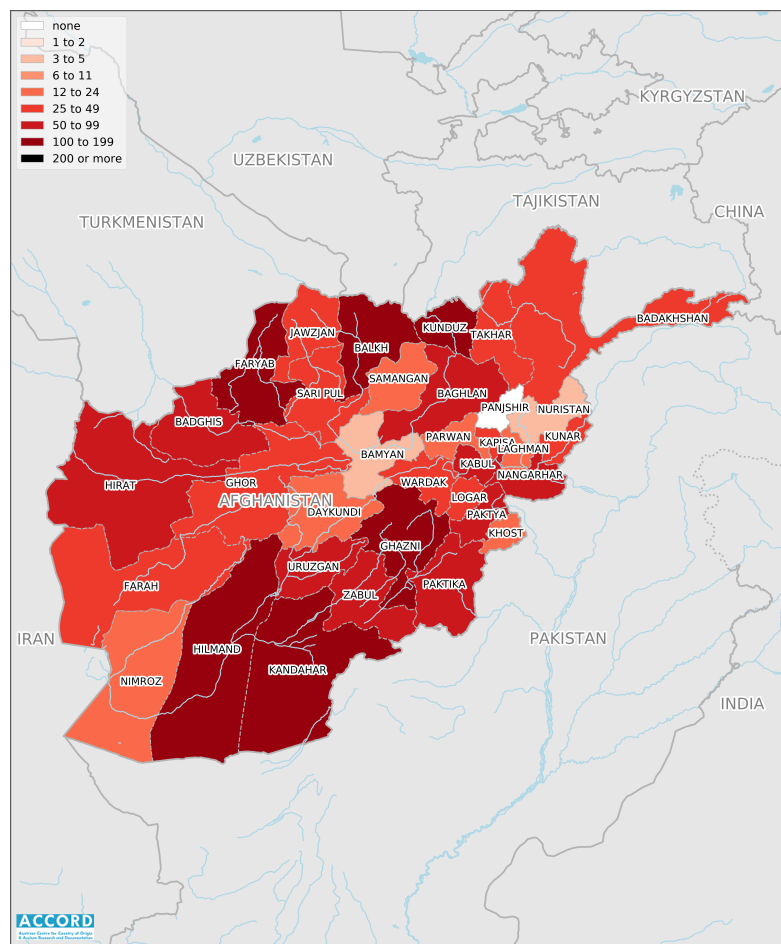


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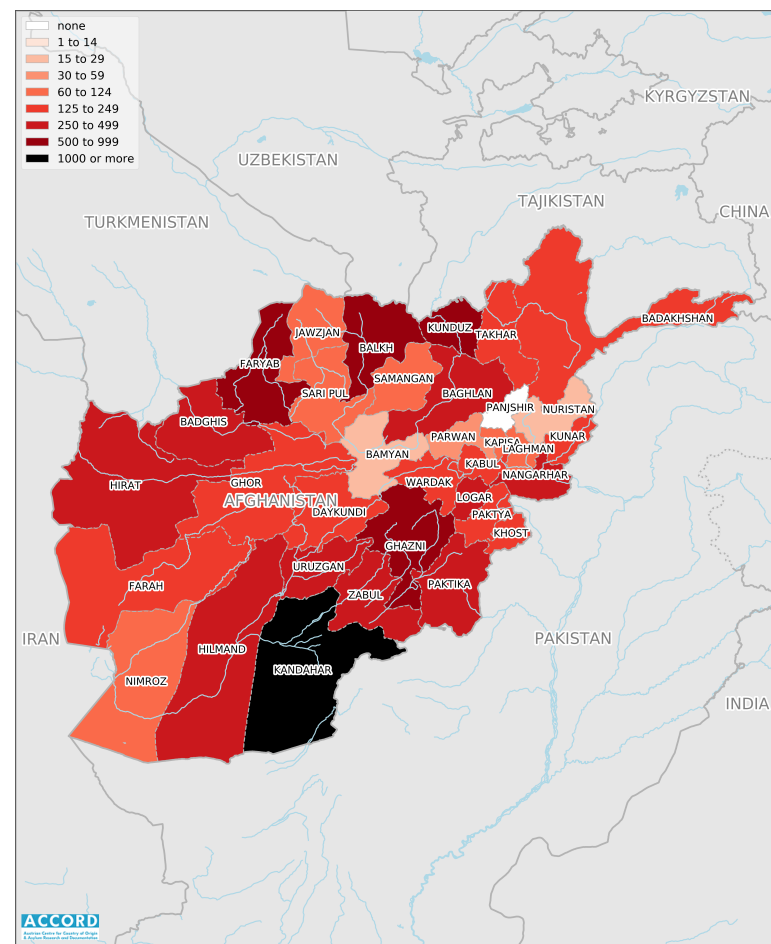
Update on incidents according to the Armed Conflict Location & Event Data Project (ACLED)

