

Topic 9: In captivity

Work Sheet 9E: Prisoners of the Japanese

	Navy	Army	Air Force	All Services
Killed	1,094	15,140	2,911	19,145
Missing		11	33	44
Prisoners of war	237	13,865	235	14,337
Wounded and injured	553	13,275	1,630	15,458
Total	1,884	42,291	4,809	48,984

Figure 2: **Casualties against Japan 1939–1945: All services**

From *Personnel, 1939–45 War*, Australian Bureau of Statistics

- 1 Use the information from *Figure 2* to construct a graph which compares the numbers killed *and* the numbers taken prisoner of war by the Japanese in each of the services of the defence force.
- 2 Click on the following web pages to find information to construct a time line showing the date, place and number of Australians captured by the Japanese. You may present your time line as a table or a series of brief comments – in chronological order of course.

www.ww2australia.gov.au/behindwire

'Australian Prisoners of War 1940–1945'

www.anzacsite.gov.au/5environment/timefr2.html

Click on the 'Australians at War 1901–2000' time line and begin at 7 December 1941

Extension: Go online to research the wartime experiences of Edward 'Weary' Dunlop. The online encyclopedia on the Australian War Memorial website is a good place to start.

www.awm.gov.au