This Week in Terrorism

08/20/2018-08/26/2018

Total Attacks: 42 Total Killed: 37 Total Injured: 45

From last week attacks increased by 27%, fatalities decreased by 76%, and injuries decreased by 64%.

Source

Largest Attack

A suicide bombing in Iraq's Salahuddin province was the week's largest attack. In Asdeira, six militiamen were killed and seven more injured by a suicide bomb on Wednesday. The bomber targeted the home of Adnan al-Ganam, a former Iraqi lawmaker. No group has claimed responsibility, but ISIS is active in the area.

Source

Attackers

Al-Shabaab is claimed one attack this week and is suspected in one more. On Friday, a roadside bomb targeted an AU convoy in <u>Jalalaqsi</u>, Somalia, killing one and injuring two. Al-Shabaab said it was behind the attack. On Sunday, four policemen were shot and stabbed by suspected Al-Shabaab attackers in <u>Amasa</u>, Kenya.

Bangsamoro Islamic Freedom Fighters (BIFF) is suspected in an attack in <u>Labu-Labu</u>, Philippines, where a soldier was injured by and IED on Wednesday.

The **Islamic State in Khorasan Province** (**ISKP**) claimed two attacks this week, both in Afghanistan. In <u>Kabul</u>, the group launched mortars at the city's diplomatic district on Tuesday, interrupting Eid al-Adha celebrations, but causing no casualties. On Saturday, a suicide bomber targeted a protest outside an election office in <u>Jalalabad</u>, killing two and injuring four.

The Islamic State of Iraq and Syria (ISIS) claimed six attacks and are suspected in one more. On Monday, the group claimed three attacks that were carried out in rapid succession against police in Chechnya, Russia. In Shalinsky, two officers were stabbed outside their station. In Mesker-Yurt, an attacker with an explosive backpack detonated himself a police station, but caused no casualties. Finally, in Grozny, a driver attempted to run down two officers, who killed the attacker before he was able to cause any casualties. ISIS is suspected in a final attack on Monday, this time in al-Shura,

Iraq, where an off-duty police officer was fatally shot. On Thursday, ISIS claimed a knife attack in <u>Trappes</u>, France, where a man killed two people and injured one more. The same day, militants attacked the Wadi Kaam checkpoint gate in <u>Zliten</u>, Libya. ISIS later claimed the attack, which killed six people. The group claimed a final attack on Saturday in <u>North Sinai</u>, where a police patrol was attacked with RPGs, rifles, and grenades.

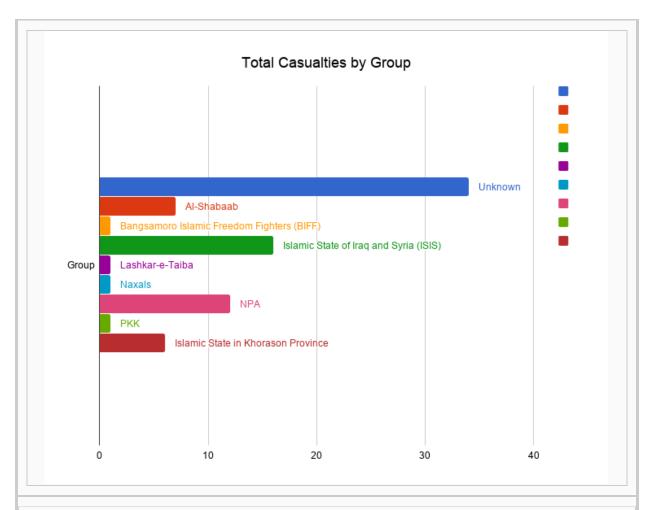
Jaish-e-Mohammad claimed an attack in <u>Lasjan</u>, India, where a grenade was thrown at a security patrol in remote bypass. No casualties were reported.

Lashkar-e-Taiba is suspected in an attack that killed a Forest Department Official in <u>Tangmarg</u>, India. The official was shot to death on Thursday.

Naxals are suspected in one attack in Bolda, India. A shopkeeper was shot several times on Saturday.

The New People's Army (NPA) claimed two attacks and are suspected in four more, all in the Philippines. On Monday the NPA claimed responsibility for killing a village chief in Cabcab. The next day, suspected NPA militants killed two soldiers in Panoypoy. On Wednesday suspected NPA gunmen killed two former NPA members in Singkatulan. Early Friday morning, a group of about twenty suspected NPA members attacked a police patrol in Isian Victoria with an IED and then fired at policemen, ultimately injuring three. The same day, an IED struck a police vehicle in Masbate. Naxals are suspected in this attack as well. The same day, the group claimed responsibility for burning a barge in Lingayao. No casualties resulted.

The **PKK** are suspected in one attack in Tunceli, where a woman was injured by a landmine on Tuesday. Twenty attacks were carried out by unknown attackers.



