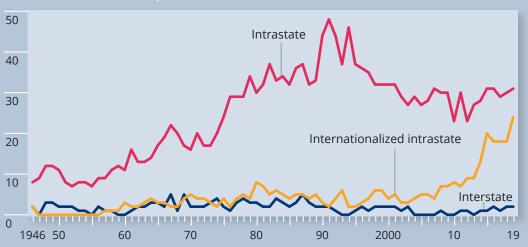
INTRASTATE VERSUS INTERSTATE CONFLICT TRENDS

After several decades of low frequency of interstate conflict, internal conflicts and civil wars increasingly are taking on international dimensions, as regional and international powers back different sides and directly contribute troops and materiel. These conflicts could begin to spill over into more direct, major power conflict, especially as combatants employ new technologies or techniques. This graphic separates intrastate conflicts, in which there is no interference from other countries, from internationalized intrastate conflicts—in which at least one side receives direct support from other governments that actively participate in the conflict.

NUMBER OF CONFLICTS, 1946-2019



Source: Uppsala Conflict Data Program, 2020