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As of December 2024, there were no reliable statistics available on direct and indirect conflict deaths. For more information on the difficulty of reporting and obtaining data in the conflict see sections 1.1.4 Security incidents and civilian deaths estimates and section 1.3.2 Communication and media presence.

In September 2024, health authorities reported that a cholera outbreak had killed 388 people and infected another 13 000 across the country, with Kassala and Gedaref states being the most affected.1013 MSF identified the IDPs sheltering in the state as particularly affected.1014 For Kassala state, 6 868 cases and 198 deaths were reported at the beginning of November 2024. 1015 That same month, there was a surge in malaria cases with almost 5 000 cases recorded in Gedaref state, prompting the Ministry of Health to start a vaccination campaign. According to the 2023 World Malaria report, Sudan accounted for 49 % of malaria deaths in the region.1016

From 15 April 2023 to 30 November 2024, ACLED observed 59 security incidents in Gedaref, Kassala and Red Sea states with a total estimate of 78 fatalities.1017

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Figure 17: Fatalities as a result of armed conflict in East region, 15 April 2023 – 30 November 2024, based on ACLED data1018

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