

Comparison of the U. S. Navy
December 1862 and December 1863

	No. of Vessels	No. of Guns	Tons
Navy in December 1863	588	4,443	467,967
Navy in December 1862	427	3,268	340,036
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Total increase	161	1,175	127,931

Vessls lost between December 1862 and December 1863

Manner Lost	No. of Vessels	No. of Guns	Tons
Captured	12	48	5,947
Destroyed to prvent falling into the hands of the Confederates	3	29	2,983
Sunk in battle or by torpedoes	4	28	2,201
Shipwreck, fire and collision	13	61	4,854
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Total	32	166	15,985

Vessels placed under construction since December 1862

	No. of Vessels	No. of Guns	Tons
Double-end iron steamers, 1,030 tons each	7	84	7,210
Single turret iron-clads, 614 tons each	20	40	12,280
Double turret iron-clads, 3,310 tons each	4	16	12,520
Clipper screw sloops, 2,200 tons each	12	96	26,400
Screw-sloops, spar deck, 2,200 tons each	8	160	17,600
Screw-sloops of great speed, 3,200 tons each	5	40	16,000
Screw-sloops of great speed, 3,000 tons each	2	16	6,000
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Total	58	452	98,010

Navy when vesels under construction are completed

	No. of Vessels	No. of Guns	Tons
Iron-clad steamers, coastal service	46	150	62,518
Iron-clad steamers, inland service	29	152	20,784
Side-wheel steamers	203	1,240	126,517
Screw steamers	198	1,578	187,892
Sailing vessels	112	1,323	70,256
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