This Week in Terrorism

12/24/2018-12/30/2018

Total Attacks: 18 Total Killed: 55 Total Injured: 106

From last week attacks decreased by 5.3%, fatalities decreased by 40%, and injuries increased by 41%.

Source

Largest Attack

On Thursday, suspected Al-Shabaab militants abducted thirty people from El Muluq, including several elder leaders. It is believed that the attack was carried out in retaliation for the locals's support of the Maawisley militia, which clashed with Al-Shabba Several times throughout 2018.

Attackers

Al-Shabaab is suspected to have carried out three attacks this week. On Tuesday, attackers threw a grenade at a security checkpoint in Mandera, Kenya, injuring four officers. On Thursday, suspected Al-Shabaab militants abducted thirty people from El Muluq, Somalia, including several elder leaders. this was the week's largest attack. On Sunday, the group attacked a Somali military base in Gofgudud, killing twenty.

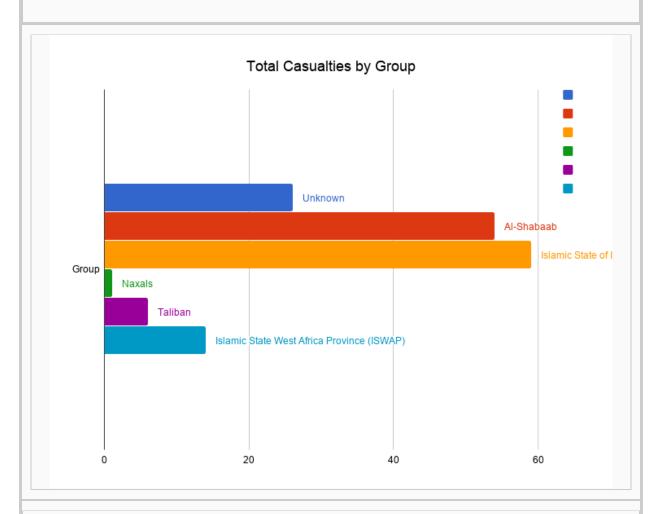
Boko Haram is suspected in three attacks this week, all in Nigeria. On Wednesday, militants attacked a group of soldiers near <u>Katarko</u>, but left no casualties. The next day, two military bases near <u>Baga</u> were attacked, leaving one person dead. Also on Thursday, militants attacked <u>Goniri</u> village. Casualty counts are unknown.

The Islamic State of Iraq and Syria (ISIS) claimed five attacks this week. On Tuesday, four attackers targeted the Libyan Foreign Ministry in Tripoli with IEDs and firearms, killing three and injuring twenty-one. The same day, an IED car bomb detonated in a crowded market in Tal Afar, Iraq killed three and injured thirteen. Also on Tuesday, ISIS claimed responsible for a series of kidnappings across Iraq's Kirkuk province.. Thirteen people were abducted from Mabdad, two from Debaa al-Jadeeda, and four from Bara.

The Islamic State of West Africa Province (ISWAP) are suspected in one attack on Monday, when militants attacked a convoy in Yobe, Nigeria and killed fourteen soldiers.

Naxals are also suspected in one attack. On Saturday, suspected Naxals killed one civilian and burned four buses in <u>Dev</u>, India.

Taliban are suspected in one attack as well. A landmine explosion in Ganji, Afghanistan, killed six.



Regions

Middle East

Afghanistan suffered one attack this week in Ganji, where a landmine attack killed six.

Iraq was hit by four attacks this week, all claimed by ISIS. On Tuesday, an IED car bomb detonated in a crowded market in <u>Tal Afar</u>, killing three and injuring thirteen. The same day, a series of kidnappings took place across Kirkuk province.. Thirteen people were abducted from <u>Mabdad</u>, two from <u>Debaa al-Jadeeda</u>, and four from <u>Bara Bara</u>.

Africa

Egypt was hit by one attack on Friday, when a roadside bomb hit a tourist bus in <u>Haram</u>, killing four and injuring eleven.

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Asia Pacific

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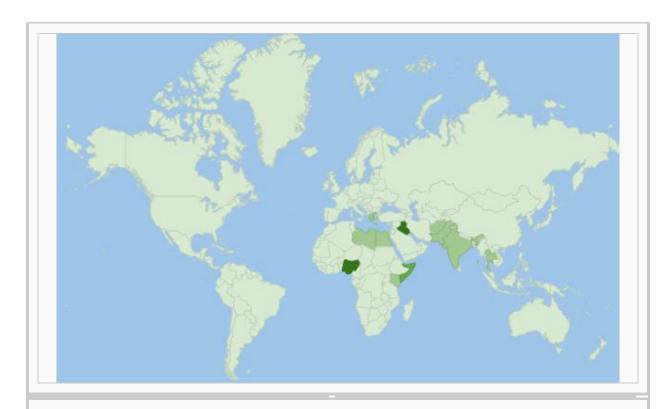
Pakistan was hit by one attack as well. On Saturday, a roadside IED killed two and injured one more in Jarobi Dara.

Thailand suffered its first since June on Monday, when militants carried out an IED attack Palu Kasamoh, killing one and injuring five.

Western Europe and Others

Greece suffered one attack this week on Thursday when a church outside of <u>Athens</u> was targeted by a bomb. Two officers injured.

Attacks Worldwide



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