



“Damascus Suburbs and Aleppo Provinces Recorded the Highest Number of Victims in December 2015”

Russia’s Attacks and Airstrike Resulted in The Killing of 426 Victims

Casualties Report for December 2015

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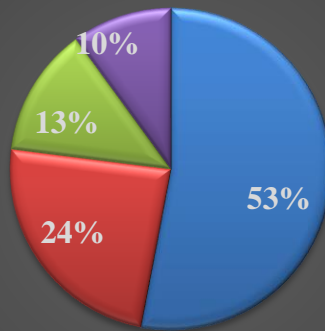
Executive Summary: In December 2015 DCHRS documented 1,802 casualties, including 227 children and 189 women. 76% of those killed were civilians. The remaining 24% were combatants, armed rebels, and soldiers from different fighting factions. Women and children respectively made up 10% and 13% of the total number of war casualties.

Out of the male casualties, 69% were unarmed men civilians and 31% were armed from various factions.

The highest number of casualties in December, 2015 was recorded in Damascus suburbs province (508 persons in total), Followed by Aleppo (473 persons in total), most of whom died due to indiscriminate shelling.

Additionally, Russian airstrikes assaults resulted in the death of 453 victims who were killed mainly in, Aleppo, Idlib and Damascus suburbs.

Percentage Distrubtion for the Syrian victims in December 2015



- Civilians (Men): 53%
- Non-civilians (Combatants): 24%
- Children: 13%
- Women: 10%



Table 1: Distribution of Casualties

<i>Tortured to death</i>	20
<i>Shellfire</i>	661
<i>Free Syria Army (FSA) soldiers killed in action (KIA)</i>	437
<i>Extrajudicial killings</i>	0
<i>Sniper fire / indiscriminate shooting</i>	10
<i>Murdered by armed factions</i>	66
<i>Killed in crossfire</i>	27
<i>Starvation due to siege</i>	25
<i>Bombings and Drownings</i>	58
<i>U.S.-led coalition airstrikes</i>	45
<i>Russian airstrikes</i>	453
Total (October 2015)	1802

Of the above 1,802, 277 casualties were children and 189 were women.



Table 2: Regional Distribution of Casualties (Civilians and Combatants)			
Province	Civilians	Combatants	Subtotal
<i>Damascus and Suburbs</i>	432	76	508
<i>Aleppo</i>	352	121	473
<i>Idlib</i>	154	103	257
<i>Dara</i>	95	60	155
<i>Der Ezzor</i>	119	3	122
<i>Homs</i>	66	26	92
<i>Hama</i>	35	45	80
<i>Ar-Raqqqa</i>	67	2	69
<i>Al-Hassaka</i>	43	0	43
<i>Latakia</i>	2	1	3
Total	1365	437	1802



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>Damascus and Suburbs</i>	2	372	76	0	7	4	9	21	13	0	4
<i>Aleppo</i>	3	96	121	0	0	20	2	0	29	0	202
<i>Idlib</i>	1	24	103	0	1	0	2	1	4	0	121
<i>Dara</i>	9	61	60	0	2	10	7	0	2	0	4
<i>Der Ezzor</i>	1	64	3	0	0	29	0	3	0	0	22
<i>Homs</i>	2	35	26	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	29
<i>Hama</i>	1	6	45	0	0	0	1	0	3	0	24
<i>Ar-Raqa</i>	1	3	2	0	0	1	6	0	6	6	44
<i>Al-Hassaka</i>	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	1	39	1
<i>Latakia</i>	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Total	20	661	437	0	10	66	27	25	58	45	453



Table 4: Regional Distribution, By Sex / Minors

Province	Men	Children	Women
<i>Damascus and Suburbs</i>	371	102	35
<i>Aleppo</i>	345	74	54
<i>Idlib</i>	207	32	18
<i>Dara</i>	125	19	11
<i>Der Ezzor</i>	79	9	34
<i>Homs</i>	72	10	10
<i>Hama</i>	69	7	4
<i>Ar-Raqqa</i>	61	1	7
<i>Al-Hassaka</i>	13	23	7
<i>Latakia</i>	3	0	0
Total	1345	277	180