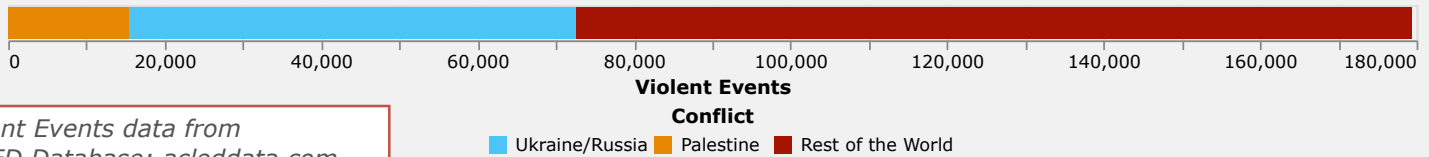


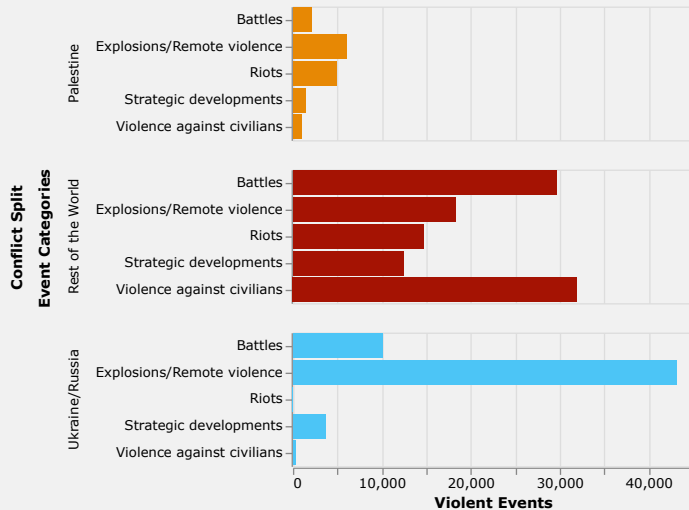
# A GLOBAL VIEW OF CONFLICT

We see hundreds of news articles about conflict in Ukraine and Palestine, as they dominate the media. However, what is going on in the rest of the world? ACLED is a leading database on violent events worldwide, and their data from 2023 provides in-depth insight into questions on violence in the world today.

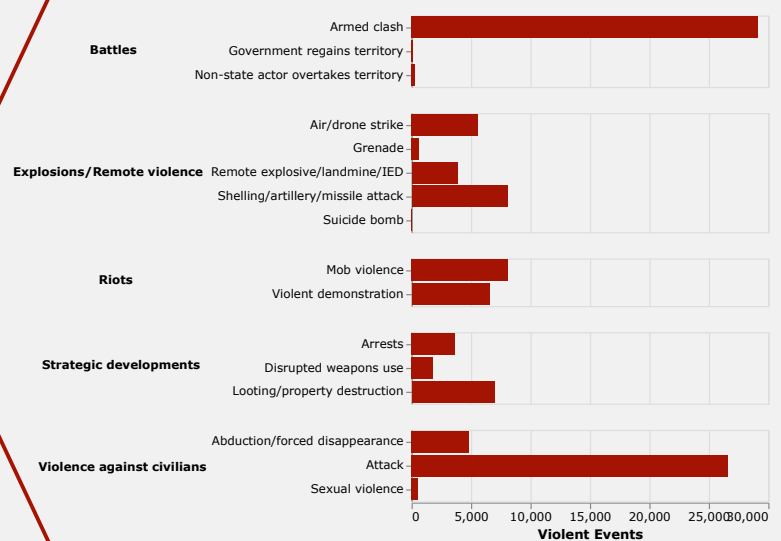
## Conflict Beyond Ukraine and Palestine in 2023



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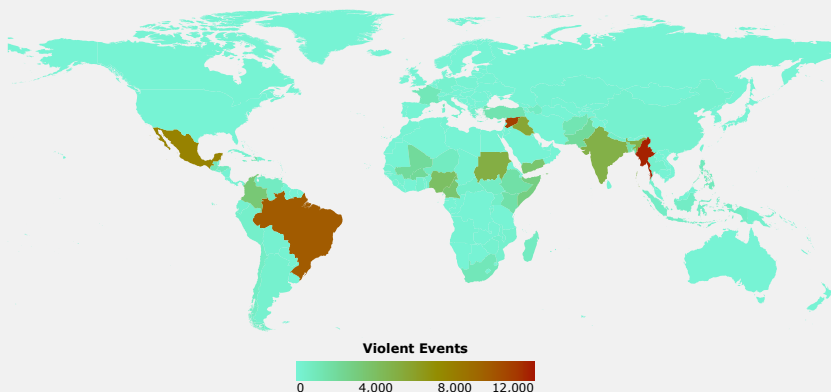


### Event Type Breakdown (Rest of the World)



In 2023, conflicts outside of the most talked about dominate a number of categories of violent events- particularly, armed clashes between groups and attacks against civilians. The question, then, is where are these violent events occurring?

