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# IRAQ, SECOND QUARTER 2025:
## Update on incidents according to Armed Conflict Location & Event Data (ACLED)

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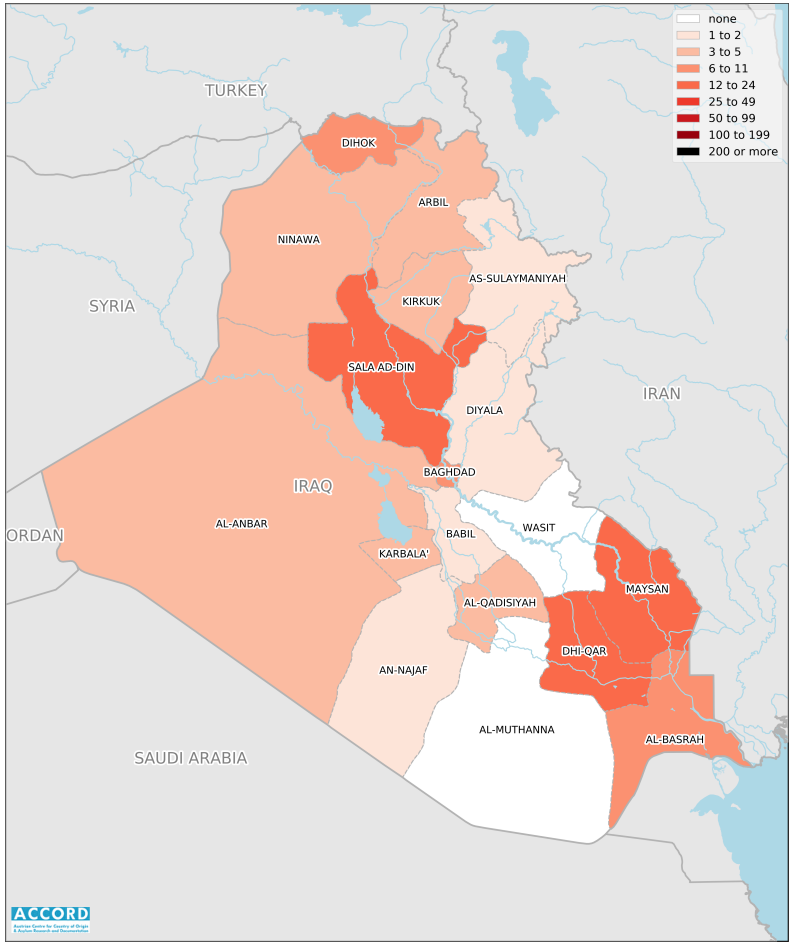


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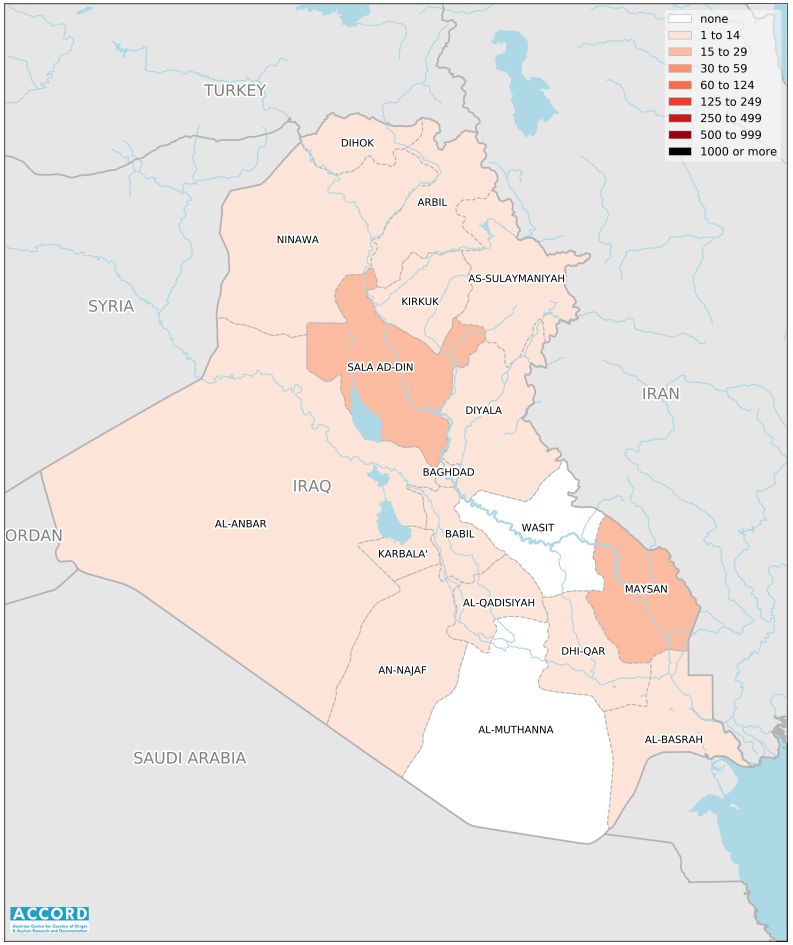


