AFGHANISTAN, SECOND QUARTER 2021:

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

compiled by ACCORD, 19 November 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, 12 November 2021; coastlines and inland waters: Smith and Wessel, 1 May 2015

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Conflict incidents by category

Category	Number of incidents	Number of incidents with at least one fatality	Number of fatalities
Battles	2713	1705	14603
Explosions / Remote violence	922	489	3571
Violence against civilians	262	144	238
Strategic developments	156	25	100
Protests	52	0	0
Riots	4	1	3
Total	4109	2364	18515

This table is based on data from ACLED (datasets used: ACLED, 12 November 2021).

Development of conflict incidents from June 2019 to June 2021



This graph is based on data from ACLED (datasets used: ACLED, 12 November 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	124	71	557
Badghis	114	87	419
Baghlan	187	119	916
Balkh	180	102	888
Bamyan	2	1	5
Daykundi	22	12	105
Farah	86	57	430
Faryab	139	90	603
Ghazni	225	138	1175
Ghor	85	45	338
Hilmand	277	172	1678
Hirat	266	188	1227
Jawzjan	97	54	479
Kabul	142	78	343
Kandahar	310	207	1745
Kapisa	52	21	155
Khost	83	25	114
Kunar	57	23	196
Kunduz	177	106	993
Laghman	136	67	647

Province	Number of incidents	Number of incidents with fatalities	Number of fatalities
Logar	196	95	647
Nangarhar	256	143	1089
Nimroz	29	13	163
Nuristan	18	5	37
Paktika	88	32	252
Paktya	130	39	254
Panjshir	1	0	0
Parwan	63	31	181
Samangan	37	24	141
Sari Pul	52	33	247
Takhar	126	88	670
Uruzgan	73	50	503
Wardak	148	67	540
Zabul	131	81	778

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, 124 incidents killing 557 people were reported. The following

locations were among the affected: Arghanj Khwa, Argo, Baharak, Darah-ye Jim, Darayim, Faiz Abad, Farman Qoli, Jarf, Jurm, Keran wa Menjan, Khash, Kohistan, Mashhad, Nusay, Qaleh-ye Kuf, Shahr-e Buzurg, Shuhada, Tishkan, Warduj, Yaftali Sufla, Yawan, Zebak, Ziraki.

In Badghis, 114 incidents killing 419 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: Ab Kamari, Bozbay, Gandah Ab, Gharchahghay, Jawand, Kharestan, Laman, Muqur, Qadis, Qala-i-Now, Sang Atesh, Sanjitak.

In Baghlan, 187 incidents killing 916 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, Dushi, Gurgurak, Guzargahi Nur, Husain Khel, Jar-e Khushk, Kelagai, Khinjan, Khost Wa Firing, Khwajah Alwan, Nahrin, Pansiri, Pul-e Khumri, Safed Khan Kelay, Shahabuddin, Tala wa Barfak.

In Balkh, 180 incidents killing 888 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: Aq Tapah, Baba Yosuf, Bagh-e Pahlawan, Balkh, Charbolak, Charkint, Chimtal, Dawlat Abad, Dihdadi, Kaldar, Kishindih, Marmul, Mazar-e-Sharif, Nahri Shahi, Sar-e Asya, Sholgara, Shortepa, Zari.

In **Bamyan**, **2** incidents killing **5** people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: **Bamyan**, **Kahmard**.

In Daykundi, 22 incidents killing 105 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: Balazharah, Chowney, Darah-ye Sayyidan, Gizab, Kakh, Khail Now, Koh-e Kukhor Mountain, Qizilbash, Sar-e Tagab.

In Farah, 86 incidents killing 430 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: Anar Dara, Bala Buluk, Dizak, Farah, Farah Rod,

Gulistan, Kal Qalah, Kanisk, Khak-e Safid, Lash wa Juwayn, Pashmikeh, Pur Chaman, Pusht Koh, Pusht Rod, Qala i Kah, Shewan, Shib Koh, Siah Jangal, Sultan Bakwa.

