

The repercussions of the russian invasion extend beyond the soldiers in the frontline trenches, engulfing civilians in villages and cities alike. Missiles have injured and killed children, decimated homes, schools, hospitals, and energy grids. Children have been raped, kidnapped, left orphaned, forced into bomb shelters, and had their education disrupted. The scars of these harrowing experiences have been devastating for Ukraine's children and will leave an enduring impact.

While it's challenging to ascertain the precise numbers due to ongoing attacks, compounded by the difficulty of obtaining data from the russian-occupied areas, the following data highlights the enormity of the situation.

CHILDREN KILLED

As of April 18, 2024, the **known number of children killed reached 543** (<u>Children of War Portal 2024</u>).

CHILDREN WOUNDED

The Office of the Prosecutor General of Ukraine reports that **1,292 children were injured** (<u>Children of War Portal 2024</u>).

CHILDREN FORCIBLY DEPORTED OR DISPLACED

19,546 children have been forcibly deported by russia to russian-controlled areas, according to Ukraine's National Information Bureau.

The **russian federation claims** to have deported **744 000** (Children of War Portal 2024) (Reuters July 2023).

CHILDREN REFUGEES

An estimated 2 million children fled Ukraine after the invasion in 2022 to find shelter in other countries, and **2.5 million have been internally displaced** from their homes in Ukraine (<u>UNICEF</u> 2022).

CHILDREN SEXUALLY ABUSED

Fifteen known cases of sexual abuse have been established by the Office of the Prosecutor General of Ukraine (Children of War Portal 2024).

EDUCATIONAL FACILITIES

More than 3,790 schools have been damaged or destroyed since the start of the 2022 full-scale invasion, severely impacting the consistency and quality of education opportunities for millions (Human Rights Watch, 2023).