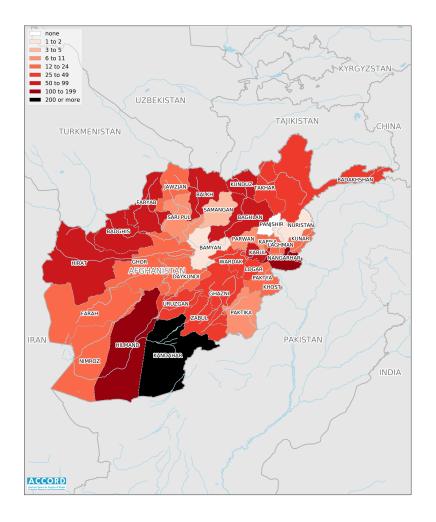
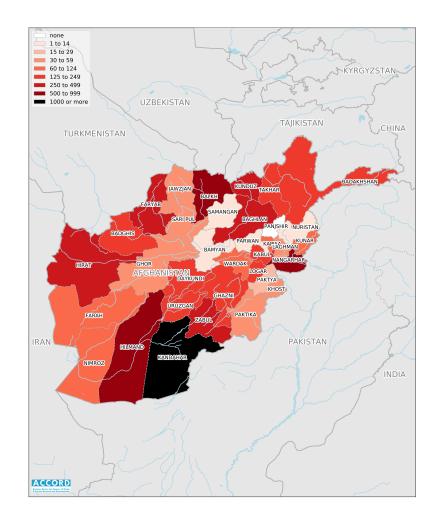
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Update on incidents according to the Armed Conflict Location & Event Data Project (ACLED)

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; Kashmir border status: CIA, 2004; geodata of disputed borders: GADM, 6 May 2018b; Natural Earth, nodate; incident data: ACLED, 30 July 2021; coastlines and inland waters: Smith and Wessel, 1 May 2015

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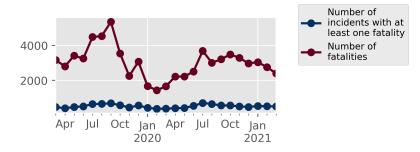
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Conflict incidents by category

Category	Number of incidents	Number of incidents with at least one fatality	Number of fatalities
Battles	1870	925	5800
Explosions / Remote violence	846	439	2016
Violence against civilians	224	145	221
Strategic developments	88	38	144
Protests	59	1	11
Riots	4	1	1
Total	3091	1549	8193

This table is based on data from ACLED (datasets used: ACLED, 30 July 2021).

Development of conflict incidents from March 2019 to March 2021



This graph is based on data from ACLED (datasets used: ACLED, 30 July 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, Afghanistan 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.

Please see ACLED's additional methodological papers for Afghanistan: ACLED, 16 December 2019a, ACLED, 19 December 2019b

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 occured, 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
Badakhshan	51	30	167
Badghis	80	54	195
Baghlan	111	57	270
Balkh	199	88	524
Bamyan	3	1	2
Daykundi	30	24	163
Farah	39	20	121
Faryab	130	98	477
Ghazni	154	44	208
Ghor	43	16	44
Hilmand	246	142	849
Hirat	144	86	338
Jawzjan	32	12	44
Kabul	138	84	174
Kandahar	385	278	2208
Kapisa	68	21	110
Khost	82	17	54
Kunar	67	19	61
Kunduz	133	63	423
Laghman	52	16	53

Province	Number of incidents	Number of incidents with fatalities	Number of fatalities
Logar	115	32	131
Nangarhar	297	147	641
Nimroz	30	15	104
Nuristan	9	2	2
Paktika	26	10	41
Paktya	80	16	27
Panjshir	1	0	0
Parwan	18	6	7
Samangan	7	3	4
Sari Pul	23	11	45
Takhar	66	38	142
Uruzgan	55	36	218
Wardak	100	25	89
Zabul	77	38	257

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.). 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 unkown. 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 Badakhshan, 51 incidents killing 167 people were reported. The following

locations were among the affected: Arghanj Khwa, Argo, Baharak, Fayzabad, Jamarj-e Bala, Jurm, Mashhad, Nusay, Shahr-e Buzurg, Warduj, Yaftali Sufla, Yawan, Ziraki.

In Badghis, 80 incidents killing 195 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: Ab Kamari, Dehistan, Gandah Ab, Gharchahghay, Jawand, Kharestan, Laman, Langar, Muqur, Murghab, Qadis, Qala i Naw, Sang Atesh, Sanjitak.

