

USAF Almanac

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: operational and support.

ACC

Air Combat Command

Headquarters Langley AFB, Va.

Established June 1, 1992

Commander Gen. Richard E. Hawley

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

Organize, train, equip, and maintain combat-ready forces for rapid deployment and employment to meet the challenges of peacetime air sovereignty, wartime defense, operations other than war, and major theater wars

Provide air combat forces to America's warfighting commands; nuclear-capable forces for USSTRATCOM; air defense forces to NORAD

Supply aircraft and support forces to the five geographic unified commands: Atlantic, European, Pacific, Southern, and Central Commands

COROLLARY MISSIONS

Monitor and intercept illegal drug traffic

Test new combat equipment

FORCE STRUCTURE

Four numbered air forces: **1st** (ANG), Tyndall AFB, Fla.; **8th**, Barksdale AFB, La.; **9th**, Shaw AFB, S.C.; **12th**, Davis-Monthan AFB, Ariz.

One direct reporting unit: Air Warfare Center, Nellis AFB, Nev.

24 wings

OPERATIONAL ACTIVITY

Flying hours: 33,640 per month

Major overseas deployments

Southern/Northern Watch, Bright Star (USCENTCOM), Central Enterprise (USEUCOM), Cobra Gold (USPACOM), Northern Viking, Strong

Resolve (USACOM), New Horizons (USSOCOM)

Major CONUS JCS exercises

Cooperative Zenith, JTFEX, Roving Sands, Fuertas Defense (USACOM); Global Guardian (USSTRATCOM); Baltops, TFW (USEUCOM)

Major training exercises

Air Warrior, Green Flag, Red Flag (Nellis AFB, Nev.); Air Warrior II (Barksdale AFB, La.); Blue Flag (Hurlburt Field, Fla.); Maple Flag (CFB Cold Lake, Canada)

PERSONNEL

(as of Sept. 30, 1998)

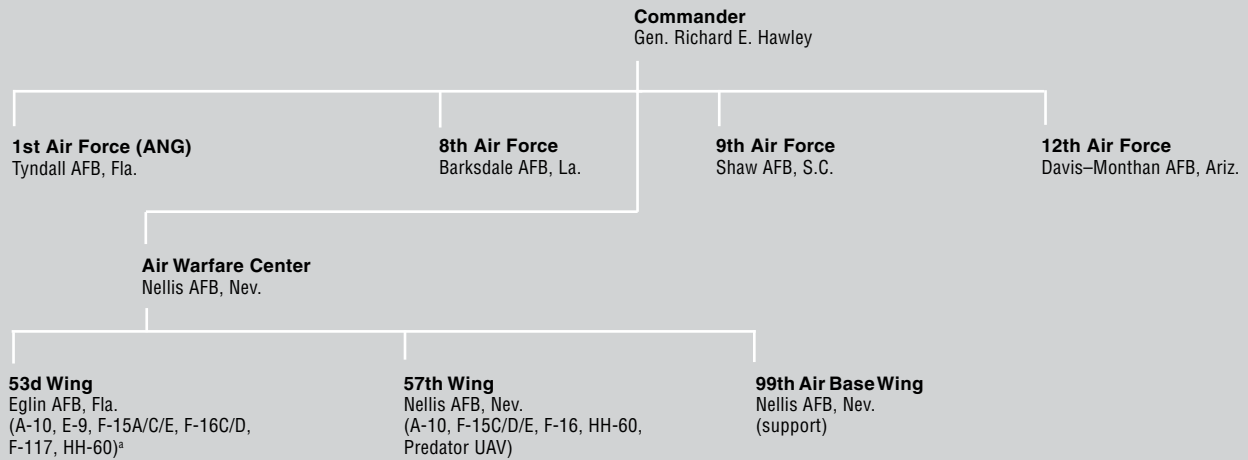
Active duty	91,002
Officers	12,254
Enlisted	78,748
Reserve components	61,501
ANG	52,300
AFRC	9,201
Civilian	11,312
Total	163,815



USAF photo by SrA. Greg L. Davis

Deployed to Al Jaber AB, Kuwait, for Operation Southern Watch a year ago, SrA. Shane Phelps, a 523d Fighter Squadron avionics technician, gives a thumbs-up to personnel on the ground as he runs a diagnostic test on an F-16C. ACC racks up more than 33,000 flying hours a month.

AIR COMBAT COMMAND, LANGLEY AFB, VA.



*E-9 at Tyndall AFB, Fla.

EQUIPMENT

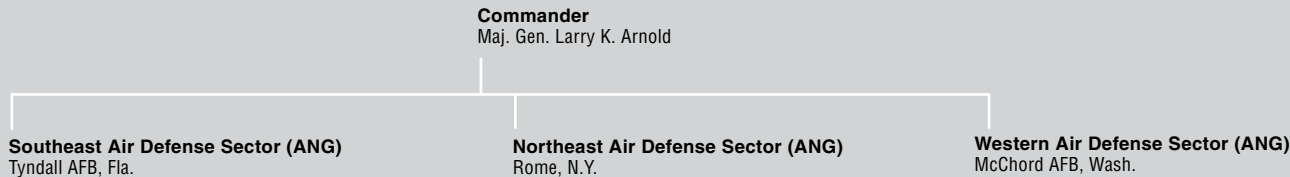
(Primary Aircraft Inventory as of Sept. 30, 1998)

Category	Count	Category	Count
Bombers (B-1B, B-2, B-52H)	109	Attack aircraft (A/OA-10, F-15E, F-117A)	284
Fighters (F-4, F-15, F-16)	424	Aerial refuelers (KC-135R)	6
		Rescue (HC-130, HH-60)	37
		Reconnaissance (E-8C, Predator UAV, RC-135, U-2)	49
		Command and control (E-3, E-4, E-8, EC-130E)	42

