

Massacre Carried Out by the Military

Methodology

A massacre refers to the killing of large numbers of defenseless unarmed people, particularly innocent civilians. Such killings are committed by a group within a specific place or region during a certain period of time. This report also examines the various patterns in which civilians are killed by these groups. The focus of this report is the massacres involving the military, where at least 5 civilians were killed in each incident. The information is derived from press releases of revolutionary organizations and reports from a total of 53 independent media outlets.

Massacres Committed by the Military (September 2023 - December 2023)

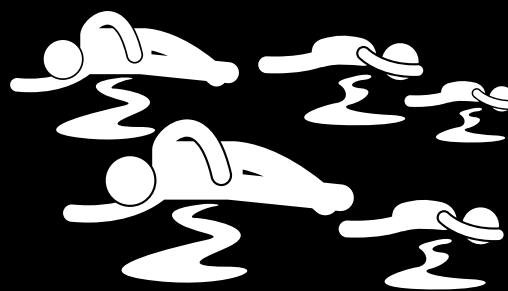
From September to December 2023, within a span of 4 months, there were at least 37 incidents of massacres carried out by the military, resulting in a total of 283 civilian deaths. The military's involvement in these massacres included actions during battles and clearance operations, airstrikes, and the use of heavy weapons.



Total Incident

37

There were
at least (37) incidents of massacre
from September 2023 to December
2023.

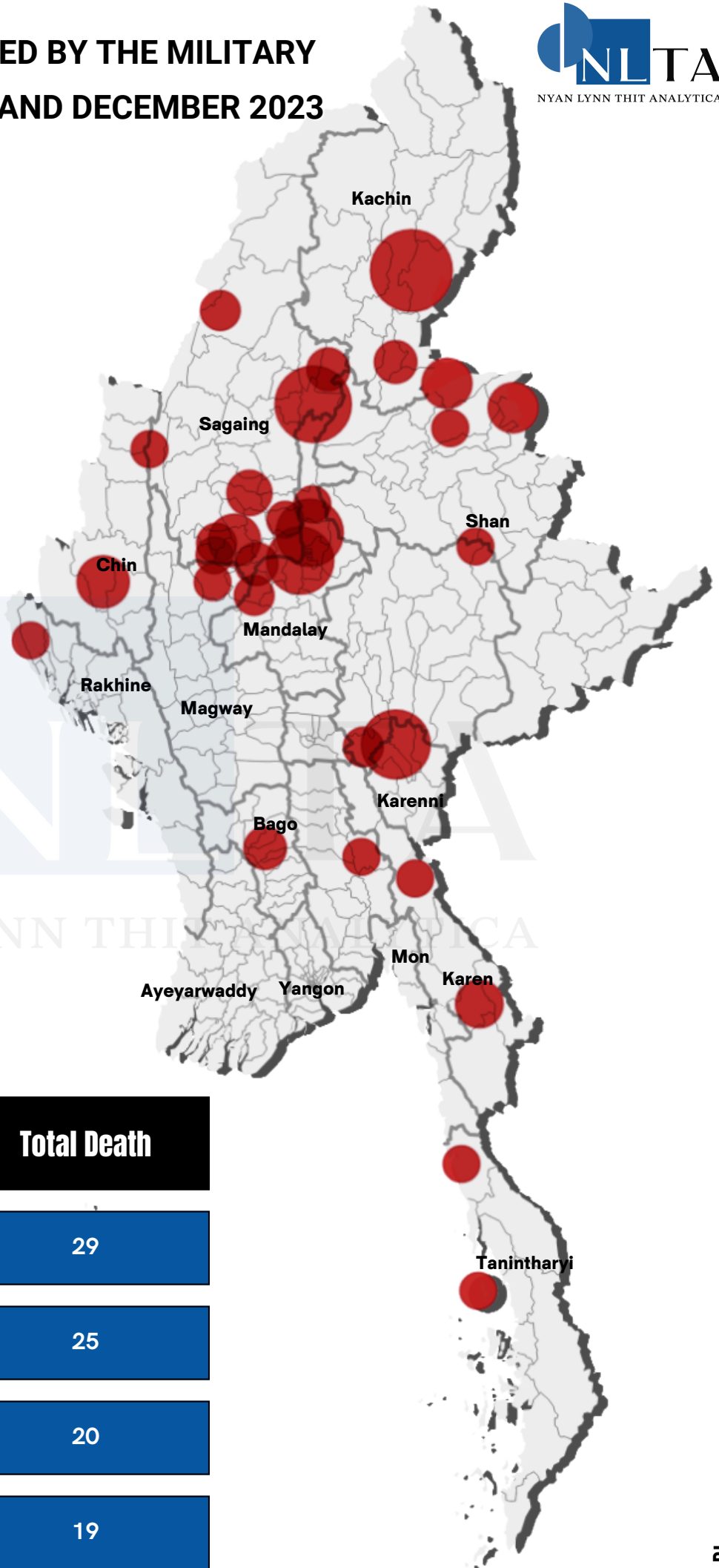
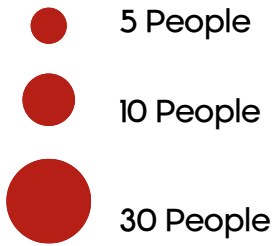


