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Afghanistan Links

- The <u>Feinstein International Center</u> has published several in-depth reports on aid in Afghanistan.
- The <u>Afghan Human Rights Research and Advocacy Consortium (HRRAC)</u>produces useful reports on Afghans' views.
- The <u>Afghanistan Mortality Survey (2010)</u> showed improvements in maternal and infant death rates, as well as average life expectancy. But the gains are so great that experts are questioning its accuracy.
- The think tank <u>International Crisis Group</u> has lots of information about Afghanistan's conflict past and present.
- <u>UNICEF</u> has plenty of facts and figures on children in Afghanistan. <u>Save the Children</u> also has some useful background.
- Another good site is <u>Pajhwok Afghan News</u>, the country's largest local news service. The news is broad-based and some of the reporters benefit from a wealth of local contacts, although inaccuracies sometimes pop up. Note that you have to pay to access some of the material. The service runs stories in Dari, English and Pashto.
- The <u>Institute for War and Peace Reporting</u> (IWPR), an international journalism organisation, carries well-written features on the country.
- <u>iCasualties</u> is an independent site which keeps track of foreign troop casualties in the country, breaking it down by province and nationality.
- The <u>International Security Assistance Force</u> site has details of foreign troop numbers and contributions.
- Afghanistan Online says it is the biggest and most visited Afghan website.
- For Afghan feminism, consult the <u>Revolutionary Association of the Women of Afghanistan</u>, which was founded in 1977 by women intellectuals. The organisation supports women's rights and education.
- <u>UNHCR's Afghanistan page</u> has useful statistics on refugees and the internally displaced. The Internal Displacement Monitoring Centre also has good background.
- The <u>Agency Coordinating Body for Afghan Relief</u> alliance of aid agencies has useful reports on aid in Afghanistan.
- Both <u>ACBAR</u> and <u>Human Rights Watch</u> have raised grave concerns about the impact of the conflict on civilians.
- For information on demining see the Landmine Monitor report on Afghanistan.