

Size, Costs, and Number of U.S. Forces

his appendix shows, for quick reference, the total size and costs of each type of major combat unit in the Congressional Budget Office's analysis (see Table A-1). The table also shows how many of each type of unit the

Department of Defense plans to have in its force each year from 2017 to 2021 as reported in DoD's 2017 Future Years Defense Program.

Table A-1.
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| | Military | Annual Cost per Unit (Millions of 2017 dollars) | Number of Units | | | | | |
|--|---------------------|--|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|--|
| | Personnel per Unit | | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 | |
| Active-Component Armored Brigade | D | epartment of the Army | | | | | | |
| Combat Team | 17,450 | 2,610 | 9 | 9 | 9 | 9 | 9 | |
| National Guard Armored Brigade Combat Team | 14,440 | 820 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | |
| Active-Component Stryker Brigade Combat Team | 17,180 | 2,560 | 7 | 7 | 7 | 7 | 7 | |
| National Guard Stryker Brigade Combat Team | 14,230 | 800 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | |
| Active-Component Infantry Brigade Combat Team | 16,250 | 2,410 | 14 | 14 | 14 | 14 | 14 | |
| National Guard Infantry Brigade Combat Team | 12,720 | 700 | 19 | 19 | 19 | 19 | 19 | |
| Active-Component Aviation Brigade | 4,300 | 890 | 11 | 11 | 10 | 10 | 10 | |
| Reserve-Component Aviation Brigade | 2,750 | 200 | 11 | 12 | 12 | 12 | 12 | |
| Army Special-Operations Forces | 45,100 ^a | 7,210 ^b | n.a. | n.a. | n.a. | n.a. | n.a. | |
| Rest of the Army | 12,570 ^a | 3,180 ^b | n.a. | n.a. | n.a. | n.a. | n.a. | |
| | | Department of the Navy | | | | | | |
| Aircraft Carrier | 6,590 | 1,180 | 11 | 11 | 11 | 11 | 11 | |
| Carrier Air Wing | 4,860 | 910 | 10 | 10 | 10 | 10 | 10 | |
| Arleigh Burke Class Destroyer (DDG-51) | 720 | 140 | 66 | 67 | 69 | 72 | 74 | |
| Ticonderoga Class Cruiser (CG-47) | 550 | 110 | 22 | 22 | 22 | 20 | 20 | |
| Littoral Combat Ship | 430 | 100 | 14 | 18 | 22 | 24 | 28 | |
| Zumwalt Class Destroyer (DDG-1000) | 500 | 100 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 3 | 3 | |
| Attack Submarine ^c | 390 | 140 | 51 | 52 | 50 | 51 | 51 | |
| Amphibious Ship ^d | 1,450 | 270 | 35 ^e | 35 ^e | 35 ^e | 35 ^e | 35 ⁶ | |
| Active-Component Marine Corps Infantry Battalion | 5,780 | 740 | 24 | 24 | 24 | 24 | 24 | |
| Reserve-Component Marine Corps Infantry Battalion | 4,370 | 470 | 8 | 8 | 8 | 8 | 8 | |
| Marine Corps Aircraft Complement | 2,750 | 520 | 24 | 24 | 24 | 24 | 24 | |
| Ballistic and Guided Missile Submarines | 660 | 170 | 18 | 18 | 18 | 18 | 18 | |

