

Niger Delta Weekly Conflict Update

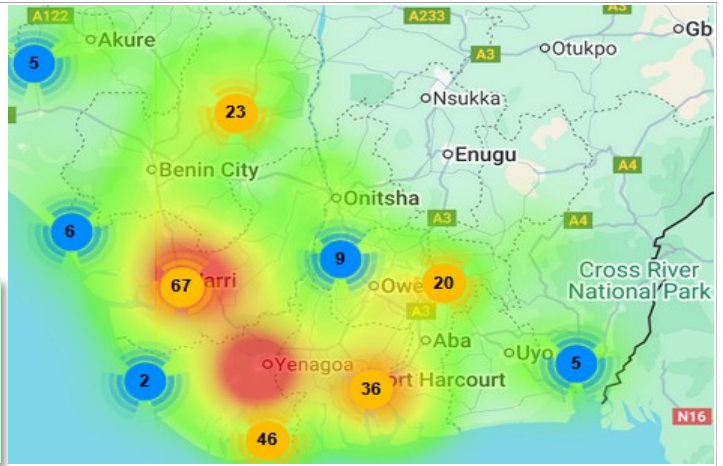
Countering Illicit Drug Trafficking and Abuse in the Niger Delta

August 24-30, 2025

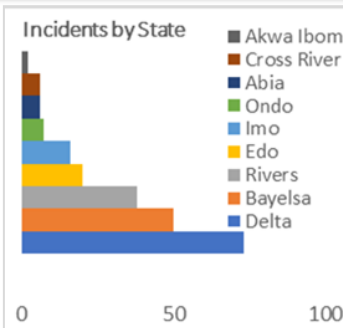
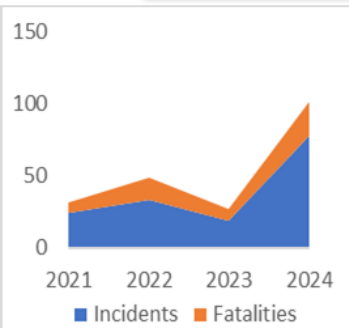
This update highlights the growing threat of illicit drug trafficking and abuse in the Niger Delta. Recent data shows a surge in the availability and use of substances such as crystal methamphetamine, accompanied by a surge in drug-related crime. The spread of illicit drugs underscores the mounting risks to public safety and communal stability.



Trends and Hotspots of Drug Trafficking and Abuse in the Niger Delta



Heat Map shows concentration of reported incidents of illicit drug trafficking and abuse in the Niger Delta from January 2021 - June 2025. Sources: All data sources formatted on PIND's P4P Peace Map www.p4pnigerdelta.org



Anticipated Trends and Dynamics

The prevalence of illicit drug trafficking and abuse could intensify criminal violence, exacerbate domestic and sexual violence, and increase the risk of social unrest. These trends pose serious threats to public health, security, and socio-economic stability in the region.

Actions Taken to Mitigate the Situation

Stakeholders have intensified efforts to address the situation through awareness-raising and the arrest of suspects. However, targeted advocacy campaigns, educational programs and community outreach initiatives are needed to tackle the issue effectively and holistically.



Timeline of Recent Incidents of Illicit Drug Trafficking and Abuse

April - August 2025

- August 25, 2025**
Security operatives reportedly intercepted a vehicle carrying crystal meth and other hard drugs in Ilara-Mokin, Ifedore LGA, Ondo State.
- August 18, 2025**
Four suspected drug dealers were reportedly arrested during a series of raids in Uyo, the capital of Akwa Ibom State.
- April 24, 2025**
A 14-year-old girl was allegedly drugged and defiled by a man in Obinihu, Nkwerre LGA, Imo State.
- April 18, 2025**
A man was reportedly killed with a machete by his laborer during a dispute over hard drugs in Akure North LGA, Ondo State.

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Report Incidents: IPDU Early Warning System

Please report any verified incident of conflict to the IPDU SMS early warning system: Text report to **080 9936 2222/0912 233 4455**.

Incident Details: Kindly include the State, LGA, Town, Date, and brief incident description.



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