UNIT	BASE	WEAPONS
1st Fighter Wing	Langley AFB, Va.	F-15C/D
2d 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, Texas	B-1B
9th Reconnaissance Wing	Beale AFB, Calif.	T-38, U-2R/S
20th Fighter Wing	Shaw AFB, S.C.	F-16C/D
23d Fighter Group	Pope AFB, N.C.	A/OA-10
24th Wing	Howard AFB, Panama	—
27th Fighter Wing	Cannon AFB, N.M.	F-16C/D
28th Bomb Wing	Ellsworth AFB, S.D.	B-1B
33d Fighter Wing	Eglin AFB, Fla.	F-15C
49th Fighter Wing	Holloman AFB, N.M.	AT-38B, F-4, F-117A, HH-60, German F-4F
53d Wing	Eglin AFB, Fla.	A-10, F-15A/C/E, F-16C/D, F-117, HH-60
55th Wing	Offutt AFB, Neb.	E-4B, OC-135B, RC-135S/U/V/W, TC-135S/W, WC-135W
57th Wing	Nellis AFB, Nev.	A-10, F-15C/D/E, F-16, HH-60, Predator UAV
65th Air Base Wing	Lajes Field, the Azores (support)	—
85th Group	NAS Keflavik, Iceland	HH-60
93d Air Control Wing	Robins AFB, Ga.	E-8C
99th Air Base Wing	Nellis AFB, Nev. (support)	—
347th Wing	Moody AFB, Ga.	A/OA-10, F-16C/D, HC-130, HH-60
355th Wing	Davis-Monthan AFB, Ariz.	A/OA-10, EC-130E/H
366th Wing	Mountain Home AFB, Idaho	B-1B, F-15C/D/E, F-16C/D, KC-135R
388th Fighter Wing	Hill AFB, Utah	F-16C/D
475th Weapons Evaluation Group*	Tyndall AFB, Fla.	E-9, BQM-34, MQM-107, QF-106, QF-4
509th Bomb Wing	Whiteman AFB, Mo.	B-2, T-38
552d Air Control Wing	Tinker AFB, Okla.	E-3B/C

*Part of 53d Wing

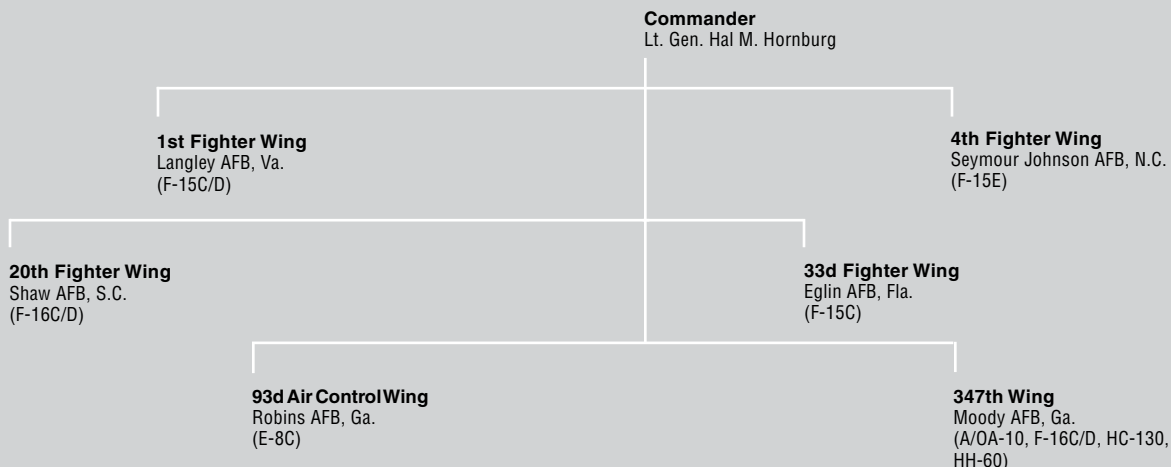
1st AIR FORCE (ANG), TYNDALL AFB, FLA.



8th AIR FORCE (ACC), BARKSDALE AFB, LA.



9th AIR FORCE (ACC), SHAW AFB, S.C.



12th AIR FORCE (ACC), DAVIS-MONTHAN AFB, ARIZ.

Commander
Lt. Gen. Lansford E. Trapp Jr.

9th Reconnaissance Wing
Beale AFB, Calif.
(T-38, U-2R/S)

24th Wing
Howard AFB, Panama

49th Fighter Wing
Holloman AFB, N.M.
(AT-38B, F-4, F-117A,
HH-60, German F-4F)

55th Wing
Offutt AFB, Neb.
(E-4B, OC-135B, RC-135S/U/V/W,
TC-135S/W, WC-135W)

355th Wing
Davis-Monthan AFB, Ariz.
(A/OA-10, EC-130E/H)

366th Wing
Mountain Home AFB, Idaho
(B-1B, F-15C/D/E, F-16C/D, KC-135R)

388th Fighter Wing
Hill AFB, Utah
(F-16C/D)

552d Air Control Wing
Tinker AFB, Okla.
(E-3B/C)

AETC

Air Education and Training Command

Headquarters Randolph AFB, Texas

Established July 1, 1993

Commander Gen. Lloyd W. "Fig" Newton

MISSIONS

Recruit, train, and educate quality people for USAF

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: **2d**, Keesler AFB, Miss.; **19th**, Randolph AFB, Texas; **Air University**, Maxwell AFB, Ala.

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

16 wings

OPERATIONAL ACTIVITY

Flying hours: 40,229 per month

Recruiting, training, and education are AETC's main missions. The command has stepped up pilot training, as these T-38s from the 87th Flying Training Squadron at Laughlin AFB, Texas, demonstrate.



