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Major Commands

A major command is a subdivision of the Air Force assigned a major part of the Air Force mission and directly subordinate to Hq. USAF. In general, there are two types of major commands: functional and

Air Combat Command Headquarters Langley AFB, Va.

Established June 1, 1992

Commander Gen. Hal M. Hornburg

MISSIONS

Operate USAF bombers (active and ANG and AFRC gained); USAF's CONUS-based (active and gained) fighter and attack, reconnaissance, rescue, battle management, and command and control aircraft and intelligence and surveillance systems

Organize, train, equip, and maintain combat-ready forces for rapid deployment and employment to meet the challenges of peacetime air sovereignty, wartime defense, and military operations other than war Provide air combat forces to America's warfighting commands (Central, European, Northern, Pacific, and Southern); nuclear forces to USSTRATCOM; air defense forces to NORAD

COROLLARY MISSIONS

Monitor and intercept illegal drug

Test new combat equipment

FORCE STRUCTURE

Three Numbered Air Forces: 8th. Barksdale AFB, La.; 9th, Shaw AFB, S.C.; 12th, Davis-Monthan AFB, Ariz.

Four primary subordinate units: Air and Space Expeditionary Force Center, Langley AFB, Va.; Air Force Rescue Coordination Center, Langley AFB, Va.; Air Intelligence Agency, Lackland AFB, Tex.; Air Warfare Center, Nellis AFB, Nev. 25 wings

OPERATIONAL ACTIVITY

Flying hours: 32,000 per month

Major operations

Enduring Freedom (Afghanistan); Iraqi Freedom (Iraq); Noble Eagle (US); Northern/Southern Watch (Iraq)

Major training exercises

Air Warrior and AW II; Amalgam Warrior; Baltops; Blue Advance; Blue Flag; Bright Star; Cooperative Zenith; Fuertas Defensas; Global Guardian; Initial Link; Internal Look; JTFEX; Linked Seas; Maple Flag; New Horizons; Northern Viking; Red Flag; Roving Sands; Rugged Arch; Strong Resolve

PERSONNEL

Total

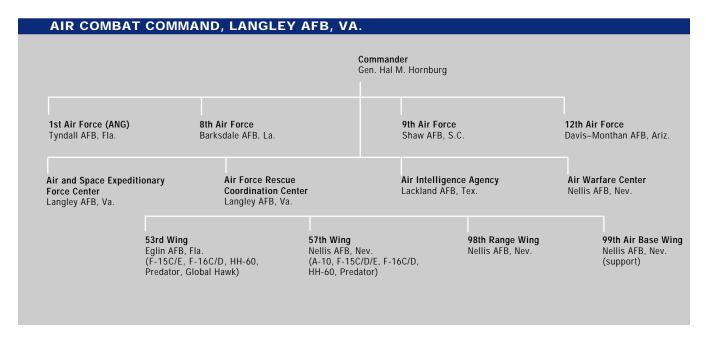
(as of Sept. 30, 2002) Active duty 91,156 Officers 12,978 **Enlisted** 78,178 Reserve components 61,624 **ANG** 50,780 **AFRC** 10,844 Civilian 10,018



The B-2 Spirit of Pennsylvania starts up its engines at Whiteman AFB, Mo., recorded by Amn. John Calvano of the 509th Communications Squadron. The stealthy, multirole Spirits are ACC's most sophisticated bombers.

photo by SSgt. Michael Gaddis

162,798



EQUIPMENT

(Primary Aircraft Inventory as of Sept. 30, 2002) Bombers (B-1B, B-2, B-52H) Fighter/Attack (A/OA-10, F-15, F-16, F-117)

Helicopter (HH-60)

112

Recon/BM/C3I (E-3, E-4, E-8, 686 E-9, EC-130, OC-135, RC-135, RQ-1, U-2, WC-135)

