

Attacks on Health Care in Sudan

07-20 August 2024



Insecurity Insight identified 117 attacks on Sudan's health care system between 01 January-01 August 2024. A third of recorded incidents took place in North Darfur state where hospitals and clinics were damaged 21 times, mostly by explosive weapons used by the RSF. In addition, at least 38 health workers were killed while working inside hospitals, clinics, or their homes, with RSF forces most commonly identified as the perpetrators. Explore this [interactive map](#) to see where incidents happened. Download the data [here](#). Numbers may change if or when further information is made available. Data is updated on [HDX](#) every Monday..

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Documented incidents

09 August 2024: In Omdurman city, Khartoum state, Dayat Maternity Hospital/Omdurman Maternity Hospital was hit by RSF shelling, one day after reopening to the public. **Sources:** [Personal Communication I](#), [Personal Communication I](#), [Sudan Tribune](#) and [USAID](#)

11 August 2024: In El-Fasher city, North Darfur state, MSF-supported Saudi Obstetrics and Gynaecology Hospital was hit and damaged by 10 shells fired by the RSF, leaving it partially functioning. The surgical ward, maternity unit and a number of offices were hit and damaged, killing a patient's caregiver, and injuring five others including a nurse. This is the 11th time the hospital has been hit since fighting escaped on 10 May. **Sources:** [MSF](#), [Personal Communication](#)

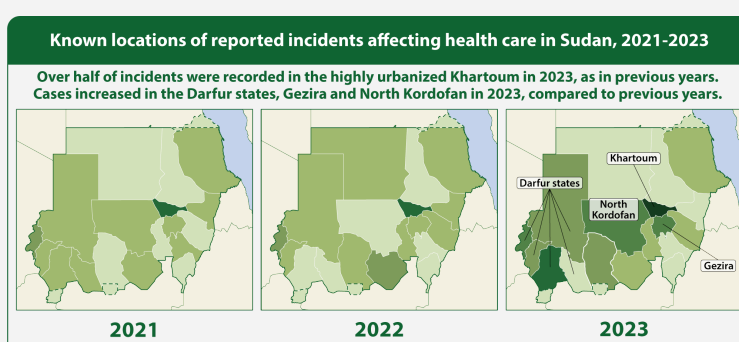
13 August 2024: In Omdurman city, Khartoum state, the vicinity of the MSF-supported Al-Nao Hospital was hit by RSF shelling. **Source:** [Personal Communication](#)

As reported on 14 August 2024: In Al Bariq hospital, Northern state, a doctor was arrested by SAF special forces while working at a hospital and taken to an undisclosed detention centre in Dongola. **Source:** [DVS](#)

20 August 2024: In El Fasher, North Darfur state, Relief International's medicine warehouse was destroyed during heavy RSF shelling on the city. **Source:** [Personal Communication](#)

20 August 2024: In Ed Daein city, East Darfur state, 15 people were killed and at least 17 injured when the Ed Daein Teaching Hospital was hit by an SAF airstrike. Several wards were destroyed and the hospital was rendered out of service. Three newborns and a stroke patient were among those killed. **Source:** [Sudan Tribune](#)

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.



Access the data on [HDX](#). SHCC factsheets (EN): [2023](#); [2022](#); [2021](#). (AR): [2023](#); [2022](#); [2021](#)

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