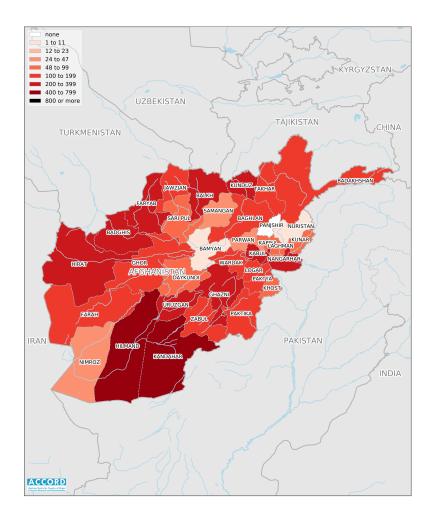
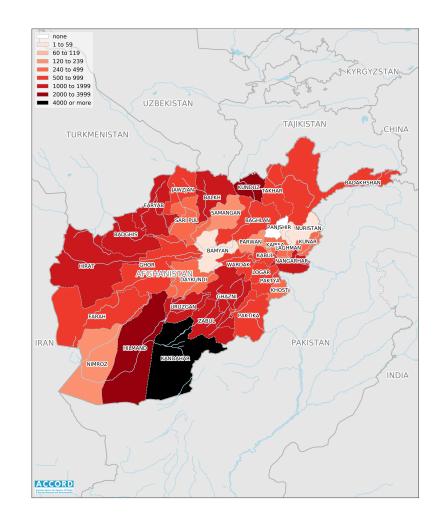
### AFGHANISTAN, YEAR 2020, UPDATED EDITION: Update on incidents according to the Armed Conflict Location & Event Data Project (ACLED)

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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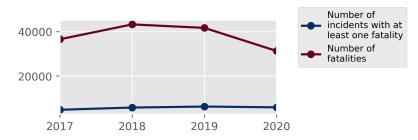
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### Conflict incidents by category

Category	Number of incidents	Number of incidents with at least one fatality	Number of fatalities
Battles	6146	3840	22556
Explosions / Remote violence	2712	1518	7552
Violence against civilians	704	481	810
Strategic developments	441	137	388
Protests	141	1	3
Riots	11	5	18
Total	10155	5982	31327

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

### Development of conflict incidents from 2017 to 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 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	250	148	835
Badghis	330	253	1086
Baghlan	320	186	968
Balkh	691	329	1929
Bamyan	9	6	33
Daykundi	73	51	465
Farah	217	141	618
Faryab	523	385	1763
Ghazni	580	363	1851
Ghor	192	139	680
Hilmand	888	506	2434
Hirat	427	285	1019
Jawzjan	204	129	688
Kabul	420	206	645
Kandahar	973	661	4547
Kapisa	174	86	311
Khost	210	84	372
Kunar	158	74	347
Kunduz	514	334	2060
Laghman	200	84	392

Province	Number of incidents	Number of incidents with fatalities	Number of fatalities
Logar	297	135	721
Nangarhar	458	227	1325
Nimroz	95	43	231
Nuristan	24	10	49
Paktika	200	116	701
Paktya	316	144	652
Panjshir	4	0	0
Parwan	92	43	151
Samangan	65	47	204
Sari Pul	136	82	309
Takhar	219	160	786
Uruzgan	332	214	1354
Wardak	278	125	598
Zabul	286	186	1203

### 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, 250 incidents killing 835 people were reported. The following

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

In Badghis, 330 incidents killing 1086 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: Ab Kamari, Akazai, Chashmah-ye Duzakh, Chashmah-ye Shirin, Dehistan, Gandah Ab, Gharchahghay, Gormach, Gul Khana, Jawand, Kharestan, Kokchail, Kundalan, Laman, Langar, Mubarak Shah, Muqur, Murghab, Qadis, Qala i Naw, Sang Atesh, Sanjitak, Tagab Rabat, Tagab-e Ismail, Taraki.

