

PEOPLE

USAF TOTAL FORCE END STRENGTH

(As of Sept. 30, 2019)

	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
Air Force Active Duty									Enacted	Requested
Officers	64,932	64,806	62,349	61,004	60,961	61,597	62,640	63,902	64,412	64,640
Enlisted	263,964	261,976	250,104	246,322	252,762	256,983	258,978	263,976	265,410	265,060
Cadets	4,022	3,912	3,879	4,031	4,160	4,207	4,262	4,223	4,000	4,000
Total Air Force Active Duty	332,918	330,694	316,332	311,357	317,883	322,787	325,880	332,101	333,822	333,700
Civilian Personnel										
Direct Hire (excluding technicians)	142,047	141,496	129,120	129,985	131,965	140,116	135,879	139,536	142,549	149,797
Air National Guard Technicians	22,859	22,568	22,225	23,448	23,044	22,542	21,705	17,502	13,343	10,790
Air Force Reserve Command Technicians	10,366	9,277	10,429	8,501	8,384	7,872	7,648	7,714	8,938	7,947
Total Direct Hire	175,272	173,341	161,774	161,934	163,393	170,530	165,232	164,752	164,830	168,534
Indirect Hire	6,714	6,501	4,823	4,090	3,704	4,570	4,202	4,190	3,973	3,975
Total Civilian Personnel	181,986	179,842	166,597	166,024	167,097	175,100	169,434	168,942	168,803	172,509
Air National Guard										
Selected Reserve Officers	14,598	14,731	15,024	15,084	14,593	15,257	15,401	15,495	14,986	15,146
Selected Reserve Enlisted	90,791	90,977	91,356	90,644	90,907	90,413	92,068	91,702	92,714	92,954
Total ANG	105,389	105,708	106,380	105,728	105,500	105,670	107,469	107,197	107,700	108,100
Air Force Reserve Command										
Selected Reserve Officers	14,303	14,060	13,817	13,937	14,896	13,672	13,716	14,042	14,783	14,826
Selected Reserve Enlisted	57,125	56,853	55,967	54,557	54,304	55,126	54,987	55,347	55,317	55,474
Total AFRC Selected Reserve	71,428	70,913	69,784	68,494	69,200	68,798	68,703	69,389	70,100	70,300
Individual Ready Reserve Officers	11,222	11,222	11,222	7,302	7,492	7,492	6,593	7,631	7,631	7,631
IRR Enlisted	24,271	24,271	24,271	29,449	29,359	29,359	21,801	20,683	20,683	20,683
Total AFRC IRR	35,493	35,493	35,493	36,751	36,851	36,851	28,394	28,314	28,314	28,314
Total AFRC	106,921	106,406	105,277	105,245	106,051	105,649	97,097	97,703	98,414	98,614
Total Ready Reserve	212,310	212,114	211,657	210,973	211,551	211,319	204,566	204,900	206,114	206,714

U.S. MILITARY TOTAL FORCE END STRENGTH

(In thousands, as of Sept. 30, 2019)

	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
Active-Duty Military										Estimate
Air Force	333	331	316	311	317	323	326	328	333	334
Army	550	532	508	491	475	476	476	484	480	486
Marine Corps	198	196	188	184	184	185	186	186	186	184
Navy	318	324	326	328	325	324	330	337	341	348
Space Force										6
Full-time Guard and Reserve	77	77	77	76	76	75	79	83	87	90
Total	1,476	1,460	1,415	1,390	1,378	1,382	1,397	1,422	1,427	1,442
Guard and Reserve (Selected Reserve)										
Air National Guard	105	106	105	106	106	106	107	107	108	108
Air Force Reserve	71	71	67	68	69	69	69	69	70	70
Army National Guard	358	358	354	350	342	344	335	336	336	337
Army Reserve	201	198	195	199	198	194	189	191	190	190
Marine Corps Reserve	40	40	39	39	38	39	39	38	39	39
Navy Reserve	65	62	59	57	58	58	59	60	59	59
Total	846	835	819	819	812	802	797	801	801	802
Appropriated-fund civilian (full-time equivalents)										
Air Force	178	178	180	167	166	167	170	172	174	173
Army	275	256	207	206	195	191	248	251	192	198
Navy/Marine Corps	213	208	193	199	204	206	209	218	219	221
Defense Agencies	134	129	189	187	189	191	193	216	221	214
Total	800	773	756	758	755	756	761	796	807	806

Totals may not add up due to rounding

Sources: Defense Manpower Data Center: Number of Military and DOD Appropriated Fund (APF) Civilian Personnel Permanently Assigned; Office of the Under Secretary of Defense (Comptroller): National Defense Budget Estimates for 2021