In Baghlan, 111 incidents killing 270 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: Bagh-e Shamal, Baghlani Jadid, Chashmah-ye Sher, Dahana i Ghuri, Dushi, Guzargahi Nur, Husain Khel, Ibrahim Khel, Kelagai, Khinjan, Nahrin, Pul-e Khumri, Shahabuddin, Wazirabad, Zamankheyl.

In Balkh, 199 incidents killing 524 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: Aq Tapah, Bagh-e Pahlawan, Balkh, Charbolak, Charkint, Chimtal, Dawlat Abad, Deh Sawar, Dihdadi, Gurgi Tapah, Hairatan, Kaldar, Khanabad, Kishindih, Marmul, Mazar-e Sharif, Nahri Shahi, Qul Taq, Samar Qandian, Sholgara, Shortepa, Turkmani, Zari.

In **Bamyan**, **3** incidents killing **2** people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: **Ghandak**, **Kahmard**.

In **Daykundi**, **30** incidents killing **163** people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: **Gizab**, **Kajran**, **Nili**.

In Farah, 39 incidents killing 121 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: Bala Buluk, Farah, Ganjgin, Kanisk, Khwajah Khizir, Masaw, Pashmikeh, Pusht Rod, Qala i Kah, Regi, Shewan, Sultan Bakwa, Tapah.

In Faryab, 130 incidents killing 477 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: Almar, Andkhoy, Arkalik, Bilchiragh, Chahar Shangho, Chilgazi, Dahan-e Darah, Dawlat Abad, Gadai Qala, Gurziwan, Jar-e Qishlaq, Khwaja Sabz Posh, Kuhi, Lash, Maymana, Qaramqol, Qaysar, Shirin Tagab, Yangi Tashqul.

In Ghazni, 154 incidents killing 208 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: Ab Band, Bochah Khari, Dado, Gelan, Ghazni, Jaghuri, Jeghatoo, Khugiani, Khwaja Umari, Miray, Muqur, Nani, Qarabagh, Ramak, Samand Qala, Sar Tasan, Sini, Waghaz.

In Ghor, 43 incidents killing 44 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: Ahangaran, Ashuqan, Chaghcharan, Deh Mardah, Delak, Du Layna, Gawkush, Kharistan, Pay Ghar, Qal-e Zubayd, Saghar, Sar-e Ghalmin, Shahidan, Shahrak, Taywara, Tulak.

In Hilmand, 246 incidents killing 849 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: Ab Pashak Mandeh, Babaji, Bashran Mandeh, Bolan, Chah Anjir, Deh Adam Khan, Garmsir, Girishk, Khar Koh, Khushrabad, Lashkargah, Marja, Nad-e Ali, Nawa-e Barakzayi, Popalzai, Saidan, Sangin, Shakar Shalla, Shamalan, Washir, Yakhchal, Yaklang.

In Hirat, 144 incidents killing 338 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: Adraskan, Ahmadabad, Azizabad, Chishti Sharif, Farsi, Ghoryan, Gulran, Guzara, Herat, Injil, Islam Qalah, Karukh, Kohsan, Kushki Kuhna, Maldar, Obe, Pashtun Zarghun, Qudus Abad, Rabat-e Sangi-ye Pain, Rahzanak, Shindand, Zinda Jan.

In Jawzjan, 32 incidents killing 44 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: Aqcha, Fayzabad, Khaniqa, Khwajah Gogirdak, Mardyan, Mingajik, Qarqin, Qush Tepa, Shibirghan.

In Kabul, 138 incidents killing 174 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: Arghandih-e Pain, Bagrami, Chahar Asyab, Dar-ul Aman, Dehnawe Farza, Dowzai, Husaan Khel, Husain Khel, Kabul, Kalakan, Kotal-e Khair Khana, Mussahi, Paghman, Pul-e Charkhi Kuhnah, Qarabagh, Qarghah, Surobi, Tarakhel, Tulat.

In Kandahar, 385 incidents killing 2208 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: Arghandab, Arghistan, Bala Zhar, Band Temur, Bazar-e Panjvai, Daman, Ghanigay, Kandahar, Karz, Khak Chopan, Khakrez, Kogak, Mahajirin, Maruf, Maywand, Miyanishin, Nagahan, Naish, Pasab, Shah Wali Kot, Shorandam, Spin Boldak, Surkh Bayd, Takhta Pul, Zhari.

In Kapisa, 68 incidents killing 110 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: Afghanyah, Alasay, Jalo Khel, Kesektan, Kohistan, Mahmud-e-Raqi, Nijrab, Tagab.

