

# The Conflict in Northern Ireland

## Lesson 3 // 1972: A Pivotal Year

MODULE

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teaching  
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**1972**

**In 1972, 480 people were killed in “the Troubles” and hundreds more injured. Many of those who died were civilians. 1972 went on to become the deadliest year in the history of Northern Ireland.**

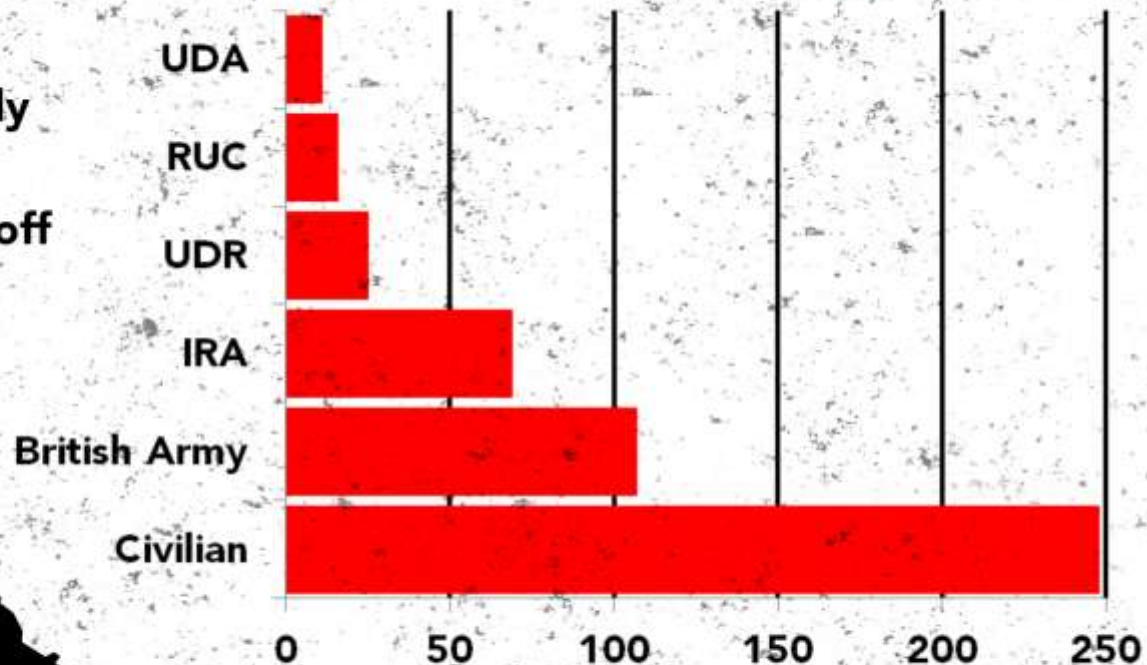


**1972** Between 1969 and 2001, **3,531** people were killed as a result of the Troubles with 1972 seeing the largest loss of life with **480** deaths

Approximately  
**1,300**  
bombs went off  
in 1972



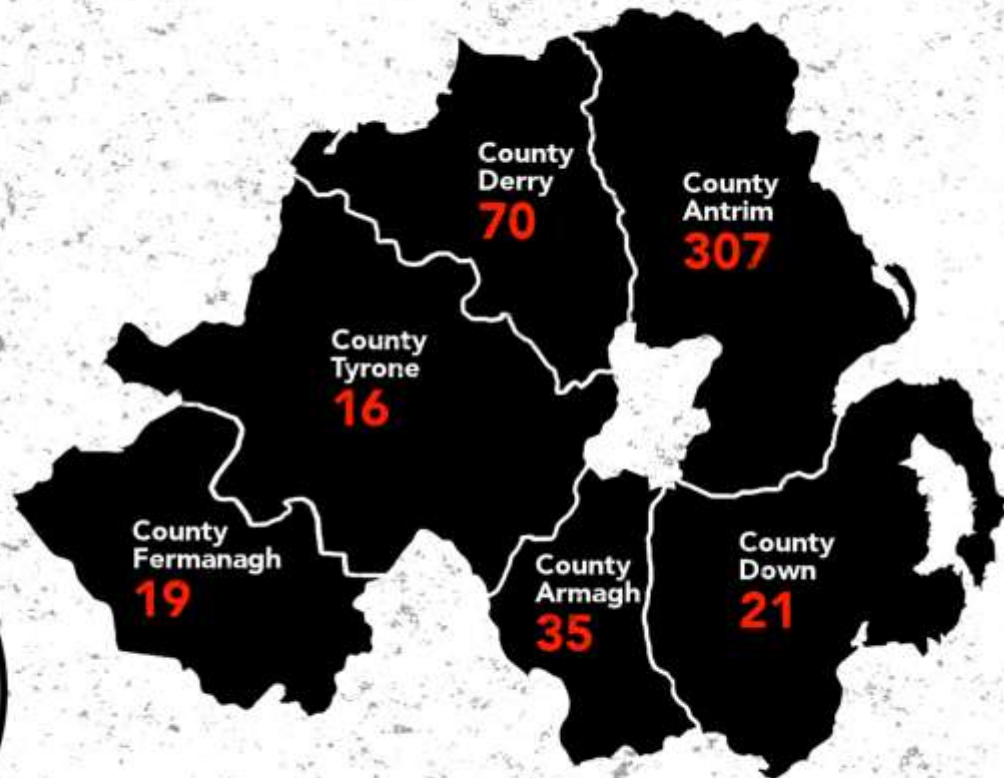
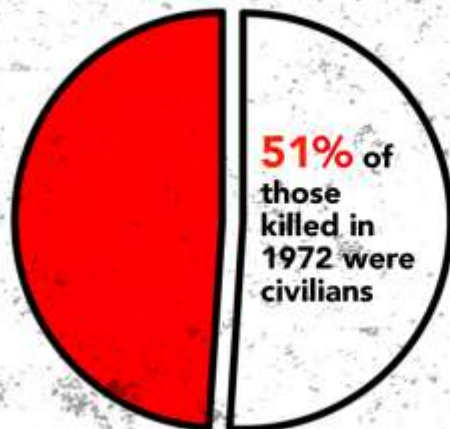
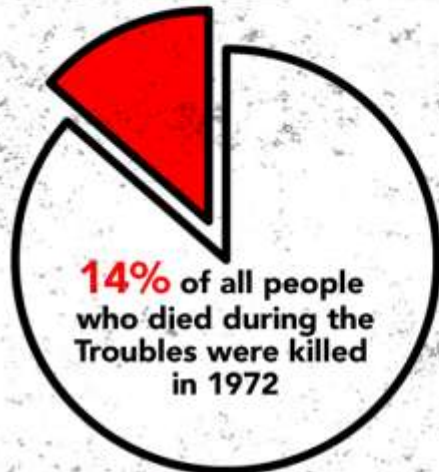
The number of  
British Army  
soldiers peaked  
at over **30,000**  
during 1972



Biggest loss of life in one incident was on **BLOODY SUNDAY** when **13** protestors were killed by the British Army

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17% of those that were killed in 1972 were aged 18 and under



On BLOODY FRIDAY the IRA detonated 22 bombs in Belfast killing 9 people