ARMED FORCES ACTIVE-DUTY OFFICER/ENLISTED

(As of Sept. 30, 2019)

Service	Total	%
Air Force	68,137	20.78%
Officer	13,932	21.80%
Enlisted	54,205	20.53%
Army	73,317	15.26%
Officer	16,543	17.90%
Enlisted	56,774	14.67%
Marine Corps	16,621	8.94%
Officer	1,764	8.23%
Enlisted	14,857	9.03%
Navy	66,637	20.04%
Officer	10,713	19.43%
Enlisted	55,924	20.16%
Total Active Duty	224,712	16.95%
Officer	42,952	18.44%
Enlisted	181,760	16.63%

Source: Air Force Personnel Center

ACTIVE-DUTY AIRMEN BY RANK

(As of Sept. 30, 2019)

RANK	MALE	FEMALE	TOTAL
Officers			
General	11	1	12
Lieutenant General	39	3	42
Major General	84	5	89
Brigadier General	128	16	144
Colonel	2,821	515	3,336
Lieutenant Colonel	8,165	1,612	9,777
Major	11,171	2,869	14,040
Captain	15,578	5,088	20,666
First Lieutenant	5,842	1,879	7,721
Second Lieutenant	6,131	1,944	8,075
Total	49,970	13,932	63,902
Enlisted			
Chief Master Sergeant	2,151	462	2,613
Senior Master Sergeant	4,246	1,133	5,379
Master Sergeant	21,044	5,447	26,491
Technical Sergeant	32,602	7,093	39,695
Staff Sergeant	50,174	11,370	61,544
Senior Airman	43,238	11,312	54,550
Airman First Class	41,980	13,186	55,166
Airman First Class	5,774	1,794	7,568
Airman Basic	8,562	2,408	10,970
Total	209,771	54,205	263,976
Academy Cadets	3,047	1,176	4,223
Total Personnel	262,788	69,313	332,101

Sources: Defense Manpower Data Center: Table of Active Duty Females by Rank/Grade and Service (September 2019, amended March 18, 2020); Active Duty Military Personnel by Rank/Grade (Sept. 30, 2019).

Monthly rates for assigned duty at the most populous Air Force bases, by total force, in each of the five states with the most Active-duty Airmen.

Sources: Analysis of data from the Defense Travel Management Office and the Defense Manpower Data Center.

ACTIVE-DUTY AIRMEN MALE/FEMALE

(As of Sept. 30, 2019)

	1950	1960	1970	1980	1990	2000	2010	2017	2018	2019
Officers										
Male	55,474	126,014	125,136	89,156	86,714	57,204	53,838	48,676	49,344	49,970
Percentage	97.30%	97.20%	96.40%	91.30%	86.70%	82.90%	81.30%	79.00%	78.80%	78.20%
Female	1,532	3,675	4,667	8,493	13,331	11,819	12,363	12,921	13,296	13,932
Percentage	2.70%	2.80%	3.60%	8.70%	13.30%	17.10%	18.70%	21.00%	21.20%	21.80%
Total Officers	57,006	129,689	129,803	97,649	100,045	69,023	66,201	61,597	62,640	63,902
Enlisted										
Male	350,489	679,412	652,559	399,517	374,385	231,620	212,491	206,896	207,198	209,771
Percentage	98.90%	99.20%	98.60%	86.80%	86.00%	80.80%	80.70%	80.50%	80.00%	79.45%
Female	3,782	5,651	8,987	60,803	60,803	55,011	50,946	50,087	51,780	54,205
Percentage	1.10%	0.80%	1.40%	13.20%	14.00%	19.20%	19.30%	19.50%	20.00%	20.53%
Total Enlisted	354,271	685,063	661,546	460,320	435,188	286,631	263,437	256,983	258,978	263,976
Cadets										
Male	0	1,949	4,144	3,907	3,817	3,617	3,592	3,103	3,110	3,047
Percentage	0.00%	100.00%	100.00%	88.60%	87.30%	84.60%	78.80%	73.80%	73.00%	72.15%
Female	0	0	0	504	553	658	966	1,104	1,155	1,176
Percentage	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	11.40%	12.70%	15.40%	21.20%	26.20%	27.00%	27.85%
Total	0	1,949	4,144	4,411	4,370	4,275	4,558	4,207	4,262	4,223

Sources: Defense Manpower Data Center: Table of Active Duty Females by Rank/Grade and Service (September 2019, amended March 18, 2020); Active Duty Military Personnel by Rank/Grade (Sept. 30, 2019).

May not add due to rounding.

