

We are analyzing the Armed Conflict Location and Event dataset, which collects information on reported political violence and protests across the world. For this project, we will be analyzing the data from the United States during the time period from 1JAN20-21JAN22. This dataset can lead us to help see the bigger picture on political activity in the United States where freedom of speech and religion are highly exercised. It also brings to light the current concerns and problems of U.S. society. We started our investigations off by looking at the general trend of the number of events occurring during the specified time period. Then we looked at how the number of protests, riots, violence against civilians, strategic developments, explosions, and battles changed over the period. We then analyzed these events by visualizing the most prominent event per county. We selected the top three counties with the most prevalent events and analyzed how their number of events changed over time. In addition to these general findings, we saw a correlation between interesting patterns in the number of events and Black Lives Matter activities. Looking back, we reanalyzed the foundational questions with a Black Lives Matter scope. We were able to map certain BLM events with news-reported incidents. These findings highlight the enormous number of events that have occurred in response to the BLM movement and changes in our society. The results of this project will allow our audience to understand the magnitude of the BLM movement within this time period of immense change.