Select Publically Available Conflict and Violence Datasets- National
Typology Overview (October, 2015)

ACLED Armed Conflict Location & Event Data Project

Dataset	Bangsamor Philippines	ESOC Afghanistan	ESOC Colombia	HRDAG Colombia	ESOC Iraq	ESOC Pakistan	Syria Tracker
Title and Institution	Bangsamoro Conflict Monitoring System/International Alert/World Bank	ESOC Princeton Afghanistan Geo-referenced WITS Data	ESOC Princeton Grupo de Memoria Histórica (GMH) Basta Ya Datasets on Violence	Human Rights Data Analysis Group Casanare Colombia Project	ESOC Princeton Iraq Civil War Dataset (Version 3)	ESOC Princeton BFRS Political Violence	Syria Tracker, a Project of Humanitarian Tracker
Website	www.bcms-philippines.info	https://esoc.princeton.edu/files/afghanistan-geo-referenced-wits-data-2005-2009	http://www.centrodememoriahistorica.gov.co/micrositios/informeGeneral/basesDatos.html	https://hrdag.org/casanare-colombia/	https://esoc.princeton.edu/files/esoc-iraq-civil-war-dataset-version-3	https://esoc.princeton.edu/files/bfrs-political-violence-pakistan-dataset	https://syriatracker.crowdmap.com/
Focus	A subnational conflict monitoring system that systematically tracks the incidence, causes, and human costs of violent conflict and violent crime in the proposed areas of the Bangsamoro.	Data on incidents in Afghanistan, based on the Worldwide Incidents Tracking System (WITS), a U.S. Government database on acts of terrorism (discontinued in 2012; WITs data has been folded into the GTD database detailed in the Regional dataset overview).	8 datasets on different kinds of violence in Colombia- see 'Event Types' below for details.	Covers total number of killings and disappearances in Casanare (rural region of 19 municipalities in Colombia)	Data on incidents of violence between coalition and insurgent forces and other data.	BFRS codes a broad range of information on 28,731 incidents of political violence in Pakistan.	Syria Tracker is a crowdsourcing effort that has been collecting citizen reports on human rights violations and casualties in Syria, since April 2011.
Time Frame	2011-2015	2005-2009	1980-2012	1998-2007	2004-2009	1988-2011	2011-Present
Key Definitions	Conflict string is a violent conflict that multiplies into other violent episodes. Identity-based conflict These are violent conflict arising from inter- and intra-ethnic and tribal	GTD uses several coded criteria to cover a broad range of definitions of terrorism through a combination of inclusiveness and filtering. It must also meet one or more of the following criteria" Criterion I: The act must be aimed at attaining a political, economic, religious, or social goal.	Terrorist events are indiscriminate attacks with explosives against civilian targets in public places with a high potential for devastation and lethality. Massacres are defined as the intentional killing of 4 or more people defenseless and under the same circumstances of	Killings are all homicides (the act of a human intentionally killing another human being) except suicide and accidents; for disappearances, this includes missing people where the fate of the victim is not known	Measures attacks recorded, those in which civilians or insurgents were the primary target, excluding incidents positively identified as criminal attacks, and those related to sectarian violence, looting.	Terrorism is defined as premeditated, politically motivated violence against noncombatant targets by subnational groups of clandestine agents.	N/A

	identities, violent struggles between and among families and clans, including violence emanating from gender differences, and racial and religious tensions. They include cases of violence arising from honour (maratabat) issues.	Criterion II: There must be evidence of an intention to coerce, intimidate, or convey some other message to a larger audience (or audiences) than the immediate victims. Criterion III: The action must be outside the context of legitimate warfare activities.	manner, time and place, and distinguished by the public display of violence. Targeted killings are the murders of 3 or less defenseless people in similar circumstances of manner, time and place, committed by armed actors.				
Event Totals	7,972 -total number of people who died, were injured, kidnapped or trafficked between 2011 and 2014.	7,847 incidents	95 Terrorist attacks; 1,982 massacres; 39,058 kidnappings; 10, 203 mine attacks; 5,138 attacks on civilians' property; 716 civilians killed in military actions; 16,346 targeted killings; 854 attacks on towns	2,553 missing persons; 9,983 killed	193,264 "significant activity"	28,731 incidents	128,330 (as of September 16, 2015)
Event Types	*Bombing; Shooting; Kidnapping/Abduction; Ambuscade Shooting; Arson; Clash/Encounter*	*Assassination; Hijacking; Kidnapping; Barricade Incident; Bombing/Explosion; Unknown Armed Assault Unarmed Assault Facility/Infrastructure Attack*	*Kidnapping; Mines; Terrorist Attacks; Property/Asset Damage; Attacks on Settlements/Communities; Civilian deaths (collateral damage); Civilian deaths (selective assassinations);Massacres*	*Killing; Disappearance*	*Number of attacks; total number of IEDs recorded; total number of IEDs diffused; number of direct fire incidents; number of suicide bombings recorded.*	*Riots; violent political demonstrations; terrorism; state violence; asymmetric and symmetric insurgent violence.*	*Chemical poisoning; food tampering; killed; revenge killings; rape;*
Actor Types	Civilian; Incumbent	The "Perpetrator Group Name" field contains	Guerilla; Guerilla-FARC; Guerilla-ELN;	Noted where possible.	Data does not include any information	Actor noted in event description but there is	Civilians and armed groups.

