

THE REAL CULPRIT

Documentary report on the violations
against peaceful protestors

In the period between the 25th of October 2021
& the 4th of August 2022





Introduction:

Since the breakout of the December revolution in 2018, Hadhreen was quick to join the great efforts undertaken by health professionals, hospitals and health related organizations, within both the public and private sectors, to help treat and save the lives of the injured protestors throughout Sudan, and in Khartoum in particular. At that point, Hadhreen was a small initiative with no official registration nor a specific name or designation.

At the start, efforts were focused on covering the treatment costs of each of the injured individually. With rapid rise in the number of casualties, the focus shifted to negotiating and procuring contracts with hospitals and treating organizations to provide the best care and treatment available to larger groups of victims. This was followed by the inception and formation of an independent medical advisory committee (MDT) to oversee and advise on care pathways and treatment plans. The call for this advisory medical committee was heartwarmingly answered by droves of specialist Sudanese doctors from all over the world and by many frontline consultants in Sudan. At the same time, the initiative started to get involved in supporting and sponsoring treatment abroad for some of the complicated cases that require specialist input, not available in Sudan.

After the toppling of the previous regime, the initiative took on the name of “Hadhreen” and continued to tirelessly work facilitating the ongoing treatment of many of the victims of months of violent crackdown until October 2020. At that point, Hadhreen commenced on the process of rolling back its operations following the formation of two organizations by the victims themselves to take over their remaining treatment and care. Hadhreen took that step to ensure that the two organizations have the freedom and space to operate with no competition for resources or funding streams.

Following the coup of the 25th of October 2021, Hadhreen reinstated its operations. This time the return was in close liaison with the Unified Office of Sudanese Doctors and its three components, to ensure the unification and streamlining of efforts to provide the best medical care available to the injured. Membership of the Sudanese Doctors Unified office were overseeing the initial emergency

management of victims and their triage. Some of those requiring additional treatment input, in Sudan or abroad, were then referred to private health providers that Hadhreen has renewed its contracts with them, this was in addition to several public sector specialized centers that put-in great efforts to provide all possible treatments free of charge, despite all the financial pressures and limited resources. Hadhreen's role at those sites were limited to providing any unavailable medicines, equipment or surgical expendables, whenever needed. In addition to covering the costs of all diagnostic laboratory and imaging tests when called upon.

Hadhreen did not undertake all those monumental efforts singlehandedly, "Lastom Wahdakom" (You are Not Alone) collaboration, is a collaboration that included several Sudanese organizations and professional bodies all around the world that came together to work closely with Hadhreen to support the efforts of providing the best possible medical treatment to the injured heroes in Sudan and abroad at no cost to the victims or their families. It is also worth mentioning that Hadhreen and its partners in "You Are Not Alone" coalition, were not the only entities involved in these substantial efforts. Many collective and individual initiatives from Sudan and abroad contributed to provide additional support throughout this long journey. An honorable mention goes out to the owners of private hospitals, Sudanese diaspora from all over the world and others that no single report is large enough or worthy enough to list their contributions for which we will always be proud and grateful.

In August 2022, Hadhreen reluctantly and sadly announced that it is being forced to cease its operations due to the growing indebtedness to private care providers and the progressive drying out of donations and funding streams due to the worsening economic situation in Sudan and globally and the rising costs of healthcare. Hadhreen has handed over the responsibilities of this great humanitarian endeavor to the Unified Office for them to gracefully take-on going forward.

This report is out to detail and document the scale of the violations aimed at peaceful protestors by the forces of the 25th of October coup, focusing more on the severe injuries that required prolonged or substantial interventions.

- The data management team at Hadhreen has put in a great deal of work into the classification and analysis of all the records and data relating to the various types of injuries. This report is going to concentrate on the types of injuries, that fall under the description of “severe”, and their complications. It is worth noting that a significant number of injuries requiring medical or surgical interventions are not covered by this report (mostly at hospitals and treatment centers in Omdurman).

