

Statistical data related to the Social Protests (National Strike)

Information regarding human rights violations during the protests are very difficult to confirm not least because they are changing daily, making verification of each case difficult to achieve in real-time. The statistics that are most transparent have been produced by CSOs. Below we have put together the statistical data from CSOs, where possible we have added for comparison reports made by state institutions and oversight mechanisms and finally some data from Human Rights Watch's report. The following statistical information is taken from *la Campaña Defender la Libertad* (the Campaign Defend Freedom)¹ they cover the period 28 April until 4 May 2021:

- **77 homicides, of which 34 were allegedly committed by the actions of the security forces**, the rest were carried out by unidentified "civilians" in the context of peaceful social protest or there is no clear information. The **Prosecutor General's Office official report to the IACHR cites 51 homicides reported** (confirmed 21 protesters, 11 in process of confirmation, and 14 eliminated from their enquiries). **Human Rights Watch** has confirmed **68 homicides** of which **34** occurred in the context of the protests.
- **1,246 people were injured by the disproportionate actions of the Police, ESMAD and unidentified armed civilians**. Seventy-four (74) cases of eye injuries and eighty-seven (87) cases of persons injured by firearms. 615 are men, 127 are women and 497 their gender wasn't recorded and many of those injured would not make a criminal complaint or share their personal data, due to fear of reprisals
- **158 human rights defenders have been attacked as part of their work accompanying the social protest days**, performing their role as Verification and Intervention Commissions.
- **667 women victims of police violence**, of which: 466 were detained, the vast majority arbitrarily, 127 were injured, 2 women were allegedly killed due to actions by the security forces, 45 women human rights defenders attacked. Additionally, a minor committed suicide after suffering sexual assaults by the security forces in Popayán, Cauca.
- **27 cases of GBV** against women in the framework of social protests. According to the **Ombudsman's Office (Defensoría) 106 people were victims of gender-based violence²** (GBV) against women and LGBTQI, among which there are **23 cases of sexual violence**.
- **2,808 people have been detained, many of them arbitrarily** and in many cases subjected to torture and / or cruel, inhuman and degrading treatment.
- **346 people reported disappeared**, the **Ombudsman's Office** has a record of **87 persons³** due to the National Strike and the **Prosecutor's Office 129** persons.
- **20 raids**, of which 8 were declared illegal, including associated arrests. The remaining 12 are in the process of clarification.
- **1,304 complaints for police abuses of power**, authority, assaults and police violence.

¹ <https://defenderlalibertad.com/boletin-informativo-17-paronacional/>

² <https://www.defensoria.gov.co/es/nube/comunicados/10120/La-Defensor%C3%ADa-ha-recibido-87-reportes-de-Violencia-Basada-en-G%C3%A9nero-a-Mujeres-y-personas-OSIGD-durante-la-Protesta-Social.htm>

³ El Espectador, *Estas son las 87 personas desaparecidas en el Paro Nacional, según Defensoría*. 4/05/2021. Disponible:

<https://www.elespectador.com/colombia/mas-regiones/estas-son-las-87-personas-desaparecidas-en-el-paro-nacional-segun-defensoria-articulo/>