

Weekly Conflict Summary June 22-28, 2017

Over the course of this reporting period, the conflict in southern Syria continued to intensify. Fighting remains intense in both Damascus and Daraa cities, while the complex standoff near the Iraqi border remains tense. Increasing tensions between the YPG and Arab opposition forces risks further destabilization in Syria's northwest. Intra-opposition conflict resumed this week, primarily in the Idleb pocket. The Kurdish-led offensive on Raqqa city saw more gains this week.

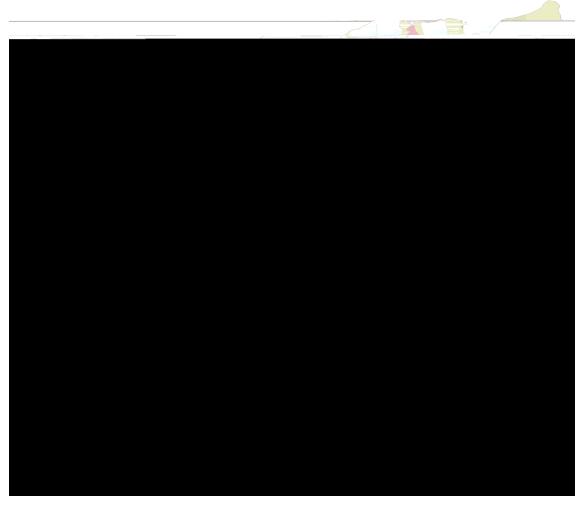


Figure 1 - Areas of control in Syria by June 28, with arrows indicating advances since the start of the reporting period. The underlying map is shaded based upon the density of population centers, with darker areas indicating greater density.