In Baghlan, 320 incidents killing 968 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: Andarab, Bagh-e Shamal, Baghlani Jadid, Bala Duri I, Burka, Chaharshambah Tepah, Chashmah-ye Sher, Dahana i Ghuri, Dih Salah, Dushi, Farang Wa Gharu, Gurgurak, Guzargahi Nur, Husain Khel, Jar-e Khushk, Kelagai, Khinjan, Khost Wa Fereng, Khwajah Alwan, Nahrin, Omar Khel, Pansiri, Pul-e Khumri, Puli Hisar, Shah Kush, Sharshar, Sheikh Jalal Pass, Tala wa Barfak, Wazirabad.

In Balkh, 691 incidents killing 1929 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: Asia ye Gurg, Baba Yosuf, Bagh-e Pahlawan, Balkh, Banguliyah, Barmazit, Bay Temor, Boka, Chak Ab, Charbolak, Charkh Ab, Charkint, Chimtal, Dalan, Dawlat Abad, Dihdadi, Hairatan, Imam Sahib, Jar Qalah, Kaldar, Kampirak, Khairabad, Khanabad, Khulm, Kishindih, Kota Kheyl, Mazar-e Sharif, Murghan Tapah, Nahri Shahi, Palozuli, Sabzi Kar, Sar-e Asya, Sholgara, Shorchah, Shortepa, Siyah Aw, Timurak, Uruzgani, Vazirabad, Zari, Zuzan.

In **Bamyan**, **9** incidents killing **33** people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: **Bamyan**, **Sayghan**, **Shibar**.

In Daykundi, 73 incidents killing 465 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: Bala Dasht, Darah-ye Sayyidan, Gizab, Ishtarlay, Kajran, Kandu-ye Bala, Khadir, Nili, Qizilbash, Sadmani, Sangah Shaykh.

In Farah, 217 incidents killing 618 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: Anar Dara, Bala Buluk, Dastah-ye Gul, Dehyak-e Kalan, Farah, Ganjgin, Gulistan, Kanisk, Karez-e Shaykhha, Khairabad, Khak-e Safid, Khwajah Khizir, Lash wa Juwayn, Masaw, Panj Deh, Pur Chaman, Pusht Koh, Pusht Rod, Qala i Kah, Raj, Shewan, Shib Koh, Suji, Sultan Bakwa, Tapah.

In Faryab, 523 incidents killing 1763 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: Almar, Andkhoy, Aqsay Arab, Arkalik, Bai Mughali, Bilchiragh, Bukhari Qalah, Chaghatak, Chahar Shangho, Chashmah-ye Sangin, Chilgazi, Dah Yakchi Khanah, Dahan-e Darah, Dawlat Abad, Deh-e Miran, Gadai Qala, Gurziwan, Imam Sahib, Islim, Juma Bazar, Katah Qishlaq, Khani Chahar Bagh, Khisht Pul, Khwaja Sabz Posh, Khwajah Qushuri, Koh-e Sayyad, Kosa Qala, Kuhi, Kulani, Lash, Maymana, Mulla Arifi, Nishar, Now Dari Qalah, Qala, Qaramqol, Qaysar, Qozi Bai Qala, Qurghan, Sar Asyab, Shah Qasimi, Shakh, Shirin Tagab, Sufi Qalah, Tukali Namusah, Turt Kul, Yakah Tut, Yangi Qalah, Yangi Tashqul.

In Ghazni, 580 incidents killing 1851 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: Ab Band, Andar, Arzu, Balay, Chaghari, Chahar Dewar-e Mulla Ali, Charale, Dado, Dehak, Gelan, Ghata Kala, Ghazni, Jaghuri, Jeghatoo, Kamal Khel, Khalo Khel-e Ulya, Khar Khashah, Khashik, Khugiani, Khwaja Umari, Laghah Wat, Laliwal, Mansur, Miray, Moqor, Mungor, Muqur, Mushakai, Nakam, Nani, Nawa, Nawur, Nazar Khan Kelay, Nughay-e Sufla, Pana, Pir Aka, Qalah-ye Jowz, Qarabagh, Qaryah-ye Zabit, Rabat, Rahim Khel, Ramak, Rashidan, Rowzah, Sar Tasan, Shalez, Sini, Sultan Bagh, Tamaki, Waghaz, Wareh. In Ghor, 192 incidents killing 680 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: Ahangaran, Awak, Awlad-e Khayrullah, Badgah, Barah Khanah, Chaghcharan, Dahan-e Alandar, Delak, Du Layna, Garamab, Kharistan, Khowajgan, Mang, Morghab, Pasaband, Qal-e Zubayd, Qalah, Qazi, Saghar, Shahrak, Shamak, Sharshar-e Sufla, Shinyah, Shorak, Sumak, Taywara, Tulak.

