A Timeline of Terror Attacks in Kenya Since 1975

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A TIMELINE OF TERROR ATTACKS IN KENYA SINCE 1975

- Since 1975 About 350 attacks have occurred on Kenyan soil
- After June 30, 2007, the frequency of attacks increased
- The greatest number of fatalities from the attacks are civilians, followed by members of the military, then police officers
- The infographic above highlights attacks which claimed 10 or more lives

Terror attacks and fatalities per region

- Turkana: 71
- Mandera: 100
- Maribor: 41
- Isiolo: 34
- Marsabit: 33
- Kisauni: 29
- Garissa: 27
- Tana River: 17
- Lamu: 16
- Mombasa: 14
- Kwale: 12
- West Pokot: 10
- Nandi: 9
- Nairobi: 39
- Mandera East: 403
- Isiolo: 24
- Marsabit: 22
- Garissa: 21
- Tana River: 19
- Lamu: 18
- Mombasa: 17
- Kwale: 16

Locations:
- OTC Bus Stop, Nairobi
- Norfolk Hotel, Nairobi
- American Embassy, Nairobi
- Paradise Hotel, Mombasa
- Mandera East
- Nagwanga, Tarkana
- Eastleigh, Nairobi
- Westgate, Nairobi
- Dujis, Garissa
- Dadaab
- Mandera East
- Mpeketoni, Lamu
- Oruwa, Lamu
- Bula Mpya, Mandera
- Hindi University, Lamu
- Mpeketoni, Lamu
- Bula Mpya, Mandera
- Township, Mandera
- Garissa University
- Litibu, Garissa
- Witu, Lamub
- El Welo, Mandera
- Daba Siti, Mandera
- el-Ade, Somalia

Dates:
- March 1, 1975
- Dec. 31, 1990
- Aug. 7, 1998
- Nov. 22, 2002
- July 1, 2012
- Nov. 22, 2011
- Oct. 21, 2010
- Aug. 15, 2008
- Dec. 2, 2013
- Nov. 25, 2016
- Dec. 3, 2014
- July 16, 2017

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