



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

Casualties Report for August 2017

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Executive Summary: In August 2017, DCHRS documented 659 casualties, including 110 children and 103 women. 92% of those killed were civilians. The remaining 9% were combatants, armed rebels, and soldiers from different fighting factions. Children and women respectively made up 17% and 16% of the total number of war casualties, while the remaining 58% were civilian men.

Out of the male casualties, 87% were unarmed men civilians and 13% were armed from various factions.

The highest number of casualties in August, 2017 was recorded in Al-Raqqa province (276 persons in total), followed by Der Ezzor (138 persons in total), most of whom were killed by the indiscriminate shelling of the U.S led coalition airstrikes, the Syrian regime strikes, and Russian forces warplanes.

Additionally, The US led coalition strikes killed 286 victims, most of whom died in AL-Raqqa and Deir Ezzor with ratio of 43% of total war victims. Syrian regime airstrikes killed 130 accumulating to 20% of the entire number of victims. Russian airstrikes resulted in the death of 27 victims accumulating to 4% of the entire casualties, most of them were killed mainly in the provinces of AL-Raqqa, and Deir Ezzo.

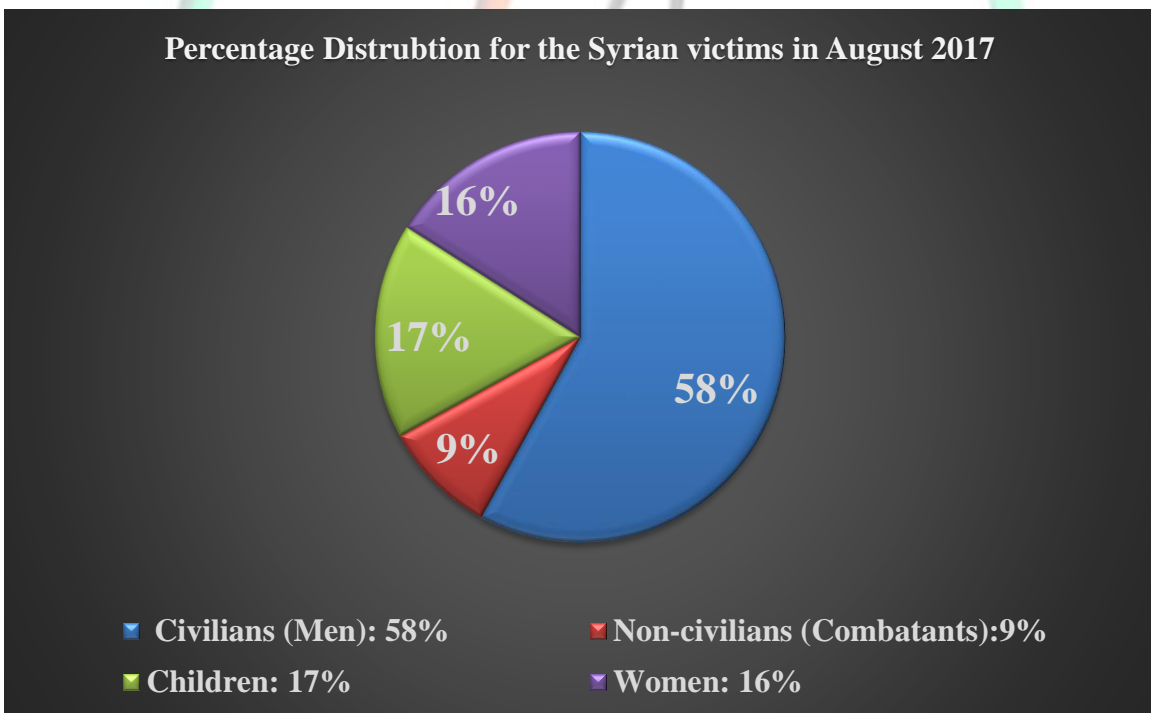




Table 1: Distribution of Casualties	
<i>Tortured to death</i>	5
<i>Shellfire</i>	130
<i>Soldiers killed in action (KIA)</i>	58
<i>Extrajudicial killings</i>	0
<i>Sniper fire / indiscriminate shooting</i>	9
<i>Murdered by armed factions</i>	30
<i>Killed in crossfire</i>	11
<i>Starvation due to siege</i>	10
<i>Bombings and Drowning</i>	93
<i>U.S.-led coalition airstrikes</i>	286
<i>Russian airstrikes</i>	27
<i>Turkish airstrikes</i>	0
Total	659



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

Province	Civilians	Combatants	Subtotal
<i>Al-Raqqqa</i>	267	0	267
<i>Der Ezzor</i>	135	3	138
<i>Daraa</i>	54	20	74
<i>Damascus & Subrubs</i>	50	20	70
<i>Homs</i>	64	4	68
<i>Hama</i>	22	11	33
<i>Idlib</i>	3	0	3
<i>Aleppo</i>	3	0	3
<i>Qunietra</i>	3	0	3
Total	601	58	659



Table 3: Breakdown by Region

<i>Province / Cause of death</i>	<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>Total</i>
<i>Al-Raqqa</i>	0	1	0	0	0	2	0	1	25	235	3	0	267
<i>Der Ezzor</i>	1	74	3	0	0	20	0	3	11	24	2	0	138
<i>Daraa</i>	1	3	20	0	5	1	1	0	43	0	0	0	74
<i>Damascus & Subrubs</i>	2	23	20	0	2	7	7	6	2	1	0	0	70
<i>Homs</i>	0	20	4	0	2	0	0	0	7	26	9	0	68
<i>Hama</i>	1	5	11	0	0	0	1	0	2	0	13	0	33
<i>Idlib</i>	0	1	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	3
<i>Aleppo</i>	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
<i>Qunietra</i>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	3
Total	5	130	58	0	9	30	11	10	93	286	27	0	659



Table 4: Regional Distribution, By Sex / Minors

Province	Men	Children	Women
<i>Al-Raqqa</i>	148	58	61
<i>Der Ezzor</i>	102	22	14
<i>Daraa</i>	71	2	1
<i>Damascus & Subrubs</i>	53	13	4
<i>Homs</i>	36	14	18
<i>Hama</i>	27	1	5
<i>Idlib</i>	3	0	0
<i>Aleppo</i>	3	0	0
<i>Qunietra</i>	3	0	0
Total	446	110	103