# CONFLICT-RELATED DEATHS OF CIVILIANS



NUMBER OF CONFLICT-RELATED DEATHS PER 100,000 POPULATION, BY SEX, AGE AND CAUSE.

### WHAT?

This indicator is the total count of conflict-related deaths divided by the total population, expressed per 100,000 population.

### WHY?

Counting conflict-related deaths helps protect civilians and others, promote respect for human rights and humanitarian standards, and understand better patterns and consequences of armed conflicts in order to prevent their repetition.

176,095

CIVILIAN DEATHS IN 12 OF THE DEADLIEST ARMED CONFLICTS BETWEEN 2015 AND 2020 DESPITE PROTECTIONS UNDER INTERNATIONAL LAW



# 12 ARMED CONFLICTS

AFGHANISTAN CENTRAL AFRICAN REPUBLIC DEMOCRATIC
REPUBLIC OF CONGO
IRAQ
ISRAEL AND THE
OCCUPIED
PALESTINIAN

**TERRITORY** 

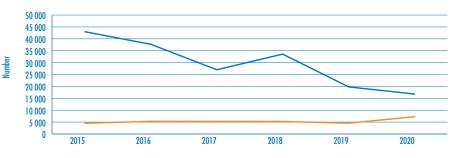
LIBYA MALI SOMALIA SOUTH SUDAN SYRIA UKRAINE YEMEN



1 IN 7 OF DEATHS
WERE WOMEN AND CHILDREN

CIVILIAN PER 100,000 POPULATION KILLED EVERY YEAR

TOTAL COUNT OF CONFLICT-RELATED DEATHS (CIVILIANS), 2015-2020



— Sub-Saharan Africa\*\*

12 Armed Conflicts\*

Note:

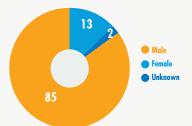
\*This figure includes only documented and verified civilian deaths caused directly by war operations for the urmed conflicts in Afghanistan, Central African Republic, Democratic Republic of Congo, Iraq, Libya, Mali, State of Palestine and Israel, Somalia, South Sudan, Syria, Ukraine, and Yemen.

\*\* Includes armed conflicts in Central African Republic, Democratic Republic of Congo, Mali, Somalia and South Sudan.

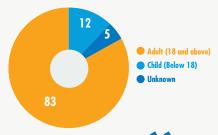
Figures may vary from other UN civilian casualty figures due to the methodology used that build on UN casualty data by integrating new data sources.

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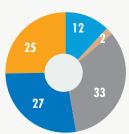
## CONFLICT-RELATED DEATHS OF CIVILIANS, BY SEX, 2020 (PERCENTAGE)



## CONFLICT-RELATED DEATHS OF CIVILIANS, BY AGE, 2020 (PERCENTAGE)



# CONFLICT-RELATED DEATHS OF CIVILIANS, BY MAIN CAUSE OF DEATH, 2020 (PERCENTAGE)



- Heavy weapons and explosive munitions
- Planted explosives and unexploded ordnance (UXO)
- Unknown
- Small arms and light weapons
- Others\*

\* Includes Incendiary; Chemical, biological, radiological, nuclear (CBRN); Electromagnetic weapons; Less lethal weapons; Denial of access to/ destruction of objects indispensable to survival; Accidents related to conflict; Use of objects and other means; Multiple Weapons Used: Other

Respect for human rights is the foundation for peace and constitutes the best tool we have to prevent violence and conflict in the world.

Michelle Bachelet, United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights







