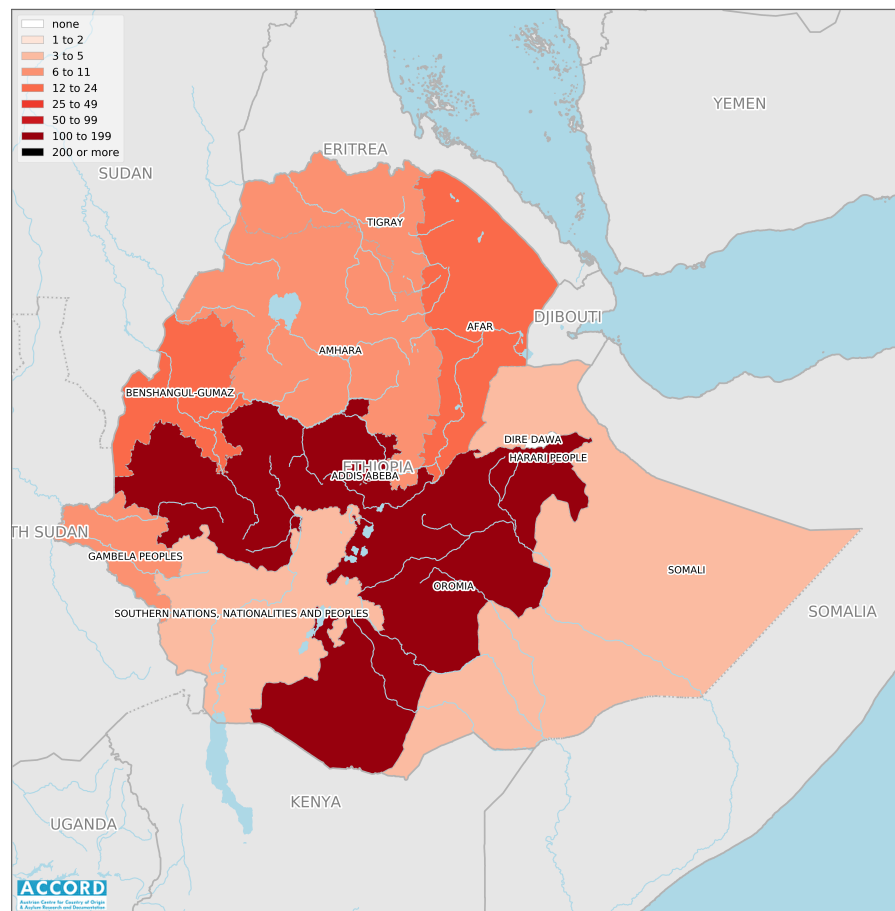


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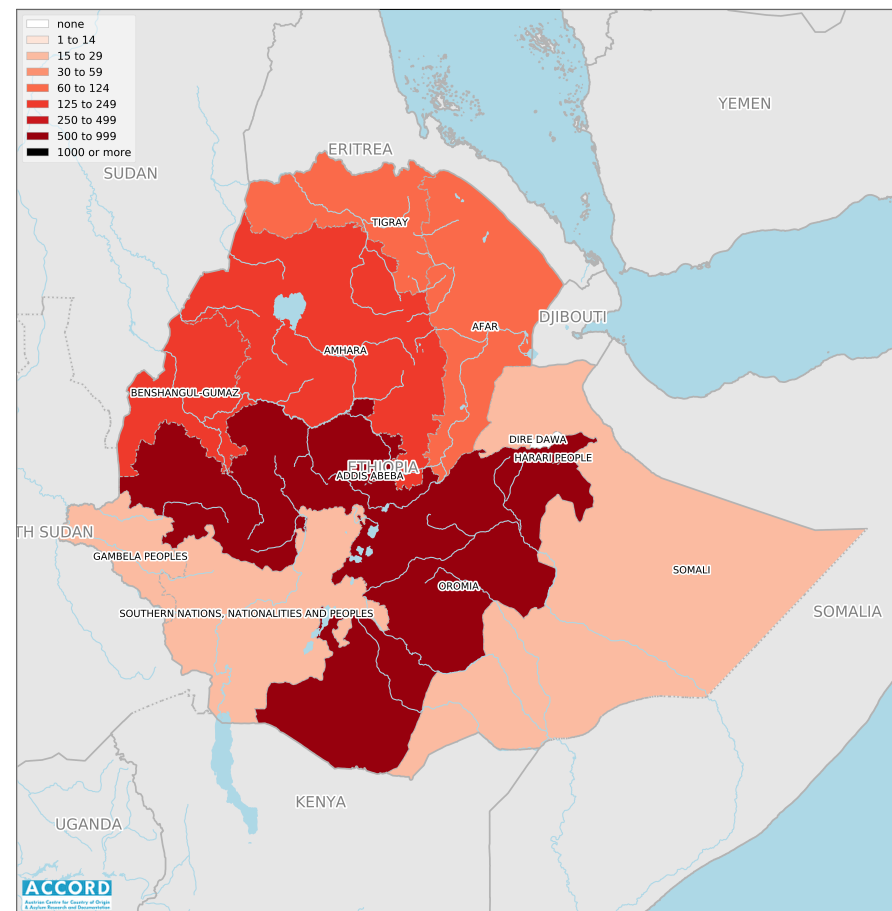
Update on incidents according to the Armed Conflict Location & Event Data Project (ACLED)

compiled by ACCORD, 30 May 2022

## 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](#); incident data: [ACLED, 20 May 2022](#); coastlines and inland waters: [Smith and Wessel, 1 May 2015](#)

