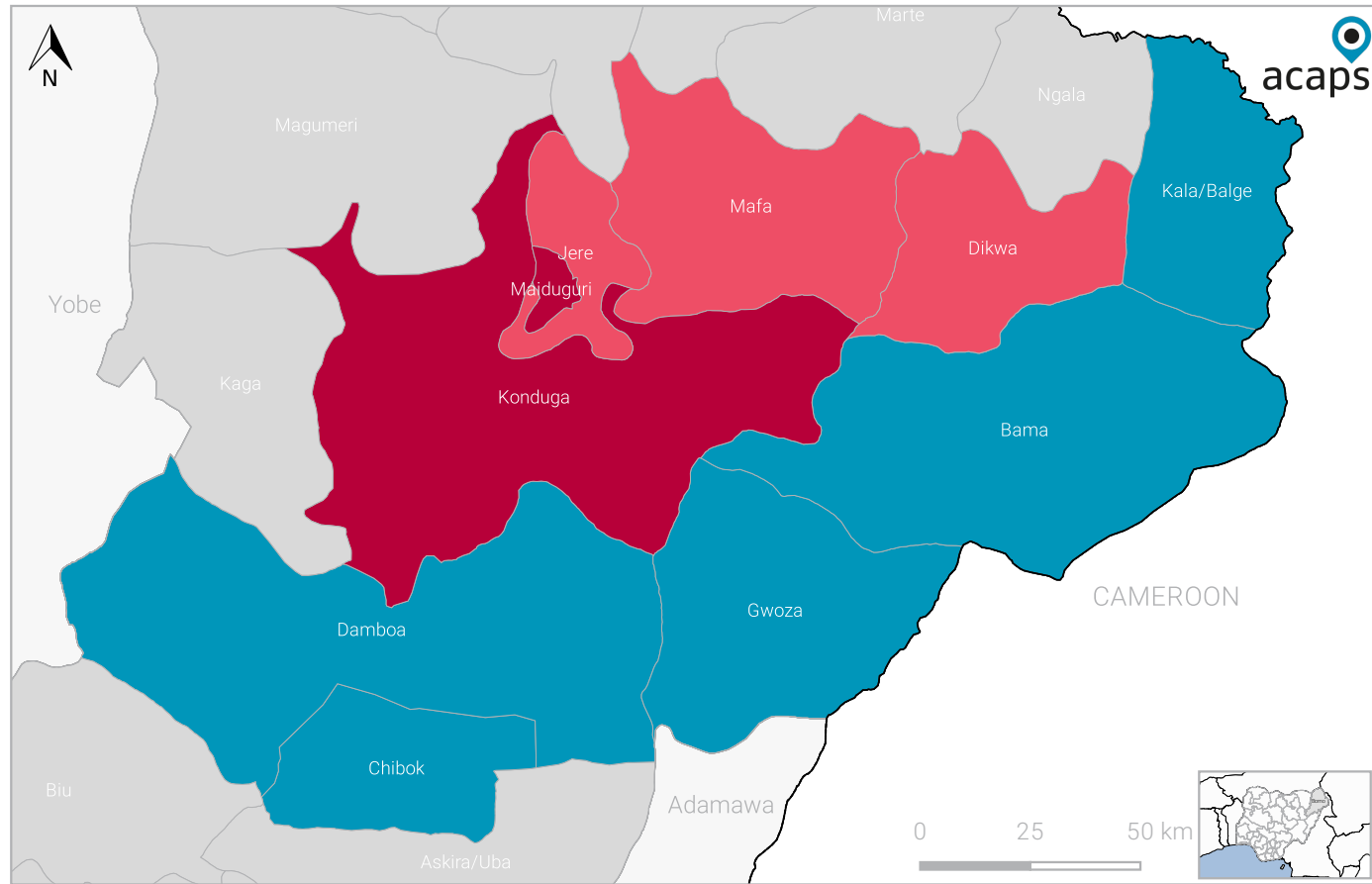


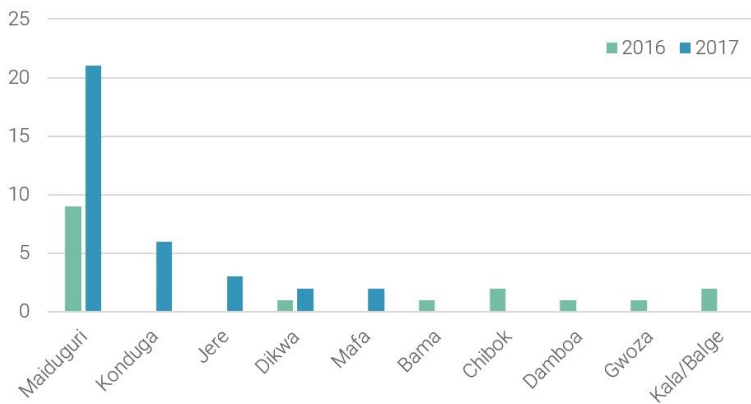
NIGERIA: Suicide attacks hampering humanitarian response

34 suicide attacks have been reported across Nigeria's Borno state since January, resulting in over 170 deaths. This is the highest number of attacks over this period in Borno since at least 2013, although the lowest number of fatalities. All five of the LGAs reporting attacks have seen an increase this year compared to 2016. The number of attacks in Maiduguri nearly doubled. Konduga has experienced a noticeable increase in attacks, from none in 2016 to six in 2017.*

This increase in attacks indicates a clear change in Boko Haram's (BH) tactics, moving from one of occupation to a more disruption focused insurgency. It is an indication of the reduction in BH ability to coordinate and implement larger scale attacks and a clear sign of the reduced capacity in the Borno state.

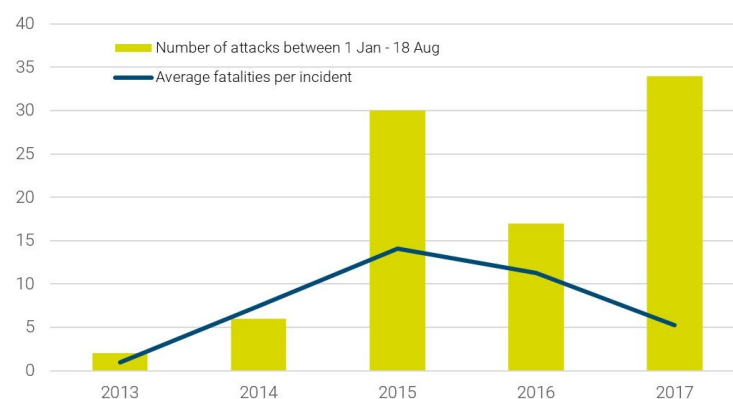


Number of suicide attacks per LGA in Borno state between 1 Jan and 18 Aug



* data does not included suicide attacks that have been prevented

Number of suicide attacks and associated average fatalities per incident in Borno state between 1 Jan and 18 Aug



Borno state: Increase/decrease in suicide attacks between 2016 and 2017 at LGA level

- Moderate decrease (-1 to -3)
- No incidents
- Moderate increase (+1 to +3)
- Major increase (+4 to +12)
- Country boundary
- State boundary