

## MONTHLY UPDATE FOR JUNE 2023

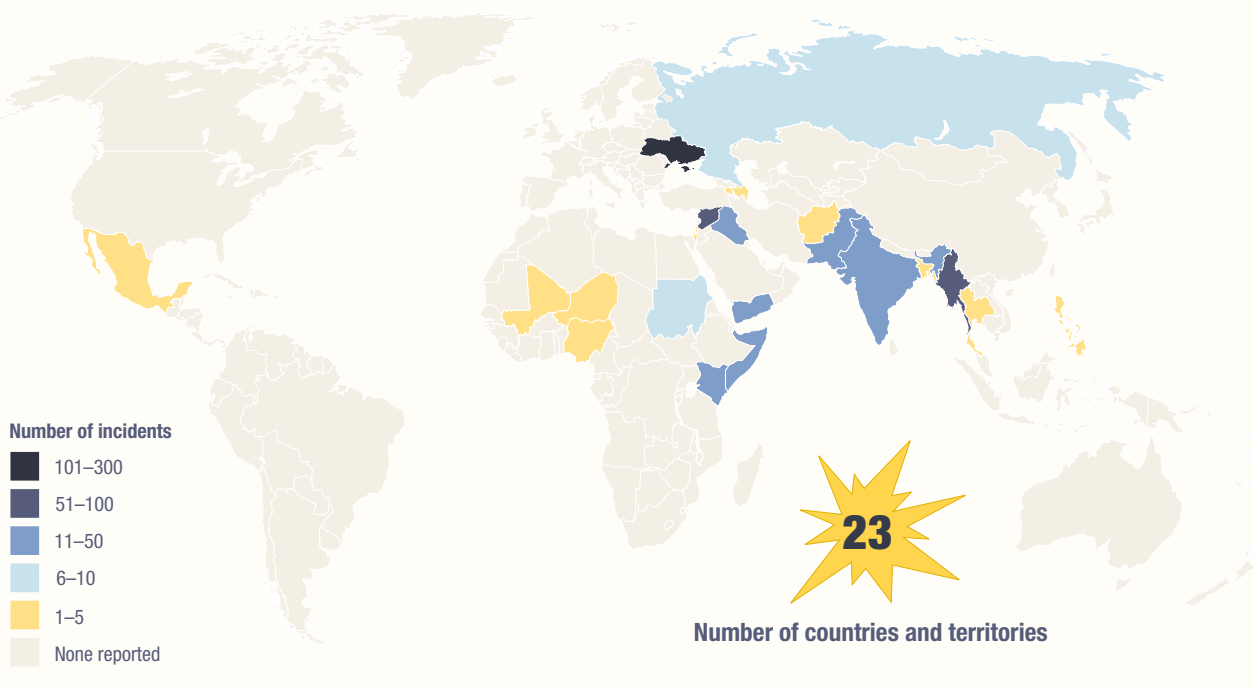
### Reported incidents of explosive weapon use that resulted in casualties

At least one death or injury from the use of explosive weapons was recorded in **23** countries and territories in June 2023. Worldwide, there were at least 537 reported incidents of explosive weapon use resulting in 2,671 casualties, of which 1,798 (67%) were civilians. About 45% of all reported civilian casualties occurred in Ukraine. Other affected countries and territories in terms of civilian casualties from the use of explosive weapons were Myanmar, Somalia, Sudan, and Syria.

When explosive weapons were used in populated areas in June 2023, civilians reportedly accounted for 92% of all recorded casualties. This pattern of harm has been consistently recorded over the last decade.

This data is collected from English-language media reports. It does not attempt to exhaustively capture all incidents of explosive weapon use around the world but to serve as an indicator of the scale and pattern of deaths and injuries.

