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Abstract

After two decades of successful economic development since its independence in 1960, Ivory Coast has been mired in crisis in the past two decades. An attempted coup in 1999 followed by an armed rebellion in 2002 split the nation in two which left thousands of people dead. Since then, peace deals have alternated with renewed violence and the consequences for welfare have been tragic. The disaggregated analysis of civil war using data at the micro level is increasingly acknowledged as the most promising way to truly decipher civil war’s causes. This study uses two novel micro-data sets (1) household surveys conducted in 1998, 2002 and 2008 and (2) the ACLED conflict database conflict events to test the hypothesis if grievances and group cohesion among the relatively deprived facilitate mobilization of conflict. Main findings indicate that ethnic fractionalization, social polarization and social inequality between ethnic groups are positively related to conflict outbreak. Poverty is widespread but is more profound in the north west of the country where the Muslim population gradually became more concentrated, while the southern region is dominated by relatively wealthy Christians. Overall, the findings suggest a significant relationship between the geography, ethnicity, poverty and civil war.

Profile

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