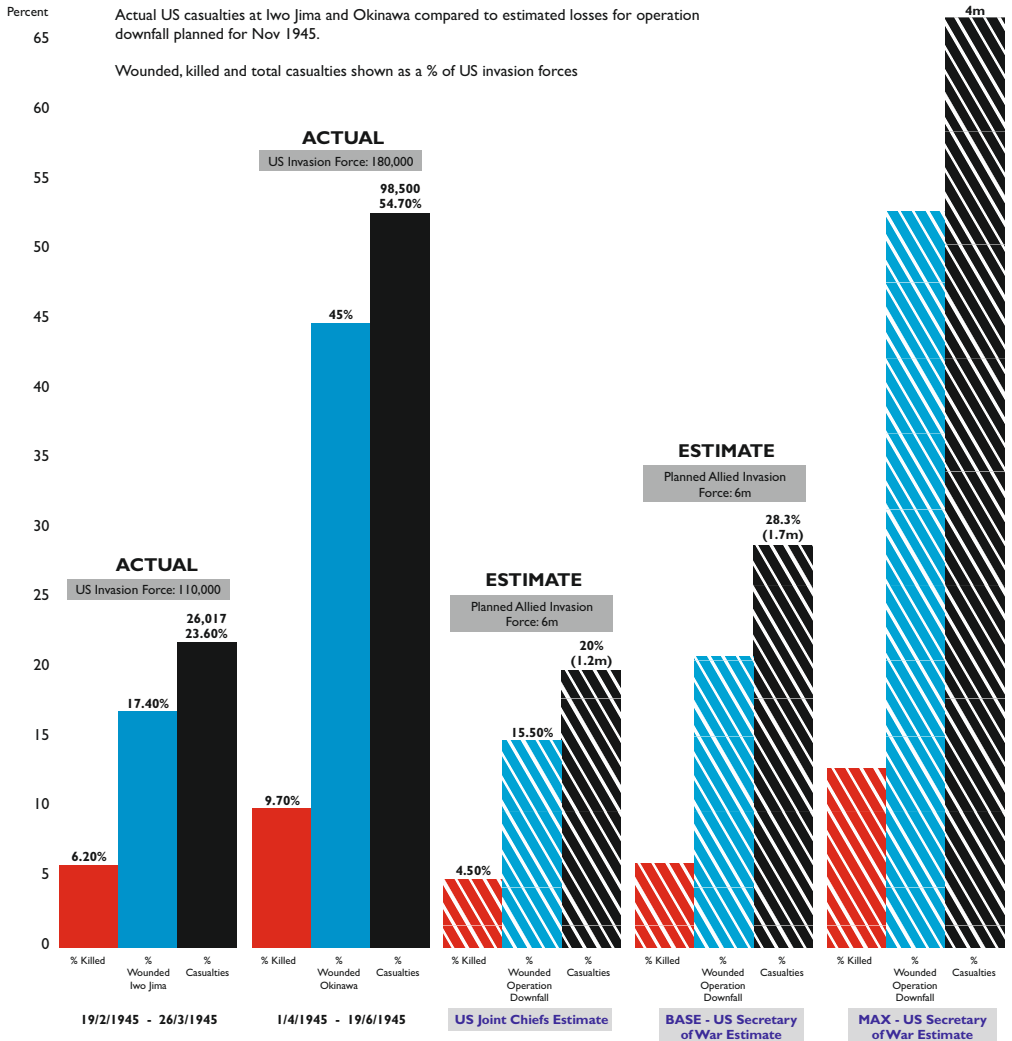


Operation Downfall Casualty Estimates

Chart: 40.6



- The number of US troops killed at the Battles of Iwo Jima and Okinawa was 24,300, some 22% of all US troops killed in the Pacific War.
- US Troops killed in the Pacific War were 110,000 versus 300,000 killed in the war in Europe.
- Using the US Secretary of War's base estimate, without the atom bomb some 377,000 US troops would have been killed in the Pacific War - significantly exceeding the war in Europe.
- It should be noted that 1m of the 6m troops earmarked for Operation Downfall were British of whom an estimated 66,000 would have been killed using BASE assumptions as above.
- The Secretary of War Department estimated 5-10m Japanese civilians killed but at the same ratio as Okinawa (25% killed) the number would have been 19m civilians killed.