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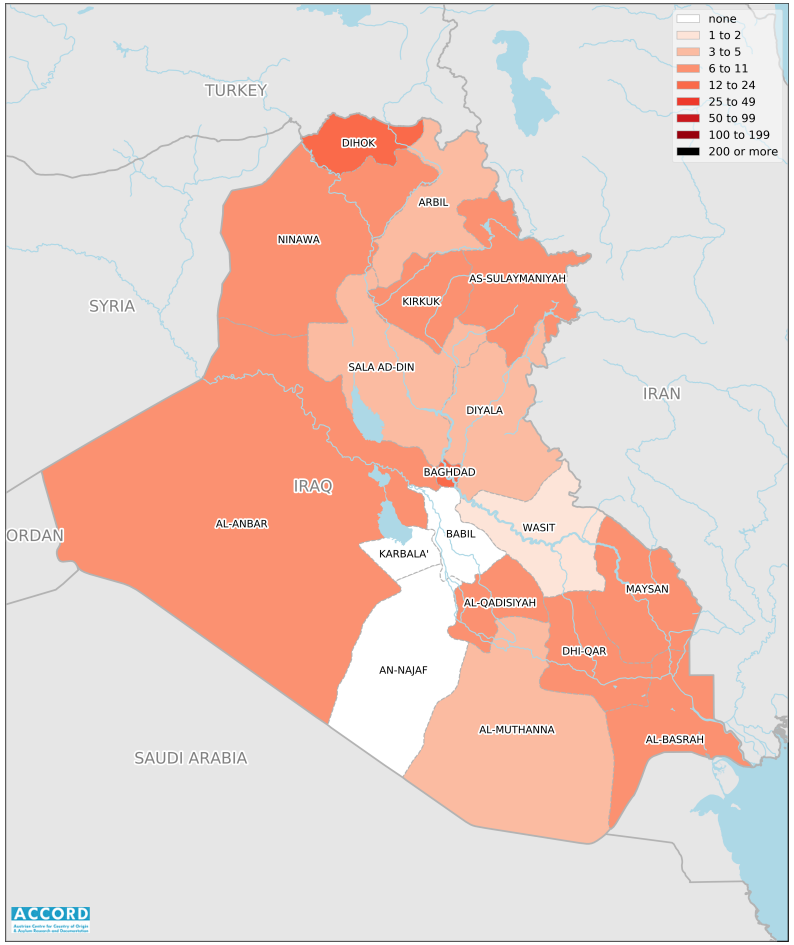

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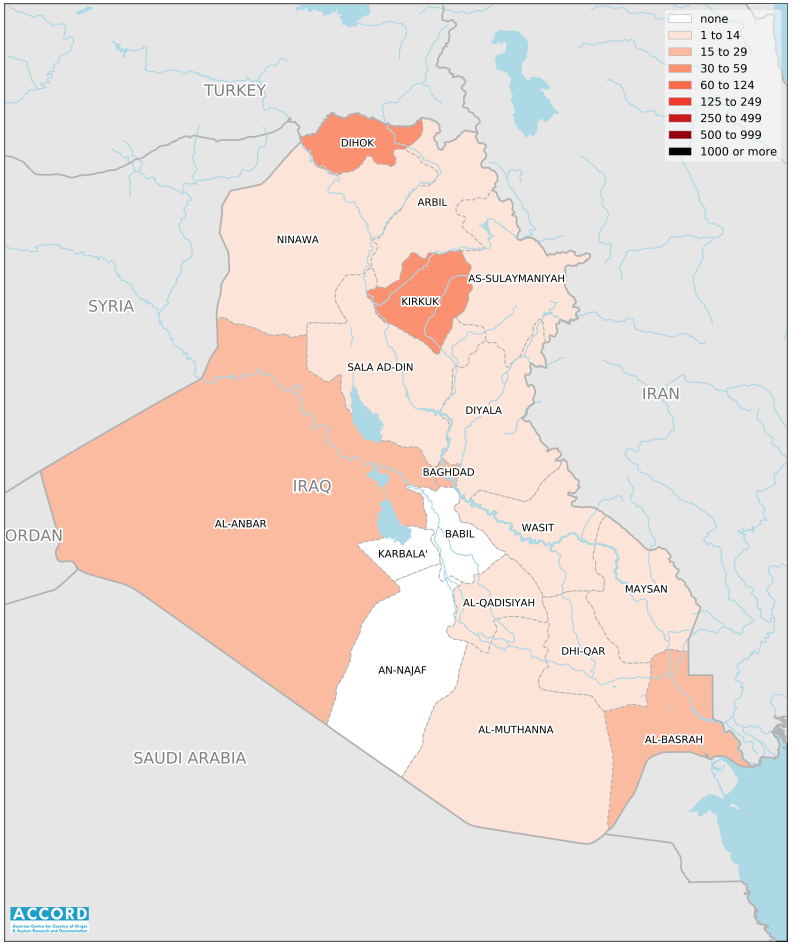

