

Conflict Incident Monthly Tracker

Ondo State: August-September 2018

Background

This monthly tracker is designed to update Peace Agents on patterns and trends in conflict risk and violence, as identified by the Integrated Peace and Development Unit (IPDU) early warning system, and to seek feedback and input for response to mitigate areas of conflict.

Patterns and Trends June-August 2018

According to Peace Map data (see Figure 1), incidents reported in Ondo state during this period included cult violence, communal tensions, criminality, domestic violence, and Violence Affecting Women and Girls (VAWG).

Violent Criminality: In July, a 64-year old man reportedly shot dead his grandson in Ile-Oluji town, Ile-Oluji/Okeigbo LGA. Separately, a 25-year old herdsman was reportedly killed by a gunman in Ikaram community, Akoko North West LGA. In another incident, the daughter of a former deputy governor of Ondo state was reportedly killed for ritualistic purposes by her boyfriend in Akure South LGA. In Akure North LGA, a former local council chairman was reportedly kidnapped by masked gunmen at his farm in Akure North LGA. In August, a 42-year old store keeper reportedly stabbed his 60-year old male boss to death over salary in Ondo Town, Ondo West LGA. Separately, a kidnapper who reportedly abducts people for ritualistic purposes was arrested by a vigilante group at Orita-Obele Estate, Akure South LGA. In another incident, a 22-year old male robber

was reportedly arrested by the police in Akure South LGA.

Cult Violence: In June, three people were reportedly killed by cultists in Akure South LGA. The victims were killed with machetes at three different locations in the area.

Communal Tension: In August, tension was reportedly elevated over a chieftaincy tussle in Osolo community, Akure South LGA. The leadership tussle intensified during the community's new yam festival celebrations.

Domestic Violence: In August, a 29-year old male farmer reportedly punched his mother-in-law to death during a disagreement over child custody at a farm settlement in Igbotako community, Okitipupa LGA.

Violence Affecting Women and Girls (VAWG): In addition to the impact of criminality and communal tensions on

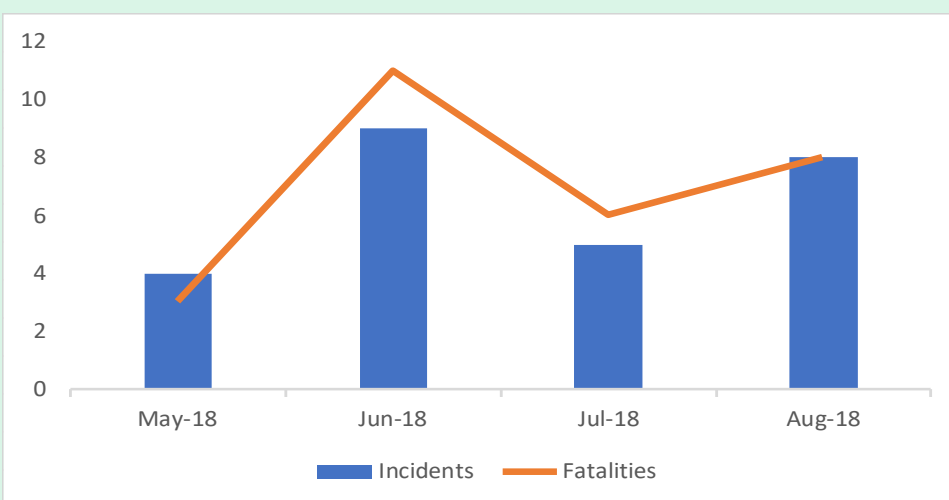
women and girls listed above, sexual violence was also reported during this period. In June, for instance, the two teenage girls were reportedly kidnapped and taken to Lagos State for prostitution by the wife of one of the men that had raped them earlier. In July, a 45-year old man was reportedly arrested for raping his daughter in Ondo town, Akure South LGA.

Recent Incidents, September 2018

Incidents during the month related mainly to political tensions, drug trafficking and protest.

Political Tension: Some members of the All Progressives Congress (APC) reportedly protested at the party secretariat in Okitipupa LGA over the selection of the candidates for the December 2018 local

Figure 1: Incidents and Fatalities, Ondo State



Reported incidents and fatalities from May - August 2018 in Ondo State.

Sources: ACLED and Nigeria Watch formatted on the P4P Peace Map www.p4p-nigerdelta.org.

government elections in the state. The protesters disrupted activities at the secretariat.

Drug Trafficking: Operatives of the National Drug Law Enforcement Agency (NDLEA) reportedly seized and destroyed illegal drugs including cannabis in Akure South LGA.

Protest: There was a protest by youths over electricity power supply in Akure South LGA.

Others: A woman was reportedly shot dead by an operative of the Nigeria Security and Civil Defense Corps (NSCDC) in Akure South LGA. The incident sparked off a violent protest in the state capital. Separately, fire reportedly destroyed paints and chemical products at a company located within the Ondo State Trade Fair Complex in Akure South LGA.