### Reported incidents of explosive weapon use that resulted in civilian casualties by state/territory in June 2023



### Reported incidents of explosive weapon use and civilian and armed-actor casualties in June 2023

#### Incidents



**537**

#### Deaths



**454** civilians  
**528** armed actors

#### Injuries



**1,344** civilians  
**345** armed actors

### Impact on civilians in populated areas in June 2023



**92%** of all people reportedly killed or injured in populated areas were civilians.

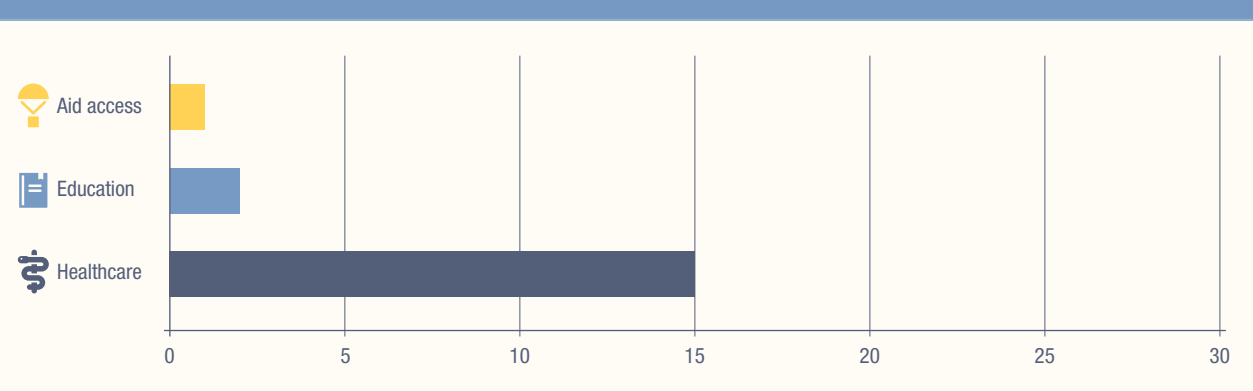
### Reported incidents of explosive weapon use affecting aid access, education and healthcare

There were **18** incidents of explosive weapon use affecting aid access, education and healthcare services reported in Myanmar, Syria, and Ukraine in June 2023. The majority of incidents reportedly occurred in Ukraine, where more than half of a total of 13 incidents took place in Kherson oblast where Russian forces fired rockets, shelling, and missiles that damaged schools, hospitals, and killed emergency responders providing care to civilians injured in previous attacks.

Four incidents were also recorded in Myanmar in June. Myanmar military airstrikes damaged a school and a rural health centre in Shan state, a local resistance force used a drone armed with explosives against an ambulance transporting injured Myanmar military in Magway region, and artillery fired in armed clashes damaged a health centre in Mon state. In Syria, a grenade was thrown at a family tent in the Bashir Refugee camp in Idlib governorate, killing a young girl.

This data may include some incidents where a device did not detonate or where there were no civilian casualties and includes incidents where historical items such as unexploded ordnance were found and which affected the provision of these services.

### Reported incidents of explosive weapon use affecting aid access, education and healthcare in June 2023

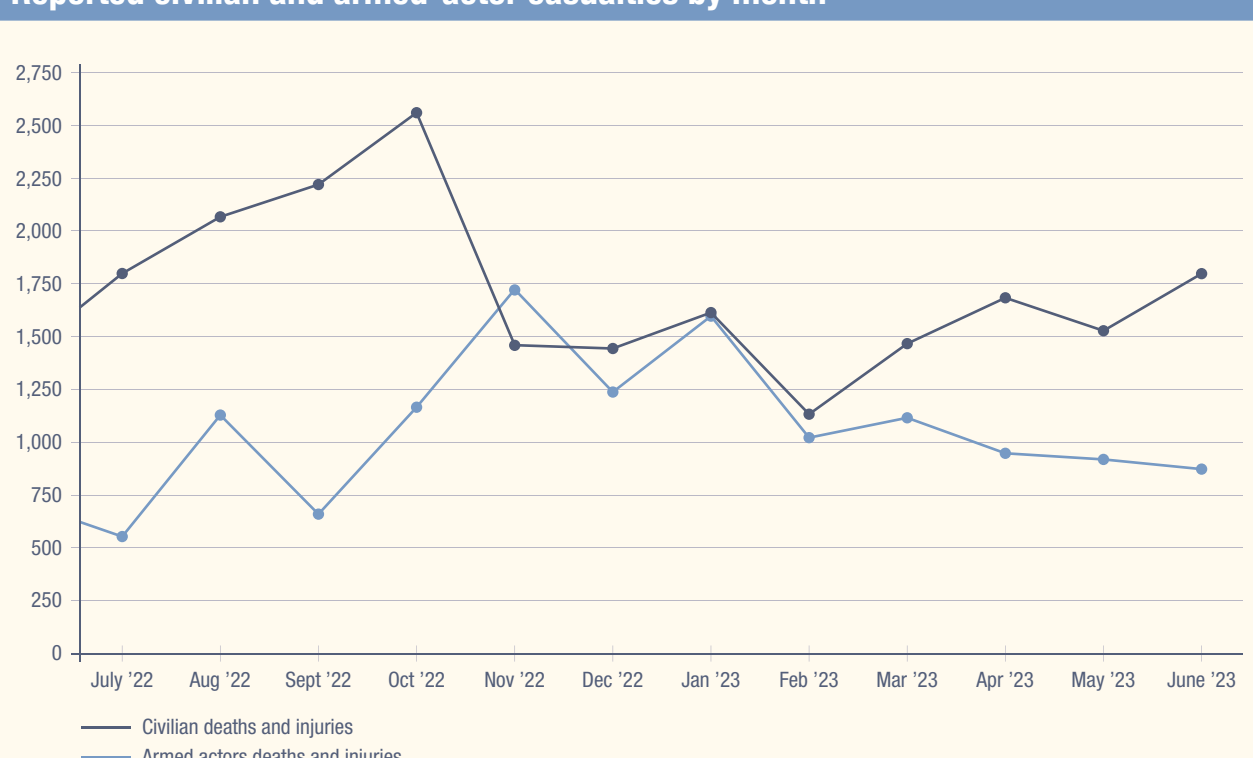


## ANNUAL UPDATES FOR 2022–2023

### Reported incidents of explosive weapon use that resulted in casualties

In the last year (July 2022 to June 2023), at least one death or injury from the use of explosive weapons was recorded in **61** countries and territories. Worldwide, there were 5,788 incidents of explosive weapon use resulting in 33,658 casualties, of which 62% (20,732) were civilians. About 47% of all reported civilian casualties occurred in Ukraine. Other affected countries and territories in terms of civilian casualties from the use of explosive weapons were Afghanistan, Iraq, Myanmar, Somalia, and Syria.

