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# Transition in Afghanistan

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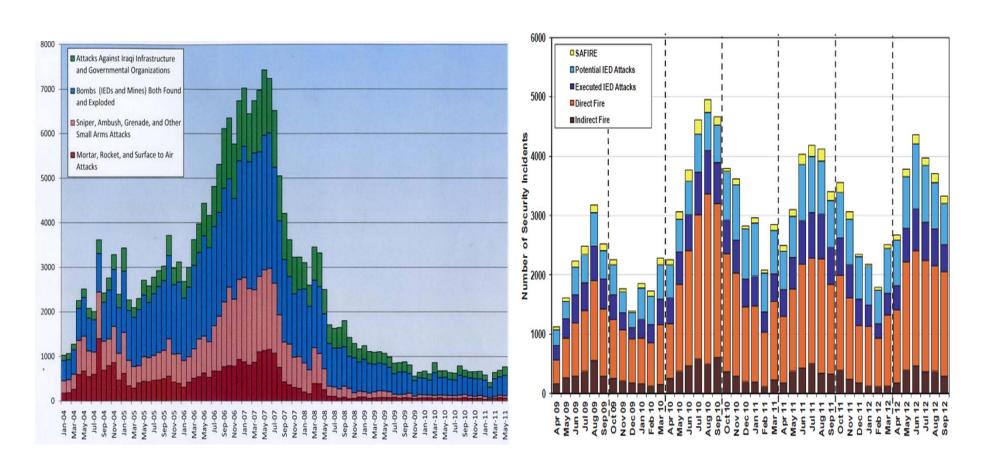
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# What is the Real Security Situation? No Unclassified Metrics Better Than 2009

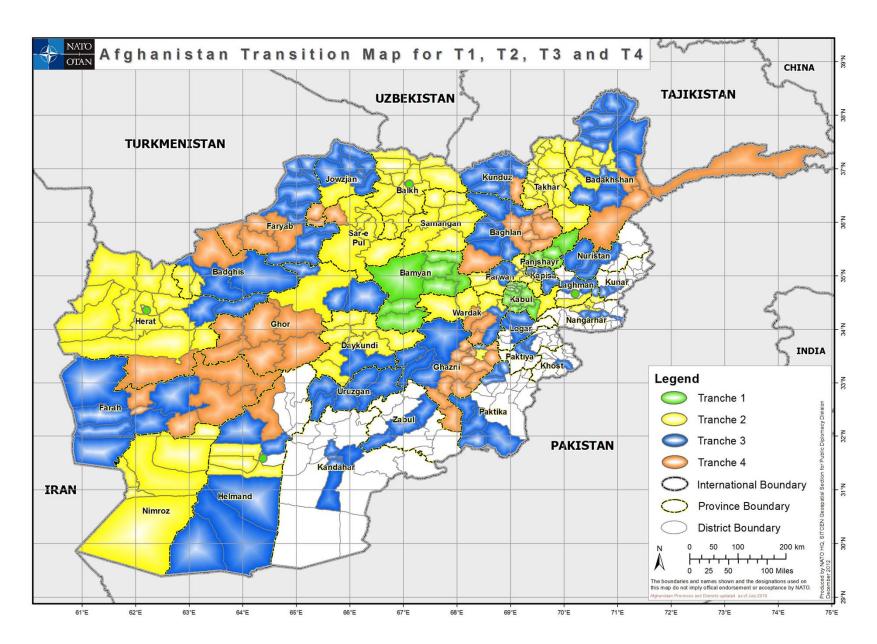
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"Victory" in Afghanistan



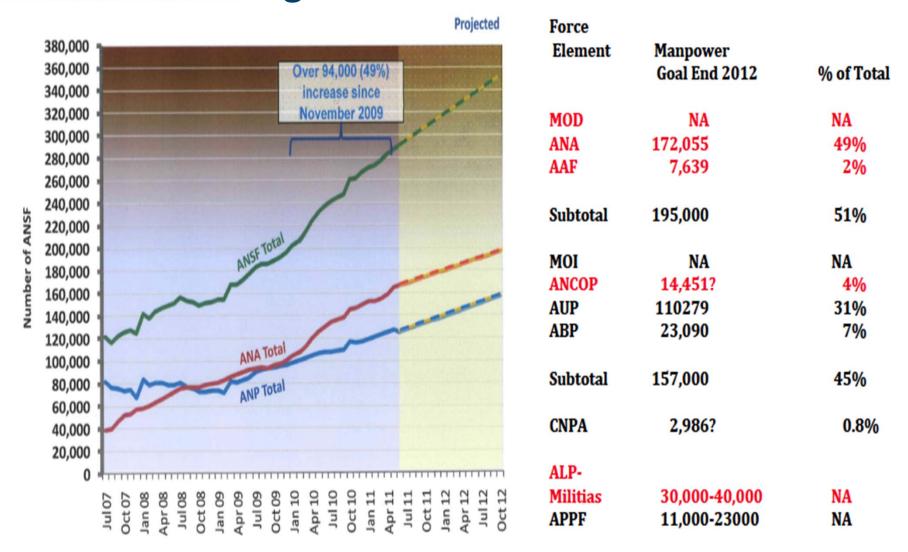
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#### Racing to 352,000? For What?



As of 7 May 2011

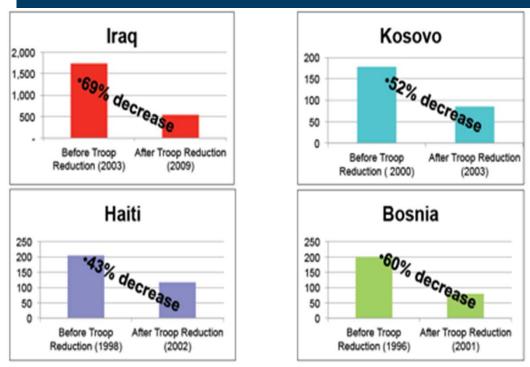
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#### Real World Aid: Declare Victory and Leave?

### **Development Assistance Levels Before and After Troop Reductions**

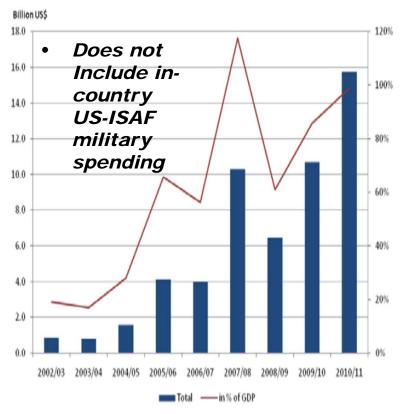


Following the withdrawal or significant reduction in troop levels, Iraq, Kosovo, Haiti, and Bosnia saw significant decreases in development assistance levels.



#### An Economy Driven by Aid, Military Spending, and Narcotics

#### Outside Aid Spending Drives GDP After 2003/2004



## Only 10% of Afghan Budget is Self-Funded