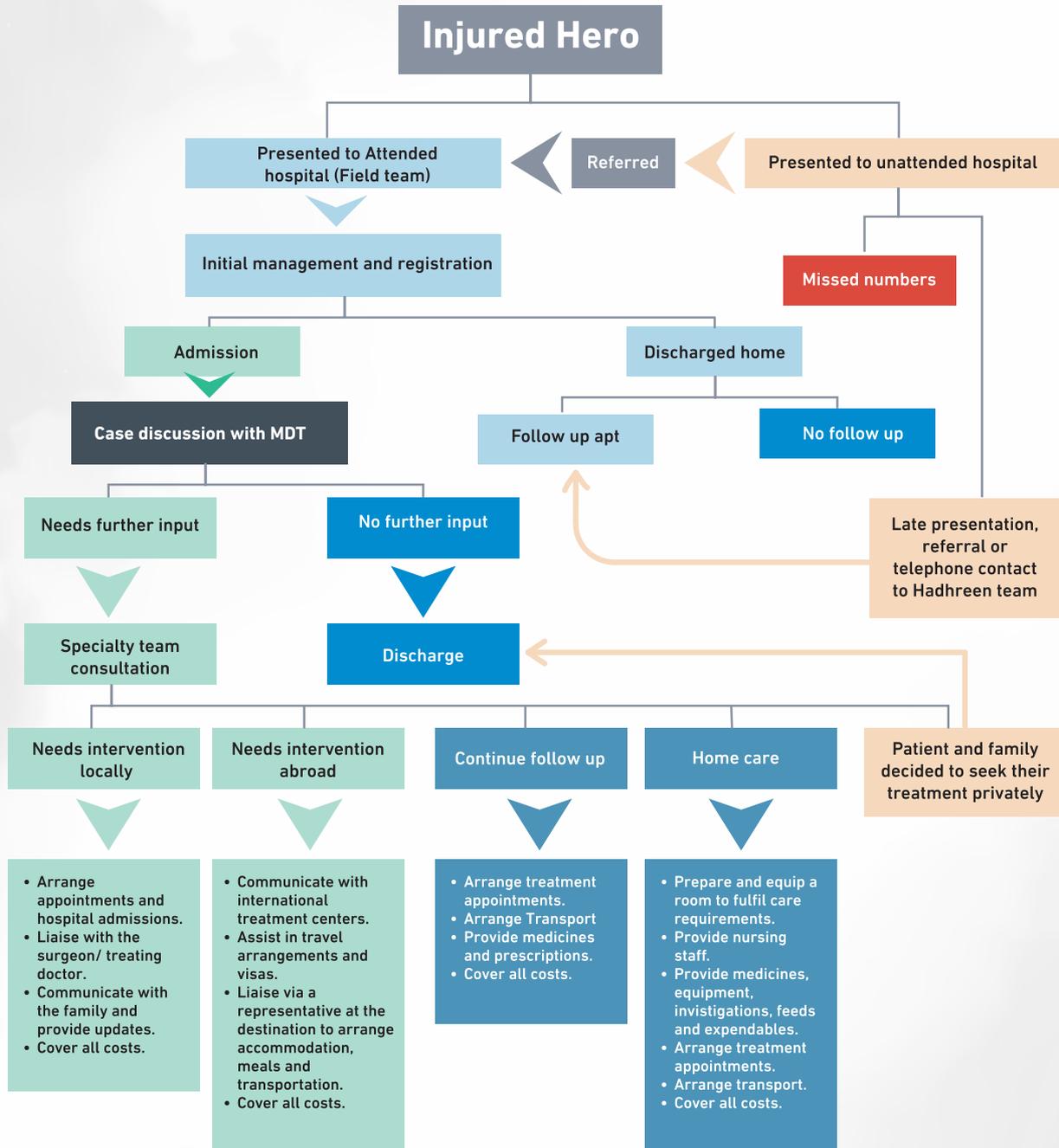
- It is also worth noting that we do not claim that we have treated all the victims of the coup, but we like to state that all possible (and occasional impossible) efforts were made for them.

According to the data provided by the Central Committee of Sudanese Doctors, it is estimated that up to August 2022, the number of injured protestors exceeded 7,000. It is estimated by Hadhreen that more than 400 of those are under 18 years of age.

- 1,074 injuries were classified as severe (187 under the age of 18).
- 116 martyrs sadly lost their lives (19 under the age of 18).
- 16 received treatment outside Sudan.
- More than 400 are currently undergoing ongoing treatment, some of them likely to require treatments abroad.
- 3 cases of documented rape.

The total expenditure on the treatment of the injured by the You are Not Alone coalition was 517,846,269 SDG. This equates to 973,085 USD.

Heroes' management SOP



Below we will try and detail the data and statistics held by Hadhreen detailing the different types of injuries.

Summary of injuries requiring significant medical or surgical intervention:

Cases requiring admission to an Intensive Care Unit (ICU):

The total number of cases was **78** (different types of injuries). **18** cases were under 18 years of age.

The duration of stay at an ICU unit ranged from 2 – 45 days.

21 martyrs sadly passed away.

1 case was diagnosed with permanent reduction in the level of consciousness requiring continuous medical and home care.

