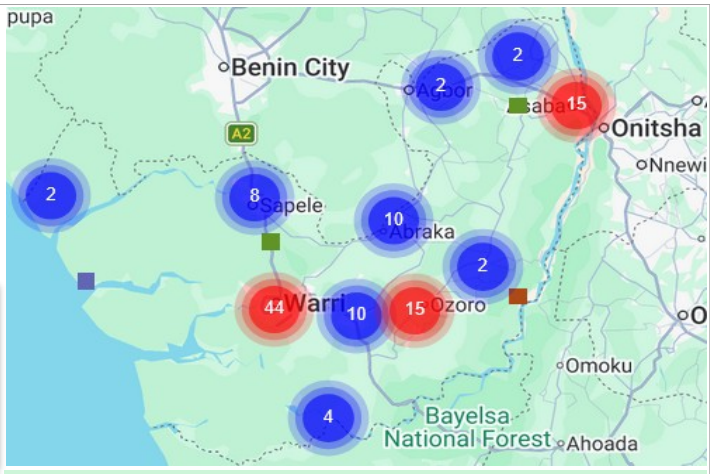
Niger Delta Weekly Conflict Update

Managing Political and Ethnic Tensions Over Electoral Delineation in Warri, Delta State

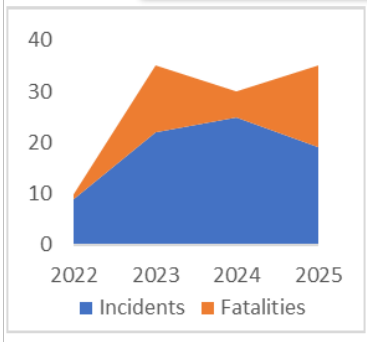
June 07-13, 2026

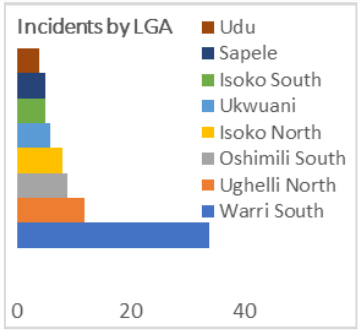
This update highlights rising political and ethnic tensions in Warri Federal Constituency, Delta State, over electoral ward and polling unit delineation. Recent protests and threats of economic disruption reflect concerns about political representation and perceived marginalization, with the potential to intensify intergroup tensions.



Heat Map shows concentration of reported incidents of political and ethnic tensions in Warri, Delta State from January 2022 - March 2026. Sources: All data sources formatted on PIND's P4P Peace Map www.p4pnigerdelta.org

Trends and Flashpoints of Political and Communal Tensions in Delta State





Anticipated Trends and Dynamics

The dispute could heighten political and ethnic tensions in Warri and its environs. If unresolved, grievances over political representation may trigger further protests, disrupt economic activities, weaken social cohesion, and erode confidence in electoral institutions.

Actions Taken to Mitigate the Situation

Stakeholders are facilitating dialogue on the electoral delineation process. Public and private actors are also supporting the Warri Multi-Stakeholder Platform to promote stakeholder engagement, reduce tensions, and foster peaceful coexistence among affected groups.

Timeline of Recent Incidents of Political and Ethnic Tensions

May 25 - June 10, 2026

June 10, 2026

Women and youths from a major ethnic group reportedly protested against the ward delineation exercise in Warri South LGA.

June 08, 2026

Protesters from Warri South-West LGA reportedly shut down oil and gas facilities in response to the electoral ward delineation report.

June 01, 2026

A major ethnic group reportedly protested delays in the electoral ward delineation exercise in Ogbe-Ijoh, Warri South LGA.

May 25, 2026

Representatives reportedly protested at the INEC headquarters in Abuja over concerns about the electoral delineation exercise.

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