



Al-Raqqa Province Recorded the Highest Number of Victims in March 2017

Casualties Report for March 2017

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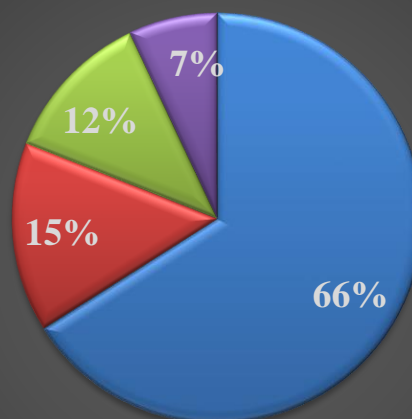
Executive Summary: In March 2017, DCHRS documented 807 casualties, including 98 children and 60 women. 85% of those killed were civilians. The remaining 15% were combatants, armed rebels, and soldiers from different fighting factions. Children and women respectively made up 12% and 7% of the total number of war casualties, while the remaining 66% were civilian men.

Out of the male casualties, 82% were unarmed men civilians and 18% were armed from various factions.

The highest number of casualties in March, 2017 was recorded in Al-Raqqqa province (205 persons in total), followed by Damascus suburbs (137 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 186 victims accumulating to 23% of the entire casualties, most of them were killed mainly in the provinces of Al-Raqqqa, Damascus and suburbs, 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. The US led coalition strikes killed 181 victims, most of whom were civilians.

Percentage Distrubtion for the Syrian victims in March 2017



- Civilians (Men): 66%
- Non-civilians (Combatants): 15%
- Children: 12%
- Women: 7%



Table 1: Distribution of Casualties	
<i>Tortured to death</i>	2
<i>Shellfire</i>	176
<i>Free Syria Army (FSA) soldiers killed in action (KIA)</i>	119
<i>Extrajudicial killings</i>	2
<i>Sniper fire / indiscriminate shooting</i>	7
<i>Murdered by armed factions</i>	30
<i>Killed in crossfire</i>	3
<i>Starvation due to siege</i>	7
<i>Bombings and Drowning</i>	93
<i>U.S.-led coalition airstrikes</i>	181
<i>Russian airstrikes</i>	186
<i>Turkish airstrikes</i>	1
Total	807

Of the above 807 casualties, 98 were children and 60 were women.



Table 2: Regional Distribution of Casualties (Civilians and Combatants)			
Province	Civilians	Combatants	Subtotal
<i>Al-Raqqa</i>	205	0	205
<i>Damascus and Suburbs</i>	93	44	137
<i>Aleppo</i>	130	1	131
<i>Idlib</i>	95	4	99
<i>Daraa</i>	53	45	98
<i>Der Ezzor</i>	50	5	55
<i>Hama</i>	30	13	43
<i>Homs</i>	31	3	34
<i>Al-Hasaka</i>	2	3	5
Total	689	118	807



Table 3: Breakdown by Region

Province / Cause of death	<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 siege</i>	<i>Bombings</i>	<i>U.S.-led coalition airstrikes</i>	<i>Russian airstrikes</i>	<i>Turkish airstrikes</i>
<i>Al-Raqqa</i>	0	3	0	0	0	11	0	0	21	156	14	0
<i>Damascus and Suburbs</i>	0	44	45	0	7	1	0	6	2	0	32	0
<i>Aleppo</i>	0	26	1	0	0	0	0	0	14	18	72	0
<i>Idlib</i>	0	22	4	2	0	1	0	0	20	1	49	0
<i>Daraa</i>	1	26	45	0	0	8	1	0	17	0	0	0
<i>Der Ezzor</i>	1	19	5	0	0	7	0	0	18	2	2	1
<i>Hama</i>	0	11	13	0	0	1	1	0	1	4	12	0
<i>Homs</i>	0	25	3	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	5	0
<i>Al-Hasaka</i>	0	0	3	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
Total	2	176	119	2	7	30	3	7	93	181	186	1



Table 4: Regional Distribution, By Sex / Minors

Province	Men	Children	Women
<i>Al-Raqqa</i>	164	24	17
<i>Damascus and Suburbs</i>	106	17	14
<i>Aleppo</i>	106	19	6
<i>Idlib</i>	78	14	7
<i>Daraa</i>	87	6	5
<i>Der Ezzor</i>	43	10	2
<i>Hama</i>	42	0	1
<i>Homs</i>	18	8	8
<i>Al-Hasaka</i>	5	0	0
Total	649	98	60