Long-lasting and permanent injuries:

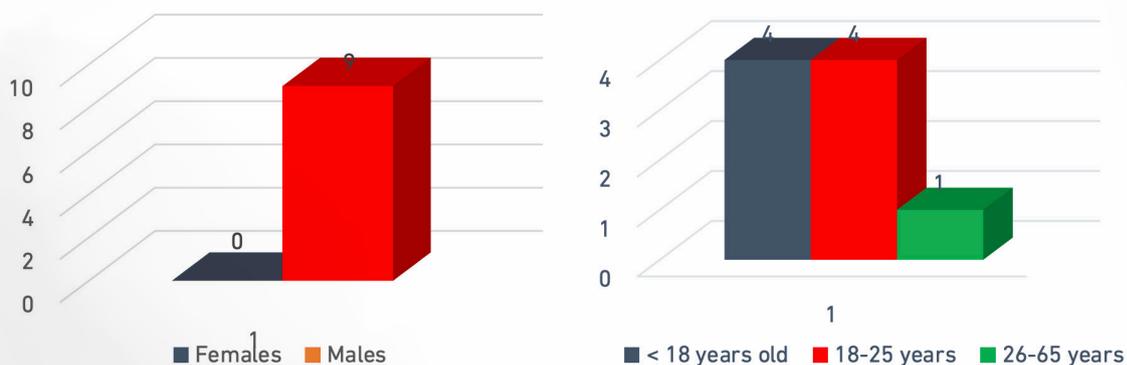
Cases of paralysis (loss of motor function):

9 victims sustained injuries resulting in varying degrees of paralysis (4 cases were under the age of 18).

8 cases requiring extensive rehabilitation treatment outside Sudan.

1 case requiring extensive rehabilitation that can be delivered in Sudan.

1 case is currently still ongoing assessment and evaluation by doctors before confirming the diagnose.

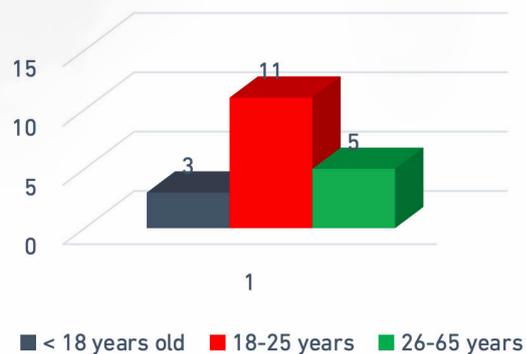
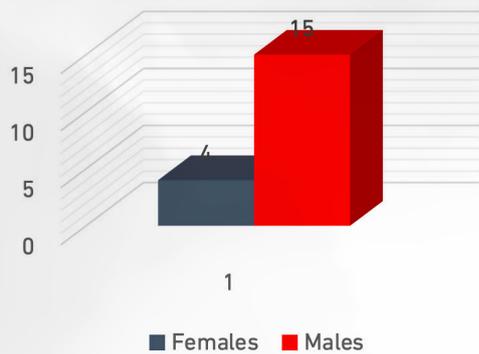


Injuries resulting in loss of sight or surgical removal of one of the eyes:

Total number of 19 injuries were recorded (3 are under the age of 18 years).

12 resulted in removal (enucleation) of the eye.

7 injuries resulted in loss of vision in the affected eye.

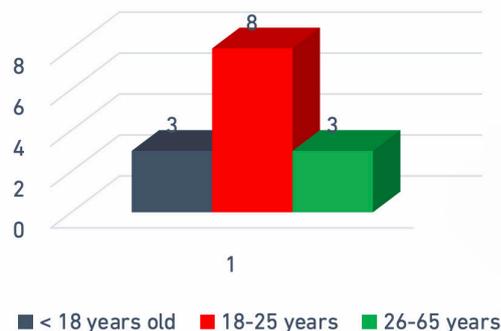
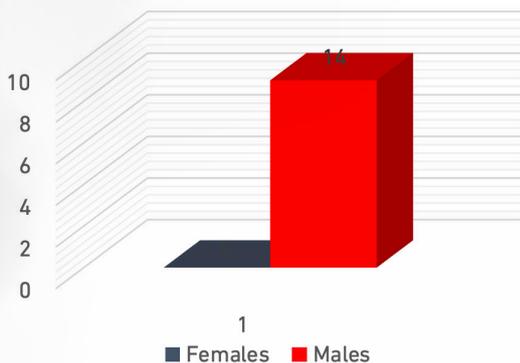


Injuries resulting in amputation of a limb:

14 cases resulted in partial or complete loss/amputation of a limb (3 were under the age of 18 years).

11 cases resulted in amputation of part of an upper limb.

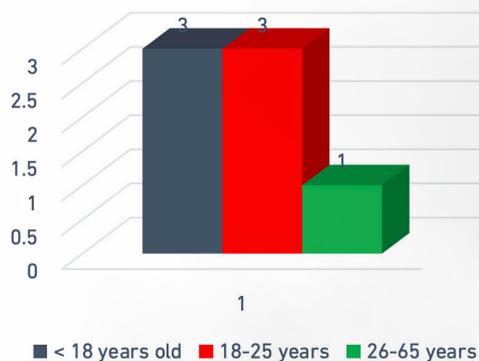
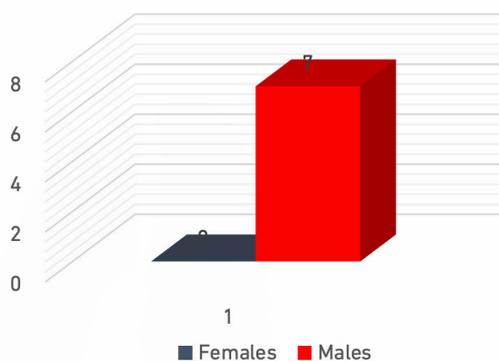
3 cases resulted in above knee amputation.