National borders: GADM, 6th May 2018b; administrative divisions: GADM, 6th May 2018a; incident data: ACLED, 1st August 2025; coastlines and inland waters: Smith and Wessel, 1st May 2015

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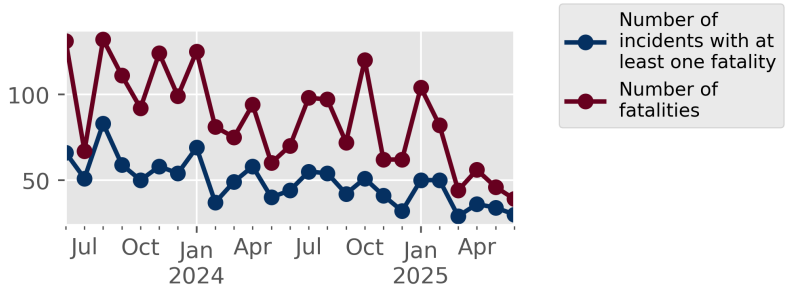
## Conflict incidents by category

| Category | Number of incidents | Number of incidents with at least one fatality | Number of fatalities |
|---|---|---|---|
| Explosions / Remote violence | 778 | 20 | 39 |
| Strategic developments | 410 | 5 | 7 |
| Protests | 367 | 0 | 0 |
| Battles | 145 | 33 | 49 |
| Violence against civilians | 70 | 41 | 45 |
| Riots | 19 | 1 | 1 |
| Total | 1789 | 100 | 141 |

This table is based on data from ACLED (datasets used: ACLED, 1st August 2025).

## Development of conflict incidents from June 2023 to June 2025

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## Methodology

The data used in this report was collected by the Armed Conflict Location & Event Data (ACLED). Based on a variety of sources, ACLED collects data on reported conflict events around the world and provides publicly available event-based datasets. ACLED data contains information on the event type, the date, location, involved actors, and other characteristics of the incident. Most of the data collected by ACLED is gathered based on publicly available reports. As information on fatalities is subject to bias and can vary between sources for the same event, ACLED employs "the most conservative and reliable fatality 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 ACLED, 2023.

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 Iraq: ACLED, 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 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 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Al-Anbar | 125 | 5 | 5 |
| Al-Basrah | 136 | 7 | 7 |
| Al-Muthanna | 61 | 0 | 0 |
| Al-Qadisiyah | 34 | 3 | 13 |
| An-Najaf | 34 | 1 | 3 |
| Arbil | 172 | 5 | 5 |
| As-Sulaymaniyah | 67 | 2 | 4 |
| Babil | 27 | 1 | 1 |
| Baghdad | 117 | 11 | 11 |
| Dhi-Qar | 51 | 12 | 12 |
| Dihok | 663 | 9 | 11 |
| Diyala | 37 | 1 | 1 |
| Karbala' | 10 | 3 | 3 |
| Kirkuk | 44 | 4 | 14 |
| Maysan | 57 | 18 | 20 |
| Ninawa | 84 | 4 | 5 |
| Sala ad-Din | 51 | 14 | 26 |
| Wasit | 19 | 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 unknown. In the following list, the names of event locations are taken from ACLED, while the administrative region names are taken from GADM data (with the exception of Iraq) which serves as the basis for the maps above.

