

# Attacks on Health Care

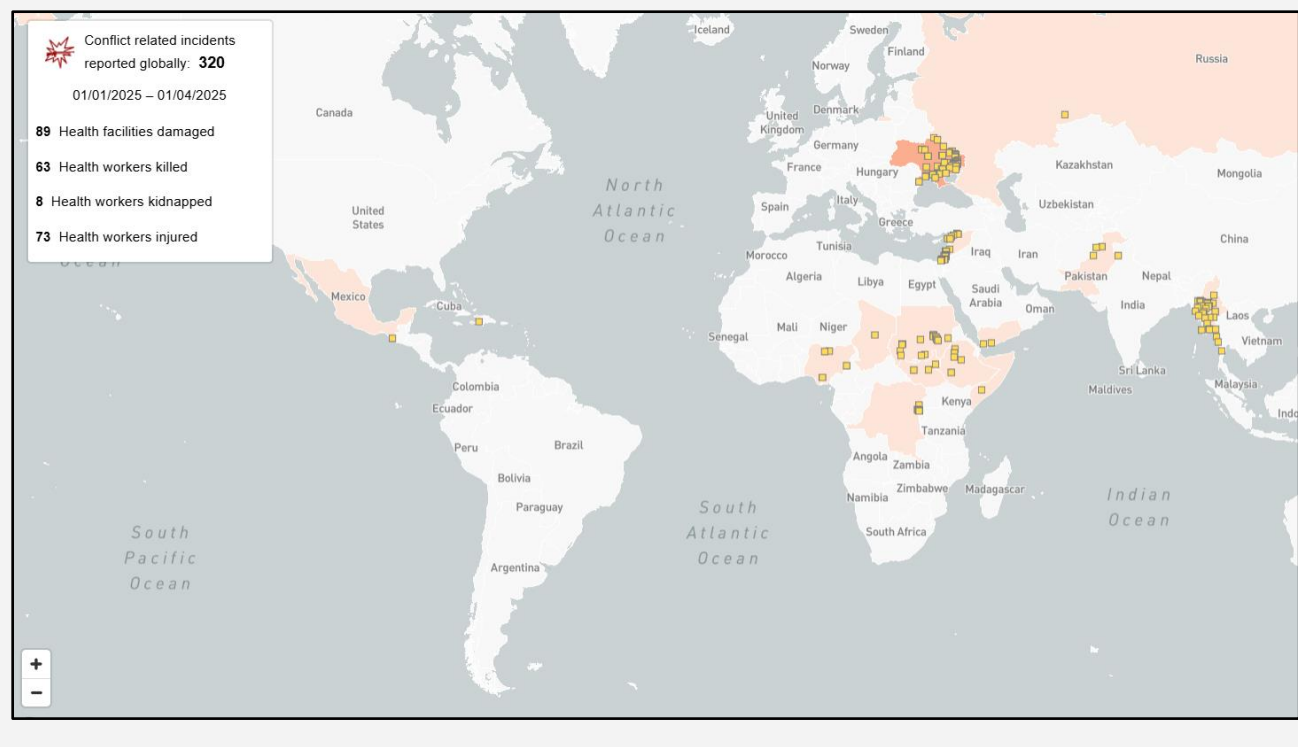
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**Insecurity Insight identified 320 incidents of violence against or obstruction of health care in 18 countries and territories between 01 January and 01 April 2025.** In these incidents, 63 health workers were killed, 73 injured and eight kidnapped. Health facilities damaged at least 89 times. High incident numbers were recorded in the occupied Palestinian territory (118), Ukraine (78), Myanmar (43) and Sudan (30).

In eastern DRC, ongoing clashes between M23 rebels, the Congolese army (FARDC), and other armed groups affected health workers, facilities, and patients. Health facilities were looted or damaged, with equipment, medicines, and supplies taken. Clashes led to bullets and rockets striking operational areas such as a maternity ward, and neonatal unit, injuring patients including a baby in an incubator and reportedly killing newborns and pregnant women. Ambulances, including those operated by local NGOs, were also attacked during evacuations.

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# SHCC Attacks on Health Care

The section aligns with the [definition](#) of attacks on health care used by the [Safeguarding Health in Conflict Coalition](#) (SHCC).

