This Week in Terrorism

02/19/2018-02/25/2018

Total Attacks: 21 Total Killed: 116 Total Injured: 171

From last week attacks decreased by 34%, fatalities increased by 68%, and injuries increased by 131%.

Source

News worthy Attacks

Largest

Ninety-four girls were abducted from their school in Nigeria's northeastern Yobe state on Monday. No group has claimed responsibility, but the methods echo those of Boko Haram, in particular the now infamous kidnapping of the Chibok girls in April 2014. More than 100 of these girls are still missing.

Source

Attackers

At least twenty truckers were ambushed and killed by Daesh Takfiri militants in Syria near Iraq's Anbar province on Wednesday. The drivers were waiting to cross into Iraq when they were attacked. The attackers then fled with their trucks. It was the group's first attack in 2018

Source

French soldiers were patrolling in Mali's northern Gao region when their vehicle hit an IED. Two soldiers were killed and one injured. Though no group has claimed responsibility, the area has been the sight of recent clashes with Jamaat Nusrat al-Islam wal-Muslimeen (JNIM). It would be the group's first attack since November.

Source

Regions

Middle East

Afghanistan was hit by five attacks this week. Helmand province was hit by both a <u>suicide bomb</u> and an<u>IED</u> in the span of just a few hours on Saturday. On the same day, a suicide bomber attacked <u>Kabul</u> near the US Embassy and NATO headquarters, killing two. At least eighteen soldiers were also killed on Saturday in a Taliban attack on a checkpoint in <u>Farah</u> province. Three were killed in an IED attack in<u>Nangarhar</u> province on

Tuesday.

Iraq suffered one additional attack on Saturday, this time in Kirkuk. ISIS claimed an attack on the headquarters of a counter-terrorism unit in Aden, Yemen on Saturday that killed fourteen and injured forty. Sidon, Lebanon was hit by a grenade attack on Sunday, but no casualties have been reported.

Africa

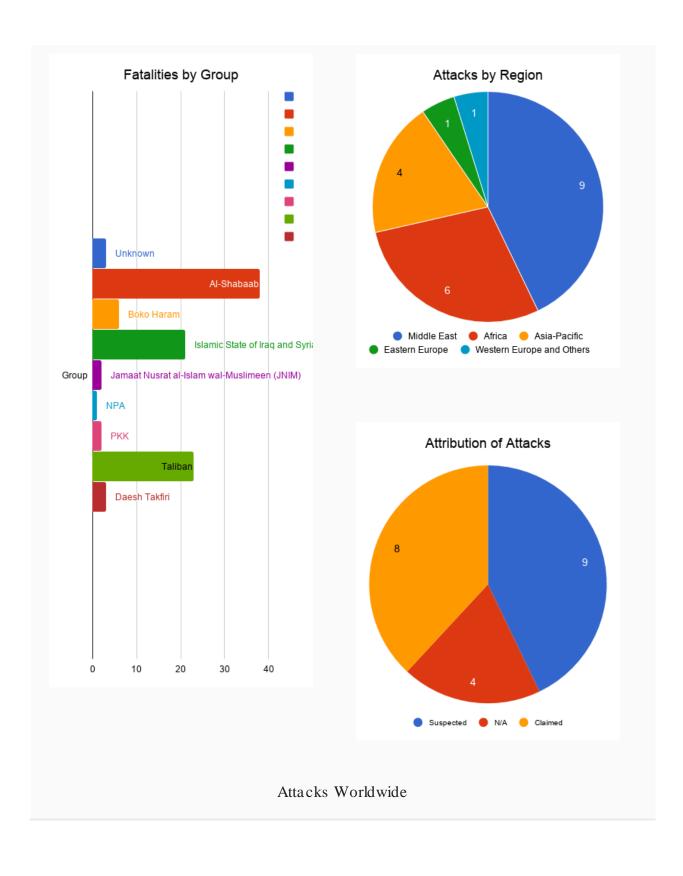
In addition to the abduction in Yobe, Nigeria was hit by a suicide bombing in Maiduguri on Tuesday. Boko Haram is also suspected to be behind this attack, as well as one targeting Salamassali village in Cameroon, also on Tuesday. ISIS claimed responsibility for a suicide bombing in Waddan, Libya on Wednesday that killed three and injured two. In Mogadishu, thirty-eight people were killed in two car bombings targeting the presidential palace and a hotel.

Asia-Pacific

The Philippines were hit by two attacks, both suspected to be the work of the New People's Army. One an IED attack in <u>Sitio Corazon de Jesus</u> on Wednesday and the other a shooting in <u>Sitio Cambayang</u> on Sunday. In Nepal, a journalist and a police constable were injured in an IED attack in <u>Pokhara</u> on Tuesday. On Friday, three were injured in an IED attack in <u>Pakistan</u> claimed by Jamaat ur Ahrar.

Eastern Europe

An unidentified man threw a device, likely a hand grenade,, at the US Embassy in <u>Podgorica</u>, Montenegro before blowing himself up. No casualties were reported.





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