Situation Update

STATISTICS OF INCIDENTS AND FATALITIES IN NIGERIA

October 16-31, 2023



FATALITIES 232





SUMMARY

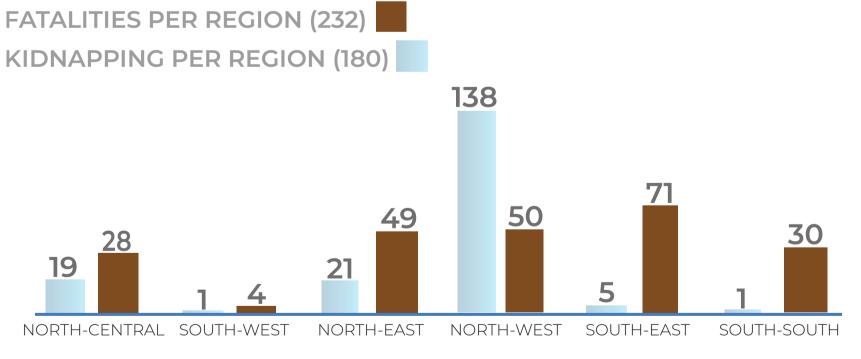
The situation report, which provides a bi-weekly update on armed violence incidents and casualties in Nigeria, documented multiple security threats including terrorist-related attacks, banditry, kidnapping, cult violence, and communal clashes including community-herder clashes as well as Sexual and Gender-Based Violence (SGBV), particularly rape in the reporting period.

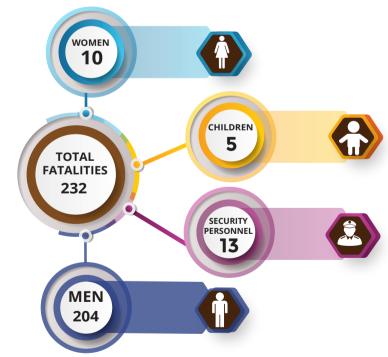
Within the reporting period, a total of 79 armed violence incidents were recorded with 99 injuries and 232 fatalities including 10 women, 5 children and 13 security personnel. The South-East and North-West recorded the highest number of fatalities with 71 and 50, while the North-East and South-South accounted for 49 and 30 deaths. Also, the North-Central and South-West recorded 28 and 4 deaths respectively in the reporting period. With specific reference to the total fatalities documented for the South-East in the reporting period, 50 decomposing and 20 headless bodies were uncovered around Lokpanta Regional Cattle Market in Umunneochi Local Government Area of Abia State. The period under review recorded a significant increase in fatalities (232) compared to the period of October 1-15 2023, with 104 recorded fatalities. Non-state armed actors are not included in the statistics of recorded fatalities.

The WANEP NEWS also recorded 23 incidents of kidnapping across 14 States with 180 people abducted in the reporting period. Out of the 180 kidnapped victims, 9 were women and 4 children. Further analysis reveals that the North-West accounted for the highest number with 138 kidnapped victims, followed by the North-East and North-Central with 21 and 19 respectively. Also, the South-South and South-West accounted for 1 kidnap victim each, while the South-East recorded no kidnap incident in the reporting period.

AFFECTED LOCATIONS







NATURE OF INCIDENTS