### Violent Events by Country (2023) Ukraine & Palestine Excluded



Intensity of violence shows some notable differences. The highly populous countries such as Mexico, Brazil, Nigeria, and India fade significantly. Malaysia and Syria are the clear standouts in intensity- it's conflict is close to, if not already, fully devolved into a civil war. Other countries that remain highlighted include Syria and Yemen who face external actors driving their conflicts and Sudan's intense civil war. A few smaller countries also jump out onto the map- Cameroon escapes the shadow of the larger Nigeria, and both it and Mali highlight the continued dangers of extremists in West Africa. Meanwhile, Somalia continues to face challenges with peace, as many of the peacekeeping efforts there lead by African nations are on unsteady ground.

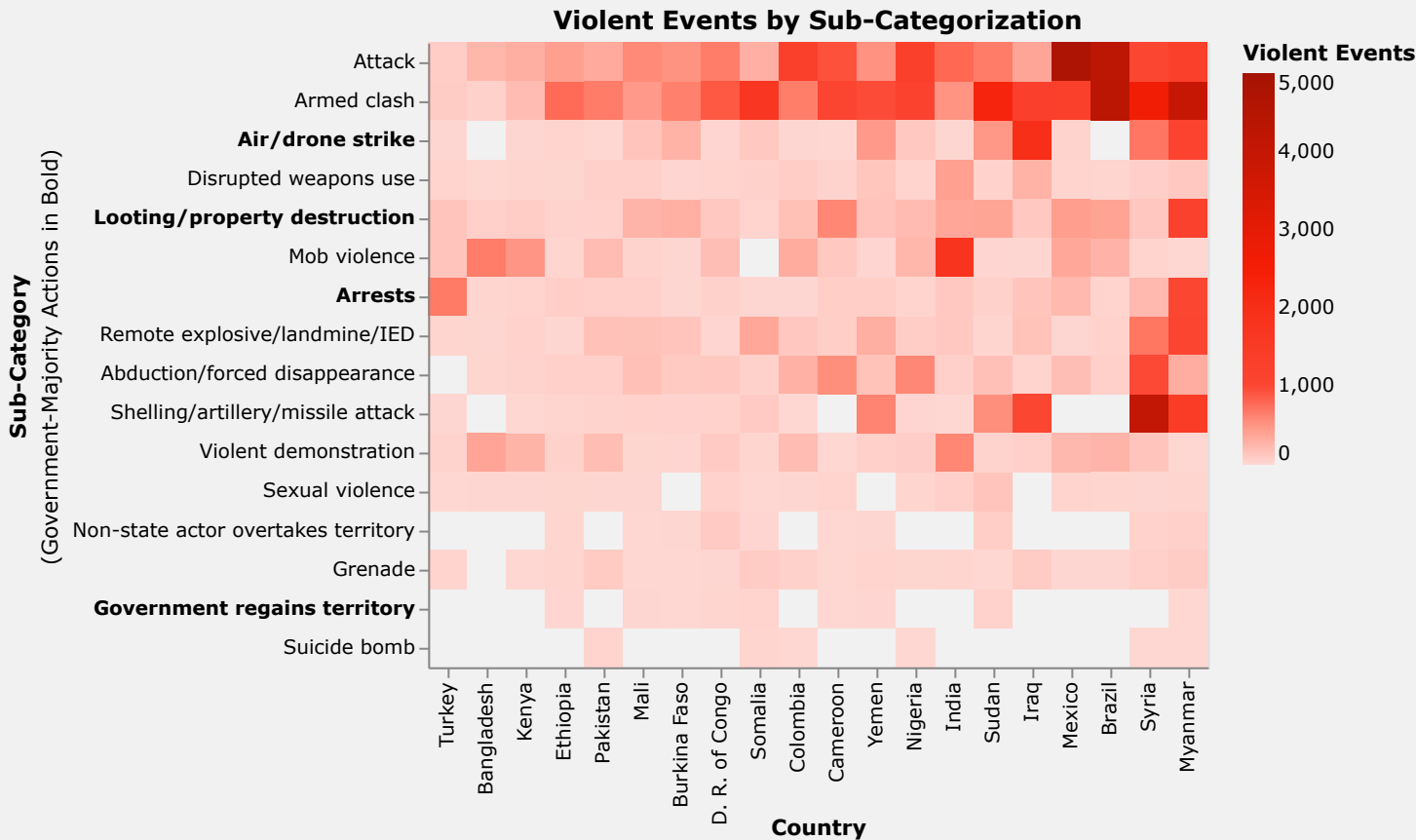
Conflict is spread across many countries- by raw events alone, in the Americas the violent activities of organized crime stand out in Mexico and Brazil. Sudan's civil war and Nigeria's struggles with religious extremists are the largest sources of violence in Africa, while Syria is a perhaps unexpected standout in the Middle East.