Staff photo by Guy Accio

Major competitions

Top Flight, Top Tech

PERSONNEL

(as of Sept. 30, 1998)

Active duty	41,463	Students	239,189
Officers	9,187	Aircrew	7,326
Enlisted	32,276	Survival training	6,631
Reserve components	3,615	Basic military training	35,220
ANG	2,825	Technical	107,339
AFRC	790	Medical	17,358
Civilian	14,761	Field training	35,500
Contracted workers	9,836	Air University	29,815
Total	69,675		

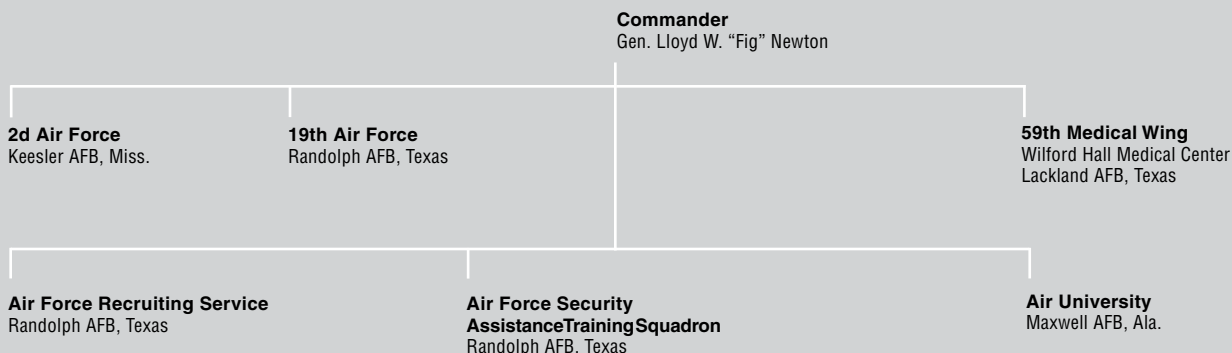
EQUIPMENT

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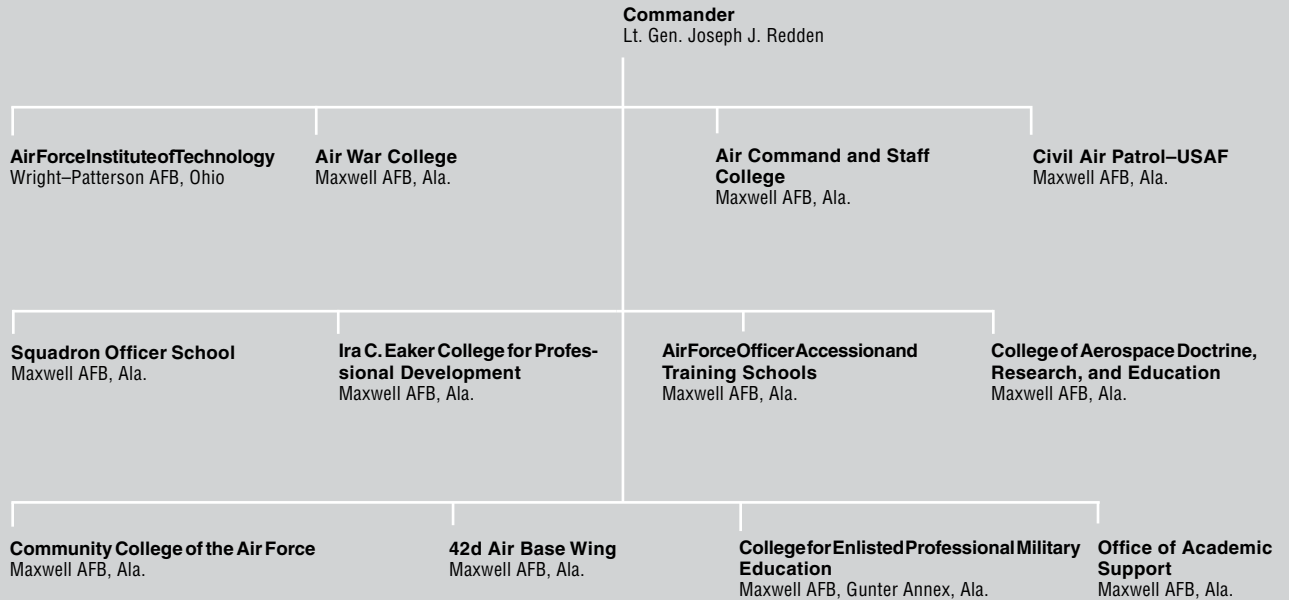
Trainers (AT/T-38, T-1, T-3, T-37, T-43)	979
Fighters (F-15, F-16)	237
Aerial refuelers (KC-135)	24
Transports (C-5, C-12, C-17, C-21, C-130, C-141, MC-130H/P)	75
Helicopters (HH-60G, MH-53J, TH-53A, UH-1, UH-1N)	25

UNIT	BASE	WEAPONS
Flying/Aircrew Training Units (Active)		
3d Flying Training Squadron	Hondo Airport, Texas	T-3
12th FTW	Randolph AFB, Texas	AT/T-38, T-1, T-37, T-43
14th FTW	Columbus AFB, Miss.	AT/T-38, T-1, T-37
45th Airlift Squadron	Keesler AFB, Miss.	C-12, C-21
47th FTW	Laughlin AFB, Texas	T-1, T-37, T-38
56th Fighter Wing	Luke AFB, Ariz.	F-16
58th Special Operations Wing	Kirtland AFB, N.M.	MC-130H/P, HH-60G, MH-53J, TH-53A, UH-1
71st FTW	Vance AFB, Okla.	T-1, T-37, T-38
80th FTW	Sheppard AFB, Texas	AT/T-38, T-37
97th Air Mobility Wing	Altus AFB, Okla.	C-5, C-17, C-141, KC-135
314th Airlift Wing	Little Rock AFB, Ark.	C-130
325th Fighter Wing	Tyndall AFB, Fla.	F-15
336th Training Group	Fairchild AFB, Wash.	UH-1
557th Flying Training Squadron	US Air Force Academy, Colo.	T-3
Technical Training Units		
17th Training Wing	Goodfellow AFB, Texas	
37th Training Wing	Lackland AFB, Texas	
81st Training Wing	Keesler AFB, Miss.	
82d Training Wing	Sheppard AFB, Texas	
381st Training Group	Vandenberg AFB, Calif.	
Other Major Units		
Air University	Maxwell AFB, Ala.	
Air Force Recruiting Service	Randolph AFB, Texas	
42d Air Base Wing	Maxwell AFB, Ala.	
59th Medical Wing	Lackland AFB, Texas	

AIR EDUCATION AND TRAINING COMMAND, RANDOLPH AFB, TEXAS



AIR UNIVERSITY (AETC), MAXWELL AFB, ALA.



2d AIR FORCE (AETC), KEESLER AFB, MISS.



