



# PRESS FREEDOM VIOLATIONS IN AFRICA

DECEMBER 2023

Country	*Number if incidents involving		
	Total	Male journalists	Female journalists
<b>DRC</b>	<b>6</b>	5	0
<b>Sierra Leone</b>	<b>6</b>	6	0
<b>Guinea</b>	<b>5</b>	0	0
<b>South Africa</b>	<b>2</b>	1	0
<b>Mozambique</b>	<b>1</b>	1	0
	<b>20</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>0</b>

\* IPI collects data on press freedom violations and threats across Africa. These incidents can involve individual journalists and/or media outlets. Each incident is assigned different categories of violations (which can include physical assaults to legal threats). There can be multiple types of violations or threats involving the same case and the same journalist or media outlet. When these incidents involve individual journalists, we record the gender of individual journalists, if this information is available. For this reason, the total number of violations does not always equal the total number of incidents recorded by gender or by media outlet.

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press freedom  
violations  
identified in

5

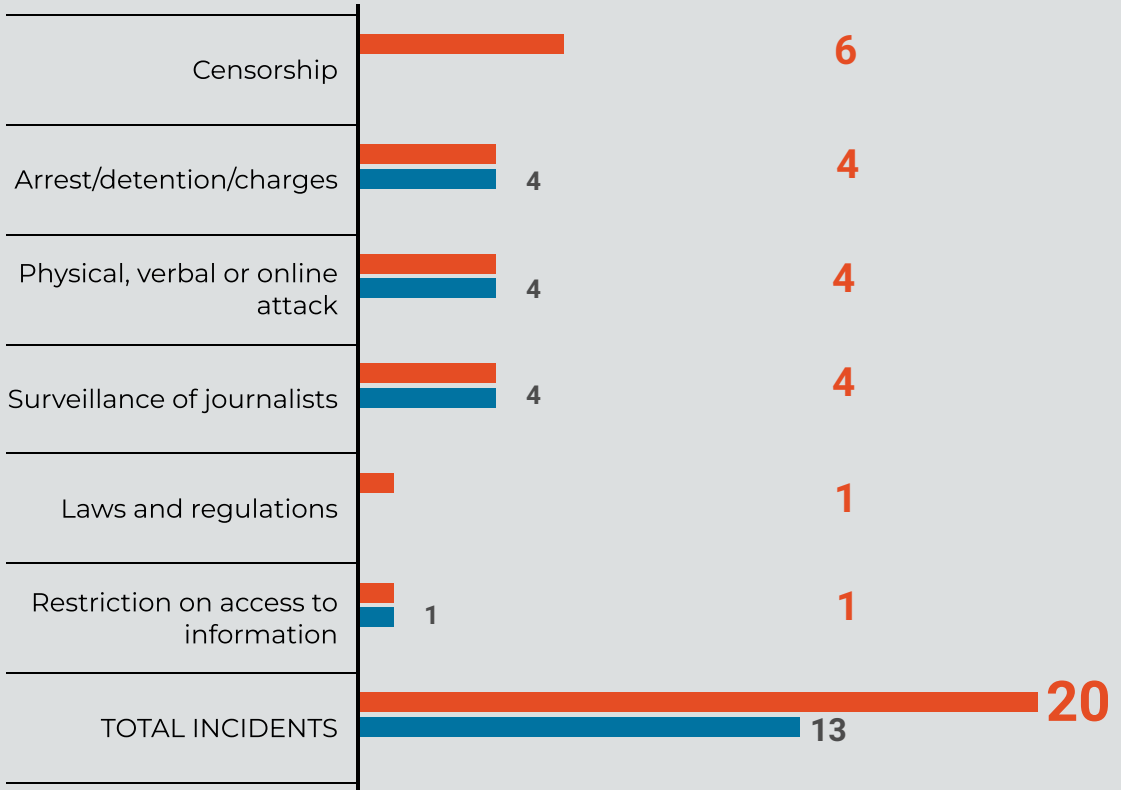
countries  
involving  
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Most press  
freedom  
violations were  
identified in  
**DRC &  
Sierra Leone.**

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# Most violations identified were censorship and physical, verbal, or online attacks:

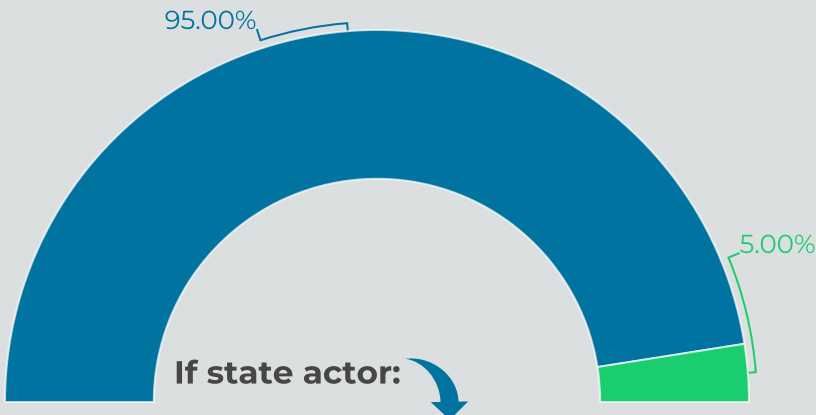


● Total incidents ● Involving male journalists ● Involving female journalists

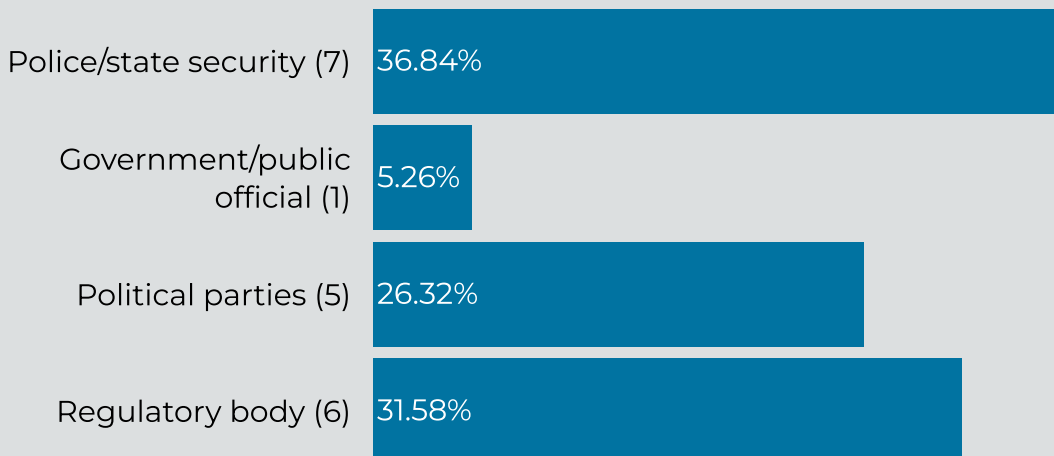
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## Source of incidents

● State actor (19)  
● Unknown (1)



## If state actor:



## ONE JOURNALIST KILLED IN DECEMBER



### Mozambique: João Chamusse

On December 14, prominent journalist João Chamusse was found dead outside his home in the capital, Maputo. Chamusse is known as a staunch critic of bad government and of the current administration under President Filipe Nyusi. The police arrested a man, Nelson Jone Mulanda who was his neighbour as the suspected murderer. The suspected culprit was arrested on the ground that the clothes of the journalist were found in his home, but details about the motives that led the suspected murderer to kill the journalist are still unknown to the public. Reports also indicated that Chamusse's telephone and laptop are missing as of the time, this incident was recorded.



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