Air- and Ground-launched explosive weapons

AIR-LAUNCHED	316	78	34
GROUND-LAUNCHED	234	13	17
	INCIDENTS WHERE HEALTH FACILITIES WERE DESTROYED OR DAMAGED	HEALTH WORKERS KILLED INSIDE HEALTH FACILITIES	HEALTH WORKERS INJURED INSIDE HEALTH FACILITIES

Air- and ground-launched explosive weapons affecting health facilities and health workers inside health facilities between 2016 and 2020
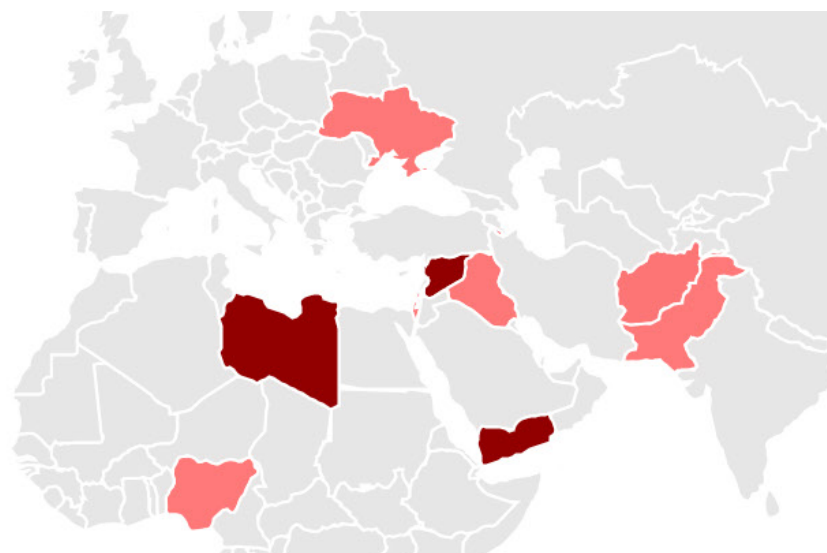
Since 2016, health facilities in six conflicts – Afghanistan, Iraq, Libya, the occupied Palestinian territories (oPt), Syria, and Yemen – have been subjected to more than 300 air-launched explosive weapons attacks.

More than 200 ground-launched explosive weapons affected health facilities in ten conflicts in: Afghanistan, Iraq, Libya, Nagorno-Karabakh, Nigeria, the oPt, Pakistan, Syria, Ukraine, and Yemen.

These attacks damaged hospitals and forced staff to evacuate patients. Of the 681 health workers killed in this period, 91 were killed inside health facilities damaged by these explosives weapons.

Where damage cannot be repaired, access to health care is affected for substantial periods of time, reducing access to health care. Access to maternal and neonatal health services is frequently harmed.

Incidents where health facilities were destroyed or damaged were reported in ten countries and territories between 2016 and 2020

Most frequent in	
Syria	442
Yemen	48[1]
Libya	23

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