US hits grim milestone: 50,000 coronavirus deaths

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More than 870,000 people in the United States have tested positive for the virus. That number has doubled in the past two weeks, climbing by 25,000 or more cases per day.

WASHINGTON, DC - More than 50,000 people in the United States have died of the COVID-19 disease, a grim milestone in a global pandemic that shows few signs of slowing even as pressure mounts to reopen parts of the U.S. economy.

The death toll is 16 times greater than the number of Americans who died in the 9/11 terrorist attacks and about one-and-a-half times larger than the number of U.S. soldiers who died in the Korean War. At the current pace, the number of coronavirus deaths is likely to surpass the number of Americans who died in the Vietnam War by the middle of next week.

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