

Gender-Based Violence and Reproductive Harm in the Gaza Genocide (2023–2025): A Mixed- Methods Analysis of the UN Commission of Inquiry Report

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Agenda

Overview of presentation structure and key topics

Research Agenda

- ★ Gender-based violence patterns
- ★ Reproductive harm analysis
- ★ Methodological challenges in conflict documentation
- ★ International law implications
- ★ Mixed-methods research design

Research Context & Background

Problem Domain

- ✦ Military campaign in Gaza (2023-2025)
- ✦ Systematic gender-based violence and reproductive harm
- ✦ Critical humanitarian crisis with international law implications

Current State & Gap

- ✦ Limited systematic documentation in conflict zones
- ✦ Competing narratives and institutional constraints
- ✦ Epistemic injustice complicates credible accounts
- ✦ Research gap: Integrated analysis of GBV patterns

Motivation & Research Objectives

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Humanitarian Crisis

Document systematic violations creating severe health and safety challenges for women

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Methodological Rigor

Address documentation challenges in conflict settings through systematic verification

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Legal Implications

Examine patterns with implications for international law and human rights protection

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Integrated Analysis

Integrate quantitative indicators with qualitative narratives to reveal systematic violence patterns

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Research Methodology

Mixed-methods approach and data collection framework

Research Design & Data Sources

- ★ Concurrent triangulation design for mixed-methods analysis
- ★ **Primary data:** UN Commission of Inquiry report (2023-2025)
- ★ Complementary UN datasets and institutional documentation
- ★ Systematic verification protocols for sensitive testimony
- ★ Integration of quantitative indicators with qualitative narratives

Methodological Process



Methodological Constraints & Assumptions

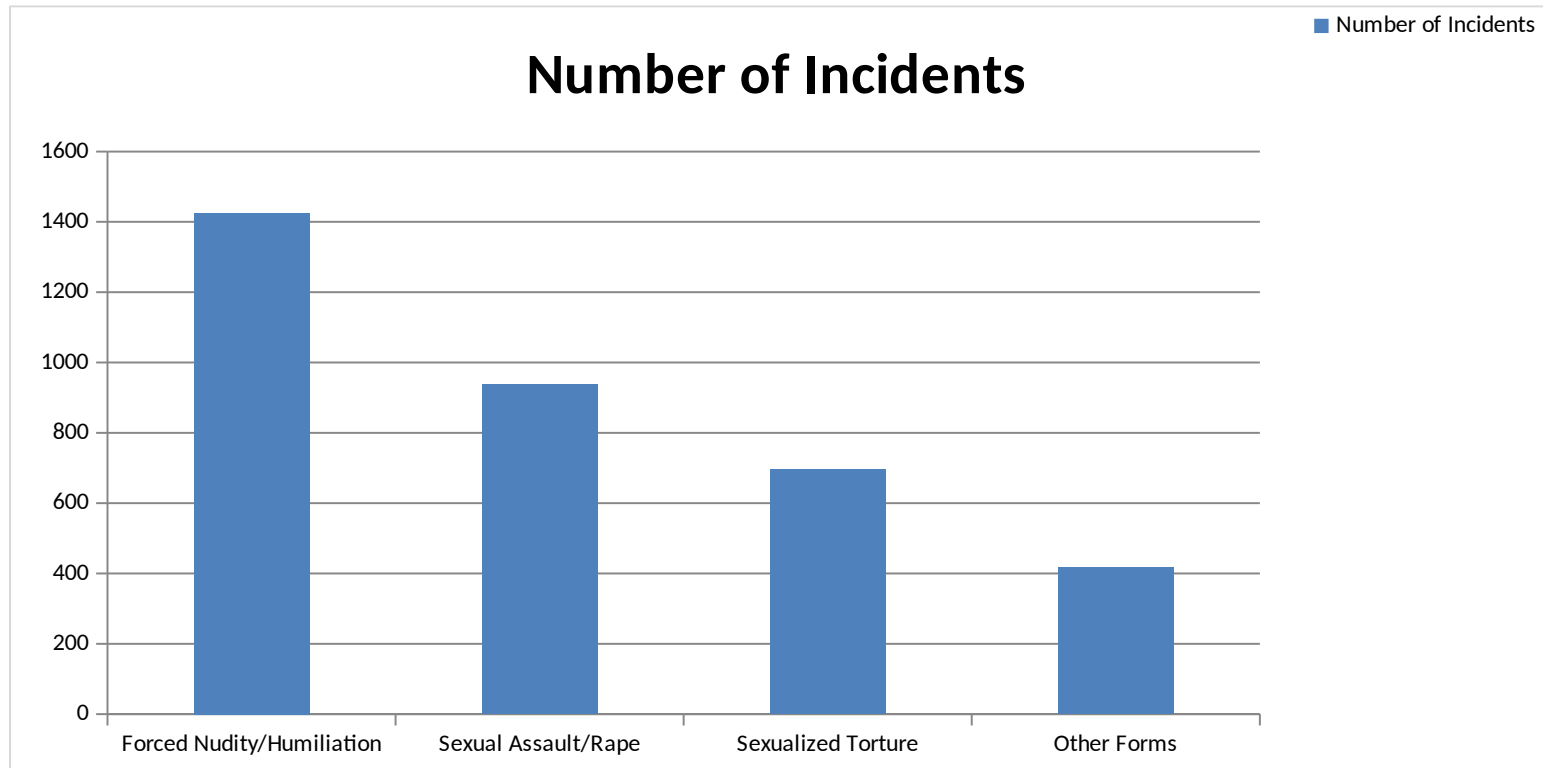
- ★ Reliance on institutional documentation protocols and UN datasets
- ★ Potential underreporting due to security constraints and stigma
- ★ Data accessibility constraints in conflict zones
- ★ Political interference in documentation processes
- ★ Methodological limitations acknowledged in all analyses

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Findings & Analysis

Quantitative and qualitative results from mixed-methods analysis

Gender-Based Violence Incident Distribution (Oct 2023 - Nov 2024)



Systematic Patterns & Monthly Trends

Quantitative Patterns

- ★ 3,475 total incidents documented
- ★ Monthly average: 289.6 incidents
- ★ Detention centers: Most common location
- ★ Forced nudity: 41% of all cases
- ★ Sexual assault/rape: 27% of cases

Systematic Nature

- ★ Consistent monthly patterns throughout campaign
- ★ Intersection with health system collapse
- ★ Link to food insecurity conditions
- ★ Reproductive capacity affected at population level
- ★ Strategic component of broader systematic violence

Key Contributions & Innovations

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Systematic Documentation

Comprehensive analysis of 3,475 GBV incidents with quantitative patterns

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Integrated Analysis

First study to integrate quantitative indicators with qualitative survivor testimonies

3

Methodological Triangulation

Novel approach addressing documentation challenges in conflict settings

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Pattern Analysis

Demonstrates how gendered violence links to broader systematic violence patterns

Conclusions & Implications

- ★ Systematic patterns of GBV documented through mixed-methods analysis
- ★ Methodological triangulation addresses conflict zone documentation challenges
- ★ Findings have significant implications for international law and humanitarian response
- ★ Integrated approach reveals how GBV functions as strategic component of systematic violence
- ★ Research establishes credible documentation amid competing narratives and institutional constraints

Thank You!

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