This Week in Terrorism

05/07/2018-05/13/2018

Total Attacks: 26   Total Killed: 105   Total Injured: 211

From last week attacks increased by 4% fatalities decreased by 47%, and injuries decreased by 33%.

Source

Summary of Attacks

Largest

ISIS claimed an attack that killed fifteen people and injured forty-two in Jalalabad, Afghanistan. A suicide bomber detonated an explosives-laden vehicle outside the provincial revenue department of Nangarhar province. A group of assailants then stormed the building and battled with security forces for several hours. ISIS offered no evidence to support their claim.

Source

Attackers

Al-Shabaab claimed an attack on a market in Wanlaweyne, Somalia on Wednesday that killed five and injured ten. **Bangsamoro Islamic Freedom Fighters (BIFF)** are suspected in an IED attack in Tugal, a town in the Philippines North Cotabato province. The bomb may have been meant for police and military vehicles passing on the road nearby, or it could be election-related, as there is a voting center across the street. Whatever the intent, the bomb detonated in an empty lot around 8:15 am on Friday, leaving no casualties. The **Communist Party of Nepal (CPN)** is suspected in a grenade attack on a supermarket on Sunday. Two militants on a motorcycle threw a grenade between the Royal Century Hotel and Bhatbhateni supermarket in Chitwan, breaking a few windows but injuring no one. **ISIS** claimed five attacks and are suspected in four more, making this week one of its most active in the last several months. In Mosul, Iraq, parliamentary candidate Faruq Zarzur al-Juburi was killed by gunmen in his home on Monday. ISIS claimed the attack via the messaging app Telegram. The next day two were killed and four injured in a car bombing at a checkpoint in Ras Lanuf, Libya, an attack also claimed by ISIS. In Ottawa, South Africa, three militants attacked a Shia mosque on Thursday, killing one man by slitting his throat and injuring two more. No group

has claimed responsibility, but these tactics are commonly used by ISIS. In Raqqa, Syria, a booby-trapped vehicle likely left behind the Islamic State was triggered by bulldozers clearing rubble on Saturday, killing two and injuring three. The same day in Mes'hag, Iraq a roadside IED exploded near a paramilitary patrol protecting a polling center. No group claimed responsibility, but ISIS had been making threats against polling centers. Also on Saturday, six were killed and three injured in suspected ISIS attacks on security checkpoints in Al-Rashad, Iraq, likely also in response to elections. In Paris on Sunday, one person was killed and four injured in a knife attack claimed by ISIS. Three churches in Surabaya, Indonesia were targeted by suicide attacks on Sunday, killing eleven and injuring forty-one. ISIS claimed responsibility for the bombings. The same day in Jalalabad, a suicide bomber detonated an explosives-laden vehicle outside the provincial revenue department of Nangarhar province. A group of assailants then stormed the building and battled with security forces for several hours. ISIS claimed the attack, which killed fifteen people and injured forty-two, making it the week's largest attack. A new group, **Ittehadul Mujahideen North Waziristan**, bombed a girl's school in Mir Ali, Pakistan injuring none but leaving pamphlets condemning girls' education. On Thursday a group of **Naxalites** fired on patrolling security forces in Dudagad, a town in India's Chhattisgarh's province. No one was injured. The **New People's Army (NPA)** is suspected in three attacks this week, all in the Philippines. On Monday, five armed militants killed a police officer on his motorcycle in Naspi, Sorsogon province. On Thursday, a military intelligence official was attacked by a large group of suspected Naxals in San Isidro, killing him and injuring his civilian companion. The two men were also riding a motorcycle at the time. The next day in Libmanan, a group of soldiers on patrol were attacked, killing one and injuring three. The **Taliban** and **Islamic State in Khorasan Province (ISKP)** carried out a joint attack on Kabul on Wednesday. Suicide bombers attacked two police stations with explosive vests and hand grenades. ISIS claimed one station and the Taliban claimed the other. Nine attacks were carried out by unknown groups.

By Region

Middle East

Two attacks occurred in **Afghanistan** this week. The Taliban and Islamic State in Khorasan Province (ISKP) carried out a joint attack on Kabul on Wednesday. Suicide bombers attacked two police stations with explosive vests and hand grenades. ISIS claimed one station and the Taliban claimed the other. On Sunday in Jalalabad, a suicide bomber detonated an explosives-laden vehicle outside the provincial revenue department of Nangarhar province. A group of assailants then stormed the building and battled with security forces for several hours. ISIS claimed the attack, which killed fifteen people and injured forty-two, making it the week's largest attack.