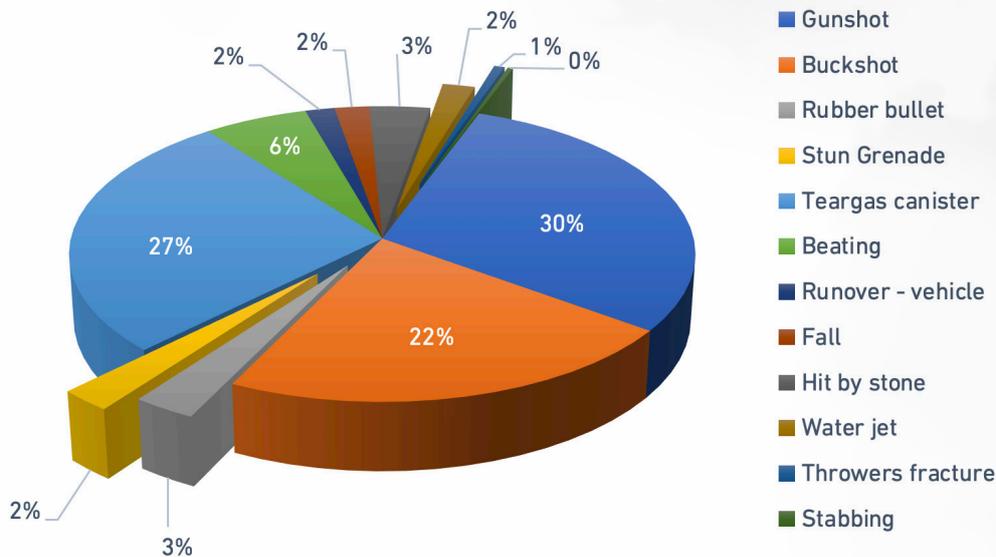
Injuries resulting in the removal of an internal organ:

A total of 7 cases were recorded (3 were under the age of 18 years).

7 cases resulted in removal of the spleen/kidney.



Classification of the causes of longstanding and permanent injuries:



Summary of the injuries based on site:

Injuries to the head and neck:

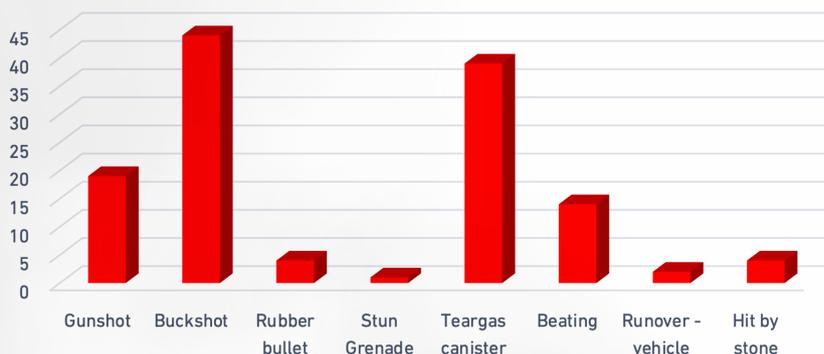
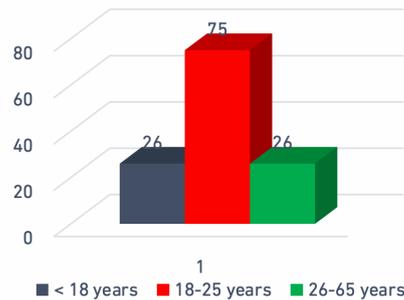
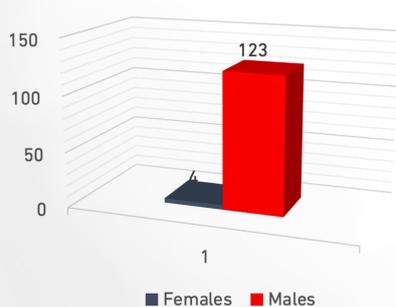
180 cases in total.

46 cases requiring admission to an intensive care unit (ITU).

2 cases resulting in paralysis and one case resulting in permanent reduction in the level of consciousness.

1 case required urgent surgical intervention outside Sudan.

50 martyrs sadly passed away.



