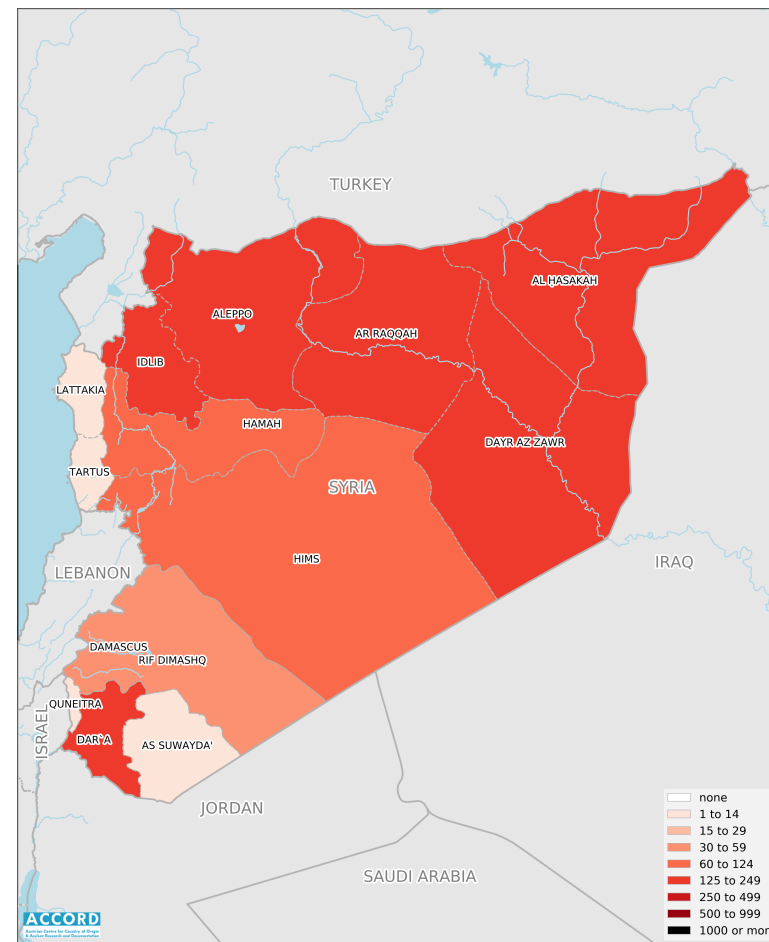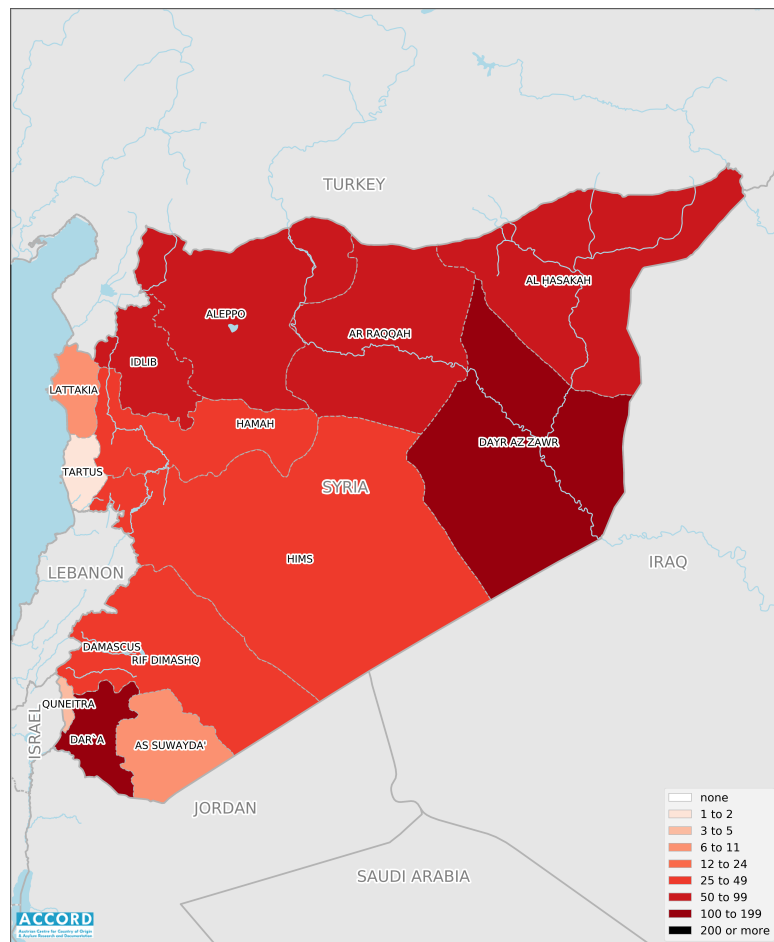# SYRIA, THIRD QUARTER 2021:
Update on incidents according to the Armed Conflict Location & Event Data Project (ACLED)

