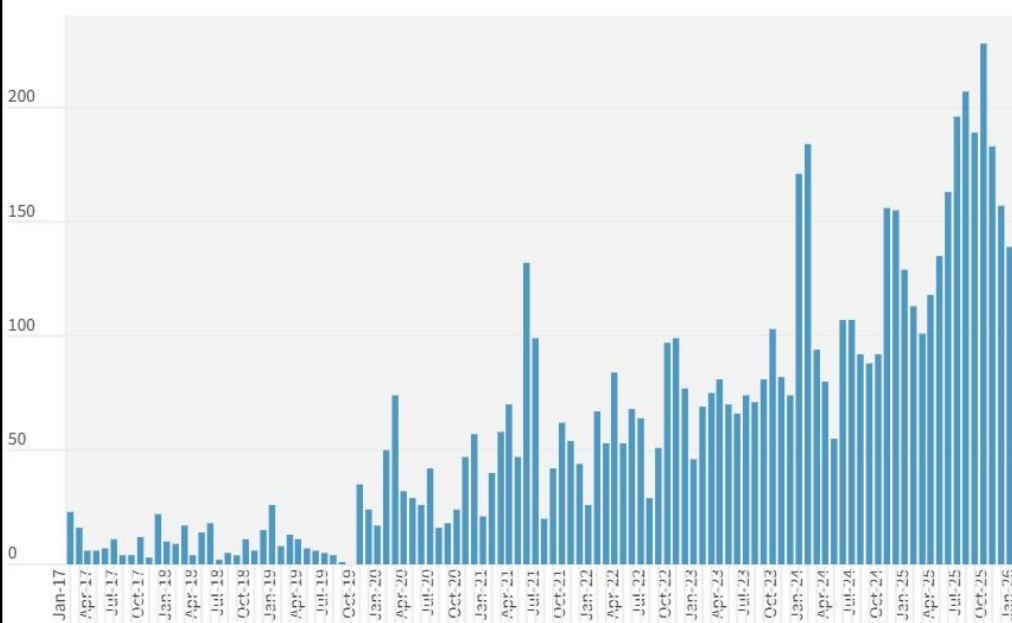


Insecurity Insight's Protection in Danger open-source monitoring identified at least 8,026 incidents of threats and violence that took place at IDP/refugee camps, including temporary shelters between 01 January 2020 and December 2025. On average 111 incidents per month were identified, averaging 3.7 attacks every day. The average rose from 13 per month in 2020-2022, to 209 per month in 2025, reflecting both improved open-source reporting as well as a growing frequency in which protection settings in conflict come under attack. Please [contact us](#) for further information.

### Documented Protection in Danger incidents, January 2020-December 2025

Since January 2020, 8,026 incidents were documented. 4,931 incidents reported damage to IDP/refugee camps, including temporary shelter. In addition, 16,143 camp residents were killed, 12,935 injured, 469 kidnapped and 4,899 arrested.



Source: Insecurity Insight

### Developments in January 2026

**Myanmar:** Throughout January 2026, the Myanmar military carried out repeated airstrikes and drone attacks on camps and shelters across Sagaing, Magway, Rakhine, and Kachin states and regions, often as part of wider assaults on civilian infrastructure in surrounding communities. Several schools used as IDP shelters were struck alongside other civilian sites, including hospitals and markets, during these attacks. IDP camps and shelters were hit with bombs, rockets, and drones, killing and injuring displaced civilians, including children. For example, on 16 January, a school sheltering displaced people, a hospital, and nearby homes in Wetlet township, Sagaing region, were damaged by two 200-pound bombs dropped by Myanmar military aircraft, killing at least five people. See *Myanmar* section below for more details.

**West Bank:** Throughout January 2026, Israeli forces carried out repeated raids, patrols, and incursions in refugee camps across the West Bank, storming camps, searching homes, firing live ammunition, rubber-coated bullets, stun grenades, and tear gas, and detaining or arresting Palestinians, including children. Many raids included temporary occupation of homes and property damage often in the early morning or late at night. For example, on 01 January, Fawwar camp was raided with tear gas fired at residents; on 13-14 January, Ein el-Sultan camp was stormed, with two residents beaten and a home converted into a temporary military barracks, and in Nur Shams and Tulkarem camps, homes were invaded, searched, or demolished, with live ammunition and stun grenades used extensively. Due to the very high number of reported events in January across the occupied Palestinian territory, the corresponding data is available on request.

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## Protection in Danger

Incidents of threats and violence in refugee and IDP settings.

### Africa

#### *Burundi*

**05 January 2026:** In an undisclosed refugee camp, an unspecified number of Congolese refugees were killed by armed individuals using arrows and bladed weapons. **Source:** [IGIHE](#) and [Radio Okapi](#)

#### *Central African Republic*

**02 January 2026:** In Zemio town, Haut-Mbomou, an IDP camp was raided by Wagner Group personnel, supported by gendarmes, police, and Central African Armed Forces (FACA), looting mobile phones and cash. **Source:** [ACLED](#)<sup>1</sup>

**04 January 2026:** In Nguili-Nguili Camp, Maboussou village, Haut-Mbomou prefecture, six IDPs were arrested by FACA forces, who looted money and mobile phones during a raid on the camp. **Source:** [ACLED](#)<sup>1</sup>

**20 January 2026:** In Ngouli IDP site, Obo city, Haut-Mbomou prefecture, homes were set on fire by FACA forces, who attacked and beat an unspecified number of people, injuring at least one, reportedly as punishment for supporting Azande militias. **Source:** [ACLED](#)<sup>1</sup>