In **Al-Anbar**, **125** incidents killing **5** people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: **Abu Teban, Ain Assad Air Base, Al Baghdadi, Al Baghuz, Al Jawdafiyah, Al Karah, Al Qaim, Al-Amiriyah, An Nukhayb, Anah, Ar Rahhaliyah, Ar Rutba, Fallujah, Haditha, Hit, Jadidat Arar, Karma, Lake Razaza, Nahiyat as Saqlawiyah, Qaryat Jazira, Qaryat al Naimiyah, Ramadi, Rawah, Tharthar, Turaybil, Wadi al Ghadf**.

In **Al-Basrah**, **136** incidents killing **7** people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: **Abu Sakhr, Abu al-Khaseeb, Al Baradiyah, Al Jazira, Al Maqil, Al Midaina, Al Nashwa, Al Sadiq, Al Shalamijah, Al-Faw, Al-Hartha, Al-Zubair, As Saybah, Basrah, Basrah Refinery, Coast of Al Basrah, Karmat Ali, Khor al Zubair, Lahis Oil Field, Mamlahah, Markaz Nahiyat al Thughir, Nahiyat ad Dayr, Qaryat Al Kuzayza, Safwan, Shilamjah Border Crossing, Shuaiba, Umm Qasr, West Qurna 2 Oilfield**.

In **Al-Muthanna**, **61** incidents killing **0** people were reported. The following

locations were among the affected: **Ad Darraji, Al Khidr, Al Majd, Al Najmi, Al Warka, As Samawah, As Suwayr, Nahiyat Al Karamah, Qaryat al Mamlahah, Rumaitha, Sawir, Tenth Oil Patch**.

In **Al-Qadisiyah**, **34** incidents killing **13** people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: **Afak, Al Budayr, As Sinniyah, Ash-Shinafiyah, Diwaniya, Nahiyat Al Shafiyah, Nahiyat Ghammas**.

In **An-Najaf**, **34** incidents killing **3** people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: **Al Mishkhab, Kufa, Manathera, Nahiyat al Haydariyah, Najaf**.

In **Arbil**, **172** incidents killing **5** people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: **Barbazin, Barmiza, Choman, Daraban, Erbil, Erbil International Airport, Gezne, Ghazi Kand, Hajj Umran, Harir, Hasnan, Kawartah, Kawla, Khinayrah, Kuri, Lolan, Majidawa, Makhmur, Makhmur Camp, Mishar, Piran, Pirdawd, Qalachoghan, Qarachogh Mountain, Qarachoq Mountain, Qimmat Ghalah Rash, Rayat, Saruka, Sherwan Mazen, Shirawah, Silki, Silsilat Jibal Qandil, Sorish, Tazede, Wadi Khakurik**.

In **As-Sulaymaniyah**, **67** incidents killing **4** people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: **Arbat, Bewrei, Bisharah al Ulya, Chamchamal, Darbandihkan, Dokan, Duwayzah, Halabja, Halsho, Jabal Hawraman, Jabal Surayn, Kalar, Kareze Dole, Kawmazal, Khurmal, Mishaw, Penjwin, Pishdar, Qeladize, Qemer Tli, Raparin, Sazan, Sengaw, Sharazur, Sheikh Mansourian, Sulaymaniyah, Suraban, Tavan, Zharawa**.

In **Babil**, **27** incidents killing **1** person were reported. The following locations were among the affected: **Al Hamza, Al Mashru, Al Qasim, Calso Base, Hilla, Jabla al Imam, Nahiyat Abi Gharaq, Shomeli**.