## Africa

### *Democratic Republic of the Congo*

**03 April 2025:** In Kabare territory, South Kivu province, the Mukongola General Referral Hospital was raided by armed men, vandalising the maternity ward and pharmaceutical supplies and injuring one person. This marked the second attack on the facility in one month. **Source:** [OCHA News](#)

**04 April 2025:** In Kibua town, Walikale territory, North Kivu province, the Mongazi Health Centre was looted of medical supplies and medicines by suspected M23 rebels following their withdrawal from Walikale on 02 April. **Source:** [ACLED](#)<sup>1</sup>

**04 April 2025:** In Kyeshero neighbourhood, Goma city, North Kivu province, the MSF-supported Kyeshero Hospital was entered by 20 members of M23 overnight. Two hospital staff were beaten, and former combatants were shot at when they refused to leave the hospital. It was unclear if the combatants were from M23 or from other groups. One person was killed, and three others were injured. **Source:** [ACLED](#)<sup>1</sup> and [MSF](#)

**Between 04-05 April 2025:** In Walikale territory, North Kivu province, the Kibua General Hospital was raided by suspected M23 rebels, looting their stocks of medicines and medical supplies. Several documents were destroyed and others thrown out. Medicines that couldn't be transported were thrown into the hospital courtyard. Access to healthcare was affected for more than 120,000 people around Kibua. **Sources:** [Actualite](#) and [OCHA News](#)

**Between 04-05 April 2025:** In Walikale territory, North Kivu province, the Kitshanga Health Centre was raided by suspected M23 rebels, looting their stocks of medicines and medical supplies. Solar panels were also taken from the facility. Access to healthcare was affected for more than 120,000 people around Kibua. **Sources:** [Actualite](#) and [OCHA News](#)

### *Mali*

**03 April 2025:** In Ende village, Bandiagara commune and cercle, Mopti region, a car belonging to the NGO 'Mouso' was seized by JNIM militants. Passengers, including a doctor, a nurse and the driver, were forced out before the vehicle was taken with the medical equipment and medicines on board. The vehicle was abandoned later the same day and recovered by security forces. **Source:** [ACLED](#)

**10 April 2025:** In Dallah village, Douentza cercle, Mopti region, a health centre was searched by FAMa forces during an operation in the village. They also set fire to a stockpile of medical supplies. **Source:** [ACLED](#)<sup>1</sup>

### *Niger*

**08 April 2025:** In Katanga village, Tillaberi department and region, a health centre was burned down by armed ISSP (The Islamic State – Sahel Province) militants. **Source:** [ACLED](#)<sup>1</sup>

### *South Sudan*

**14 April 2025:** In Ulang town and county, Upper Nile state, Greater Upper Nile region, the MSF hospital and office was stormed by dozens of armed men who threatened staff, and looted vital medical supplies and equipment. As a result, all medical services at the hospital, the only functioning health facility in the area, were suspended. **Sources:** [MSF](#) and [OCHA News](#)

## Sudan

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## Asia

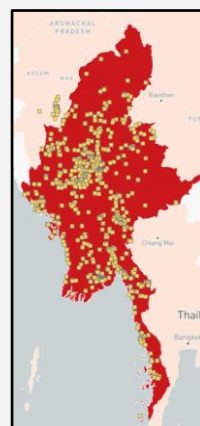
### Myanmar

Insecurity Insight identified 1624 incidents of violence against or obstruction of health care in Myanmar since the military coup on 01 February 2021 and 15 February 2025. In these incidents, health facilities were damaged or destroyed 370 times and taken over for non-medical purposes on at least 208 occasions. In addition, 137 health workers were killed and 872 arrested. Health providers have been ordered to close, most recently on 14 February when junta authorities reportedly directed nine private clinics and hospitals in Yangon to shut down—temporarily or permanently—citing employment of Civil Disobedience Movement-affiliated staff and use of unapproved medicines. The closures began on 1 March.

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### Pakistan

**06 April 2025:** In Bettani tehsil, Lakki Marwat division, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa province, a room and wall of a basic health unit was destroyed when unidentified militants detonated an IED. **Sources:** [ACLED](#)<sup>1</sup> and [The Khorasan Diary](#)

**06 April 2025:** In Jandola town and tehsil, Tank division, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa province, a basic health unit facility was destroyed when unidentified militants detonated an IED. **Sources:** [ACLED](#)<sup>1</sup> and [The Khorasan Diary](#)

## Europe

### Ukraine

**02 April 2025:** In Chornobaivka village, Kherson raion and oblast, an outpatient clinic, a bakery and a post office were partially destroyed by Russian forces artillery shelling. **Sources:** [ACLED](#)<sup>1</sup> and [Kherson Regional Military Administration](#)