In Faryab, 139 incidents killing 603 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: Almar, Andkhoy, Aqsay Arab, Astanah, Badghisi, Bilchiragh, Bukhari Qalah, Dahan-e Darah, Dawlat Abad, Gurziwan, Islim, Katah Qishlaq, Khani Chahar Bagh, Khwaja Sabz Posh, Kuhi, Maimana, Maymana, Qala, Qaramqol, Qaysar, Qurghan, Sar Asyab, Shirin Tagab, Tukali Namusah, Turt Kul.

In Ghazni, 225 incidents killing 1175 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: Ab Band, Andar, Arzu, Chahar Dewar-e Mulla Ali, Dalil, Gelan, Ghazni, Hasti, Ibrahim Khel, Jeghatoo, Khani Khel, Khugiani, Khwaja Umari, Layigh, Miray, Muqur, Nawa, Nawur, Qarabagh, Ramak, Sabz Sang, Sar Faraz Kala, Sini.

In Ghor, 85 incidents killing 338 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: Barah Khanah, Chighcheran, Du Layna, Kasi, Kharistan, Lal, Mang, Pasaband, Qalah, Saghar, Shahrak, Shinyah, Taywara, Tulak.

In Hilmand, 277 incidents killing 1678 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: Ab Pashak Mandeh, Ainak, Aynak, Babaji, Baghran, Bolan, Chah Anjir, Deh Adam Khan, Garmsir, Girishk, Haidarabad, Kajaki, Khanashin, Lashkargah, Loy Mandeh, Marja, Muhajirin, Musa Qala, Nad-e Ali, Nawa-i-Barikzayi, Popalzai, Sangin, Sayyid Tajdar Agha, Shamalan, Washir, Yakhchal, Yaklang.

In Hirat, 266 incidents killing 1227 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: Adraskan, Ahmadabad, Azizabad, Bakhtabad, Chah-e Gardanah, Chishti Sharif, Farsi, Ghoryan, Gulran, Guzara,

Hasanabad, Herat, Injil, Islam Qalah, Joy-e Ghazi, Kababian, Karez-e Ilyas, Karukh, Kohsan, Kushki Kuhna, Marwa, Obe, Pashtun Zarghun, Pay Kushk, Qudus Abad, Rabat-e Sangi-ye Pain, Shaydai, Shindand, Toraghundi, Zinda Jan.

In Jawzjan, 97 incidents killing 479 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: Afghan Tappeh, Aqchah, Darzab, Fayzabad, Jar-e Quduq, Khamyab, Khaniqa, Khwaja Du Koh, Kukal Dash, Mardyan, Mingajik, Qarah Buyin, Qarqin, Qush Tepa, Sheberghan, Shor Quduq, Tabai, Zaka.

In Kabul, 142 incidents killing 343 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: Arghandih-e Pain, Bagrami, But Khak, Chahar Asyab, Dar-ul Aman, Guldara, Kabul, Kalakan, Khak-e Jabbar, Mir Bacha Kot, Mussahi, Paghman, Qarabagh, Sar Karez, Shakar Dara, Surobi, Tarakhel.

In Kandahar, 310 incidents killing 1745 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: Arghandab, Arghistan, Bazar-e Panjvai, Bolan, Daman, Darwayshan, Deh Sowzi, Ghorak, Kandahar, Kandahar Air Base, Khak Chopan, Khakrez, Kogak, Maiwand, Manu, Maruf, Naish, Pasab, Shah Joy, Shah Wali Kot, Shorabak, Spin Boldak, Surkh Bayd, Takhta Pul, Zhari.

In Kapisa, 52 incidents killing 155 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: Alasay, Bahadur Khel, Jalo Khel, Kohistan, Mahmood Raqi, Nijrab, Sheh Kot, Tagab.

In Khost, 83 incidents killing 114 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: Alisher, Bak, Dadwal, Jaji Maydan, Khost, Musa Khel, Nadir Shah Kot, Qalandar, Sekhamir Kalay, Spera, Tani, Yakubi.

In Kunar, 57 incidents killing 196 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: Asad Abad, Asmar, Chapa Dara, Chinar, Dangam,

Ghaziabad, Kuz Narang, Marawara, Noorgal, Pitaw, Shaigal Aw Shiltan, Sirkanay, Wata Pur.

