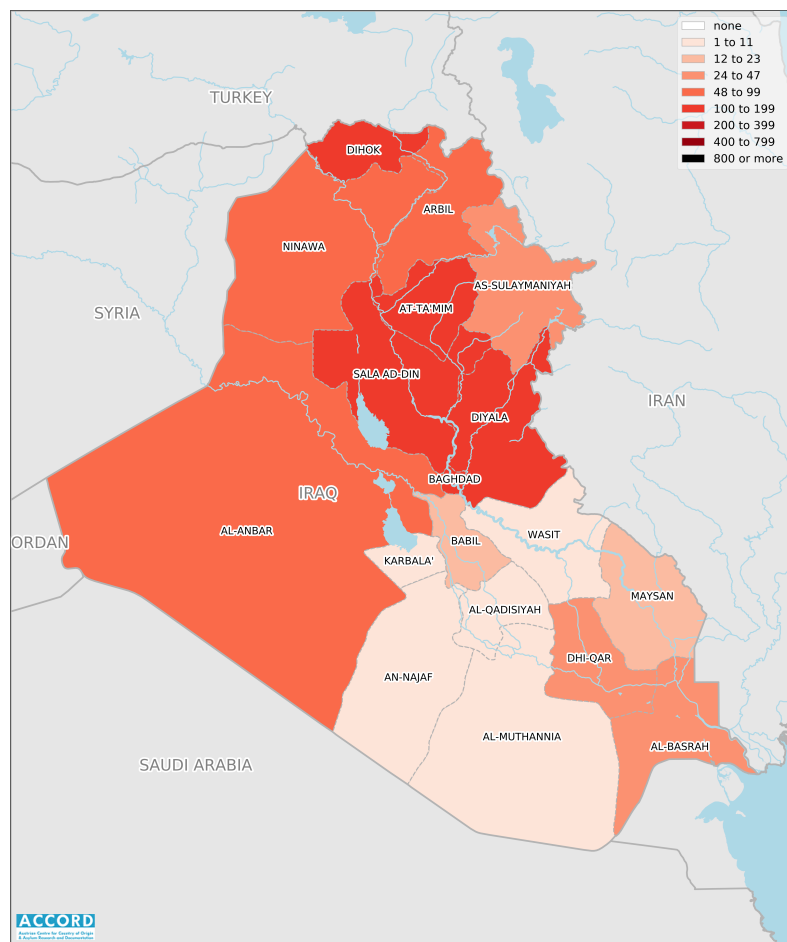


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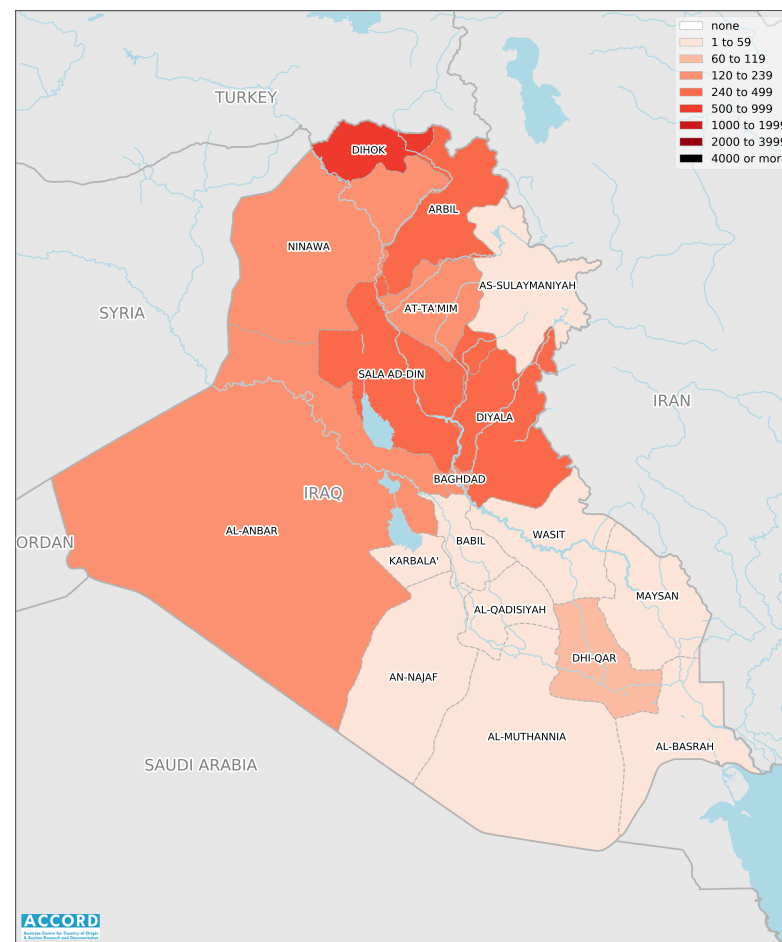
Update on incidents according to the Armed Conflict Location & Event Data Project (ACLED)

