

# Attacks on Health Care in Myanmar

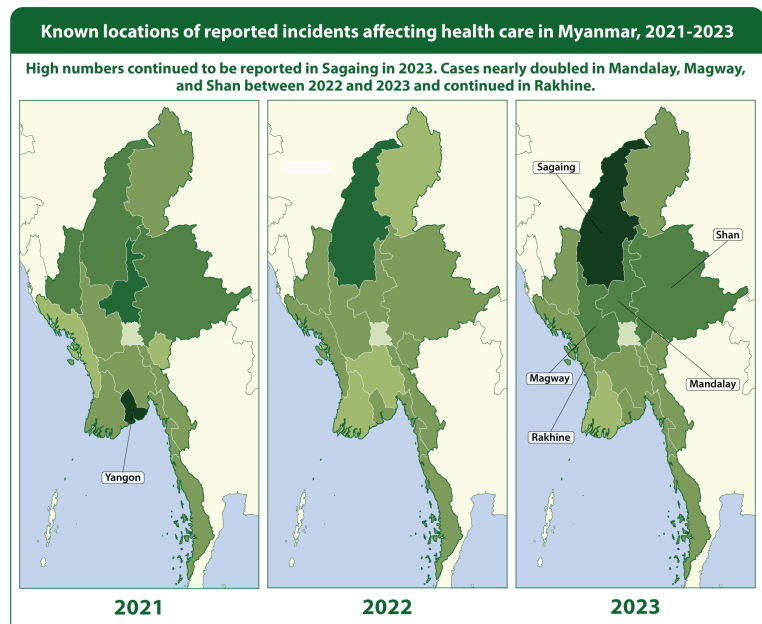
15-28 May 2024



The **Safeguarding Health in Conflict Coalition (SHCC)** identified **418 incidents of violence against or obstruction of health care in Myanmar in 2023**. Most cases were recorded in the northern central areas surrounding the cities of Sagaing and Mandalay, and where Sagaing, Magway, and Mandalay regions border one another, reflecting the overall concentration of fighting in these areas where opposition groups' resistance to military rule is high. Incidents also occurred in Shan state bordering Sagaing and Mandalay, especially after [Operation 1027](#). Cases adversely affecting health care continued in Rakhine state.

Similar to previous years, most incidents were attributed to the Myanmar armed forces. Ethnic armed organisations that included the Arakan Army, the Chinland Defense Force, the Karen National Liberation Army, and Pyi-thu-sit, Pyu-saw-htee, and Swan-arr-shin militias were named in some incidents, but less often than the Tatmadaw. As in previous years, incidents mostly affected staff working for the national health structure. Read [more](#).

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Safeguarding Health in Conflict Coalition (SHCC) factsheets: [2023](#); [2022](#); [2021](#); [2020](#)

## Documented incidents

**15 May 2024:** In Wea Gyi Daunt village and village tract, Kyauktaw township, Mrauk-U district, Rakhine state, a station hospital (primary-level, public) was destroyed and at least 20 civilians, including two nurses and two patients, were injured by bombs dropped by a Myanmar military fighter jet. Among them, five got critical injuries. At the time of the attack, the hospital was operated under the governance of the Arakan Army since their takeover of the town in mid-February 2024.

**Sources:** [Development Media Group](#), [Independent Mon News Agency](#), [Khit Thit Media](#), [Khit Thit Media II](#), [Narinjara](#), [New Age](#) and [The Tanintharyi Times](#)

**16 May 2024:** In Gon Hnyin Seik village and village tract, Thayetchaung township, Dawei district, Tanintharyi region, a sub-rural health centre (primary-level, public) and a civilian house were damaged by bombs dropped by the Myanmar military airforce. One civilian was killed and another injured. **Sources:** [Tanintharyi Times](#) and [Than Lwin Times](#)

**19 May 2024:** In Tha Yae Kone Baung village and village tract, Maungdaw township and district, Rakhine state, a sub-rural health centre (primary-level, public) and five civilian houses were damaged by bombs dropped by the Myanmar military fighter jets. At least two civilians were injured. **Sources:** [Narinjara](#) and [Radio Free Asia](#)

**As reported on 21 May 2024:** In Na Mee village and village tract, Indaw township, Katha district, Sagaing region, a sub-rural health centre (primary-level, public), a staff house for health workers, a library, a village hall, and a religious building were occupied by a joint force of Kachin Independence Army (KIA), Arakan Army (AA), and People Defence Force (PDF). **Source:** [Facebook](#)

**As reported on 22 May 2024:** In Takaung town, Thabeikkyin township and district, Mandalay region, a station hospital (primary-level, public) and three monasteries were occupied by the Myanmar military. **Source:** [Mandalay Free Press](#)

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