135, RQ-1, U-2, WC-135) 107 Tanker (HC-130) 11

Tanker (HC-130) 11 Trainer (T-38, TC-135, TU-2) 30

UNIT **BASE WEAPONS** F-15C/D 1st Fighter Wing Langley AFB, Va. 2nd Bomb Wing Barksdale AFB, La. B-52H 4th Fighter Wing Seymour Johnson AFB, N.C. F-15E 5th Bomb Wing Minot AFB, N.D. B-52H 7th Bomb Wing Dyess AFB, Tex. B-1 9th Reconnaissance Wing Beale AFB, Calif. T-38, U-2R/S 20th Fighter Wing Shaw AFB, S.C. F-16C/CJ/D Pope AFB, N.C. A/OA-10 23rd Fighter Group 27th Fighter Wing Cannon AFB, N.M. F-16C/D Ellsworth AFB, S.D. 28th Bomb Wing B-1 33rd Fighter Wing Eglin AFB, Fla. F-15C/D 49th Fighter Wing Holloman AFB, N.M. AT-38B, F-117A, German F-4F 53rd Wing Eglin AFB, Fla. F-15C/E, F-16C/D, HH-60, Predator, Global Hawk 53rd Weapons Evaluation Groupa E-9, BQM-34, MQM-107, QF-4 Tyndall AFB, Fla. E-4B, EC-130Hb, OC-135B, RC-135S/U/V/W, 55th Wing Offutt AFB, Neb. TC-135S/W, WC-135C/W Nellis AFB, Nev. A-10, F-15C/D/E, F-16C/D, HH-60, Predator 57th Wing 67th Information Operations Wing Lackland AFB. Tex. Ft. Meade, Md. 70th Intelligence Wing 98th Range Wing Nellis AFB, Nev. 99th Air Base Wing Nellis AFB, Nev. (support) 116th Air Control Wing Robins AFB, Ga. E-8C 347th Rescue Wing Moody AFB, Ga. HC-130, HH-60 Davis-Monthan AFB, Ariz. 355th Wing A/OA-10 366th Fighter Wing Mountain Home AFB, Idaho F-15C/D/E, F-16CJ/D 388th Fighter Wing Hill AFB, Utah F-16C/D 509th Bomb Wing Whiteman AFB, Mo. B-2, T-38 552nd Air Control Wing Tinker AFB, Okla. E-3B/C

^aPart of 53rd Wing.

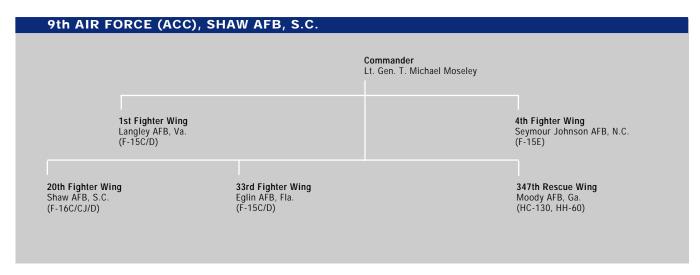
bLocated at Davis-Monthan AFB, Ariz.

Blended wing with activy duty and ANG personnel.

An A-10 pilot from the 332nd Air Expeditionary Wing prepares for takeoff from a forward location during Operation Iraqi Freedom.







Air Education and Training Command Headquarters Randolph AFB, Tex.

Established July 1, 1993

Commander Gen. Donald G. Cook

MISSIONS

Recruit, train, and educate quality

Provide basic military training, initial and advanced technical training, flying training, and professional military and degree-granting professional education

Conduct joint, medical service, readiness, and Air Force security assistance training

OTHER RESPONSIBILITIES

Recall of Individual Ready Reservists. Mobility and contingency tasking support to combatant commanders

FORCE STRUCTURE

Two Numbered Air Forces and an educational headquarters: 2nd, Keesler AFB, Miss.; 19th, Randolph AFB, Tex.; Air University, Maxwell AFB. Ala.

Three DRUs: Air Force Recruiting Service and Air Force Security Assistance Training Squadron, Randolph AFB, Tex., and 59th Medical Wing, Lackland AFB, Tex. 16 wings

OPERATIONAL ACTIVITY

Flying hours: 48,403 per month



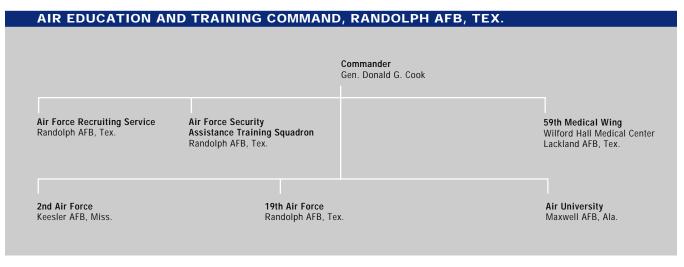
From basic military training to advanced technical training to college degrees, training and education are continuous during a USAF career. Here, the 95th Fighter Squadron trains the next generation of fighter pilots at Tyndall AFB, Fla.

