

# Rising death toll in eastern Ukraine

The conflict in eastern Ukraine between Russian-backed separatists and Kiev has claimed over 10,000 lives since 2014, almost one-third of them civilians, making it Europe's bloodiest since the 1990s Balkan wars



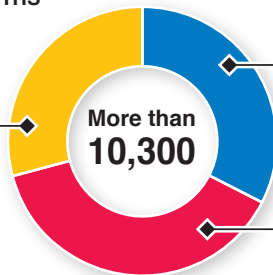
## CONFLICT-RELATED DEATHS IN EASTERN UKRAINE

April 2014 to May 2018

Civilians

**3,023**

(Includes 298 people killed by shooting down of Malaysia Airlines flight MH17 in July 2014)



Members of Ukrainian armed forces

**3,332**

(Ukrainian Defence Ministry statement)

“Members of armed groups”

**4,000**

(Approximate figure)