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<u>Libya: Crimes of Abductions and Assassinations,</u> (January – June 2020)

Over the report's period, 688 casualties of violent incidents in various cities in Libya were documented. The majority, 96% of the victims were civilians, 662 victims, and the percentage of victims from the police, security and military sectors was 4%. The percentage of victims of arbitrary detentions accounted for 55% of the total casualties, victims of assassinations and murder, accounted for 31% of the total casualties, and victims of kidnappings accounted for 9%. About two-thirds of the victims (446 victims, 65%) were documented during the months of April, May and June, while the highest number was in May (193 victims, 28%).

The most violent incident observed during the reporting period was the mass killing that occurred in the town of Mizdah, where "On 27 May at least 30 migrants were killed and 11 injured in Mezda by an armed group affiliated to traffickers and the LAAF [militias loyal to retired Maj Gen Khalifa Haftar]".

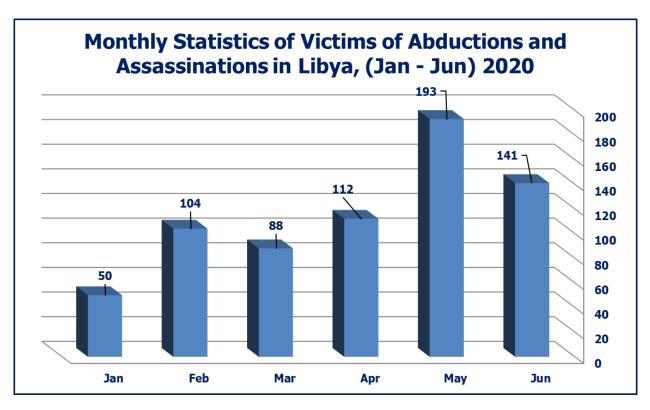
Incidents were distributed more or less closely over the three months; the reporting period. In January, the number of victims was 50 (28%), February accounted for 64 victims (35%), and March accounted for 68 victims (37%).

Most victims, 95% of the total, were victims of crimes in 13 cities and regions of Libya, while the rest were distributed over 15 cities and towns. Benghazi is the city with the highest number of victims, 161 victims, which represents (23%) of the total number of victims, followed by the cities of al-Bayda and Tarhuna, each with 80 victims (12%). Thus, those three cities, Benghazi, al-Bayda and Tarhuna, accounted for almost half of the number of victims of killings and kidnappings during the reporting period. Most of Tarhuna victims are people whose bodies were found in mass graves, after the retreat of Haftar's militias from the area.

370 victims, (54%) of the total number of victims, are in detention, and 212 victims were killed (31%), while 45 victims, (7%), remain missing, joining hundreds of victims of enforced disappearance from previous years. 454 of the victims, (66%) were citizens and 222 victims (32%) were expats, while (2%) were unidentified. Children and women, together, accounted for (8%) of the total number of victims during the reporting period.

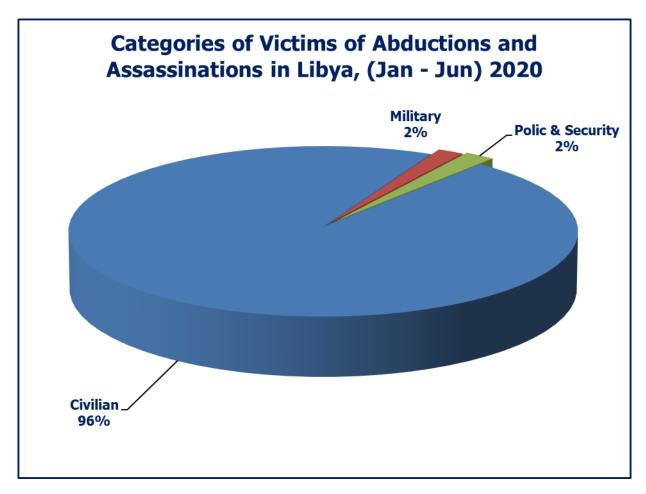
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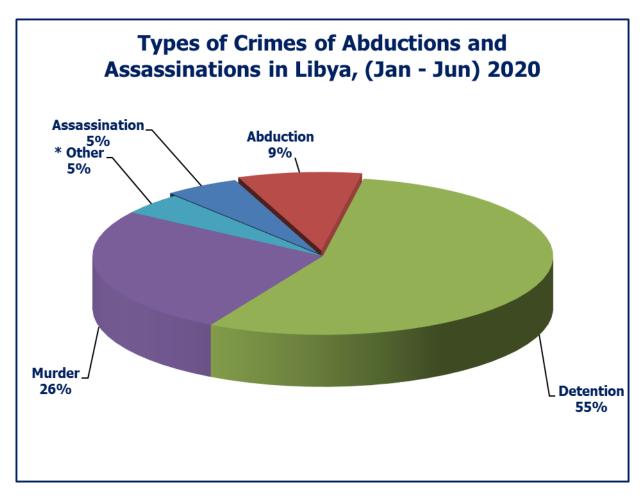
Number of Victims of Abductions and Assassinations (Jan - Jun) 2020			
Month	Count	%	
Jan	50	7	
Feb	104	15	
Mar	88	13	
Apr	112	16	
May	193	28	
Jun	141	20	
Total	688		





Victims of Abductions and Assassinations (Jan - Jun) 2020			
Category	Count	%	
Civilian	662	96	
Military	12	2	
Polic & Security	14	2	
Total	688		