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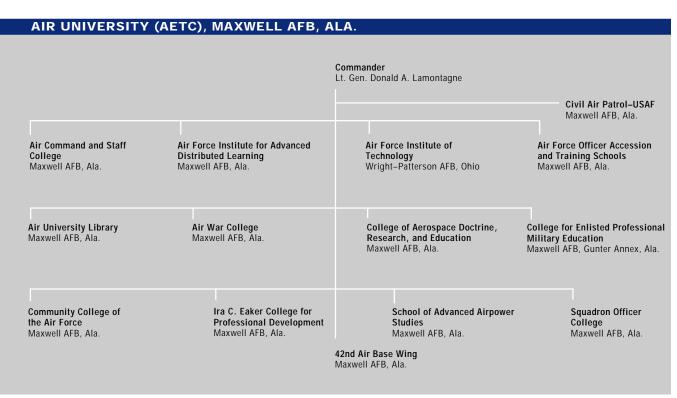
PERSONNEL			EQUIPMENT	
(as of Sept. 30,	2002)		(PAI as of Sept. 30, 2002)	
Active duty		72,296	Fighter/Attack (F-15, F-16)	211
Officers	15,042		Helicopter (UH-1)	7
Enlisted	57,254		Special Operations Forces	
Reserve compor		7,984	(MC-130, MH-53)	16
ANG AFRC	4,611 3.373		Tanker (KC-135)	24
Civilian	3,373	14,713	Trainer (AT/T-38, T-1, T-6,	
Total		94,993	T-37, T-43)	883
		0 1,000	Transport (C-5, C-17, C-21,	
			C-130)	57

UNIT	BASE	WEAPONS/ACTIVITIES
Flying/Aircrew Training Units (Active)		
12th Flying Training Wing	Randolph AFB, Tex.	T-1, T-6, T-37, T-38, T-43
14th Flying Training Wing	Columbus AFB, Miss.	T-1, T-37, T-38
45th Airlift Squadron	Keesler AFB, Miss.	C-21
47th Flying Training Wing	Laughlin AFB, Tex.	T-1, T-6, T-37, T-38
56th Fighter Wing	Luke AFB, Ariz.	F-16
58th Special Operations Wing	Kirtland AFB, N.M.	MC-130H, MC-130P, MH-53, UH-1
71st Flying Training Wing	Vance AFB, Okla.	T-1, T-37, T-38
80th Flying Training Wing	Sheppard AFB, Tex.	AT/T-38, T-37
97th Air Mobility Wing	Altus AFB, Okla.	C-5, C-17, KC-135
314th Airlift Wing	Little Rock AFB, Ark.	C-130E
325th Fighter Wing	Tyndall AFB, Fla.	F-15, Undergraduate Controller and Air Battle Manager Training
336th Training Group	Fairchild AFB, Wash.	UH-1, Aircrew Survival Training
479th Flying Training Group	Moody AFB, Ga.	AT-38, T-6, T-38C
Technical Training Units		
17th Training Wing	Goodfellow AFB, Tex.	
37th Training Wing	Lackland AFB, Tex.	
81st Training Wing	Keesler AFB, Miss.	
82nd Training Wing	Sheppard AFB, Tex.	
381st Training Group	Vandenberg AFB, Calif.	
Other Major Units		
Air University	Maxwell AFB, Ala.	
Air Force Recruiting Service	Randolph AFB, Tex.	
42nd Air Base Wing	Maxwell AFB, Ala.	
59th Medical Wing	Lackland AFB, Tex.	









Air Force Materiel Command Headquarters Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio

Established July 1, 1992

Commander Gen. Lester L. Lyles

MISSIONS

Provide research and development, testing, acquisition, and sustainment of weapon systems for the warfighter

Design, develop, and acquire advanced technology to achieve air superiority

Operate major product, logistics, and test centers and the Air Force Research Laboratory

FORCE STRUCTURE

Three major product centers Two test centers Three air logistics centers Three specialized centers One laboratory, 10 directorates, at various locations