compiled by ACCORD, 16 December 2021

Number of reported incidents with at least one fatality

Legend:
- none
- 1 to 2
- 3 to 5
- 6 to 11
- 12 to 24
- 25 to 49
- 50 to 99
- 100 to 199
- 200 or more

Number of reported fatalities

Legend:
- none
- 1 to 14
- 15 to 29
- 30 to 59
- 60 to 124
- 125 to 249
- 250 to 499
- 500 to 999
- 1000 or more

National borders: GADM, 6 May 2018a; administrative divisions: GADM, 6 May 2018b; incident data: ACLED, 10 December 2021; coastlines and inland waters: Smith and Wessel, 1 May 2015

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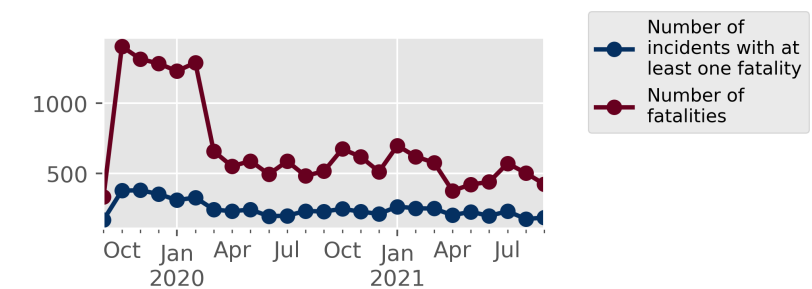# Conflict incidents by category

Category	Number of incidents	Number of incidents with at least one fatality	Number of fatalities
Explosions / Remote violence	1553	229	663
Battles	464	197	644
Violence against civilians	411	173	195
Strategic developments	155	0	0
Protests	73	0	0
Riots	9	0	0
Total	2665	599	1502

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, Syria 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 paper for Syria: ACLED, 16 April 2019

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

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Conflict incidents per province

Province	Number of incidents	Number of incidents with fatalities	Number of fatalities
Al Hasakah	396	83	189
Aleppo	586	63	208
Ar Raqqah	265	69	173
As Suwayda'	13	6	6
Damascus	8	5	14
Dar'a	310	105	235
Dayr Az Zawr	257	108	234
Hamah	256	27	101
Hims	39	26	90
Idlib	451	69	203
Lattakia	39	7	8
Quneitra	7	4	6
Rif Dimashq	37	26	32
Tartus	1	1	3

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 **Al Hasakah**, **396** incidents killing **189** people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: **Abdan, Abiad, Abu Hamdah, Abu Khashab, Abu Rasin, Adlah, Al Adwaniyah, Al Asadiyah, Al Assadiyah, Al Jawadiyah, Al Ushaytah, Al Waleed Border Crossing, Al-Fej, Al-Hasakeh, Al-Hasakeh - Al-Aziziyeh, Al-Hasakeh - Ghoweran, Al-Hasakeh - Msheirfeh, Al-Hasakeh - Salhiyeh, Al-Kasra, Al-Maabdaa, Al-Malha, Al-Malikeyyeh, Alia, Amuda, Aradah, Areesheh, Arisha Camp, As-Safeh, Aziziyeh, Bab al Kheir, Bir Al Nafayil, Dada Abdal, Daghaim Ajaj, Darbasiyah, Dardara, Dashishah, Eastern Al-Suwaydiyah, Eastern Tall Ward, Harir, Hdadiyeh, Himo, Hole, Hole Camp, Jabal Abdulaziz, Kabibah Oil Field, Khadrawi, Kharzeh, Khashmaniyah, Khatuniya Bahra, Khazaa, Kherbet Al Sha'er, Kherbet Jamu, Khirbat Al Tamr, Kozliyeh, Manakh, Markada, Mjeibreh, Msheirfeh Remo, Qahtaniyyah, Qana, Qasemiyeh, Quamishli, Quamishli Airbase, Ras al-Ain, Rawya, Rmelan, Rubay'at, Semalka Border Crossing, Shadadah, Tal Al-Laban, Tal Baydar, Tal Hmis, Tal Jammeh, Tal Shanan, Tal Shayr, Tal Tamer, Tall Hamal, Tall al-Jayir, Tawileh, Tell Halaf, Tuwaymin, Um Harmala, Um Shu'ayfah, Umm Al-Kayf, Umm Al-Khair, Ya'robiyah**.