In Hilmand, 888 incidents killing 2434 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: Ab Pashak Mandeh, Alukozai, Amanullah Karez, Babaji, Balochan, Bashran Mandeh, Bolan, Chah Anjir, Chah-e Mirza, Dagian, Deh Adam Khan, Dishu, Garmsir, Girishk, Gorazan, Haidarabad, Hazar Asp, Kajaki, Karez-e Now, Khanashin, Khar Koh, Khushk Awah, Khushrabad, Lashkargah, Lowy Manda, Loy Bagh, Malgir, Marghozar, Marja, Mir Mandaw, Mukhtar Kala, Musa Qala, Nad-e Ali, Naqilabad Kelay, Nawa-e Barakzayi, Nawzad, Nikehzai, Popalzai, Saidan, Sangilan, Sangin, Shakar Shalla, Sorkh Doz, Torah Shah Ghundey, Washir, Yakhchal, Yaklang, Zamboli, Zarghun Kalay.

In Hirat, 427 incidents killing 1019 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: Adraskan, Ahmadabad, Azizabad, Chishti Sharif, Darratakht, Deh-e Aman, Deh-e Ghulam, Farsi, Ghoryan, Gulran, Guzara, Herat, Injil, Islam Qalah, Jibrail, Joy-e Ghazi, Karez-e Ilyas, Karukh, Kohsan, Kushki Kuhna, Mahallah-ye Bazar, Maldar, Nishin, Obe, Pashtun Zarghun, Qudus Abad, Rabat-e Sangi-ye Pain, Salimi, Sherkhaj, Shindand, Toraghundi, Zamanabad, Ziarat Jah, Zinda Jan.

In Jawzjan, 204 incidents killing 688 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: Aqcha, Darzab, Deenar, Faruq Qalah, Fayzabad, Gurjak, Haidarabad, Jar-e Quduq, Khamyab, Khaniqa, Khwaja Du Koh, Khwajah Gogirdak, Kukal Dash, Mardyan, Mingajik, Qarqin, Qush Tepa, Shibirghan, Shishah Khanah, Shor Quduq, Zaka. In Kabul, 420 incidents killing 645 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: Arghandeh, Arghandih-e Pain, Bagrami, Beni Hisar, But Khak, Chahar Asyab, Dar-ul Aman, Dehnawe Farza, Doghabad, Guldara, Istalif, Kabul, Kabul-Darul Aman, Kalakan, Khak-e Jabbar, Kochkin, Kotal-e Khair Khana, Mahipar, Mes Aynak, Mir Bacha Kot, Mussahi, Paghman, Pul-e Charkhi Kuhnah, Qalah-ye Bahadur Khan, Qalah-ye Dasht, Qalah-ye Mir Abbas, Qarabagh, Qarghah, Rish Khor-e Bala, Salem Khel, Shakardara, Sherullah, Surobi, Tarakhel, Tulat.

In Kandahar, 973 incidents killing 4547 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: Arghandab, Arghistan, Arogh, Ata Karez, Bagh De Srah, Bagh Khalil, Bala Zhar, Band Temur, Bazar-e Panjvai, Biabanak, Chashmah, Chinar, Daman, Darwayshan, Deh-e Khwajah, Duab, Ghanigay, Ghorak, Gulojan, Howz-e Madad, Ibrahim Khalifah Baba Kelay, Kandahar, Karz, Khak Chopan, Khakrez, Khwajah Mulk, Kogak, Kundelan, Loy Karez, Malang, Mama Karez, Mandozai, Manu, Maruf, Maruf Karez, Maywand, Miyanishin, Mundigak, Mushan, Naday, Nagahan, Naish, Nalgham, Pasab, Qasimzi, Qazi Karez, Rang Rayzan, Sar-e Gaw, Shah Joy, Shah Wali Kot, Shalghami, Sherghah, Shorabak, Siah Sang, Spin Boldak, Surkh Bayd, Takhta Pul, Talukan, Tanachoy, Tor Kotal, Torah Garah, Yaro Kelay, Zalah Khan, Zangabad, Zangitan, Zhari.

