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TERRORISM DEATHS ATTRIBUTED TO BOKO HARAM IN NIGERIA FELL BY 80% AS THE GROUP FACED MILITARY PRESSURE.

33% SYRIA, PAKISTAN, AFGHANISTAN AND NIGERIA, FOUR OF THE FIVE COUNTRIES MOST IMPACTED BY TERRORISM, RECORDED 33% FEWER DEATHS.

13% TOTAL NUMBER OF DEATHS IS DOWN BY 13% COMPARED TO 2015 BUT ISIL AND LOW-TECH ATTACKS REMAIN A CONCERN.

FIVE MOST IMPACTED COUNTRIES**

5 PAKISTAN
DEATHS 956
INCIDENTS 736

4 SYRIA
DEATHS 2,102
INCIDENTS 366

3 NIGERIA
DEATHS 1,832
INCIDENTS 466

**2016

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IN 2016, OECD COUNTRIES EXPERIENCED 265 DEATHS, THE HIGHEST NUMBER SINCE 2001, BUT THIS TREND APPEARS TO BE DECLINING.

SINCE 2000, 99% OF DEATHS HAVE OCCURRED IN COUNTRIES EITHER IN CONFLICT OR WITH HIGH LEVELS OF POLITICAL TERROR.

ISIL KILLED 50% MORE PEOPLE IN 2016, MAKING IT THEIR DEADLIEST YEAR WITH OVER 9,000 DEATHS, PRIMARILY IN IRAQ.

AFGHANISTAN
DEATHS 4,574
INCIDENTS 1,342

IRAQ
DEATHS 9,765
INCIDENTS 2,965

*Includes ISIL directed attacks in OECD countries. Does not include ISIL affiliates or ISIL inspired attacks in the OECD.

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The Global Terrorism Index measures the impact of terrorism in 163 countries (99.6% of the world's population) according to the impact of terrorism. See the full list of ranks and explore the data on the interactive map on visionofhumanity.org. Click on a country to see the impact of terrorism, compare two or more countries and use the timeline to see the changes in terrorism since 2002.

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