



## Damascus Suburbs Recorded the Highest Number of Victims in February 2018

### Casualties Report for February 2018

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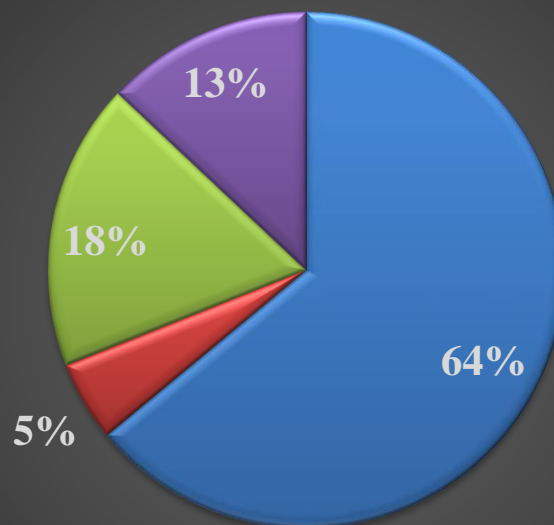
**Executive Summary:** In February 2018, DCHRS documented 872 casualties, including 159 children and 112 women. 95% of those killed were civilians. The remaining 5% were combatants, armed rebels, and soldiers from different fighting factions. Children and women respectively made up 18% and 13% of the total number of war casualties, while the remaining 64% were civilian men.

Out of the male casualties, 93% were unarmed men civilians and 7% were armed from various factions.

The highest number of casualties in February 2018 was recorded in Damascus and its suburbs province (607 persons in total), followed by Der Ezzor province (70 persons in total), most of whom were killed by the indiscriminate shelling of the Syrian regime strikes, and Russian forces warplanes.

Additionally, Syrian regime airstrikes killed 608 accumulating to 70% of the entire number of victims, Russian airstrikes resulted in the death of 86 victims accumulating to 10% of the entire casualties, and the US led coalition strikes killed 32 victims with a ratio of 4% of total war victims.

Percentage Distribution for the Syrian victims in February 2018



- Civilians (Men): 64%
- Children: 18%
- Non-civilians (Combatants): 5%
- Women: 13%



**Table 1: Distribution of Casualties**

<b>Reason of Dearth</b>	<b>Number of Victims</b>
<i>Tortured to death</i>	6
<i>Shellfire</i>	608
<i>Soldiers killed in action (KIA)</i>	43
<i>Extrajudicial killings</i>	0
<i>Sniper fire / indiscriminate shooting</i>	3
<i>Murdered by armed factions</i>	26
<i>Killed in crossfire</i>	10
<i>Starvation due to siege</i>	11
<i>Bombings and Drowning</i>	47
<i>U.S.-led coalition airstrikes</i>	86
<i>Russian airstrikes</i>	32
<i>Turkish airstrikes</i>	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>872</b>



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

<b>Province</b>	<b>Civilians</b>	<b>Combatants</b>	<b>Subtotal</b>
<i>Damascus &amp; Suburbs</i>	581	26	<b>607</b>
<i>Der Ezzor</i>	70	0	<b>70</b>
<i>Idlib</i>	53	0	<b>53</b>
<i>Ar-Raqqa</i>	50	0	<b>50</b>
<i>Aleppo</i>	41	0	<b>41</b>
<i>Homs</i>	18	8	<b>26</b>
<i>Daraa</i>	16	7	<b>23</b>
<i>Quneitra</i>	0	2	<b>2</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>829</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>872</b>



**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>Damascus &amp; Suburbs</i>	0	558	26	0	0	10	0	11	2	0	0	0	<b>607</b>
<i>Der Ezzor</i>	4	16	0	0	1	8	5	0	18	16	2	0	<b>70</b>
<i>Idlib</i>	0	16	0	0	0	1	1	0	8	0	27	0	<b>53</b>
<i>Ar-Raqqa</i>	0	0	0	0	0	5	1	0	13	30	1	0	<b>50</b>
<i>Aleppo</i>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	40	1	0	<b>41</b>
<i>Homs</i>	1	14	8	0	2	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	<b>26</b>
<i>Daraa</i>	1	4	7	0	0	2	3	0	5	0	1	0	<b>23</b>
<i>Quneitra</i>	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<b>2</b>
<i>Total</i>	<b>6</b>	<b>608</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>86</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>872</b>





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

<b>Province</b>	<b>Men</b>	<b>Children</b>	<b>Women</b>	<b>Total</b>
<i>Damascus &amp; Suburbs</i>	426	104	77	<b>607</b>
<i>Der Ezzor</i>	42	17	11	<b>70</b>
<i>Idlib</i>	44	6	3	<b>53</b>
<i>Ar-Raqqa</i>	39	6	5	<b>50</b>
<i>Aleppo</i>	9	20	12	<b>41</b>
<i>Homs</i>	22	2	2	<b>26</b>
<i>Daraa</i>	17	4	2	<b>23</b>
<i>Quneitra</i>	2	0	0	<b>2</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>601</b>	<b>159</b>	<b>112</b>	<b>872</b>