



Reported Attacks of Persons with Albinism (PWA) – 1 Page Summary
Date of report: January 21, 2022

Killings: 225

Attacks: 420- Attacks include survivors of mutilations, violence, rape, attempted abductions, missing, grave violations, asylum & other refuge cases.

Total: 645

Total Countries: 30

Benin, 18 reports: 5 killings / 5 survivors / 7 missing / 1 grave robbery – Most recent Mar 23, 2019

Botswana, 3 reports: 3 survivors – Sept, 1998

Burkina Faso, 9 reports: 2 killings / 6 survivors / 1 asylum - Most recent, Aug 14, 2012

Burundi, 39 reports: 22 killings / 13 survivors / 4 grave robbery - Most recent, Aug 13, 2019

Cameroon, 12 reports: 3 killings, 2 survivor, 6 asylums, 1 grave robbery - Most recent, Sep 2, 2021

Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC), 73 reports: 17 killings / 37 survivors / 1 missing / 11 grave robberies / 7 asylums - Most recent, Sep 28, 2021

Egypt, 1 report: 1 asylum – Sept 16, 2011

Gabon, 1 report: 1 survivor – May 12, 2019

Ghana, 3 reports: 1 killing / 2 survivors – Feb 17, 2015

Guinea, 16 reports: 5 killings / 6 survivors / 5 asylums - Most recent, Sept 20, 2018

Ivory Coast, 30 reports: 9 killings / 13 survivors / 4 missing / 2 asylums / 2 abandoned - Most recent, June 30, 2017

Kenya, 13 reports: 5 killings / 8 survivors - Most recent, Sept 20, 2015

Lesotho, 1 report: 1 killing – Oct 2015

Madagascar, 4 reports: 1 killing / 3 survivors - Most recent, December 9, 2021

***Malawi, 58 reports:** 19 killings / 26 survivors / 6 missing / 7 grave robberies – Most recent, July 23, 2021

Mali, 17 report: 5 killings / 3 survivors / 2 missing / 7 asylums - Most recent, May 13, 2018

Mozambique, 52 reports: 18 murders, 14 survivors, 5 grave robberies, 15 missing – Most recent, Jan 15, 2021

Namibia, 4 reports: 2 killings / 2 survivors - Most recent report, August 2, 2019

Niger, 1 report: 1 missing – Aug 6, 2012

Nigeria, 13 reports: 4 killings / 1 missing / 5 asylums / 3 survivors - Most recent, Feb 13, 2017

Rwanda, 1 report: 1 grave robbery – July 2, 2013

Senegal, 9 reports: 3 alleged killings / 4 survivors / 2 asylum - Most recent, June 17, 2015

South Africa, 9 reports: 4 killings / 2 missing / 2 survivors / 1 grave robbery - Most recent, Jan 28, 2018

Swaziland / Eswatini, 12 reports: 4 killings / 8 survivors - Most recent, Nov 25, 2019

Tanzania, 203 reports: 77 killings / 96 survivors / 1 missing / 26 grave violations / 1 asylums - Most recent, October 26, 2021

Togo, 1 report: 1 killing - Sept 23, 2017

Uganda, 9 reports: 8 survivors / 1 asylum – Most recent, Dec 16, 2020

USA, 2 reports: 2 survivors - 1899

Zambia, 22 reports: 9 killings / 10 survivors / 3 grave robberies – Most recent, January 14, 2022

Zimbabwe, 2 reports: 1 killing 2011 / 1 asylum - Most recent, Nov 29, 2012



*In Malawi more cases have been reported. In 2017, 102 cases were reported by the UN Independent Expert on albinism in the report of her official visit to Malawi. See UN document number: [A/HRC/34/59/Add.1](#) (March 2017). A few months later, in October 2017, the association of persons with albinism in Malawi reported 122 cases (Source: Malawi News Agency (MANA); *Lack of finances stalls 122 cases of people with albinism*; Wednesday, Oct 25, 2017; <http://www.maravipost.com/lack-finances-stalls-122-cases-people-albinism/>). Under The Same Sun (UTSS) officially records cases after it has received a sufficient source and data: name of victim, type of attack, date, location, etc. Without access to such detail, UTSS is unable to enter these cases into its records for now; but recognizes that these reports are probably credible due to their sources.

NOTE 1: The actual number of attacks & killings of PWA are likely much higher than indicated above since many are never reported or documented. These ritual attacks frequently find their roots in ancient ancestral beliefs and have been going on since time beyond memory.

NOTE 2: Countries known to be involved in the cross-border trade of PWA and their body parts: Tanzania, Burundi, Kenya, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Mozambique, Malawi, South Africa, Swaziland,

NOTE 3: UTSS gathers this data from its own field research and also from its partners on the ground. We record cases that have been thoroughly verified. However this is not always possible. In such cases, we record cases from partners, media and civil society that are reasonable and prima facie credible.