This Week in Terrorism

01/21/2018-01/27/2018

Total Attacks: 23 Total Killed: 56 Total Injured: 190

Compared to this time last year, attacks decreased by 38%, fatalities decreased by 74%, and injuries decreased by 57%.

Source

Largest Attack

This week's largest attack struck <u>Jolo</u>, Philippines. A Roman Catholic church was holding Sunday Mass when a bomb exploded inside. A second bomb detonated on the church's doorstep as soldiers responded. Twenty people were killed and 111 more injured. ISIS claimed the attack.

Attackers

Boko Haram are also suspected in one attack this week on Sunday when the group attacked military bases in <u>Pulka</u>, Nigeria and stole weapons. Casualty numbers have not been reported.

The **Islamic State of Iraq and Syria (ISIS)** claimed three attacks and are suspected in one more. On Monday, a suicide car bomb hit a military checkpoint in <u>al-Shadadi</u>, Syria, killing five. On Wednesday, another suicide car bomb targeted a police checkpoint in <u>Kirkuk</u>, Iraq. ISIS is suspected in this attack, which killed one person and injured three. Late on Saturday night, the group attacked a security checkpoint in <u>Khanaqin</u>, Iraq, injuring five. Finally, a bombing at a church in Jolo, Philippines on Sunday killed twenty and injured 111.

The **Islamic State in West Africa Province** (**ISWAP**) claimed one attack this week. A group of militants attacked the military base in <u>Geidam</u>, Nigeria, destroying equipment and looting the town. Eight people were killed.

Moro Islamic Liberation Front (MILF), a new group, are suspected in their first attack this week. A grenade targeted the home of a judge in Cotabato City, Philippines, but left no casualties.

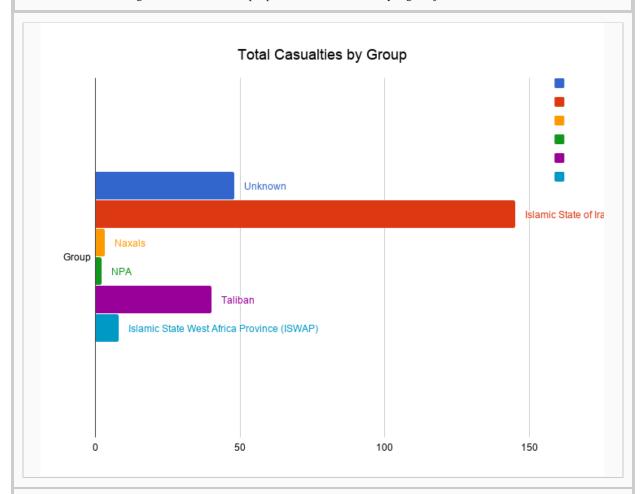
Naxals claimed one attack on Tuesday, when three residents of <u>Bhamragad</u>, India were forced out of their homes and executed.

The New People's Army (NPA) are suspected in two attacks this week, both in the Philippines. The group attacked the

construction site for a mini hyrdo-dam in <u>Lucena</u> on Monday. Militants burned construction equipment but left no casualties. On Wednesday, two servicemen were injured in <u>Datu Ito Andong</u>.

The PKK are suspected in one attack on a military base in <u>Duhok</u>, Iraq, on Saturday. No casualties resulted.

The **Taliban** claimed one attack this week in <u>Maidan Wardak</u>, Afghanistan. Militants detonated a car bomb, then two men with firearms staged an assault. Twelve people were killed and twenty-eight injured.



Regions

Middle East

Afghanistan suffered one attack in <u>Maidan Wardak</u>. Taliban militants detonated a car bomb, then two men with firearms staged an assault. Twelve people were killed and twenty-eight injured.

Iraq was hit by four attacks this week. On Wednesday, a suicide car bomb targeted a police checkpoint in <u>Kirkuk</u>. ISIS is suspected in the attack, which killed one person and injured three. On Saturday, suspected PKK attackers targeted a military base in <u>Duhok</u>, but left no casualties. Late that Saturday night, ISIS attacked a security checkpoint in <u>Khanaqin</u>, injuring five. On Sunday, two bombs in <u>Al Shirqat</u> killed four and injured eleven.

Syria suffered three attacks this week. On Monday, a suicide car bomb hit a military checkpoint in <u>al-Shadadi</u>, killing five. The next day, a car bomb in <u>Latakia</u> killed one and injured fourteen. On Thursday, another car bomb detonated near the Russian Embassy in <u>Damascus</u>, but left no casualties.

Africa

Kenya suffered one attack in <u>Nairobi</u>, where two people were injured in a movie theater by a piece of luggage that turned out to be an IED.

Mali was hit by one attack on Sunday, when militants targeted a UN convoy in <u>Douentza</u>, killing two peacekeepers. Nigeria suffered two attacks this week. On Wednesday, a group of ISWAP militants attacked the military base in <u>Geidam</u>, destroying equipment and looting the town. Eight people were killed. On Sunday, Boko Haram attacked military bases in <u>Pulka</u>, and stole weapons. Casualty numbers have not been reported.

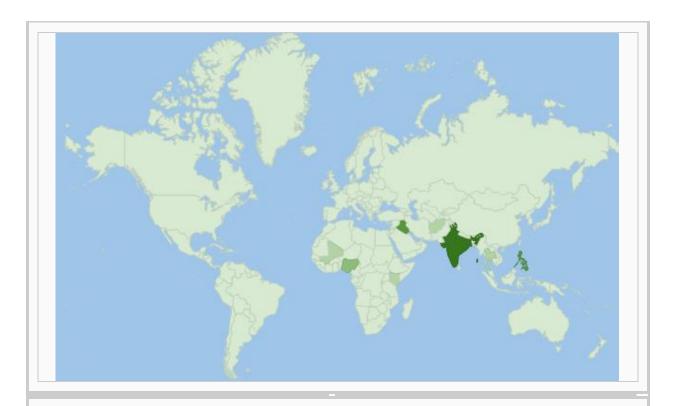
Asia Pacific

India was hit by six attacks this week. On Tuesday, suspected Naxals forced three residents of Bhamragad out of their homes and executed them. On Friday, a series of grenade attacks occurred throughout Jammu and Kashmir. Two people were injured in Anantnang, but attacks in Tahab, Sopore, and Srigufwara left no casualties. On Saturday, an IED was planted near a Border Road Task Force Officer's Club in Imphal but did not result in any casualties.

The **Philippines** suffered four attacks this week.On Monday, a grenade targeted the home of a judge in Cotabato City, but left no casualties. The same day, suspected NPA militants attacked attacked the construction site for a mini hyrdodam in Lucena on Monday. Militants burned construction equipment but left no casualties. On Wednesday, another NPA attacked injured two servicemen in Datu Ito Andong. ON Sunday, an ISIS bombing at a church in Jolo, killed twenty and injured 111.

Thailand was hit by one attack on Friday, when an IED injured six civilians driving in a pick-up truck in Krong Pinang.

Attacks Worldwide



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