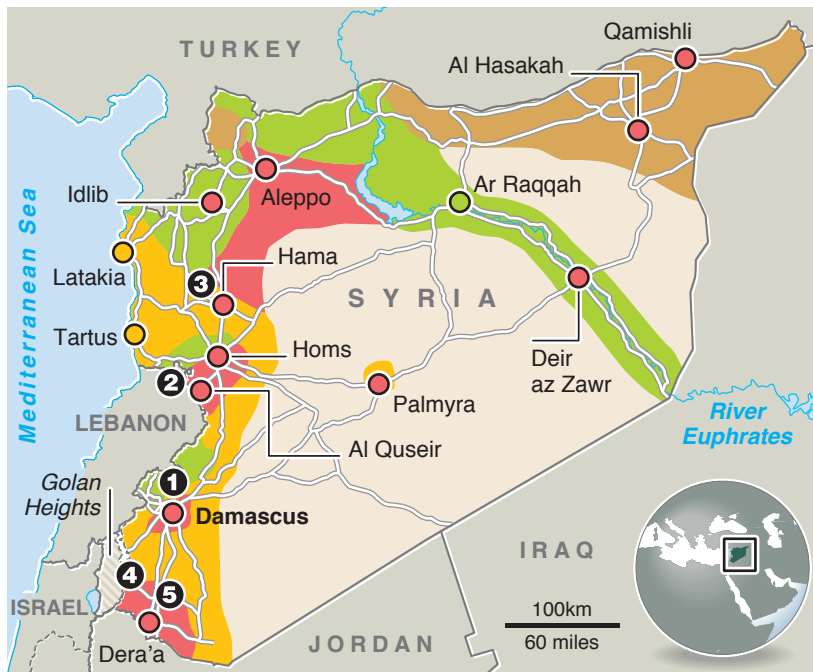


General areas of control in Syria's conflict

Syrian government forces
 Anti-government forces
 Pro-Kurdish forces
 Contested
 Control of city / town



RECENT FIGHTING APRIL-MAY

1 Apr 26, Damascus: Government troops begin major offensive to remove opposition forces from their strongholds in and around capital

2 Homs governorate: Conflict increasingly affects Lebanese border. Government forces, allegedly backed by Hezbollah fighters, attack rebels around Al Quseir. Free Syrian Army (FSA) fires on villages in Lebanon's Bekaa region

3 Hama: FSA begins new offensive in attempt to relieve pressure on other fronts

4 Southern provinces: FSA mostly in control of Syrian Golan region. Government no longer controls large swathes of Dera'a governorate

5 May 8, Khirbet Ghazaleh: Syrian army advances on strategic town following two-month bombardment, opening way for capture of main transit route to Jordan