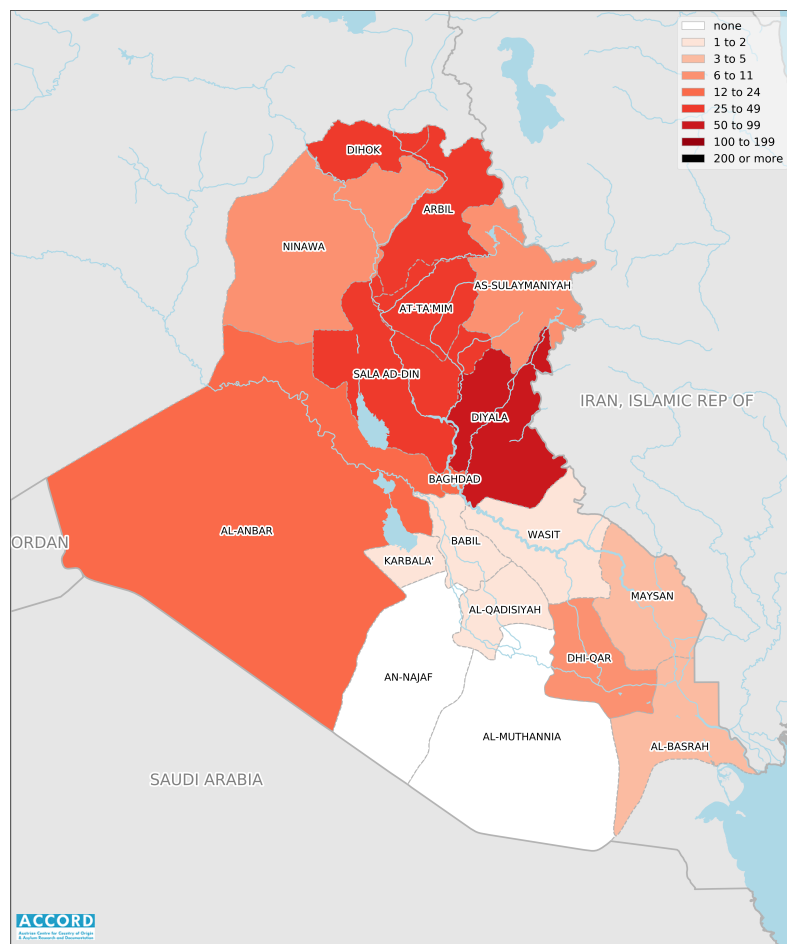


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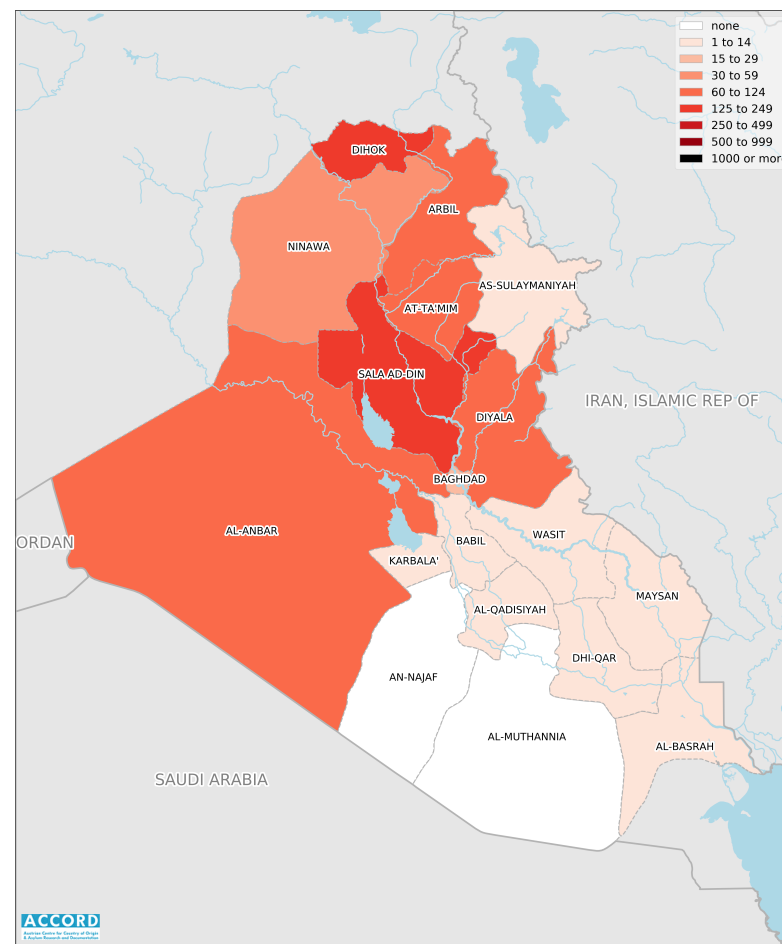
Update on incidents according to the Armed Conflict Location & Event Data Project (ACLED)