	local officials; Teachers; AFP; MILF; Undetermined; Children; Private Security; Abu Sayaff; Family/Clan; Businessman	the name of the group that carried out the attack. WITs data excludes actions initiated by the State.	paramilitary group; police force; unidentified armed group.		pertaining to the Coalition Force units involved, Coalition Force casualties or battle damage incurred as a result of the reported incidents. It does capture violence against civilians and between non-state actors only when US forces are present.	no systematic coding system for actors.	
Time Scale	Daily/Event	Daily/Event	Daily/Event	Daily/Event	Daily/Event	Daily/Event	Daily/Event
Location Scale	Local	Local	Local	Local	Local	Local	Local
Location Precision	City/town	Georeferenced	City/town	City/town	City/town	City/town	Georeferenced
Fatality Accounting	Records whether incident resulted in death, kidnapping, injury, forced displacement	Data includes account of fatalities.	Records "number of victim fatalities."	Numbers of killings and disappearances	Data does not include any information pertaining to the Coalition Force units involved, Coalition Force casualties or battle damage incurred as a result of the reported incidents	Measures total fatalities in "terrorist attacks" and from "other political violence"	Measures deaths reported through crowdsourcing and uses a verification system.
Data Sources	Regional and provincial police offices in the Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao, supplemented by news stories from the Philippine Daily Inquirer, a national daily, as well as six local newspapers: The BCMS	Open sources manually using commercial subscription news services, the USG's Open Source Center (OSC), local news websites reported in English.	Human rights reports and press	15 different sources. See https://hrdag.org/content/colombia/results-paper.pdf for full list	Government, private, and public sources	Press sources	Crowdsourced using Twitter, pictures, emails, and texts. All subject to verification.

	also relies on reports of UNHCR.						
Benefits	Provides data on a wide spectrum of political violence and crime.	Records when incidents are claimed by attackers and when children were involved.	Covers a wide range of event types from 1980-2012. Data files are organized according to event type.	Covers killings and disappearances In one of the most violent regions of Colombia.	Records incidents and does not determine if act is "terrorist" in nature based on the actor(s) involved.	Records incidents and does not determine if act is "terrorist" in nature based on the actor(s) involved.	Data is realtime and crowdsourced, with a verification system and an interactive map.
Codebook	http://bcms-philippines.info/vers1/methodology	Info on the WITs data (integrated into the GTD database) is no longer available online. See here for a report on the methodology: http://www.terrorismanalysts.com/pt/index.php/pot/article/view/88/html	N/A. Inclusion and exclusion criteria found here: http://www.centrodememoriahistorica.gov.co/micrositios/informeGeneral/basesDatos.html	https://hrdag.org/content/colombia/cansaresummary.html	https://esoc.princeton.edu/subfiles/codebook-iraq-civil-war-dataset-v3	http://www.princeton.edu/~jns/papers/BFJRS_2013_PK_Data_v10_1.pdf	https://syriatracker.crowdmap.com/page/index/1

Additional Data Projects (by country or ethno-region)

Arab Awakening Project
http://merp.osu.edu/node/3
Coverage: 18 Arab states in the Middle East North Africa region as well as Iran, Sudan, Israel/Palestine and Cyprus from 2010-2011
Event types: Protests and coercive policing
Event totals: 6,862

Colombia: CERAC
http://www.cerac.org.co/en/resources/conflict-data.html
Coverage: War deaths, 1988-2002
Event types: Dataset is currently being updated and unavailable. (message generated on website 9/21/2015)
Event totals: Dataset is currently being updated and unavailable. (message generated on website 9/21/2015)

Indonesia National Violence Monitoring System
www.snpk-indonesia.com
Coverage: conflict (including conflict triggered by problems related to natural resource, governance, separatism, local elections, identity and popular justice); (ii) domestic violence; (iii) crime; and (iv) violence during law-enforcement from 1998 to present
Event types: Dataset currently unavailable (10/31/2015)
Event totals: Dataset currently unavailable (10/31/2015)

Kurdish Conflict Database (KCD)
http://gis.calvin.edu/data.html
Coverage: 1959-2007

Event types: incidents, attack group, targets of attack, type of conflict motive, and geographic location of incidents
Event totals: 2,130

Nigeria: Nigeria Watch
http://www.nigeriawatch.org/
Coverage: Violent events are recorded from 1st June 2006
Event types: A wide range from land issues, conflict by execution, and cattle grazing.
Event totals: N/A