compiled by ACCORD, 25 March 2021

Number of reported incidents with at least one fatality



Number of reported fatalities



National borders: [GADM, 6 May 2018b](#); administrative divisions: [GADM, 6 May 2018a](#); incident data: [ACLED, 12 March 2021](#); coastlines and inland waters: [Smith and Wessel, 1 May 2015](#)

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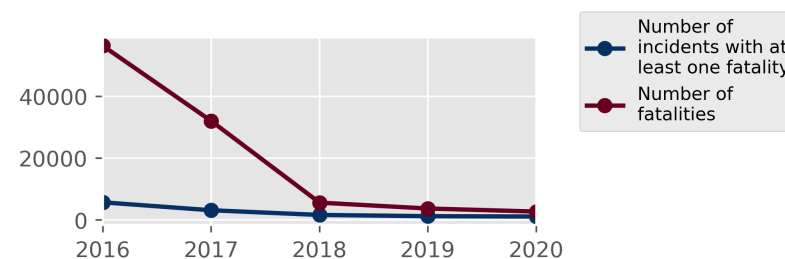
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Conflict incidents by category

| Category | Number of incidents | Number of incidents with at least one fatality | Number of fatalities |
|------------------------------|---------------------|--|----------------------|
| Protests | 1795 | 13 | 36 |
| Explosions / Remote violence | 1761 | 308 | 824 |
| Battles | 869 | 502 | 1461 |
| Strategic developments | 580 | 7 | 11 |
| Riots | 441 | 40 | 68 |
| Violence against civilians | 408 | 239 | 315 |
| Total | 5854 | 1109 | 2715 |

This table is based on data from ACLED (datasets used: [ACLED](#), 12 March 2021).

Development of conflict incidents from 2016 to 2020



This graph is based on data from ACLED (datasets used: [ACLED](#), 12 March 2021).

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

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Conflict incidents per province

| Province | Number of incidents | Number of incidents with fatalities | Number of fatalities |
|--------------------|---------------------|-------------------------------------|----------------------|
| Al-Anbar | 213 | 71 | 187 |
| Al-Basrah | 532 | 47 | 57 |
| Al-Muthannia | 251 | 7 | 9 |
| Al-Qadisiyah | 272 | 7 | 7 |
| An-Najaf | 81 | 4 | 15 |
| Arbil | 498 | 93 | 343 |
| As-Sulaymaniyah | 185 | 26 | 46 |
| At-Ta'mim (Kirkuk) | 294 | 107 | 235 |
| Babil | 95 | 12 | 20 |
| Baghdad | 595 | 103 | 176 |
| Dhi-Qar | 519 | 38 | 65 |
| Dihok | 850 | 177 | 565 |
| Diyala | 543 | 198 | 342 |
| Karbala' | 77 | 10 | 12 |
| Maysan | 122 | 20 | 24 |
| Ninawa | 222 | 64 | 198 |
| Sala ad-Din | 294 | 119 | 406 |
| Wasit | 211 | 6 | 8 |

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**, 213 incidents killing 187 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: Ain Assad Air Base, Akashat, Al Ammari, Al Baghdadi, Al Baghuz, Al Halabsa, Al Haqlaniyah, Al Hasa, Al Karabilah, Al Kasrat al Qadimah, Al Mashkan, Al Muhammadi, Al Nathirah, Al Nukhib, Al Qaim, Al Waleed Border Crossing, Albu Ali Jassim, Albu Faraj, Alsawar, An Nukhayb, Anah, Ar Rahhaliyah, Ar Rutba, At Tarabshah, Fallujah, Habbaniya, Haditha, Haditha Dam, Hit, Karma, Kilo 35, Kilo Miat wa Sittin, Kubaysah, Makr Al-Nuam, Mintaqat Albu Shihab, Nahiyat al Amiriyah, Qaryat al Habbariyah, Qaryat ash Shihah, Ramadi, Rawah, Tall Al Jurayshi, Tharthar, Wadi Hauran, Wadi al Ghadf, Zawiyah.