Regions

Middle East

Afghanistan suffered two attacks this week, both claimed by ISKP. In <u>Kabul</u>, the group launched mortars at the city's diplomatic district on Tuesday, interrupting Eid al-Adha celebrations, but causing no casualties. On Saturday, a suicide bomber targeted a protest outside an election office in <u>Jalalabad</u>, killing two and injuring four.

Iraq was hit by four attacks this week. ISIS is suspected in one on Monday, this time in <u>al-Shura</u>, where an off-duty police officer was fatally shot. The same day, a bomb injured two civilians in Baghdad's <u>al-Baladiyat</u> neighborhood. Another bomb injured three more in <u>al-Turath</u> the same day. On Wednesday, a suicide bombing in <u>Asdeira</u> killed six militiamen and injured seven more. The bomber targeted the home of Adnan al-Ganam, a former Iraqi lawmaker. No group has claimed responsibility, but ISIS is active in the area.

Israel suffered two attacks this week. On Monday a gunmen shot at an IDF patrol in <u>Gaza</u>. On Sunday, another patrol was attacked in <u>al-Bireh</u>, this time by an IED. Neither attack caused any casualties.

Africa

Egypt suffered one attack on Saturday in North Sinai, where a police patrol was attacked with RPGs, rifles, and grenades. ISIS later claimed the attack.

Kenya was hit by one attack. On Sunday, four policemen were shot and stabbed by suspected Al-Shabaab attackers in Amasa.

Libya also suffered one attack. On Thursday, militants attacked the Wadi Kaam checkpoint gate in **Zliten**. ISIS later claimed the attack, which killed six people.

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Asia-Pacific

India suffered seven attacks this week. On Wednesday, attackers killed a Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) affiliate in Rakhe-Litter. The same day, gunmen killed a policeman in Kulgam. In separate attack, militants shot and killed another policeman in Louswani. A final policeman was killed in Larve. None of the attacks were claimed. On Thursday, suspected Lashkar-e-Taiba militants killed a Forest Department Official in Tangmarg. Jaish-e-Mohammad claimed an attack in Lasjan, where a grenade was thrown at a security patrol in remote bypass. No casualties were reported. The same day suspected Naxals shot a shopkeeper to death in Bolda.

Pakistan was hit by four attacks. On Wednesday, a group of men on motorcycles shot and killed a civilian in <u>Kandawa</u>. The next day, one soldier was killed and three more injured by an IED in <u>Dand Kaly</u>. On Saturday, a vehicle belonging to a police counter terrorism unit in was attacked in <u>Mastung</u>, injuring three officers. The next day, a group of militants attacked a bank in <u>Turbat</u> with grenades and firearms, injuring five. There was no claim of responsibility for any of the attacks.

The **Philippines** suffered nine attacks this week, the most of any other country. On Monday the NPA claimed responsibility for killing a village chief in <u>Cabcab</u>. The next day, suspected NPA militants killed two soldiers in <u>Panoypoy</u>. Also on Tuesday, two unknown gunmen shot and killed a woman in <u>Guihulngan</u>. The next, in a similar attack in <u>Tacurong City</u>, another pair of gunmen killed another woman. Bangsamoro Islamic Freedom Fighters (BIFF) is suspected in an attack in <u>Labu-Labu</u>, where a soldier was injured by and IED on Wednesday. On Wednesday suspected NPA gunmen killed two former NPA members in <u>Singkatulan</u>. Early Friday morning, a group of about twenty suspected NPA members attacked a police patrol in <u>Isian Victoria</u> with an IED and then fired at policemen, ultimately injuring three. The same day, an IED struck a police vehicle in <u>Masbate</u>. Naxals are suspected in this attack as well. The same day, the group claimed responsibility for burning a barge in <u>Lingayao</u>. No casualties resulted.

Eastern Europe

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casualties. Finally, in <u>Grozny</u>, a driver attempted to run down two officers, who killed the attacker before he was able to cause any casualties.

Western Europe and Others

Cyprus suffered its first attack in several weeks when an IED damaged a car in Limassol, but left no casualties.

France was hit by its first attack since June on Thursday, when ISIS claimed a knife attack in <u>Trappes</u>. A man killed two people and injured one more.

Greece suffered its first attack since February when a bomb damaged cars and buildings in Piraeus.

Haiti suffered its first attack of the year when attackers threw a grenade and shot at Haiti's Parliament on Monday. No casualties resulted.

Spain was hit by one attack in <u>Barcelona</u>, where a man entered a police station wielding a knife early Monday morning. Officers killed the attacker before he could cause any casualties.

Turkey suffered one attack in Tunceli, where a woman was injured by a landmine on Tuesday.

Attacks Worldwide



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