^aTenant unit

19th AIR FORCE (AETC), RANDOLPH AFB, TEXAS



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Air Force Materiel Command

Headquarters Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio

Established July 1, 1992

Commander Gen. George T. Babbitt Jr.

MISSIONS

Manage the integrated research, development, test, acquisition, and sustainment of weapon systems

Produce and acquire advanced systems

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

FORCE STRUCTURE

Four major product centers

Two test centers

Five air logistics centers

Two specialized centers

One laboratory

OPERATIONAL ACTIVITY

Flying hours: 2,250 per month

PERSONNEL

(as of Sept. 30, 1998)

Active duty		31,782
Officers	8,992	
Enlisted	22,790	
Reserve components		5,045
ANG	2,692	
AFRC	2,353	
Civilian		70,369
Total		107,196

EQUIPMENT

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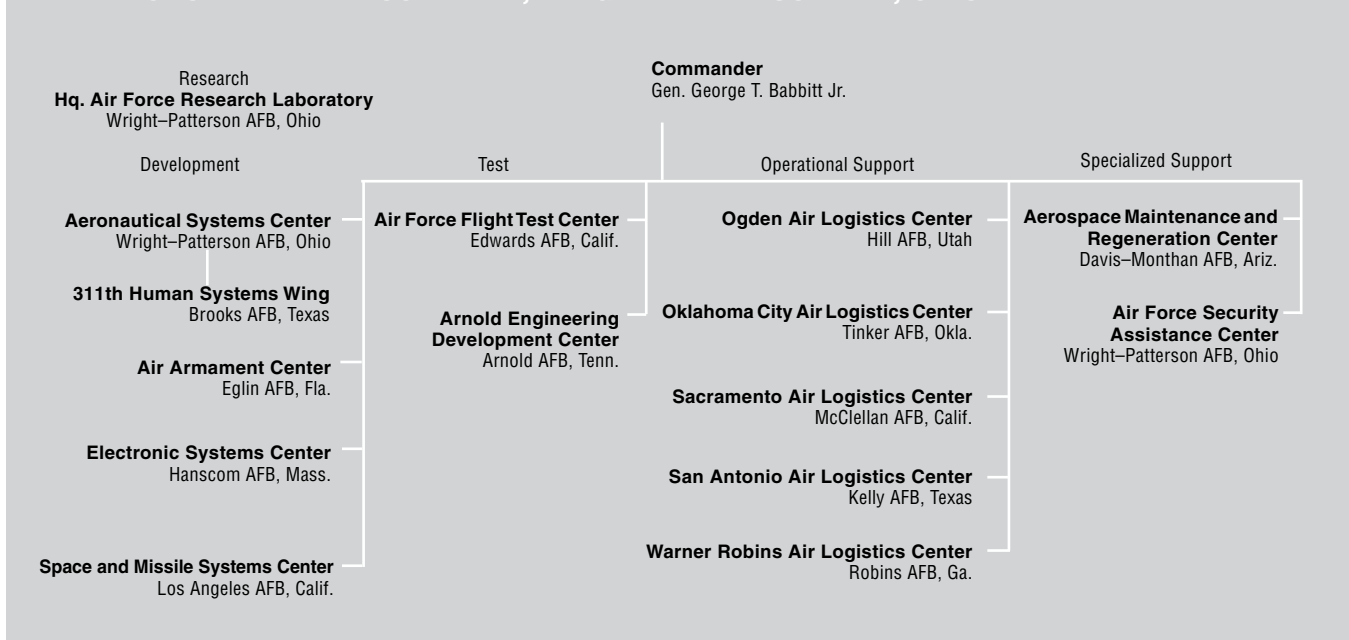
Bombers (B-1B, B-2, B-52H)	4	Transport (C-12, C-17, C-130)	7
Fighters (F-15A/B/C/D/E, F-16A/B/C/D, F-22, F-117A)	64	Command and control (EC-130E/H, EC-135B/C/E/W)	8
Attack aircraft (A-10)	2	ARIA (C-18B, C-135E)	4
Aerial refuelers (KC-135E/R)	2	Helicopters (H-1N, H-60G)	5
		Trainers (T-38A/B/C, T-39A/B)	16

UNIT

BASE

Aeronautical Systems Center	Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio
Air Armament Center	Eglin AFB, Fla.
Electronic Systems Center	Hanscom AFB, Mass.
Space and Missile Systems Center	Los Angeles AFB, Calif.
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.
Sacramento Air Logistics Center	McClellan AFB, Calif.
San Antonio Air Logistics Center	Kelly AFB, Texas
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 AFB, Texas
Hq. Air Force Research Laboratory	Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio

AIR FORCE MATERIEL COMMAND, WRIGHT-PATTERSON AFB, OHIO



Air Force Space Command

AFSPC

Headquarters Peterson AFB, Colo.

Established Sept. 1, 1982

Commander Gen. Richard B. Myers

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 USSPACECOM; space weather support to entire DoD

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 space launch

FORCE STRUCTURE

Two numbered air forces: **14th**, Vandenberg AFB, Calif.; **20th**, F.E. Warren AFB, Wyo.

One direct reporting unit: Space Warfare Center

Seven space wings

Two space groups

PERSONNEL

(as of Sept. 30, 1998)

Active duty		19,224
Officers	3,813	
Enlisted	15,411	
Reserve components		1,079
ANG	305	
AFRC	774	
Civilian		4,323
Contractor personnel		11,643
Total		36,269

EQUIPMENT

(as of Sept. 30, 1998)

ICBMs

Peacekeeper	50
Minuteman III	500

Satellite systems

(as of Jan. 1, 1999):

GPS: Block II/IIA/IIR	27
DSCS III	10
Milstar	2
UHF Follow-on	8
DMSP	5

NATO III communications satellites

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

Ballistic missile warning systems: Defense Support Program satellites, Ballistic Missile Early Warning System, Pave Paws radars, Perimeter

Acquisition Radar Attack Characterization System, conventional radars

Space surveillance systems:

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

Satellite command-and-control system:

