

## Chapter 5 The Effect of Economic Growth on Terrorism

### Abstract

A central component to our understanding of the root causes of terrorism is the question of how economic performance is associated with acts of terrorism. For example, academic and policy circles often raise a question of whether strong national economy is beneficial to the war on terrorism. Unlike previous research, Chapter 5 conceptualizes economic growth into two important sectors (i.e., agricultural and industrial) and categorizes terrorism into three different forms (i.e., domestic, international, and suicide). Chapter 5 then evaluates whether this revised conceptualization and categorization provide a better understanding of the relationship between different types of economic growth and types of terrorist activities.