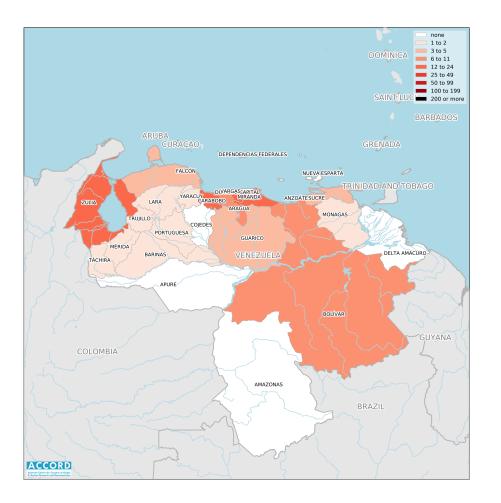
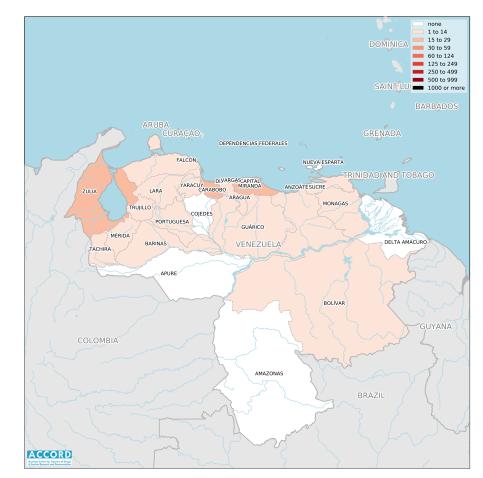
VENEZUELA, FOURTH QUARTER 2022: Update on incidents according to the Armed Conflict Location & Event Data Project (ACLED)

Number of reported incidents with at least one fatality



Number of reported fatalities



National borders: GADM, 6 May 2018; administrative divisions: Venezuela28; incident data: ACLED, 10 March 2023; coastlines and inland waters: Smith and Wessel, 1 May 2015

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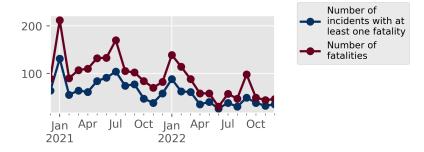
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Conflict incidents by category

Category	Number of incidents	Number of incidents with at least one fatality	Number of fatalities
Protests	511	0	0
Battles	66	56	85
Violence against civilians	56	45	50
Strategic developments	19	0	0
Riots	14	3	3
Explosions / Remote violence	1	1	1
Total	667	105	139

This table is based on data from ACLED (datasets used: ACLED, 10 March 2023).

Development of conflict incidents from December 2020 to December 2022



This graph is based on data from ACLED (datasets used: ACLED, 10 March 2023).

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, Venezuela 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 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 Venezuela: ACLED, February 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, violence against civilians, remote violence, riots/protests, non-violent strategic activities. For details on these categories, please see

- ACLED Armed Conflict Location & Event Data Project: Armed Conflict Location and Event Data Project (ACLED) User Quick Guide, April 2019 https://acleddata.com/acleddatanew//wp-content/uploads/2021/11/ ACLED_General-User-Guide_April-2019.pdf
- ACLED Armed Conflict Location & Event Data Project: FAQs: ACLED Fatality Methodology, February 2020 https://acleddata.com/acleddatanew//wp-content/uploads/2021/11/ ACLED_FAQs-Fatalities-Methodology_v1_February-2020.pdf
- ACLED Armed Conflict Location & Event Data Project: Armed Conflict Location and Event Data Project (ACLED) Codebook, January 2021 https://acleddata.com/acleddatanew//wp-content/uploads/2021/11/ ACLED_Codebook_v1_January-2021.pdf

Conflict incidents per province

Province	Number of incidents	Number of incidents with fatalities	Number of fatalities
Amazonas	8	0	0
Anzoátegui	33	8	14
Apure	9	0	0
Aragua	31	9	11
Barinas	22	1	2
Bolívar	88	10	10
Carabobo	57	18	25
Cojedes	7	0	0
Delta Amacuro	5	0	0
Distrito Capital	75	7	7
Falcón	27	3	3
Guárico	13	4	8
La Guaira	9	0	0
Lara	44	1	1
Miranda	50	16	23
Monagas	9	2	2
Mérida	19	1	1
Nueva Esparta	13	0	0
Portuguesa	17	1	1
Sucre	33	3	6

Province	Number of incidents	Number of incidents with fatalities	Number of fatalities
Trujillo	4	1	1
Táchira	19	2	2
Yaracuy	18	2	3
Zulia	57	16	19

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 Amazonas, 8 incidents killing 0 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: Puerto Ayacucho, San Fernando de Atabapo, Topocho.

