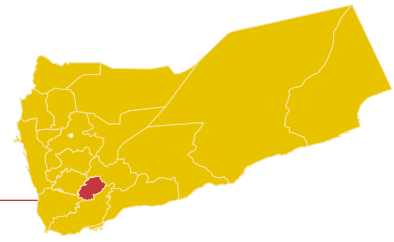


Al-Dhale' Governorate



A. Summary

In Al-Dhale' Governorate, there are 81 communities with a total population of 118,981 impacted by landmine/UXO contamination. No fewer than 33 of those are located in Qa'tabah district. A total of 147 mined areas with a reported surface of about 66.5 million square meters have been identified. Of the 66.5 million square meters of affected land, 65 million square meters is reported to be hillside, ridge, or gully overgrown, at least in part, with short grass, tall grass, bushes, and/or trees. The survey also recorded 59 recent¹ and 457 less-recent² mine victims in the affected communities.

B. Location

Al-Dhale' Governorate is located in the southwest of the country with an area of 3,922 square kilometers and a population of approximately 330,062³.

C. Scope and history of the landmine contamination

Of the 10 districts in Al-Dhale', seven are affected by landmines/UXO. Levels of contamination vary from district to district. The landmine-affected districts include Al-Dhale', Al-Hashaa', Al-Hussain, Al-Sho'aib, Damt, Juban, and Qa'tabah. No landmine/UXO contamination has been reported from the remaining three districts.

Of the 880 communities in the seven affected districts, 81 reported mine/UXO impacts. In these 81 communities, 147 mined areas are reportedly blocking access to an estimated 66.5 million square meters of land. The survey information concurs that the landmines/UXO in Al-Dhale' originated in different periods during the years 1979 to 1994.

D. Impact upon communities

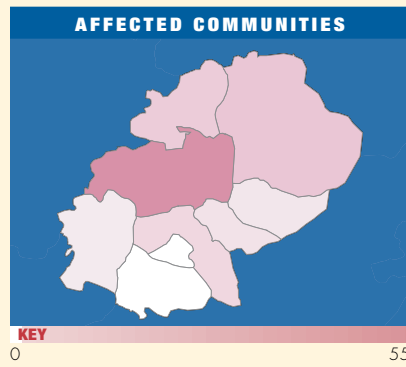
Landmine/UXO contamination affects 81 communities with a total population of 118,981. The affected communities consist of 79 compact or dispersed villages and two suburban settlements. As per the survey's scoring mechanism, seven communities suffer a high level of impact, 16 a medium level, and 58 communities a low level. In the majority of affected communities, landmine/UXO contamination is blocking access to pasture, firewood, and agricultural land. As many as 78 communities reported blocked access to some pasture, 32 communities do not have access to some of their firewood resource, 30 communities do not have access to some of their farmland, and 22 communities have blocked roads. Among the other

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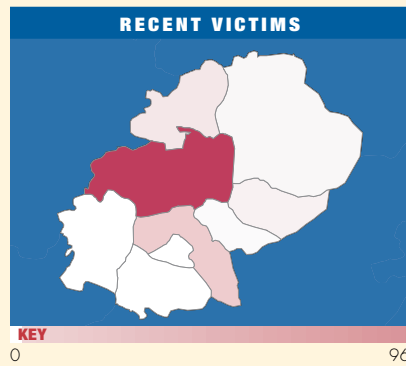
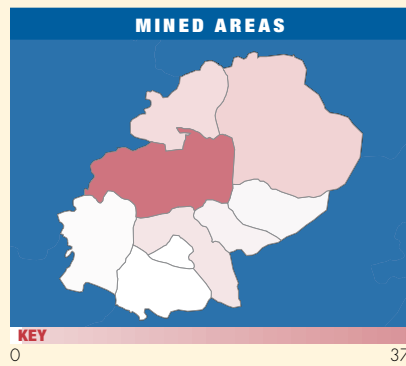
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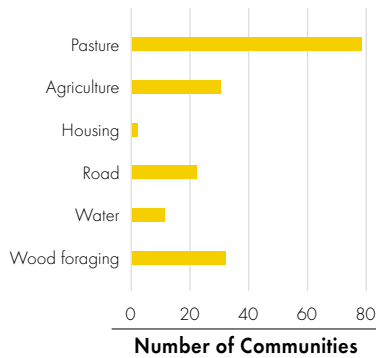
AT A GLANCE: LANDMINE CONTAMINATION IN AL-DHALE' GOVERNORATE



District	Affected communities	Mined areas	All victims
Al-Dhale'	9	14	42
Al-Hashaa'	2	2	7
Al-Hussain	5	7	2
Al-Sho'aib	4	5	11
Damt	13	19	87
Juban	15	24	70
Qa'tabah	33	76	297



ACCESS BLOCKED BY LAND TYPE

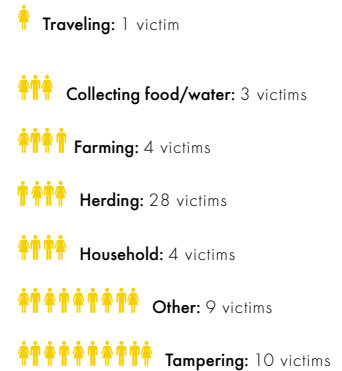


types of blockages, 11 communities reported blocked access to water and two communities could not use housing areas.

