



QUICK FACTS ABOUT THE PERSECUTION IN NIGERIA

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- ▶ 5,068 Christians were killed in Nigeria in 2022. That is more than any other country in the world
<https://www.christianpost.com/news/over-5000-christians-killed-in-nigeria-in-2022-ngo.html>
- ▶ Of the 5,500 Christians who were killed worldwide in 2022 because of their faith, 90 percent were killed in Nigeria.
<https://www.persecution.org/2023/09/11/90-percent-of-the-5500-christians-killed-in-2022-were-nigerian/>
- ▶ 2200 Christians were abducted in the first four months of 2021.
<https://thenigerialawyer.com/1470-christians-killed-2200-abducted-in-four-months-intersociety/>
- ▶ Much of Northern Nigeria is controlled by Shariah Law. Under Shariah Law it is legal to kill Muslims who convert to Christianity.
<https://www.cfr.org/backgrounder/religious-conversion-and-sharia-law>
- ▶ 1,000 Christians were killed in the first 100 days of 2023 in Nigeria.
<https://www.christianpost.com/news/boko-haram-slaughters-1000-christians-and-muslims-in-first-100-days-of-new-nigerian-presidents-reign.html>
- ▶ As of 2022, there are 3.6 million people who have been displaced and live in IDP camps.
<https://www.internaldisplacement.org/countries/nigeria#:~:text=As%202022%20concluded%2C%20Nigeria%20was,the%20closure%20of%20IDP%20camps.>
- ▶ Since 2015, nearly 18,000 churches and schools have been attacked in Nigeria.
<https://www.hudson.org/religious-freedom/why-biden-administration-overlooking-nigeria-ihadi-attacks-christians-lela-gilbert>
- ▶ Since 2002, 62,000 Christians have been killed by Boko Haram in Nigeria and surrounding regions.
https://www.voanews.com/a/africa_christian-group-names-nigeria-hot-spot-persecution/6201045.html