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Number of reported incidents with at least one fatality



Number of reported fatalities



National borders: [GADM, November 2015a](#); administrative divisions: [GADM, November 2015b](#); incident data: [ACLED, 3 October 2020](#); coastlines and inland waters: [Smith and Wessel, 1 May 2015](#)

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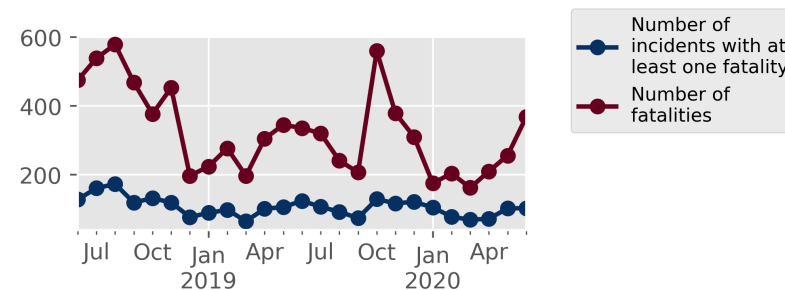
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Conflict incidents by category

Category	Number of incidents	Number of incidents with at least one fatality	Number of fatalities
Explosions / Remote violence	419	92	297
Protests	277	1	1
Battles	240	143	480
Strategic developments	129	0	0
Violence against civilians	66	39	53
Riots	39	2	3
Total	1170	277	834

This table is based on data from ACLED (datasets used: [ACLED](#), 3 October 2020).

Development of conflict incidents from June 2018 to June 2020



This graph is based on data from ACLED (datasets used: [ACLED](#), 3 October 2020).

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, Iraq being among them. ACLED researchers collect event data from a variety of sources and code them by date, location, agent, and event type.

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 states to use the most conservative estimate available. ACLED uses the reports' context to estimate fatalities for events with reported fatalities for which the exact number is unknown ("10" for plural fatalities, "100" if "hundreds" are mentioned, etc.). For further details on ACLED and for the full data, see www.acleddata.com and Raleigh, Linke, Hegre, and Karlsen, 2010.

Based on this data, the Austrian Centre for Country of Origin & Asylum Research and Documentation (ACCORD) compiles updates on conflict incidents and publishes them on ecoi.net to offer another access point to the ACLED datasets.

It is advised to employ extreme caution when using fatality numbers.

Assessments of the security situation should not be based solely on quantitative analysis of event data.

Geographic map data is primarily based on GADM, complemented with other sources if necessary. Incidents are mapped to GADM provinces using the provinces in ACLED data. Province names and borders may differ between ACLED and GADM. Incidents that could not be located are ignored. The numbers included in this overview might therefore differ from the original ACLED data. ACLED uses varying degrees of geographic precision for the individual incidents, depending

on what level of detail is reported. Thus, towns may represent the wider region in which an incident occurred, or the provincial capital may be used if only the province is known. Erroneous location data, especially due to identical place names, cannot be fully excluded.

