

Vietnam Stats

Until the Tet Offensive in 1968, the majority of the American people had supported the war in Vietnam. The staggering statistics about the wounded and the dead, however, shocked everyone. It was one of the reasons that so many people began calling for an end to the war. Examine the statistics in the box below and answer the questions that follow.

Year	American Troops in Vietnam	American Deaths in Vietnam
1965	180,000	1,728
1966	380,000	6,053
1967	450,000	11,058
1968	540,000	17,622
1969	543,000	11,527
1970	280,000	6,065
1971	140,000	2,348
1972	70,000	561

1. In which year were the most American troops in Vietnam? _____
2. In which year were the fewest American troops in Vietnam? _____
3. What is the difference between figures from question one and question two above? _____
4. In which year did the casualty figures peak? _____
5. In which years was the death toll more than 11,000? _____
6. What is the difference between the number of deaths in 1965 and the number of deaths in 1972? _____
7. What is the total number of American deaths in Vietnam for 1965 to 1969? _____
8. What is the number of American troops who served in Vietnam from 1965 to 1972?

9. Of the troops in Vietnam in 1966, approximately what percentage died? _____
10. Of the troops in Vietnam in 1968, approximately what percentage died? _____