In **Aleppo**, **586** incidents killing **208** people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: **A'rima, Abu Zandin, Afrin, Ain al Arab, Ajil, Al Bab, Al Baylouniyeh, Al Hussyah, Al Kawukli, Al Muqri, Al Qantara, Al-Alqamiyyeh, Al-Bohouth al-Elmia, Al-Bughaz, Al-Khafsa, Al-Malikeyyeh, Aleppo, Aleppo - Shahabaa, Anqalah, Aqibah, Ar-Ra'ee, Arab Hassan Kabeer, Arab Wiran, Asaliyeh, Atareb, Aykadah, Azaz, Baadinli, Barad, Bassilhaya, Bastron, Basufan, Basuta, Bene, Big Orm, Big Sukariyeh, Bulbul, Burj Al-Qas, Burj Haydar, Dadat, Daghelbash, Dandaniya, Daret Azza, Dargir - Deir al Kabir, Deir Ballut, Deir Jamal, Ein Daqneh, Fafertin, Farat, Ghandorah, Hamra, Handarat, Harbal, Hawshariya, Hazwan, Hota, Hsajek, Ibbin, Iskan, Jabal Al Sheikh Barakat, Jalamah, Jamus Wiran, Jandairis, Jarablus, Jat, Jeb Amran, Jeineh, Jub al Hamir, Julqan, Kaan Kurk, Kabashin,**

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Kafr Aleppo, Kafr Amma, Kafr Antoun, Kafr Khasher, Kafr Naseh Tal Refaat, Kafr Noran, Kafr Safra, Kafr Taal, Kafrnaya, Kaljibrin, Kalouta, Kashtaar, Khirbat az Zuwayn, Kimar, Kobla, Korhyok, Kreidiyeh, Kulyan, Kurke Al-Tahtaniyah, Lower Shyookh, Ma'btali, Maarrata, Mahsana, Maraanaz, Maratet Um Hosh, Mare', Maskana, Mayasa, Menagh, Menagh - Military Airbase, Menbij, Meydanki, Miznaz, Mreimin Afrin, Nabul, Nayrabiyeh, Oqayba, Qarah Basha, Qatma, Qujman, Qulsuruj, Qunaytirah Mountain, Raju, Ramadaniyah, Rashadiyah, Regiment 111 Army Base, Regiment 46 - Military Base, Sad Al-Shahba, Sagher, Saidiyeh, Sajur, Samouqa, Sayada, Seftek, Semalka, Shaalah, Shamarekh, Sharan, Shawarighat al Arz, Shaykh Sulayman, Sheikh Aqeel, Sheikh Isa, Sheikh Nasser, Shweiha, Sorhane, Tadaf, Tadil, Tal Jijin, Tal Madeeq, Tall Qarah, Tall Refaat, Tall Sha'eer, Tanab, Taqad, Tatemrash, Tokhar, Tuwama, Um Adase, Um Jlud, Umm al Qarah, Wahshiyeh, Western Khaltan, Yalishli, Ziyara Afrin.

In **Ar Raqqah**, **265** incidents killing **173** people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: **Abdi Koy, Abu Hammad, Akeirshi, Al Masaudiyah, Al Mu'allaq, Al Mushayrfah, Al Tabqa, Al Tabqa - Airbase, Al-Khaldiyah, Al-Rasafah, Alhoz, Ali Bajliyah, Ar-Raqqa, Ar-Raqqa - Al-Dar'eiyah, Ar-Raqqa - Al-Nahdah, Ar-Raqqa - Tishrine, Ar-Raqqa - Yarmuk, Arida Abu Jarada, Arida Ojeil, Artawaziya, Ath-Thawrah Oil Fields, Ayuj, Beir Al-Hashim, Big Maghalla, Debsi Afnan, Eastern Zamleh, Ein Issa, Fahdeh Oil Field, Fatsa, Ghanim al-Ali, Hazimeh, Hoshan, Hweija al Sawaki, Jdaidat Kahit, Kalta, Karama, Kasrat Affan, Kasrat Faraj, Khafat Salem, Khamisiyeh, Khirbat Al-Baqr, Khunayz al-Salman, Kobarlik, Kor Hassan, Krein, Laqta, Maadan, Mahmudli, Mushayrifah, Namisa, Qadessiyeh Kajla, Qantari, Qazali, Rabee'a, Ramleh, Sabka, Safyan, Sahlat al Banat, Saida, Sugar Factory, Sukaryu, Suluk, Sweida, Tal Samn, Tell Abiad, Western Jaabar, Zur Shummar**.

