dates that the Camp was in existence?

September 1938 until April 22nd, 1945 when the 47th Soviet Army liberated the camp.

When was the Camp liberated? Who liberated the Camp?

On April 22nd, 1945, the 47th Soviet Army liberated the camp.

Other interesting facts:

- The prisoners were refused medical aid.
- A building called “Station Z” was built in order to execute more prisoners.