In **Al-Basrah**, 532 incidents killing 57 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: Abu Sakhr, Abu al-Khaseeb, Al Burjisiyah, Al Huwayr, Al Jubaylah, Al Majidiyah, Al Midaina, Al Nashwa, Al Qiblah, Al Tanumah, Al Tuba wa al Nakhilah, Al-Faw, Al-Hartha, Al-Zubair, Ar Ramilah, Ar Rumaylah, As Saybah, Ash Shuaybah, Basrah, Basrah International Airport, Karmat Ali, Khor al Zubair, Majnoon Oil Field, Nahiyat ad Dayr, Qaryat ash Shafi, Qurna, Rumaylah Oil Field, Safwan, Shilamjah Border Crossing, Umm Qasr, Uwaysan, West Qurna 1 Oilfield.

In **Al-Muthannia**, 251 incidents killing 9 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: Ad Darraji, Al Khidr, Al Majd, Al Najmi, Al Tawba, Al Warka, Al-Hilal, As Salman, As Samawah, As Suwayr, Huwayshali, Qaryat al Mamlahah, Rumaitha, Sayyed Jabar.

In **Al-Qadisiyah**, 272 incidents killing 7 people were reported. The following

locations were among the affected: Afak, Al Budayr, As Sinniyah, Ash-Shinafiyah, Diwaniya, Hamza, Nahiyat Al Shafiyah, Nahiyat Ghammas, Nahiyat Sumir, Nahiyat ad Dagharah, Shamiya.

In **An-Najaf**, 81 incidents killing 15 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: Al Mishkhab, Hayy Al Thwarah, Kufa, Manathera, Nahiyat al Abbasiyah, Najaf.

In **Arbil**, 498 incidents killing 343 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: Alanah, Alane, Balaban, Balkanah, Barbazin, Barsrin, Barzan, Bawlay, Berikma, Bine Rashkin, Bnparez, Choman, Erbil, Erbil International Airport, Garawan, Goshina, Hajj Umran, Halgurd Mountain, Harir, Jabal Biradawst, Jabal Sibi, Kelashin, Ketine, Khalifan, Kharabah, Khinayrah, Koisnjaq, Kudila, Layl Kan, Lolan, Mahana, Makhmur, Mawnan, Merga Rash, Mergasur, Naw Mergan, Nawende, Pendro, Pirde Shal, Qalata Soran, Qarachogh Mountain, Qarachoq Mountain, Qaraj, Rawst, Ruala, Rubar-i Rost, Sarkaran, Senan, Sidakan, Silsilat Jibal Qandil, Similan, Soran, Stune, Talan, Wadi Armush, Wadi Khakurik, Warte.

In **As-Sulaymaniyah**, 185 incidents killing 46 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: Araba, Bazian, Bokrisikan, Chamchamal, Darbandihkan, Dokan, Halabja, Jabal Asaws, Kalalah, Kalar, Khurmali, Koya, Kunamasi, Mawat, Penjwin, Pirmagrun, Pishdar, Qadir Karam, Qamish, Qeladize, Rania, Raparin, Safra, Seyid Sadiq, Sharbazher, Sulaymaniyah, Takiya, Tawkal, Xelekan, Zarayan, Zharawa.

In **At-Ta'mim** (Kirkuk), 294 incidents killing 235 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: Al Qadisiya, Albu Siraj, Ali Saray, Altun Kupri, Arab Koy, Atirah, Bajwan, Bashir, Bay Hasan, Daquq, Dawood Al Alouka, Dibis, Hama, Hameria, Hamrin Mountains - Kirkuk, Haweeja, Hayy Aml Al Shaabi, Jaghmaghah, Khabbaz Oil Fields, Khirbat Aziz, Kirkuk, Kubaiba, Laylan, Mamah, Markaz Nahiyah Shuwan, Multaqa, Nahiyat ar

Riyad, Nahiyat az Zab, Qariyat Mahmoudiyah, Qaryat Adhirban, Qaryat Al Kathahiyah, Qaryat Albu Sibah, Qaryat Ghaydah, Qaryat Mahuz, Qaryat Tall adh Dhahab al Ulya, Qaryat Tamur, Qaryat Tar al Baghal, Qaryat Tuwayliyah, Qaryat ad Dubb al Kabir, Qaryat al Kazimiyah, Qaryat al Maftul, Qaryat al Mansuriyah, Qaryat al Maqam, Qaryat an Nakar, Qaryat as Saduniyah, Qizil Yar, Qutan, Rahima Quta, Rashad, Saqizli, Shay Valley, Talaa Dihn al -Thaniya, Tarkalan, Taza, Topzawa, Tuwayriyah, Wadi Abu Shahmah, Wadi Zaghaytun, Wadi al Karha, Zerga.