ACTIVE-DUTY AIRMEN BY REGION

(As of Sept. 30, 2019)

REGIONS	1970	1980	1990	2000	2010	2017	2018	2019
US and its Territories	565,098	445,886	418,027	291,260	277,123	253,741	270,503	276,090
Europe	72,937	76,788	69,296	32,901	30,963	27,073	27,085	27,649
East Asia, Pacific	139,666	32,263	33,558	22,030	12,649	19,748	20,372	20,698
Africa, Mideast, S. Asia	608	674	376	8,972	891	14,417	450	2,076
Western Hemisphere	5,348	2,211	2,356	345	339	337	2,119	440
Other	7,692	147	11,620	146	12,231	7,471	1,138	1,096
Total	791,349	557,969	535,233	355,654	334,196	322,787	321,667	328,049

Data based on permanent assignments. Airmen deployed for operations in Afghanistan, Syria, and Iraq are included in U.S. (transients) and Other totals.



Military training instructors lead graduating Airmen onto the drill pad during a basic military training graduation ceremony at Keesler Air Force Base, Miss., May 15.

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ACTIVE-DUTY END STRENGTH

(As of Sept. 30, 2019)

YEAR	NUMBER	YEAR	NUMBER
1907	3	1963	869,431
1908	13	1964	856,798
1909	27	1965	824,662
1910	11	1966	887,353
1911	23	1967	897,494
1912	51	1968	904,850
1913	114	1969	862,353
1914	122	1970	791,349
1915	208	1971	755,300
1916	311	1972	725,838
1917	1,218	1973	691,182
1918	195,023	1974	643,970
1919	25,603	1975	612,751
1920	9,050	1976	585,416
1921	11,649	1977	570,695
1922	9,642	1978	569,712
1923	9,441	1979	559,455
1924	10,547	1980	557,969
1925	9,670	1981	570,302
1926	9,674	1982	582,845
1927	10,078	1983	592,044
1928	10,549	1984	597,125
1929	12,131	1985	601,515
1930	13,531	1986	608,199
1931	14,780	1987	607,035
1932	15,028	1988	576,446
1933	15,099	1989	570,880
1934	15,861	1990	535,233
1935	16,247	1991	510,432
1936	17,233	1992	470,315
1937	19,147	1993	444,351
1938	21,089	1994	426,327
1939	23,455	1995	400,409
1940	51,165	1996	389,001
1941	152,125	1997	377,385
1942	764,415	1998	367,470
1943	2,197,114	1999	360,590
1944	2,372,292	2000	355,654
1945	2,282,259	2001	353,571
1946	455,515	2002	368,251
1947	305,827	2003	375,062
1948	387,730	2004	376,616
1949	419,347	2005	353,696
1950	411,277	2006	348,953
1951	788,381	2007	333,495
1952	983,261	2008	327,379
1953	977,593	2009	333,408
1954	947,918	2010	334,196
1955	959,946	2011	333,370
1956	909,958	2012	332,918
1957	919,835	2013	330,694
1958	871,156	2014	316,332
1959	840,435	2015	311,357
1960	814,752	2016	317,883
1961	821,151	2017	322,787
1962	884,025	2018	325,880
		2019	332,101
		¹ 2020	333,822
		² 2021	333,700

From 1907-1946, these Airmen were part of the U.S. Army. See p. 88 on organizational history.

¹ Enacted
² Requested

ACTIVE-DUTY PERSONNEL BY COMMAND

(As of Sept. 30, 2019)

	MILITARY
Active Duty Major Commands	
Air Combat Command	78,246
Air Education and Training Command	61,755
Air Force Global Strike Command	28,345
Air Force Materiel Command	16,718
Air Force Space Command*	9,947
Air Force Special Operations Command	15,352
Air Mobility Command	41,281
Pacific Air Forces	29,203
US Air Forces Europe-AFA	23,074
Field Operating Agencies (FOAs)	
Air Force Agency for Modeling and Simulation	7
Air Force Audit Agency	0
Air Force Cost Analysis Agency	11
Air Force Flight Standards Agency	114
Air Force Historical Research Agency	0
Air Force Inspection Agency	92
Air Force Legal Operations Agency	582
Air Force Manpower Analysis Agency	64
Air Force Medical Readiness Agency	156
Air Force Mortuary Affairs Operations	20
Air Force Office of Special Investigations	121
Air Force Operations Group	40
Air Force Personnel Center	687
Air Force Public Affairs Agency	62
Air Force Review Boards Agency	28
Air Force Safety Center	48
Air National Guard Readiness Center	33
Direct Reporting Units (DRUs)	
Direct Reporting Units (DRUs)	134
Air Force Operational Test and Evaluation Center	337
Air Force Reserve Command	61
U.S. Air Force Academy	241
Other	25,342
Total Strength	306,759

*On Dec. 20, 2019, the U.S. Space Force was established, and AFSPC was largely absorbed by the new service.