

State Demographics

State	Total Active Duty	Total Active Duty Dependents	Total Military Retired
Alabama	13,500	20,109	18,291
Alaska	19,773	19,045	3,472
Arizona	19,976	21,135	18,057
Arkansas	5,196	5,369	7,152
California	152,730	139,576	42,187
Colorado	40,158	43,600	18,058
Connecticut	8,792	6,907	2,909
Delaware	3,791	3,795	2,504
Florida	85,164	88,857	64,692
Georgia	54,711	67,740	31,236
Hawaii	44,279	43,636	5,074
Idaho	4,399	4,450	5,317
Illinois	31,017	14,892	11,170
Indiana	3,854	4,966	10,482
Iowa	1,676	1,931	4,737
Kansas	20,973	23,420	6,996
Kentucky	15,639	20,065	9,466
Louisiana	15,419	15,873	8,014
Maine	1,861	1,967	3,537
Maryland	37,368	41,365	13,788
Massachusetts	5,321	5,304	5,510
Michigan	4,715	5,359	10,860
Minnesota	2,321	2,325	7,217
Mississippi	11,302	10,827	7,743
Missouri	13,016	15,314	12,740
Montana	4,040	3,659	3,532
Nebraska	6,885	7,935	5,091
Nevada	14,264	14,191	8,227
New Hampshire	1,204	1,275	2,873
New Jersey	11,537	10,911	5,529
New Mexico	14,303	12,865	5,942
New York	28,596	23,682	12,766
North Carolina	94,704	105,963	29,962
North Dakota	7,364	5,831	1,722
Ohio	11,003	13,856	16,596
Oklahoma	19,019	19,852	10,847
Oregon	3,268	3,028	6,776
Pennsylvania	6,979	7,914	14,671
Rhode Island	3,759	3,103	1,445
South Carolina	34,174	31,168	17,735
South Dakota	3,792	3,503	2,910
Tennessee	17,692	24,838	18,104
Texas	118,117	131,015	70,036
Utah	5,613	6,860	5,303
Vermont	294	287	1,112
Virginia	113,783	144,607	39,329
Washington	52,019	58,337	23,415
West Virginia	1,024	1,245	3,263
Wisconsin	3,391	3,445	7,324
Wyoming	3,172	2,931	1,960

Note: Total active duty as of Dec. 31, 2025. Total military retired as of January 2023.
 SOURCES: DEFENSE MANPOWER DATA CENTER; ACTUARY.DEFENSE.GOV

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