**Attacks affecting aid workers, total victims, and fatalities 2012–2022**

The most violent context for aid workers continued to be South Sudan, followed by Afghanistan and Syria—a ranking that holds for numbers of attacks, victims, and fatalities.

Ethiopia’s brutal civil war resulted in that country joining the AWSD’s top five highest incident contexts for the first time in 24 years.

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**2021 Fatalities and causes**

The forthcoming Aid Worker Security Report will address the issue of operating in conditions of hot conflict, where risk management is challenged by the threat of random, collateral violence such as airstrikes, shelling, landmines and UXOs. Already a major risk factor in Syria and Yemen, indiscriminate military attacks stand to become an increasingly greater obstacle to humanitarian response in Ukraine, where prospects of successful deconfliction with the Russian Federation’s military appear bleak.