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

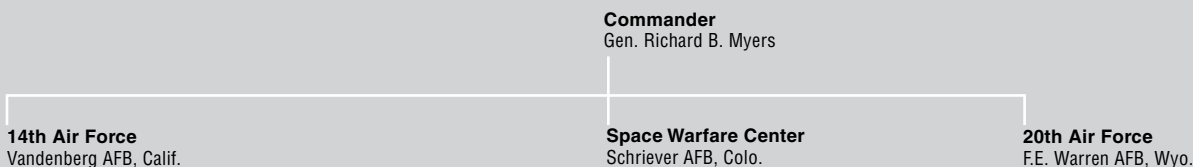
Space environmental systems: Six solar observatories around the world, 17 digital ionospheric sounding systems, four ionospheric measuring systems

Helicopters (UH-1N): 26

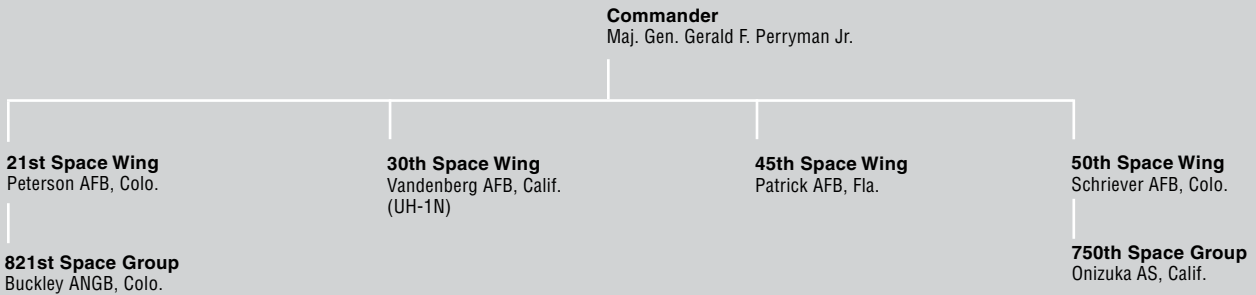


AFSPC's responsibilities range from operating ICBM forces to supplying launch facilities. At Cape Canaveral AS, Fla., a Titan IV heavy-lift vehicle waits on the launchpad. It carries such payloads as DSP and Milstar satellites into space.

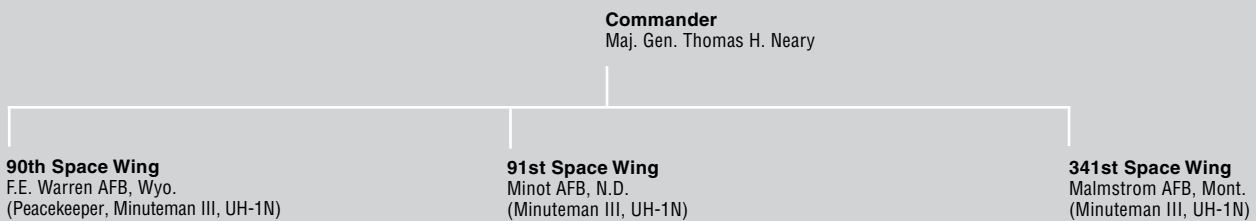
AIR FORCE SPACE COMMAND, PETERSON AFB, COLO.



14th AIR FORCE (AFSPC), VANDENBERG AFB, CALIF.



20th AIR FORCE (AFSPC), F.E. WARREN AFB, WYO.



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-1N, 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
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-1N
91st Space Wing	Minot AFB, N.D.	Minuteman III ICBM, UH-1N
341st Space Wing	Malmstrom AFB, Mont.	Minuteman III ICBM, UH-1N
750th Space Group	Onizuka AS, Calif.	Command and control of DoD and Allied nations' satellites
821st Space Group	Buckley ANGB, Colo.	Missile warning and space communications

Air Force Special Operations Command

AFSOC

Headquarters Hurlburt Field, Fla.

Established May 22, 1990

Commander Maj. Gen. Charles R. Holland

MISSIONS

Serve as the Air Force component of USSOC

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

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FORCE STRUCTURE

One active duty, one ANG, and one AFRC special operations wings

Three groups (two special operations, one special tactics)

Four squadrons (one combat aviation)

advisory, one flight test, one combat weather, and one support operations) USAF Special Operations School

OPERATIONAL ACTIVITY

Flying hours: 4,625 per month

PERSONNEL

(as of Sept. 30, 1998)

Active duty		9,164
Officers	1,420	
Enlisted	7,744	
Reserve components		2,324
ANG	1,120	
AFRC	1,204	
Civilian		544
Total		12,032

EQUIPMENT

(PAI as of Sept. 30, 1998)

AC-130H Spectre gunships	8
AC-130U Spectre gunships	13
C-130E	4
EC-130	8
MH-53J Pave Low helicopters	34
MH-60G Pave Hawk helicopters	6
MC-130E Combat Talon I	14
MC-130H Combat Talon II	21
MC-130P Combat Shadow	24
UH-1N	2

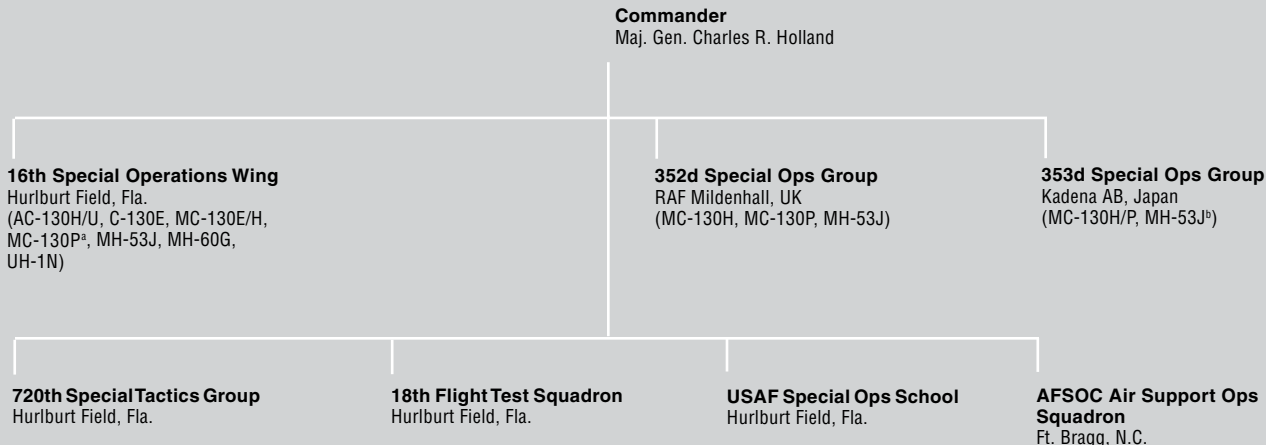
A special ops heavy operator, the MH-53 Pave Low is part of AFSOC's specialized airpower, deployed anywhere, anytime.



