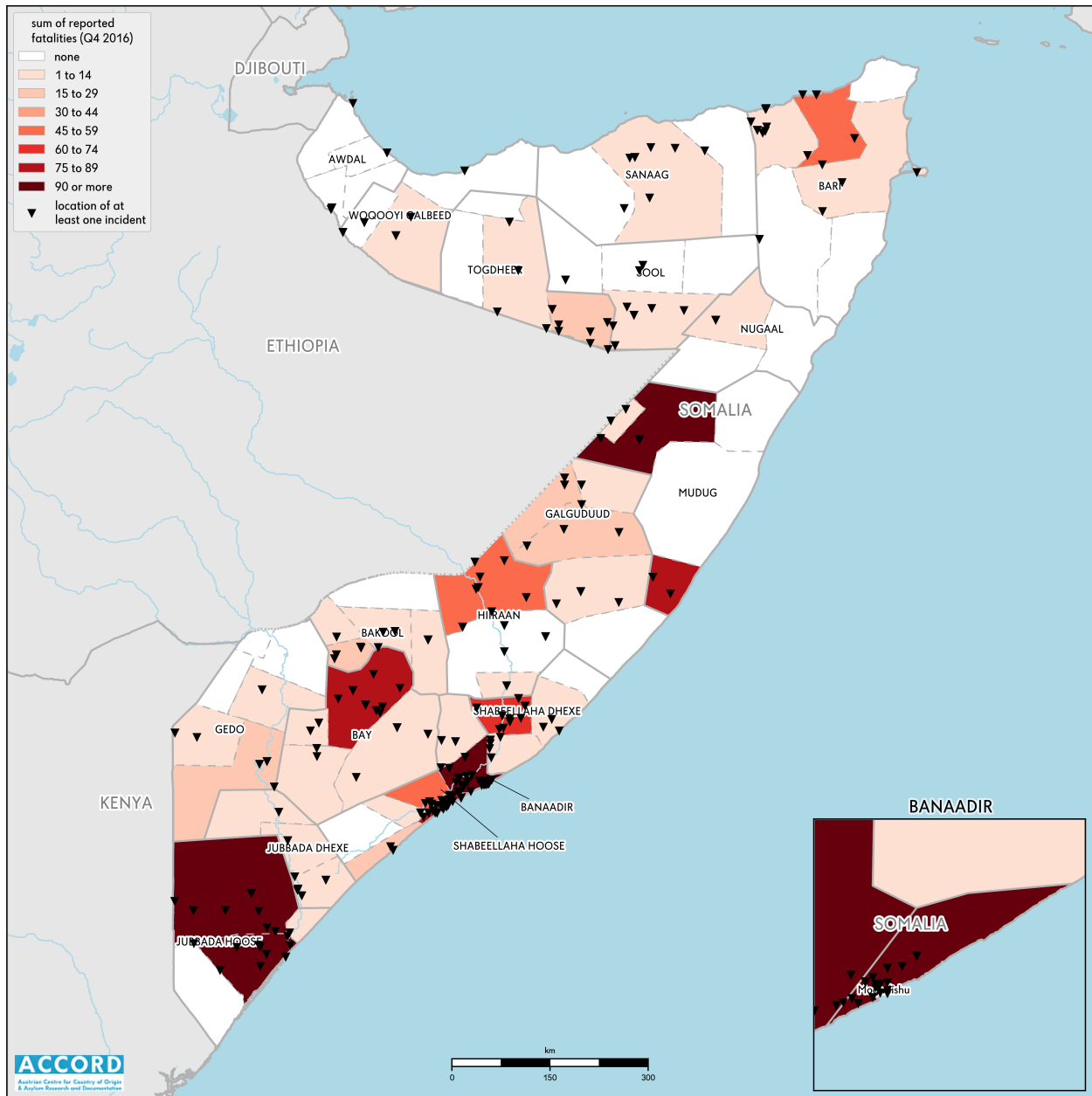# SOMALIA, FOURTH QUARTER 2016:
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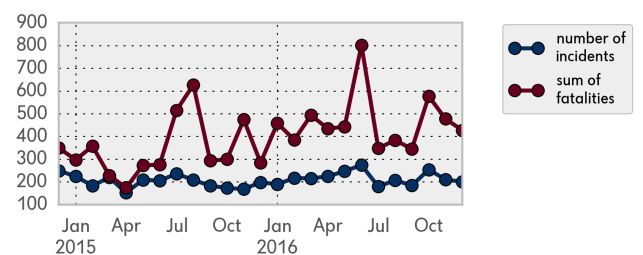