**05 April 2025:** In Horlivka city and raion, Donetsk oblast, a medical facility was damaged when Ukrainian forces reportedly launched a drone strike and shelled DPR positions. One person was killed and six people were injured. **Source:** [ACLED](#)<sup>1</sup>

**As reported 09 April 2025:** Across Ukraine, around 29 medical and 50 educational facilities were damaged by Russian forces during March 2025, while two medical centres and six educational facilities were completely destroyed. **Source:** [United Nations](#)

**09 April 2025:** In Topoli village, Kupiansk raion, Kharkiv region, an ambulance, a medical aid vehicle and a medical assistant station (FAP) were destroyed by Ukrainian forces shelling. Civilian infrastructure was struck more than 10 times. **Source:** [ACLED](#)<sup>1</sup>

**09 April 2025:** In Nova Kakhovka city, Kakhovka raion, Kherson oblast, two ambulances were struck when Ukrainian forces reportedly dropped an explosive on them. **Source:** [ACLED](#)<sup>1</sup>

**10 April 2025:** In Kupiansk city and raion, Kharkiv oblast, a hospital and three ambulances were damaged when Russian forces conducted KAB (precision-guided aerial bomb) strikes around 22:20, injuring three people. **Sources:** [ACLED](#)<sup>1</sup>, [Kharkiv Regional State Administration](#) and [State Emergency Services](#)

**10 April 2025:** In Borova village, Izium raion, Kharkiv oblast, an ambulance and two kindergarten buildings were damaged by Russian forces drone strikes at 16:50. **Source:** [Kharkiv Regional State Administration](#)

**13 April 2025:** In Semenivka city and urban hromada, Novhorod-Siverskyi raion, Chernihiv raion, the intensive care and dental departments of a hospital were damaged by Russian forces drone strikes, injuring a nurse. **Sources:** [Chernihiv Regional State Administration](#) and [RBC](#)

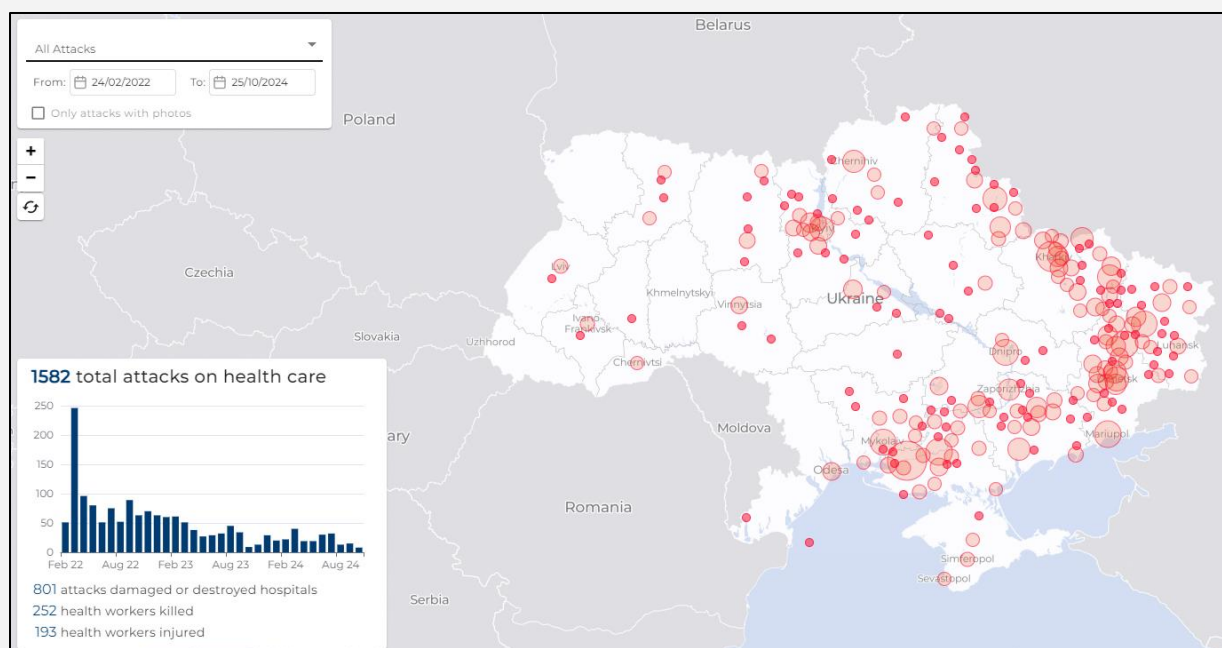
**13 April 2025:** In Sumy city and oblast, two nurses, two 19-year-old medical students, a college lecturer, a schoolteacher and two children were amongst at least 34 people killed by two Russian forces Iskander missile strikes at the city, at around 10:30 am. At least one of the nurses was killed while helping casualties of the first missile strike, which damaged the conference centre of Sumy State University. **Sources:** [OCHA News](#), [Personal Communication](#), [Pravda](#) and [The Guardian](#)

