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*General Tommy Franks*



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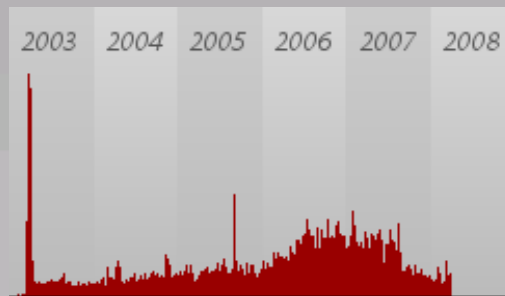
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**83,798 – 91,460**



**Latest incidents**

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**Latest identified**

Son of Nur Muhammad decomposed bodies; Male [Details](#)

**Recent events**

**Sunday 18 May: 18 dead**

**Baghdad:** car bomb kills 1; 7 (including 3 children) are shot dead by Iraqi forces, Sadr City; 4 bodies.

**Basra**

**Basra:** 3 policemen shot dead in separate incidents.

**Ninewa**

**Mosul:** body found.

**Anbar**

**Haditha:** bodies of 2 recently released detainees found.

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