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Afghanistan Links

- The **Feinstein International Center** has published several in-depth reports on aid in Afghanistan.
- The **Afghan Human Rights Research and Advocacy Consortium (HRRAC)** produces useful reports on Afghans' views.
- The **Afghanistan Mortality Survey (2010)** 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 **International Crisis Group** has lots of information about Afghanistan's conflict past and present.
- **UNICEF** has plenty of facts and figures on children in Afghanistan. **Save the Children** also has some useful background.
- Another good site is **Pajhwok Afghan News**, 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 **Institute for War and Peace Reporting** (IWPR), an international journalism organisation, carries well-written features on the country.
- **iCasualties** is an independent site which keeps track of foreign troop casualties in the country, breaking it down by province and nationality.
- The **International Security Assistance Force** 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 **Revolutionary Association of the Women of Afghanistan**, which was founded in 1977 by women intellectuals. The organisation supports women's rights and education.
- **UNHCR’s Afghanistan page** has useful statistics on refugees and the internally displaced. The **Internal Displacement Monitoring Centre** also has good background.
- The **Agency Coordinating Body for Afghan Relief** alliance of aid agencies has useful reports on aid in Afghanistan.
- Both **ACBAR** and **Human Rights Watch** have raised grave concerns about the impact of the conflict on civilians.
- For information on demining see the **Landmine Monitor report on Afghanistan**.