Sub-national composite risk - darker = higher. Source: GeoBit.

Panama dataset (CSV) - events, per-region risk, cyber & sources

1 Day - $5

1 Week - $15

1 Month - $39 - best value

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Threat Trajectory

Threat Breakdown

Each category 0-100, scored from live conflict, insurgency, crime, protest & Cloudflare Radar cyber feeds. See the full threat matrix

Cyber & Internet Disruption

Layer-7 DDoS attack intensity (0-100, normalized) & internet outages over the last 90 days, daily, all on one scale - Source: Cloudflare Radar.

Situation Summary

Panama remains a moderate-threat environment (rank #58 globally) with elevated localized risks concentrated in border and transit regions. The past week has seen increased public demonstrations-centered on press freedom and resource-extraction policy-and confirmed violent crime affecting foreign nationals in Chiriqui Province. While these developments are significant, they remain episodic; no country-wide security degradation or systemic institutional failure is evident.

Key Developments

- Panama City, Via Espana - 17 November: Several hundred protesters marched against the proposed reopening of the Cobre Panama mine, disrupting bus routes. The U.S. Embassy issued a demonstration alert.

- Panama City, Avenida 12 de Octubre - 17 November: A press-freedom demonstration assembled outside La Prensa newspaper following the 14 November explosive/incendiary attack on the home of investigative journalist Rolando Rodriguez; dozens of media and civic organizations participated.

- Chiriqui Province - 17 November: Two U.S. citizens were killed in a confirmed double homicide, underscoring persistent violent-crime risks affecting foreign nationals in that province.

- Panama City - 18 November: The United States announced a $27 million security-assistance package focused on countering drug and arms trafficking, signaling renewed bilateral commitment to supply-chain interdiction and institutional capacity-building.

- Centro Penitenciario de Santiago - 11 November: Approximately 700 inmates initiated a hunger strike over facility grievances, reflecting ongoing correctional-system tensions (noted for situational awareness; outside the 7-day window but relevant to institutional stability).

Highest-Risk Areas

Darien (risk 95) and Colon (risk 88) remain the primary drivers of national threat score, reflecting their role as transshipment corridors for illicit drugs and arms and their limited state security presence. Bocas del Toro (82) and Panama Province (78) pose secondary risks linked to organized-crime activity and urban violence. The relative safety of central and western provinces (Cocle, 35; Naso Tjer Di, 45) reflects lower cartel presence and more effective police deployment, though Chiriqui's rank (48) has not fully absorbed this week's homicide incident and may warrant reassessment. Corporate and expatriate populations should prioritize avoidance of Darien and Colon and exercise heightened situational awareness in Bocas del Toro, Panama Oeste, and Chiriqui.

How GeoBit Would Assist

Security teams with personnel or assets in Panama should deploy Intel Sweep and multi-language OSINT to monitor protest calendars, NGO alerts, and social-media sentiment around mining negotiations and press freedom; AOI Monitoring & Early Warning on Darien, Colon, and Bocas del Toro to track trafficking patterns and cartel activity; and Routing & Network Analysis to identify safe alternative transport corridors during demonstrations or in high-risk provinces. Network & Actor Analysis can map criminal and political actors driving instability in each sub-national zone.

7-Day Outlook

Demonstrations are likely to persist in Panama City through late November as mining-policy deliberations advance and press-freedom advocacy continues; route disruptions and security-force presence should be expected in central areas. Violent crime in Chiriqui and trafficking activity in border zones will remain persistent baseline threats; no acute systemic escalation is forecast over the next seven days absent a major political or investigative trigger.

Highest-Risk Areas - Ranked

#State / RegionRisk1Darien952Colon883Bocas del Toro824Panama Province785Panama Oeste756Ngabe-Bugle687Embera-Wounaan628Veraguas589Chiriqui4810Naso Tjer Di4511Guna Yala4212Cocle35

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