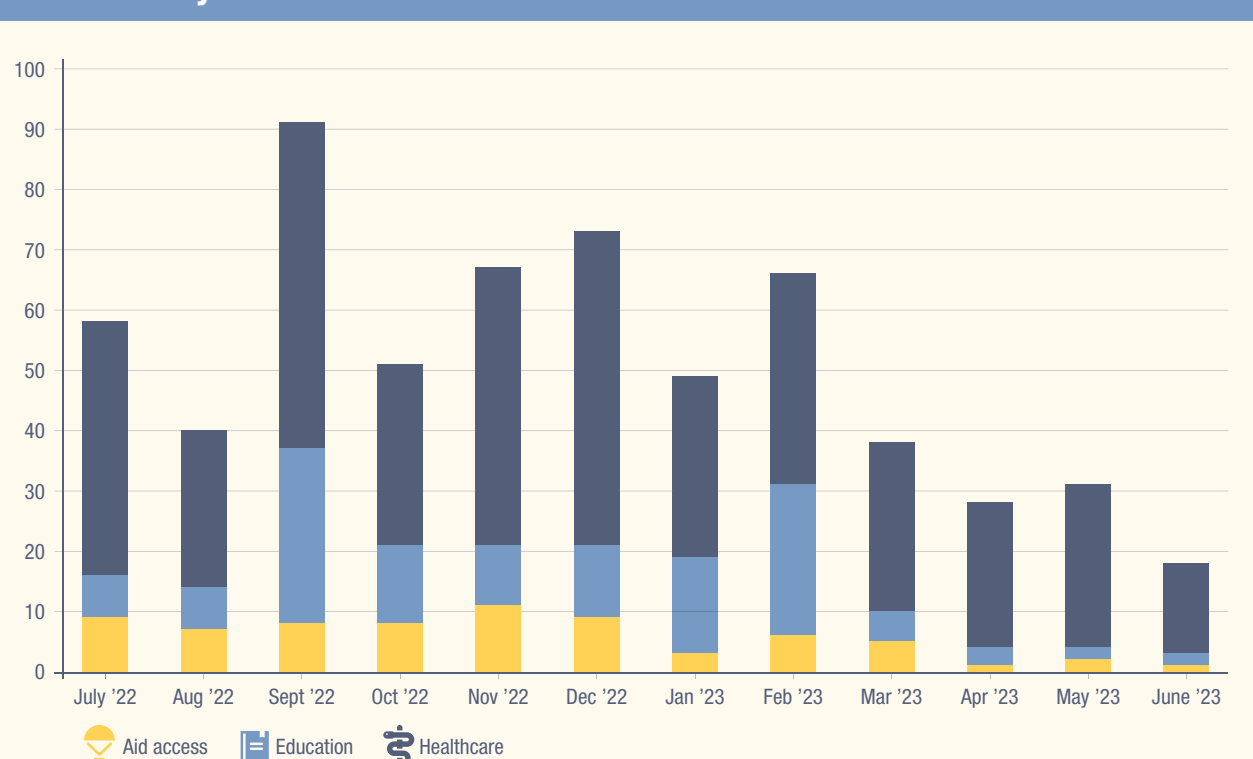
### Reported civilian and armed-actor casualties by month



### Reported incidents of explosive weapon use affecting aid access, education and healthcare

In the last year (July 2022 to June 2023), there were **676** recorded incidents of explosive weapon use affecting aid access, education, and healthcare services in 24 countries and territories. Recorded incidents have increased in the Democratic Republic of the Congo, Myanmar, and Sudan. Reported incidents have decreased in Afghanistan, Ethiopia, and Syria. Nearly 70% of all incidents were documented in Ukraine. In total, at least 108 aid workers, educators and health workers were killed by explosive weapons use in the last year.

### Reported incidents of explosive weapon use affecting aid access, education and healthcare by month



Data collection is ongoing and data may change as more information is made available.

This bulletin produced by Explosive Weapons Monitor publishes data on incidents of explosive weapon use around the world as reported in open sources. It uses data collected by Action on Armed Violence (AOAV) on incidents of explosive weapon use and casualties (including deaths and injuries), and data collected by Insecurity Insight on incidents of explosive weapon use affecting aid access, education and healthcare.