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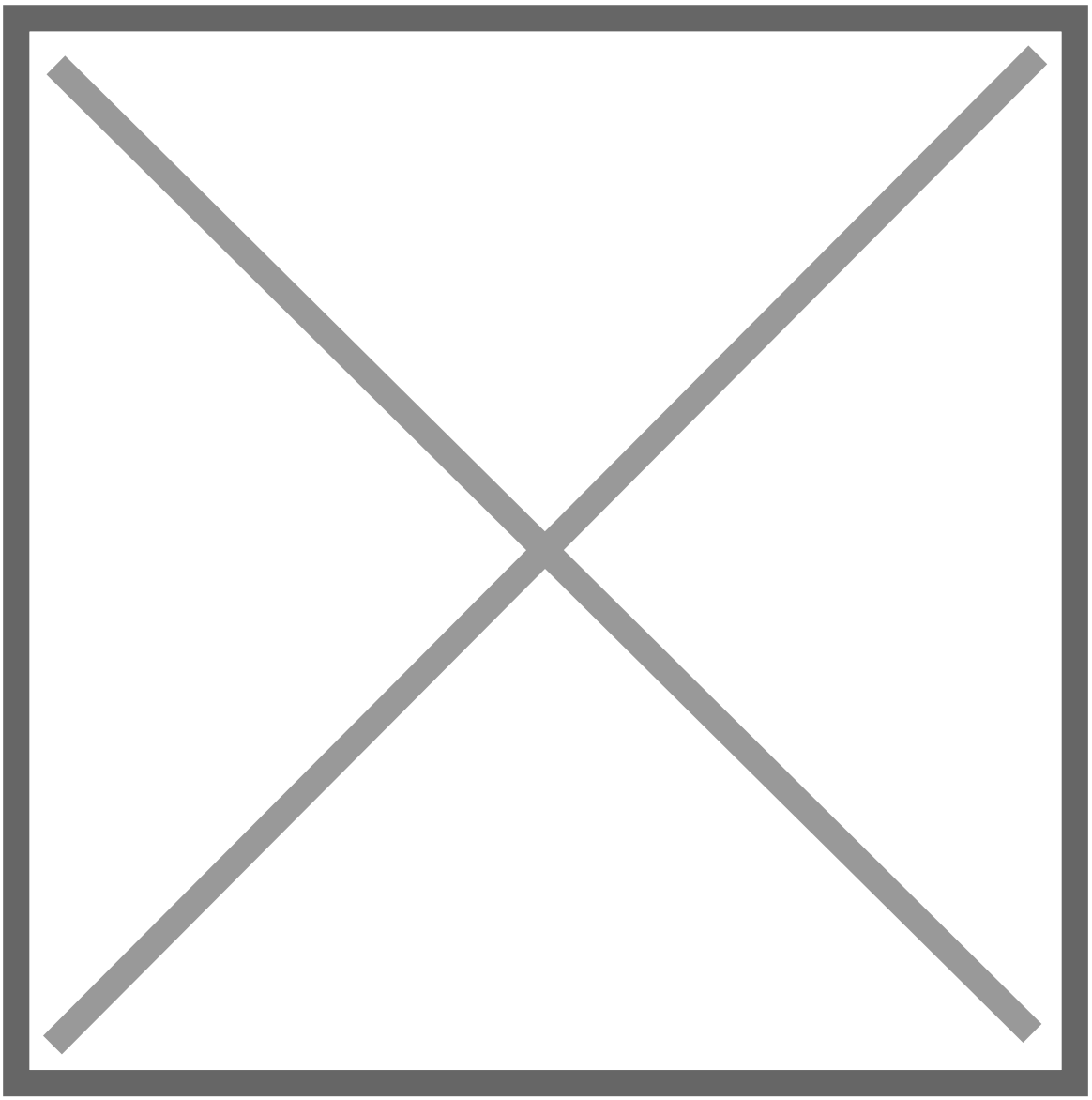
Kwara state is composed of 16 LGAs and its capital is Illorin city. The state's estimated population was 3 192 893 in 2016.



The state is affected by increasing farmer-herder conflicts and violent cult incidents. Actors in Kwara state include local communal militias, Fulani ethnic militias, cult militias, herders and farmers, and the Nigerian security police and military.

Kwara state is considered a relatively peaceful state in Nigeria, with few security incidents. In 2020, casualties were recorded during security incidents associated with farmer-herder conflicts and cult clashes.

During 2020, ACLED reported a total of 8 security incidents (2 battles, 4 cases of violence against civilians, 2 incidents of riots) in Kwara state (average of 0.2 security incidents per week). Security incidents took place in 7 out of 16 LGAs, with the largest overall (2) number being recorded in the LGA of Illorin East.

The abovementioned security incidents resulted in 3 deaths. Compared to the estimated population in the state, this represents less than 1 fatality per 100 000 inhabitants.

From 1 January to 30 April 2021, ACLED reported a total of 13 security incidents (3 battles, 2 cases of violence against civilians, 8 incidents of riots) in Kwara state (average of 0.8 security incidents per week). These security incidents resulted in 10 deaths.

IOM-DTM data showed that 87 % of the IDPs in North-West and North-Central regions were displaced within their state of origin, 13 % were displaced from a different state. As of January 2021, 309 231 IDPs were registered in North-Central region. Information on the number of conflict-related IDPs and on the number of returnees in Kwara state could not be found.

Looking at the indicators, it can be concluded that in the state of **Kwara** there is, in general, **no real risk** for a civilian to be personally affected within the meaning of Article 15(c) QD.

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