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Between January and June 2025, OHCHR documented six civilian deaths in the context of the conflict in Blue Nile.1139 Between March 2025 and April 2026, AOAV recorded 168 casualties resulting from explosive weapons use in Blue Nile1140 with the only recorded casualties for 2025 recorded in October (8 casualties)1141 followed by a sharp uptick in January 2026 (125 casualties)1142 and 35 casualties in February 2026.1143 From the start of 2026, there were multiple reports of civilian casualties resulting from drone strikes.1144 The UN reported more than 20 civilians killed in clashes in Geisan town in August 2026.1145 Around the same time, Sudan Tribune reported the discovery of a mass grave containing the bodies of 25 civilians following the SAF takeover of Kurmuk town from the RSF.1146 ACLED observed that the security incidents it recorded in Blue Nile between 1 March 2025 and 31 August 2026 caused an estimated 845 fatalities.1147

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