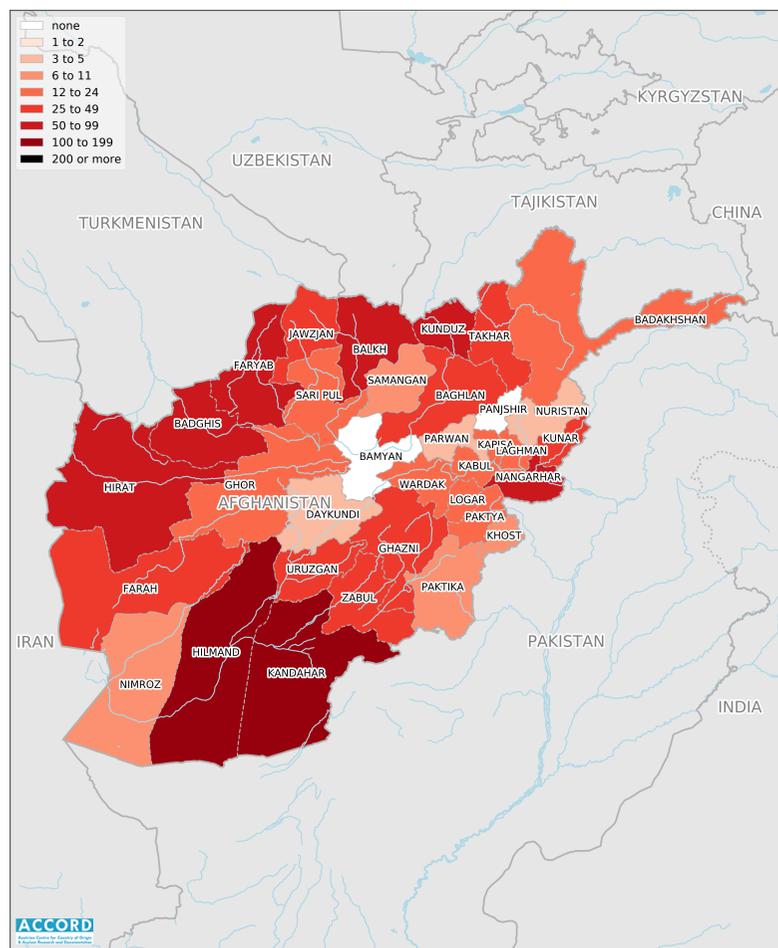


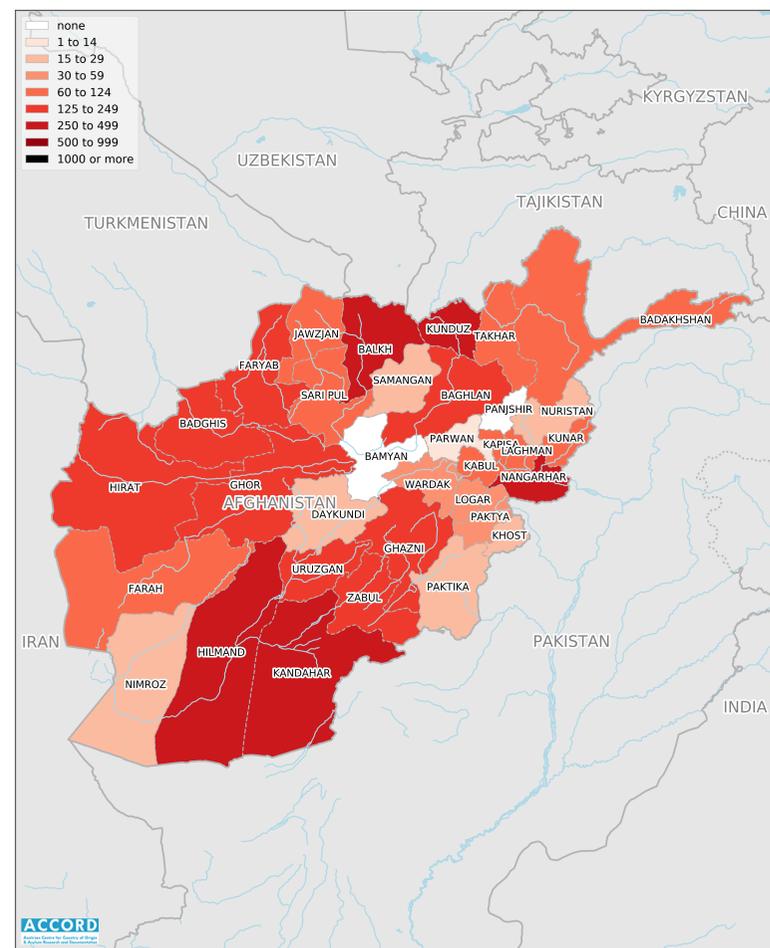
AFGHANISTAN, FIRST QUARTER 2020, UPDATED EDITION: Update on incidents according to the Armed Conflict Location & Event Data Project (ACLED)