Incidents comprise the following categories: battles, headquarters or bases established, non-violent strategic activities, riots/protests, violence against civilians, non-violent transfer of territory, remote violence. For details on these categories, please see

- ACLED – Armed Conflict Location & Event Data Project: Armed Conflict Location and Event Data Project (ACLED) Codebook (2019), 10 April 2019a https://www.acleddata.com/wp-content/uploads/dlm_uploads/2017/10/ACLED_Codebook_2019FINAL_pbl.pdf
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- ACLED – Armed Conflict Location & Event Data Project: FAQs: ACLED Fatality Methodology, 27 January 2020 <https://www.acleddata.com/download/17979/>

Conflict incidents per province

Province	Number of incidents	Number of incidents with fatalities	Number of fatalities
Al-Anbar	49	19	65
Al-Basrah	80	4	6
Al-Muthannia	35	0	0
Al-Qadisiyah	44	1	1
An-Najaf	6	0	0
Arbil	137	34	124
As-Sulaymaniyah	59	8	13
At-Ta'mim	73	28	90
Babil	12	2	2
Baghdad	71	14	19
Dhi-Qar	58	7	8
Dihok	210	40	174
Diyala	160	58	121
Karbala'	7	1	1
Maysan	16	4	4
Ninawa	36	11	43
Sala ad-Din	79	44	161
Wasit	38	2	2

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.). The data's precision varies among the incidents: a town may represent a region, or the provincial capital may be used if the precise location of an incident is unknown. 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 maps above.

In **Al-Anbar**, 49 incidents killing 65 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: **Ain Assad Air Base, Akashat, Al Baghuz, Al Hasa, Al Muhammadi, Al Qaim, Al Waleed Border Crossing, Alsawar, An Nukhayb, Ar Rutba, Haditha, Hit, Karma, Kilo 35, Kilo Miat wa Sittin, Mintaqat Albu Shihab, Nahiyat al Amiriyah, Qaryat al Habbariyah, Ramadi, Rawah, Tharthar, Wadi Hauran, Wadi al Ghadf.**

In **Al-Basrah**, 80 incidents killing 6 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: **Al Burjisiyah, Al Midaina, Al-Hartha, Al-Zubair, Ar Rumaylah, Basrah, Karmat Ali, Khor al Zubair, Majnoon Oil Field, Nahiyat ad Dayr, Qurna.**

In **Al-Muthannia**, 35 incidents killing 0 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: **Ad Darraji, Al Khidr, Al Warka, Al-Hilal, As Samawah, Qaryat al Mamlahah.**

In **Al-Qadisiyah**, 44 incidents killing 1 person were reported. The following locations were among the affected: **Ash-Shinafiyah, Diwaniya, Hamza, Shamiya.**

In **An-Najaf**, 6 incidents killing 0 people were reported. The following location was among the affected: **Najaf.**

In **Arbil**, 137 incidents killing 124 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: **Alanah, Alane, Barzan, Choman, Erbil, Hajj Umran, Halgurd Mountain, Jabal Biradawst, Jabal Sibi, Khalifan, Khinayrah, Layl**

Kan, Makhmur, Mergasur, Qarachogh Mountain, Qaraj, Sidakan, Silsilat Jibal Qandil, Soran, Wadi Khakurik, Warte.

In **As-Sulaymaniyah**, 59 incidents killing 13 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: **Chamchamal, Darbandihkan, Halabja, Kalar, Koya, Kunamasi, Penjwin, Rania, Safra, Seyid Sadiq, Sharbazher, Sulaymaniyah.**

In **At-Ta'mim**, 73 incidents killing 90 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: **Ali Saray, Balkanah, Daquq, Dibis, Hameria, Hamrin Mountains - Kirkuk, Haweeja, Khabbaz Oil Fields, Kirkuk, Markaz Nahiyah Shuwan, Nahiyat ar Riyad, Qaryat Ghaydah, Qaryat Mahuz, Qaryat ad Dubb al Kabir, Qaryat al Kazimiyah, Qaryat al Maftul, Qaryat al Mansuriyah, Qaryat al Maqam, Qizil Yar, Qutan, Rashad, Shay Valley, Taza, Wadi al Karha, Zerga.**

In **Babil**, 12 incidents killing 2 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: **Hilla, Jufr Al Nasr, Jurf Al Nasr, Nahiyat Jurf as Sakhr.**

