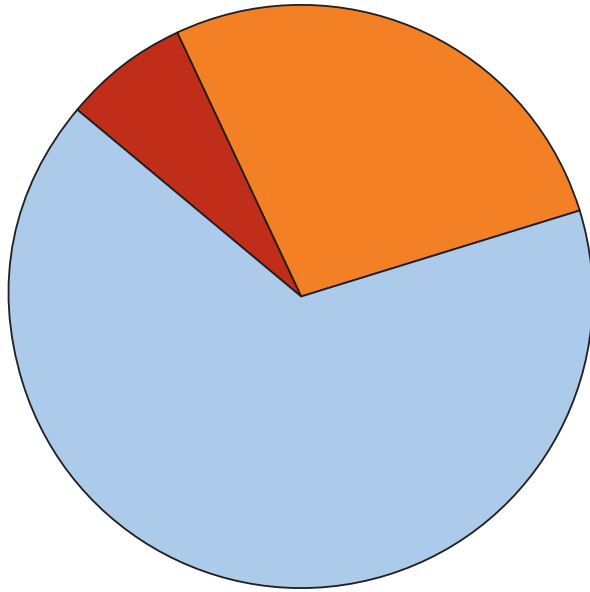


# THE BREADTH OF ARMED VIOLENCE



## CATEGORIES OF DEATHS

- NON-CONFLICT DEATHS
- INDIRECT CONFLICT DEATHS
- DIRECT CONFLICT DEATHS
  - Battle-Related Deaths
  - Civilian Deaths in Armed Conflict

**A recent study<sup>1</sup> of all aspects of armed violence reports that armed violence outside of armed conflict is responsible for the majority of deaths caused by the use of arms. This graph depicts the relative numbers of people killed directly by armed conflict, indirectly by the effects of armed conflict (largely due to preventable illnesses and communicable diseases), and as the result of criminally or politically motivated armed violence outside of armed conflicts.**

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<sup>1</sup> Geneva Declaration Secretariat, 2008, *Global Burden of Armed Violence* (Geneva, Switzerland), [www.genevadeclaration.org/resources-armed-violence-report.html](http://www.genevadeclaration.org/resources-armed-violence-report.html).



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