

Q1 2024

January to March 2024

Complete quarter. Generated 16 Sept 2026.

PUBLISHED RECORDS	CHANGE ON Q4 2023	STATES NAMED	REPORTING ORGANISATIONS
1	-2	1	1

1 civic space record was published for January to March 2024, against 3 in October to December 2023. Arrests and Detention was the most frequently recorded category.

Records by category

Arrests & Detention	1
Citizen Engagement	0
Government Discourse	0
Resource Access	0
Legal & Regulatory	0
Harassment	0

Where records were located

Lagos	1
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Who reported these incidents

Rights monitors	0	Sahara Reporters	1
News outlets	1		
Official and court records	0		

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Lagos-based editor Segun Olatunji, abducted by gunmen in military uniform, regains freedom

About 15 armed men, two in military-style uniform, took FirstNews editor Segun Olatunji from his home in Alagbado, Lagos on 15 March 2024 and flew him blindfolded to Abuja, where he was held by the Defence Intelligence Agency. He was released without charge on 28 March 2024 after 14 days. His outlet linked the detention to its reporting on the Chief of Staff to the President.

Sahara Reporters: <https://saharareporters.com/2024/03/28/lagos-based-editor-segun-olatunji-who-was-abducted-gunmen-military-uniform-regains-freedom/>
Committee to Protect Journalists: <https://cpj.org/2024/03/armed-men-take-nigerian-journalist-segun-olatunji-from-lagos-home/>
Channels Television: <https://www.channelstv.com/2024/04/27/i-was-accused-of-terrorism-whereabouts-of-my-source-unknown-journalist-olatunji-recovered-after-14-days-ordeal/>

How this report was compiled

Every record in this report is compiled by hand from reports published by named rights monitors, news outlets and official bodies, and links to the source it draws on. Each record is dated to the incident where its source gives that date, and otherwise to the date the source was published. The figures show what has been recorded, not the full extent of what has happened: incidents that were never reported do not appear, and a state with few records is not necessarily a state where little took place.