compiled by ACCORD, 12 August 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](#); 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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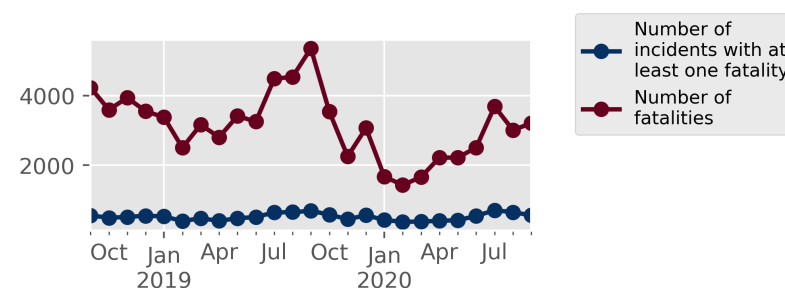
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Conflict incidents by category

Category	Number of incidents	Number of incidents with at least one fatality	Number of fatalities
Battles	1607	1274	7537
Explosions / Remote violence	695	417	1957
Violence against civilians	206	157	232
Strategic developments	147	59	166
Protests	41	1	3
Riots	1	1	1
Total	2697	1909	9896

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

Development of conflict incidents from September 2018 to September 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	63	43	204
Badghis	98	83	361
Baghlan	101	73	427
Balkh	131	101	690
Bamyan	4	4	15
Daykundi	24	19	210
Farah	52	35	140
Faryab	184	145	766
Ghazni	196	156	828
Ghor	60	47	158
Hilmand	184	123	461
Hirat	113	78	289
Jawzjan	35	27	102
Kabul	124	75	180
Kandahar	274	188	1085
Kapisa	37	32	105
Khost	35	23	133
Kunar	56	33	154
Kunduz	127	101	732
Laghman	25	14	107

Province	Number of incidents	Number of incidents with fatalities	Number of fatalities
Logar	73	42	253
Nangarhar	106	63	482
Nimroz	26	16	78
Nuristan	4	4	16
Paktika	96	65	367
Paktya	87	51	195
Panjshir	4	0	0
Parwan	24	15	58
Samangan	17	14	67
Sari Pul	41	25	116
Takhar	53	38	131
Uruzgan	78	64	293
Wardak	66	42	227
Zabul	99	70	466

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**, 63 incidents killing 204 people were reported. The following

locations were among the affected: **Arghanj Khwa**, **Argo**, **Baharak**, **Darah-ye Jim**, **Darayim**, **Fayzabad**, **Jamarj-e Bala**, **Jurm**, **Keran wa Menjan**, **Khash**, **Khwahan**, **Kohistan**, **Mashhad**, **Nusay**, **Qaleh-ye Kuf**, **Shahr-e Buzurg**, **Shuhada**, **Warduj**, **Yaftali Sufla**, **Yawan**, **Ziraki**.

In **Badghis**, 98 incidents killing 361 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: **Akazai**, **Chashmah-ye Duzakh**, **Dehistan**, **Gandah Ab**, **Gharchahghay**, **Gul Khana**, **Jawand**, **Laman**, **Mubarak Shah**, **Muqur**, **Murghab**, **Qadis**, **Qala i Naw**, **Sang Atesh**, **Tagab Rabat**.

