

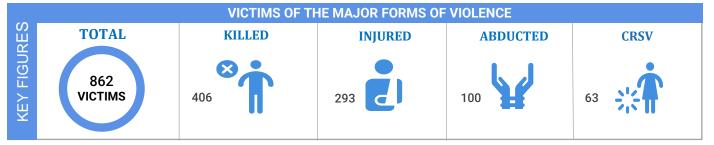
BRIEF ON VIOLENCE AFFECTING CIVILIANS

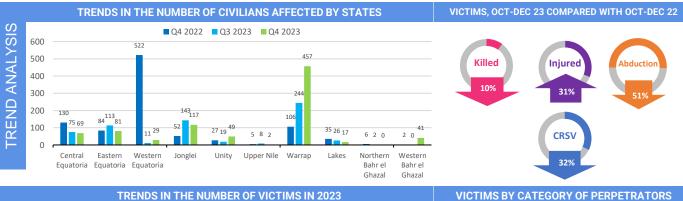
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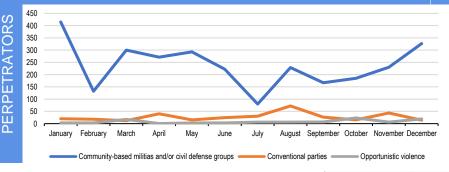
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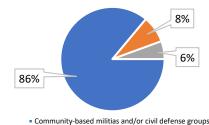
- In the fourth guarter of 2023, at least 862 civilians were directly affected by violence (406 killed, 293 injured, 100 abducted, and 63 subjected to conflict-related sexual violence (CRSV), which represents a 11 percent decrease compared with the same period in 2022, largely due to the overall decline of violence in the Greater Upper Nile region.
- Compared to the previous quarter (July to September 2023), there was a four percent increase in the number of violent incidents; and a 35 percent increase in the total number of civilians affected by violence recorded.
- Sub-national violence involving community-based militias and/or civil-defense groups decreased marginally by one percent compared to the previous quarter and accounted for 86 percent of the victims (740 persons), with the vast majority concentrated in Warrap State.

VIOLATIONS AND ABUSES OF INTERNATIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS AND HUMANITARIAN LAW









- Community-based militias and/or civil defense groups
- Conventional parties
- Opportunistic violence

