

# Wars and War-Related Deaths, 1700-1987

Location and Identification of Conflict*	Number of Deaths		
	Civilian	Military	Total
North America	3,000	653,000	1,345,000
Canada			
1914-18 World War I	0	55,000	55,000
1939-45 World War II	0	39,000	39,000
United States			
1775-83 US revolt UK; France interv.	...	20,000	20,000
1812-15 War of 1812, US vs UK	...	4,000	4,000
1813-14 Creek Indians vs Whites	1,000	0	1,000
1835-36 Texas vs Mexico	1,000	1,000	2,000
1861-67 US vs Sioux Indians	...	...	6,000
1861-80 Conquest of the West; massacres	...	...	33,000
1861-65 Confederacy vs Government	...	...	650,000
1876-77 Sioux Indians vs US	1,000	0	1,000
1917-18 World War I	0	126,000	126,000
1941-45 World War II	0	408,000	408,000
Latin America	1,605,000	1,081,000	2,903,000
Argentina			
1833-34 Indian uprising	...	...	1,000
1841-51 Libs vs Govt; UK, Fr invad.	10,000	1,000	11,000
1851-52 Libs vs Govt; Brazil interv.	...	1,000	1,000
1863-63 Montoneros vs Government	...	...	1,000
1866-67 Federalists vs Government	...	...	1,000
1870-71 Province vs Government	...	...	2,000
1874-75 Buenos Aires vs Government	...	...	1,000
1880-80 Buenos Aires vs Government	...	...	1,000
1955-55 Armed forces vs Peron	2,000	2,000	4,000
1976-79 "Disappearances"	12,000	3,000	15,000
1982-82 Arg vs UK in Falklands	0	1,000	1,000
Bolivia			
1841-41 Peru vs Bolivia	...	1,000	1,000
1932-35 Paraguay vs Bol. (Chaco War)	70,000	130,000	200,000
1952-52 Revolution vs Govt	1,000	1,000	2,000
Brazil			
1864-70 Paraguay vs Brazil & Argent.	300,000	310,000	610,000
1893-94 Conservatives vs Govt	...	...	2,000
1896-97 Canudos vs Government	...	...	1,000
1932-32 State vs Federal Govt	...	...	1,000
1944-45 World War II; troops in Italy	0	1,000	1,000
1980-80 Rightist terrorism	...	...	1,000
Chile			
1851-51 Liberals vs Government	...	...	3,000
1891-91 Congress vs Government	...	...	5,000
1973-73 Military coup; US interv.	...	...	5,000
1974-74 Executions by Govt	20,000	0	20,000
Colombia			
1840-42 Liberals vs Government	...	...	4,000
1854-54 Democrats vs Dictator	...	...	1,000
1860-62 Liberals vs Government	...	...	3,000
1876-77 Conservatives vs Govt	...	...	1,000
1879-79 Massacre revolutionaries	...	...	80,000
1884-85 Liberals vs Government	...	...	1,000
1899-03 Liberals vs Government	75,000	75,000	150,000
1948-48 Conservatives vs Govt	...	...	1,000
1949-62 Liberals vs Government	200,000	100,000	300,000
1986-87 Political killings	1,000	0	1,000
Costa Rica			
1948-48 Natl Un. vs Govt; US interv.	1,000	1,000	2,000
Cuba			
1868-78 Cuba vs Spain	100,000	100,000	200,000
1895-98 Cuba vs Spain; US interv.	250,000	50,000	300,000
1898-98 US vs Spain over Cuba & Phil	190,000	10,000	200,000
1958-59 Castro vs Batista; US interv.	2,000	3,000	5,000
Dominican Republic			
1863-65 Spain vs Santo Domingo	...	7,000	7,000
1937-37 Haitians in DR massacred	5,000	0	5,000
1965-65 US intervene in civil war	1,000	2,000	3,000
Ecuador			
1863-63 Colombia vs Ecuador	0	1,000	1,000
El Salvador			
1885-85 Guatemala vs El Salvador	...	1,000	1,000
1906-06 Guat vs El Sal & Honduras	0	1,000	1,000
1931-32 Peasant uprising & massacre	24,000	8,000	32,000
1979-87 Dem. Sal. Front vs Govt	50,000	15,000	65,000
Guatemala			
1954-54 Conserv. vs Govt; US interv.	...	...	1,000
1966-87 Govt mass Indians; US interv.	100,000	38,000	138,000
Haiti			
1802-03 Haiti vs France	12,000	8,000	20,000
Honduras			
1907-07 Nic vs El Sal & Honduras	0	1,000	1,000
1924-24 Conservatives vs Govt	...	...	1,000
1969-69 El Sal vs Hond (Soccer War)	3,000	2,000	5,000
Jamaica			
1980-80 Election violence	1,000	0	1,000
Latin America—area-wide			
1810-25 Independence from Spain†	...	...	37,000
Mexico			
1829-29 Mexican revolt vs Spain	1,000	0	1,000
1832-32 Liberals vs Government	...	...	4,000
1846-48 US vs Mexico	4,000	17,000	21,000
1858-61 Lib vs Govt; UK, Fr, Sp, Aus interv.	...	...	8,000
1862-67 Fr vs Juarez; Aust-Hung interv.	...	20,000	20,000
1910-20 Lib & Rad vs Gov; US interv.	125,000	125,000	250,000
1926-30 Con Cristeros vs Govt	...	...	10,000
Nicaragua			
1855-57 Liberals vs Government	...	...	2,000
1978-79 Sandinistas vs Somoza	25,000	10,000	35,000
1981-87 Contras vs Sandinistas	15,000	15,000	30,000
Paraguay			
1911-12 Liberals vs Government	...	...	2,000
1947-47 Liberals vs Government	...	...	1,000
Peru			
1853-58 Liberals vs Conservatives	...	...	7,000
1865-66 Sp vs Chil & Per; Bol, Ecuat. interv.	0	1,000	1,000
1879-83 Chile vs Peru & Bolivia	...	14,000	14,000

