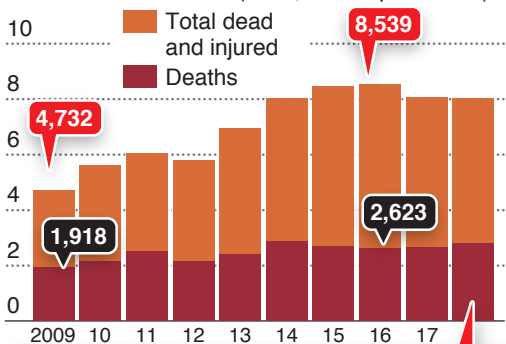


Afghans set to elect new parliament

Millions of Afghans are expected to vote in a long-delayed parliamentary election that has been hampered by chaotic preparations, allegations of fraud and ever-present violence



CIVILIAN CASUALTIES (000s, Jan-Sep 2009-18)



ELECTION IN NUMBERS

8.9m	Voters registered
21,011	Polling stations
2,565	Candidates, including 417 women
249	Seats in Wolesi Jirga (House of the People)

2018: At least 8,050 casualties – roughly in line with same period in 2017 (8,084). Little change in overall trend of violence underlines that security situation remains dire