OPERATIONAL ACTIVITY

Flying hours: 1,800 per month

PERSONNEL

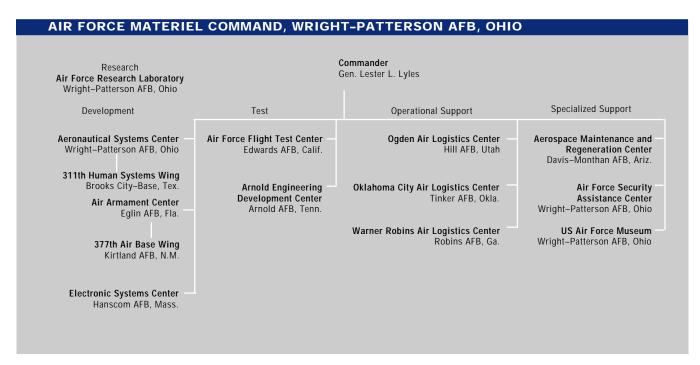
(as of Sept. 30, 2002) Active duty 23,279 6,941 Officers Enlisted 16,338 Reserve components 5,702 2,331 ANG **AFRC** 3,371

Civilian 56,838 Total 85,819

EQUIPMENT

4 (PAI as of Sept. 30, 2002) Tanker (NKC/KC-135) 16 Bomber (B-1B, B-52) 4 Trainer (AT/T-38, T-39) Fighter/Attack (A-10, F-15, F-16, Transport (C-12, C-17, C-135, 22 F-22, F-117) 58 NC-130) Helicopter (HH-60, UH-1) 5

UNIT	BASE
Aeronautical Systems Center	Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio
Air Armament Center	Eglin AFB, Fla.
Electronic Systems Center	Hanscom AFB, Mass.
Air Force Flight Test Center	Edwards AFB, Calif.
Arnold Engineering Development Center	Arnold AFB, Tenn.
Ogden Air Logistics Center	Hill AFB, Utah
Oklahoma City Air Logistics Center	Tinker AFB, Okla.
Warner Robins Air Logistics Center	Robins AFB, Ga.
Aerospace Maintenance & Regeneration Center	Davis-Monthan AFB, Ariz.
Air Force Security Assistance Center	Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio
311th Human Systems Wing	Brooks City-Base, Tex.
Air Force Research Laboratory	Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio
377th Air Base Wing	Kirtland AFB, N.M.
US Air Force Museum	Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio



Air Force Space Command Headquarters Peterson AFB, Colo.

Established Sept. 1, 1982

Commander Gen. Lance W. Lord

MISSIONS

Operate and test USAF ICBM forces for USSTRATCOM; missile warning radars, sensors, and satellites; national space-launch facilities and operational boosters; worldwide space surveillance radars and optical systems; worldwide space environmental systems

Provide command and control for DOD satellites; ballistic missile warning to NORAD and USSTRATCOM; space weather support to entire DOD Produce and acquire advanced space systems

COROLLARY MISSIONS

Develop and integrate space support for the warfighter Serve as lead command for all USAF UH-1 helicopter programs

OTHER RESPONSIBILITIES

Provide communications, computer, and base support to NORAD; technology safeguard monitors to support launches of US satellites on foreign launch vehicles Supply range and launch facilities for military, civil, and commercial

FORCE STRUCTURE

space launch

Two Numbered Air Forces: 14th, Vandenberg AFB, Calif.; 20th, F.E. Warren AFB, Wyo. One major product center One DRU: Space Warfare Center, Schriever AFB. Colo. Eight wings

PERSONNEL

(as of Sept. 30, 2002) Active duty 19.097 Officers 4.983 Enlisted 14.114 Reserve components 1,412 **ANG** 475 AFRC 937 Civilian 6,325 Total 26,834

EQUIPMENT

(as of Sept. 30, 2002)

Ballistic missile warning systems: Defense Support Program satellites, Ballistic Missile Early Warning System, Pave PAWS radars, Perimeter Acquisition Radar Attack Characterization System, conventional radars

Boosters: Delta II, Atlas II, Titan II, Titan IV, Delta IV, Atlas V

Helicopters: 18 ICBMs:

> Peacekeeper: 50 Minuteman III: 500

Satellite command and control system:

Air Force Satellite Control Network (worldwide system of eight tracking stations providing communications links to satellites to monitor their sta-

Satellite systems

(as of Jan. 1, 2003):

GPS: Block II/IIA/IIR: 28

DMSP: 4 DSCS III: 11 Milstar: 4

Milsatcom Polar System: 1

Space surveillance systems:

Electro-Optical Deep Space Surveillance System, phased-array radars, mechanical tracking radars, passive surveillance radars



AIR FORCE SPACE COMMAND, PETERSON AFB, COLO.

Commander Gen. Lance W. Lord

14th Air Force Vandenberg AFB, Calif. Space and Missile Systems Los Angeles AFB, Calif.

Space Warfare Center Schriever AFB, Colo.

