Myanmar Information Management Unit

Townships with Known Landmine Contamination and Casualties in Myanmar (2017)

Casualties compared to other countries in Asia

Since 2007, Myanmar has suffered the third highest number of antipersonnel landmine casualties when compared to other countries in the Asian region.

3,539 recorded casualties in Myanmar since 2007. Myanmar ranks 3rd highest.

Landmine casualties since the start of peace talks

Almost 1200 people have been killed or injured by antipersonnel landmines since the previous government launched peace talks with ethnic armed groups in August 2011. More than 90% of these casualties were in Kachin, Kayin, Shan State and East Bago Region.

Type of explosive devices

In 90% of the cases where the explosive danger is known, it is an antipersonnel landmine.

45% Antipersonnel mines
3% Anti-vehicle mines
2% Unexploded Ordinance
50% Type of explosive danger is unknown

Activity at the time of landmine injury

In 3/4 of the incidents no information on activity causing injury was known.

Reported casualties in 2017

- 1 - 2
- 3 - 4
- 5 - 7
- 8 - 18

Gender of civilian landmine casualties

Based on reported information from 2007-2017, landmine casualties are often adult males. Casualties among women and children are expected to increase in the post-conflict time.

Adult males 60%
Adult Females 4%
Children 5%
Unknown 31%

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