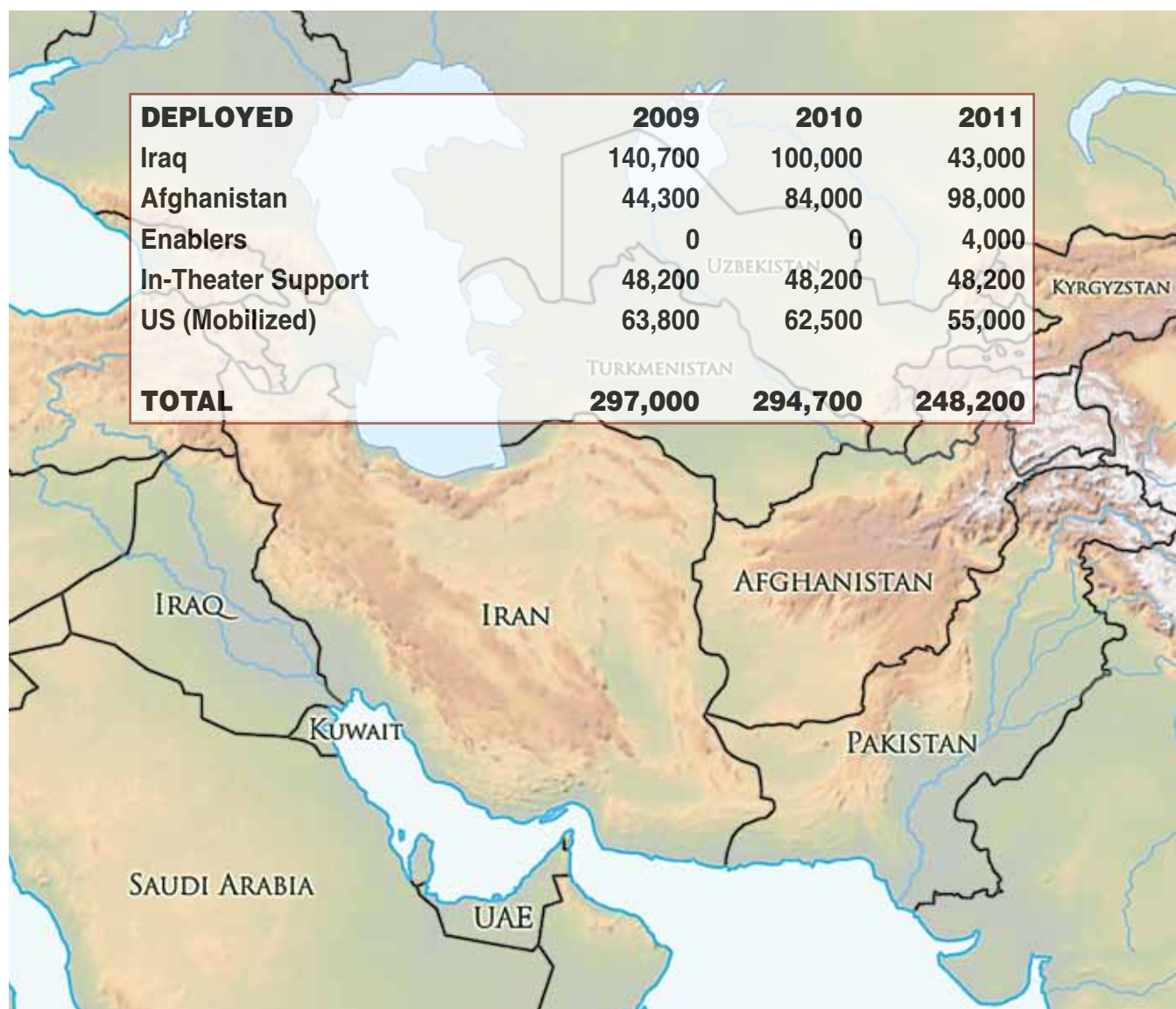


Where the Troops Are

In this year, the US force making war in the Greater Middle East will average 294,700 troops of all services. Of this number, 79 percent will be in-theater and 21 percent mobilized in the US. In the following fiscal year, the American

force in Iraq will be cut by more than half, while the contingent in Afghanistan more than doubles in size, compared to what it was in 2009. These, at least, are the assumptions built into DOD's latest budget, made public on Feb. 1.

US Service Personnel in Greater Middle East Wars



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