Total Massacre Deaths **283**

**Deaths Due to Battles and
Clearance Operations** **142**

From September 2023 to
December 2023,
massacre deaths related to Battles
and Clearance Operations were
50 % of total massacre deaths.

MASSACRES COMMITTED BY THE MILITARY BETWEEN SEPTEMBER AND DECEMBER 2023



Township	Total Death
Waingmaw	29
Tigyaing	25
Loikaw	20
Madaya/Sagaing	19

(1) Massacre during Battles and Clearance Operations

Between September to December 2023, the military was responsible for the highest number of incidents and civilian deaths in this category. The military committed various atrocities during these operations, such as the arrest, torture, and killing of civilians, as well as burning their bodies and houses in villages near conflicts with the People's Defence Forces.

At least 20 massacres occurred during battles and clearance operations, resulting in the deaths of 142 civilians. These incidents were concentrated in Kachin (1), Karen (1), Karenni (1), Sagaing (8), Tanintharyi (1), Bago (2), Mandalay (4), Shan (North) (1) and Shan (South) (1). It also includes the incident in which (5) civilians were killed due to an aerial attack by the Military during the battle in Namphakka Village in Kutkai Township, Shan (North) on December 29, 2023.

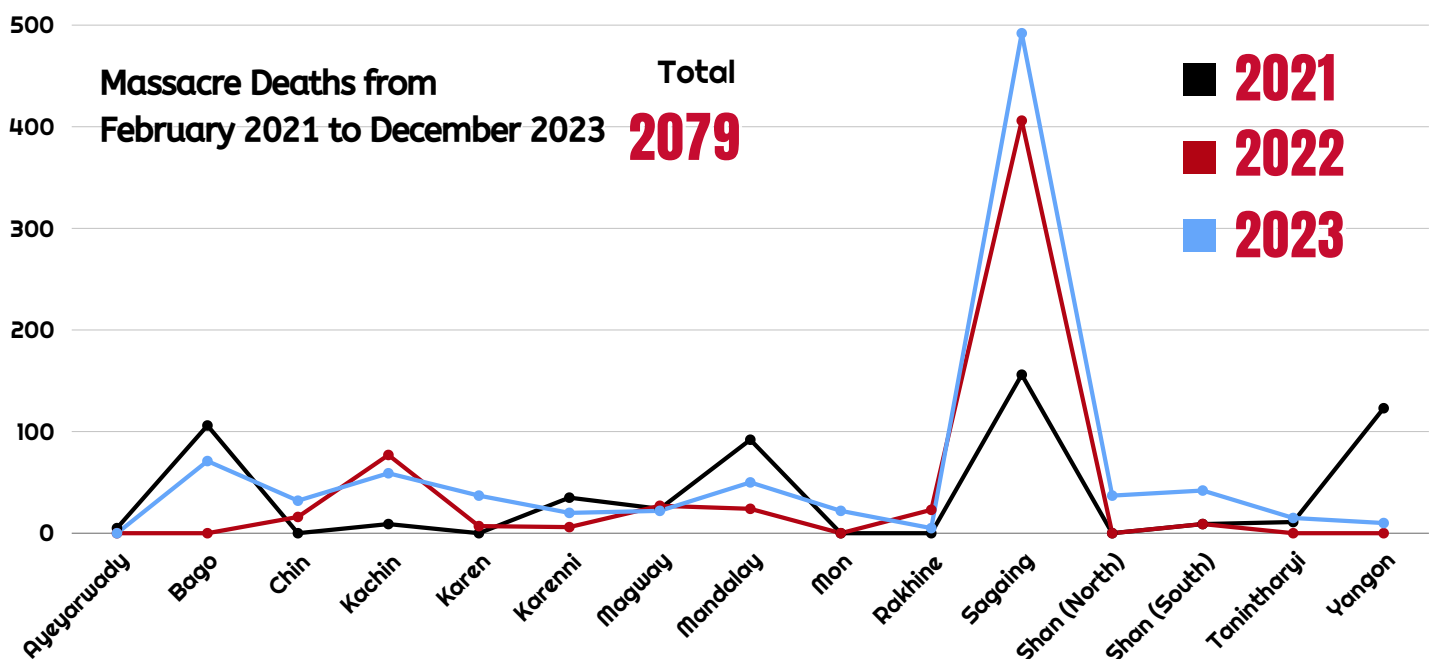
Moreover, 4 incidents of massacres which were war crimes, arresting and killing the members of the Revolutionary Forces occurred, including 3 incidents in Sagaing and 1 in Magway. On September 22, 2023, 26 members of People's Defence Force were arrested and murdered in Myinmu Township, Sagaing.

