

# SOUTHERN AFRICA JANUARY 2017-MARCH 2018

## Regional trend **overview** over five quarters (Q1 2017-Q1 2018)

**High number of reported security incidents:** the DRC (112).

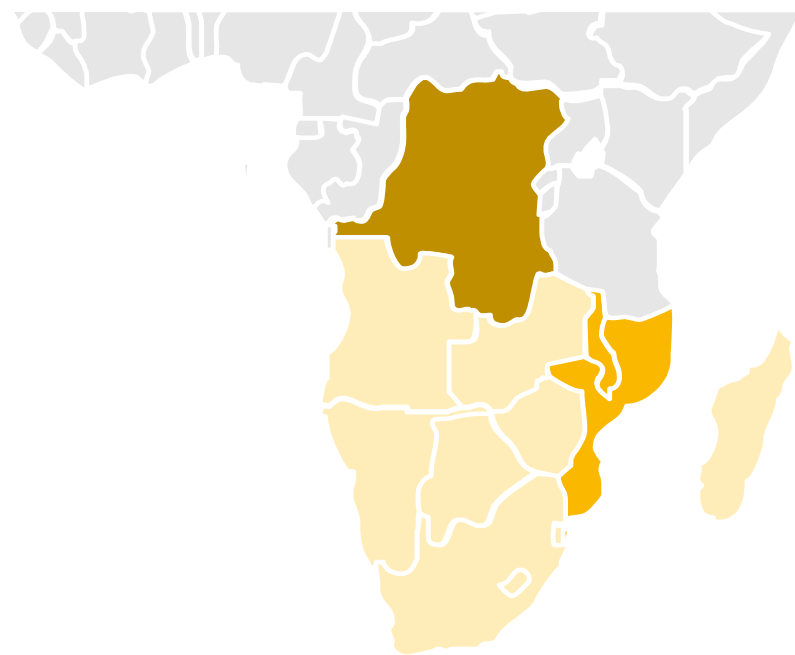
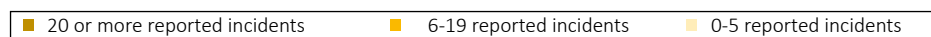
**Increase in reported security incidents from previous quarters:** the DRC, Madagascar, Malawi, Mozambique, Namibia.

**Decrease in reported security incidents from previous quarters:** Angola, Lesotho, South Africa, Zimbabwe.

**Sexual violence and abuse:** Reported against a female NGO staff member in Zimbabwe (2017-11).

**Aid-worker-related road traffic accidents:** 65% of reported incidents did not cause NGO staff injuries. Four staff members were killed in aid-worker-related vehicle RTAs in the DRC, Lesotho, Mozambique and Zambia.

## Reported incidents in Q1 2018



## Total **road** traffic accidents (Q1 2017-Q1 2018)

Country	Total incidents
Mozambique	24
Zimbabwe	23
Zambia	21
Malawi	16
DRC	8
Lesotho, Swaziland	5
Angola, South Africa	3
Madagascar	1

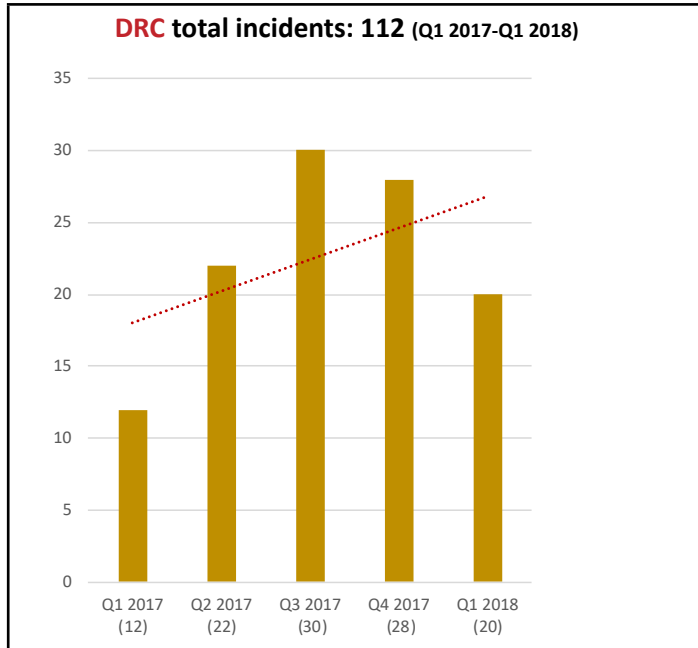
## Total **security** incidents (Q1 2017-Q1 2018)

Country	Trend line over 5 quarters	Total incidents (Q1 2018)	Total incidents (Q1 2017-Q1 2018)
DRC <sup>1</sup>	↑	20	112
Malawi	↑	8	32
Mozambique	↑	6	35
Zambia	—	5	22
Madagascar	↑	4	8
Namibia	↑	4	10
South Africa	↓	3	25
Zimbabwe	↓	2	17
Angola	↓	1	6
Swaziland	—	1	4
Botswana	—	0	4
Lesotho	↓	0	2

This overview document presents 277 security incidents affecting aid delivery in 12 countries in Southern Africa between January 2017 and March 2018. The report is based on incidents identified in open sources and reported by Aid in Danger partner agencies using the Security in Numbers Database (SiND).