In **As Suwayda'**, **13** incidents killing **6** people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: **Al-Tayba, As-Sweida, Khalkhla Airbase,**

Mazra'a, Qarayya, Rassas, Um Dubeib.

In **Damascus**, **8** incidents killing **14** people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: **Damascus, Damascus - Al-Salihiyah, Damascus - Barzeh, Damascus - Dummar, Damascus - Old City, Patrol Palestine Branch**.

In **Dar'a**, **310** incidents killing **235** people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: **Abtaa, Ajami, Al-Dali, Al-Harra, Al-Sourah, Alyeh, Ankhel, As-Sanamayn, Ash-Shajara, Beit Arra, Bekar, Bisr Elharir, Da'el, Dar'a, Dar'a - Air Defense Base, Dar'a - Al-Mansheyyi, Dar'a - Al-Sad, Dar'a - Arbaine, Dar'a - Bahar, Dar'a - Maysalun, Dar'a - Shuhada, Deir Eladas, Eastern Ghariyeh, Eastern Maliha, Ein Thakar, Faqie, Ghasm, Hit, Hrak, Izra', Jabaliyeh, Jasim, Jizeh, Jlein, Kahil, Kharab Shahem, Kherbet Ghazala, Lajat, Maaraba, Mahjeh, Mataeiyeh, Mseifra, Mzeireb, Mzerea, Nafeaa, Nahj, Nahta, Namar, Nasib Border Crossing, Nawa, Qarfa, Sahm El Golan, Sahwa, Sayda, Shabraq, Sheikh Miskine, Sheikh Saed, Tafas, Tal Shihab, Tall Al Samn, Tassil, Tiba, Um Elmayathen, Um Walad, Yadudeh, Yarmouk Basin, Zayzun**.

In **Dayr Az Zawr**, **257** incidents killing **234** people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: **Abu Hamam, Abu Hardoub, Abu Khashab, Al Asbah Farm, Al Jamah, Al Mayadin, Al Mayadin - City Bridge, Al Sabkhah, Al Salhiyyah, Al Shu'aytat, Al-Asbah farms, Al-Bahra, Al-Bukamal, Al-Hawayij, Al-Heri, Al-Hessan, Al-Hussainiyah, Al-Junaynah, Al-Kubar, Al-Omar Oil Field, Al-Panorama, Ali, As Sukkariyah, Ash Shula, Ashara, Ayyash, Baghuz, Basira, Bishri Mountain - Deir-ez-Zor, Bogeleyyah, Breiha, Darnaj, Deir-ez-Zor, Deir-ez-Zor - Al-Rashidia, Deir-ez-Zor - Hatla, Dweir, Eastern Jurdi, Faydat Bin Muwaynah, Gharanij, Hajin, Harijiyah, Harmushiyah, Jadid Bakkara, Jasmi, Jazaret Elbuhmeid, Jdid Ekeidat, Kaba Jeb, Kasra, Kassar, Kharita, Khasham, Kishkiyeh, Koniko Gas Field, Maadan 'Atiq, Mahkan, Marashdeh, Mashekh, Masrab, Mhemideh, Mreiyeh, Muhasan, Muzan, Mweileh, Omar - Oil Fields, Quriyeh, Sabah al Khayr, Sbeikhan, Shafa, Shiheil, Sosa, Sur, Sweidan Jazira, Sweiyeh, T2 Pumping Station,**

Tabiyet Jazira, Tabni, Takihi, Tayib Al-Fal, Tayyana, Thiban, Western Jurdi, Zghir Jazireh, Zir.