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1894-95 Liberals vs Government	...	...	4,000
1983-87 Shining Path vs Govt	5,000	5,000	10,000
Uruguay			
1903-04 Conservatives vs Govt	...	...	1,000
Venezuela			
1859-63 Liberals vs Government	...	...	20,000
1868-71 Conservatives vs Govt	...	...	3,000
Europe	30,485,000	35,296,000	66,130,000
Albania			
1830-31 Albanians vs Turkey	4,000	1,000	5,000
1941-44 World War II	10,000	20,000	30,000
Austria			
1740-48 Prussia invaded Austria	...	359,000	359,000
1778-79 Prussia invaded Austria	...	2,000	2,000
1848-49 Sardinia vs Austr-Hungary (A-H)	2,000	9,000	11,000
1848-48 Liberals vs Government	...	...	4,000
1866-66 Prus & It vs Aust; Fr interv.	43,000	36,000	79,000
1878-78 Bosnian rebellion vs A-H	2,000	4,000	6,000
1881-81 Dalmatians vs Aust-Hung	1,000	0	1,000
1914-18 World War I (incl. Hungary)	300,000	2,300,000	2,600,000
1934-34 Socialists vs Fascist Govt	1,000	1,000	2,000
1939-45 World War II	125,000	280,000	405,000
Belgium			
1830-33 Belg vs Neth; UK, Fr invad.	...	...	3,000
1914-18 World War I	30,000	88,000	118,000
1940-40 World War II	90,000	110,000	200,000
Bulgaria			
1875-77 Balkan rebellion vs Turkey	30,000	10,000	40,000
1885-85 Serb vs Bulgar; A-H interv.	1,000	2,000	3,000
1915-18 World War I	275,000	28,000	303,000
1941-45 World War II (Allied 1944-45)	14,000	20,000	34,000
Czechoslovakia			
1939-45 World War II	250,000	30,000	280,000
Denmark			
1848-49 Prussia vs Denmark	...	6,000	6,000
1864-64 Prussia & A-H vs Denmark	...	5,000	5,000
Europe-area-wide			
1701-13 Spain vs Grand Alliance	...	1,251,000	1,251,000
1756-63 7-Year War (Eur, N Am, India)	550,000	550,000	1,100,000
1803-15 Napoleonic Wars	1,000,000	1,380,000	2,380,000
Finland			
1918-18 Communists vs Govt	...	...	20,000
1939-40 USSR vs Finland	...	90,000	90,000
1941-44 World War II	15,000	45,000	60,000
France			
1702-06 "Camisard" Insurrection	...	4,000	4,000
1792-02 French Revolutionary Wars	1,000,000	1,030,000	2,030,000
1830-30 Liberals vs Government	...	...	2,000
1831-35 Political Troubles	...	...	6,000
1848-48 Liberals vs Government	...	...	3,000
1851-51 Royalists vs Government	...	...	1,500
1871-71 Natl Guard vs Govt; Ger interv.	...	...	20,000
1914-18 World War I	40,000	1,630,000	1,670,000
1939-45 World War II (Allied 39-40, 44-45)	450,000	200,000	650,000
Germany			
