

Codebook for the Militarized Interstate Incident Data, Version 4.0  
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## **Overview**

This codebook refers to the variables that are in the incident data sets, MID-I and MID-IP. MID-I contains the essential elements of each militarized interstate incident from 1/1/1993-12/31/2010. Incidents that belonged to disputes that began in 1992 and continued into 1993 were also collected. MID-IP describes the participants in each of those incidents.

## Variables in MIDI\_4.0.csv file

One record per incident

Variable Number	Variable Name	Variable Description
1	DispNum3	Dispute number (Version 3)
2	DispNum4	Dispute number (Version 4)
3	IncidNum3	Incident number (Version 3)
4	IncidNum4	Incident number (Version 4)
5	StDay	Start day of incident (-9 = missing)
6	StMon	Start month of incident
7	StYear	Start year of incident
8	EndDay	End day of incident (-9 = missing)
9	EndMon	End month of incident
10	EndYear	End year of incident
11	Duration	Duration of incident
12	TBI	Days between start date of consecutive Incidents within dispute
13	Fatality	Fatality leve of Incident 0 None 1 1-25 deaths 2 26-100 deaths 3 101-250 deaths 4 251-500 deaths 5 501-999 deaths 6 > 999 deaths -9 missing
14	FatalPre	Precise Fatalities, if Known (-9 = missing)
15	Action	Action in incident (bracketed numbers refer

		to corresponding hostility level)
		0 No militarized action [1]
		1 Threat to use force [2]
		2 Threat to blockade [2]
		3 Threat to occupy territory [2]
		4 Threat to declare war [2]
		5 Threat to use CBR weapons [2]
		6 Threat to join war [2]
		7 Show of force [3]
		8 Alert [3]
		9 Nuclear alert [3]
		10 Mobilization [3]
		11 Fortify border [3]
		12 Border violation [3]
		13 Blockade [4]
		14 Occupation of territory [4]
		15 Seizure [4]
		16 Attack [4]
		17 Clash [4]
		18 Declaration of war [4]
		19 Use of CBR weapons [4]
		20 Begin interstate war [5]
		21 Join interstate war [5]
		-9 Missing [-9]
16	HostLev	Hostility level of incident
		1 No militarized action
		2 Threat to use force
		3 Display use of force
		4 Use of force
		5 War
17	NumA	Number of States on Side A
18	RevType1	Revision Type #1
		0 Not applicable
		1 Territory
		2 Policy
		3 Regime/government
		4 Other
		-9 Missing
19	RevType2	Revision Type #2
		0 Not applicable
		1 Territory

2 Policy  
3 Regime/government  
4 Other  
-9 Missing

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Version

Version number of data set

## Variables in MIDIP\_4.0.csv file

One record per incident

Variable Number	Variable Name	Variable Description
1	DispNum3	Dispute number (Version 3)
2	DispNum4	Dispute number (Version 4)
3	IncidNum3	Incident number (Version 3)
4	IncidNum4	Incident number (Version 4)
5	StAbb	State abbreviation of participant
6	ccode	Country code/ state number of participant
7	StDay	Start day of incident (-9 = missing)
8	StMon	Start month of incident
9	StYear	Start year of incident
10	EndDay	End day of incident (-9 = missing)
11	EndMon	End month of incident
12	EndYear	End year of incident
13	InSide A	Incident Side A (1 = yes; 0 = no)
14	SideA	Dispute Side A (1 = yes; 0 = no)
15	Fatality	Fatality leve of Incident 0 None 1 1-25 deaths 2 26-100 deaths 3 101-250 deaths 4 251-500 deaths 5 501-999 deaths 6 > 999 deaths -9 missing
16	FatalPre	Precise Fatalities, if Known (-9 = missing)

17	Action	<p>Action in incident (bracketed numbers refer to corresponding hostility level)</p> <p>0 No militarized action [1]</p> <p>1 Threat to use force [2]</p> <p>2 Threat to blockade [2]</p> <p>3 Threat to occupy territory [2]</p> <p>4 Threat to declare war [2]</p> <p>5 Threat to use CBR weapons [2]</p> <p>6 Threat to join war [2]</p> <p>7 Show of force [3]</p> <p>8 Alert [3]</p> <p>9 Nuclear alert [3]</p> <p>10 Mobilization [3]</p> <p>11 Fortify border [3]</p> <p>12 Border violation [3]</p> <p>13 Blockade [4]</p> <p>14 Occupation of territory [4]</p> <p>15 Seizure [4]</p> <p>16 Attack [4]</p> <p>17 Clash [4]</p> <p>18 Declaration of war [4]</p> <p>19 Use of CBR weapons [4]</p> <p>20 Begin interstate war [5]</p> <p>21 Join interstate war [5]</p> <p>-9 Missing [-9]</p>
18	HostLev	<p>Hostility level of incident</p> <p>1 No militarized action</p> <p>2 Threat to use force</p> <p>3 Display use of force</p> <p>4 Use of force</p> <p>5 War</p>
19	RevType1	<p>Revision Type #1</p> <p>0 Not applicable</p> <p>1 Territory</p> <p>2 Policy</p> <p>3 Regime/government</p> <p>4 Other</p> <p>-9 Missing</p>
20	RevType2	<p>Revision Type #2</p> <p>0 Not applicable</p> <p>1 Territory</p> <p>2 Policy</p> <p>3 Regime/government</p> <p>4 Other</p>

		-9 Missing
21	Version	Version number of data set