In Kapisa, 174 incidents killing 311 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: Afghanyah, Alasay, Hajjikheyl, Joybar, Kesektan, Kohistan, Mahmud-e-Raqi, Nawrozkhel, Nijrab, Paindakhel, Sherkhel, Tagab.

In Khost, 210 incidents killing 372 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: Alisher, Bak, Dadwal, Dwah Manday, Dwah Mande, Jaji Maydan, Khost, Khulbisat, Lewan Khel, Musa Khel, Nadir Shah Kot, Qalandar, Sekhamir Kalay, Shamal, Spera, Tani, Yakubi, Zorkot.

In Kunar, 158 incidents killing 347 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: Asadabad, Asmar, Badel, Chapa Dara, Chawkay, Dangam, Dari Dam, Ghaziabad, Gulsalik, Khas Kunar, Kuz Narang, Manogai, Marawara, Nawah, Nurgal, Sangam, Shaigal Aw Shiltan, Sirkanay, Wata Pur.

In Kunduz, 514 incidents killing 2060 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: Ali Abad, Ali Khel, Aq Tapa, Aqtash, Archi, Chahar Tut, Chardara, Charkab, Du Wandi, Dung Qishlag, Gortapa, Imam Sahib, Ismail Qishlaq, Jangal Bashi, Joy-e-Begum, Kanam, Khan Abad, Khwajah Pistah, Konchak, Kuhnah Qalah, Kunduz, Madrasah, Malarghi, Mulla Ghulam, Mullah Qali, Nahr-e Sufi, Nawabad, Ortablaqi, Qalay i Zal, Qarlugh, Qerghiz, Qurghan Tapah, Sanduq Say, Sherkhan Bandar, Shorabad, Talowkah, Tut Mazar, Yakah Tut, Zard Kamar.

In Laghman, 200 incidents killing 392 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: Alingar, Alishing, Badayabad, Dawlat Shah, Islamabad, Kotali, Lalkhanabad, Manjan, Mehtar Lam, Qalah-ye Husain, Qalatak, Sabrabad, Serkundo Baba, Uluk.

In Logar, 297 incidents killing 721 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: Abparan, Ahmadzai, Alozi, Azra, Babus, Baraki Barak, Charkh, Chowney, Deh-e Now, Kharwar, Khoshi, Lashkari Khel, Mohammad Agha, Nasir, Pad Khwab-e Shanah, Pangram Bala, Paspajak, Porak, Puli Alam, Qal'ah-ye Shaykhak, Qalah-ye Ali Khan, Waghjan, Zarghun Shahr.

In Nangarhar, 458 incidents killing 1325 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: Ahmad Khel, Angurah, Bandar Darah, Barikab, Bati Kot, Behsud, Chaparhar, Cheknowar, Dara i Nur, Dih Bala, Dur Baba, Fatehabad, Ghani Khel, Gulai, Hakimabad, Hazar Nao, Hisarak, Ibrahim Khel, Jalalabad, Kaga, Kama, Khayrabad, Kot, Lal Pur, Lalma, Mama Khel, Marki Khel, Mohmand Dara, Nazyan, Nukur Khel, Pachir Wa Agam, Rodat, Shabi, Shamshah Pur, Shaykh Misri, Sherzad, Shewa, Shinwar, Spinah Zhay, Sra Kala, Sultanpur, Torkham, Wazir, Zawa.

In Nimroz, 95 incidents killing 231 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: Chahar Burjak, Chakhansur, Dehmazang, Delaram, Kang, Khash, Khwajah Sar Joy, Kotalak, Makaki, Munar, Pushtah-ye Hasan, Zaranj.