1870-71 France vs Germany/Prussia	62,000	188,000	250,000
1914-18 World War I	760,000	2,400,000	3,160,000
1934-34 Socialists vs Nazi Govt	1,000	0	1,000
1939-45 World War II	1,471,000	4,750,000	6,221,000
Greece			
1821-28 Greek rev ag Turk; UK interv.	105,000	15,000	120,000
1857-58 Greek mutiny vs UK & France	...	1,000	1,000
1917-18 World War I	132,000	5,000	137,000
1940-41 World War II	54,000	10,000	64,000
1945-49 UK intervene in civil war	...	...	160,000
Hungary			
1703-11 Hungarian Revolt vs Austria	...	43,000	43,000
1711-11 Turkey vs Russia in Hungary	...	2,000	2,000
1848-49 Hungary vs A-H & Russia	...	60,000	60,000
1919-19 Czech & Romania vs Hungary	...	11,000	11,000
1919-20 Anti-Communists vs Govt	...	...	4,000
1941-45 World War II	450,000	400,000	850,000
1956-56 USSR intervene in civ war	...	10,000	10,000
Italy			
1701-03 Austro-Sardinian War	...	7,000	7,000
1717-17 Spain seizes Sardinia	...	1,000	1,000
1718-20 Spain attacks Austria	...	25,000	25,000
1763-65 France seizes Corsica	...	1,000	1,000
1815-15 Neapolitan War (Aust-Hung)	...	5,000	5,000
1820-21 Lib vs Govt; A-H intervene	2,000	1,000	3,000
1848-48 Lib vs Two Sic; Aust interv.	...	...	1,000
1849-49 France vs Rome; A-H invade	1,000	2,000	3,000
1859-59 A-H vs Italy; Fr intervene	18,000	22,000	40,000
1860-61 Democ vs Autoc; Fr interv.	0	2,000	2,000
1862-70 Italy vs Papal States	...	8,000	8,000
1915-18 World War I	0	950,000	950,000
1940-45 World War II (Allied 43-45)	70,000	150,000	220,000
Lithuania			
1920-20 Poland vs Lithuania	...	1,000	1,000
1941-41 Germany kills resisters	200,000	0	200,000
1944-44 USSR kills collaborators	2,000	0	2,000
Netherlands			
1780-84 UK vs Netherlands	...	9,000	9,000
1789-90 Dutch Insurrection vs Aust	...	5,000	5,000
1940-45 World War II	200,000	6,000	206,000
Norway			
1940-40 World War II	7,000	2,000	9,000
Poland			
1715-17 Tarnograd vs Russia	...	6,000	6,000
1733-38 Russia invades Poland	...	88,000	88,000
1792-94 Polish Revolt & Partition	41,000	4,000	45,000
1831-31 Poles vs Russia	6,000	15,000	21,000
1846-46 Austria vs Poles	1,000	1,000	2,000
1863-64 Poland vs Russia	...	5,000	5,000
1914-18 World War I	500,000	...	500,000
1919-20 USSR vs Poland; Fr interv.	...	100,000	100,000
1939-45 World War II	6,000,000	600,000	6,600,000
Portugal			
1829-34 Conserv vs Govt; UK, Fr, Sp interv.	...	...	20,000
1916-18 World War I	0	13,000	13,000