In Kunduz, 177 incidents killing 993 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: Ali Abad, Arab Qeshlaq, Archi, Basiz, Batash, Chahar Darah, Gortapa, Imam Sahib, Janat Bagh, Khan Abad, Kunduz, Morad Sheyk, Qalay i Zal, Sherkhan Bandar, Talowkah.

In Laghman, 136 incidents killing 647 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: Alingar, Alishing, Dawlat Shah, Islamabad, Kotali, Lalkhanabad, Maidani, Manjan, Mehterlam, Mindrawur, Najil.

In Logar, 196 incidents killing 647 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: Ahmadzai, Argan, Azra, Babus, Baraki Barak, Charkh, Dado Khel, Deh-e Now, Ilyas Khan Kala, Kamal Khel, Kharwar, Khoshi, Khwajah Angur, Mohammad Agha, Pad Khwab-e Shanah, Porak, Puli Alam, Safed Sang, Zarghun Shahr, Zayd Abad.

In Nangarhar, 256 incidents killing 1089 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: Bagh-e Bawlay, Bamo Khel, Bati Kot, Behsud, Chaparhar, Daman, Deh Bala, Fatehabad, Gandamak, Goch, Hisarak, Jalalabad, Kaga, Kama, Khan Kheli, Khayrabad, Khowaran, Lal Pur, Mohmand, Muhmand Dara, Pachir Waagam, Sabar, Shamshah Pur, Sherzad, Shewa, Shinwar, Sra Kala, Sultanpur, Tutu, Wech Kot, Wiyaleh, Zawa.

In Nimroz, 29 incidents killing 163 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: Chakhansur, Delaram, Kang, Khash, Munar, Zaranj.

In Nuristan, 18 incidents killing 37 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: Barg-e Matal, Du Ab, Mandol, Nurgaram, Parun.

In Paktika, 88 incidents killing 252 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: Babu Khel, Barmal, Dila, Gomal, Haybati, Jani Khel, Khayr Kot, Mata Khan, Sar Hawza, Sarobi, Sharan, Urgun, Waza Khwa, Yahya Khel, Yosuf Khel, Zarghun Shahr, Ziruk.

In Paktya, 130 incidents killing 254 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: Ahmadabad, Chamkani, Chowni, Dand Wa Patan, Gardez, Ibrahim Khel, Jaji, Jani Khail, Laja Mangal, Lazha Ahmad Khel, Michalghu, Mirzaka, Sayed Karam, Zadran, Zurmat.

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

In Parwan, 63 incidents killing 181 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: Bagram, Charikar, Ghorband, Jabal Saraj, Kohi Safi, Rabat, Salang, Sayed Khel, Shinwari.

In Samangan, 37 incidents killing 141 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, 52 incidents killing 247 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: Alaghan, Almalik, Balkhab, Bughawi, Gosfandi, Qush Qara, Sar-e-Pul, Sayyad, Sozma Qala, Tukzar.

In Takhar, 126 incidents killing 670 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: Baharak, Bangi, Chah Ab, Chal, Darqad, Dashti Qala, Eshkamesh, Farkhar, Hazar Sumuch, Khas Deh, Khwaja Baha Wuddin, Khwaja Ghar, Khwajah Band Kusha, Namak Ab, Rustaq, Sang-e Atash, Taluqan, Warsaj, Yangi Qala.

In Uruzgan, 73 incidents killing 503 people were reported. The following

locations were among the affected: Chora, Deh Rahwod, Khas Urozgan, Lublan, Mirabad, Naychin, Shahidi Hassas, Tirinkot.

In Wardak, 148 incidents killing 540 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: Allah Sang, Ambo Khak, Chaki Wardak, Daymirdad, Deh-e Afghanan, Duranay, Hamzakhail, Hisa i Awali Bihsud, Ibrahim Khel, Jaghatu, Jalrez, Kan-e Ezzat, Karez, Kashmirian, Kotah-ye Ashro, Maidan Shar, Markazi Bihsud, Mullah Khel, Polad Khan, Qalah-ye Ahangar, Saydabad, Shatir.

In Zabul, 131 incidents killing 778 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: Arghandab, Chinah, Kakaran, Mizan, Qalat, Shah Joi, Shahr-e Safa, Shamulzayi, Shinkay.

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