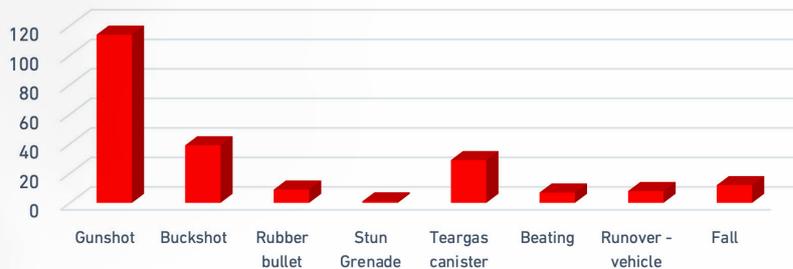
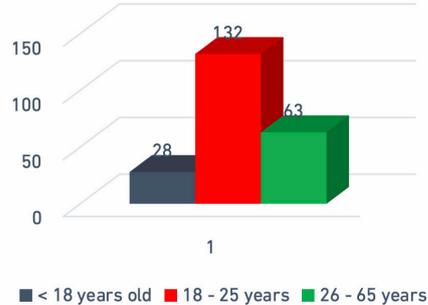
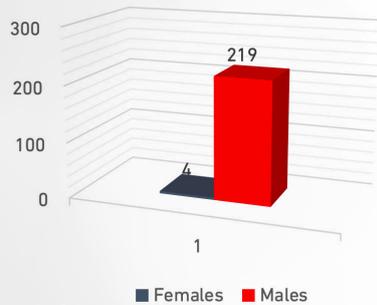
Injuries to the lower limbs and pelvis: 231 injuries in total.

120 injuries resulted in fractures.

4 injuries required admission to an intensive care unit (ICU).

3 injuries resulted in above knee amputations.

8 martyrs sadly passed away.

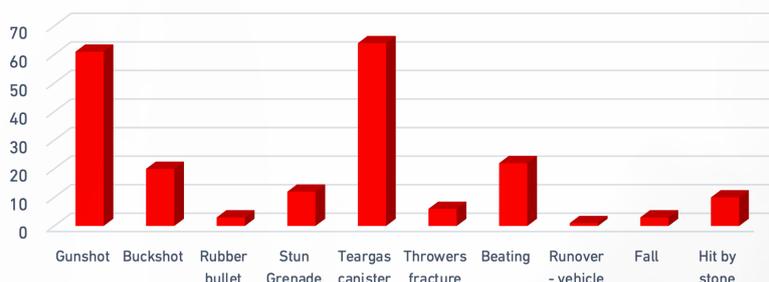
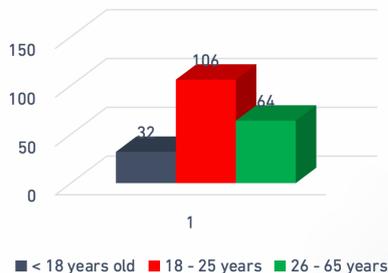
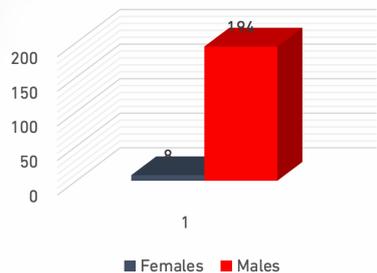


Injuries to the upper limbs: 202 injuries in total.

133 injuries resulted in a fracture.

1 case required admission to an intensive care unit (ICU).

11 injuries resulting in partial amputation of the injured upper limb.



Injuries to the back:

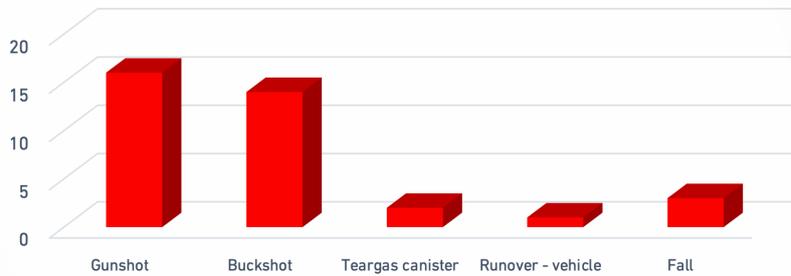
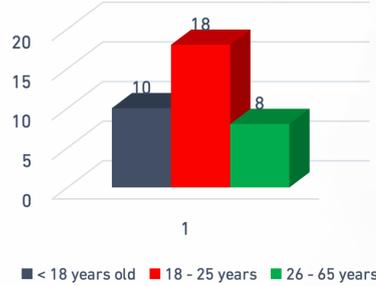
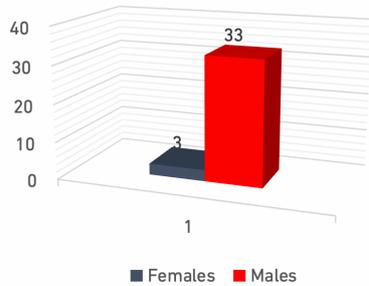
39 total injuries.

6 injuries resulting in fractures.