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1946-50	Comm vs Kutom; US interv.	...	...	1,000,000
1950-51	Govt executes landlords	1,000,000	...	1,000,000
1967-68	Cultural revolution	...	...	50,000
1983-84	Govt executions	5,000	0	5,000
<b>Indonesia</b>				
1825-25	Bonian rev vs Netherlands	1,000	0	1,000
1825-30	Java revolt vs Netherlands	...	15,000	15,000
1845-45	UK vs Borneo Pirates	...	0	1,000
1859-60	Bonian rev vs Netherlands	1,000	...	1,000
1873-78	Achinese vs Netherlands	17,000	6,000	23,000
1894-94	Netherlands vs Bali	...	...	1,000
1945-46	Independence from Neth. UK	4,000	1,000	5,000
1950-50	Moluccans vs Govt	...	...	5,000
1953-53	Darul Islam vs Govt	...	...	1,000
1956-60	Communists vs Govt	...	...	30,000
1965-66	Abortive coup; UK interv.	500,000	...	500,000
1975-87	Annex E. Timor; fam & mass	90,000	10,000	100,000
<b>Japan</b>				
1863-63	UK, Fr, US expd to Japan	1,000	...	1,000
1877-77	Satsuma rebellion	...	...	14,000
1923-23	Massacre of Koreans	10,000	0	10,000
1938-38	USSR vs Japan	...	2,000	2,000
1941-45	World War II	500,000	1,500,000	2,000,000
<b>Khiva (now in USSR)</b>				
1716-17	Russian expd to Khiva	...	2,000	2,000
1865-76	Russia expand to Cent. Asia	...	11,000	11,000
<b>Korea</b>				
1948-48	Army vs Govt	0	1,000	1,000
1950-53	Korean War; Ch, US interv.	1,000,000	1,889,000	2,889,000
<b>Laos</b>				
1960-73	Pathet Lao vs Govt; US bomb, NV invad.	12,000	12,000	24,000
<b>Malaysia</b>				
1950-60	UK intervene in civil war	...	...	13,000
<b>Mongolia</b>				
1939-39	Japan vs Mongolia & USSR	...	28,000	28,000
1945-45	World War II	0	3,000	3,000
<b>Philippines</b>				
1896-98	Phil vs Spain; US invad.	...	2,000	2,000
1899-02	Philippine revolt vs US	8,000	4,000	12,000
1941-45	World War II	91,000	27,000	118,000
1950-52	Huks vs Govt	5,000	4,000	9,000
1972-80	Muslims vs Govt; US interv.	20,000	15,000	35,000
1972-87	Comm vs Govt; US interv.	20,000	15,000	35,000
<b>Taiwan</b>				
1947-47	Taiwan vs China	0	1,000	1,000
1954-55	Civil strife	...	...	5,000
<b>Thailand</b>				
1893-93	France vs Siam	...	1,000	1,000
1940-41	France vs Thailand	2,000	2,000	4,000
<b>Tibet</b>				
1716-18	Dzungars invade Tibet	...	1,000	1,000
1841-41	Dogras vs Tibet	3,000	1,000	4,000
1904-04	UK expedition in Tibet	...	...	1,000
1912-13	Tibet vs China	...	...	2,000