20th Air Force F.E. Warren AFB, Wyo.

14th AIR FORCE (AFSPC), VANDENBERG AFB, CALIF. Commander Maj. Gen. Michael A. Hamel 50th Space Wing 30th Space Wing 45th Space Wing 21st Space Wing Vandenberg AFB, Calif. Patrick AFB, Fla. Schriever AFB. Colo. Peterson AFB. Colo. (UH-1) 460th Air Base Wing Buckley AFB, Colo.



UNIT	BASE	WEAPONS/ACTIVITIES
21st Space Wing	Peterson AFB, Colo.	Missile warning and space surveillance
30th Space Wing	Vandenberg AFB, Calif.	Polar-orbiting launches, launch R&D tests, range operations for DOD, NASA, ballistic missile and aeronautical systems, and commercial launches; test support for DOD space and ICBM systems; UH-1, Delta II, Atlas IIAS, Titan II, Titan IV, Pegasus, Taurus
45th Space Wing	Patrick AFB, Fla.	Launch, range operations for DOD, NASA, and commercial space launches; shuttle program support and US Navy Trident test support; Delta II, Atlas II, Titan IV, Delta IV, Atlas V
50th Space Wing	Schriever AFB, Colo.	Command and control of DOD and allied nations' satellites
90th Space Wing	F.E. Warren AFB, Wyo.	Minuteman III and Peacekeeper ICBMs, UH-1
91st Space Wing	Minot AFB, N.D.	Minuteman III ICBM, UH-1
341st Space Wing	Malmstrom AFB, Mont.	Minuteman III ICBM, UH-1
460th Air Base Wing	Buckley AFB, Colo.	Missile warning and space communications
Space & Missile Systems Center	Los Angeles AFB, Calif.	R&D, purchase of military space systems



Established May 22, 1990

Commander Lt. Gen. Paul V. Hester

MISSIONS

Serve as the Air Force component of USSOCOM

Deploy specialized airpower, delivering special operations combat power anywhere, anytime

Provide Air Force Special Operations Forces for worldwide deployment and assignment to regional unified commands to conduct unconventional warfare, direct action, special reconnaissance, counterterrorism, foreign internal defense, counterproliferation, civil affairs, humanitarian assistance, psychological operations, personnel recovery,

and counternarcotics operations

FORCE STRUCTURE

One active duty, one ANG, and one AFRC special operations wings Three groups (two special operations, one special tactics) **USAF Special Operations School** A combat controller trains at a firing range while deployed for Operation Enduring Freedom in March. The combat controller teams of Air Force Special Operations Command establish and control air assault zones and conduct other missions supporting special operations forces.



OPERATIONAL ACTIVITY

Flying hours: 4,300 per month

Major operations

Enduring Freedom (Afghanistan); Iraqi Freedom (Iraq);

PERSONNEL

(as of Sept. 30, 2002) Active duty 9,121 Officers 1,525 Enlisted 7,596 2,673 Reserve components ANG 1,320 AFRC 1,353 Civilian 672 Total 12,466 **EQUIPMENT**

(PAI as of Sept. 30, 2002)
Helicopter (UH-1) 2
SOF (AC-130, MC-130,
MH-53) 75
Transport (C-41) 2

UNIT	BASE	WEAPONS
16th Special Operations Wing	Hurlburt Field, Fla.	AC-130H/U, C-41A, C-130, MC-130H, MC-130P, MH-53J/M, UH-1N
18th Flight Test Squadron	Hurlburt Field, Fla.	_
352nd Special Operations Group	RAF Mildenhall, UK	MC-130H, MC-130P, MH-53M
353rd Special Operations Group	Kadena AB, Japan	MC-130H, MC-130P
720th Special Tactics Group	Hurlburt Field, Fla.	_
USAF Special Operations School	Hurlburt Field, Fla.	_

AIR FORCE SPECIAL OPERATIONS COMMAND, HURLBURT FIELD, FLA. Lt. Gen. Paul V. Hester 16th Special Operations Wing 352nd Special Ops Group 353rd Special Ops Group Hurlburt Field, Fla. RAF Mildenhall, UK Kadena AB, Japan (AC-130H/U, C-41A, C-130, MC-130H, (MC-130H, MC-130P, MH-53M) (MC-130H, MC-130P) MC-130Pa, MH-53J/M, UH-1N) **USAF Special Ops School** 18th Flight Test Squadron 720th Special Tactics Group Hurlburt Field, Fla. Hurlburt Field, Fla. Hurlburt Field, Fla. ^aMC-130Ps are located at Eglin AFB, Fla.