In **Babil**, 95 incidents killing 20 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: Al Hamza, Al Qasim, Hilla, Jabla al Imam, Jurf Al Nasr, Mahawil, Musayab, Nahiyat Abi Gharaq, Nahiyat Jurf as Sakhr, Nahiyat an Nil, Qaryat ar Ruiyah, Shomeli.

In **Baghdad**, 595 incidents killing 176 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: Abu Ghraib, Al Ghuzayliyah, Al Latifiyah, Al Mahmudiyah, Al Moshahda, Al Mushahidah, Al Wahdah, Al Yusufiyah, Ar Rashidiyah, Ash Shulah, At Tarmiyah, Az Zaydan, Baghdad, Baghdad - 9 Nissan, Baghdad - Adhamiya, Baghdad - Al Rashid, Baghdad - Kadhimiya, Baghdad - Karadah, Baghdad - Karkh, Baghdad - Mansour, Baghdad - Rusafa, Baghdad - Sadr City, Baghdad International Airport, Bismayah, Hawr Rajab, Jisr Diyala, Madain, Nahrawan, Radwaniyah, Sabaa Al Bour, Taji, Uwayrij, Zaidan, Zawbaa.

In **Dhi-Qar**, 519 incidents killing 65 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: Akaika, Al Dawayah, Al Gharraf, Al Islah, An-Nasr, Batha, Chibayish, Gharraf Oilfield, Nahiyat Al Tar, Nahiyat Our, Nahiyat al Fudaylah, Nahiyat al Fuhud, Nassriya, Qalat Sukkar, Rifai, Sayyid Dakhil, Shatra, Suq Al-Shoyokh, Tal al-Laham.

In **Dihok**, 850 incidents killing 565 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: Akre, Amadiya, Aradin, Artish, Avlihe, Bagera, Bah

Mishmish, Balinda Valley, Baluite, Bamerni, Banik al Ulya, Banik as Sufla, Banka, Barwari, Batifa, Baze, Bebad, Beguva, Bersawa, Beshilk, Bigdawda, Bihri Cave, Bildisha, Bilimbeske, Bishilah, Bnavya, Cemanke, Chaqala, Chiya-e Gara, Chiya-e Spi, Dahuk, Dar Huzan, Dereluk, Dereshe, Derkar, Desta Nahle, Fish Khabur, Geluk, Girgash, Guheriz, Gulkah, Haftanin, Hawriz, Hiroor, Ira, Jabal Karah, Kalakhwar, Kani Masi, Karbil, Kashan, Keshan, Kesta, Khantur Mountain, Khilaniyeh, Khishtana, Khizava, Khrpa Zebari, Mala Arab, Marane, Mayruki, Metin, Metina, Minin, Mirwanis, Naqab, Nayrvah, Nizdor, Perex, Rashanke, Razuike, Ruse, Sargali, Sarkli, Sarko, Seedan, Semel, Shaca, Shahah, Sharia, Sheladiz, Shelaza, Shiladiza, Shkafte, Shudin, Sibindar, Sigiri, Sita, Tirwanish, Zakho, Zawita, Zewa Shikan.

In Diyala, 543 incidents killing 342 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: Abu Karmah, Abu Saida, Abu Tamr, Adhaim, Ahmad Tahir, Al Abbarah, Al Azim, Al Hadd al Akhdar, Al Hafayir, Al Hassawiya, Al Husseiniya, Al Jadidah, Al Mafrak, Al Mandhariyah, Al Qaryat al Asiriyah, Al Salam, Al Wajihyah, Al-Khalis, Al-Mansouriyah, Al-Muqdadia, Al-Zoor, Albu Fayad Village, Ali as Sadun, As Saadiyah, As Safrah, Ayn Laylah, Balad Ruz, Baquba, Buhriz, Dakkah, Dur al Waqf, Hamada, Hamrin Mountains - Diyala, Harooniya, Hawi, Imam Ways, Jalawla, Jisr Hulwan, Kahriz, Khalawi, Khan Bani Saad, Khanaqin, Khilaniya, Kifri, Lake Hamrin, Mandali, Mansuriyah, Naft Khanah, Nahiyat Kanan, Nahr al Imam, Nasim, Qarah Tabah, Qaryat Abu Hasiwah, Qaryat Abu Khanazir, Qaryat Al Hetaween, Qaryat Al Qalaa, Qaryat Al Tawakul, Qaryat Al Urubah, Qaryat Ayn al Midan, Qaryat Bazayiz Abu Jisrah, Qaryat Jabarah, Qaryat Jayzani, Qaryat Marjanah, Qaryat Nawfal, Qaryat al Abbarah, Qaryat al Aswad al Bazayiz, Qaryat al Bazul, Qaryat al Islah, Qaryat al Kubbah, Qaryat al Mukhaysah, Qaryat as Sadah, Qaryat ash Shaykhi, Qaryat az Zuhayrat, Qazaniya, Qubbah, Sadiya, Safsafah, Sayyid Mal Allah, Shafiq Aziz Agha, Sharwain, Shaykh Bawa, Shayrak, Sinsil, Tabaj Hamid, Tall Manjal, Tall al Kubbah, Umm al Hintah, Zaghiniyah.