In Anzoátegui, 33 incidents killing 14 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: Barcelona, Bergantin, El Chaparro, El Hatillo, El Tigre, Lecheria, Palital, Puerto La Cruz, Puerto Piritu, San Jose de Guanipa, San Tome, Santa Teresa - Campo Mata.

In Apure, 9 incidents killing 0 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: Biruaca, El Nula, Elorza, San Fernando de Apure.

In Aragua, 31 incidents killing 11 people were reported. The following locations

were among the affected: Colonia Tovar, El Cambur, La Victoria, Magdaleno, Maracay, Santa Cruz de Aragua, Tocoron, Turmero.

In **Barinas**, **22** incidents killing **2** people were reported. The following location was among the affected: **Barinas**.

In Bolívar, 88 incidents killing 10 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: Agua Salada, Caicara del Orinoco, Canaima National Park, Ciudad Bolivar, Ciudad Guayana, El Callao, El Dorado, Palo Grande, Sifontes, Tumeremo, Unare, Upata.

In Carabobo, 57 incidents killing 25 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: Belen, Canoabo, El Cambur, El Milagro, Guacara, Mariara, Moron, Naguanagua, Puerto Cabello, Tocuyito, Urama, Valencia.

In **Cojedes**, **7** incidents killing **0** people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: **Cojedes**, **San Carlos**.

In **Delta Amacuro**, **5** incidents killing **0** people were reported. The following location was among the affected: **Tucupita**.

In **Distrito Capital**, **75** incidents killing **7** people were reported. The following location was among the affected: **Caracas - Libertador**.

In Falcón, 27 incidents killing 3 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: Carazao, Puerto Cumarebo, Punta Cardon, Punto Fijo, Santa Ana de Coro, Tucacas.

In Guárico, 13 incidents killing 8 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: Altagracia de Orituco, Calabozo, San Jose de Guaribe, San Juan de los Morros, Valle De La Pascua, Zaraza.

In La Guaira, 9 incidents killing 0 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: Carayaca, Catia la Mar, La Guaira, Maiquetia.

In Lara, 44 incidents killing 1 person were reported. The following locations were among the affected: Barquisimeto, Cabudare, Carora, El Tocuyo, La Morita, Sanare.

In Miranda, 50 incidents killing 23 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: Caracas - Baruta, Caracas - Chacao, Caracas -Sucre, Carrizal, Caucaguita, Charallave, Cua, El Cartanal, El Clavo, Guarenas, Hoyo de La Puerta, La Democracia, Los Teques, Nueva Cua, Ocumare del Tuy, San Jose de Barlovento, Santa Lucia, Santa Teresa del Tuy, Tacata, Turumo.

In **Monagas**, **9** incidents killing **2** people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: **Caripito**, **Chaguaramas**, **Maturin**.

In **Mérida**, **19** incidents killing **1** person were reported. The following locations were among the affected: **Ejido**, **El Vigia**, **Merida**, **Timotes**.

In Nueva Esparta, 13 incidents killing 0 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: La Asuncion, Porlamar, Punta de Piedras.

In **Portuguesa**, **17** incidents killing **1** person were reported. The following locations were among the affected: **Acarigua**, **Araure**, **Guanare**.

In Sucre, 33 incidents killing 6 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: Araya, Carupano, Chacopata, Cumana, Rio Grande.

In **Trujillo**, **4** incidents killing **1** person were reported. The following locations were among the affected: **Santa Apolonia**, **Trujillo**, **Valera**.

In Táchira, 19 incidents killing 2 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: Orope, San Cristobal, Seboruco, Urena.

In Yaracuy, 18 incidents killing 3 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: Cocorote, San Felipe, Taria, Yaritagua.

In Zulia, 57 incidents killing 19 people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: Bachaquero, Cabimas, Catatumbo, Ciudad Ojeda, Concepcion, La Canada de Urdaneta, Los Puertos de Altagracia, Machiques, Maracaibo, Mecocal, Paraguaipoa, Pueblo Nuevo El Chivo, San Francisco, San Rafael, Sinamaica, Tia Juana.

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