

AIR FORCE RESERVE COMMAND



LINEAGE

Air Force Reserve established and activated as a separate operating agency, 21 Jun 1968
Organized, 1 Aug 1968
Status changed to direct reporting unit, 1 Jul 1978
Returned to separate operating agency status, 1 May 1983
Status changed to field operating agency, 5 Feb 1991
Redesignated Air Force Reserve Command and status changed to a major command, 17 Feb 1997

STATIONS

Robins AFB, GA

COMMANDERS

MG Rollin B. Moore Jr., 1 Aug 1968
BG Alfred Verhulst (acting), 27 Jan 1972
MG Homer I. Lewis, 16 Mar 1972
MG William Lyon, 16 Apr 1975
MG Richard Bodycombe, 17 Apr 1979
MG Sloan R. Gill, 1 Nov 1982
MG Roger P. Scheer, 1 Nov 1986
MG John J. Closner, III 1 Nov 1990
MG Robert A. McIntosh, 1 Nov 1994
MG David R. Smith (acting), 9 Jun 1998
LTG James E. Sherrard III, 25 Sep 1998
MG J. J. Batbie Jr. (acting), 1 Jun 2004
LTG John A. Bradley, 24 Jun 2004
LTG Charles E. Stenner, Jr. 24 Jun 2008

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OPERATIONS

**The mission of the Air Force Reserve is to fly, fight and win...
in air, space and cyberspace.**

Responsibilities

It provides the Air Force about 20 percent of its capability with only about 4 percent of the total Air Force budget, while spanning a wide variety of missions. It's the only Department of Defense unit that conducts fixed-wing aerial spray missions. It flies hurricane hunter missions for the National Weather Service. It is administratively responsible for the Air Force's individual mobilization augmentee program.

AFRC's mission included all aspects of Air Force operations -- fighter, bomber, airlift, aerial refueling, special operations, aeromedical evacuation, space operations, flying training, and aerial firefighting. The command provided support and disaster relief in the U.S., supported national counterdrug operations, and administered the USAF's individual mobilization augmentee program. As an integral part of the Air Force's Total Force, provided units to participate in all conflicts and contingency operations, which included Vietnam, Kosovo, Afghanistan, and Iraq.

The staff incorporates a mix of active duty Air Force members, Air Force reservists on extended active duty, air reserve technicians and civil service employees to perform the mission. This combination includes civilian employees, active duty personnel, Active Guard Reserve members, traditional reservists, Air Reserve Technicians, and Individual Mobilization Augmentees. They provide the headquarters with active duty Air Force experience, reservist perspective and civil service continuity.

The Air Force Reserve was created as a separate operating agency and replaced a major command, Continental Air Command, which inactivated 1 Aug 1968. Because of the large number of organizations under its control, Air Force Reserve became the largest of the separate operating agencies and was the largest of the direct reporting units before returning to SOA status, in 1991, its status changed to a field operating agency and in 1997 it was elevated to major command status.

AFRC became the ninth major command of the Air Force, 17 Feb, 1997, as a result of Title XII - Reserve Forces Revitalization - in Public Law 104-201, the National Defense Authorization Act of Fiscal Year 1997.





Air Force Order of Battle

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