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Number of reported incidents with at least one fatality



Number of reported fatalities



National borders: [GADM, 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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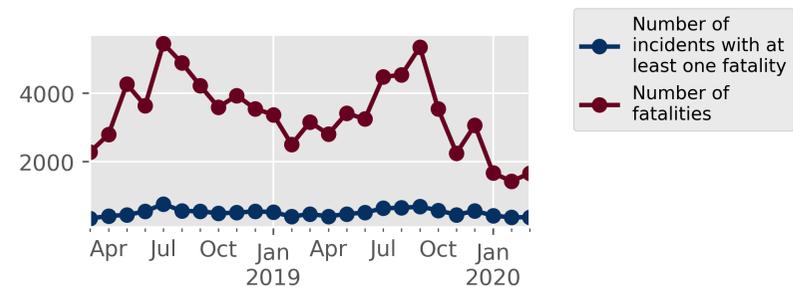
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Conflict incidents by category

Category	Number of incidents	Number of incidents with at least one fatality	Number of fatalities
Battles	1602	735	3245
Explosions / Remote violence	667	359	1366
Violence against civilians	122	62	102
Strategic developments	68	16	43
Protests	28	0	0
Riots	3	0	0
Total	2490	1172	4756

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

Development of conflict incidents from March 2018 to March 2020



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](#)

This edition replaces the version previously published for the same reporting period, as ACLED has updated their data on Afghanistan for 2020.

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
Badakhshan	43	17	77
Badghis	78	53	218
Baghlan	83	42	190
Balkh	239	90	428
Daykundi	8	3	20
Farah	66	37	115
Faryab	109	71	223
Ghazni	92	39	142
Ghor	43	22	180
Hilmand	326	139	462
Hirat	119	72	248
Jawzjan	53	28	116
Kabul	62	22	99
Kandahar	197	110	419
Kapisa	55	16	83
Khost	40	9	22
Kunar	51	26	114
Kunduz	151	83	459
Laghman	76	23	90
Logar	44	15	30

Province	Number of incidents	Number of incidents with fatalities	Number of fatalities
Nangarhar	133	67	286
Nimroz	31	7	19
Nuristan	5	4	20
Paktika	17	9	20
Paktya	62	19	48
Parwan	13	4	5
Samangan	11	6	18
Sari Pul	34	20	83
Takhar	44	30	121
Uruzgan	108	48	209
Wardak	50	15	46
Zabul	47	26	146

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 **Badakhshan**, 43 incidents killing 77 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: **Arghanj Khwa, Argo, Baharak, Fayzabad, Jamarj-e Bala, Jurm, Khwahan, Nusay, Shahr-e Buzurg, Warduj, Yaftali Sufla,**

Yamgan.

In **Badghis**, 78 incidents killing 218 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: **Akazai, Chashmah-ye Duzakh, Gormach, Jawand, Kharestan, Laman, Langar, Muqur, Murghab, Qadis, Qala i Naw, Sang Atesh, Sanjidak.**

In **Baghlan**, 83 incidents killing 190 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: **Baghlani Jadid, Burka, Chaharshambah Tepah, Chashmah-ye Sher, Dahana i Ghuri, Dushi, Guzargahi Nur, Husain Khel, Jar-e Khushk, Kelagai, Khinjan, Khwajah Alwan, Nahrin, Omar Khel, Pansiri, Pul-e Khumri, Sheikh Jalal Pass, Tala wa Barfak.**

