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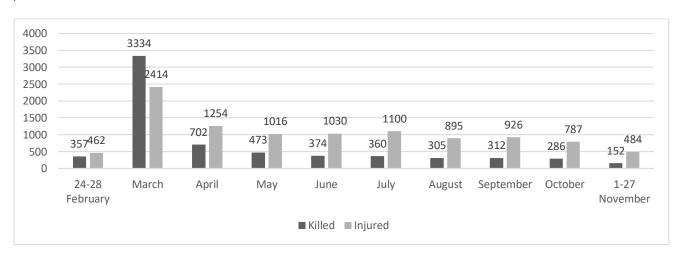
Ukraine: civilian casualty update¹

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From 24 February 2022, when the Russian Federation's armed attack against Ukraine started, to 27 November 2022, the Office of the UN High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR) recorded 17,023 civilian casualties in the country: 6,655 killed and 10,368 injured. This included:

- a total of 6,655 killed (2,601 men, 1,783 women, 173 girls, and 209 boys, as well as 37 children and 1,852 adults whose sex is yet unknown)
- a total of 10,368 injured (2,245 men, 1,604 women, 215 girls, and 304 boys, as well as 250 children and 5,750 adults whose sex is yet unknown)
 - o In Donetsk and Luhansk regions: 9,352 casualties (3,962 killed and 5,390 injured)
 - On Government-controlled territory: 7,350 casualties (3,502 killed and 3,848 injured)
 - On territory controlled by Russian armed forces and affiliated armed groups: 2,002 casualties (460 killed and 1,542 injured)
 - In other regions of Ukraine (the city of Kyiv, and Cherkasy, Chernihiv, Ivano-Frankivsk, Kharkiv, Kherson, Kirovohrad, Kyiv, Mykolaiv, Odesa, Sumy, Zaporizhzhia, Dnipropetrovsk, Khmelnytskyi, Poltava, Rivne, Ternopil, Vinnytsia, Volyn, and Zhytomyr regions), which were under Government control when casualties occurred: 7,671 casualties (2,693 killed and 4,978 injured)

Civilian casualties in Ukraine from 24 February to 27 November 2022 (individual cases verified by OHCHR), per month



Most of the civilian casualties recorded were caused by the use of explosive weapons with wide area effects, including shelling from heavy artillery, multiple launch rocket systems, missiles and air strikes.

¹ An increase in figures in this update compared with the previous update (as of 20 November 2022) should not be attributed to civilian casualties that occurred from 21 to 27 November only, as during these days OHCHR also corroborated casualties that occurred on previous days. Similarly, not all civilian casualties that were reported from 21 to 27 November have been included into the above figures. Some of them are still pending corroboration and if confirmed, will be reported on in future updates.

OHCHR believes that the actual figures are considerably higher, as the receipt of information from some locations where intense hostilities have been going on has been delayed and many reports are still pending corroboration. This concerns, for example, Mariupol (Donetsk region), Izium (Kharkiv region), Lysychansk, Popasna, and Sievierodonetsk (Luhansk region), where there are allegations of numerous civilian casualties.

Civilian casualties from 1 to 27 November 2022 (individual cases verified by OHCHR)

From 1 to 27 November 2022, OHCHR recorded 636 civilian casualties:

- 152 killed (49 men, 34 women, 3 girls, 4 boys, as well as 3 children and 59 adults whose sex is yet unknown); and
- 484 injured (127 men, 81 women, 9 girls, 13 boys, as well as 8 children and 246 adults whose sex is yet unknown).

This included:

- 125 killed and 411 injured in 97 settlements in regions (parts of regions), which were under Government control when casualties occurred (84 percent of the total); and
- 27 killed and 73 injured in 8 settlements in parts of Luhansk and Donetsk regions controlled by Russian armed forces and affiliated armed groups (16 percent of the total).

Per type of weapon/incident:

- Explosive weapons with wide area effects: 143 killed and 448 injured (93 per cent);
- Mines and explosive remnants of war: 9 killed and 36 injured (7 per cent).

The UN Human Rights Monitoring Mission in Ukraine

Since 2014, OHCHR has been documenting civilian casualties in Ukraine. Reports are based on information that the UN Human Rights Monitoring Mission in Ukraine (HRMMU) collected through interviews with victims and their relatives; witnesses; analysis of corroborating material confidentially shared with HRMMU; official records; open-source documents, photo and video materials; forensic records and reports; criminal investigation materials; court documents; reports by international and national non-governmental organisations; public reports by law enforcement and military actors; data from medical facilities and local authorities. All sources and information are assessed for their relevance and credibility and cross-checked against other information. In some instances, corroboration may take time. This may mean that conclusions on civilian casualties may be revised as more information becomes available and numbers may change as new information emerges over time. Statistics presented in the current update are based on individual civilian casualty records where the "reasonable grounds to believe" standard of proof was met, namely where, based on a body of verified information, an ordinarily prudent observer would have reasonable grounds to believe that the casualty took place as described.

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