

Partial Inventory of Killed and Wounded French Soldiers and Sailors in the War for America

Year	Name of Battle (place or ship)	Commander	Lat.	Long.	Losses at Sea			Losses on Land			Sea + Land		
					Killed	Wounded	Total	Killed	Wounded	Total	Killed	Wounded	Total
1778	<i>La Belle Poule</i> Engl. Channel	La Clochetterie	N48-40	W04-20	40		40				40		40
1778	Ouessant (Ushant) France	d'Orvilliers	N48-30	W05-30	163	517	680				163	517	680
1779	<i>La Surveillante</i>	du Couedic	N50-00	W02-30	30	85	115				30	85	115
1778	Ste Lucie (WI)	d'Estaing	N14	W06-10						840			840
1778	Newport (RI)	d'Estaing	N41-30	W71-40									
1779	Sénégal (W Africa)	Vaudreuil-Lauzun	N16	W16-10				6	22	28	6	22	28
1779	La Grenade (WI)	d'Estaing	N12	W61-30	176	773	949	41	72	113	217	845	1,062
1779	Flotte combinée (*), Engl. Channel	d'Orvilliers	N49-30	W04-30									
1779	Savannah (GA)	d'Estaing	N32-05	W081-05				383	370	753	383	370	753
1780	<i>La Charmante</i> Sein, France	nauffrage	N48-10	W4-80	210						210		210
1780	Against Rodney (West Indies)	Guichen	N15/16	W60/62	190	500	690				190	500	690
1780	En route to America	Ternay	N31-32	W68-30			17						17
1780	<i>Belle Poule</i> against <i>Nonsuch</i>	Kergariou-Coatles	N47-00	W02-30	21	47	68				21	47	68
1780	<i>Nymphe</i> against <i>Flora</i>	Trolong du Rumain			95	80	175				95	80	175
1781	Tentative against Jersey, E.Chan.	Rullecourt	N49-10	W02-00				86	74	160	86	74	160
1781	Chesapeake (Battle of the Capes) 1	des Touches	N36-59	W75-53	89	120	209				89	120	209
1781	<i>Actif</i> against <i>Nonsuch</i>	Boadès	N47	W06	5	28	209				89	120	209
1781	Fort de France Martinica (WI)	de Grasse	N14-30	W61	18	56	74				18	56	74
1781	Ile Royale (Cap Breton)	LaTouche Tréville	N45	E58	6	16	22				6	16	22
1781	Chesapeake (B. of the Capes) 2	de Grasse	N36-59	W075-53	39	184	223				39	184	223
1781	Yorktown (VA)	Rochambeau	N37-14	W076-31				50	177	227	50	177	227
1781	Against Kempenfeld (Atlantic)	Guichen	N35 ?	W18-00									?
1782	Minorque (Medit)	Crillon	N40	E04-00									?
1782	Gibraltar (Spain)	Crillon	N36-10	W05-30									?
1782	St Christophe (WI)	de Grasse	N17-30	W06-20	103	202	305	94	172	266	197	374	571
1782	<i>Scipion</i> against <i>London</i> and <i>Torbay</i>	Grimoüard	N20	W70	15	40	55				15	40	55
1782	Les Saintes (WI), on 7 lost ships	de Grasse	N15-50	W61-30							791	1,119	1,910
	Les Saintes, on other 21 ships	Vaudreuil	idem	idem	952	1,329	2,281				952	1,329	2,281
1782	Delaware (DE)	LaTouche Tréville	N38.50	W74.57	6	15	21				6	15	21
1783	<i>La Bourgogne</i> near Venezuela	wreckage	N12	W69-00	100						100		100
1781	La Praya (Atlantic)	Suffren	N15	W26-00	93	197	290				93	197	290
1782	Sadras (India)	Suffren	N12-30	E80-20	30		30				30		30
1782	Providien (India)	Suffren	N8-10	E81-0	137	357	494				137	357	494
1782	Negapatam (India)	Suffren	N10-30	E80-0			779						779
1782	Trincomale (Sri Lanka)	Suffren	N8-30	E81-0	82	255	337				82	255	337
1783	Gondelour (India)	Suffren	N11-50	E79-30	102	376	478				102	376	478
Total not including death from sickness (**)					2,702	5,177	8,541	660	887	2,387	4,237	7,275	13,148

French deaths (mostly due to disease) in the U.S. (land and sea)	1,113		996		2,112		
Warrington Dawson (1936 survey)							
*) There were at least 529 deaths due to disease among the 4,723 French sailors involved in this operation							
**) According to Mc Cullough, in the British Navy, for each sailor killed or mortally wounded there were over 7 death due to disease ... this means, by analogy, many more French losses to be added to the killed and wounded.							