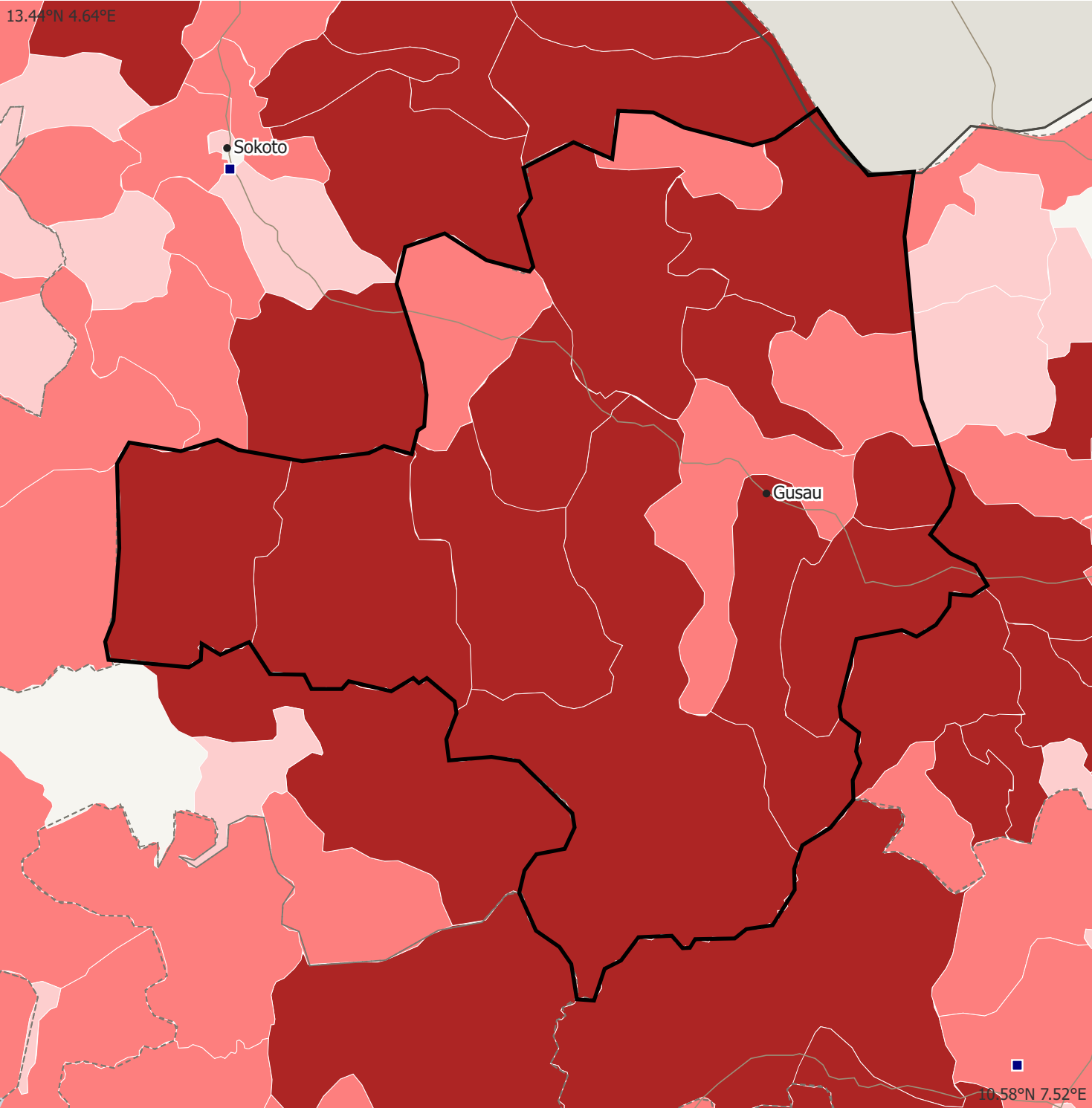


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Level	Coordinates	Covers	Report date
Extreme	12°00'47"N 6°03'04"E 12.0130, 6.0510	14 LGAs	2026-09-28

Under a US Level 4 advisory: Kidnapping.



Map: LGAs shaded by twelve-month ACLED intensity (2025-10 to 2026-09); black outline = this state; dashed = state lines; squares = military installations (town level).