#### *Malawi*

**29 January 2026:** In Dzaleka Refugee Camp, Dowa district, Northern region, an unspecified number of refugees were arrested by police after leaving the camp without authorisation. They had gone to withdraw cash from an ATM, as the camp only had one ATM that served 50,000 people. They were held in Lilongwe. **Source:** [SOS Media Burundi](#)

#### *South Sudan*

**04 January 2026:** In Bentiu IDP Camp, Rubkona county, Unity state, fighting broke out between South Sudan People's Defense Forces (SSPDF) and the opposition Sudan People's Liberation Movement/Army-In opposition (SPLM/A-IO), causing fear and panic amongst those living in the camp. The United Nations Mission in South Sudan (UNMISS) increased security patrols following the clashes. **Source:** [Xinhua](#)

#### *Uganda*

**10 January 2026:** In Nyumanzi Refugee Settlement, Adjumani District, an 18-year-old South Sudanese refugee was killed after being struck on the head with a panga knife during a clash between rival youth gangs. **Source:** [Chimp Reports](#)

### Asia

#### *Myanmar*

**01 January 2026:** In Mukangyi village, Depayin township, Ye-U district, Sagaing region, a school being used as a temporary shelter by displaced persons was bombed by Myanmar military airstrikes around 1930hrs, injuring seven people. **Sources:** [ACLED](#)<sup>1</sup>, [AAMIJ News](#), [Depayin Township People's Administration Myanmar Now](#) and [Shwe Pee Myay](#)

**05 January 2026:** In Kongyi village, Khin Oo township, Shwebo district, Sagaing region, a school being used as an IDP camp was hit by a Myanmar military airstrike, killing three displaced people, including a father and son, and injuring at least ten others, including a seven-year-old child. **Source:** [Modern Times](#), [Myanmar Now](#), [Red Peacock](#) and [Shwe Phee Myay](#)

**16 January 2026:** In Nyaung Kan village, Bu Ba Kan village tract, Wetlet township, Shwebo district, Sagaing region, a school being used to shelter IDPs, a hospital, a school, and nearby houses were damaged by two 200-pound bombs dropped by the Myanmar military fighter and fire cannons. At least five people were killed at the school shelter, and an unspecified number of people were injured. **Source:** [Democratic Voice of Burma](#)

**16 January 2026:** Near Kyauk Ka Lay village, Kyaukphyu township, Rakhine state, an IDP camp was hit by two airstrikes by the Myanmar military, followed by the launch of four unmanned explosive-carrying drones. Two women were killed and one woman injured. **Source:** [BNI Online](#)

**17 January 2026:** Near Kyauk Ka Lay village, Kyaukphyu Township, Rakhine State, an IDP camp was hit by an airstrike by the Myanmar military, killing two people and injuring three. **Source:** [BNI Online](#)

**18 January 2026:** In Kyauk Khe Kone village, Salin township, Minbu district, Magway region, a pagoda compound sheltering IDPs was struck by a military drone, killing a child and injuring a female IDP. **Source:** [ACLEDD](#)<sup>1</sup>

**19 January 2026:** In Auk Kyin Su village, Pakokku township, Pakokku district, Magway region, huts sheltering IDPs were set on fire by the Myanmar military. **Source:** [ACLEDD](#)<sup>1</sup>

**20 January 2026:** In Kyaukthu area, Saw township, Kyaukthu district, Magway region, two IDP camps were hit by three bombs dropped by a Myanmar military jet fighter, killing one person and injuring four others at 0313hrs, 0408hrs, and 0411hrs. **Source:** [Khit Thit Media](#)

**21 January 2026:** In Wetlet township, Shwebo district, Sagaing region, IDP shelters were struck by Myanmar military drone strikes. **Source:** [ACLEDD](#)<sup>1</sup>

**23 January 2026:** In Bhamo city, township and district, Kachin state, a refugee camp, a school, and a market were bombed by Myanmar military forces using two jet fighters. **Source:** [The 74 Media](#)

**24 January 2026:** In Kyaukphyu township and district, Rakhine state, a school, being used as a temporary IDP camp, was hit by a suicide drone belonging to the Myanmar military, killing two people and injuring five others, including a nine-month-old baby. **Sources:** [Arakan Bay News](#), [Development Media Group](#), [Myanmar Pressphoto Agency](#) and [Narinjara News](#)

## Middle East and North Africa

### *Algeria*

**As reported on 24 January 2026:** In Tindouf Camp, Tindouf town, commune and province, a Saharawi refugee was assaulted and killed inside a kiosk by unidentified armed men after reportedly stating his intention to return to Morocco and support for Morocco. **Source:** [ACLEDD](#)<sup>1</sup>

### *Lebanon*

**05 January 2026:** In Ain al-Hilweh Camp, Sidon city, South governorate, Israeli forces carried out two airstrikes on the camp. **Source:** [Press TV](#)

**As reported on 08 January 2026:** In Al-Taybeh village, Marjayoun district, South governorate, three camps were raided by the Lebanese Army, who arrested eight displaced people for allegedly entering the country illegally. **Source:** [Lebanon Debate](#)

**09 January 2026:** In Ain al-Hilweh camp, Sidon city, South governorate, an individual allegedly affiliated with the Islamic State was shot and killed by a member of Al Shabab Al Muslim group over personal disputes. **Source:** [ACLEDD](#)<sup>1</sup>

### *Occupied Palestinian territory*

Due to the very high number of reported events in January across the occupied Palestinian territory, the corresponding data is available on [request](#).

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