Prognosis

Reported incidents during this period related mainly to criminality, communal/political tensions, cult violence, drug trafficking, protest, and Violence Affecting Women and Girls. Peace Agents must monitor the situation closely and respond appropriately.

Questions for Peace Agents

1. What is missing from the tracker in terms of hotspots, trends, or incidents?
2. Which conflict issue is a priority for you as a Peace Agent?
3. What are some likely trigger events in the next 6 months that could escalate this conflict?
4. Who are the key stakeholders that have influence on the conflict?
5. What will you do to help mitigate the conflict in the short, medium, and long term?

Figure 2: Conflict Fatalities by LGA (June - August 2018)

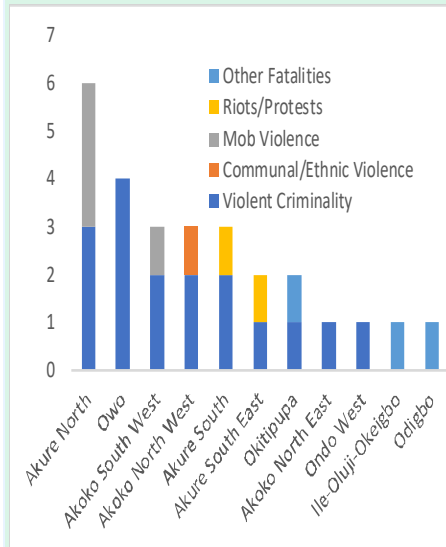
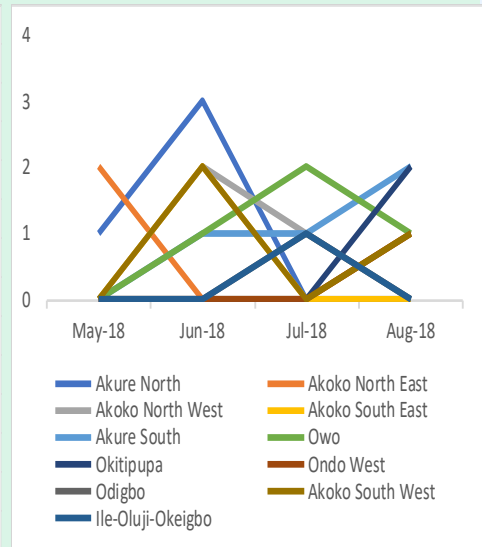
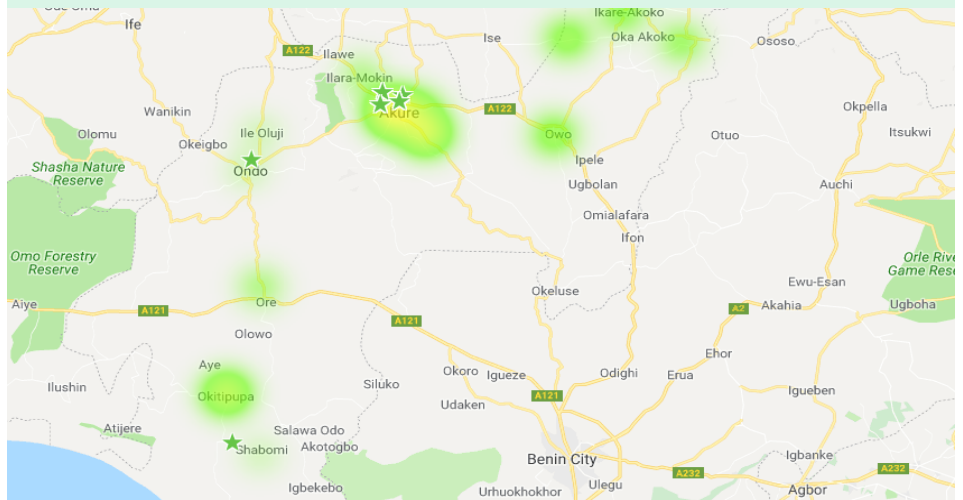


Figure 3: Conflict Fatalities by LGA



Reported incidents by Local Government Area (LGA) in Ondo State this quarter show that Akure North, followed by Owo had the highest number of fatalities. Sources (Figure 2): ACLED and Nigeria Watch data formatted for the P4P Peace Map. Source (Figure 3): Nigeria Watch data formatted for the P4P Peace Map www.p4p-nigerdelta.org

Figure 4: Heat Map of Incidents and Peace Agents in Ondo State



Heat Map shows concentration of incidents reported from June – August 2018 in Ondo, with green stars representing the registered Peace Agents. Source: All data sources formatted for the P4P Peace Map www.p4p-nigerdelta.org

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Text: 080 9936 2222

Incident Details: Kindly include the State, LGA, Town, Date, and Brief Incident Description

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