**15 April 2025:** In Slatyne village, Derhachi urban community, Kharkiv raion and oblast, a two-story outpatient clinic building was damaged by two guided aerial bombs from Russian forces at 06:48. **Source:** [Kharkiv Regional State Administration](#)

**15 April 2025:** In Kivsharivka village, Kupyansk raion, Kharkiv oblast, a medical aid vehicle was damaged because of Russian forces airstrikes, injuring a male paramedic. **Source:** [Kharkiv Regional State Administration](#)

Since the onset of Russia's full-scale invasion of Ukraine in February 2022, there have been **1887 attacks** on the country's health care facilities, workers, and medical infrastructure. Hospitals and clinics have been damaged or destroyed 996 times, and 267 health workers have been killed and 226 health workers injured. At least 103 attacks affected **children's health care** services, including the **Chernihiv Regional Children's Hospital**, damaged during a blast wave from Russian aircraft cluster munitions in the city in March 2022. were attacked more than once.

Explore this [interactive map](#) (available in English and Ukrainian) to see where incidents took place between 24 February 2022 and 15 February 2025.



## Middle East and North Africa

### Lebanon

**03 April 2025:** In Ras al Naqoura town, Tyre district, South governorate, a newly established centre for the Islamic Health Society was struck by three Israeli airstrikes. The centre was completely destroyed, and two ambulances were damaged. **Sources:** [ACLED](#)<sup>1</sup> and [OHCHR](#)

### Occupied Palestinian Territory

#### Recorded Violence Against Health Care in Israel and the oPt, 07 October 2023-18 March 2025

|           |  REPORTED INCIDENTS |  HEALTH WORKERS KILLED |  INCIDENTS WHERE HEALTH FACILITIES WERE DAMAGED |  HEALTH WORKERS ARRESTED |
|-----------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Israel    | 56                                                                                                   | 23                                                                                                      | 4                                                                                                                                | 0                                                                                                           |
| Gaza      | 1813                                                                                                 | 624*                                                                                                    | 353                                                                                                                              | 351                                                                                                         |
| West Bank | 676                                                                                                  | 12*                                                                                                     | 23                                                                                                                               | 145                                                                                                         |

Insecurity Insight identified 2605 incidents of violence against or obstruction of access to health care in Israel and the occupied Palestinian territory between 07 October 2023 and 18 March 2025.<sup>1</sup> In the Gaza Strip, where 1813 incidents were recorded, health facilities were damaged 353 times, at least 624 health workers were killed and 351 arrested. In the West Bank and East Jerusalem, where 676 incidents were recorded, 12 health workers were killed and 145 arrested.

Explore the incidents on our [interactive map](#)<sup>2</sup> and on this [data visualisation](#) by Soha Elghany. Access this data on [HDX](#). The dataset no longer includes event descriptions or geo-coordinates due to [HDX policy](#). Data is updated every Monday. Follow [us](#) for the latest updates. Numbers may change if or when further information is made available.

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### Yemen

**04 April 2025:** In Wasshah town and district, Hajjah governorate, the Washhah health centre was struck by three US forces airstrikes, resulting in the destruction of the structure and medical equipment. **Source:** [ACLED](#)<sup>1</sup>

## The Americas

### Colombia

**10 April 2025:** Near Puerto Narino, Arauca department, a patient was abducted from the Sarare Hospital by two members of the Eastern War Front's Manuel Vasquez Castano Front of the ELN, minutes after midnight. The man was suspected to have been injured during an armed clash between ELN members and Guadalupe Salcedo 10th FARC dissidents the day before. **Source:** [ACLED](#)<sup>1</sup>

### Haiti

**08 April 2025:** In Port-au-Prince commune, Ouest department, MSF suspended its activities at the Turgeau emergency centre and the Carrefour trauma hospital for a minimum of three months following an attack on a Médecins Sans Frontières (MSF) convoy on 15 March. **Source:** [MSF](#)

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<sup>1</sup> Armed Conflict Location & Event Data Project (ACLED) [database attribution policy](#). Accessed 15 April 2025.