As discussion of conflict there has all but disappeared from the media. In Asia, India sees significant tensions with protestors and riots, while Malaysia's insurgent conflicts rage on.

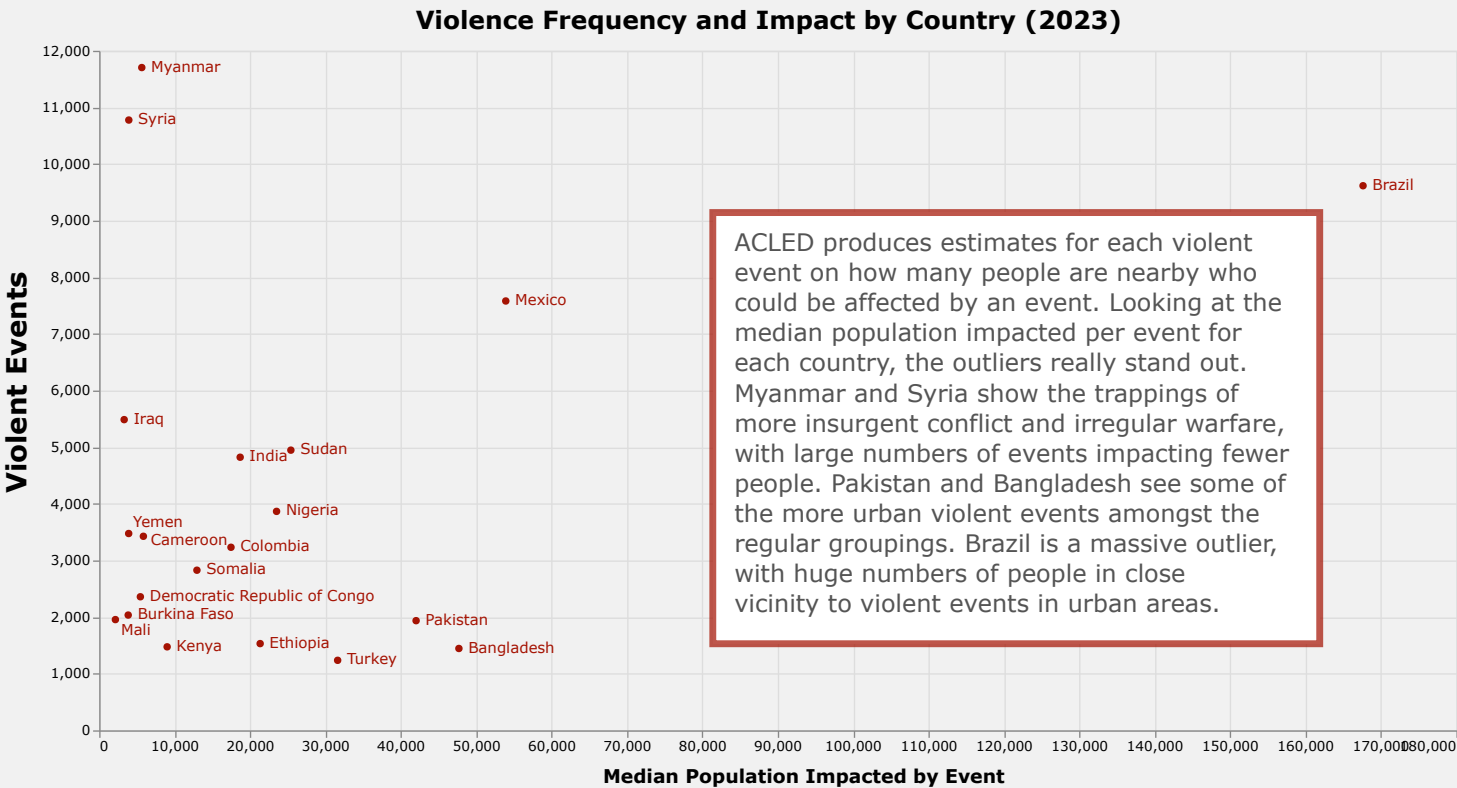
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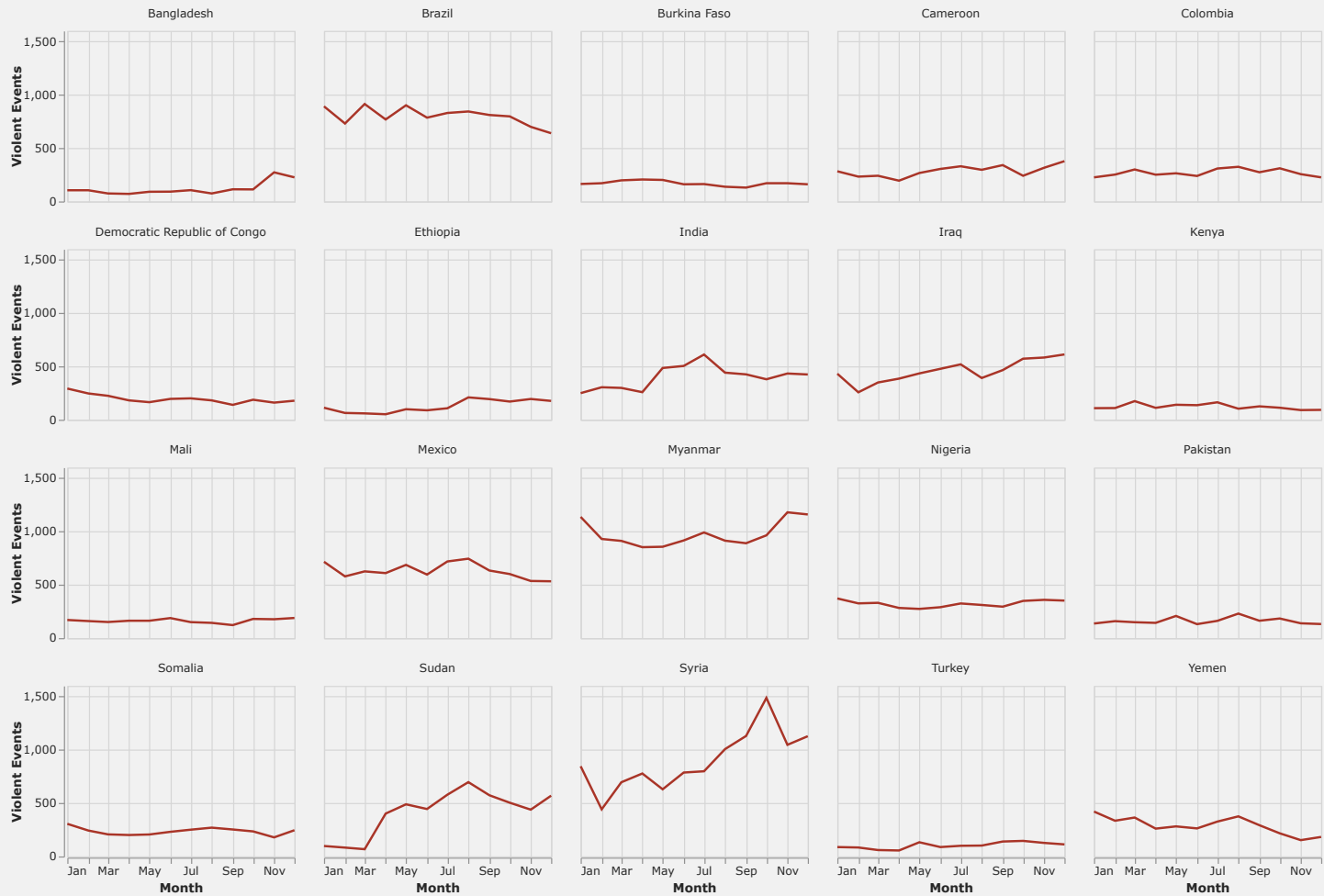
# DIGGING IN: VIOLENCE BY COUNTRY



Different countries are facing fundamentally different types of violence- while some categories like attack and armed clash are difficult to glean in-depth information from, other categories can provide critical information as to who is causing the violence. Myanmar and Syria don't stand out in the generic categories, but you can see significant activity in some categories that are primarily the actions of governments either local or foreign. India's violence is also quite unusual compared to the rest of the countries here, standing out in the mob violence and violent demonstration categories.