sum of reported fatalities (Q4 2016)
- none
- 1 to 14
- 15 to 29
- 30 to 44
- 45 to 59
- 60 to 74
- 75 to 89
- 90 or more
- ▼ location of at least one incident

DJIBOUTI
AWDAL
WOQOOYI GALBEED
TOGDHEER
SANAAG
SOOL
BARI
NUGAAL
ETHIOPIA
SOMALIA
MUDUG
GALGUDUUD
HIRAAN
BAKOOL
BAY
SHABEELLAHA DHEXE
GEDO
BANAADIR
SHABEELLAHA HOOSE
KENYA
JUBBADA DHEXE
JUBBADA HOOSE

BANAADIR
SOMALIA
Mogadishu

km
0   150   300

National borders: GADM, November 2015a; administrative divisions: GADM, November 2015b; Ethiopia/Somalia border status: CIA, 2014; incident data: ACLED, January 2017; coastlines and inland waters: Smith and Wessel, 1 May 2015

Conflict incidents by category

category	number of incidents	sum of fatalities
battle	289	1110
violence against civilians	174	195
remote violence	103	161
riots/protests	39	5
strategic developments	38	10
non-violent activities	21	0
total	664	1481

This table is based on data from the Armed Conflict Location & Event Data Project (datasets used: ACLED, January 2017).

Development of conflict incidents from December 2014 to December 2016

- ● number of incidents
- ● sum of fatalities

This graph is based on data from the Armed Conflict Location & Event Data Project (datasets used: ACLED, January 2017).

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 **Awdal**, **10** incidents killing **0** people were reported. The following locations were affected: **Borama, Hayayabe, Lughaye, Saylac**.

In **Bakool**, **20** incidents killing **40** people were reported. The following locations were affected: **Buur Dhuxunle, Doondardiir, Dudumale, Duuray, Jebel, Kulunjerer, Tayeeglow, Tijeeg Buul, Waajid, Xudur**.

In **Banaadir**, **91** incidents killing **163** people were reported. The following locations were affected: **Bakaara Market, Bondhere, Bulo Hubey, Cabdicasiis, Hawl Wadaag, Heliwa, Hodan, Kahda, Mogadishu, Shangaani, Shibis, Villa Somalia, Waaberi, Wadajir, Wardhigley, Xamar Jaabjab, Xamar Weyne, Yaaqshiid**.

In **Bari**, **43** incidents killing **67** people were reported. The following locations were affected: **Bali-Dhiddin, Balli-Khadar, Bossaso, Buruc, Dharjaale, Duud-Hooyp, Galgala Mountains, Hafun, Iskushuban, Laag, Lanta Hawada, Madarshon, Qandala, Qardho, Sugure, Ufeyn**.

In **Bay**, **43** incidents killing **95** people were reported. The following locations were affected: **Baidoa, Bardaale, Buulo Fulaay, Buundo Midow, Buur Xakaba, Daynuunay, Diinsoor, Goof Guduud, Jiiro Gurey, Labatan Jirow, Lamo Warood, Leego, Mooda Mooda, Qansax Dheere, Uffurow**.

In **Galguduud**, **26** incidents killing **49** people were reported. The following locations were affected: **Cabudwaaq, Cadaado, Ceel Buur, Dac, Dhuusamarreeb, Gal-Hareri, Galdogob, Godinlabe, Guri-Ceel, Qaayib, Wabxo**.