2 injuries requiring admission to an intensive care unit (ICU).

5 injuries resulted in varying degrees of paralysis.

3 martyrs sadly passed away.

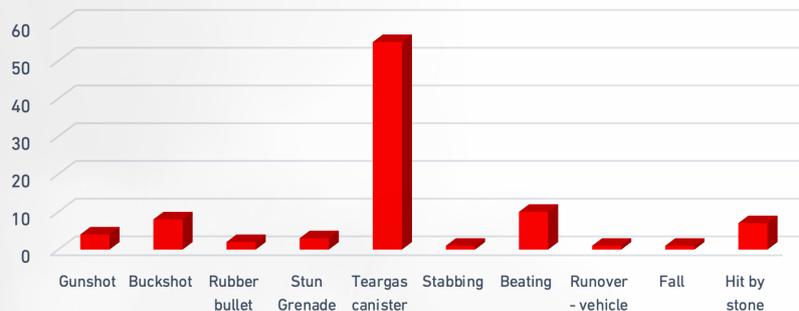
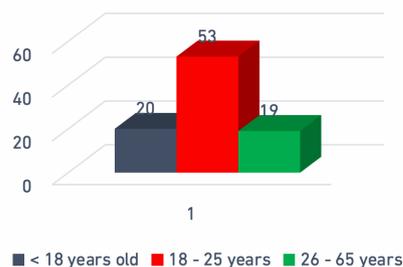
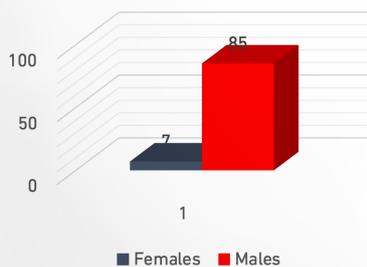


Injuries to the face, jaw and teeth:

95 injuries in total.

6 injuries requiring restorative dental procedures (teeth implants).

3 martyrs sadly passed away.



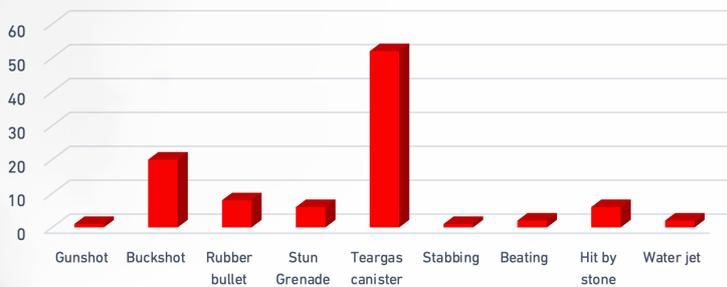
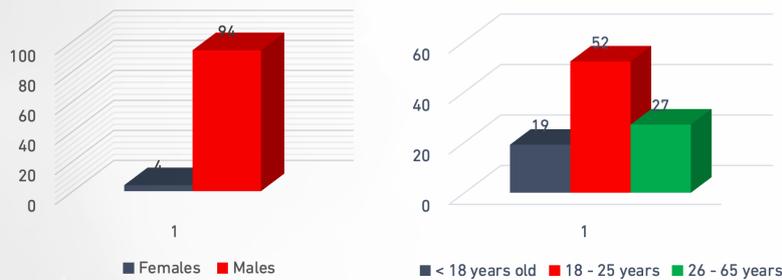
Injuries to the eyes: 98 injuries in total.

12 injuries requiring surgical removal of the injured eye.

7 injuries resulted in loss of vision in the injured eye.

5 injuries resulted in partial loss of vision requiring correction using glasses.

All cases require regular ongoing follow up.



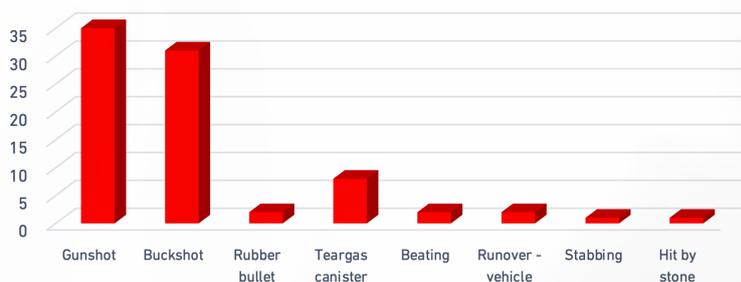
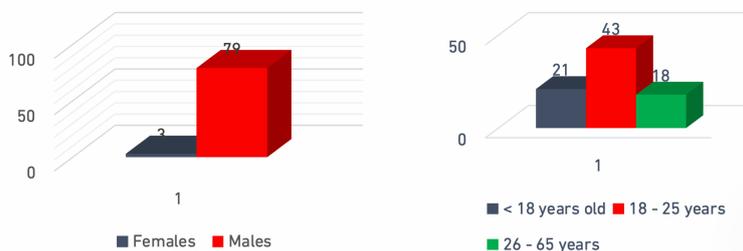
Injuries to the abdomen:

90 injuries in total.

