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1,000 Americans Slain in Operation “Enduring Freedom” So Far

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Casualty reports by ICasualties.org show that 1,000 American soldiers have been killed so far in Operation Enduring Freedom (OEF), a blanket term for several US military operations ongoing since 2001.



Though some media outlets [incorrectly reported that the number of troops killed were the toll for only the Afghan War](#), OEF actually encompasses not only the Afghan War, but three smaller US military operations, in the Philippines, Horn of Africa, and Trans Sahara.

But the vast majority of the deaths, some 926, were in Afghanistan. The US military operation in Afghanistan has seen record death tolls year after year, including 316 in 2009. It is widely expected that 2010 will be an even deadlier year.

In addition to the 1,000 American soldiers lost in OEF, several hundred soldiers from Britain and other NATO nations were also killed. [Over 4,300 US soldiers also died in the Iraq War since that time.](#)