In terms of mine victims, Al-Dhale' Governorate ranks the third highest among the governorates surveyed. The survey found that 516 people in Al-Dhale' were injured or killed by mines: 59 in the past two years, and 457 previously. Of the 59 recent mine victims, 37

had come to harm in Qa'tabah, 11 in Al-Dhale', five in Damt, three in Al-Sho'aib, two in Juban and one in Al-Hussian district. The chart at right provides further details on the recent victims concerning their activities at the time of accident.

MINE ACCIDENTS BY ACTIVITY



E. Implications for mine action

Landmines in Al-Dhale' were laid primarily along access routes to points of strategic importance and around former military positions during the years 1979 through 1994. An estimated total surface of 66.5 million square meters is contaminated by mines or UXO. Of this, 65 million square meters is hillside, ridge, or gully overgrown, at least in part, with short grass, tall grass, bushes, and/or trees.

ESTIMATED CONTAMINATED SURFACE LAND IN SQUARE METERS BY VEGETATION AND GROUND PROFILE

Vegetation	Ground Profile		Total
	Flat land only	Hillside, ridge, and gully	
None	2,500	2,500	5,000
Short grass only	0	19,026,659	19,026,659
Tall grass, at least some	750	804,750	805,500
Bushes or trees, at least some	1,405,900	45,232,800	46,638,700
Other	0	0	0
Grand total	1,409,150	65,066,709	66,475,859

ESTIMATED AFFECTED SURFACE LAND BY TYPE OF DEVICES AND NUMBER OF MINED AREAS

Type of device	Mined areas	Surface land (Sqm)
Anti-personnel mines	125	61,527,809
Mines and UXO	10	4,021,000
Anti-tank mines	9	669,150
UXO	3	257,900
Total	147	66,475,859

Of the 147 mined areas, 125 are reported to contain anti-personnel mines, nine anti-tank mines, 10 a combination of mines/UXO and three only UXO.

Among the communities surveyed, only Bait Al-Shooki community of Qa'tabah district is reported to have received mine awareness training from NTEU. The Dar Al-Sokmah community had received some victim assistance during the past two years. No mine survey/clearance was evident during the same period. However, local people in 16 communities of three districts are reported to have attempted some mine/UXO clearance. This includes 10 communities in Qa'tabah, two in Al-Dhale', two in Al-Hussain, and two in Juban districts.

COMMUNITY-WIDE DETAILS OF LANDMINE/UXO CONTAMINATION IN AL-DHALE'

Communities affected	Population affected	Mined areas	Estimated surface area (Sqm)	Victims					
				Recently killed	Recently injured	Killed earlier	Injured earlier	All victims	
Al-Dhale'	Al-A'baara	1,100	2	152,500	0	0	0	4	4
	Al-Hathah	2,500	1	240,000	0	0	3	1	4
	Al-Masharih	350	1	6,000,000	2	1	13	2	18
	Al-Qafrah	1,800	1	5,400	1	2	0	0	3
	Al-Qalee'ah	42	3	3,310,000	0	0	0	0	0
	Habeel Al-Karief	100	1	14,000	0	1	0	0	1
	Qaradh	3,000	1	250,000	3	0	5	0	8
	Qaroodh	350	3	637,000	1	0	1	2	4
	Sanah	500	1	120,000	0	0	0	0	0
Total 9	9,742	14	10,728,900	7	4	22	9	42	
Al-Hashaa'	Habeel Yahya	700	1	1,500	0	0	4	2	6
	Qashat Al-Bor	100	1	20,000	0	0	1	0	1
	Total 2	800	2	21,500	0	0	5	2	7
Al-Hussain	A'mak	200	1	560,000	0	0	0	0	0
	Al-Attria	455	1	7,500	0	0	0	0	0
	Al-Mahdatha	140	3	39,400	0	0	0	1	1
	Al-Uqlah	1,700	1	210,000	0	0	0	0	0
	Habeel Al-Jaleb	1,400	1	280,000	0	1	0	0	1
Total 5	3,895	7	1,096,900	0	1	0	1	2	
Al-Sho'aib	Al-Madhow	1,800	2	110,000	0	0	0	1	1
	Al-Qahrah	2,400	1	120,000	1	0	0	3	4
	Aqziz	560	1	50,000	0	2	0	1	3
	Lanjoed & Al-Soma'a	4,000	1	10,000	0	0	0	3	3
Total 4	8,760	5	290,000	1	2	0	8	11	