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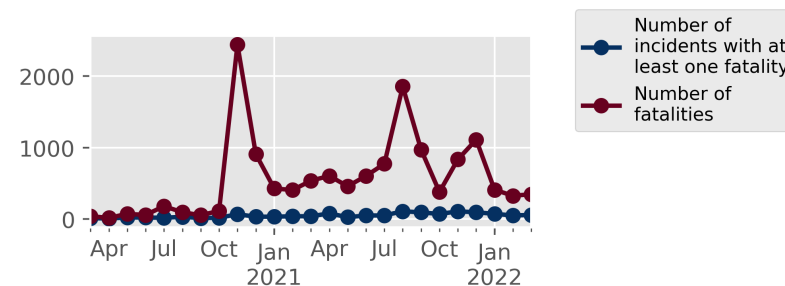
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## Conflict incidents by category

Category	Number of incidents	Number of incidents with at least one fatality	Number of fatalities
Battles	164	81	566
Violence against civilians	103	85	391
Strategic developments	21	0	0
Explosions / Remote violence	19	14	126
Protests	9	0	0
Riots	3	0	0
Total	319	180	1083

This table is based on data from ACLED (datasets used: [ACLED](#), 20 May 2022).

## Development of conflict incidents from March 2020 to March 2022



This graph is based on data from ACLED (datasets used: [ACLED](#), 20 May 2022).

## 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, Ethiopia 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 ("3" or "10" for plural fatalities, depending on the context; "100" if "hundreds" are mentioned, etc.). For further details on ACLED and for the full data, see [www.acleddata.com](http://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](http://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 Ethiopia: [ACLED, 21 January 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, violence against civilians, remote violence, riots/protests, non-violent strategic activities. 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
Addis Abeba	4	0	0
Afar	60	23	76
Amhara	25	8	127
Benshangul-Gumaz	17	12	139
Dire Dawa	1	0	0
Gambela Peoples	16	11	25
Harari People	1	0	0
Oromia	156	106	575
Somali	7	5	23
South West	2	2	3
Southern Nations, Nationalities and Peoples	6	5	20
Tigray	24	8	95

## 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 **Addis Abeba**, 4 incidents killing 0 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: **Addis Ababa, Addis Ababa University, Mesqel Square**.

In **Afar**, 60 incidents killing 76 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: **Abala, Asot, Berahle, Dallol, Erebt, Hayu, Konneba, Logiya Town, Magale, Semera**.

In **Amhara**, 25 incidents killing 127 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: **Abergele, Addi Arkay, Amdework, Arertu, Bati, Chefa Robit, Gindewoin, Haro, Kemise, Kobo, Kobo Robit, Majete, Motta, Nefas Mewcha, Sekota, Yejube, Zarima**.

In **Benshangul-Gumaz**, 17 incidents killing 139 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: **Abatimbo el Gumas, Barbara, Bulen, Dibate, Gemed, Guba, Kamashi zone, Sherkole, Tongo**.

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

In **Gambela Peoples**, 16 incidents killing 25 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: **Abobo, Akobo, Dimma, Gambella, Gogo, Itang, Jikawo, Nginnang Town, Nuer Zone, Pagak, Pugnido Refugee Camp**.

In **Harari People**, 1 incident killing 0 people was reported. The following location was among the affected: **Harar**.

In **Oromia**, 156 incidents killing 575 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: **Abe Dongoro, Adda Berga, Adola, Ago, Amuru, Asebe Teferi, Asebo, Awara, Ayana, Bako, Begi, Bereda, Bila, Bilo, Birbira Sekela, Bulbula, Bule Hora, Burayu, Chanco, Chando, Chobi, Dambi,**

Degem Hambiso, Dembi Dolo, Dicho Abagermama, Diga, Ejaji, Ejere, Ejerssa, Eri, Fentale, Finchawa, Galesa, Gebre Guracha, Gelana, Gelila, Gidami, Ginchi, Ginde Beret, Gindo, Gohatsion, Gudina Abuna, Gutin, Hagelo Tulema, Inchini, Incinni, Jardega, Jarso, Jeba Sire, Jidola, Kegni, Kerssa, Kombolcha, Kontema, Kuni, Mechiara, Meliyu Cheka, Meta, Metehara, Minare, Mormora, Muger, Mugi, Negele, Negeso, Nejo, Nekemt, Nunu Kumba, Oda Dalota, Olan Komi, Seyo, Shambu, Shamole, Shenen, Shikute, Sibu Sire, Sire, Torre, Wabe, Wadera, Wedesa, Welenchiti.

In **Somali**, 7 incidents killing 23 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: **Aw Bare, Doale, Gursum, Warder.**

In **South West**, 2 incidents killing 3 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: **Gurafarda, Mekaken Town.**

In **Southern Nations, Nationalities and Peoples**, 6 incidents killing 20 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: **Gewada, Govase, Gumayde, Hosaena, Segen.**

In **Tigray**, 24 incidents killing 95 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: **Alamata, Chercher, Dandeia, Dedebit, Humera, Korem, Mai-Aini Refugee Camp, May Tsemre, Maychew, Mekele, Samre, Sheraro, Shire, Timuga, Tsegede, Waja, Welkait.**

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## Disclaimer

Event data may be revised or complemented in future updates. Updates in ACLED’s datasets will not necessarily be reflected in ACCORD’s reports if the update occurs

close to or after the latter's publication. Changes in the sources used by ACLED to collect incident data might affect the comparability of data over time. For more information on ACLED's methodology, please see [www.acleddata.com/resources/](http://www.acleddata.com/resources/). For more information on ACCORD's products based on the data, please see the [ecoi.net blog posts tagged with "ACLED"](#). The lack of information on an event in this report does not permit the inference that it did not take place. The boundaries and names displayed do not imply endorsement or acceptance by the Austrian Red Cross.

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