

THE RISING DEATH TOLL IN THE NORTHERN TRIANGLE OF CENTRAL AMERICA

Last year, **17,500** people were murdered in the Northern Triangle, **surpassing the death toll of every war zone in the world except Syria, Afghanistan, and Iraq.** ⁽¹⁾



The death toll in the Northern Triangle was **11% higher** in 2015 than 2014.

15%

of Hondurans reported having internally relocated for safety purposes in a 2012 survey. ⁽²⁾



Levels of sexual violence in the Northern Triangle are comparable to war zones. ⁽³⁾

2015 Death Tolls

- Syria: 55,219
- Afghanistan: 36,345
- Iraq: 21,429
- **Northern Triangle (Guatemala, Honduras, El Salvador): 17,422**
- Boko Haram Insurgency (Nigeria, Chad, Cameroon, Niger): 11,651
- Somalia: 4,365
- South Sudan: 3,167
- DRC: 3,144

Roughly the size of Oregon, the Northern Triangle of Central America saw more casualties last year than the West Africa conflict with Boko Haram and the conflict in South Sudan combined.

Sources: (1) Reported in *The Tico Times* <http://bit.ly/1Ot0AwN>

(2) LAPOP/INE/INE/DIGESTYC (3) 2,561 in Honduras (IUDPAS 2013); 6,552 in Guatemala (PDH 2013); and 3,139 in El Salvador (Medicina Legal 2013)