Conflict intensity, last twelve months (ACLED)

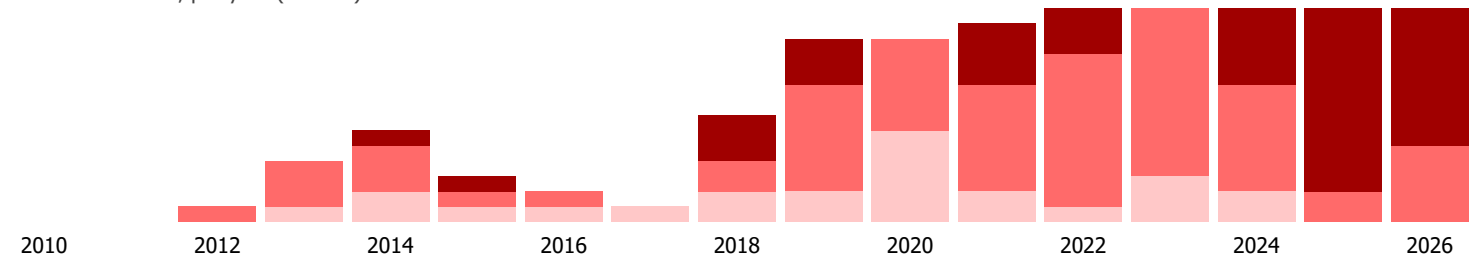
Political-violence events	825
Deaths in those events	1,786
Attacks on civilians	514
Civilians killed	827
LGAs at extreme	10
LGAs at high	4
LGAs at elevated	0

Where it concentrates

LGA	Level	Civ. killed	Trend
Anka	Extreme	161	steady
Tsafe	Extreme	146	falling
Talata Mafara	Extreme	104	steady
Gusau	Extreme	73	falling
Maru	Extreme	73	steady
Bukkuyum	Extreme	72	falling
Maradun	Extreme	47	falling
Kaura Namoda	Extreme	39	falling
Zurmi	Extreme	21	falling
Gummi	Extreme	18	rising
Birnin Magaji	High	26	rising
Bungudu	High	25	steady
Bakura	High	16	falling
Shinkafi	High	6	falling

How it developed

LGAs at each level, per year (max 14)



Archive record

11 incidents in the Dustline archive fall here, with 114 deaths recorded.

Date	Place	What happened
2026-08-21	Gusau, Zamfara	Security forces intercept transit truck loaded with 5,000 rounds of live ammunition in Gusau
2026-07-09	Anka, Zamfara	Troops repel massed bandit assault on Bagega mining community in Anka
2026-06-16	Maradun, Zamfara	Operation Fansan Yamma raids bandit logistics suppliers in Maradun corridor
2026-05-13	Shinkafi, Zamfara	Inter-gang clash between rival bandit syndicates leaves 15 dead near Sububu forest
2026-04-11	Tsafe, Zamfara	Troops neutralize 6 bandits attempting roadblock on Gusau-Funtua highway
2026-03-08	Zurmi, Zamfara	Operation Fansan Yamma ground assault captures bandit weapons cache in Zurmi
2026-02-09	Maru, Zamfara	NAF air strikes destroy bandit kingpin logistics enclave in Bingi forest
2026-01-05	Anka, Zamfara	Troops of Operation Hadarin Daji neutralise 8 armed bandits in Wuya forest sweep
2025-08-01	Bakura, Zamfara	Bandits abduct more than 50 in Sabon Garin Damri, Zamfara
2021-02-05	Shinkafi, Zamfara	Nigerian security forces (against Boko Haram) — Shinkafi, Zamfara (2021-02-05)

Military installations within 150 km

8 Division	Sokoto	141 km
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Advisories and named areas

US travel advisory: Zamfara State — Kidnapping (Level 4, do not travel).

Named danger areas: [Rugu Forest \(Katsina–Zamfara\)](#), [Central Zamfara forests \(Tsafe–Maru–Anka\)](#), [Eastern Sokoto \(Sabon Birni–Isa–Goronyo\)](#)

Limits

- ACLED counts recorded events. Rural violence is under-reported everywhere, and more so where journalists cannot go.

- Levels summarise twelve months; a road can change within days. Current advisories and local security briefings outrank this report.

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