The Costs of Endless War

A guide to the 15 year war in Afghanistan

In 2001 the United States invaded Afghanistan to pursue those responsible for the 9/11 attacks. 15 years later we are still there with no end to the war in sight. Here is what happened in those 15 years.

The Human Costs

Since 2001, more than 104,000 lives have been lost in the war in Afghanistan, including more than 2,200 American military personnel and over 31,000 Afghan civilians.

The Financial Costs

The war in Afghanistan has cost US taxpayers more than \$750 billion already. Care for veterans and interest payments will add trillions more over the next several decades.

The Cost to Veterans

More than 20,000 US service members have been wounded in Afghanistan, with tens of thousands more suffering the invisible wounds of war like PTSD

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