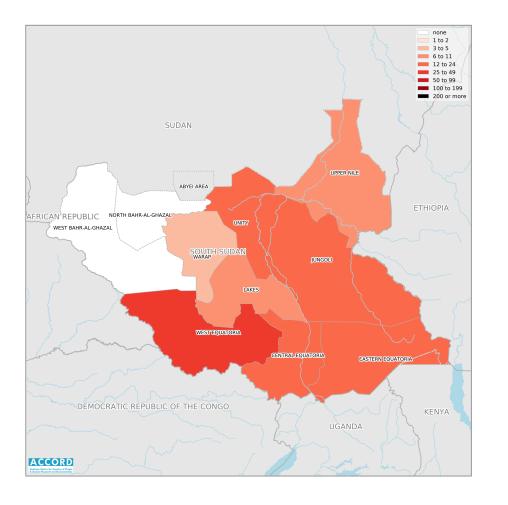
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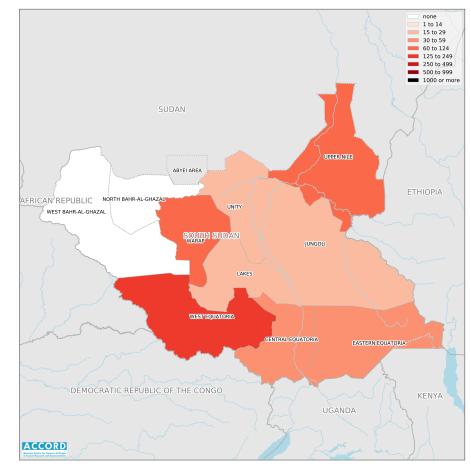
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Number of reported incidents with at least one fatality



Number of reported fatalities



National borders: GADM, 6 May 2018a; administrative divisions: GADM, 6 May 2018b; Abyei Area: SSNBS, 1 December 2008; Ilemi triangle status and South Sudan/Sudan border status: UN Cartographic Section, October 2011; incident data: ACLED, 10 December 2021; coastlines and inland waters: Smith and Wessel, 1 May 2015

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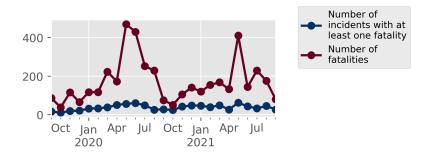
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Conflict incidents by category

Category	Number of incidents	Number of incidents with at least one fatality	Number of fatalities
Violence against civilians	93	64	268
Battles	69	37	212
Strategic developments	14	1	2
Riots	10	3	3
Protests	6	0	0
Explosions / Remote violence	2	0	0
Total	194	105	485

This table is based on data from ACLED (datasets used: ACLED, 10 December 2021).

Development of conflict incidents from September 2019 to September 2021



This graph is based on data from ACLED (datasets used: ACLED, 10 December 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, South Sudan 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.

Note: Administrative divisions (based on GADM data) are outdated and are reflected as of before the October 2015 reform.

Data on incidents in the Abyei area are not included in this overview.

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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Conflict incidents per province

Province	Number of incidents	Number of incidents with fatalities	Number of fatalities
Central Equatoria	30	12	36
Eastern Equatoria	35	20	34
Jungoli	25	12	28
Lakes	13	9	28
North Bahr-al-Ghazal	3	0	0
Unity	18	12	18
Upper Nile	18	6	67
Warap	12	5	64
West Equatoria	38	29	210
Western Bahr el Ghazal	2	0	0

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 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 **Central Equatoria**, 30 incidents killing 36 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: **Aru**, **Gamichi**, **Jebel Teman**, **Juba**, **Kimba**, **Lataya**, **Liggi**, **Logo**, **Man Karo**, **Morobo**, **Mundu**, **Nesitu**, **Nyori**, **Rasolo**,

Rombur, Sherikat, Sirsiri, Tambur, Tongping, Tukudungwen, Yei, Yembe.

In Eastern Equatoria, 35 incidents killing 34 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: Amica, Chorokol, Chukudum, Hiwa, Hiyala, Iboni, Ikotos, Iloli, Kapoeta, Kikilai, Lauru, Lonyori, Mura Lopit, Nadapal, Nakwa, Narus, Nawoyapeta, New Site, Ngutube, Nimule, Oguruny, Pageri, Pogeri, Titomei, Torit, Warcha.

In Jungoli, 25 incidents killing 28 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: Bor, Dengjok, Duk Padiet, Fankur, Fatitet, Kaikuiny, New Fangak, Nyirol, Nyium, Pagak, Pajut, Pamai, Panyok, Pibor, Pieri, Pochalla, Walgak, Yuai.

In Lakes, 13 incidents killing 28 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: Aciminti, Akot, Aluak-Luak, Anuol, Cueibet, Malek, Mayom Cuei, Paloc, Powing, Pultit, Rumbek, Tiap Tiap.

In North Bahr-al-Ghazal, 3 incidents killing 0 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: Daang, Gok-Machar.

In Unity, 18 incidents killing 18 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: Abiemnom, Bentiu, Gier, Jam Jang, Kaljak, Koch, Leer, Mayendit, Mayom, Mirmir, Niemni, Pariang, Rubkuay, Teliach, Thaker, UNMISS Rubkona Protection of Civilians site.

In **Upper Nile**, **18** incidents killing **67** people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: **Amut**, **Kaka**, **Khor Jala**, **Maban**, **Mangok**, **Meganis**, **Renk**, **Tabaldi**, **Thor Gwang**, **Ulang**.

In Warap, 12 incidents killing 64 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: Adier Chien, Akiar, Amunguk, Aweng, Kirik, Kuajok, Marial-Lou, Pankot, Pulbar.

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In West Equatoria, 38 incidents killing 210 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: Akpa, Bangaru, Central Bazande, Dingimo, Eyirh, Gamunakpe, Maaku, Mabia, Maridi, Matakurungu, Nabiata, Nambia, Namutina, Nangume, Natongi, Sakure, Sanakpuro, Senenguse 2, Tambura, Yambio, Yangiri Town.

In Western Bahr el Ghazal, 2 incidents killing 0 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: Bagari, Kangi.

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