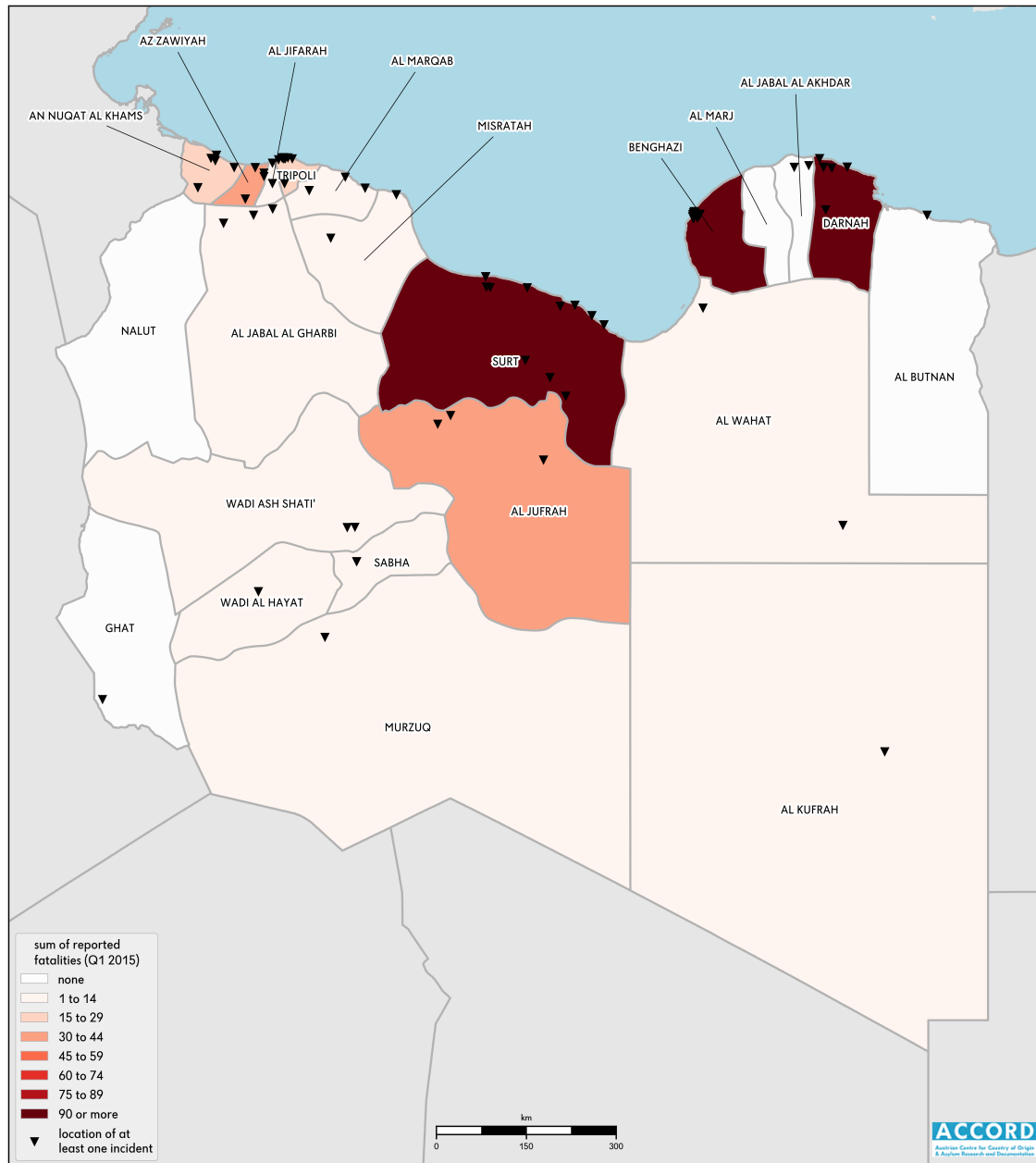# LIBYA, FIRST QUARTER 2015:
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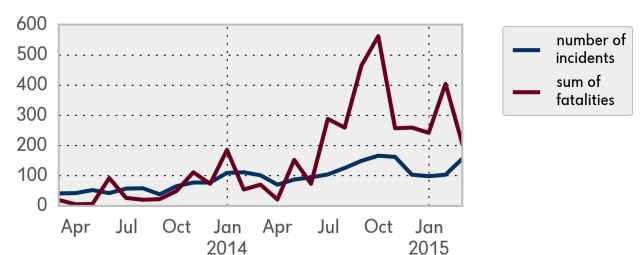

Map labels: AZ ZAWIYAH, AL JIFARAH, AL MARQAB, AL JABAL AL AKHDAR, AN NUQAT AL KHAMS, AL MARJ, MISRATAH, BENGHAZI, TRIPOLI, NALUT, AL JABAL AL GHARBI, DARNAH, SURT, AL BUTNAN, AL WAHAT, WADI ASH SHATI', AL JUFRAH, SABHA, WADI AL HAYAT, GHAT, MURZUQ, AL KUFRAH

sum of reported fatalities (Q1 2015)
- none
- 1 to 14
- 15 to 29
- 30 to 44
- 45 to 59
- 60 to 74
- 75 to 89
- 90 or more
- ▼ location of at least one incident

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National borders: GADM, November 2015a; administrative divisions: GADM, November 2015b; incident data: ACLED, 14 November 2015; coastlines and inland waters: Smith and Wessel, 1 May 2015

Conflict incidents by category

category	number of incidents	sum of fatalities
battle	141	669
remote violence	81	121
riots/protests	65	0
violence against civilians	42	61
non-violent activities	26	0
headquater established	2	0
total	357	851

This table is based on data from the Armed Conflict Location & Event Data Project (datasets used: ACLED, 14 November 2015).

