

This Week in Terrorism

05/14/2018-05/20/2018

Total Attacks: 21 Total Killed: 58 Total Injured: 112

From last week attacks decreased by 19% fatalities decreased by 45%, and injuries decreased by 47%.

[Source](#)

Summary of Attacks

Largest

Afghanistan suffered its first attack of Ramadan at a cricket match in Jalalabad. Three bombs exploded at the match: one under a raised dais inside the stadium, and two more at exit gates, likely to target fleeing spectators. Eight were killed and forty-five injured. Cricket has previously been a rare point of common ground between Taliban and government supporters, making attacks on matches unusual. The Taliban denied any involvement in this attack. Last week's largest attack also occurred in Jalalabad.

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Attackers

Al-Shabaab claimed responsibility for killing a Somali military colonel in [Wadajir](#) with a car bomb on Saturday.

Boko Haram is suspected in three attacks, all in Nigeria. On Tuesday a suicide bomber killed five and injured five more by detonating explosives at a checkpoint manned by the Civilian Joint Task Force in [Mandarari](#). On Thursday, another suicide bomber struck, this time in [Dikwa](#), killing four and injuring five. The next day, two female suicide bombers attempted to enter a military base in [Kawuri](#), but were killed before they could. No casualties other than the bombers were reported.

ISIS claimed two attacks this week and is suspected in two more. In [Surabaya](#), Indonesia on Monday, a family of five including an eight-year-old child carried out a suicide bombing on a police station, injuring ten. ISIS claimed the attack via its news agency Amaq. In Iraq, on Wednesday, a suicide bomber suspected to be a member of ISIS struck a tent of mourners in Baghdad's [al-Taji](#) neighborhood, killing eight and injuring thirty. The next day, in [Saida](#), Syria, journalist Ibrahim al-Munjar was shot and killed by two gunmen on a

motorcycle. He had previously received threats from ISIS. On Saturday, four ISIS attackers targeted an Orthodox church in [Grozny](#), Russia, killing three. It is the group's second attack on Grozny this year.

Naxals are suspected in two attacks this week, both in Dantewada, India. On [Saturday](#), militants set fire to vehicles at a construction site, leaving one dead. [The next day](#), suspected Naxals set off an IED targeting a Chhattisgarh Armed Force and the District Force convoy escorting a vehicle carrying material for road construction work.

The **New People's army (NPA)** are suspected in a landmine attack on a bridge in [Kalawit](#), Philippines. Soldiers spotted suspected NPA militants planting a device on the bridge. They went to confront them, the militants triggered the device and began shooting. Two soldiers were injured.

The **PKK** are suspected two attacks, both in Turkey. On Monday, PKK militants injured two soldiers in a gun battle in [Sirnak](#). On Sunday, an IED exploded in [Dogubayazit](#), killing two soldiers.

Eight attacks were carried out by unknown groups.

By Region

Middle East

Afghanistan suffered two attacks this week, both by unknown groups. In [Kabul](#) on Monday, one person was injured by an IED planted in a residential park. On Friday in [Jalalabad](#), three bombs exploded at a cricket match, killing eight and injuring forty-five. This was the week's largest attack.

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Africa

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One attack occurred in **Somalia**, where Al-Shabaab claimed responsibility for killing a Somali military colonel in [Wadajir](#) with a car bomb on Saturday.

Mali suffered one attack in the remote town of [Boulikessi](#) on Sunday. A Malian soldier was killed by unidentified militants. Twelve civilians were also killed in the incident, but the circumstances that led to their death, including the parties responsible, are still unclear.

Asia-Pacific

In [Surabaya, Indonesia](#) on Monday, a family of five including an eight-year-old child carried out a suicide bombing on a police station, injuring ten. ISIS claimed the attack via its news agency Amaq. This was the second attack in Surabaya in as many days. Before this past weekend, Indonesia had not experienced an attack since 2017.

India suffered four attacks this week, more than any other country. On Thursday, a 23-year old painter was dragged from his home in [Hajin](#) and strangled by two armed terrorists. On Saturday, unknown militants threw a grenade at a police patrol in [Muran Chowk](#), but it did not explode and left no casualties. The remaining two attacks both occurred in India's Dantewada district, and Naxals are suspected in both. On [Saturday](#), militants set fire to vehicles at a construction site, leaving one dead. [The next day](#), suspected Naxals set off an IED targeting a Chhattisgarh Armed Force and the District Force convoy escorting a vehicle carrying material for road construction work.

In [Nowshera](#), Pakistan, one person was killed and five injured when a suicide bomber targeted a Frontier Corps convoy on Thursday.

Two attacks occurred in the Philippines. In [Kalawit](#), two soldiers were injured when suspected New People's army (NPA) militants triggered a landmine as they approached and then began shooting at them on Friday.

In [Pantao Ragat](#), four people were killed when unknown attackers opened fire on a local mayor's convoy. The mayor survived the attack.

