America's Wars: U.S. Casualties and Veterans

The table below has information about the total number of service members, battle deaths, and nonmortal woundings in wars from 1775 to 2008; such as the American Revolution, the Civil War, World War I and II, Vietnam, and more.

American Revolution (1775–1783)		
Total servicemembers	217,000	
Battle deaths	4,435	
Nonmortal woundings	6,188	
War of 1812 (1812–1815)		
Total servicemembers	286,730	
Battle deaths	2,260	
Nonmortal woundings	4,505	
Indian Wars (approx. 1817–1898)		
Total servicemembers	106,000¹	
Battle deaths	1,000¹	
Mexican War (1846–1848)		
Total servicemembers	78,718	
Battle deaths	1,733	
Other deaths in service (nontheater)	11,550	
Nonmortal woundings	4,152	
Civil War (1861–1865)		
Total servicemembers (Union)	2,213,363	
Battle deaths (Union)	140,414	
Other deaths in service (nontheater) (Union)	224,097	
Nonmortal woundings (Union)	281,881	
Total servicemembers (Conf.)	1,050,000	
Battle deaths (Conf.)	74,524	
Other deaths in service (nontheater) (Conf.)	59,297²	
Nonmortal woundings (Conf.)	unknown	

Spanish-American War (1898–1902)		
Total servicemembers	306,760	
Battle deaths	385	
Other deaths in service (nontheater)	2,061	
Nonmortal woundings	1,662	
World War I (1917–1918) ³		
Total servicemembers	4,734,991	
Battle deaths	53,402	
Other deaths in service (nontheater)	63,114	
Nonmortal woundings	204,002	
Living veterans	fewer than 251	
World War II (1940–1945) ³		
Total servicemembers	16,112,566	
Battle deaths	291,557	
Other deaths in service (nontheater)	113,842	
Nonmortal woundings	671,846	
Living veterans	3,242,000 ¹	
Korean War (1950–1953)		
Total servicemembers	5,720,000	
Serving in-theater	1,789,000	
Battle deaths	33,741	
Other deaths in service (theater)	2,833	
Other deaths in service (nontheater)	17,672	
Nonmortal woundings	103,284	
Living veterans	3,086,400 ¹	
Vietnam War (1964–1975)		
Total servicemembers	8,744,000	
Serving in-theater	3,403,000	
Battle deaths	47,424	
Other deaths in service (theater)	10,785	

Other deaths in service (nontheater)	32,000	
Nonmortal woundings	153,303	
Living veterans	7,286,500¹	
Gulf War (1990–1991)		
Total servicemembers	2,225,000	
Serving in-theater	665,476	
Battle deaths	147	
Other deaths in service (theater)	382	
Other deaths in service (nontheater)	1,565	
Nonmortal woundings	467	
Living veterans	1,852,000¹	
America's Wars Total		
Military service during war	41,891,368	
Battle deaths	651,030	
Other deaths in service (theater)	308,800	
Other deaths in service (nontheater)	230,279	
Nonmortal woundings	1,431,290	
Living war veterans	17,456,000 ⁴	
Living veterans	23,442,000	
Global War on Terror ⁵		
Total Servicemembers (Worldwide) (as of Sep. 30, 2009)	1,471,008	
Deployed to Iraq (as of Sep. 30, 2009)	164,100	
Deployed to Afghanistan (as of Sep. 30, 2009)	66,400	
Battle Deaths (as of March 10, 2010)	4,201	
Other Deaths (In Theater) (as of March 10, 2010)	1,175	
Non-mortal Woundings (as of March 10, 2010)	36,906	

^{1.} Veterans Administration estimate as of Nov. 2008.
2. Estimated figure. Does not include 26,000–31,000 who died in Union prisons.
3. Years of U.S. involvement in war.
4. Approximately 1,065,000 veterans had service in multiple conflicts. They are counted under each conflict, but only once in the total.
5. For the most current GWOT statistics, visit: http://www1.va.gov/opa/fact/amwars.asp
Source: Department of Defense and Veterans Administration.