

**Table 11-1 ROLLING THUNDER, 1965-66**

	1965	1966
Total sorties flown	55,000	148,000
Tons of bombs dropped	33,000	128,000
Fixed targets struck	158	185
Number of aircraft lost	171	318
Loss rate per 1,000 sorties	3.4	2.1
Estimated economic damage caused	\$ 36 million	\$ 94 million
Estimated military damage caused	\$ 34 million	\$ 36 million
Direct operational cost	\$460 million	\$1,247 million
U.S. cost per \$1 of damage	\$6.60	\$9.60

SOURCE: *Pentagon Papers IV*:136, 232.