

## Figures for the *Human Security Report 2008-2009*

**Table 2.1 Excess Deaths in the Democratic Republic of the Congo, 2001-2007: International Rescue Committee and Human Security Report Project Estimates**

Period	IRC (best)	HSRP (best)	IRC (low)	HSRP (low)	IRC (high)	HSRP (high)
May 2001-December 2001	418,400	209,200	180,800	29,800	654,500	402,300
January 2002-December 2002	343,200	257,400	120,100	34,300	583,400	497,600
January 2003-April 2004	607,000	101,200	101,200	-404,700	1,112,900	607,000
May 2004-December 2005	735,000	136,600	419,300	-179,700	1,138,100	539,100
January 2006-April 2007	727,000	158,600	522,000	-31,800	1,050,000	371,300
May 2001-April 2007	2,830,600	863,000	1,343,400	-552,100	4,538,900	2,417,300

*Data Sources: IRC and Human Security Report Project.*

The International Rescue Committee's (IRC) 'best estimate' of excess deaths in the Democratic Republic of the Congo for the period May 2001 to April 2007 is 2.83 million. Using the IRC's survey data, but a more realistic baseline mortality rate, the Human Security Report Project's 'best estimate' of the excess death toll for this period is 0.86 million. In both cases the margin of probable error is large, as indicated by the wide confidence intervals.