National borders: GADM, 6th May 2018b; administrative divisions: GADM, 6th May 2018a; incident data: ACLED, 1st August 2025; coastlines and inland waters: Smith and Wessel, 1st May 2015

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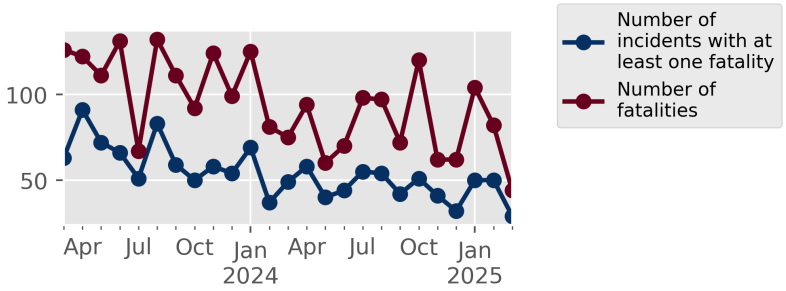
Conflict incidents by category

Category	Number of incidents	Number of incidents with at least one fatality	Number of fatalities
Explosions / Remote violence	897	33	88
Strategic developments	392	9	13
Protests	269	0	0
Battles	155	43	82
Violence against civilians	85	44	47
Riots	13	0	0
Total	1811	129	230

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

Development of conflict incidents from March 2023 to March 2025



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

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	117	6	18
Al-Basrah	87	11	17
Al-Muthanna	36	4	5
Al-Qadisiyah	44	8	9
An-Najaf	21	0	0
Arbil	270	5	7
As-Sulaymaniyah	69	6	13
Babil	19	0	0
Baghdad	115	22	29
Dhi-Qar	23	7	7
Dihok	719	24	49
Diyala	37	5	10
Karbala'	5	0	0
Kirkuk	50	11	33
Maysan	43	8	12
Ninawa	105	6	7
Sala ad-Din	42	5	13
Wasit	9	1	1

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**, **117** incidents killing **18** people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: **Ain Assad Air Base, Al Baghdadi, Al Haqlaniyah, Al Qaim, Al Waleed Border Crossing, Albu Faraj, Alsawar, An Nukhayb, Anah, Ar Rutba, Fallujah, Habbaniya, Haditha, Husaybah, Jadidat Arar, Karma, Nahiyat al Khalidiyah, Nahiyat as Saqlawiyah, Qaryat Al Zarkah, Ramadi, Rawah, Sufiyah, Tharthar, Turaybil, Wadi Hauran, Wadi al Ghadf**.

In **Al-Basrah**, **87** incidents killing **17** people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: **Abu al-Khaseeb, Al Baradiyah, Al Hayyaniyah, Al Jazira, Al Majidiyah, Al Midaina, Al Nashwa, Al Qiblah, Al Shalamijah, Al-Hartha, Al-Zubair, Ar Ramilah, Ar Rumaylah, At Tuwaysah, Basrah, Karmat Ali, Khor al Zubair, Nahiyat ad Dayr, Qurna, Sharish, Shilamjah Border Crossing, Sidra, West Qurna 1 Oilfield, West Qurna 2 Oilfield**.

In **Al-Muthanna**, **36** incidents killing **5** people were reported. The following

locations were among the affected: **Ad Darraji, Al Bussayyah, As Salman, As Samawah, As Suwayr, Rumaitha**.

In **Al-Qadisiyah**, **44** incidents killing **9** people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: **Afak, Ash-Shinafiyah, Diwaniya, Hamza, Nahiyat Ghammas, Nahiyat ad Dagharah, Shamiya**.

In **An-Najaf**, **21** incidents killing **0** people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: **Al Mishkhab, Kufa, Najaf**.

In **Arbil**, **270** incidents killing **7** people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: **Barbazin, Bastora, Bekhal, Bokriskan, Dawlah Bakrah, Erbil, Galiya Rash, Goshina, Harir, Jabal Kawrasbi, Kawla, Khinayrah, Korek, Lokani, Lolan, Makhmur Camp, Mawilyan, Mergasur, Qarachogh Mountain, Rawst, Silsilat Jibal Qandil, Similan, Talistah, Wadi Khakurik**.

