

# America's Wars

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1 marican	Pavalution	(1775-1783)
American	Revolution	111/12-1/021

Total U.S. Servicemembers <sup>1</sup>	217,000
Battle Deaths	4,435
Non-mortal Woundings	6,188

## War of 1812 (1812-1815)

Total U.S. Servicemembers	286,730
Battle Deaths	2,260
Non-mortal Woundings	4,505

## Indian Wars (approx. 1817-1898)

Total U.S. Servicemembers (VA estimate)	106,000
Battle Deaths (VA estimate)	1,000

## Mexican War (1846-1848)

Total U.S. Servicemembers	78,718
Battle Deaths	1,733
Other Deaths (In Theater)	11,550
Non-mortal Woundings	4,152

#### Civil War (1861-1865)

Total U.S. Servicemembers (Union)	2.213.363
Battle Deaths (Union)	140,414
Other Deaths (In Theater) (Union)	224,097
Non-mortal Woundings (Union)	281,881
Total Servicemembers (Conf.) <sup>2</sup>	1,050,000
Battle Deaths (Confederate) <sup>3</sup>	74,524
Other Deaths (In Theater) (Confederate) 3, 4	59.297
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Non-mortal Woundings (Confederate)	Unknown

#### Spanish-American War (1898-1902)

Total U.S. Servicemembers (Worldwide)	306,760
Battle Deaths	385
Other Deaths in Service (Non-Theater)	2,061
Non-mortal Woundings	1,662

## World War I (1917-1918)

Total U.S. Servicemembers (Worldwide)	4,734,991
Battle Deaths	53,402
Other Deaths in Service (Non-Theater)	63,114
Non-mortal Woundings	204,002
Living Veterans	0

#### World War II (1941 –1945)

Total U.S. Servicemembers (Worldwide)	16,112,566
Battle Deaths	291,557
Other Deaths in Service (Non-Theater)	113,842
Non-mortal Woundings	670,846
Living Veterans <sup>5</sup>	1,711,000

#### NOTES:

- 1. Exact number is unknown. Posted figure is the median of estimated range from 184,000 - 250,000.
- 2. Exact number is unknown. Posted figure is median of estimated range from 600,000 - 1,500,000.
- 3. Death figures are based on incomplete returns.
- 4. Does not include 26,000 to 31,000 who died in Union prisons.
- 5. Estimate based upon new population projection methodology.

### Korean War (1950-1953)

Total U.S. Servicemembers (Worldwide)	5,720,000
Total Serving (In Theater)	1,789,000
Battle Deaths	33,739
Other Deaths (In Theater)	2,835
Other Deaths in Service (Non-Theater)	17,672
Non-mortal Woundings	103,284
Living Veterans	2,275,000

#### Vietnam War (1964-1975)

Total U.S. Servicemembers (Worldwide) <sup>6</sup>	8,744,000
Deployed to Southeast Asia <sup>7</sup>	3,403,000
Battle Deaths <sup>8</sup>	47,434
Other Deaths (In Theater) <sup>8</sup>	10,786
Other Deaths in Service (Non-Theater) <sup>8</sup>	32,000
Non-mortal Woundings 9	153,303
Living Veterans 5, 10	7,391,000

#### Desert Shield/Desert Storm (1990-1991)

2,322,000
694,550
148
235
1,565
467
2,244,583

## America's Wars Total (1775 -1991)

41,892,128
651,031
308,800
230,254
1,430,290
16,962,000
22,234,000

#### Global War on Terror (Oct 2001 - )

The Global War on Terror (GWOT), including Operation Enduring Freedom (OEF) and Operation Iraqi Freedom (OIF), are ongoing conflicts. For the most current GWOT statistics visit the following Department of Defense Website: http://siadapp.dmdc.osd.mil/personnel/CASUALTY/gwot\_component.

- 6. Covers the period 8/5/64 1/27/73 (date of cease fire)
- 7. Department of Defense estimate
- 8. Covers period 11/1/55 5/15/75
- 9. Excludes 150,341 not requiring hospital care
- 10. Defense Manpower Data Center (DMDC) estimate, as of 4/09, does not include those still on active duty and may include veterans who served in Iraq and Afghanistan.
- 11. Total will be more than sum of conflicts due to no "end date" established for Persian Gulf War.

Source: Department of Defense (DOD), except living veterans, which are VA estimates as of Sep 2009.

American Revolution	Mexican War		
Last Veteran, Daniel F. Bakeman,	Last Veteran, Owen Thomas Edgar,		
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died 4/5/1869, age 109	died 9/3/29, age 98		
Last Widow, Catherine S. Damon,	Last Widow, Lena James Theobald,		
died 11/11/06, age 92	died 6/20/63, age 89		
Last Dependent, Phoebe M. Palmeter,	Last Dependent, Jesse G. Bivens,		
died 4/25/11, age 90	died 11/1/62, age 94		
War of 1812	Civil War		
Last Veteran, Hiram Cronk,	Last Union Veteran, Albert Woolson,		
died 5/13/05, age 105	died 8/2/56, age 109		
Last Widow, Carolina King,	Last Confederate Veteran, John Salling,		
died 6/28/36, age unknown	died 3/16/58, age 112		
Last Dependent, Esther A.H. Morgan,	Last Union Widow, Gertrude Janeway,		
died 3/12/46, age 89	died 1/17/2003, age 93		
Indian Wars	Spanish-American War		
Last Veteran, Fredrak Fraske,	Last veteran, Nathan E. Cook,		
died 6/18/73, age 101	died 9/10/92, age 106		
World War I			
Last veteran, Frank Buckles,			
Died 2/27/11, age 110			

VA estimates the number of	living World War II U.S. vete	erans will be:*	
9/30/111,711,000	9/30/121,463,000	9/30/131,237,000	9/30/14 1,035,000
9/30/15855,000	9/30/16698,000	9/30/17562,000	9/30/18446,000
9/30/19350,000	9/30/20270,000	9/30/21205,000	9/30/22153,000

9/30/19.....350,000 9/30/21.....205,000 9/30/20.....270,000 9/30/23.....112,000 9/30/24...... 81,000 9/30/25..... 57,000

## U.S. Veterans and Dependents on Benefits Rolls as of September 2011

	VETERANS	CHILDREN	PARENTS	SURVIVING SPOUSES
Civil War	-	2	-	-
Indian Wars	-	-	-	-
Spanish-American War	-	63	-	50
Mexican Border	-	10	-	22
World War I	-	2,371	-	2,734
World War II	269,418	11,185	29	210,696
Korean Conflict	206,502	2,347	105	65,900
Vietnam Era	1,325,941	4,051	2,228	191,488
Gulf War <sup>1</sup>	1, 214,715	3,220	1,231	19,941
Non service-connected	313,660	12,416	0	189,433
Service-connected	3,354,740	12,364	4,514	338,565

<sup>1</sup> For compensation and pension purposes, the Persian Gulf War period has not yet been terminated and includes veterans of Operations Iraqi and Enduring Freedom.

<sup>\*</sup> Estimates have changed based on new population projections.