6 injuries required admission to an intensive care unit (ICU).

7 injuries resulted in complete or partial removal of the spleen or kidney.

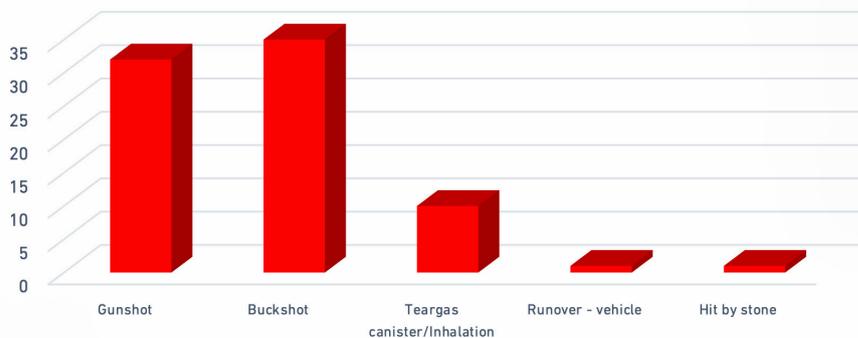
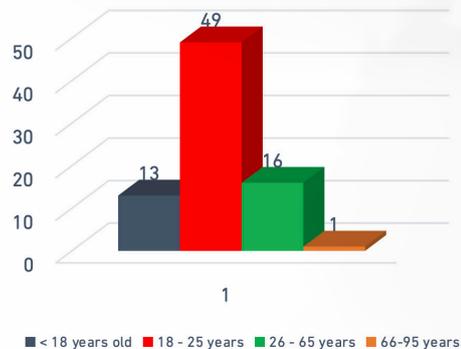
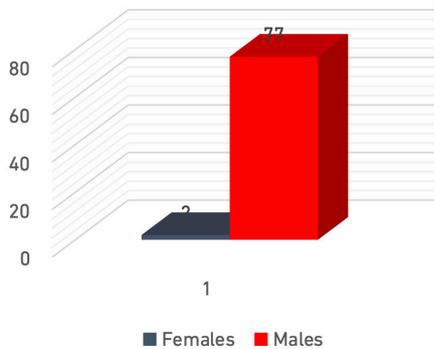
6 martyrs sadly passed away.



**Injuries to the chest:
122 injuries in total.**

19 injuries required admission to an intensive care unit (ICU).

43 martyrs sadly passed away.



Injuries caused by projectiles:

Injuries caused by firearms (bullets, Buckshot, rubber bullets):

1,363 injuries in total.

842 injuries received first aid. 512 required additional surgical/medical intervention.

103 martyrs sadly passed away.

955 injuries caused by bullets. 282 required additional surgical/medical intervention beyond simple first aid.

274 injuries caused by multiple Buckshot pellets. 211 required additional surgical/medical intervention beyond simple first aid.

94 injuries caused by rubber bullets. 28 required additional surgical/medical intervention beyond simple first aid.

8 injuries resulted in varying types of paralysis.

1 injury resulted in permanent reduction in the level of consciousness.

5 injuries required surgical removal of an injured eye.

5 injuries resulted in partial/complete amputation of the affected limb.

6 injuries resulted in partial/complete removal of an internal organ.

Injuries caused by teargas cannisters (direct impact injuries):

3,119 injuries in total.

2,860 injuries received first aid. 259 required additional surgical/medical intervention beyond simple first aid.

6 martyrs sadly passed away in addition to **one martyr** who passed away because of respiratory complications related to teargas inhalation.

Injuries caused by stun grenades:

258 injuries in total.

235 injuries received first aid. 23 required additional surgical/medical intervention beyond simple first aid.

9 injuries required partial amputation of part of the affected limb.

1 injury required admission to an intensive care unit (ICU).

Injuries caused by physical violence and beatings:

68 injuries in total.

11 injuries received first aid. 57 required additional surgical/medical intervention beyond simple first aid.

4 injuries requiring admission to an intensive care unit (ICU).

4 injuries resulted in skull fractures.

10 injuries results in facial bone, jaw fractures or loss of teeth.

2 injuries resulted in damage to an eye.

22 injuries resulted in upper limb fractures.

7 injuries resulted in lower limb fractures.

3 martyrs sadly passed away.

Injuries caused by ramming or running over of protestors by security vehicles:

65 injuries in total.

49 injuries received first aid. 16 required additional surgical/medical intervention beyond simple first aid.

2 injuries required admission to an intensive care unit (ICU).

1 injury resulted in paralysis (paraplegia).

1 injury resulted in an upper limb fracture.

8 injuries resulted in lower limb and pelvic fractures.

1 injury resulted in loss of teeth.