In **As-Sulaymaniyah**, **69** incidents killing **13** people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: **Arbat, Bepalan, Binkird, Chamchamal, Chwarqurna, Dokan, Halabja, Jabal Asaws, Kalalah, Kalar, Khor Mor Gas Field, Mastekan, Mawat, Nalparayz, Penjwin, Piramagrun, Pishdar, Rania, Raparin, Saidsadiq, Sajbu, Sengaw, Sharazur, Silay, Sofian, Sulaymaniyah, Tabah Sibi, Xelekan**.

In **Babil**, **19** incidents killing **0** people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: **Al Hamza, Hilla, Jabla al Imam, Jurf Al Nasr, Mahawil, Nahiyat Saddat al Hindiyah, Shomeli**.

In **Baghdad**, **115** incidents killing **29** people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: **Abu Ghraib, Ad Dawrah, Al Baladiyat, Al Husseiniya, Al Mahmudiyah, At Tarmiyah, Baghdad, Baghdad - 9 Nissan, Baghdad - Adhamiya, Baghdad - Al Shaab, Baghdad - Al-Zafraniya, Baghdad - Ash Shulah, Baghdad - Kadhimiya, Baghdad - Karadah, Baghdad - Karkh, Baghdad - Mansour, Baghdad - Rusafa, Baghdad - Sadr City, Baghdad International Airport, Bismayah, Karghuliya, Madain, Nahrawan**.

In **Dhi-Qar**, **23** incidents killing **7** people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: **Al Dawayah, Al Gharraf, Nassriya, Shatra, Suq Al-Shoyokh, Tel Al Lahm**.

In **Dihok**, **719** incidents killing **49** people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: **Amadiya, Argen, Avlihe, Bamerni, Barchi, Batifa, Bebade, Belave, Bishilah, Cemanke, Cham Mishkaw, Chiya-e Gara, Dahuk, Dargal, Dayrki, Demka, Dereluk, Dereshe, Gire Amediye, Gire Bahar, Gire Biye, Gire Cudi, Gire FM, Girgash, Girya, Guheriz, Gulkah, Haftanin, Jabal Khayri, Jabal Zangil, Kani Masi, Kashan, Khalata, Khankah, Kurah Zur, Marane, Mayzi, Merstak, Metina, Mije, Razuike, Sargali, Sarkay, Shelaza, Sherane, Shiladiza, Shilin, Sibindar, Sidrah, Sigiri, Siyan, Zakho, Zewke**.

In **Diyala**, **37** incidents killing **10** people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: **Al Hadid, Al Mandhariyah, Al Salam, Al-Mansouriyah, Al-Muqdadiya, Baquba, Hamrin Mountains - Diyala, Khan Bani Saad, Khanaqin, Kifri, Lake Hamrin, Mandali, Qarah Tabah, Qaryat Dhiyabah, Qaryat al Mukhaysah, Shoraw**.

In **Karbala'**, **5** incidents killing **0** people were reported. The following location was among the affected: **Kerbala**.

In **Kirkuk**, **50** incidents killing **33** people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: **Dibis, Hamrin Mountains - Kirkuk, Haweeja, Kirkuk, Laylan, Markaz Nahiyah Shuwan, Nahiyat ar Riyad, Palkana, Qarat Tabbah, Rashad, Sarkaran, Shay Valley, Wadi Zaghaytun, Zarkah**.

In **Maysan**, **43** incidents killing **12** people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: **Al Azair, Ali Al-Gharbi, Amara, Hawr Al Huwayzah,**

Hay Almoa'alimen, Kahla, Kumait, Maimouna, Mejar Al-Kabi, Nahiyat Al Adl, Qalat Salih.

In **Ninawa**, **105** incidents killing **7** people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: **Akre, Al Muhallabiyah, Al Qahtaniyah, Bartella, Bashiqah, Desta Kafya, Dinartah, Hatra, Kudud, Mosul, Mosul - Al-Zuhur, Mosul - Kukjali, Naqab, Nipaxe, Qaryat Kubbat Jadah, Qaryat Shaykh Yunus, Rabia, Shahah, Sinjar, Sinuni, Telafar, Yakmalah**.

In **Sala ad-Din**, **42** incidents killing **13** people were reported. The following locations were among the affected: **Ajeel Oil Field, Al Fathah, Al Khadraniyah, Al-Khadra, Alas Oilfield, Baiji, Balad, Darraji, Dujail, Hamrin Mountains - Sala al-Din, Ignaytirah, Maftul, Makhol, Makhol Mountain, Nahiyat al Alam, Qaryat Albu Faraj, Qaryat al Malihah, Samarra, Shirqat, Tikrit, Tuz Khurma, Wadi Balkanah**.

In **Wasit**, **9** incidents killing **1** person were reported. The following locations were among the affected: **Al Batar, Kut**.

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