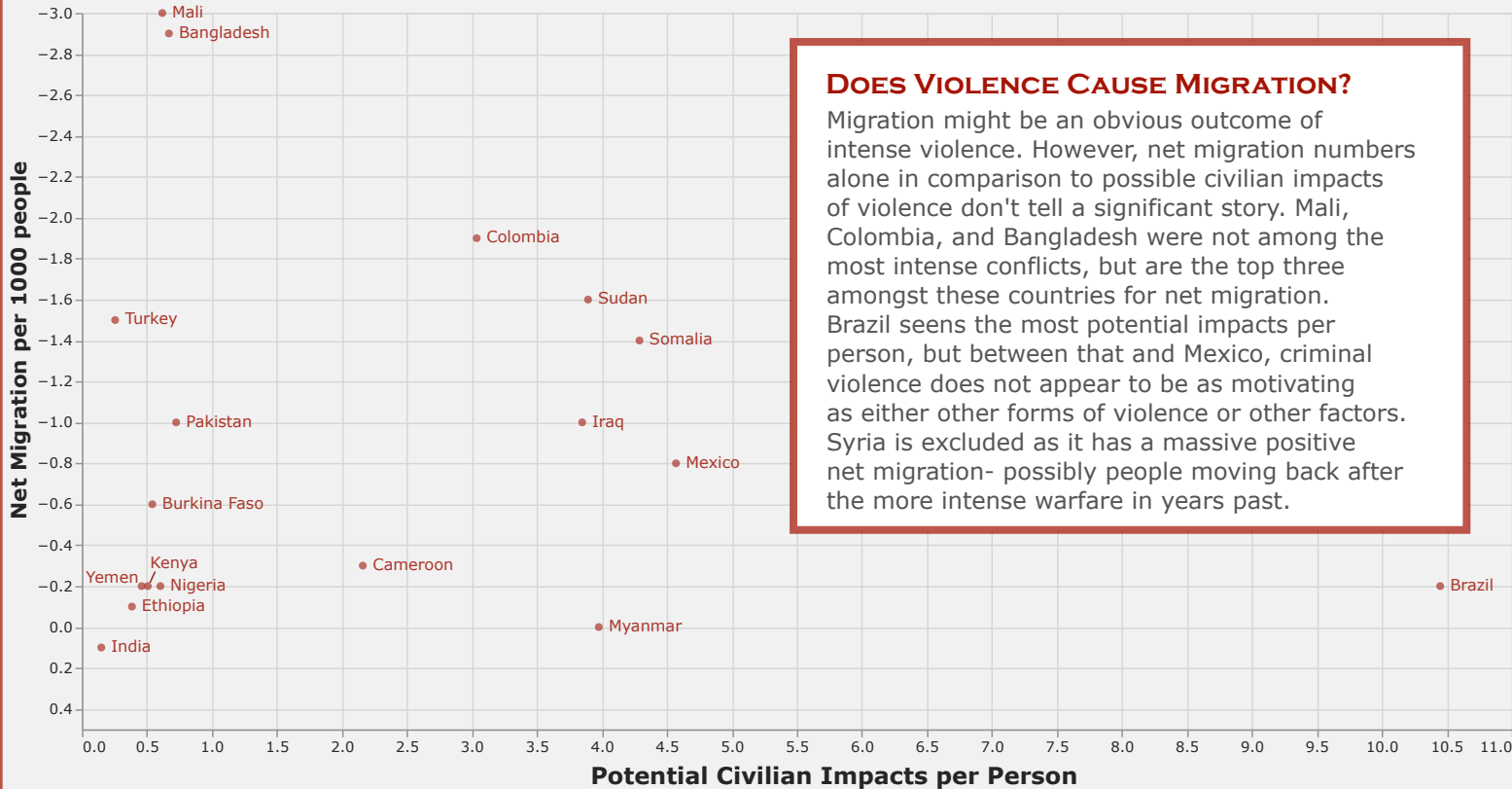


Country Conflict Timelines



Most low-level intensity conflicts appear to be consistent in their activity across the year. The few standouts are Sudan and Syria with significant upward trends, and possibly a small downward trend in Yemen.

Net Migration and Civilians Impacted by Country (2023)



DOES VIOLENCE CAUSE MIGRATION?

Migration might be an obvious outcome of intense violence. However, net migration numbers alone in comparison to possible civilian impacts of violence don't tell a significant story. Mali, Colombia, and Bangladesh were not among the most intense conflicts, but are the top three amongst these countries for net migration. Brazil seems the most potential impacts per person, but between that and Mexico, criminal violence does not appear to be as motivating as either other forms of violence or other factors. Syria is excluded as it has a massive positive net migration- possibly people moving back after the more intense warfare in years past.