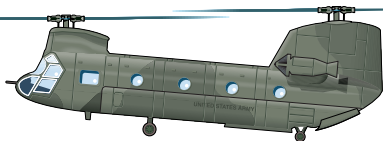


Afghan helicopter crashes

The deaths of 14 Americans in two separate helicopter crashes in Afghanistan on Monday takes the number of U.S. deaths this year to more than 260



1 Baghdadis province: Seven U.S. troops and three U.S. civilians killed in **Chinook** helicopter crash. 12 U.S. and 14 Afghan personnel injured



2 Helmand: Two helicopters collide, killing four U.S. troops and injuring two others. Exact location undisclosed