**Citation: Insecurity Insight. 2018. 'Incident dataset Southern Africa, January 2017-March 2018, v. September 2018.' Vevey, Switzerland: Insecurity Insight, Aid in Danger Project. aidindanger.org.**

Select country **overviews** (Q1 2017-Q1 2018)

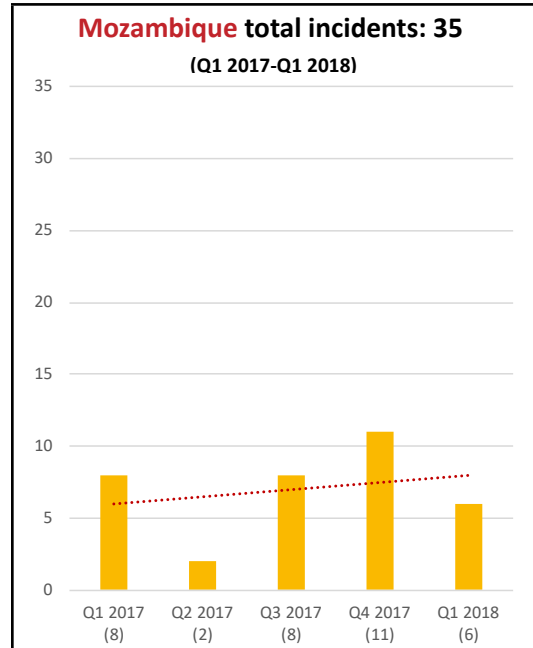


**KKA totals (Q1 2017-Q1 2018)**  
 Killed: 4  
 Kidnapped: 59  
 Arrested: 4

**Common security threats**  
 Risk of crime, including burglaries at aid offices and staff members' residences.  
 Risk of staff members being killed or kidnapped in North Kivu province.

**Recent changes**  
 Since Q3 2017  
 Kinshasa: Increase in armed/unarmed robberies at aid offices and staff members' residences, and during road travel.  
 Eastern DRC: Increase in reports involving the harassment and intimidation of staff members by self-defence and armed groups at project sites and illegal checkpoints.

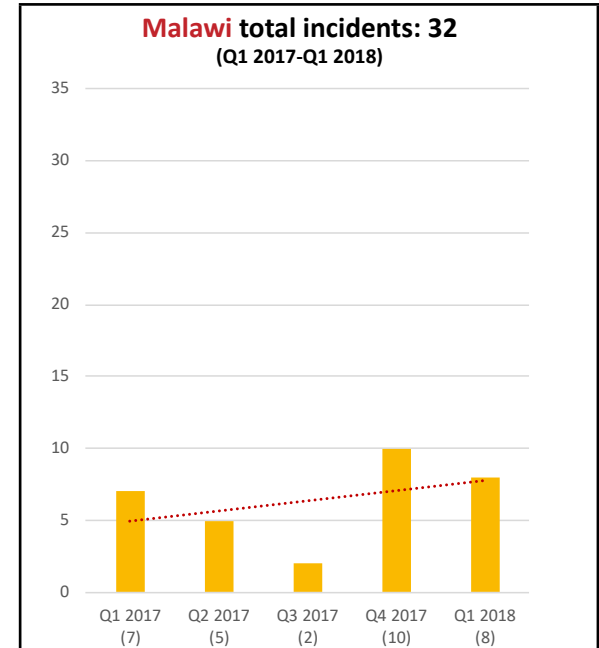
**Upcoming Elections**  
 Presidential elections on 23 December 2018.



**KKA totals (Q1 2017-Q1 2018)**  
 Killed: 0  
 Kidnapped: 0  
 Arrested: 0

**Common security threats**  
 Risk of crime, including thefts from aid offices, staff members' residences and aid vehicles.

**Recent changes**  
 Q4 2017: Three ISIS attacks in Cabo Delgado province led to staff hibernation.  
 Since Q3 2017: Increase in unrest, including criminal activity and shootings.



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**Recent changes**  
 Since Q4 2017: Changes made to existing regulations on NGO licence fees.  
 Q4 2017: Violence triggered by a vampire scare in Southern region requiring aid agencies to relocate staff.  
 Q4 2017: Aid agencies investigated following accusations of human trafficking at IDP camps in Central region.