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| P-3 and P-8 Maritime Patrol Aircraft | Departi | ment of the Navy (Continued) | | | | | | |
| Squadron ^f | 1,890 | 330 | 8 | 8 | 8 | 8 | 8 | |
| Seabee Construction Engineers | 14,200 ^a | 1,860 ^b | n.a. | n.a. | n.a. | n.a. | n.a. | |
| Navy Special-Operations Forces | 16,440 ^a | 2,370 ^b | n.a. | n.a. | n.a. | n.a. | n.a. | |
| Marine Corps Special-Operations Forces | 3,530 ^a | 490 ^b | n.a. | n.a. | n.a. | n.a. | n.a. | |
| Rest of the Navy | 37,990 ^a | 6,550 ^b | n.a. | n.a. | n.a. | n.a. | n.a. | |
| Rest of the Marine Corps | 770 ^a | 230 ^b | n.a. | n.a. | n.a. | n.a. | n.a. | |
| | Dep | partment of the Air Force | | | | | | |
| A-10 Attack Aircraft Squadron | 1,190 | 230 | 16 | 13 | 10 | 6 | 2 | |
| F-15 Fighter Aircraft Squadron | 1,540 | 300 | 25 | 25 | 25 | 25 | 26 | |
| F-16 Fighter Aircraft Squadron | 1,250 | 220 | 45 | 45 | 46 | 46 | 46 | |
| F-22 Fighter Aircraft Squadron | 2,390 | 470 | 13 | 13 | 13 | 13 | 13 | |
| F-35 Fighter Aircraft Squadron ^g | 2,940 | 570 | 3 | 5 | 7 | 10 | 14 | |
| B-52 Bomber Aircraft Squadron | 3,830 | 740 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 | |
| B-1B Bomber Aircraft Squadron | 3,980 | 810 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 | |
| B-2 Bomber Aircraft Squadron | 8,660 | 1,840 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | |
| C-130 Cargo Aircraft Squadron | 2,120 | 360 | 24 | 24 | 23 | 24 | 24 | |
| C-5 Cargo Aircraft Squadron | 2,430 | 430 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 | |
| C-17 Cargo Aircraft Squadron | 1,390 | 270 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 16 | 16 | |
| KC-135 Tanker Aircraft Squadron | 1,930 | 360 | 30 | 28 | 28 | 27 | 28 | |
| KC-10 Tanker Aircraft Squadron | 3,140 | 580 | 5 | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | |
| KC-46 Tanker Aircraft Squadron ⁹ | 1,070 | 180 | 1 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | |
| MQ-1 "Predator" UAS Squadron | 260 | 70 | 9 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | |
| RQ-4 "Global Hawk" UAS Squadron | 1,840 | 440 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 | |
| MQ-9 "Reaper" UAS Squadron | 920 | 160 | 23 | 24 | 26 | 27 | 27 | |
| Minuteman III Missile Squadron ^h | 2,040 | 380 | 9 | 9 | 9 | 9 | 9 | |
| RED HORSE Construction Engineers | 19,340 ^a | 2,170 ^b | n.a. | n.a. | n.a. | n.a. | n.a. | |
| Air Force Special-Operations Forces | 24,070 ^a | 3,730 ^b | n.a. | n.a. | n.a. | n.a. | n.a. | |
| Rest of the Air Force | 49,010 ^a | 10,000 b | n.a. | n.a. | n.a. | n.a. | n.a. | |

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| | Military Personnel per Unit | Annual Cost per Unit (Millions of 2017 dollars) | Number of Units | | | | | | |
|---------------------------------------|--------------------------------|--|-----------------|------|------|------|------|--|--|
| | | | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 | | |
| Defensewide Activities | | | | | | | | | |
| Special Operations Command | 0 ⁱ | 5,370 ^b | n.a. | n.a. | n.a. | n.a. | n.a. | | |
| Defense Health Program for Retirees | 0 ' | 14,720 ^b | n.a. | n.a. | n.a. | n.a. | n.a. | | |
| Classified Defensewide Funding | 0 i | 14,540 ^b | | | | | | | |
| Rest of the Defensewide Organizations | 0 i | 4,060 b | n.a. | n.a. | n.a. | n.a. | n.a. | | |

Source: Congressional Budget Office, using data from the Department of Defense's 2017 budget request.

- n.a. = not applicable; UAS = unmanned air system.
- a. Military personnel for these forces as a whole, rather than personnel per unit.
- b. Annual cost for these forces as a whole, rather than cost per unit.
- c. Because of data limitations, CBO could not estimate costs for different classes of attack submarines using the framework of this analysis.
- d. Because of data limitations, CBO could not estimate costs for different classes of amphibious ships using the framework of this analysis. The costs shown here are average costs for ships only (they do not include the costs of the Marine units that would deploy on the ships).
- e. Includes two command ships that are considered part of the amphibious fleet in the Department of Defense's budget documents.
- f. Aircraft squadrons are notional squadrons of 12 aircraft (actual squadrons vary in size).
- g. Because these aircraft are not yet in full operational service, their actual costs may differ from the planned costs included in the Department of Defense's budget documents, on which these estimates are based.
- h. Squadron of 50 Minuteman missiles.
- i. Defensewide organizations do not directly fund any military personnel of their own (because all military personnel are part of one of the services).