

# America's Wars

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## WORLD WAR I (1917 - 1918)

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



## KOREAN WAR (1950 - 1953)

Total Servicemembers (Worldwide).....	5,720,000
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 Servicemembers (Worldwide).....	8,744,000
Battle Deaths.....	47,434
Other Deaths (in Theater).....	10,786
Other Deaths in Service (Non-Theater).....	32,000
Non-mortal Woundings.....	153,303
Living Veterans.....	7,391,000



**GULF WAR**  
(1990 - 1991)

Total Servicemembers (Worldwide).....	2,322,000
Battle Deaths.....	148
Other Deaths (in Theater).....	235
Other Deaths in Service (Non-Theater).....	1,565
Non-mortal Woundings.....	467
Living Veterans.....	2,244,583



**WAR ON TERROR**  
(2001 - PRESENT)

The War on Terror, including Operations Iraqi and Enduring Freedom, is an ongoing conflict. For the most recent statistics, please visit the following Department of Defense Website:

[https://www.dmdc.osd.mil/dcas/pages/casualties\\_gwt\\_combined.xhtml](https://www.dmdc.osd.mil/dcas/pages/casualties_gwt_combined.xhtml)

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1. Which of America's wars lasted from 1941 to 1945?
  - A World War I
  - B World War II
  - C the Korean War
  - D the Vietnam War
  
2. The text includes images and lists along with the names and years of some of America's wars. What is the second item in each list?
  - A Battle Deaths
  - B Other Deaths in Service (Non-Theater)
  - C Non-mortal Woundings
  - D Living Veterans
  
3. Each list includes the number of "Total Servicemembers (Worldwide)." Based on the information in the lists, what can you infer about the servicemembers?
  - A The servicemembers were all people who died while serving in the armed forces during a war.
  - B The servicemembers were all people who were wounded while serving in the armed forces during a war.
  - C The servicemembers were all people who served in the armed forces during a war.
  - D The servicemembers were all people who survived a war.
  
4. Look at the information provided about the Korean War and the Vietnam War. Based on this evidence, what comparison can be made between the numbers of deaths in these wars?
  - A There were more battle deaths in the Korean War than in the Vietnam War.
  - B There were fewer battle deaths in the Korean War than in the Vietnam War.
  - C There were more non-theater deaths in the Korean War than in the Vietnam War.
  - D There were the same number of non-theater deaths in the Korean War as in the Vietnam War.
  
5. What is this text mostly about?
  - A non-mortal woundings in World War I
  - B non-theater deaths in service during the Gulf War
  - C the War on Terror, including Operations Iraqi and Enduring Freedom
  - D America's wars and the people who have served in them

6. Look at the information provided about World War I. Based on this information, what does the phrase "non-mortal woundings" probably mean?

- A people who were wounded and died as a result
- B people who were wounded but did not die as a result
- C people who fought in World War I but were never wounded
- D people who were unable to fight in World War I

7. Read this sentence from the text:

"The War on Terror, including Operations Iraqi and Enduring Freedom, is an ongoing conflict."

How could this sentence be rewritten?

- A The War on Terror, which includes Operations Iraqi and Enduring Freedom, is an ongoing conflict.
- B The War on Terror, that includes Operations Iraqi and Enduring Freedom, is an ongoing conflict.
- C The War on Terror, although including Operations Iraqi and Enduring Freedom, is an ongoing conflict.
- D The War on Terror, unless including Operations Iraqi and Enduring Freedom, is an ongoing conflict.

8. Look at the image accompanying the information about the Vietnam War. What does this image show? Include at least three pieces of information in your answer.

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9. What can you infer from this image about the Vietnam War? Support your answer with evidence from the image.

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10. Explain whether the images in "America's Wars" are important to understanding the text. Support your answer with evidence from the images, text, or both.

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