



## Daraa Province Recorded the Highest Number of Victims in February 2017

### **Casualties Report for February 2017**

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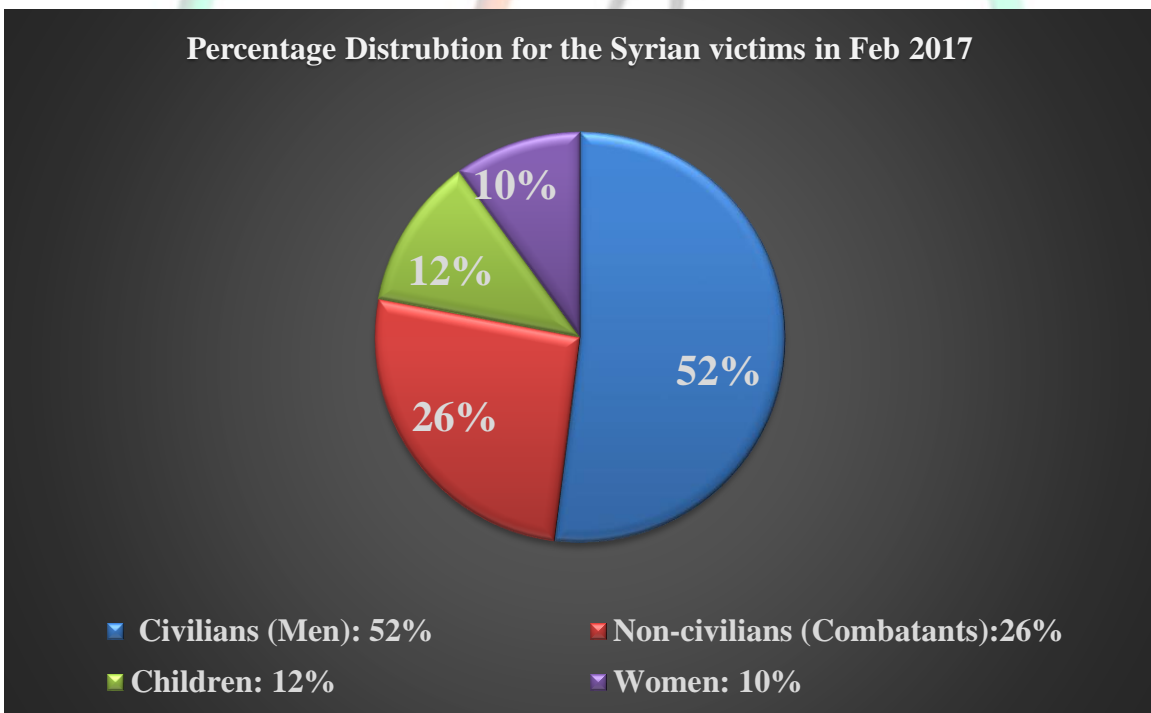


**Executive Summary:** In February 2017, DCHRS documented 850 casualties, including 100 children and 89 women. 74% of those killed were civilians. The remaining 26% were combatants, armed rebels, and soldiers from different fighting factions. Children and women respectively made up 12% and 10% of the total number of war casualties, while the remaining 70% were men.

Out of the male casualties, 67% were unarmed men civilians and 33% were armed from various factions.

The highest number of casualties in February, 2017 was recorded in Daraa province (260 persons in total), followed by Damascus suburbs (156 persons in total), most of whom were killed by the indiscriminate shelling of the Syrian regime and Russian forces warplanes, and ISIS's and the regime's fire.

Additionally, Russian airstrikes resulted in the death of 120 victims accumulating to 14% of the entire casualties, most of them were killed mainly in the provinces of Daraa, Hama, and Aleppo regardless of the agreed "Ceasefire" that was implemented on Feb 27, 2016, and the related agreement that went into effect on Dec 29, 2016.





<b>Table 1: Distribution of Casualties</b>	
<i>Tortured to death</i>	9
<i>Shellfire</i>	216
<i>Free Syria Army (FSA) soldiers killed in action (KIA)</i>	217
<i>Extrajudicial killings</i>	1
<i>Sniper fire / indiscriminate shooting</i>	18
<i>Murdered by armed factions</i>	107
<i>Killed in crossfire</i>	3
<i>Starvation due to siege</i>	6
<i>Bombings and Drowning</i>	99
<i>U.S.-led coalition airstrikes</i>	33
<i>Russian airstrikes</i>	120
<i>Turkish airstrikes</i>	21
<b>Total</b>	<b>850</b>

*Of the above 850 casualties, 100 were children and 89 were women.*



**Table 2: Regional Distribution of Casualties (Civilians and Combatants)**

<b>Province</b>	<b>Civilians</b>	<b>Combatants</b>	<b>Subtotal</b>
<i>Daraa</i>	85	175	<b>260</b>
<i>Hama</i>	156	0	<b>156</b>
<i>Aleppo</i>	113	5	<b>118</b>
<i>Damascus and Suburbs</i>	69	21	<b>90</b>
<i>Idlib</i>	70	0	<b>70</b>
<i>Al-Raqqa</i>	70	0	<b>70</b>
<i>Der Ezzor</i>	34	11	<b>45</b>
<i>Homs</i>	32	5	<b>37</b>
<i>Al-Hasaka</i>	4	0	<b>4</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>633</b>	<b>217</b>	<b>850</b>



**Table 3: Breakdown by Region**

<b>Province / Cause of death</b>	<i>Killed by Torture</i>	<i>Shellfire</i>	<i>FSA soldiers KIA</i>	<i>Extrajudicial Killings</i>	<i>Sniper fire / indiscriminate shooting</i>	<i>Victims Killed by Armed Groups</i>	<i>Killed in crossfire</i>	<i>Starvation due to sieges</i>	<i>Bombings</i>	<i>U.S.-led coalition airstrikes</i>	<i>Russian airstrikes</i>	<i>Turkish airstrikes</i>
<i>Daraa</i>	1	22	175	0	4	17	1	0	14	0	26	0
<i>Hama</i>	1	22	5	0	7	83	0	0	5	0	33	0
<i>Aleppo</i>	0	21	0	0	0	0	0	0	52	0	24	21
<i>Damascus and Suburbs</i>	0	59	21	0	4	0	1	5	0	0	0	0
<i>Idlib</i>	2	38	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	28	0
<i>Al Raqqa</i>	0	23	0	0	0	2	1	0	11	33	0	0
<i>Der Ezzor</i>	5	6	11	0	0	3	0	1	12	0	7	0
<i>Homs</i>	0	25	5	1	3	1	0	0	0	0	2	0
<i>Al-Hasaka</i>	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	3	0	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>216</b>	<b>217</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>107</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>99</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>120</b>	<b>21</b>





**Table 4: Regional Distribution, By Sex / Minors**

<b>Province</b>	<b>Men</b>	<b>Children</b>	<b>Women</b>
<i>Daraa</i>	217	24	19
<i>Hama</i>	130	15	11
<i>Aleppo</i>	92	13	13
<i>Damascus and Suburbs</i>	69	13	8
<i>Idlib</i>	34	14	22
<i>Al-Raqqqa</i>	55	9	6
<i>Der Ezzor</i>	36	5	4
<i>Homs</i>	26	7	4
<i>Al-Hasaka</i>	2	0	2
<b>Total</b>	<b>661</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>89</b>