Surveillance System for Attacks

On

Health Care

Syrian Arab Republic
Annual Report
2021
Ranges were modified in a way to reflect the real numbers, to ensure accurate conclusions can be drawn from the data.

Attack on health care is defined as any act of verbal or physical violence, threat of violence or other psychological violence, or obstruction that interferes with the availability, access and delivery of curative and/or preventive health services.

For further information please visit webpage https://www.who.int/emergencies/attacks-on-health-care/en/

Data source: Surveillance System for Attacks on Health Care (SSA)
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### Casualties*

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* Casualties full disaggregation is unknown.

### Impact

- **Attacks impacted Health facilities**: 66
  - Primary: 18
  - Secondary: 18
  - Tertiary: 22
  - Mobile Clinic: 4
  - Warehouse: 5

- **Attacks impacted Personnel***: 24
  - Primary: 12
  - Secondary: 19
  - Tertiary: 3

- **Attacks impacted Warehouses**: 13
  - Primary: 3
  - Secondary: 2

- **Attacks impacted Supplies**: 42
  - Primary: 8
  - Secondary: 14

### Health care facilities affected by type**

- **2019**
  - Health care facilities: 34
  - Patients: 16
  - Supplies: 7
  - Mobile Clinic: 3
  - Warehouse: 1

- **2020**
  - Health care facilities: 25
  - Patients: 5
  - Supplies: 7
  - Mobile Clinic: 3

- **2021**
  - Health care facilities: 20
  - Patients: 6
  - Supplies: 2

**This does not equate to the number of health facilities attacked as repeat incidents can occur or one attack incident could impact multiple health facilities.**

*** A single attack may kill or injure multiple persons.

*Ambulance center, health care personnel, vaccination center

**The same facility may include more than one of the categories above.

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Attacks trends by governorate

Top 3 governorates as percent of total attacks (85):

- Idleb 60%
- Hama 18%
- Aleppo 11%

Top 3 governorates as percent of total attacks (28):

- Idleb 29%
- Deir-ez-Zor 25%
- Aleppo 21%

Top 3 governorates as percent of total attacks (34):

- Dar’a 24%
- Aleppo 21%
- Deir-ez-Zor 15%

Attacks by type*

- Violence with heavy weapons: 81%
- Violence with individual weapons: 19%
- Health worker arrest: 6%
- Removal of healthcare personnel or patients: 5%
- Obstruction: 9%
- Other (e.g., setting fire, assault, health worker abduction): 1%

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