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Final Count Of Casualties In Vietnam

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The U.S. Command closed out its scheduled weekly casualty summaries yesterday and announced that 45,941 American servicemen died in action in Indochina from January 1, 1961, until the official start of a cease-fire.

The final summary also listed 300,635 Americans wounded in action and 1811 missing, captured or interned. Another 10,303 American servicemen were listed as having died from nonhostile causes such as aircraft accidents, homicides, suicides and illness.

The summary did not include one American who died and five who were wounded after the truce began. It said four Americans were killed in action last week, three died of nonhostile causes, 13 were wounded, and four were missing or captured.

All the casualties last week occurred between the time President Nixon announced the peace agreement January 23 and the hour it officially began.

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