

Xenophobic violence explodes in South Africa

NEWSWATCH: South Africans, along with the world's media, are looking on in horror as xenophobic violence flares out of control across Gauteng, targeting immigrants in townships surrounding the economic heartland of the country. New media technologies bring the terror to light in awful technicolour as *The Times* video of a man burning to death is forwarded around the world before one can say, "How on earth did we get here again?"

Here's how the international and local media are reporting the violence that escalated out of control over the weekend:

- Sky News: Violence Against Immigrants Soars In Poor Towns
- AFP: Death toll in SAfrican xenophobic violence reaches 13
- The Times Online: Recent attacks just the tip of a xenophobic iceberg
- The Times Multimedia: Flames of Hate
- Mail & Guardian Online News in Photos: Wave of Hate
- AllAfrica.com: South Africa: Xenophobic Rage Leaves Trail of Havoc
- Mail & Guardian Online: Xenophobic violence grips Johannesburg
- allAfrica.com: South Africa: Townships in Turmoil Raise Fears That Xenophobia Will Spread
- India eNews: At least 14 dead in mounting South Africa xenophobic violence
- ABC News: <u>Immigrants targeted in South African violence</u>
- News24: 'Attacks are very un-African'
- Thought Leader: Xenophobia: Residents of Alexandra owed an apology

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