In **Baghlan**, 101 incidents killing 427 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: **Andarab**, **Bagh-e Shamal**, **Baghlani Jadid**, **Burka**, **Chashmah-ye Sher**, **Dahana i Ghuri**, **Dih Salah**, **Dushi**, **Farang Wa Gharu**, **Kelagai**, **Khinjan**, **Khost Wa Fereng**, **Khwajah Alwan**, **Nahrin**, **Pul-e Khumri**, **Sharshar**, **Tala wa Barfak**.

In **Balkh**, 131 incidents killing 690 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: **Balkh**, **Banguliyah**, **Boka**, **Charbolak**, **Charkint**, **Chimtal**, **Dawlat Abad**, **Dihdadi**, **Hairatan**, **Imam Sahib**, **Khulm**, **Kishindih**, **Kota Kheyl**, **Mazar-e Sharif**, **Nahri Shahi**, **Palozuli**, **Sabzi Kar**, **Sholgara**, **Shortepa**, **Siyah Aw**, **Timurak**, **Uruzgani**, **Zari**.

In **Bamyan**, 4 incidents killing 15 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: **Bamyan**, **Sayghan**, **Shibar**.

In **Daykundi**, 24 incidents killing 210 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: **Gizab**, **Ishtarlay**, **Kajran**, **Nili**.

In **Farah**, 52 incidents killing 140 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: **Anar Dara**, **Bala Buluk**, **Dehyak-e Kalan**, **Farah**, **Ganjgin**, **Gulistan**, **Kanisk**, **Khwajah Khizir**, **Masaw**, **Pur Chaman**, **Pusht Rod**, **Qala i Kah**, **Shewan**.

In **Faryab**, 184 incidents killing 766 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: **Almar**, **Andkhoy**, **Aqsay Arab**, **Arkalik**, **Bai Mughali**, **Bilchiragh**, **Bukhari Qalah**, **Chaghatak**, **Chahar Shangho**, **Chilgazi**, **Dah Yakchi Khanah**, **Dahan-e Darah**, **Dawlat Abad**, **Gadai Qala**, **Gurziwan**, **Juma Bazar**, **Khani Chahar Bagh**, **Khisht Pul**, **Khwaja Sabz Posh**, **Khwajah Qushuri**, **Koh-e Sayyad**, **Kosa Qala**, **Kuhi**, **Kulani**, **Lash**, **Maymana**, **Mulla Arifi**, **Qala**, **Qaramqol**, **Qaysar**, **Qozi Bai Qala**, **Qurghan**, **Sar Asyab**, **Shakh**, **Shirin Tagab**, **Turt Kul**, **Yangi Qalah**, **Yangi Tashqul**.

In **Ghazni**, 196 incidents killing 828 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: **Ab Band**, **Andar**, **Arzu**, **Balay**, **Chaghari**, **Chahar Dewar-e Mulla Ali**, **Charale**, **Dehak**, **Gelan**, **Ghazni**, **Jaghuri**, **Jeghatoo**, **Khalo Khel-e Ulya**, **Khugiani**, **Khwaja Umari**, **Laliwal**, **Miray**, **Moqor**, **Mungor**, **Muqur**, **Mushakai**, **Nakam**, **Nawur**, **Pana**, **Pir Aka**, **Qalah-ye Jowz**, **Qarabagh**, **Qaryah-ye Zabit**, **Ramak**, **Sar Tasan**, **Shalez**, **Sini**, **Tamaki**, **Waghaz**.

In **Ghor**, 60 incidents killing 158 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: **Ahangaran**, **Awlad-e Khayrullah**, **Badgah**, **Barah Khanah**, **Chaghcharan**, **Delak**, **Du Layna**, **Garamab**, **Kharistan**, **Mang**, **Pasaband**, **Qalah**, **Qazi**, **Shahrak**, **Shamak**, **Shinyah**, **Shorak**, **Sumak**, **Taywara**.

