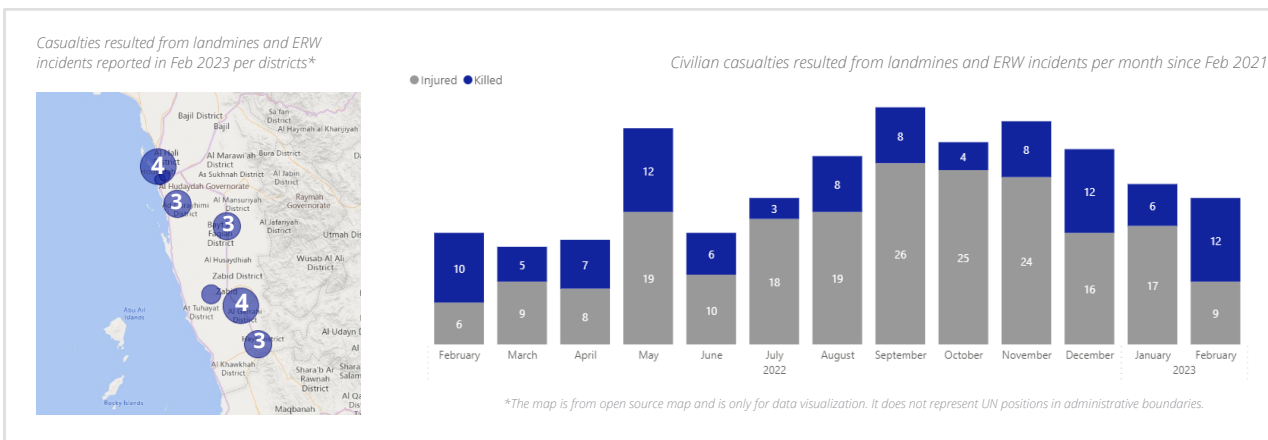


Mine Action Update

Hudaydah

In February 2023, UNMHA recorded **21** civilian casualties due to landmines and ERW incidents, a 30 per cent increase compared to February 2022 (16) and a nine per cent decrease compared to January 2023 (23). This includes **nine** civilians injured (five children) and **12** killed (one woman killed and six children killed). The casualties were distributed across the Al Garrahi, Al Hali, Ad Durayhimi, Bayt Al Faqih, At Tuhayta and Hays districts.



Mine Action Advocacy and Support

UNMHA supported several preparation meetings for the **First Mine Action Partnership Conference** organized by YEMAC, SCMCHA, OCHA and ICRC. The conference took place between 22 and 23 February in Sana'a and brought together different organizations in Yemen to discuss the **impact of landmines and ERW on civilians**.

The Mission also facilitated discussions on coordination and access with INGOs in **Aden** and **collaboration on risk education projects** with agencies working in Hudaydah.



A landmine planted in sandy soil and moved by the recent floods in southern Hudaydah. Source: UNMHA Archives

Hudaydah Governorate remains the most landmine and ERW-impacted governorate in Yemen. Freedom of movement and livelihood activities of the local population has been restricted due to the risk of landmines and ERW. UNMHA continues to advocate for urgent humanitarian mine action and international support to demining efforts in the governorate.

Note: numbers of civilian casualties in this document are as reported by multiple sources, and have not been independently verified by UNMHA.