In **Balkh**, 239 incidents killing 428 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: **Asia ye Gurg, Bagh-e Pahlawan, Balkh, Banguliyah, Barmazit, Chak Ab, Charbolak, Charkh Ab, Charkint, Chimtal, Dawlat Abad, Dihdadi, Jar Qalah, Kaldar, Khairabad, Kishindih, Mazar-e Sharif, Murghan Tapah, Nahri Shahi, Sholgara, Shortepa, Timurak, Zari.**

In **Daykundi**, 8 incidents killing 20 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: **Kajran, Kandu-ye Bala, Khadir, Nili, Sangah Shaykh.**

In **Farah**, 66 incidents killing 115 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: **Anar Dara, Bala Buluk, Dastah-ye Gul, Dehyak-e Kalan, Farah, Kanisk, Karez-e Shaykhha, Khak-e Safid, Lash wa Juwayn, Pur Chaman, Pusht Koh, Pusht Rod, Qala i Kah, Shewan, Shib Koh, Suji, Tapah.**

In **Faryab**, 109 incidents killing 223 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: **Almar, Andkhoy, Aqsay Arab, Arkalik, Bilchiragh, Bukhari Qalah, Dawlat Abad, Gurziwan, Islim, Katah Qishlaq, Khwaja Sabz Posh, Kuhi, Maymana, Nishar, Now Dari Qalah, Qala, Qaramqol, Qaysar,**

Qurghan, Shah Qasimi, Shirin Tagab, Sufi Qalah, Turt Kul.

In **Ghazni**, 92 incidents killing 142 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: **Andar, Dado, Dehak, Gelan, Ghazni, Jaghuri, Khashik, Miray, Muqur, Mushakai, Nani, Nawa, Nughay-e Sufla, Pana, Qarabagh, Ramak, Sini.**

In **Ghor**, 43 incidents killing 180 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: **Awlad-e Khayrullah, Chaghcharan, Delak, Khowajgan, Qal-e Zubayd, Qazi, Shahrak.**

In **Hilmand**, 326 incidents killing 462 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: **Ab Pashak Mandeh, Alukozai, Babaji, Balochan, Chah Anjir, Dagian, Deh Adam Khan, Dishu, Garmsir, Girishk, Haidarabad, Hazar Asp, Kajaki, Karez-e Now, Khanashin, Khar Koh, Khushk Awah, Lashkargah, Lowy Manda, Malgir, Marghozar, Marja, Mir Mandaw, Mukhtar Kala, Musa Qala, Nad-e Ali, Nawa-e Barakzayi, Nawzad, Nikehzai, Popalzai, Saidan, Sangilan, Sangin, Torah Shah Ghundey, Washir, Yakhchal, Yaklang, Zarghun Kalay.**

In **Hirat**, 119 incidents killing 248 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: **Adraskan, Azizabad, Chishti Sharif, Darratakht, Deh-e Aman, Deh-e Ghulam, Ghoryan, Gulran, Guzara, Herat, Injil, Karukh, Kohsan, Kushki Kuhna, Maldar, Obe, Pashtun Zarghun, Qudus Abad, Rabat-e Sangi-ye Pain, Sherkhaj, Shindand, Zinda Jan.**

In **Jawzjan**, 53 incidents killing 116 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: **Aqcha, Darzab, Fayzabad, Khaniqa, Khwaja Du Koh, Kukal Dash, Mardyan, Mingajik, Qarqin, Qush Tepa, Shibirghan.**

In **Kabul**, 62 incidents killing 99 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: **Bagrami, Guldara, Kabul, Qarabagh, Shakardara,**

Surubi, Tarakhel.

In **Kandahar**, 197 incidents killing 419 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: **Arghandab, Arghistan, Arogh, Bagh De Srah, Band Temur, Bazar-e Panjvai, Biabanak, Chashmah, Daman, Darwayshan, Deh-e Khwajah, Duab, Ghorak, Gulojan, Howz-e Madad, Kandahar, Karz, Khak Chopan, Khakrez, Kundelan, Loy Karez, Mandozai, Maruf, Maywand, Miyانشin, Mundigak, Naday, Naish, Pasab, Rang Rayzan, Sar-e Gaw, Shah Wali Kot, Shalghami, Sherghah, Shorabak, Spin Boldak, Surkh Bayd, Talukan, Tanachoy, Tor Kotal, Torah Garah, Zangabad, Zangitan.**