In Karbala', 77 incidents killing 12 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: Ain Al Tamur, Al Jadwal al Gharbi, Al Kamaliyah, Al Taff, Hindyah, Kerbala, Nahiyat al Haydariyah.

In Maysan, 122 incidents killing 24 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: Abu Rummanah, Al Azair, Al Shib Border Crossing, Ali Al-Gharbi, Ali Al-Sharqi, Amara, Bazrakan Oilfield, Hay Almoa'alimen, Kahla, Maimouna, Mejar Al-Kabi, Muhayn, Nahiyat Al Adl, Qalat Salih, Shabanah.

In Ninawa, 222 incidents killing 198 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: Abu Fishga, Al Ayadhiyah, Al Baaj, Al Barit, Al Dawwasah, Al Houd, Al Kuwayr, Al Mualimeen, Al Muhallabiyah, Al Qahtanya, Al Qayyarah, Al Rayhaniyah, Al Tasah, Albu Sayf, Ash Shabani, Atashana Mountains, Ath Thaljah, Ayn al Hisan, Ayn al Jahesh, Aziz Agha, Badush, Bara, Bartella, Biban, Dinartah, Dugure, Fasiliyah, Hajj Ali, Hamdaniya, Hammam al Alil, Hatra, Karaj, Khana Sor, Mosul, Mosul - Al-Hadbaa, Mosul - Al-Jadeda, Mosul - Al-Jazaer, Mosul - Al-Karamah, Mosul - Al-Rabee, Mosul - Al-Salam, Mosul - Al-Zuhur, Mosul - Old City, Munira, Omar Qabchi, Qabusiyah, Qanus Island, Qaraj Tahtali, Qaryat Adhbah, Qaryat Bazwaya, Qaryat Hamirah, Qaryat Nimrud, Qaryat adh Dhibaniyah, Qaryat al Abbasiyah, Qaryat al Jurn, Rabia, Salhia, Sheikh Mohammad, Sheikhan Refugee Camp, Shurah, Sinjar, Sinuni, Summaqiyah, Tal Abta, Tall Ghazal, Telafar, Telafar Airport, Tilkaif, Wanah, Wardiyah, Zammar.

In Sala ad-Din, 294 incidents killing 406 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: Adhaim Dam, Al Awjah, Al Fathah, Al Khanukiyah, Al Moqatta' Village, Al Mutassim, Al Rayyash, Al Zlayah, Al-Mazraa, Alas Oilfield, Amerli, Aradi Hawi al Maytah, Aradi al Ayth, Aradi al Jallam, Aziz Balad, Baiji, Balad, Bustamli, Daur, Dholuiya, Dujail, Farhatiyah, Hamrin Mountains - Sala al-Din, Maftul, Makhol, Makhol

Mountain, Mazaria, Mukeshefah, Mutaibijah, Nahiyat Yathrib, Nahiyat al Alam, Nahiyat al Ishaqi, Qaryat Albu Faraj, Qaryat Kanan, Qaryat Kanus al Ulya, Qaryat Mubarak al Hamad, Qaryat Samum, Qaryat Tall Kusaybah, Qaryat Tall adh Dhahab, Qaryat Tulul al Baj, Qaryat Umm Talil, Qaryat al Huwaysh, Qaryat al Mishak, Qaryat an Nawafal, Qaryat ar Rafi'at, Qaryat ar Rawashid, Qaryat as Sukkariyah, Samarra, Seneia, Sheikh Ibrahim, Shirqat, Sulayman Bak, Syed Ghraib, Tikrit, Tuz Khurma, Yanakjah Balan Basas.

In Wasit, 211 incidents killing 8 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: Al Aziziyah, Al Muwaffaqiyah, Al Zubaydiyah, Badra, Hai, Kut, Namaniya, Shaykh Saad, Suwaira, Zurbatiyah.

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