USAF photo by SSgt. John E. Lasky

UNIT	BASE	WEAPONS
16th Special Operations Wing	Hurlburt Field, Fla.	AC-130H/U, C-130E, MC-130E/H, MC-130P(Eglin AFB, Fla.), MH-53J, MH-60G, UH-1N
18th Flight Test Squadron	Hurlburt Field, Fla.	—
352d Special Operations Group	RAF Mildenhall, UK	MC-130H, MC-130P, MH-53J
353d Special Operations Group	Kadena AB, Japan	MC-130H/P, MH-53J (Osan AB, South Korea)
720th Special Tactics Group	Hurlburt Field, Fla.	—
USAF Special Operations School	Hurlburt Field, Fla.	—

AIR FORCE SPECIAL OPERATIONS COMMAND, HURLBURT FIELD, FLA.



*MC-130Ps are at Eglin AFB, Fla.
*MH-53Js are at Osan AB, South Korea.

Air Mobility Command

Headquarters Scott AFB, Ill.

Established June 1, 1992

Commander Gen. Charles T. "Tony" Robertson

MISSIONS

Provide rapid, global tactical and strategic airlift and aerial refueling for US armed forces

Serve as USAF component of US TRANSCOM

Support wartime taskings by providing forces to theater commands

COROLLARY MISSIONS

Provide operational support aircraft; visual documentation support

Perform stateside aeromedical evacuation missions

FORCE STRUCTURE

Two numbered air forces: **15th**, Travis AFB, Calif.; **21st**, McGuire AFB, N.J.

Three direct reporting units: Air Mobility Warfare Center, Ft. Dix, N.J.; Tanker Airlift Control Center, Scott AFB, Ill.; Defense Courier Service, Ft. Meade, Md.

12 wings (six airlift, two air mobility, four air refueling)

Three groups (two airlift, one air refueling)

OPERATIONAL ACTIVITY

Flying hours: 33,000+ per month

Major operations

Northern/Southern Watch (Iraq), Joint Forge (Bosnia), Phoenix Scorpion II and III (Persian Gulf buildups), US Embassy bombings, FEMA relief (Hurricanes Danielle, Georges, and

Mitch; Northeast and Canadian ice storms; Florida fires), Flight 111 Swiss Air crash, Indonesia fires, Typhoon Paka

Major training exercises

Cobra Gold, Tandem Thrust, Team Spirit (USPACOM); Battle Griffin, Central Enterprise, Dynamic Guard (USEUCOM); Bright Star (USCENTCOM); Fuertas Defense (USSOCOM); Ocean Venture (USACOM)

PERSONNEL

(as of Sept. 30, 1998)

Active duty	52,173
Officers	8,507
Enlisted	43,666
Reserve components	80,886
ANG	35,818
AFRC	45,068
Civilian	8,665
Total	141,724



USAF photo by S/A. Greg L. Davis



Photo by Erik Hildebrandt

Providing global and strategic airlift and aerial refueling, AMC aircraft like the C-17 above, at Tuzla AB, Bosnia, are always on the move. At left a crew forms up next to a giant C-5, while in the background a C-141—AMC's veteran workhorse—awaits its next sortie.

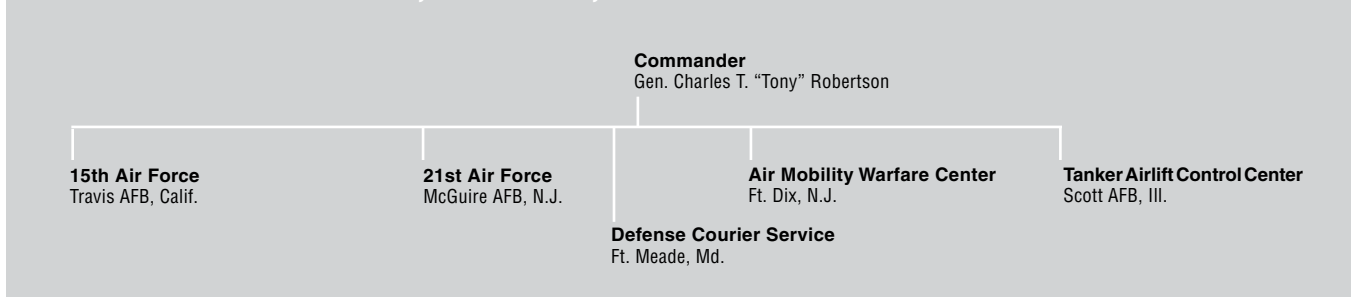
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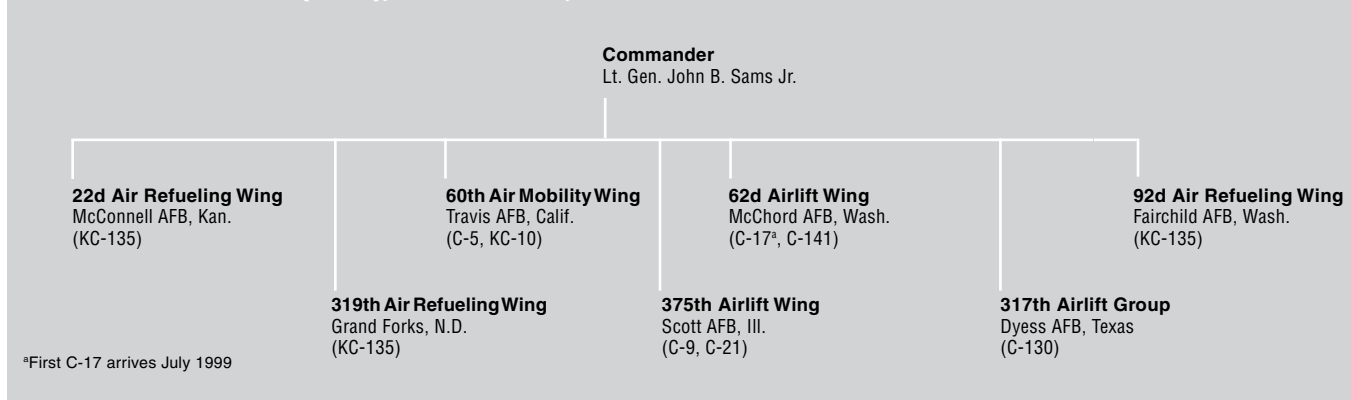
Mobility aircraft (C-5, C-17, C-130, C-141, KC-10, KC-135)	502
Aeromedical evacuation (C-9)	11
Other aircraft (C-20, C-21, C-32, C-37, C-137, EC-135, UH-1, VC-25)	88

