

Attacks on health care in Sudan

27 April-16 May 2023



At least 65 attacks on Sudan's health care system have been documented by Insecurity Insight between 01 January-30 April. Health facilities have been damaged in shelling and arson attacks, vital medical supplies looted, health workers killed, injured and arrested, and patients deliberately obstructed from accessing health care. Explore the incidents on this [interactive map](#). Access the data on [HDX](#). The map and the dataset does not yet include incidents reported in this News Brief.

Below are the incidents Insecurity Insight has identified between 27 April-16 May, including armed conflict related incidents as well as political violence related incidents. The incidents reported are not a complete nor a representative list of all incidents that affected the provision of health care and have not been independently verified. Data collection is ongoing and data may change as more information is made available. If you have additional information on an incident documented here, or a new incident, please do not hesitate to [get in touch](#).

Previous incident reports: [19-26 April](#); [15-19 April](#). Help support our work by sharing this resource. Please copy and paste this link: bit.ly/27Apr-16May2023SDNHealth

Documented incidents

27 April 2023: In El Geneina city, West Darfur state, a doctor in the only operational hospital was killed in crossfire between armed civilians and the Janjaweed militia. **Sources:** [France 24](#) and [The Syndicate of Doctors of West Darfur State](#)

28 April 2023: In El Geneina city, West Darfur state, the MSF-supported El Geneina Teaching Hospital was looted. **Sources:** [MSF](#) and [Radio Dabanga](#)

As reported on 29 April 2023: In El Geneina city, West Darfur state, looters invaded the Shakreen Specialist Clinic. **Source:** [Personal Communication](#)

29 April 2023: In Khartoum North city, Khartoum state, bombardment and shelling struck the paediatrics department of the previously-evacuated Ibrahim Malik Teaching Hospital. **Source:** [Radio Dabanga](#)

30 April 2023: In Khartoum North city, Khartoum state, RSF members expelled patients from the Sharg El-Neel Hospital, and turned the hospital into a military base. **Source:** [Personal Communication](#)

As reported on 02 May 2023: Across Sudan, around 12,000 people are at risk of death from renal failure complications, as most dialysis centres have run out of supplies amid conflict. **Source:** [Radio Dabanga I](#) and [Radio Dabanga II](#)

04 May 2023: In Khartoum, unidentified perpetrators attacked a maternity hospital. **Sources:** [OCHA](#) and [UNFPA](#)

04 May 2023: In El Fasher city, North Darfur state, clashes caused a power cut at the Sayed al-Shahada Health Centre. AN electrical engineering student, who tried to fix the power at the facility, died after getting electrocuted. **Source:** [BBC](#)

06 May 2023: In Khartoum, an airstrike by the Sudanese Armed Forces targeted a supply storage facility of the Rapid Support Forces inside a hospital. Six civilians were killed in front of the hospital.. **Source:** [The Guardian](#)

06 May 2023: In El Geneina city, West Darfur state, unidentified perpetrators burned down the Expanded Program on Immunisation building. **Source:** [OCHA](#)

07 May 2023: In Khartoum North city, Khartoum state, SAF members arrested two male volunteers at a hospital's emergency room, accusing them of supporting RSF. **Source:** [Personal Communication](#)

As reported on 09 May 2023: In Nyala city, South Darfur state, unidentified perpetrators plundered the Yashfeen Diagnostic Complex, and stole most of its medicine. **Source:** [Radio Dabanga](#)

07-08 May 2023: In El Geneina city, West Darfur state, the El Geneina Teaching Hospital has been directly impacted by clashes, with parts of it being looted. **Sources:** [OCHA I](#) and [OCHA II](#)

12 May 2023: In Khartoum, unidentified perpetrators burned down the Samil Foods Factory that produced 60 percent of ready-to-use therapeutic food supplied to UNICEF and WFP to treat acutely malnourished children. **Sources:** [OCHA](#), [Personal Communication](#) and [Radio Dabanga](#)

13-14 May 2023: In Khartoum, the Jabra Hospital for Emergency and Injuries was raided by RSF members who assaulted staff and patients, and stole ambulances. Patients were transferred to other, safer facilities. **Source:** [Radio Dabanga](#)

13-14 May 2023: In Khartoum North city, Khartoum state, the Ahmed Gasim Cardiac Surgery and Kidney Transplant Hospital was raided by RSF members who also assaulted staff and patients, and stole ambulances. Patients were transferred to other, safer facilities. **Source:** [Radio Dabanga](#)

As reported on 14 May 2023: In Khartoum, tRSF members have prevented the transport of medicine outside of the capital. **Sources:** [Radio Dabanga](#), [The Guardian](#) and [Personal Communication](#)

16 May 2023: In Khartoum, armed men broke into the warehouse of MSF, and looted it. Two cars filled with supplies were taken away. **Source:** [MSF Sudan](#)

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