

From the *Human Security Report 2005*

Figure 1.3 The countries that have experienced the highest number of international armed conflicts, 1946–2003

number of war	countries	number of wars	countries
21	United Kingdom	5	Portugal
19	France	5	Canada
16	United States of America	4	Vietnam, Republic of
9	Russia (Soviet Union)	4	Chad
7	Australia	4	Libya
7	Netherlands	4	Spain
6	Israel	4	Syria
6	Egypt	4	New Zelanad
6	China	4	Italy
6	Thailand	4	Iran
5	Vietnam, Democratic Republic of	4	Ethiopia
5	Turkey	4	Iraq
5	Jordan		

Source: PRIQ, 2005¹

This table shows the countries that have fought the most international wars. The states that head this list are former colonial powers, and the two Cold War superpowers.

1. Data provided by the Center for the Study of Civil War, International Peace Research Institute, Oslo, 2004.