



PRESS FREEDOM VIOLATIONS IN AFRICA

OCTOBER 2024

Country	*Number if incidents involving		
	Total	Male journalists	Female journalists
Mozambique	14	21	0
DRC	6	6	0
Somalia	5	5	1
Cameroon	4	3	0
Senegal	3	2	2
Chad	2	2	0
Ghana	2	5	0
Nigeria	2	10	0
Burkina Faso	1	0	0
CAR	1	1	0
Ethiopia	1	0	0
Guinea	1	1	0
Kenya	1	0	0
Mauritus	1	0	0
Sudan	1	3	1
Tanzania	1	0	0
Togo	1	1	0
Zambia	1	1	0
Zimbabwe	1	1	0
TOTAL	49	62	4

49

incidents of press freedom violations identified in

19

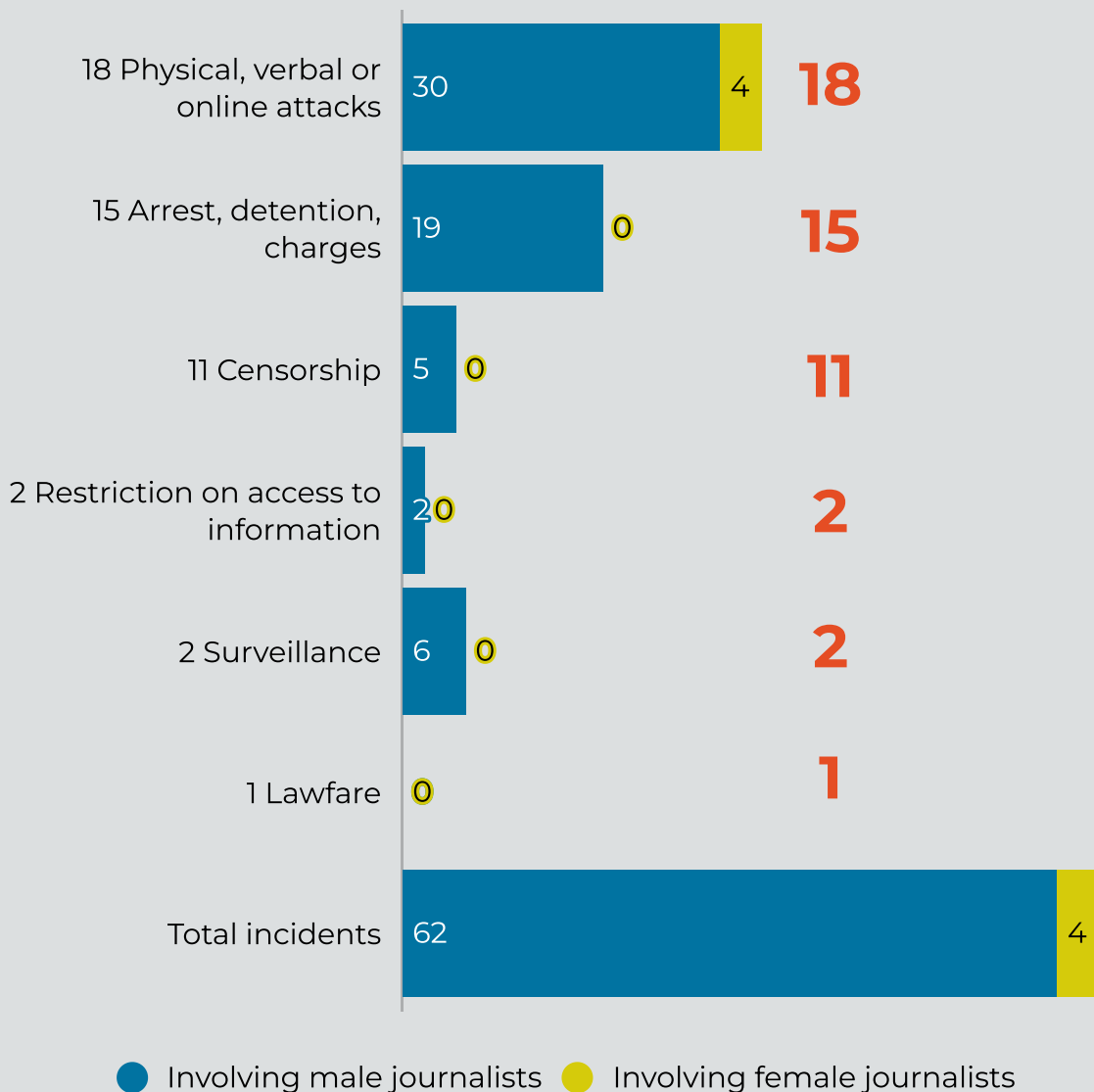
countries involving journalists.