In **Gedo**, **16** incidents killing **31** people were reported. The following locations were affected: **Baardheere, Bakal, Birta-dheer, Busaar, Ceel Waaq, Garbahaarey**.

In **Hiiraan**, **39** incidents killing **49** people were reported. The following locations were affected: **Belet Weyne, Bilcile, Bulo Burto, Burjada-Cinta, Ceel Cali, Ceel-Cali, Feerfeer, Halgan, Ilka Code, Jalalaqsi, Moqokori, Muqakoori, Nuur Fanax, Tedan**.

In **Jubbada Dhexe**, **12** incidents killing **19** people were reported. The following locations were affected: **Berhani, Buaale, Jilib, Kumbareere, Malenda, Mansoura, Saakow**.

In **Jubbada Hoose**, **59** incidents killing **327** people were reported. The following locations were affected: **Abdale Birole, Abdi Dhore, Afmadow, Beerhani, Bilis Qooqaani, Buulo Gaduud, Buur Koy, Dhobley, Golasha Matrooba, Harbole, Hawindha, Hoosingo, Jana Cabdalla, Janaale, Kismayo, Luglaaw, Scimberrei, Yaaq Shiniile**.

In **Mudug**, **49** incidents killing **214** people were reported. The following locations were affected: **Bursaalax, Dumaaye, Gaalkacyo, Garsoor, Laanwaaley, Xarardheere**.

In **Nugaal**, **10** incidents killing **5** people were reported. The following location was affected: **Garowe**.

In **Sanaag**, **10** incidents killing **10** people were reported. The following locations were affected: **Badhan, Booca,**

Ceel Afweyn, Ceerigaabo, Kulmiye, Qoof, Yubbe.

In **Shabeellaha Dhexe**, 38 incidents killing **72** people were reported. The following locations were affected: **Balcad,
Biyo Cadde, Burane, Cadale, Ceel Baraf, Ceel Gamboole, Ceel Geelow, Gaashaanle, Garsaale, Jowhar,
Mahadaay, Miir-Taqwo, Mirtuugo, Qaimow, Qurac-Madoobe, Wararaxleey, Xaaji-Cali**.

In **Shabeellaha Hoose**, 153 incidents killing **314** people were reported. The following locations were affected:
**Afgooye, Baraawe, Bariirre, Bulo Bashiir, Bulo Gian, Bulo Mareer, Busley, Buufow, Buufow Bacaad, Buulo
Macallin Osmaan, Buulo Sheekh, Cad-Caddey, Calamadaha, Carbiska, Ceel Ahmed, Ceel Haji, Ceel Saliini,
Ceel Waregow, Ceel-Jaale, Ceelasha Biyaha, Danow, Daynile, Dharkenley, Fidi Carootay, Gandarshe,
Garshiin, Gendershe, Godaan, Golweyn, Ibraahim Madkeey, Iidoow-Guudow, Jabad-Cade, Janaale, K50,
Kali-Caafimaad, Laantabuur, Marka, Medina, Mudun, Muuri, Muuye Muruq, Nagaadweyne, Qoryooley,
Saabid, Shalaambood, Siinka Dheer, Tisnaar, Tortoroow, War Maxan, Yaaq Biri Weyne, Yumbis**.

In **Sool**, 18 incidents killing **7** people were reported. The following locations were affected: **Canjiid, Caynabo,
Faleeryale, Gambadhe, Las Anod, Saaxdheer, Shinbiraaley, Xudun**.

In **Togdheer**, 15 incidents killing **18** people were reported. The following locations were affected: **Bali Cad, Burco,
Buuhoodle, Dhammay, Dharkayn Geenyo, Durruqsi, Gumbur Libaax, Higlo Goodir, Qorilugud, Sool Joogto,
Xadhaadhanka, Xidh Xidh**.

In **Woqooyi Galbeed**, 12 incidents killing **1** person were reported. The following locations were affected: **Berbera,
Gabiley, Hargeysa, Tog Wajaale, Xumba Wayne**.

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, Somalia 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 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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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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