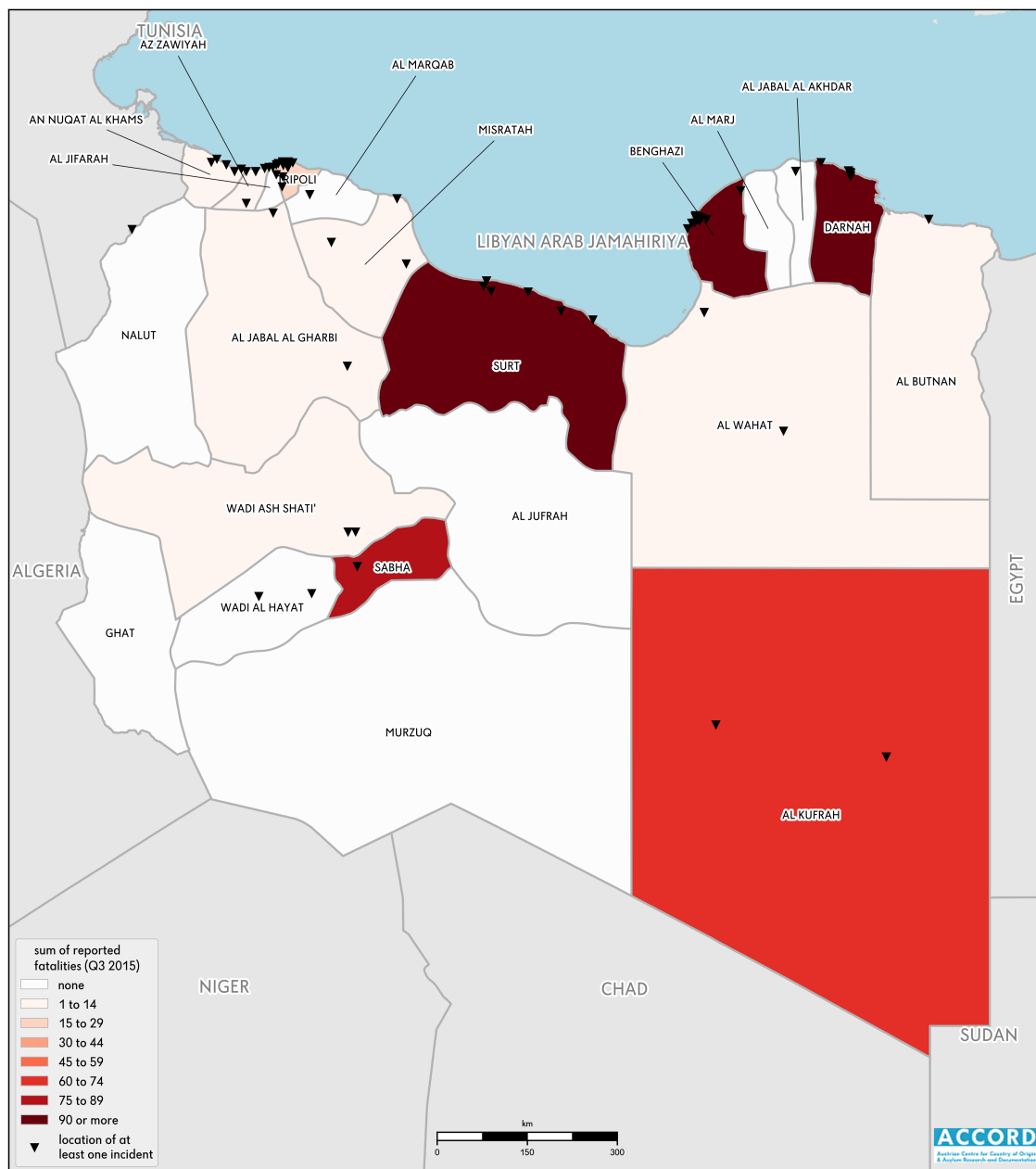


# LIBYA, THIRD QUARTER 2015:

Update on incidents according to the Armed Conflict Location & Event Data Project (ACLED)

