Introduction
This series has two files with records of the casualties for the Korean War and the Vietnam War. The files are the Korean War Extract Data Files, as of April 29, 2008 (DCAS KOR) and the Vietnam Conflict Extract Data File, as of April 29, 2008 (DCAS VN).

This series is the successor to the series "Records of Military Personnel Who Died as a Result of Hostilities During the Korean War, ca. 1977 - 11/1979" (ARC Identifier 571686), and its file, the Korean Conflict Casualty File (KCCF); and, the series "Records on Military Personnel Who Died, Were Missing in Action or Prisoners of War as a Result of the Vietnam War, 01/20/1967 - 12/1998" (ARC Identifier 306742), and its Combat Area Casualties Current File (CACCF).

Both DCAS extract files share a common layout and many of the same code tables. Among the differences with the predecessor series is the increase in the number of casualties: KCCF contained 33,642 records; DCAS KOR, 36,574. CACCF (last transfer dated December, 1998) held 58,193 records; DCAS VN, 58,220.


1. What information is in these records?
Although the agency created these records starting in about 2001, they concern records of U.S. military personnel who died as a result of the Korean and Vietnam wars. Dates of death in the file unit "Korean War Extract Data File, as of April 29, 2008" (ARC Identifier 2240988) range from June 28, 1950 to March 10, 1954. Dates of death in the file unit "Vietnam Conflict Extract Data File, as of April 29, 2008" (ARC Identifier 2240992) range from June 8, 1956 to May 28, 2006.


2. Why were these records created?
The agency created and maintained this series as an automated repository for the Department of Defense (DoD) of all official casualty information for the Korean War, the Vietnam Conflict, and all active duty deaths since October 1, 1979. The records are used to produce various standard and as-requested reports in support of DoD organizations, outside government agencies, Congress, the President, the media, and the general public.


3. Why are the records of the KCCF and CACCF still in AAD, if the DCAS records have succeeded them?
Both the "Korean Conflict Casualty File (KCCF)" and the "Combat Area Casualties Current File, 6/8/1956 – 1/21/1998" (CACCF) were retained in Access to Archival Databases (AAD), because

some potentially useful information in KCCF was not carried forward to the "Korean War Extract Data File, as of April 29, 2008 (DCAS KOR)" and in CACCF for the "Vietnam Conflict Extract Data File, as of April 29, 2008 (DCAS VN)." The records in the DCAS extract files contain the most current Defense Manpower Data Center information on the casualties. Please review the FAQs for each of the DCAS extract files for further information.

## 4. How can I access a copy of the full file(s)?

The raw data file, along with the associated technical documentation, may be downloaded from the National Archives Catalog at: https://catalog.archives.gov/. There you can search by the series name, Defense Casualty Analysis System (DCAS) Extract Files, or using the National Archives Identifier 2163536, which is the description identifier for this series description.

In the results, select to view the full series description. Click on the link "file unit(s) described in the catalog" next to "Includes:" for a list of the file units within this series. Then select the file unit containing the records of interest to you. The file unit description will include the list of electronic records and documentation files available for viewing and/or downloading.

Additional information about downloading electronic records from the Catalog is available at: https://www.archives.gov/research/electronic-records/access-in-catalog-faqs.

Please keep in mind that the data file consists of the raw structured data as loaded into AAD (i.e. the coded values without meanings), but without the AAD software that displays the meanings for coded values and field titles. For more details about using files containing raw structured data, you may wish to review our "Introduction to Raw Data" at: https://www.archives.gov/files/research/electronic-records/raw-data-intro.pdf.