UNIT	BASE	WEAPONS
6th Air Refueling Wing	MacDill AFB, Fla.	EC-135, KC-135
19th Air Refueling Group	Robins AFB, Ga.	KC-135
22d Air Refueling Wing	McConnell AFB, Kan.	KC-135
43d Airlift Wing	Pope AFB, N.C.	C-130
60th Air Mobility Wing	Travis AFB, Calif.	C-5, KC-10
62d Airlift Wing	McChord AFB, Wash.	C-17, C-141
89th Airlift Wing	Andrews AFB, Md.	C-20, C-21, C-32, C-37, C-135, C-137, VC-25, UH-1
92d 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, Texas	C-130
319th Air Refueling Wing	Grand Forks AFB, N.D.	KC-135
375th Airlift Wing	Scott AFB, Ill.	C-9, C-21
436th Airlift Wing	Dover AFB, Del.	C-5
437th Airlift Wing	Charleston AFB, S.C.	C-17, C-141
463d Airlift Group	Little Rock AFB, Ark.	C-130

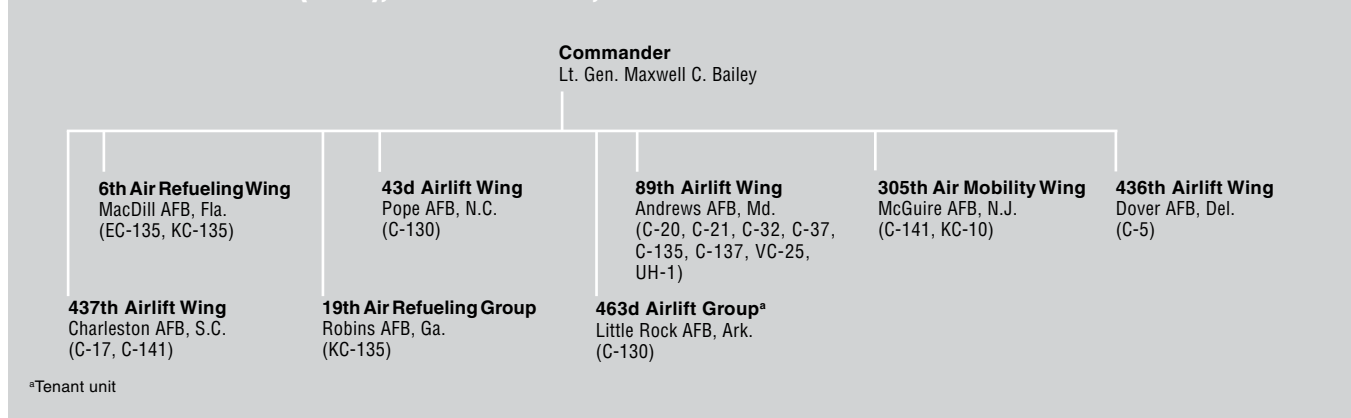
AIR MOBILITY COMMAND, SCOTT AFB, ILL.



15th AIR FORCE (AMC), TRAVIS AFB, CALIF.



21st AIR FORCE (AMC), MCGUIRE AFB, N.J.



PACAF

Pacific Air Forces

Headquarters Hickam AFB, Hawaii

Established July 1, 1957

Commander Gen. Patrick K. Gamble

MISSIONS

Plan, conduct, and coordinate offensive and defensive air operations in the Pacific and Asian theaters

Organize, train, equip, and maintain resources to conduct air operations

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: 9,913 per month

Major training exercises

Cope Thunder (Alaska), Cope North/Keen Sword (Japan), Cobra Gold (Thailand), Commando Sling (Singapore), Cope Tiger (Thailand), Foa Eagle (South Korea), Keen Edge (Japan), Positive Force (Pacific), Reception Staging Onward Movement and Integration (South Korea), Tandem Thrust (Australia), Ulchi Focus Lens (South Korea)



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PACAF is a US forward presence that helps ensure stability in the Pacific Rim. Above, at Osan AB, South Korea, SrA. David Switzer inspects an OA-10 for proper panel fit during a landing gear retraction check.

PERSONNEL

(as of Sept. 30, 1998)

Active duty	31,528	Reserve components	4,527
Officers	3,875	ANG	4,017
Enlisted	27,653	AFRC	510
		Civilian	8,504
		Total	44,559

UNIT	BASE	WEAPONS
3d Wing	Elmendorf AFB, Alaska ..	C-12, C-130H, E-3B, F-15C/D, F-15E
8th Fighter Wing	Kunsan AB, South Korea	F-16C/D
15th Air Base Wing	Hickam AFB, Hawaii	C-135E
18th Wing	Kadena AB, Japan	E-3B, 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, UH-1N

PACIFIC AIR FORCES, HICKAM AFB, HAWAII

Commander
Gen. Patrick K. Gamble



5th AIR FORCE (PACAF), YOKOTA AB, JAPAN

Commander
Lt. Gen. John B. Hall Jr.