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Syria also suffered three attacks. On Wednesday, two people were killed and 14 injured in a car bombing and mortar shell attack in central Damascus. In Raqqa, a booby-trapped vehicle likely left behind the Islamic State was triggered by bulldozers clearing rubble on Saturday, killing two and injuring three. The same evening nine were killed and twenty-five injured in a car bombing near Idlib Province Hospital.

Africa

In Cibitoke, **Burundi,** twenty-six were killed and seven injured on Friday when an unidentified terrorist group raided the village, killing people in their homes and setting buildings on fire.

Libya suffered one attack in Ras Lanuf, when ISIS killed two and injured four in a car bombing on a security checkpoint on Tuesday.

Somalia was hit by two attacks, just a day apart in the same town: Wanlaweyne in Lower Shabelle Province. On Wednesday, Al-Shabaab claimed an attack on a market in that killed five and injured ten. The next day, seven soldiers were killed and two injured when their vehicle hit an IED.

South Africa suffered its first attack of the year when three militants attacked a Shia mosque inOttawa on Thursday, killing one man by slitting his throat and injuring two more.

Asia-Pacific

India suffered three attacks this week. On Monday, unknown militants hit a paramilitary trooper with a grenade in Pulwama, leaving him injured. On Wednesday, two Border Security Force (BSF) jawans were killed and three civilians injured by an IED outside their headquarters camp in Imphal East. The next day, a group of **Naxalites** fired on patrolling security forces in Dudagad, a town in India's Chhattisgarh's province. No one was injured.

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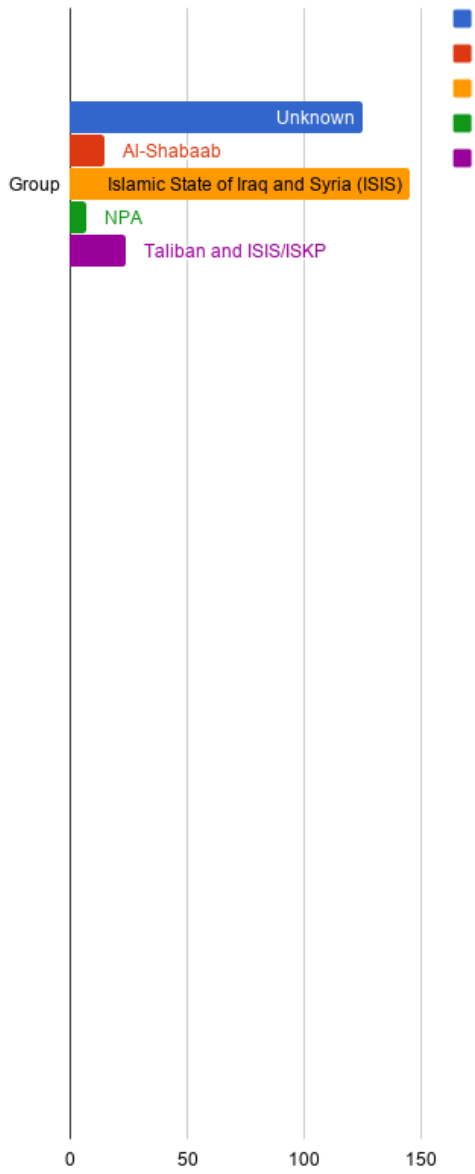
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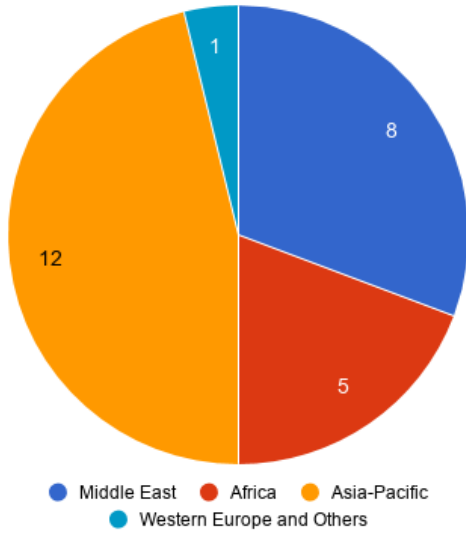
Western Europe and Others

