



Timeline

September 1939	World War 2 began
August 1940	Battle of Britain
November 1940	Coventry bombed
February 1942	Sir Arthur Harris appointed head of British Bomber Command
March 1942	Lubeck, a medieval city and not a major military target, destroyed
May 1942	Operation Millennium - 1000 bombers raided the German city of Cologne, 450,000 people made homeless, 469 killed
July 1943	Operation Gomorrah - a third of the city of Hamburg destroyed, 42,000 civilians killed
June 1944	D-Day - Allied armies launched an invasion of France
13 February 1945	First raid on Dresden
February 1945	Allied armies invaded Germany
May 1945	Germany surrendered to the Soviet Army