In **Hilmand**, 184 incidents killing 461 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: **Ab Pashak Mandeh**, **Bolan**, **Chah-e Mirza**, **Dagian**, **Deh Adam Khan**, **Garmsir**, **Girishk**, **Kajaki**, **Karez-e Now**, **Khar Koh**, **Lashkargah**, **Malgir**, **Marja**, **Musa Qala**, **Nad-e Ali**, **Naqilabad Kelay**, **Nawa-e Barakzayi**, **Saidan**, **Sangin**, **Shakar Shalla**, **Sorkh Doz**, **Washir**, **Yakhchal**, **Yaklang**, **Zamboli**.

In **Hirat**, 113 incidents killing 289 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: **Adraskan**, **Azizabad**, **Chishti Sharif**, **Farsi**, **Ghoryan**, **Gulran**, **Guzara**, **Herat**, **Injil**, **Islam Qalah**, **Jibrail**, **Joy-e Ghazi**, **Karez-e Ilyas**,

Kohsan, Kushki Kuhna, Mahallah-ye Bazar, Nishin, Obe, Pashtun Zarghun, Qudus Abad, Rabat-e Sangi-ye Pain, Salimi, Shindand, Zamanabad, Ziarat Jah, Zinda Jan.

In **Jawzjan**, 35 incidents killing 102 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: Aqcha, Deenar, Fayzabad, Jar-e Quduq, Khaniqa, Kukal Dash, Mardyan, Qush Tepa, Shibirghan, Shishah Khanah, Zaka.

In **Kabul**, 124 incidents killing 180 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: Arghandeh, Beni Hisar, Chahar Asyab, Dar-ul Aman, Istalif, Kabul, Kalakan, Khak-e Jabbar, Mir Bacha Kot, Mussahi, Paghman, Pul-e Charkhi Kuhnah, Qalah-ye Dasht, Qalah-ye Mir Abbas, Qarabagh, Salem Khel, Shakardara, Sherullah, Surobi, Tarakhel.

In **Kandahar**, 274 incidents killing 1085 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: Arghandab, Arghistan, Ata Karez, Band Temur, Bazar-e Panjvai, Biabanak, Chashmah, Chinari, Daman, Darwayshan, Duab, Ghanigay, Ibrahim Khalifah Baba Kelay, Kandahar, Karz, Khakrez, Khwajah Mulk, Loy Karez, Mama Karez, Mandozai, Maruf, Maruf Karez, Maywand, Miyanishin, Mushan, Nagahan, Naish, Pasab, Shah Joy, Shah Wali Kot, Shorabak, Siah Sang, Spin Boldak, Surkh Bayd, Takhta Pul, Tanachoy, Zangitan.

In **Kapisa**, 37 incidents killing 105 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: Alasay, Hajjikehl, Joybar, Kesektan, Mahmud-e-Raqi, Nawrozkhel, Nijrab, Paindakhel, Sherkhel, Tagab.

In **Khost**, 35 incidents killing 133 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: Alisher, Dadwal, Dwah Manday, Khost, Musa Khel, Qalandar, Spera, Yakubi, Zorkot.

In **Kunar**, 56 incidents killing 154 people were reported. The following locations

were among the affected: Asadabad, Asmar, Chapa Dara, Chawkay, Dangam, Dari Dam, Ghaziabad, Gulsalik, Khas Kunar, Manogai, Marawara, Nawah, Sangam, Shaigal Aw Shiltan, Sirkana.

In **Kunduz**, 127 incidents killing 732 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: Ali Abad, Archi, Chahar Tut, Chardara, Charkab, Dung Qishlag, Gortapa, Imam Sahib, Joy-e-Begum, Khan Abad, Konchak, Kunduz, Madrasah, Mulla Ghulam, Mullah Qali, Qarlugh, Qerghiz, Qurghan Tapah, Sherkhan Bandar, Talowkah.

In **Laghman**, 25 incidents killing 107 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: Alingar, Alishing, Kotali, Lalkhanabad, Mehtar Lam, Qalatak, Sabrabad, Serkundo Baba.