In **Baghdad**, **117** incidents killing **11** people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: **Abu Ghraib, Al Baladiyat, Al Husseiniya, Al Mahmudiyah, Al Mushahidah, Ar Rashidiyah, At Tarmiyah, Baghdad, Baghdad - 9 Nissan, Baghdad - Adhamiya, Baghdad - Al Rashid, Baghdad - Al Shaab, Baghdad - Al-Zafraniya, Baghdad - Ash Shulah, Baghdad - Kadhimiya, Baghdad - Karadah, Baghdad - Karkh, Baghdad - Mansour, Baghdad - Rusafa, Baghdad - Sabia Qusor, Baghdad - Sadr City, Baghdad International Airport, Madain, Nahrawan, Radwaniyah, Taji**.

In **Dhi-Qar**, **51** incidents killing **12** people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: **Al Dawayah, Al Gharraf, Al Islah, An-Nasr, Chibayish, Hammar, Imam Ali Air Base, Nahiyat Al Tar, Nahiyat al Fuhud, Nassriya, Qalat Sukkar, Rifai, Shatra, Shufa, Suq Al-Shoyokh**.

In **Dihok**, **663** incidents killing **11** people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: **Amadiya, Argen, Barchi, Baze, Belave, Bishilah, Blecan, Chiya-e Gara, Dahuk, Dargal, Dayray, Dereluk, Dereshe, Gire Amediye, Gire Bahar, Gire Carcel, Gire Cudi, Girgash, Gize, Guheriz, Harik, Jabal Zangil, Kanimezin, Khastu, Kurah Zur, Marane, Metina, Mije, Nizarke, Razuike, Sargali, Sarkay, Sersink, Shelaza, Sibindar, Sidrah, Sigiri, Zewke**.

In **Diyala**, **37** incidents killing **1** person were reported. The following locations were among the affected: **Al Azim, Al Mandhariyah, Al Salam, Al-Muqdadiya, Balad Ruz, Baquba, Buhriz, Habhab, Hamrin Mountains - Diyala, Khanaqin, Qarah Tabah, Qaryat Zuhra, Quri Chay, Sadiya**.

In **Karbala'**, **10** incidents killing **3** people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: **Al Daum, Hindyah, Kerbala**.

In **Kirkuk**, **44** incidents killing **14** people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: **Altun Kupri, Balkanah, Bibani, Daquq, Dibis, Haweeja, Jabal Bor, Kirkuk, Nahiyat ar Riyad, Qarah Hajir, Rashad, Sarkaran, Shay Valley, Topzawa, Wadi Zaghaytun, Yayci**.

In **Maysan**, **57** incidents killing **20** people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: **Al Azair, Al Shib Border Crossing, Amara, Batirah, Bazrakan Oilfield, Halfaya Oilfield, Hattin, Hawr Al Huwayzah, Kahla, Kumait, Maimouna, Mejar Al-Kabi, Nahiyat Al Adl, Nahiyat Al Salam, Qalat Salih**.

In **Ninawa**, **84** incidents killing **5** people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: **Akre, Al Khafajah, Badush, Bardarash, Bartella, Desta Kafya, Khana Sor, Kudud, Mosul, Mosul - Al-Karamah, Mosul - Al-Salam, Mosul Dam, Qaryat Kubbat Jadah, Qaryat as Salamiyah, Qayyara Military Airport, Rabia, Sinjar, Sinuni, Tal Abta, Tall Abtah ash Shimali, Tilkaif, Wanah, Yakmalah**.

In **Sala ad-Din**, **51** incidents killing **26** people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: **Al Fathah, Al Mutassim, An Naml, Baiji, Balad Air Base, Daur, Dholuiya, Dujail, Hamrin Mountains - Sala al-Din, Makhol, Makhol Mountain, Nahiyat al Alam, Qaryat Albu Ajil, Qaryat Hulaywat al Kabirah, Qaryat Hulaywat as Saghirah, Qaryat Rubaydah, Qaryat as Salam, Shirqat, Tikrit, Tuz Khurma, Wadi Balkanah**.

In **Wasit**, **19** incidents killing **0** people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: **Al Ahdab Oilfield, Al Aziziyah, Al Muwaffaqiyah, Badra, Hai, Kut, Shaykh Saad, Suwaira, Zurbatiyah**.

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## Disclaimer

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