In **Hamah**, **256** incidents killing **101** people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: **Abul Fashafish, Al Ghab Plain, Al Sindyana, Al-Hamidiah, Al-Mashiak, Al-Qahera, Al-Shari'ah, Al-Sirmaniyah, Ankawi, Ar Rasif, As-Salamiyeh, As-Suqaylabiyah, Ayn Sulaymu, Bahsa, Barakeh, Doqmaq, Dweir Elakrad, Fan Qabli, Halabiyah, Hama, Hamamiyat, Hamimat, Huweiz, Ithariyah, Jid, Jurin, Kafr Zeita, Kharab Al Sheikh, Kherbet Elnaqus, Maan, Mansura, Na'urat Shathah, Oqeirbat, Qalat Mirza, Qarqur, Qastal, Qastun, Qelib Al-Thawr, Qulaydin, Saboura, Shat-ha, Sifsafiyeh, Tal Milh, Tal Wassit, Tanjarah, Zakoom, Zayzun, Ziyara**.

In **Hims**, **39** incidents killing **90** people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: **Al Qusayr, Al Qusayr - Military Air Base, Ar-Rastan, Homs, Jabal Omour, Mahin, Sokhneh, Tadmor, Tall Kalakh, Tweinan, Um Eltababir**.

In **Idlib**, **451** incidents killing **203** people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: **Afes, Al Sahn, Al Sawaghiah, Ar-Rasm, Arbikh, Ariha, Armanaz, Arnaba, Atmah, Bab El Hawa, Badama, Balshun, Balyun, Banin, Bara, Bazabur, Bennsh, Brouma, Bsames, Bsaqla, Dadikh, Dana, Dar Al-Kabira, Deir Sunbul, Eblin, Ehsem, Ein Laruz, Ein Shib, Fleifel, Foah, Frikeh, Ftireh, Ghaniyah, Ghassaniyeh, Halluz, Hamdieh, Hantutin, Haranbush, Harim, Has, Hazarin, Hersh Banin, Humaymat, Idleb, Idleb Central Prison, Jabal al-Zawiya, Jarada, Jbala, Jisr-Ash-Shugur, Jobas, Joseph, Kafir, Kafr Aruq, Kafr Battikh, Kafr Debbin, Kafr Din, Kafr Haya, Kafr Lata, Kafr Lusin, Kafr Musa, Kafr Nobol, Kafr Oweid, Kafr Shalaya, Kafr Takharim, Kafraya, Kafrsajna, Kafruhin, Kansafra, Kawkabah, Kelly, Ketyan, Khan Shaykun, Khan al-Sabeel, Khirbat Jazraya, Kinda, Lajj, Ma'arrat An Nu'man, Ma'arrat Mukhus, Ma'arrat Tamasrin, Ma'taram, Maar Dibsi, Maarbalit, Maaret Al Naasan, Maaret Alia, Maarzaf, Majdaliya, Mantaf, Marayan, Marj Elzohur,**

Mastumeh, Mhambal, Milaja, Mozra, Orm Eljoz, Qminas, Qoqfin, Ram Hamdan, Rami, Ruwaiha, Salqin, San, Saraqab, Sararif, Sarja, Sfuhen, Shaghurayt, Shallakh, Sheikh Bahr, Sheikh Yousef, Shinan, Tal Elkaramej, Teftnaz, Telamnas, Tuffahiyeh, Zarzur, Ziyadah Qibliyyah.

In **Lattakia**, **39** incidents killing **8** people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: **Al-Qardaha, Barzeh Fawqani, Hmeimim Air Base, Jabal al-Akrad, Jabal al-Turkman, Kabani, Kansaba, Khadraa, Lattakia, Salanfa, Tall Rasho, Tardeen**.

In **Quneitra**, **7** incidents killing **6** people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: **Al Hajja, Hadar, Jbata Elkhashab, Nabe Elsakher, Quneitra, Quneitra - Golan Border Crossing, Tarnaja**.

In **Rif Dimashq**, **37** incidents killing **32** people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: **Al-Hama, Beit Nayem, Dreij, Duma, Ein Terma, Haran Alawameed, Harasta, Jamraya, Kafir Yabus, Kafr Batna, Kanaker, Madaya, Misraba, Qara, Rukban, Sahnaya, Sayyeda Zeinab, Sidnaya Military Prison, Tanf, Zakiyeh**.

In **Tartus**, **1** incident killing **3** people was reported. The following location was among the affected: **Tartous**.

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