Air Mobility Command Headquarters Scott AFB, III.

Established June 1, 1992

Commander Gen. John W. Handy

MISSIONS

Provide rapid global mobility and sustainment through tactical and strategic airlift and aerial refueling for US armed forces

COROLLARY MISSIONS

Provide special duty and operational support aircraft and global humanitarian support

Perform peacetime and wartime aeromedical evacuation missions

FORCE STRUCTURE

Two Numbered Air Forces: 15th, Travis AFB, Calif.; 21st, McGuire AFB, N.J.

Three DRUs: Air Mobility Warfare Center, Ft. Dix, N.J.; Tanker Airlift Control Center, Scott AFB, III.; Defense Courier Service, Ft. Meade, Md.

12 wings (six airlift, three air mobility, three air refueling)

Three groups (two airlift, one air refueling)

OPERATIONAL ACTIVITY

Flying hours: 38,361 per month

Major operations

Deep Freeze (Antarctic); Enduring Freedom (Afghanistan); Iraqi Freedom (Iraq); Noble Eagle (US); Northern/Southern Watch (Iraq); Wildland Wildfire (fire fighting)

Major training exercises

Adventure Exchange; Adventure Express 02; Affirmative Alert; Arctic Sarex; Battle Griffin; Blue Game; Cobra Gold; Dynamic Mix; Hungarian Response 02; Medceur/ Resceur; Medflag; Millennium Challenge; New Horizons; Strong Re-

PERSONNEL

(as of Sept. 30, 2002)

Active duty Officers 8,879 Enlisted 43,013

Reserve components 86,366

ANG 39,449 **AFRC** 46,917

Civilian 8,229 Total 146,487



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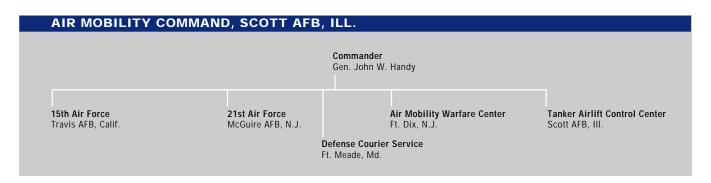
Above, in the early morning light, C-17s wait to be loaded with cargo for Operation Iraqi Freedom. At left, SSgt. Matthew Woodcock, 621st Air Mobility Group, McGuire AFB, N.J., secures a forklift to a C-130.

EQUIPMENT

(PAI as of Sept. 30, 2002) Helicopter (UH-1) 15 Tanker (KC-10, KC-135) 218 Transport (C-5, C-9, C-17, C-20, C-21, C-32, C-37, C-130, C-141, VC-25) 307

USAF photo by SSgt. Cherie A. Thurlby

UNIT	BASE	WEAPONS
6th Air Mobility Wing	MacDill AFB, Fla.	C-37, KC-135
19th Air Refueling Group	Robins AFB, Ga.	KC-135
22nd Air Refueling Wing	McConnell AFB, Kan.	KC-135
43rd Airlift Wing	Pope AFB, N.C.	C-130
60th Air Mobility Wing	Travis AFB, Calif.	C-5, KC-10
62nd Airlift Wing	McChord AFB, Wash.	C-17
89th Airlift Wing	Andrews AFB, Md.	C-9, C-20, C-32, C-37, VC-25, UH-1
92nd Air Refueling Wing	Fairchild AFB, Wash.	KC-135
305th Air Mobility Wing	McGuire AFB, N.J.	C-141, KC-10
317th Airlift Group	Dyess AFB, Tex.	C-130
319th Air Refueling Wing	Grand Forks AFB, N.D.	KC-135
375th Airlift Wing	Scott AFB, III.	C-9, C-21
436th Airlift Wing	Dover AFB, Del.	C-5
437th Airlift Wing	Charleston AFB, S.C.	C-17
463rd Airlift Group	Little Rock AFB, Ark.	C-130







Pacific Air Forces

Headquarters Hickam AFB, Hawaii

Established July 1, 1957

Commander Gen. William J. Begert

MISSIONS

Provide ready air and space power to promote US interests in the Asia–Pacific region during peacetime, crisis, and war

FORCE STRUCTURE

Four Numbered Air Forces: **5th**, Yokota AB, Japan; **7th**, Osan AB, South Korea; **11th**, Elmendorf AFB, Alaska; **13th**, Andersen AFB, Guam Nine wings (two multimission, four fighter, one airlift, two air base)