In **Logar**, 73 incidents killing 253 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: Abparan, Ahmadzai, Azra, Baraki Barak, Charkh, Deh-e Now, Kharwar, Khoshi, Lashkari Khel, Mohammad Agha, Pad Khwab-e Shanah, Pangram Bala, Puli Alam, Qal'ah-ye Shaykhak, Waghjan, Zarghun Shahr.

In **Nangarhar**, 106 incidents killing 482 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: Barikab, Behsud, Chaparhar, Dih Bala, Fatehabad, Hakimabad, Hisarak, Ibrahim Khel, Jalalabad, Kaga, Kama, Lal Pur, Mohmand Dara, Nazyan, Nukur Khel, Pachir Wa Agam, Sherzad, Shewa, Shinwar, Spinah Zhay, Sultanpur, Torkham, Wazir, Zawa.

In **Nimroz**, 26 incidents killing 78 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: Chahar Burjak, Chakhansur, Delaram, Khash, Makaki, Pushtah-ye Hasan, Zaranj.

In **Nuristan**, 4 incidents killing 16 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: Kamdesh, Waygal.

In **Paktika**, 96 incidents killing 367 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: **Barmal, Dila, Folad Khel, Gayan, Ginawa, Gomal, Hasti, Jani Khel, Khayr Kot, Margha, Mata Khan, Omna, Sar Hawza, Sarobi, Sharan, Srah Maidan, Terwa, Urgan, Waza Khwa, Wor Mamay, Yahya Khel, Yusuf Khel, Zarghun Shahr, Ziruk.**

In **Paktya**, 87 incidents killing 195 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: **Ahmadabad, Chamkani, Dand Wa Patan, Feroz Khel, Gardez, Hasan Khel, Jaji, Jani Khail, Lazha Ahmad Khel, Mirzaka, Sayed Karam, Shah Muhammad Kelay, Shwak, Sulaimankhel, Suri Khel, Zadrán, Zurmat.**

In **Panjshir**, 4 incidents killing 0 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: **Anaba, Darah, Paryan.**

In **Parwan**, 24 incidents killing 58 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: **Bagram, Charikar, Ghorband, Kohi Safi, Salang, Sayed Khel, Shinwari.**

In **Samangan**, 17 incidents killing 67 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: **Dara i Sufi Payan, Feroz Nakhchir, Hazrat-e Sultan, Khuram Wa Sarbagh, Qa'lah, Ruyi Du Ab, Samangan.**

In **Sari Pul**, 41 incidents killing 116 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: **Balkhab, Bughawi, Gosfandi, Kotarma, Masjid-e Sabz, Sar-e Pol, Sayyad, Sayyidabad, Sozma Qala, Tokhmana, Tukzar.**

In **Takhar**, 53 incidents killing 131 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: **Baharak, Bangi, Chah Ab, Darqad, Dashti Qala, Farkhar, Ishkamish, Kalafgan, Khwaja Baha Wuddin, Khwaja Ghar, Lalah Guzar, Nahr Ab, Namak Ab, Nowabad, Qarah Bay, Rustaq, Taloqan, Yangi Qala.**

In **Uruzgan**, 78 incidents killing 293 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: **Chinah, Deh Rahwod, Khas Urozgan, Kotwal, Lundiyanah, Naychin, Shah Mansur, Shahidi Hassas, Talani, Tarinkot, Zar Tale Ghar.**

In **Wardak**, 66 incidents killing 227 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: **Ambo Khak, Chaki Wardak, Deh-e Afghanan, Duranay, Haft Asya, Hisa i Awali Bihsud, Jaghatu, Jalrez, Kan-e Ezzat, Kashmirian, Lorah, Maidan Shar, Mali Khel, Markazi Bihsud, Salar, Saydabad, Shaykhabad, Siyah Petaw, Sultan Khel, Sur Pul.**

In **Zabul**, 99 incidents killing 466 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: **Alam Kareh, Arghandab, Atghar, Khala, Mizan, Naw Bahar, Nowrak, Qalat, Shah Joy, Shahr-e Safa, Shamulzayi, Shinkay, Takir.**

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