

Attacks on Health Care in Sudan

26 June-09 July 2024



Insecurity Insight identified two incidents of violence against or obstruction of access to health care in Sudan's Sennar state since **fighting** was reported between the RSF and SAF in Jebel Moya on 26 June and spread to the state capital Sinja on 29 June. Both incidents were attributed to the RSF and took place in Sinja town: health workers and patients at Sinja Teaching Hospital were detained, used as human shields and prevented from leaving by the RSF who repurposed the facility into a military centre, and an anaesthesia specialist was killed by the RSF.

Between 15 April and 10 June 2024, Insecurity Insight identified 370 of violence against or obstruction of access to health care in Sudan. At least 83 health workers have been killed, 37 kidnapped and 76 injured. In addition, health facilities have been damaged at least 87 times. Nearly half of recorded incidents took place in the highly urbanised Khartoum. Incidents increased in North Darfur state from May onwards. Explore this [interactive map](#) to see where incidents happened. Access the data on [HDX](#). Numbers may change if or when further information is made available. Please [get in touch](#) if you are interested in curated datasets.

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SHCC factsheets (EN): [2023](#); [2022](#); [2021](#). (AR): 2023 coming soon; [2022](#); [2021](#)

Documented incidents

27 June 2024: On the road to El Manaqil city, Al Jazirah state, an anesthesiology doctor and intensive care consultant at Al-Hasahiha Hospital was killed by the RSF while travelling with his wife and children. Their car was also seized. **Sources:** [Personal Communication I](#) [Personal Communication II](#) and [Radio Tamazuj](#)

27 June 2024: In Abu Shouk IDP Camp, El Fasher city, North Darfur state, at least 18 civilians were killed following RSF's heavy artillery bombardment. Displaced persons, health facilities, and civilian homes were hit by more than 20 shells. This attack led to the destruction of over three health rooms in the camp's only therapeutic nutrition centre. **Sources:** [DVS](#) and [Personal Communication](#)

27 June 2024: In El Fasher city, North Darfur state, Saudi Obstetrics and Gynaecology Hospital was hit by an RSF shelling, marking the ninth attack on a hospital in the city. The hospital sustained some damage. **Sources:** [MSF](#)

29 June 2024: In Omdurman, a residential building where MSF staff live, sustained a direct hit in the morning, damaging the building's top floor amid heavy shelling in the city. **Source:** [MSF](#).

As reported on 30 June 2024: In Sinja town, Sennar state, an unspecified number of health workers and patients at Sinja Teaching Hospital were detained by the RSF and used as human shields and prevented them from leaving. The hospital was repurposed into a military centre. **Source:** [Sudan Plus News](#)



30 June 2024: In Sinja town, Sennar state, an anaesthesia specialist and professor at Al Jazirah University was killed by the RSF militia. **Source:** [Personal Communication](#)

As reported on 02 July 2024: In Jebel Marra, Central Darfur state, Jebel Marra Health Centre was hit by RSF shelling, destroying it. **Source:** [Personal Communication](#)

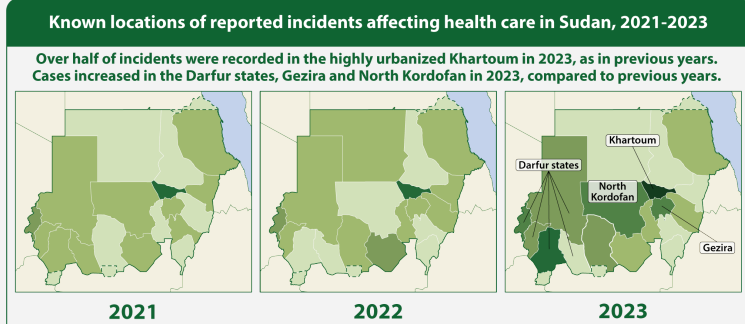
04 July 2024: In Khartoum state, the Sudanese American Physicians Association (SAPA)-supported Al Balak Children's Hospital was damaged by shelling of unidentified origin. The facility is the only working children's hospital in Khartoum. **Source:** [SAPA](#)

06 July 2024: In Khartoum city and state, an anesthesiologist, his brother and his nephew were killed by the RSF. **Source:** [Personal Communication](#)

09 July 2024: In El Geneina city, West Darfur state, El Geneina Teaching Hospital is the only functioning facility in the area as the health system has completely collapsed. **Sources:** [MSF](#)

The Safeguarding Health in Conflict Coalition (SHCC) identified [257](#) incidents of violence against or obstruction of health care in Sudan in 2023, compared to 54 in 2022. Health worker killings sharply increased in 2023, particularly in Khartoum. Damage to health facilities mainly occurred during fighting between the RSF and SAF in Khartoum, and often involved explosive weapons use. The looting of vital medicines and supplies was more rife in Darfur and often occurred during wider attacks on health facilities that were stormed by conflict parties. Hospital takeovers mostly involved the RSF and were common in Khartoum.

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