OPERATIONAL ACTIVITY

Flying hours: 10,473 per month

Major training exercises

Balikatan (Philippines); Cobra Gold (Thailand); Commando Sling (Singapore); Cope India (India); Cope North (Japan); Cope Thunder (Alaska); Cope Tiger (Thailand); Foal Eagle (South Korea); Geronimo Thrust (Alaska); Keen Sword (Japan); Positive Force (Pacific); Reception Staging Onward Movement and Integration (South Korea); Tandem Thrust (Guam, Northern Marianas); Ulchi Focus Lens (South Korea)



A1C Caridad O'Hara, from PACAF's 67th Fighter Squadron, Kadena AB, Japan, observes a pilot check the rudders on his F-15. O'Hara was deployed with the 363rd Expeditionary Aircraft Maintenance Squadron.

PERSONNEL

(as of Sept. 30, 2002) Active duty 33,354

Officers 4,306 Enlisted 29,048 Reserve components 5,143 ANG 4,675

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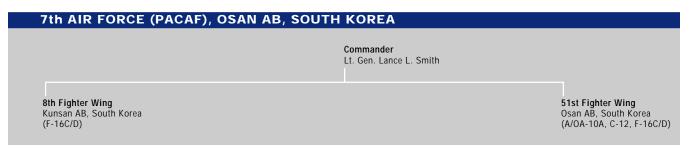
 Civilian
 8,276

 Total
 46,773

UNIT	BASE	WEAPONS
3rd Wing	Elmendorf AFB, Alaska	C-12, C-130H, E-3B/C, F-15C/D, F-15E
8th Fighter Wing	Kunsan AB, South Korea	F-16C/D
15th Air Base Wing	Hickam AFB, Hawaii	_
18th Wing	Kadena AB, Japan	E-3B/C, F-15C/D, KC-135R, HH-60G
35th Fighter Wing	Misawa AB, Japan	F-16C/D
36th Air Base Wing	Andersen AFB, Guam	_
51st Fighter Wing	Osan AB, South Korea	A/OA-10A, C-12, F-16C/D
354th Fighter Wing	Eielson AFB, Alaska	A/OA-10A, F-16C/D
374th Airlift Wing	Yokota AB, Japan	C-9A, C-21A, C-130E/H

		Commander Gen. William J. Beger	rt	
5th Air Force	7th Air Force		11th Air Force	13th Air Force
Yokota AB, Japan	Osan AB, South Korea		Elmendorf AFB, Alaska	Andersen AFB, Guam

Sth AIR FORCE (PACAF), YOKOTA AB, JAPAN Commander Lt. Gen. Thomas C. Waskow 18th Wing Kadena AB, Japan (E-3B/C, F-15C/D, KC-135R, HH-60G) (F-16C/D) Commander Lt. Gen. Thomas C. Waskow 374th Airlift Wing Yokota AB, Japan (C-9A, C-21A, C-130E/H)



11th AIR FORCE (PACAF), ELMENDORF AFB, ALASKA Commander Lt. Gen. Carrol H. Chandler 3rd Wing Elmendorf AFB, Alaska (C-12, C-130H, E-3B/C, F-15C/D, F-15E) 354th Fighter Wing Eielson AFB, Alaska (A/OA-10A, F-16C/D)

EQUIPMENT

(PAI as of Sept. 30, 2002)
Fighter/Attack (A/OA-10, F-15, F-16) 264
Helicopter (HH-60) 8
Recon/BM/C3I (E-3) 2
Tanker (KC-135) 8
Transport (C-9, C-12, C-21, C-37, C-130) 40

An F-16CJ pilot from the 14th Fighter Squadron, Misawa AB, Japan, waits for maintenance crew members to pull weapons pins from his aircraft before he takes off for an Iraqi Freedom mission.