(2) Massacre by Airstrikes

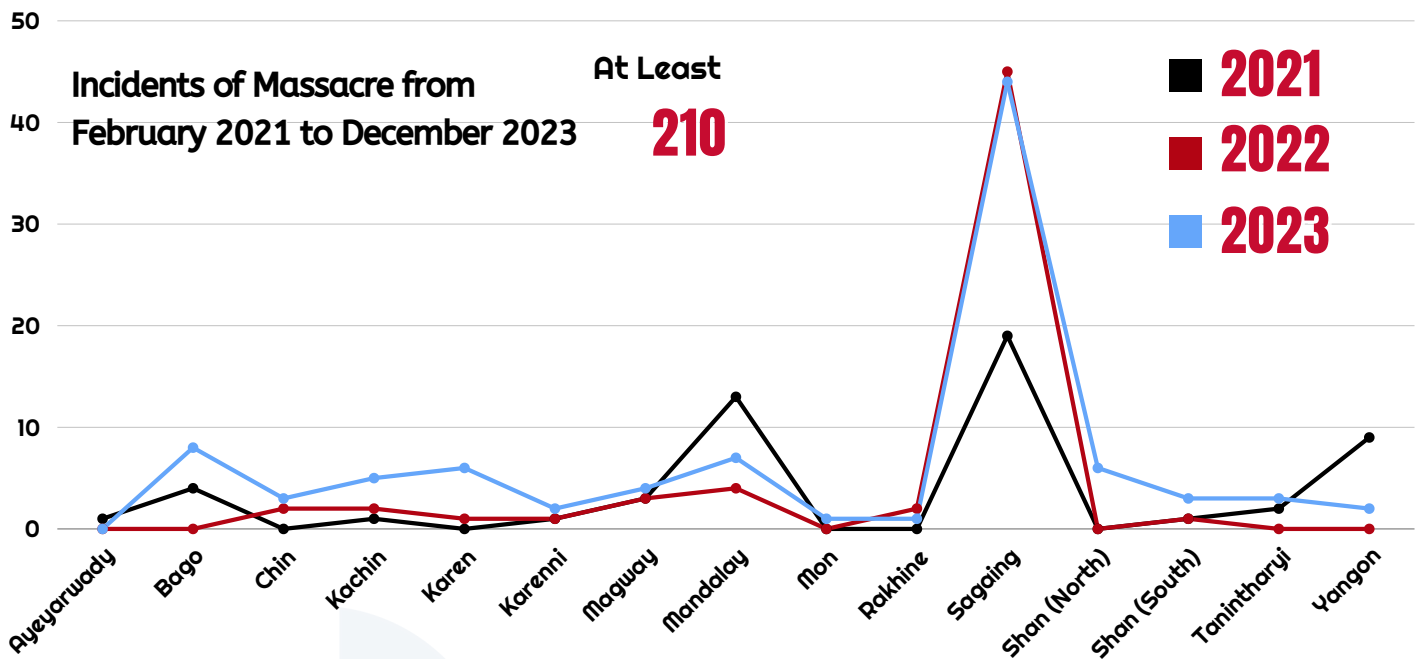
Airstrikes also contributed to several massacres carried out by the military. There were at least 14 incidents of massacres resulting from airstrikes, causing the deaths of 126 civilians. These aerial attacks resulted in (29) civilian deaths in Kachin, (5) in Karen, (15) in Karenni, (11) in Chin, (36) in Sagaing, (5) in Bago and (25) in Shan (North).

(3) Massacre by Heavy Weapons

The military's use of heavy weapons without battles led to numerous casualties, including children, and the destruction of civilian homes. Heavy weapons were responsible for (5) civilians each died in Sagaing and Magway, (5) civilian deaths in Rakhine.