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journalists killed

Most violations identified were physical, verbal, or online attacks:

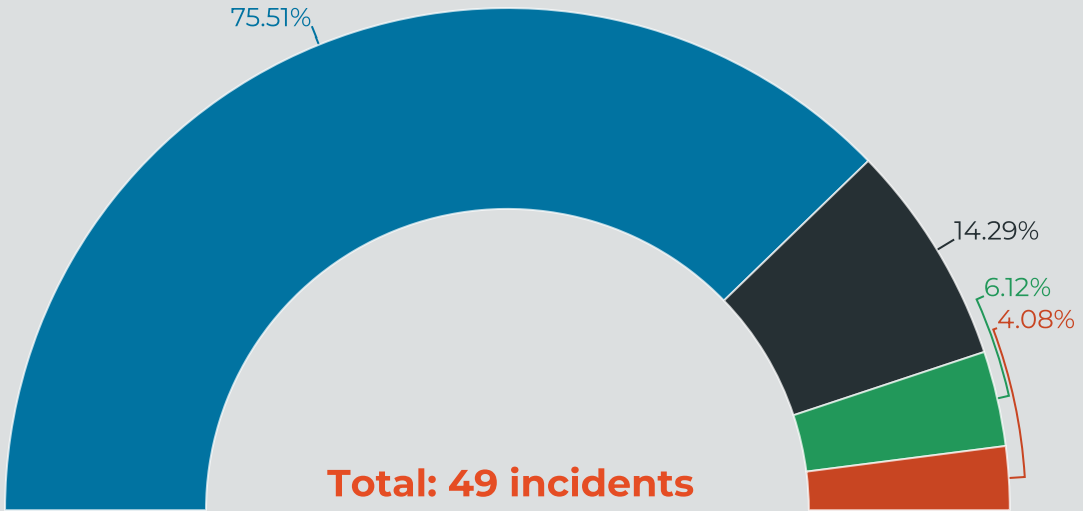
Total: 49 incidents



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* 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.

Source of incidents



- State actor (37)
- Non-state actor (7)
- Private sector (3)
- Unknown (2)

If state actor:



	Incidents	%
Police/state security	17	
Government/public official	11	
Regulatory body	4	
Political parties	5	

Amun Abdullahi Mohamed | SOMALIA

On October 18, 2024, two unidentified individuals, believed to have ties to the Al-Shabab group, killed Somali-Swedish journalist Amun Abdullahi Mohamed. She had extensively reported on the recruitment strategies of the extremist group in Rinkeby, a suburb of Stockholm while working with Sweden Radio. Mohamed was shot multiple times in the head by the assailants in Somalia's Lower Shabelle region. Following her investigative reporting, she faced significant criticism and backlash from her community and received death threats. In recognition of her courage, she was awarded the Swedish Publicist Club's Freedom of Speech Award in memory of Anna Politkovskaya in 2010 and was also nominated for Sweden's prestigious Guldspaden journalism award that same year. As of this report, authorities had not yet publicly disclosed the status of the investigation into her murder.

Yoshua Kambere Machozi | DRC

On October 29, the rebel group M23, which operates in Mpety, a conflict-prone area in the eastern DRC, killed journalist Yoshua Kambere Machozi of the local community radio station. The rebels also looted the station and took away its equipment. Machozi's body was discovered several days later along a riverbank, in an advanced state of decomposition. Bathelemy Bakangana, the director of the radio station, managed to escape the rebel invasion. Machozi is the second journalist to be killed in North Kivu province within the past two months; the first was Edmond Bahati Monja, the coordinator of the Catholic radio station Maria, who was shot dead at close range in Goma on the evening of September 27.