In **Baghdad**, 71 incidents killing 19 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: **Al Wahdah, Al Yusufiyah, Ar Rashidiyah, At Tarmiyah, Az Zaydan, Baghdad, Baghdad - Adhamiya, Baghdad - Al Rashid, Baghdad - Kadhimiya, Baghdad - Karadah, Baghdad - Karkh, Baghdad - Mansour, Baghdad - Rusafa, Baghdad - Sadr City, Baghdad International Airport, Madain, Nahrawan, Taji, Zawbaa.**

In **Dhi-Qar**, 58 incidents killing 8 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: **Akaika, An-Nasr, Nahiyat al Fudaylah, Nahiyat al Fuhud, Nassriya, Rifai, Shatra, Suq Al-Shoyokh.**

In **Dihok**, 210 incidents killing 174 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: **Amadiya, Barwari, Batifa, Bersawa, Cemanke,**

Chiya-e Gara, Chiya-e Spi, Dahuk, Dar Huzan, Dereluk, Derkar, Gulkah, Haftanin, Hawriz, Jabal Karah, Kani Masi, Khantur Mountain, Metina, Sargali, Seedan, Semel, Shaca, Sheladiz, Shiladiza, Zakho.

In **Diyala**, 160 incidents killing 121 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: **Abu Karmah, Abu Saida, Adhaim, Al Abbarah, Al Azim, Al Hadd al Akhdar, Al-Khalis, Al-Mansouriyah, Al-Muqdadiya, Al-Zoor, Ali as Sadun, As Saadiyah, Ayn Laylah, Balad Ruz, Baquba, Buhriz, Dur al Waqf, Hamrin Mountains - Diyala, Hawi, Jalawla, Khalawi, Khan Bani Saad, Khanaqin, Kifri, Lake Hamrin, Mandali, Naft Khanah, Nahiyat Kanan, Qarah Tabah, Qaryat Abu Hasiwah, Qaryat Abu Khanazir, Qaryat Ayn al Midan, Qaryat al Abbarah, Qaryat al Islah, Qaryat al Kubbah, Qaryat al Mukhaysah, Qaryat as Sadah, Qaryat az Zuhayrat, Qubbah, Shafiq Aziz Agha, Sharwain, Shaykh Bawa, Sinsil, Tabaj Hamid, Tall al Kubbah, Umm al Hintah, Zaghiniyah.**

In **Karbala'**, 7 incidents killing 1 person were reported. The following location was among the affected: **Kerbala.**

In **Maysan**, 16 incidents killing 4 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: **Ali Al-Gharbi, Amara, Kahla.**

In **Ninawa**, 36 incidents killing 43 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: **Akre, Al Qahtanya, Al Qayyarah, Ash Shabani, Ayn al Jahesh, Aziz Agha, Badush, Fasiliyah, Hammam al Alil, Hatra, Khirpa Zebari, Mosul, Mosul - Al-Rabee, Qaryat Nimrud, Qaryat al Jurn, Rabia, Shurah, Sinjar, Sinuni, Tall Ghazal, Telafar.**

In **Sala ad-Din**, 79 incidents killing 161 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: **Adhaim Dam, Al Khanukiyah, Al Mutassim, Alas Oilfield, Amerli, Aradi Hawi al Maytah, Aradi al Ayth, Aradi al Jallam, Aziz Balad, Baiji, Balad, Daur, Dujail, Hamrin Mountains - Sala al-Din,**

Makhol, Makhol Mountain, Mukeshefah, Mutaibijah, Nahiyat Yathrib, Nahiyat al Alam, Nahiyat al Ishaqi, Qaryat Mubarak al Hamad, Qaryat Tall adh Dhahab, Qaryat Tulul al Baj, Qaryat Umm Talil, Qaryat an Nawafal, Qaryat as Sukkariyah, Samarra, Seneia, Shirqat, Sulayman Bak, Tikrit, Tuz Khurma.

In **Wasit**, 38 incidents killing 2 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: **Al Aziziyah, Hai, Kut, Namaniya**.

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