In **Kapisa**, 55 incidents killing 83 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: **Afghanyah, Alasay, Mahmud-e-Raqi, Nijrab, Tagab.**

In **Khost**, 40 incidents killing 22 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: **Alisher, Bak, Khost, Musa Khel, Nadir Shah Kot, Qalandar, Shamal, Spera, Yakubi.**

In **Kunar**, 51 incidents killing 114 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: **Asadabad, Asmar, Chawkay, Dangam, Ghaziabad, Kuz Narang, Manogai, Marawara, Nawah, Nurgal, Sirkanay, Wata Pur.**

In **Kunduz**, 151 incidents killing 459 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: **Ali Abad, Ali Khel, Aqtash, Archi, Chardara, Gortapa, Imam Sahib, Khan Abad, Khwajah Pistah, Konchak, Kuhnah Qalah, Kunduz, Malarghi, Nawabad, Ortablaqi, Qalay i Zal, Tut Mazar, Yakah Tut, Zard Kamar.**

In **Laghman**, 76 incidents killing 90 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: **Alingar, Alishing, Dawlat Shah, Lalkhanabad,**

Manjan, Mehtar Lam.

In **Logar**, 44 incidents killing 30 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: **Baraki Barak, Charkh, Mohammad Agha, Puli Alam, Waghjan.**

In **Nangarhar**, 133 incidents killing 286 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: **Ahmad Khel, Bati Kot, Behsud, Cheknowar, Dara i Nur, Dih Bala, Dur Baba, Hazar Nao, Hisarak, Jalalabad, Kaga, Kot, Lal Pur, Marki Khel, Mohmand Dara, Pachir Wa Agam, Sherzad, Shewa, Shinwar, Sra Kala, Sultanpur, Wazir.**

In **Nimroz**, 31 incidents killing 19 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: **Dehmazang, Delaram, Khash, Kotalak, Munar, Pushtah-ye Hasan, Zaranj.**

In **Nuristan**, 5 incidents killing 20 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: **Kamdesh, Parun, Waygal.**

In **Paktika**, 17 incidents killing 20 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: **Barmal, Dila, Jani Khel, Sarobi, Sharan, Urgan, Waza Khwa, Yahya Khel, Ziruk.**

In **Paktya**, 62 incidents killing 48 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: **Ahmadabad, Chamkani, Dand Wa Patan, Gardez, Ibrahim Khel, Jaji, Jani Khail, Lazha Ahmad Khel, Makawah, Mirzaka, Sayed Karam, Shaykhan, Zurmat.**

In **Parwan**, 13 incidents killing 5 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: **Bagram, Charikar, Panj Qalah, Shinwari.**

In **Samangan**, 11 incidents killing 18 people were reported. The following

locations were among the affected: **Dara i Sufi Payan, Katah Qishlaq, Qa'lah, Samangan.**

In **Sari Pul**, 34 incidents killing 83 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: **Balghali, Darah Band, Gosfandi, Sar-e Pol, Sayyad, Sozma Qala, Tukzar.**

In **Takhar**, 44 incidents killing 121 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: **Baharak, Bangi, Chin Zai, Darqad, Dashti Qala, Ishkamish, Khwaja Baha Wuddin, Khwaja Ghar, Namak Ab, Taloqan.**

In **Uruzgan**, 108 incidents killing 209 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: **Chora, Chowtu, Deh Rahwod, Garm Ab, Hoshi, Khan Agha, Khas Urozgan, Kotwal, Lublan, Lundiyanah, Naychin, Qalah-ye Ragh, Shah Mansur, Shahidi Hassas, Tarinkot, Yak Lingah, Zar Tale Ghar.**

In **Wardak**, 50 incidents killing 46 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: **Chaki Wardak, Daymirdad, Deh-e Afghanan, Jaghatu, Jalrez, Kan-e Ezzat, Maidan Shar, Salar, Saydabad, Shaykhabad.**

In **Zabul**, 47 incidents killing 146 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: **Arghandab, Atghar, Deh Afghanan, Mizan, Qalat, Shah Joy, Shahr-e Safa, Shinkay, Takir.**

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