1918-18	Tibet vs China; UK interv.	0	1,000	1,000
1950-51	China vs Tibet	2,000	0	2,000
1956-59	Tibetan revolt	60,000	40,000	100,000
<b>Vietnam</b>				
1788-89	Chinese expd to Annam	...	30,000	30,000
1795-03	White Lotus Uprising	10,000	10,000	20,000
1858-62	France invades Cochinchina	...	4,000	4,000
1873-85	France conquered Tonkin	15,000	15,000	30,000
1882-85	France vs Annam; China interv.	2,000	4,000	6,000
1945-54	Indep. vs Fr, Ch, US interv.	300,000	300,000	600,000
1960-65	US intervene in civil war	200,000	100,000	300,000
1965-75	US & SV vs NV	1,000,000	1,058,000	2,058,000
1979-79	China vs Vietnam	9,000	21,000	30,000
1987-87	China vs Vietnam—border	0	1,000	1,000
<b>Oceania</b>				
<b>Australia</b>				
1914-18	World War I	0	60,000	60,000
1939-45	World War II	0	34,000	34,000
<b>New Zealand</b>				
1860-70	2nd Maori War vs UK	50,000	10,000	60,000
1914-18	World War I	0	16,000	16,000
1939-45	World War II	0	17,000	17,000
<b>Sub-Saharan Africa</b>				
<b>Angola</b>				
1961-75	Inde vs Port; USSR, S Af interv.	30,000	25,000	55,000
1975-87	Cuba & S Af intervene civ war	200,000	13,000	213,000
<b>Benin</b>				
1889-92	Dahomey revolt vs France	...	3,000	3,000
<b>Burundi</b>				
1972-72	Hutus vs Govt; massacres	80,000	20,000	100,000
<b>Cameroon</b>				
1955-60	Independence vs France, UK	...	...	32,000
<b>Chad</b>				
1893-93	Rabah vs Bornu	...	...	4,000
1980-87	Rep vs Gov; Fr, Libya interv.	2,000	5,000	7,000
<b>Ethiopia</b>				
1861-61	King kill rebels; Fr interv.	...	...	2,000
1867-67	Civil War	...	...	3,000
1867-68	UK invad to free captive	4,000	0	4,000
1875-76	Egypt vs Ethiopia	...	...	7,000
1895-96	Italy vs Ethiopia	10,000	9,000	19,000
1935-36	Italy vs Ethiopia	...	20,000	20,000
1941-41	World War II	5,000	5,000	10,000
1972-80	Cuba & Somalia intervene	15,000	21,000	36,000
1974-87	Eritrean revolt & famine	500,000	46,000	546,000
<b>Ghana</b>				
1824-25	UK conquered Ashantis	3,000	0	3,000
1873-74	Ashantis vs UK	1,000	0	1,000
1893-94	3rd Ashanti War vs UK	...	1,000	1,000
1981-81	Konkomba vs Nanumba	...	...	1,000
<b>Guinea-Bissau</b>				
1962-74	Independence vs Portugal	5,000	10,000	15,000
<b>Ivory Coast</b>				
1885-86	France defeat Ivory tribe	...	1,000	1,000
<b>Kenya</b>				
1895-96	UK vs Kenya	1,000	0	1,000
1952-63	Independence from UK	3,000	12,000	15,000

