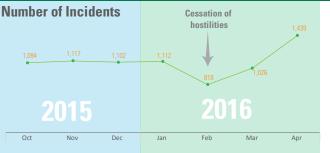
Conflict, Cropland and Food prices

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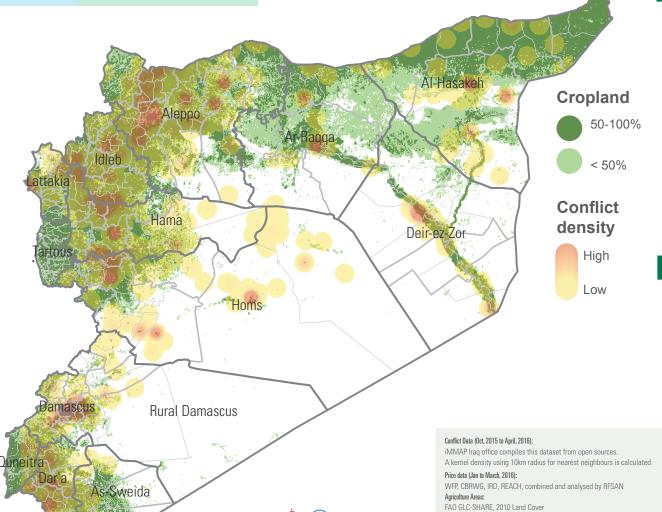
The conflict maps shows the density of security incidents observed between October 2015 and April, 2016 (with over 8,000 events recorded). The number of incidents briefly dropped in February 2016, before rising again in March and April. Most of the incidents were observed in Homs, Hama, Idleb and Aleppo; Rural Damascus (just outside Damascus); and the southern Governorates of Dara, Quneitra and As-Sweida. Incidents were also observed in the urban areas of Ar-Raqqa, Deir-ez-Zour and Al-Hasakeh.

The conflict density map is overlaid with cropland areas, where also most of the built-up urban and

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rural centres can be found. While most of the incidents occurred in and around built-up areas there is a devastating effect to be surmised on agriculture, as farmers often lack access to their fields, are unable to buy inputs and/or move their products to functioning markets.

The areas of the largest price changes mirror the conflict data well in many places with sub-districts in Homs, Hama, Idleb, Al-Hasakeh, As-Sweida, Aleppo, Dar'a and Rural Damascus being the most affected by price changes.



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