Massacre Deaths Rate from February 2021 to December 2023 according to Region

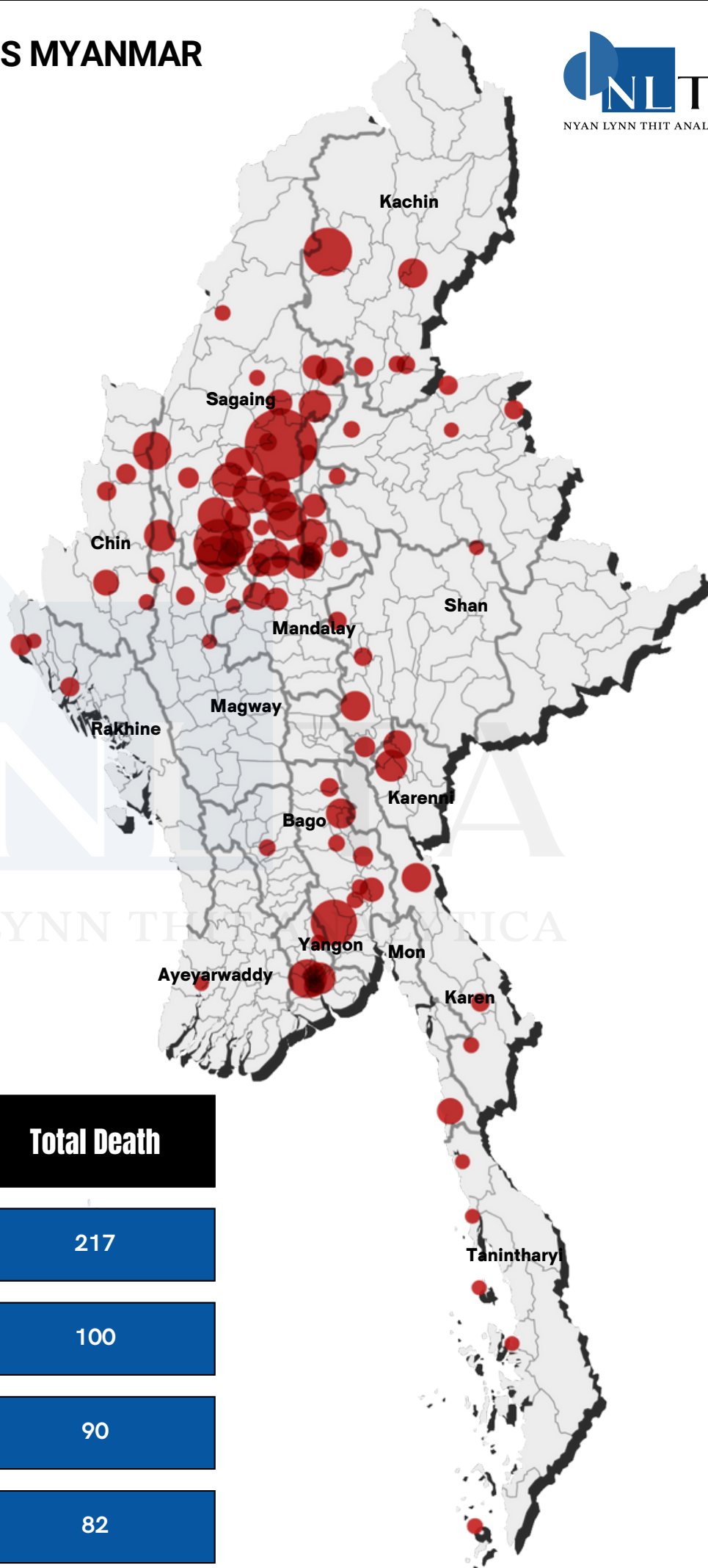
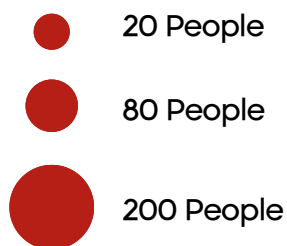


Incident Rate of Massacre from February 2021 to December 2023 according to Region

Furthermore, there were a total of (17) cases of massacres which were war crimes committed against members of the revolutionary forces since the military coup. There were also some incidents where civilians were massacred alongside the members of the revolutionary forces.



MASSACRE ACROSS MYANMAR SINCE FEB 2021



Township	Total Death
Kanbalu	217
Yinmarbin	100
Hpakant	90
Bago	82