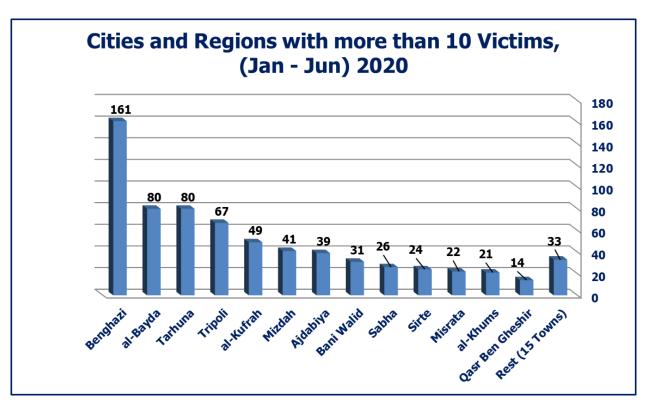




Types of Crimes of Abductions and Assassinations (Jan - Jun) 2020			
Types	Count	%	
Assassination	36	5	
Abduction	60	9	
Detention	380	55	
Murder	181	26	
* Other	31	5	
Total	688		

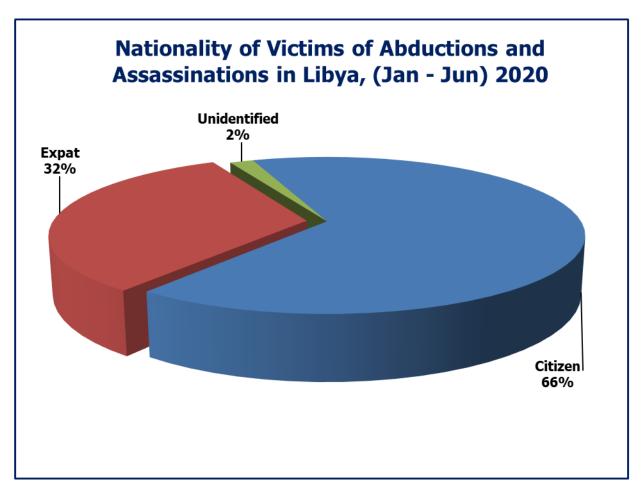
Other: explosion, random shooting, armed assault, escape





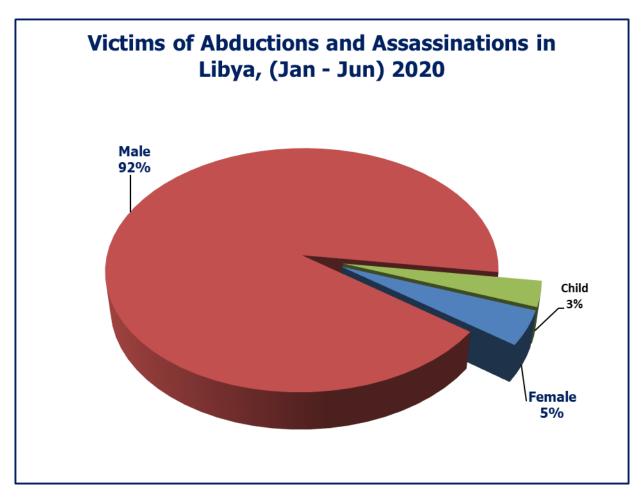
Cities and Regions (10 or more victims) (Jan - Jun) 2020					
No.	City / Region	Count	%	1	
1	Benghazi	161	23		
2	al-Bayda	80	12]	
3	Tarhuna	80	12]	
4	Tripoli	67	10]	
5	al-Kufrah	49	7]	
6	Mizdah	41	6]	
7	Ajdabiya	39	6	655	95%
8	Bani Walid	31	5]	
9	Sabha	26	4]	
10	Sirte	24	3]	
11	Misrata	22	3]	
12	al-Khums	21	3]	
13	Qasr Ben Gheshir	14	2]	
*	Rest (15 Towns)	33	5		
*	Total	688		=	





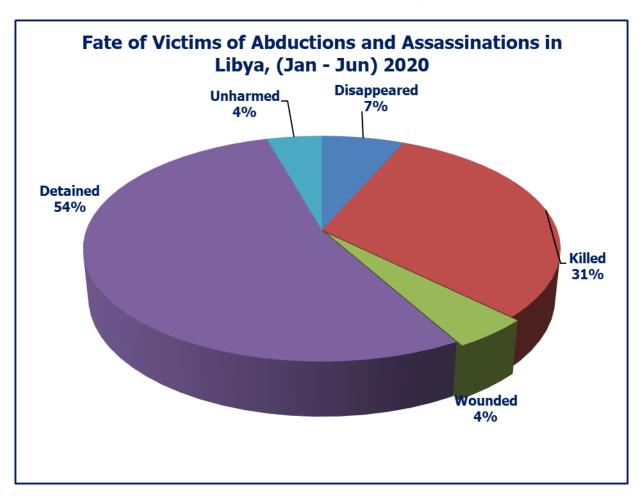
Nationality of Victims of Abductions and Assassinations (Jan - Jun) 2020			
Nationality	Count	%	
Citizen	454	66	
Expat	222	32	
Unidentified	12	2	
Total	688		





Gender of Victims of Abductions and Assassinations (Jan - Jun) 2020			
Gender	Count	%	
Female	31	5	
Male	634	92	
Child	23	3	
Total	688		





Fate of Victims of Abductions and Assassinations (Jan - Jun) 2020			
Fate	Count	%	
Disappeared	45	7	
Killed	212	31	
Wounded	31	5	
Detained	370	54	
Unharmed	30	4	
Total	688		

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Disclaimer: This is a report from monitoring of crimes of abductions and murder, of a criminal political nature, in Libya, based on reports from official and media institutions. The report includes only confirmed incidents by comparing several sources and does not include direct casualties of armed confrontations.

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¹ United Nations Support Mission in Libya (UNSMIL): "<u>Acting SRSG's Oral Update to the 44th Session of the</u> Human Rights Council, Pursuant to Human Rights Council Resolution 40/27I", June 18, 2020.