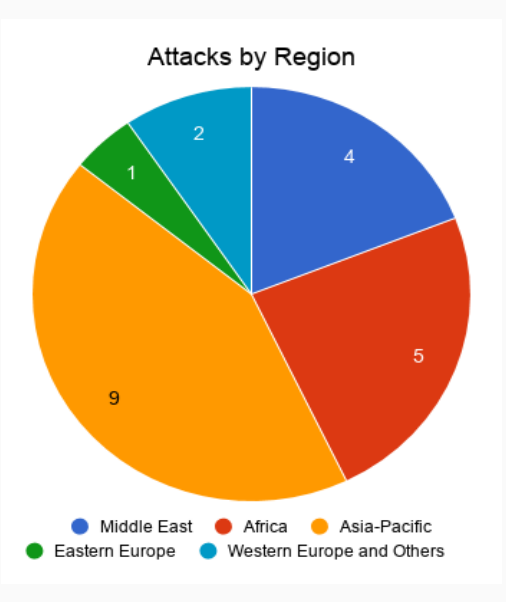
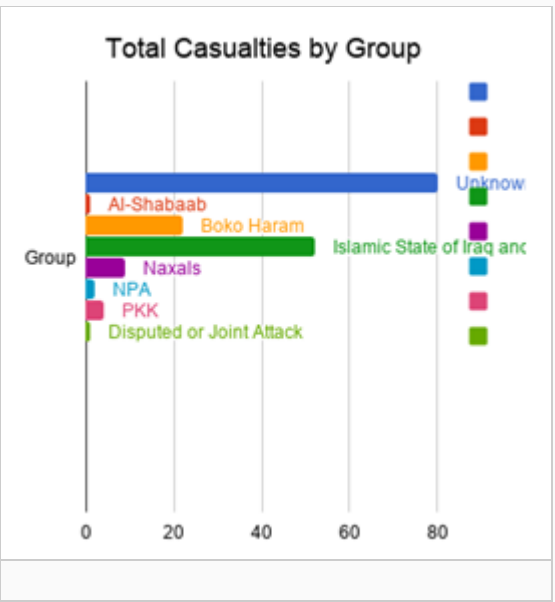
[Yala](#) province in Thailand was rocked by a coordinated attack spanning several districts. Bombs targeted Kabang, Banang Sata, Than To, and Raman districts. Rangae and Bacho districts of Narthiwat province were also attacked, as were Muang, Sai Buri and Nong Chik districts in Pattani province. Many of the attacks targeted banks or ATMS. Despite the bombardment, there were only three injuries. This was the first attack in Thailand since February.

Eastern Europe

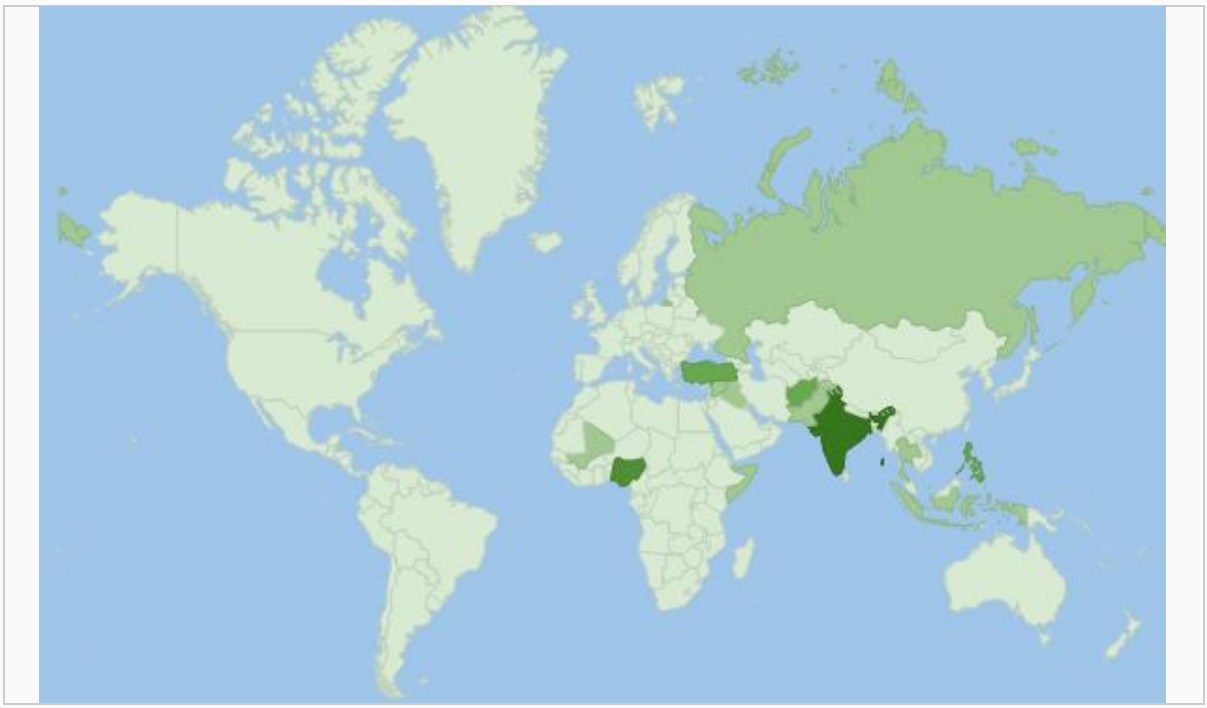
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Western Europe and Others

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Attacks Worldwide



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