

Violent incidents affecting health care 2012-2013

From January 2012 to December 2013, the ICRC documented **1,809** incidents of assaults or threats against patients, health-care personnel, ambulances and health-care facilities in 23 countries.

Health-care personnel

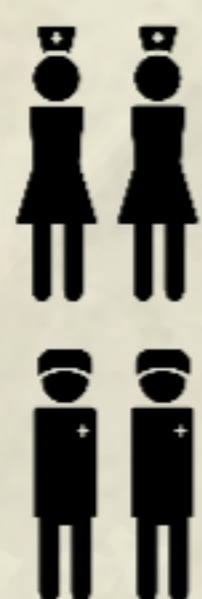


Figure includes doctors, nurses, first aiders, military medics, pharmacists and any other staff providing health care

168

Killed

267

Injured

564

kidnapped
or arrested

212

Threatened

Patients killed or wounded



545

Figure includes wounded and sick under medical treatment or attempting to get access to it

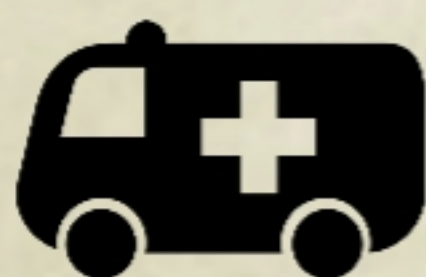
Health-care facilities attacked or looted



410

Figure includes hospitals, health centres, pharmacies and any other facilities used for health-care provision and support

Ambulances



351

Figure includes ambulances services attacked, robbed or delayed

Though these 1,809 incidents probably only represent the tip of the iceberg in terms of the violence affecting health care worldwide, this ICRC report shows some alarming trends and underscores the urgency of protecting the medical mission.

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