

America's Wars

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| American Revolution (1775-1783) | |
|---|------------|
| Total U.S. Servicemembers ¹ | 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.) ² | 1,050,000 |
| Battle Deaths (Confederate) ³ | 74,524 |
| Other Deaths (In Theater) (Confederate) 3,4 | 59,297 |
| Non-mortal Woundings (Confederate) | Unknown |
| Spanish-American War (1898-190 | - |
| Total U.S. Servicemembers (Worldwide) | 306,760 |
| Battle Deaths | 385 |
| Other Deaths in Service (Non-Theater) Non-mortal Woundings | 2,061 |
| World War I (1917-1918) | 1,662 |
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| 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 |
| 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 ⁵ | 389,000 |

 $1.\ Exact\ number\ is\ unknown.\ Posted\ figure\ is\ the\ median\ of\ estimated$ 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.

Source: Department of Defense (DOD), except living veterans, which are VA estimates as of Sept. 2019

Korean War (1950-1953)

| Total U.S. Servicemembers (Worldwide) | 5,720,000 |
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| 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 | 1,165,000 |

Vietnam War (1964-1975)

| Total U.S. Servicemembers (Worldwide) ⁶ | 8,744,000 |
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| Deployed to Southeast Asia 7 | 3,403,000 |
| Battle Deaths ⁸ | 47,434 |
| Other Deaths (In Theater) 8 | 10,786 |
| Other Deaths in Service (Non-Theater) 8 | 32,000 |
| Non-mortal Woundings 9 | 153,303 |
| Living Veterans 5, 10 | 6,262,000 |

Desert Shield/Desert Storm (1990-1991)

| Total U.S. Servicemembers (Worldwide) | 2,225,000 |
|---------------------------------------|-----------|
| Deployed to Gulf | 694,550 |
| Battle Deaths | 148 |
| Other Deaths (In Theater) | 235 |
| Other Deaths in Service (Non-Theater) | 1,565 |
| Non-mortal Woundings | 467 |
| Living Veterans 5, 10 | 1,680,000 |

America's Wars Total (1775 -1991)

| U.S. Military Service during Wartime | 41,892,128 |
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| Battle Deaths | 651,031 |
| Other Deaths (In Theater) | 308,800 |
| Other Deaths in Service (Non-Theater) | 230,254 |
| Non-mortal woundings | 1,430,290 |
| Living War Veterans ¹¹ | 14,918,000 |
| Living Veterans (Periods of War & Peace) | 19,210,000 |

Global War on Terror (Oct 2001 – Sept 2021)

The Global War on Terror (GWOT), including Operation Enduring Freedom (OEF) and Operation Iraqi Freedom (OIF), were ongoing conflicts. The GWPT ended September 11, 2021, the twentieth anniversary of the attacks. For the most current GWOT statistics visit the following Department of Defense

https://www.dmdc.osd.mil/dcas/pages/casualties.xhtml

- 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.Living War Veterans include Gulf War Era Veterans in addition to Desert Shield/Storm Veterans, Peacetime Veterans are 4,292,000 as of 9/30/2019 America's Wars Fact Sheet, Nov. 2019

| American Revolution | Mexican War |
|-------------------------------------|--|
| Last Veteran, Daniel F. Bakeman, | Last Veteran, Owen Thomas Edgar, |
| died 4/5/1869, age 109 | died 9/3/1929, age 98 |
| Last Widow, Catherine S. Damon, | Last Widow, Lena James Theobald, |
| died 11/11/1906, age 92 | died 6/20/1963, age 89 |
| Last Dependent, Phoebe M. Palmeter, | Last Dependent, Jesse G. Bivens, |
| died 4/25/1911, age 90 | died 11/1/1962, age 94 |
| War of 1812 | Civil War |
| Last Veteran, Hiram Cronk, | Last Union verified Veteran, Albert Woolson, |
| died 5/13/1905, age 105 | died 8/2/1956, age 109 |
| Last Widow, Carolina King, | Last Confederate verified Veteran, Pleasant Crump, |
| died 6/28/1936, age unknown | died 12/21/1951, age 104 |
| Last Dependent, Esther A.H. Morgan, | Last Union Widow, Gertrude Janeway, |
| died 3/12/1946, age 89 | died 1/17/2003, age 93 |
| | Last Confederate Widow, Maudie Hopkins |
| | died 8/1/2008, age 93 |
| Indian Wars | Spanish-American War |
| Last Veteran, Fredrak Fraske, | Last veteran, Nathan E. Cook, |
| died 6/18/1973, age 101 | died 9/10/1992, age 106 |
| World War I | |
| Last Veteran, Frank Buckles, | |
| died 2/27/2011, age 110 | |
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VA estimates the number of living World War II U.S. veterans will be:*

| 9/30/2484,446 | 9/30/2558,697 | 9/30/2640,127 | 9/30/2726,979 |
|----------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| 9/30/28;17,845 | 9/30/2911,618 | 9/30/307,446 | 9/30/314,695 |
| 9/30/32,2,910 | 9/30/331,770 | 9/30/341,056 | 9/30/35617 |
| 9/30/36352 | 9/30/37195 | 9/30/38106 | 9/30/3955 |

^{*} Estimates have changed based on new population projections.

U.S. Veterans and Dependents on Benefits Rolls as of November 2023

| | VETERANS | CHILDREN | PARENTS | SURVIVING SPOUSES |
|------------------------------------|-----------|----------|---------|----------------------|
| Spanish-American War | 0 | 14 | 0 | 21 |
| Mexican Border | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 |
| World War I | 0 | 495 | 0 | 358 |
| World War II | 17,689 | 5,404 | 0 | 63,002 |
| Philippines | 295 | 117 | 1 | 1,250 |
| Korean Conflict | 81,470 | 1,566 | 0 | 60,307 |
| Vietnam Era | 1,495,254 | 4,838 | 309 | 365,874 |
| Gulf War ¹ | 3,387,022 | 6,705 | 2,331 | 47,010 |
| Peacetime | 814,593 | 1,271 | 388 | 44,960 |
| GWOT | 1,311,249 | 3,757 | 1,179 | 13,327 |
| Non service-connected ² | 155,148 | 5,329 | 0 | 105,465 |
| Service-connected ² | 5,641,175 | 15,081 | 3,029 | 477,319 |

^{1.} For compensation and pension purposes, the Persian Gulf War period has not yet been terminated and includes Veterans of Operations Iraqi Freedom, Enduring, and New Dawn.

^{2.} This total includes peacetime veterans receiving benefits