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	Communities affected	Population affected	Mined areas	Estimated surface area (Sqm)	Victims				
					Recently killed	Recently injured	Killed earlier	Injured earlier	All victims
Damt	Al-Mawdhe'	1,000	1	45,000	0	0	3	6	9
	Al-Ahrom	840	1	100,000	0	0	0	0	0
	Al-Ma'zabah	300	2	460,000	0	0	3	0	3
	Al-Marash	315	1	70,000	1	0	5	1	7
	Al-Minzel	450	2	700,000	0	0	1	1	2
	Al-Hazaz	1,120	2	640,000	0	0	4	14	18
	Al-Musnadah	675	1	40,000	0	0	3	3	6
	Al-Okrah	1,500	1	1,080,000	0	4	9	5	18
	Bait Tawil	300	2	3,780,000	0	0	2	6	8
	Kahlan	1,500	2	65,000	0	0	2	2	4
	Rakhma	550	1	45,000	0	0	0	0	0
	Al-Sharkani	2,500	2	882,000	0	0	3	9	12
	Gharba	140	1	540,000	0	0	0	0	0
Total 13	11,190	19	8,447,000	1	4	35	47	87	
Juban	Al-Hankah	700	2	25,750	0	0	1	1	2
	Al-Abo Ali	400	1	25,000	0	0	2	5	7
	Al-Aoumarrah	40	2	680,000	0	0	1	0	1
	Al-Ghofra	2,300	2	402,500	0	0	5	5	10
	Al-Lomihya	3,000	1	600,000	0	0	0	1	1
	Al-Mirab	900	1	1,000	0	0	0	3	3
	Hoorah	300	1	270,000	0	0	0	0	0
	Jaboob Khoolah	1,200	2	2,130,000	0	2	1	1	4
	Misika	1,100	2	450,000	0	0	5	5	10
	Shuba'ah	4,000	2	200,000	0	0	10	7	17
	Wadi Homaisan	4,500	1	2,400	0	0	0	0	0
	Al-Awabel	1,200	2	57,000	0	0	0	0	0
	Juban	18,000	1	400,000	0	0	5	6	11
	Yaher	1,600	2	352,500	0	0	3	1	4
	N'awa	8,000	2	900,000	0	0	0	0	0
Total 15	47,240	24	6,496,150	0	2	33	35	70	
Qa'tabah	Adanat Al-Shami	200	1	70,000	0	0	0	2	2
	Al-Hatab	650	1	5,000	0	0	0	0	0
	Al-Qarn	140	3	398,000	0	0	4	1	5
	Al-Qodom	800	1	750,000	0	0	3	0	3
	Azab	1,700	1	80,000	0	0	0	1	1
	Bait Al-Sharji	3,000	1	200,000	2	0	4	2	8
	Bait Al-Shooki	8,000	4	5,324,000	4	3	7	12	26
	Habil Al-Abdi	2,500	3	135,000	0	1	6	7	14
	Jabal Al-Shami	1,800	1	1,620,000	0	0	1	2	3
	Shalil	840	2	12,015,000	0	0	2	3	5
	Al-A'shwah	420	3	77,500	0	0	2	3	5
	Al-Jahada'	140	2	1,674,000	0	0	4	3	7
	Al-Khatam	500	1	30,000	0	0	0	0	0

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Communities affected	Population affected	Mined areas	Estimated surface area (Sqm)	Victims					
				Recently killed	Recently injured	Killed earlier	Injured earlier	All victims	
Al-Lawi	500	3	42,400	0	0	3	3	6	
Al-Orir	1,000	4	232,500	0	0	15	7	22	
Al-Qu'rah	600	2	16,400	0	1	11	2	14	
Qurain Al-Fahd	700	2	87,500	0	0	2	0	2	
Ribat Al-Sallami	1,750	1	120,000	0	2	8	3	13	
Al-Job	119	2	2,440,000	0	2	10	2	14	
Al-Qaffleh	600	4	640,000	0	1	4	4	9	
Al-Ribi	420	1	270,000	3	4	0	0	7	
Batar	448	3	130,000	0	0	12	4	16	
Homan	700	3	310,000	0	0	12	6	18	
Qa'tabah, cont'd	Markhazah	600	2	2,500,000	0	0	3	18	21
Owish	287	4	961,359	2	6	5	0	13	
Shakhab	1,600	2	5,130,000	0	0	7	9	16	
Sho'our	3,500	4	810,000	0	3	2	7	12	
Kobi	140	1	16,000	0	0	2	0	2	
Otabat	800	1	60,000	0	0	5	5	10	
Dar Al-Sokmah	560	4	432,500	0	1	1	6	8	
Komer Al-Sadah	1,500	2	2,240,000	0	1	1	3	5	
Kordoh	350	3	58,250	0	1	1	1	3	
Rayshan	490	4	520,000	0	0	2	5	7	
Total 33	37,354	76	39,395,409	11	26	139	121	297	
Al-Dhale' Total	81	118,981	147	66,475,859	20	39	234	223	516

MINE-AFFECTED COMMUNITIES IN AL-DHALE' GOVERNORATE, RANKED BY IMPACT

