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Between January and June 2025, OHCHR documented 224 civilian deaths in the context of the conflict in West Kordofan.[980](#) Between 16 November 2024 and 15 November 2025, the organisation documented 1 253 civilian casualties in the whole Kordofan region.[981](#) Between March 2025 and April 2026, AOA V recorded 475 casualties resulting from explosive weapons use in West Kordofan,[982](#) with several months of no recorded casualties, several months of casualty figures ranging between 40 and 70 (June 2025 with 58,[983](#) November 2025 with 44[984](#) and February 2026 with 71 deaths and injuries[985](#)) and one notable peak in March 2026 (232 deaths and injuries).[986](#) Among the most significant security incidents affecting civilians were drone or airstrikes,[987](#) with the UN reporting that at least 152 civilians had been killed at the beginning of March 2026 alone in SAF drone strikes in the state.[988](#) ACLED observed that the security incidents it recorded in West Kordofan (including Abyei) between 1 March 2025 and 31 August 2026 caused an estimated 3 117 fatalities.[989](#)

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Figure 23: Fatalities as a result of armed conflict in West Kordofan (including Abyei), 1 March 2025 – 31 August 2026, based on ACLED data[990](#)

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