3 martyrs sadly passed away.

Cases of sexual violence:

More than 50 cases of sexual violence were reported.

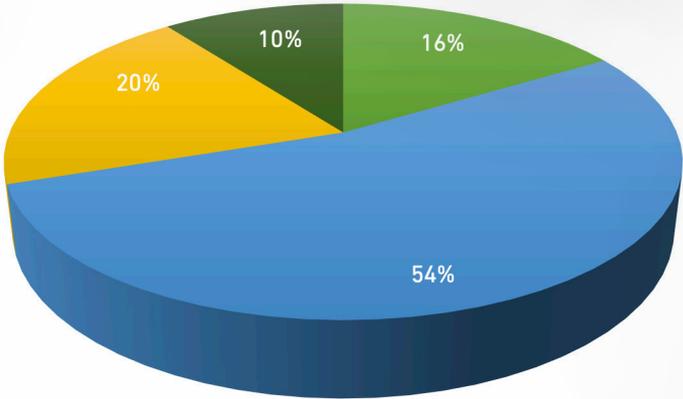
3 cases went through and completed the medical protocols related sexual assault.

2 cases started legal proceedings through the legal system.

Martyrs of the 25th of October coup

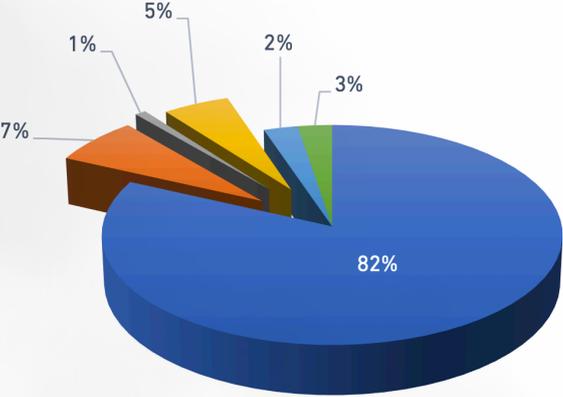
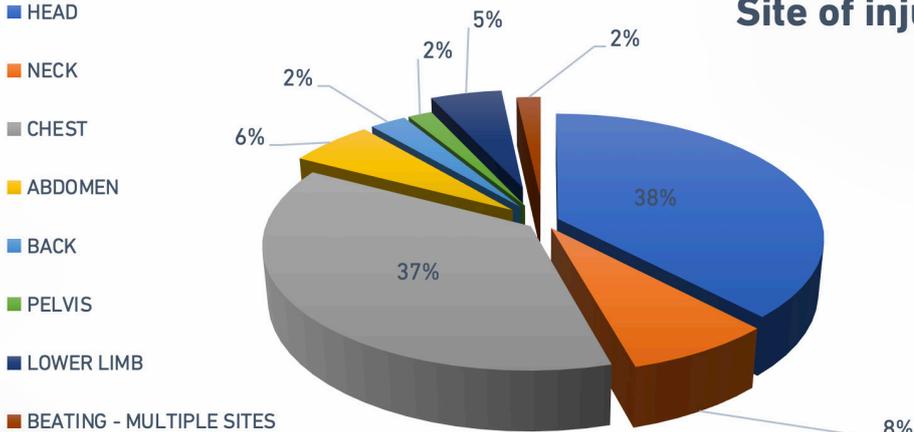


honourable martyrs (classification by age)



■ <18 years old ■ 18 - 25 years ■ 26 - 35 years ■ > 36 years old

Site of injury



Mechanism of Injury

■ Gunshot
 ■ Shotgun-pellets
 ■ Stabbing
 ■ Gas canister impact/Inhalation
 ■ Beating
 ■ Runover - vehicle

At the end of this report, we would like to start by providing reassurances that the arrangements for injured heroes, who are currently undergoing treatment, have started, and are destined to continue. Despite Hadhreen ceasing operations, we are still actively working to ensure that those injured following the cessation will get as much support and aid possible.

We are confident that the details and data provided in this report are a clear rebuff to the claims popularized by the military coup and those in power, stating that there is third-party involvement in the injuring and systematic targeting of innocent protestors.

We also take this opportunity to sincerely apologize for any failings, disagreements, or inconveniences that our frontline teams may have unintentionally caused to anyone they have had the honor to serve or work with through very hard and challenging times.

We can't miss the opportunity to extend our warmest thanks and gratitude to all the men, women, and children of the great Sudanese public, in Sudan and all over the world for all their support and never-ending sacrifices.

Our gratitude also extends to all the health care professional, psychologists, ambulance crews, drivers of motorbikes, rikshaws, private vehicles, owners of pharmacies and medical supply companies for all their support and efforts which have contributed directly to the care of many survivors despite the heart-wrenching sadness for all the precious lives we lost.

May the mighty Allah accept our martyrs,
Heal our injured
Release our detained
Return our missing

Hadhreen
October 2022

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