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Figure 1.3 Number of reported, codable deaths from state-based armed conflict, 2002-2005*

Region	2002	2003	2004	2005
Africa, Sub-Saharan	4741	3427	2914	1851
Americas	1200	518	1478	1106
Asia, Central and South	5292	3094	3924	4186
Asia, East and SE and Oceania	851	1630	1236	978
Europe	753	480	1151	668
Middle East and North Africa	2885	11183	6231	3250
Total	15722	20332	16934	12039

**Fatality figures are 'best estimates'
Data source: UCDP/Human Security Centre Dataset*

Given the challenges in counting and coding battle-deaths, particularly in Iraq, these figures should be treated with caution, however the number of reported, codable deaths from state-based armed conflict has declined slightly between 2002 and 2005.