Development of conflict incidents from March 2013 to March 2015

- number of incidents
- sum of fatalities

This graph is based on data from the Armed Conflict Location & Event Data Project (datasets used: ACLED, undated, ACLED, 14 November 2015).

LOCALIZATION OF CONFLICT INCIDENTS

<u>Note:</u>   The following list is an overview of the incident data included in the ACLED dataset. More details are available in the actual dataset (date, location data, event type, involved actors, information sources, etc.). In the following list, the names of event locations are taken from ACLED, while the administrative region names are taken from GADM data which serves as the basis for the map above.

In **Al Butnan**, 3 incidents killing **0** people were reported. The following location was affected: **Tobruk**.

In **Al Jabal al Akhdar**, 6 incidents killing **0** people were reported. The following locations were affected: **Al Abraq, Al Baydah, Bayda**.

In **Al Jabal al Gharbi**, 21 incidents killing **1** person were reported. The following locations were affected: **Ar Rajbān, Az Zintan, Gharyan, Kiklah**.

In **Al Jifarah**, 5 incidents killing **4** people were reported. The following locations were affected: **Al Aziziyah, Janzur**.

In **Al Jufrah**, 8 incidents killing **37** people were reported. The following locations were affected: **Al Jufrah air base, Jufra airbase, Sūknah, Zillah**.

In **Al Kufrah**, 2 incidents killing **5** people were reported. The following location was affected: **Al Kufrah**.

In **Al Marqab**, 12 incidents killing **12** people were reported. The following locations were affected: **Al Khums, Tarhuna, Zlitan**.

In **Al Wahat**, 5 incidents killing **3** people were reported. The following locations were affected: **Ajdabiya, Sarir**.

In **An Nuqat al Khams**, 20 incidents killing **22** people were reported. The following locations were affected: **Ajaylat, Al Jumayl, Al Watiyah, Al Wāṭīyah, Al 'Ujaylat, Riqdālīn, Zuwarah**.

In **Az Zawiyah**, 21 incidents killing **31** people were reported. The following locations were affected: **An Nāṣirīyah, Az Zahra', Az Zawiyah, Az Zawiyah, Bi'r al Ghanam**.

In **Benghazi**, 87 incidents killing **243** people were reported. The following locations were affected: **Al Birkah, Al Fuwayhat, Al Hawwar, Al Ksh, Al Layt, Al Qawarishah, As Sabiri al Gharbi, As Salman al Gharb, Benghazi, Bu 'Atan, Buhidima, Hawari, Hayy al Hadaeq, Jalyanah, Qaryunus, Sd Ḥusayn**.

In **Darnah**, 21 incidents killing **188** people were reported. The following locations were affected: **Al Qubbah, Darna, Mechili, Ra's al Hilal, 'Ayn Marrah**.

In **Ghat**, 1 incident killing **0** people was reported. The following location was affected: **Ghat**.

In **Misratah**, 16 incidents killing **1** person were reported. The following locations were affected: **Bani Walid, Misratah**.

In **Murzuq, 1** incident killing **1** person was reported. The following location was affected: **Murzuq**.

In **Sabha**, 12 incidents killing **1** person were reported. The following location was affected: **Sabha**.

In **Surt**, **60** incidents killing **262** people were reported. The following locations were affected: **Abū Hādī, Al Nawfaliyah, As Sidrah, Bahi, Bin Jawad, Dahra, Gardabya Airport, Harāwah, Mabrūk, Ra's Lanuf, Sirte**.

In **Tripoli**, **47** incidents killing **16** people were reported. The following locations were affected: **Al Dahra, Ben Ashour, Fashloum, Hayy al Andalus, Mitiga Airport, Souq Al Jum'aa, Suq al Khamis Emishel, Tagiura, Tripoli, Zawiyat Al Dahmani**.

In **Wadi al Hayat**, **3** incidents killing **13** people were reported. The following location was affected: **Ubari**.

In **Wadi ash Shati'**, **6** incidents killing **11** people were reported. The following locations were affected: **Brak, Qīrah**.

METHODOLOGY

The data used in this report was collected by the Armed Conflict Location & Event Data Project (ACLED). ACLED collects data on reported conflict events in selected African and Asian countries, Libya being among them. ACLED researchers collect event data from a variety of sources and code them by date, location, agent, and event type. For further details on ACLED and for the full data, see www.acleddata.com und Raleigh; Linke; Hegre, and Karlsen, 2010.

Based on these data, the Austrian Centre for Country of Origin & Asylum Research and Documentation (ACCORD) compiles updates on conflict incidents.

Incidents comprise the following categories: battle, headquarters or base established, non-violent activity by a conflict actor, riots/protests, violence against civilians, non-violent transfer of territory, remote violence. For details on these categories, please see

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DISCLAIMER

Most of the data collected by ACLED is gathered based on publicly available, secondary reports. It may therefore underestimate the volume of events. Fatality data particularly is vulnerable to bias and inaccurate reporting, and ACLED uses the most conservative estimate available. Furthermore, event data may be revised or complemented in future updates. The lack of information on an event in this report does not permit the inference that it did not take place. The boundaries and names displayed do not imply endorsement or acceptance by the Austrian Red Cross.

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