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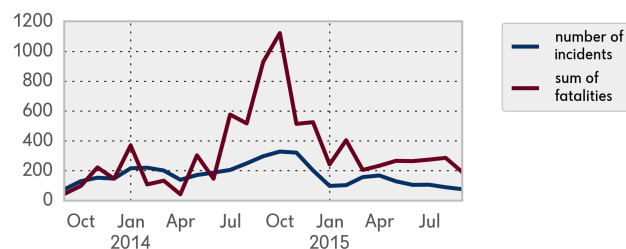
National borders: [GADM, November 2015a](#); administrative divisions: [GADM, November 2015b](#); incident data: [ACLED, undated](#); coastlines and inland waters: [Smith and Wessel, 1 May 2015](#)

## Conflict incidents by category

category	number of incidents	sum of fatalities
battle	115	531
remote violence	56	132
violence against civilians	41	75
riots/protests	40	12
strategic developments	14	1
non-violent activities	5	0
<b>total</b>	<b>271</b>	<b>751</b>

This table is based on data from the Armed Conflict Location & Event Data Project (datasets used: [ACLED, undated](#)).

## Development of conflict incidents from September 2013 to September 2015



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

## LOCALIZATION OF CONFLICT INCIDENTS

**Note:** 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 7 people were reported. The following location was affected: **Tobruk**.

In **Al Jabal al Akhdar**, 2 incidents killing 0 people were reported. The following location was affected: **Al Baydah**.

In **Al Jabal al Gharbi**, 3 incidents killing 1 person were reported. The following locations were affected: **Ash Shwayrif, Gharyan**.

In **Al Jifarah**, 4 incidents killing 0 people were reported. The following locations were affected: **Al-Swani, Janzur**.

In **Al Kufrah**, 11 incidents killing 64 people were reported. The following locations were affected: **Al Kufrah, Rabyanah**.

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

In **Al Wahat**, 9 incidents killing 2 people were reported. The following locations were affected: **Ajdabiya, Jalu**.

In **An Nuqat al Khams**, 8 incidents killing 2 people were reported. The following locations were affected: **Ajaylat, Mellitah, Riqdalin, Sabratha, Zuwarah**.

In **Az Zawiyah**, 11 incidents killing 8 people were reported. The following locations were affected: **Al Mayah, Az Zawiyah, Bir al Ghanam, Sayyad, Surman**.

In **Benghazi**, 92 incidents killing 260 people were reported. The following locations were affected: **Al Fuwayhat, Al Hawary, Al Layti, Al Marj, Al Qawarishah, As Sabiri al Gharbi, As Salmani al Gharbi, Bannah, Benghazi, Buatni, Buhidima, Ganfouda, Hayy al Hadaeq, Mreisa, Sidi Husayn**.

In **Darnah**, 37 incidents killing 102 people were reported. The following locations were affected: **Al-Fatayah, Al-Sahil al-Sharqiyah, Ayn Bint, Darna, Ras al Hilal**.

In **Misratah**, 8 incidents killing 1 person were reported. The following locations were affected: **Abu Grein, Bani Walid, Misratah**.

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

In **Sabha**, 13 incidents killing 78 people were reported. The following location was affected: **Sabha**.

In **Surt**, 27 incidents killing 197 people were reported. The following locations were affected: **Abu Hadi, Al-Gharbiyat, An Nawfaliyah, As Sidrah, Harawah, Sirte**.

In **Tripoli**, 32 incidents killing 28 people were reported. The following locations were affected: **Al Hadba Al Khadra Prison, Al-Seyaheyya, Ayn Zarah, El-Spiaa, Gergarish, Mitiga Airport, Qasr Bin Ghashr, Souq Al Jumaa**,

**Tagiura, Tripoli.**

In **Wadi al Hayat**, 3 incidents killing 0 people were reported. The following locations were affected: **Bint Baya, Ubari.**

In **Wadi ash Shati'**, 4 incidents killing 1 person were reported. The following locations were affected: **Brak, Qirah.**

## 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](http://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 strategic activities, 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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