18th Wing
Kadena AB, Japan
(E-3B, F-15C/D, KC-135R, HH-60G)

35th Fighter Wing
Misawa AB, Japan
(F-16C/D)

374th Airlift Wing
Yokota AB, Japan
(C-9A, C-21A, C-130E/H, UH-1N)

7th AIR FORCE (PACAF), OSAN AB, SOUTH KOREA

Commander
Lt. Gen. Joseph E. Hurd

8th Fighter Wing
Kunsan AB, South Korea
(F-16C/D)

51st Fighter Wing
Osan AB, South Korea
(A/OA-10A, C-12J, F-16C/D)

11th AIR FORCE (PACAF), ELMENDORF AFB, ALASKA

Commander
Lt. Gen. Thomas R. Case

3d Wing
Elmendorf AFB, Alaska
(C-12J/F, C-130H, E-3B, F-15C/D, F-15E)

354th Fighter Wing
Eielson AFB, Alaska
(A/OA-10A, F-16C/D)

EQUIPMENT

(PAI as of Sept. 30, 1998)

Fighters (F-15C/D/E, F-16C/D)	262
Attack aircraft (A-10A)	14
Forward air control (OA-10A)	27
Command & control (E-3)	4
Aerial refuelers (KC-135)	15
Transports (C-9, C-12, C-21, C-130, C-135)	42
Helicopters (UH-1, HH-60)	14

SSgt. Carrol S. Parrish, of the 51st Communications Squadron at Osan, checks out a weather radar at Camp Humphries, South Korea.



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13th AIR FORCE (PACAF), ANDERSEN AFB, GUAM

Commander
Maj. Gen. Thomas C. Waskow

36th Air Base Wing
Andersen AFB, Guam

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

^aBase owned by Singapore government

USAFPE

US Air Forces in Europe

Headquarters Ramstein AB, Germany

Established Aug. 7, 1945

Commander Gen. John P. Jumper

MISSIONS

Provide responsive forward presence and decisive air- and space power

Plan, conduct, control, coordinate, and support air and space operations to achieve US national and NATO objectives based on USEUCOM taskings

COROLLARY MISSIONS

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

FORCE STRUCTURE

Two numbered air forces: **3d**, RAF Mildenhall, UK; **16th**, Aviano AB, Italy
Six wings (one multimission, one air refueling, one airlift, and three fighter)

OPERATIONAL ACTIVITY

Flying hours: 8,208 per month

Major training exercises

African Eagle, Ardent Ground, Atlantic Resolve, Baltops, Blue Harrier, Brilliant Invader, Central Enterprise, Coldfire, Distant Thunder, Dynamic Mix, Ellipse Bravo, Juniper Falconry, Juniper Stallion, Phoenix Partner, Salty Hammer, Tactical Fighter Weaponry, Trailblazer



USAF photo by MSGT. Keith Reed

USAFE aircraft, like these F-16s, and personnel from the 510th Fighter Squadron, Aviano AB, Italy, are in the forefront of NATO's Operation Allied Force.

US AIR FORCES IN EUROPE. RAMSTEIN AB, GERMANY

Commander
Gen. John P. Jumper

3d Air Force
RAF Mildenhall, UK
Maj. Gen. William S. Hinton Jr.

16th Air Force
Aviano AB, Italy
Lt. Gen. Michael C. Short

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

Allied Command Europe (ACE)

Allied Forces Southern Europe (AFSOUTH)
Naples, Italy

Allied Forces Central Europe (AFCENT)
Brunssum, Netherlands

Allied Forces Northwest Europe (AFNORTHWEST)
High Wycombe, UK

Allied Air Forces Southern Europe (AIRSOUTH)
Naples, Italy

Allied Air Forces Central Europe (AIRCENT)
Ramstein AB, Germany

Allied Air Forces Northwest Europe (AIRNORTHWEST)
High Wycombe, UK

5th Allied Tactical Air Force
Vicenza, Italy

6th Allied Tactical Air Force
Izmir, Turkey

Major operations

Deliberate Guard, Joint Endeavor (Bosnia); Provide Hope IV (former USSR); Northern Watch (northern Iraq)

PERSONNEL

(as of Sept. 30, 1998)

Active duty		26,879
Officers	3,490	
Enlisted	23,389	
Reserve components		405
ANG	0	
AFRC	405	
Civilian		5,232
Total		32,516

EQUIPMENT

(PAI as of Sept. 30, 1998)

Fighters (F-15C/D, F-16C/D)	108
Attack aircraft (A-10, F-15E)	60
Observation aircraft (OA-10)	6
Aerial refuelers (KC-135)	15
Transports (C-9, C-20, C-21, C-130)	37



USAF photo by SrA. Jeffrey Allen

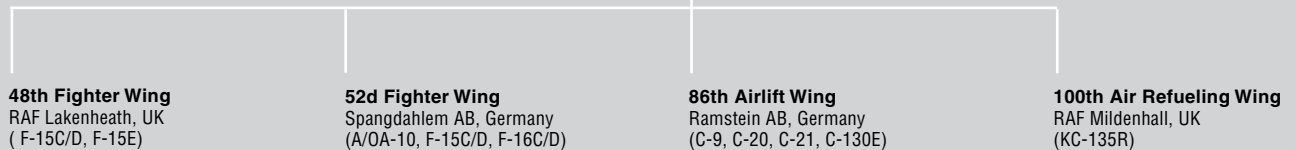
Deployed to Aviano AB for Operation Allied Force, 494th Fighter Squadron load crew members from RAF Lakenheath, UK, prepare to attach a GBU-24 laser-guided bomb to an F-15E.

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
52d Fighter Wing	Spangdahlem AB, Germany	A/OA-10, F-15C/D, F-16C/D
86th Airlift Wing	Ramstein AB, Germany	C-9, C-20, C-21, C-130E
100th Air Refueling Wing	RAF Mildenhall, UK	KC-135R

3d AIR FORCE (USAF), RAF MILDENHALL, UK

Commander

Maj. Gen. William S. Hinton Jr.



16th AIR FORCE (USAF), AVIANO AB, ITALY

Commander

Lt. Gen. Michael C. Short

