Note on data discrepancies in the UCDP GED version 1.0-2011

Alliances

There are instances, most often in non-state conflicts, where there are multiple actors on one side. In such instances we have created a new, totally numeric, code and assigned it to these 'actors'. This has been done since most statistical software cannot deal with any textual data. Please refer to the Alliances file in the zipped package to interpret these alliance codes, that all start with a '5' and have six digits.

Rwandan genocide

It has not been possible to event code the Rwandan genocide, for reasons of the enormity of the scale of violence. Thus, the events in the dataset that make up the Rwandan genocide only add up to the UCDP's low estimate (in the aggregated one-sided violence dataset) for these incidents of violence.

Aggregation (non-event) events

The dataset contains a number of events that have Code status set to 'Aggregation (non-event)'. These events function as representations of instances where the UCDP has very strong reason to believe that a dyad has surpassed 25 fatalities, but cannot pinpoint these deaths to specific events. They are always set to very diffuse locations (precisions 6) and with very diffuse dates (often encompassing an entire year).

Administrative divisions

Some countries have had very complicated shifts in administrative divisions. Some of these countries have their own Word-documents explaining the georeferencing and are thus not well represented in the quantitative file on administrative divisions. Please refer to the separate folders.