MEDIA MONITORING OF VIOLENT INCIDENTS IN GHANA

Supplementary Update

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Monthly Update-October 2026

A total of Fifty-five (55) violent incidents were recorded across Ghana in October 2026. Of these, Gun violence contributed 20 incidents (36%). There were 19 (35%) cases of Physical violence while Economic related violent incidents contributed 6(11%) cases. There were 4 (7%) incidents each for Sexual and Political violence and 1 case each for Social and Psychological Violence.

Regionally, the Ashanti Region recorded the highest number of incidents, with 11 cases. This is followed by the Greater Accra and Upper East Regions with 7 cases each. Three (3) region i.e. Eastern, Western and Volta Regions recorded 5 cases each. This is followed by four (4) cases each in the Central and Northern Regions. Similarly, 3 regions including Bono East, Western North and Bono Regions recorded 2 cases each whiles Oti Region recorded 1 case.

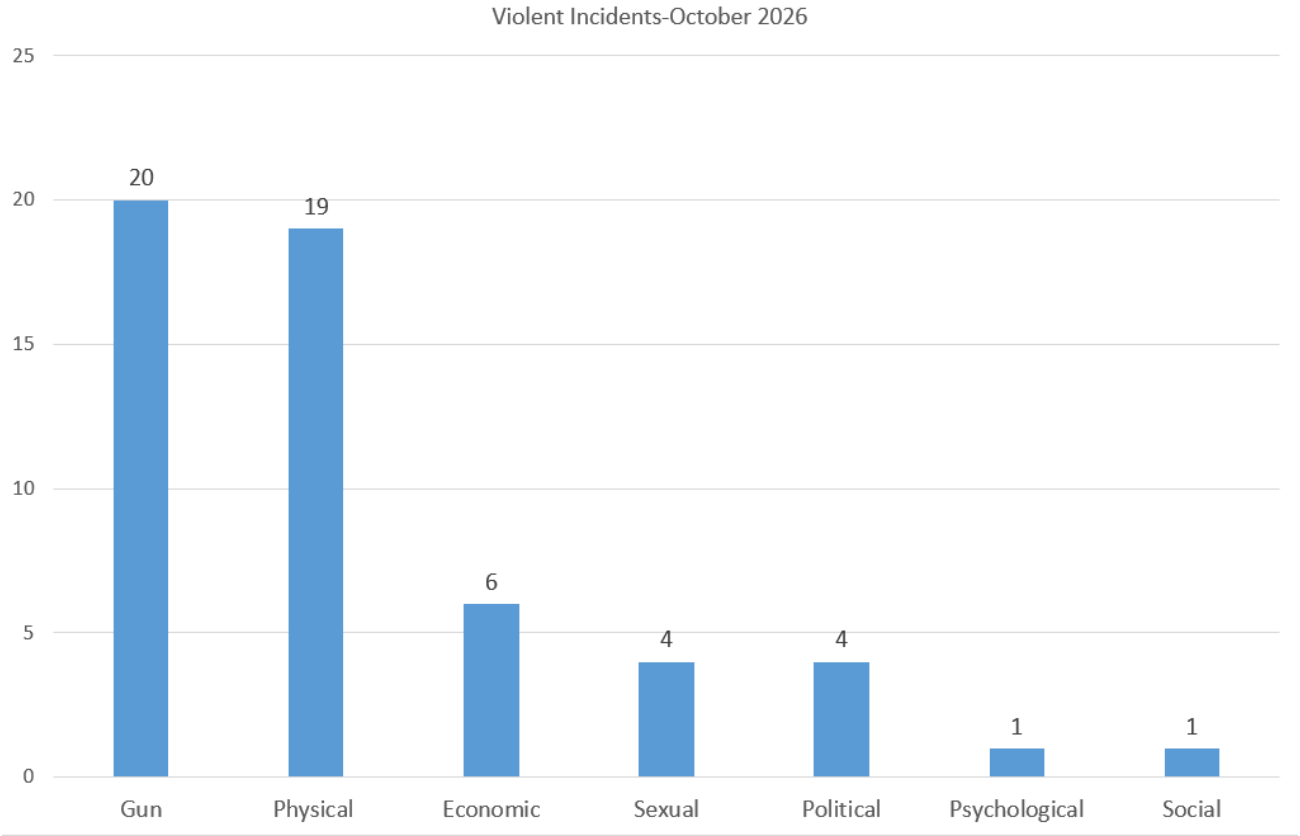
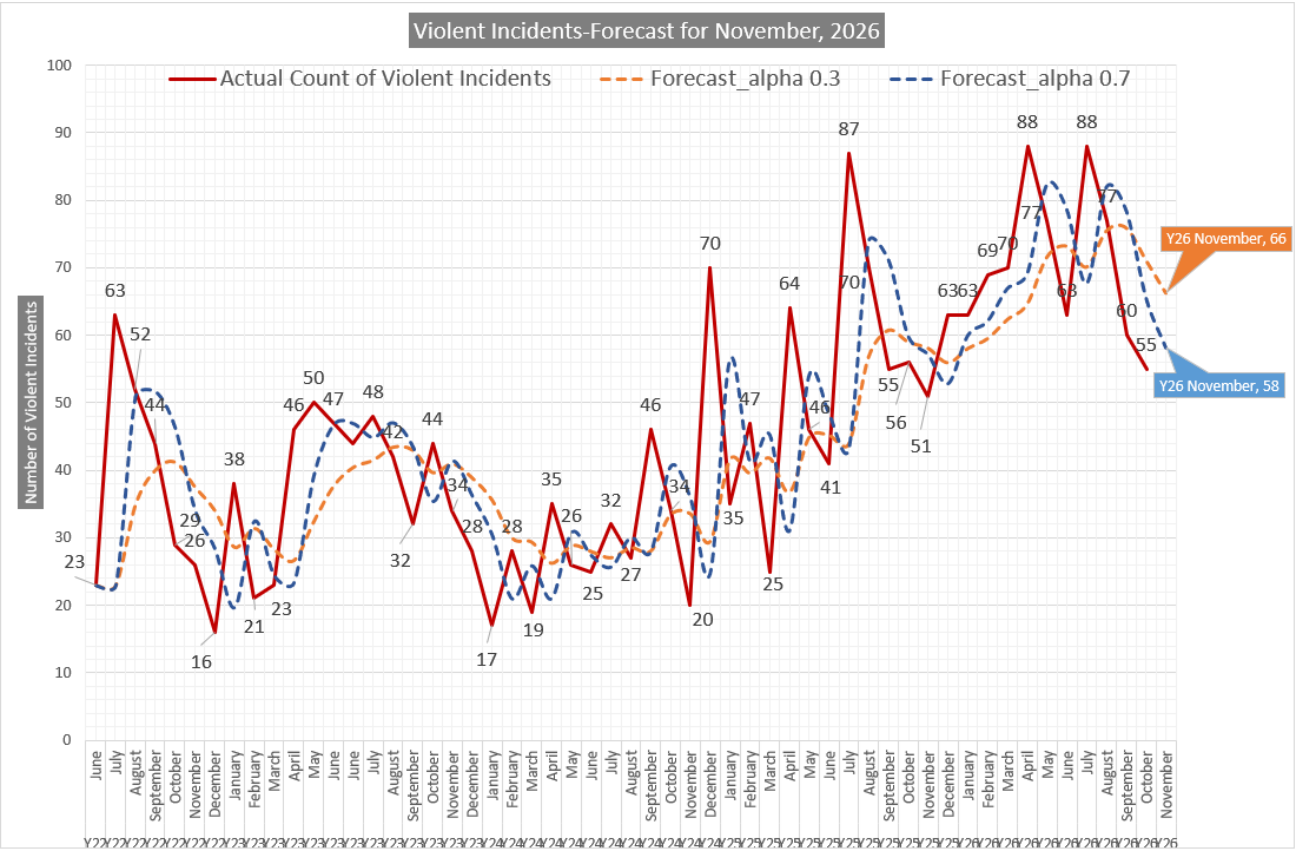


Figure 1: Violent Incidents for October, 2026

The 55 violent incidents recorded in October 2026 falls below FOSDA's projections of **71 to 66** incidents for the period by 15 incidents when compared to the upper projection. Based on actual 55 incidents recorded, the projected incident count for November 2026 is estimated to range between **66 to 58 cases**.



The October incident count of 55 represents the 1st month count for the 4th quarter. This is about one fourth of the projected count for the 4th quarter projected to range from 201-228. This implies that based on historical trends the project will not be met and therefore signals less violent incidents for the quatrter. **Fig. 3** shows the predicted range for the 4th quarter of 2026 is between **201 to 228**.