In Khost, 82 incidents killing 54 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: Alisher, Bak, Dadwal, Jaji Maydan, Khost, Khulbisat, Musa Khel, Nadir Shah Kot, Qalandar, Spera, Tani, Yakubi.

In Kunar, 67 incidents killing 61 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: Asadabad, Chapa Dara, Chawkay, Ghaziabad, Khas Kunar, Manogai, Marawara, Nurgal, Shaigal Aw Shiltan, Sirkanay, Wata Pur.

In Kunduz, 133 incidents killing 423 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: Ab Firosh, Ali Abad, Aqtash, Archi, Chardara, Charkab, Du Wandi, Gortapa, Imam Sahib, Janat Bagh, Joy-e-Begum, Khan Abad, Kunduz, Qalay i Zal, Sherkhan Bandar, Shorabad, Talowkah. In Laghman, 52 incidents killing 53 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: Alingar, Alishing, Badayabad, Dawlat Shah, Lalkhanabad, Mehtar Lam.

In Logar, 115 incidents killing 131 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: Abjosh, Alozi, Azra, Baraki Barak, Charkh, Hesarak, Kharwar, Khoshi, Mohammad Agha, Puli Alam, Surkh Ab.

In Nangarhar, 297 incidents killing 641 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: Barikab, Bati Kot, Behsud, Chaparhar, Dih Bala, Fatehabad, Gandamak, Ghani Khel, Goshta, Hisarak, Jalalabad, Jow Darah, Kaga, Kama, Khayrabad, Lal Pur, Mama Khel, Mohmand, Mohmand Dara, Nazyan, Nukur Khel, Pachir Wa Agam, Rodat, Shamshah Pur, Sherzad, Shewa, Shinwar, Sra Kala, Sultanpur, Sur Dag, Tutu, Weche Zhawere Khulah, Zawa.

In Nimroz, 30 incidents killing 104 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: Chakhansur, Dehmazang, Delaram, Kang, Khash, Munar, Zaranj.

In Nuristan, 9 incidents killing 2 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: Du Ab, Nurgaram, Parun, Wama.

In Paktika, 26 incidents killing 41 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: Barmal, Dila, Folad Khel, Gayan, Gomal, Jani Khel, Khayr Kot, Mata Khan, Sar Hawza, Sarobi, Sharan, Urgun, Waza Khwa, Zarghun Shahr, Ziruk.

In Paktya, 80 incidents killing 27 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: Ahmadabad, Chamkani, Gardez, Jaji, Jani Khail, Khodzi Khel, Lazha Ahmad Khel, Mirzaka, Rabat, Zadran, Zurmat.

In **Panjshir**, **1** incident killing **0** people was reported. The following location was among the affected: **Bazarak**.

In Parwan, 18 incidents killing 7 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: Bagram, Charikar, Guzar-e Pain, Jabal Saraj, Sayed Khel, Shinwari.

In Samangan, 7 incidents killing 4 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: Feroz Nakhchir, Qa'lah, Ruyi Du Ab, Samangan.

In Sari Pul, 23 incidents killing 45 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: Alaghan, Aq Gunbaz, Gosfandi, Lar-e Kahak, Sar-e Pol, Sayyad, Sayyidabad, Sozma Qala.

In Takhar, 66 incidents killing 142 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: Baharak, Bangi, Chah Ab, Chal, Darqad, Dashti Qala, Ishkamish, Kalafgan, Khwaja Baha Wuddin, Khwaja Ghar, Namak Ab, Nowabad, Rustaq, Taloqan.

In **Uruzgan**, 55 incidents killing 218 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: Chenartu, Chora, Deh Rahwod, Khas Urozgan, Khayrabad, Kotwal, Lublan, Shahidi Hassas, Tarinkot.

In Wardak, 100 incidents killing 89 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: Chaki Wardak, Daymirdad, Deh-e Afghanan, Duranay, Hisa i Awali Bihsud, Ibrahim Khel, Jaghatu, Jalrez, Kan-e Ezzat, Kashmirian, Lorah, Maidan Shar, Markazi Bihsud, Saydabad, Taj Beigi.

In Zabul, 77 incidents killing 257 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: Akhundzadah Khel, Arghandab, Chinah, Lali Kelay, Mizan, Naw Bahar, Nowrak, Qalat, Shah Hasan Khel, Shah Joy, Shahr-e Safa, Shamulzayi, Shinkay, Takir.

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