In Nuristan, 24 incidents killing 49 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: Barg-e Matal, Du Ab, Kamdesh, Nurgaram, Parun, Wama, Waygal.

In Paktika, 200 incidents killing 701 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: Ateh Khune, Baki Khel, Barmal, Dila, Folad Khel, Gayan, Ginawa, Gomal, Hasti, Jani Khel, Khayr Kot, Mamur Khel, Margha, Mata Khan, Muhammad Hasan, Omna, Pir Koti Kelay, Sar Hawza, Sarobi, Sharan, Srah Maidan, Sultani, Terwa, Urgun, Waza Khwa, Wor Mamay, Yahya Khel, Yosuf Khel, Zarghun Shahr, Ziruk.

In Paktya, 316 incidents killing 652 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: Ahmadabad, Chamkani, Chowni, Dand Wa Patan, Feroz Khel, Gardez, Hasan Khel, Ibrahim Khel, Jaji, Jani Khail, Laja Mangal, Lazha Ahmad Khel, Makawah, Michalghu, Mirzaka, Nayk Nam Kelay, Rabat, Sahak, Sayed Karam, Sekandar Khel, Shah Muhammad Kelay, Shaykhan, Shwak, Sulaimankhel, Suri Khel, Surkai, Zadran, Zurmat.

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

In Parwan, 92 incidents killing 151 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: Abdi Bay, Bagram, Charikar, Ghorband, Gulghundi,

#### Jabal Saraj, Khalazai, Kohi Safi, Panj Qalah, Salang, Sayed Khel, Shinwari.

In Samangan, 65 incidents killing 204 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: Chaharmaghzak, Dara i Sufi Payan, Feroz Nakhchir, Hazrat-e Sultan, Katah Qishlaq, Khuram Wa Sarbagh, Kokjar, Mangtash, Qa'lah, Ruyi Du Ab, Samangan.

In Sari Pul, 136 incidents killing 309 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: Alaghan, Aq Gunbaz, Balghali, Balkhab, Bughawi, Darah Band, Gosfandi, Imam Jafar, Kohistanat, Kotarma, Masjid-e Sabz, Sar-e Pol, Sayyad, Sayyidabad, Sozma Qala, Tokhmana, Tukzar.

In Takhar, 219 incidents killing 786 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: Aikhanom, Baharak, Bangi, Chah Ab, Chal, Chin Zai, Darqad, Dashti Qala, Fakhrak, Farkhar, Hazar Sumuch, Ishkamish, Kalafgan, Khwaja Baha Wuddin, Khwaja Ghar, Lalah Guzar, Nahr Ab, Namak Ab, Nowabad, Payshaf, Qarah Bay, Rustaq, Sagab, Shingan, Taloqan, Yangi Qala.

In Uruzgan, 332 incidents killing 1354 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: Chinah, Chora, Chowtu, Deh Rahwod, Garm Ab, Hoshi, Khan Agha, Khas Urozgan, Kotwal, Lublan, Lundiyanah, Naychin, Qalah-ye Ragh, Shah Mansur, Shahidi Hassas, Talani, Tarinkot, Yak Lingah, Zar Tale Ghar.

In Wardak, 278 incidents killing 598 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: Ambo Khak, Bar Shah Kabul, Chaki Wardak, Daymirdad, Deh-e Afghanan, Duranay, Haft Asya, Hisa i Awali Bihsud, Ismail Khel, Jaghatu, Jalrez, Kan-e Ezzat, Kashmirian, Kotah-ye Ashro, Lorah, Maidan Shar, Mali Khel, Markazi Bihsud, Mashin Kala, Salar, Saydabad, Shaykhabad, Siyah Petaw, Sultan Khel, Sur Pul. In Zabul, 286 incidents killing 1203 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: Alam Karez, Arghandab, Atghar, Chinah, Deh Afghanan, Hazar Khel, Khala, Mizan, Naw Bahar, Nowrak, Qalat, Shah Hasan Khel, Shah Joy, Shahr-e Safa, Shamulzayi, Shinkay, Spin Ghbargah, Surkh Sang, Takir, Tarnak Wa Jaldak.

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