

# Car Bombs Kill 24 Civilians on Outskirts of Damascus

Al-Nusra Claims Credit for Yesterday's Bombings of Interior Ministry

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Car bombings remain the order of the day in the area around the Syrian capital city of Damascus today, with another round of bombings killing [at least 24 civilians](#), including a large number of children.

The deadliest of today's bombings was near an Army housing complex according to rebels, but the car was parking closer to a nearby elementary school, which bore the brunt of the blast.

So far no group has claimed credit for today's bombings, but we can take a pretty good guess. Yesterday's largest bombings, three blasts [including](#) car and suicide bombings near the Interior Ministry, has been claimed by the [al-Nusra Front](#).

Al-Nusra, which the US says is simply another name for al-Qaeda in Iraq (AQI), has regularly launched suicide and car bombing attacks in recent months, causing major civilian casualties. The group has continued to grow in influence and is now seen as a "vital" part of the Syrian rebellion forces.

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