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<b>Madagascar</b>				
1883-85	Madagascar revolt France	...	2,000	2,000
1894-95	France annexed Madagascar	2,000	6,000	8,000
1947-48	Independence from France	3,000	2,000	5,000
<b>Mozambique</b>				
1965-75	Independence vs Portugal	...	...	30,000
1981-87	Famine worsened by civ war	350,000	51,000	401,000
<b>Namibia</b>				
1903-08	SW Af rev vs Germ; massacres	80,000	...	80,000
<b>Nigeria</b>				
1897-97	UK vs Nigeria; Fr interv.	1,000	0	1,000
1967-70	Biafrans vs Govt; fam & mass	1,000,000	1,000,000	2,000,000
1980-81	Fundamental Islam vs Govt	...	...	5,000
1984-84	Fundamental Islam vs Govt	...	...	1,000
<b>Rwanda</b>				
1956-65	Tutsis vs Govt; massacres	102,000	3,000	105,000
<b>Senegal</b>				
1857-57	France vs Senegal	1,000	0	1,000
1890-91	France vs Senegal	...	...	1,000
<b>Sierra Leone</b>				
1898-98	Sierra Leone Tribes vs UK	2,000	0	2,000
<b>Sudan</b>				
1869-69	Blacks vs Arabs	...	...	1,000
1882-85	Mahdist rebel UK; Egypt interv.	8,000	20,000	28,000
1884-85	Sudan massacred garrison	...	1,000	1,000
1885-95	Sudan vs Egypt and UK	9,000	1,000	10,000
1896-99	Egypt and UK vs Sudan	15,000	1,000	16,000
1963-72	Black vs Govt; UK, Eg interv.	250,000	250,000	500,000
1984-87	Blacks vs Islamic Law	5,000	5,000	10,000
<b>Tanzania</b>				
1888-93	Arab & Black vs Germany	...	5,000	5,000
1905-07	Revit vs Germ; massacres	150,000	0	150,000
<b>Uganda</b>				
1880-80	Ceremonial massacre	...	...	1,000
1893-93	Army vs King	...	...	1,000
1966-66	Buganda Tribe vs Govt	1,000	1,000	2,000
1971-78	Idi Amin massacres	300,000	0	300,000
1978-79	Tanz vs Amin; Libya interv.	...	3,000	3,000
1981-87	Army vs people; massacres	100,000	2,000	102,000
<b>West Sahara</b>				
1975-85	Independence from Morocco	3,000	7,000	10,000
<b>Zaire</b>				
1892-94	Belgium vs Arabs	...	...	20,000
1960-65	UK, Bel intervene, Katanga	...	...	100,000
<b>Zambia</b>				
1964-64	Civil strife	...	...	1,000
<b>Zimbabwe</b>				
1972-79	Patriot Front vs Rhodesia	...	...	12,000
1983-83	Political violence	2,000	0	2,000
<b>Other Africa††</b>				
		428,000	149,000	583,000
<b>Algeria</b>				
1775-75	Spain invade Algeria	...	3,000	3,000
1839-47	France vs Algeria	285,000	15,000	300,000
1856-57	Kabylia uprising vs France	...	...	1,000
1871-72	Algeria vs France	...	...	1,000
1945-45	France intervene in civil war	2,000	0	2,000
1954-62	France intervene in civil war	82,000	18,000	100,000
1962-63	Rebel leaders vs Govt	1,000	1,000	2,000
<b>Libya</b>				
1911-17	UK, Italy intervene in civ war	...	...	16,000
1920-32	Italian conquest of Libya	...	...	40,000
1930-32	Italy intervene in civil war	...	...	40,000
<b>Morocco</b>				
1775-75	Spanish-Moroccan War	...	1,000	1,000
1859-60	Sp vs Mor; Fr, UK intervene	...	10,000	10,000
1907-08	France intervene in civil war	1,000	...	1,000
1909-10	France intervene in civil war	1,000	1,000	2,000
1909-10	Spain vs Morocco	0	10,000	10,000
1911-11	France intervene in civil war	1,000	1,000	2,000
1916-17	France intervene in civil war	1,000	1,000	2,000
1921-26	France & Spain intervene	11,000	29,000	40,000
1953-56	Indep. from Fr; Spain interv.	3,000	0	3,000
<b>South Africa</b>				
1836-37	Boers vs Matabele	...	...	1,000
1837-37	Matabele vs Ma-Kalanga	...	...	1,000
1838-40	Whites & Blacks vs Zulus	15,000	1,000	16,000
1840-40	Matabele vs Mashonas	...	...	1,000
1846-47	South Af. Kaffirs vs UK	...	1,000	1,000
1850-53	8th South Af Kaffir War	...	3,000	3,000
1854-54	Bantu vs Boers	3,000	0	3,000
1877-78	9th Kaffir War vs UK	...	1,000	1,000
1879-79	UK vs Zulus	1,000	3,000	4,000
1880-81	Basuto revolt vs UK	...	1,000	1,000
1880-81	Transvaal revolt vs UK	...	18,000	18,000
1899-02	Boer independence vs UK	13,000	22,000	35,000
1906-06	Zulu revolt vs UK	...	...	5,000
1939-45	World War II	0	9,000	9,000
1985-87	Blacks killed by police	4,000	0	4,000
<b>Tunisia</b>				
1881-81	France vs Tunisia	1,000	0	1,000
1952-54	Independence from France	3,000	0	3,000
<b>TOTAL DEATHS, 1700-1987</b>		46,392,000**	47,822,000**	94,214,000

Wars—deaths averaging more than 1,000 per year.

Intervention—overt military action by foreign forces, at the invitation of the government in power.

Invasion—armed attack by foreign country, including air attack without land invasion.

...Not available

†Argentina, Bolivia, Chile, Colombia (including present Panama and Venezuela), Paraguay, Peru, Uruguay.

††Egypt shown under Middle East

\*\*Incomplete; breakdown of civilian and military deaths not available in all cases.