Commander
Maj. Gen. Dennis R. Larsen

36th Air Base Wing
Andersen AFB, Guam

497th Fighter Training Squadron
Paya Lebar Airfield, Singapore^a

US Air Forces in Europe Headquarters Ramstein AB, Germany

Established Aug. 7, 1945

Commander Gen. Gregory S. Martin

MISSIONS

Provide the joint force commander rapidly deployable expeditionary aerospace forces

COROLLARY MISSIONS

Plan, conduct, coordinate, and support aerospace operations to achieve US national and NATO objectives based on USEUCOM taskings **Develop** and maintain light, lean, lethal, and rapid expeditionary aerospace forces

Establish and maintain expeditionary bases

Support US military plans and operations in Europe, the Mediterranean, the Middle East, and Africa

FORCE STRUCTURE

Two Numbered Air Forces: 3rd, RAF Mildenhall, UK; 16th, Aviano AB, Italy Seven wings (one air base, one multimission, one air refueling, one airlift, and three fighter)

OPERATIONAL ACTIVITY

Flying hours: 7,400 per month

Major operations

Enduring Freedom (Afghanistan); Iraqi Freedom (Iraq); Joint Forge (Bosnia); Joint Guardian (Kosovo); Northern/Southern Watch (Iraq)



An F-16CJ from the 52nd Fighter Wing flies a training mission from Spangdahlem AB, Germany. USAFE has two other fighter wings—the 31st FW at Aviano AB, Italy, and the 48th FW at RAF Lakenheath, UK.

Major training exercises

Able Ally; Able Gain; African Eagle; African Lion; Agile Leader; Agile Response; Anatolian Eagle; Atlas Drop; Baltops; Blue Game; Cannon Cloud;

Clean Hunter; Combined Endeavor; Cooperative Key; Destined Glory; Dimming Sun; Flintlock; Immediate Response; Juniper Stallion; Medflag; Positive Force; Rescuer/Medceur;

US AIR FORCES IN EUROPE, RAMSTEIN AB, GERMANY

Commander Gen. Gregory S. Martin

3rd Air Force RAF Mildenhall, UK

16th Air Force Aviano AB, Italy

The USAFE organizational chart above shows peacetime lines of command. The chart below shows the NATO wartime command lines.

Allied Command Europe (ACE)

Allied Forces Southern Europe (AFSOUTH) Naples, Italy

Allied Air Forces Southern Europe (AIRSOUTH) Naples, Italy

> 6th Combined Air Operations Center Eskisehir, Turkey

Allied Forces North Europe (AFNORTH) Brunssum, Netherlands

Allied Air Forces North Europe (AIRNORTH) Ramstein AB, Germany

5th Combined Air Operations Center Vicenza, Italy

Interim Deployable CAOC Ramstein AB, Germany

Senior Commander Warfighting Seminar; Sentry White Eagle; Union Flash; Victory Strike

PERSONNEL

(as of Sept. 30, 2002) Active duty 26,450 3,549 Officers Enlisted 22,901 Reserve components 421 **ANG** 210 **AFRC** 211 Civilian 4,882 Total 31,753

EQUIPMENT

(PAI as of Sept. 30, 2002) Fighter/Attack (A/OA-10, F-15, F-16) 173 Tanker (KC-135) 15 Transport (C-9, C-20, C-21, C-130) 34



At Ramstein AB, Germany, SSgt. Sean Morris and SSgt. Susan Clawson check medical equipment in preparation for medevac missions. USAFE has been headquartered at the base since 1973.

UNIT	BASE	WEAPONS
31st Fighter Wing	Aviano AB, Italy	F-16C/D
39th Wing	Incirlik AB, Turkey	Tactical range and contingency support, rotational aircraft
48th Fighter Wing	RAF Lakenheath, UK	F-15C/D, F-15E
52nd Fighter Wing	Spangdahlem AB, Germany	A/OA-10, F-16C/D
65th Air Base Wing	Lajes Field, the Azores	_
85th Group	Keflavik, Iceland	HH-60
86th Airlift Wing	Ramstein AB, Germany	C-9, C-20, C-21, C-130E
100th Air Refueling Wing	RAF Mildenhall, UK	KC-135R

3rd AIR FORCE (USAFE), RAF MILDENHALL, UK Maj. Gen. Michael W. Wooley 48th Fighter Wing 52nd Fighter Wing 65th Air Base Wing 86th Airlift Wing 100th Air Refueling Wing 85th Group RAF Lakenheath, UK Spangdahlem AB, Germany Lajes Field, the Azores Ramstein AB, Germany RAF Mildenhall, UK Keflavik, Iceland (F-15C/D, F-15E) (A/OA-10, F-16C/D) (C-9, C-20, C-21, C-130E) (KC-135R) (HH-60)

16th AIR FORCE (USAFE), AVIANO AB, ITALY Commander Lt. Gen. Glen W. Moorehead III **39th Wing** Incirlik AB, Turkey 31st Fighter Wing Aviano AB, Italy (Tactical range and contingency support, rotational aircraft) (F-16C/D)