France suffered its first attack since March this past Sunday In Paris, when one person was killed and four injured in a knife attack claimed by ISIS.
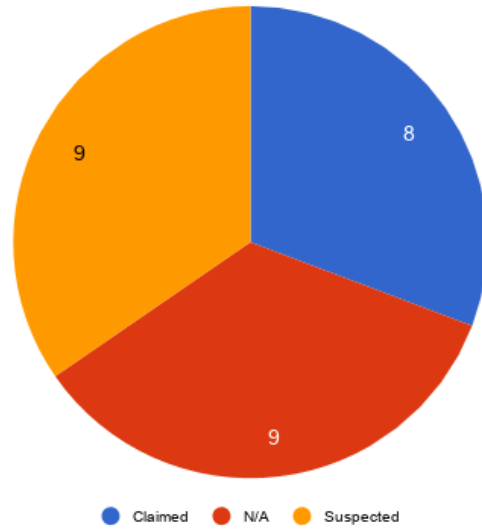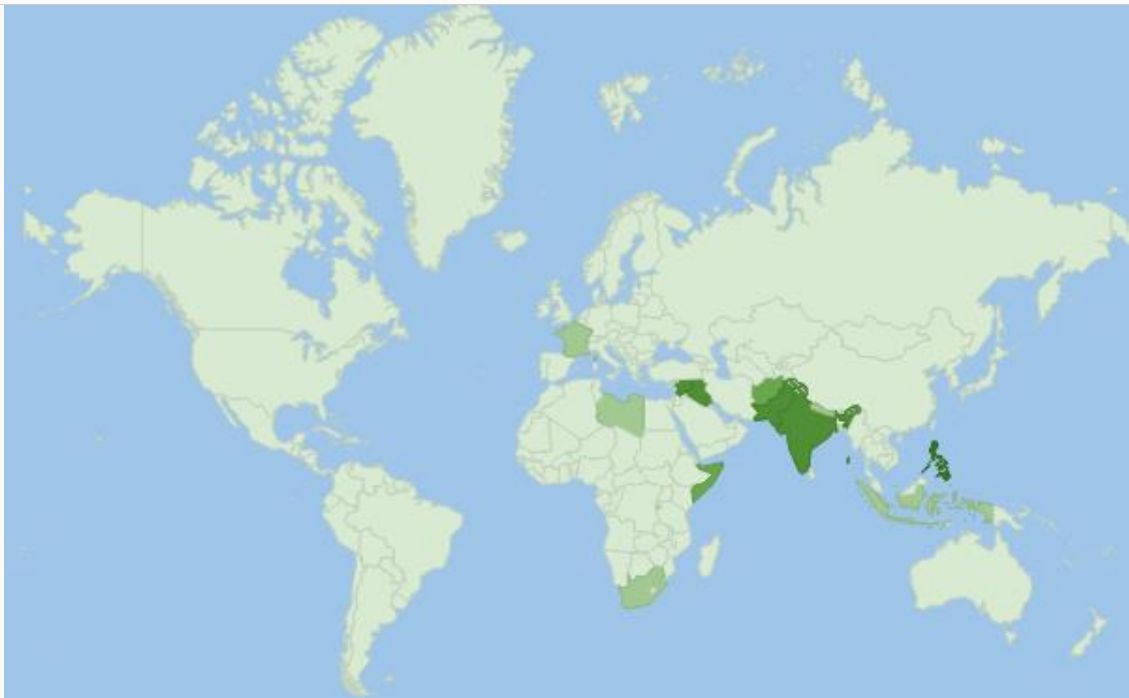
Total Casualties by Group

Group

- Unknown
- Al-Shabaab
- Islamic State of Iraq and Syria (ISIS)
- NPA
- Taliban and ISIS/ISKP

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Attacks by Region

Middle East: 8
Africa: 5
Asia-Pacific: 12
Western Europe and Others: 1

- Middle East
- Africa
- Asia-Pacific
- Western Europe and Others

Attribution of Attacks

Claimed: 8
N/A: 9
Suspected: 9

- Claimed
- N/A
- Suspected

Attacks Worldwide

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