



Auschwitz Birkenau

Auschwitz concentration camp

A black and white photograph of the Auschwitz concentration camp. In the foreground, a set of railway tracks leads towards the camp's entrance. The ground is covered in a layer of snow or ash, and there is a large pile of debris, including what appears to be clothing and personal items, scattered along the tracks. In the background, the main gate of the camp is visible, featuring a large archway and a watchtower on the left. The sky is overcast.

- Established in 1940 in Nazi-occupied Poland
- Became the largest Nazi concentration camp
- Used for forced labor and extermination

Jewish and other prisoners

- Medical experiments were conducted on prisoners
 - Many prisoners were subjected to brutal conditions and torture
 - Over 90% of Jewish prisoners were killed
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Liberation and aftermath

- The camp was liberated by the Soviet Army in 1945
- War crimes trials were held to prosecute Nazi officials
- The camp became a symbol of the Holocaust and a site of remembrance.

