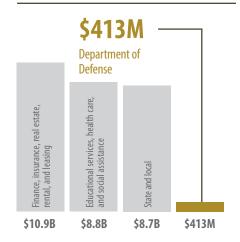


Department of Defense in West Virginia

Regional Environmental Coordination / Sustaining Readiness in Partnerships with States

West Virginia

Signature Industries by Annual Contribution



Source: U.S. Department of Commerce's Bureau of Economic Analysis. 2020 GDP by State.

Did You Know?Facts about West Virginia

- The Shepherd Field area is home of the 167th Airlift Wing and the Eastern West Virginia Regional Airport.
- There are over 5,200 defense personnel in West Virginia, a majority of which are reservists.
- The 130th Airlift Wing has logged 2,674 hours of flight time on 1,662 sorties, hauled 4,809 tons of cargo, transported 6,494 passengers, and accumulated more than 200,000 accident-free flying hours in 2020.

Department of Defense Mission

The mission of the Department of Defense (DoD) is to provide the military forces needed to deter war and ensure our nation's security.

Sustainability and the DoD Mission

DoD facilities on land, on the water, and in the air protect our nation. The Regional Environmental Coordinator (REC) works cooperatively with state agencies and governments on environmental efforts to ensure continued use of necessary land, sea, and airspace – protecting the military's ability to maintain operations into the future and prepare U.S. service men and women to defend our country.

DoD and State Partnerships

Through the REC program, DoD and military service representatives partner with state agencies and governments to strengthen environmental restoration and protection efforts and to promote long-term sustainability of the military mission. Program efforts include educating state agencies and officials about the military's operational and environmental needs, priorities, and concerns; communicating coordinated DoD positions on issues affecting military sustainment; and engaging in state legislative and rulemaking initiatives.









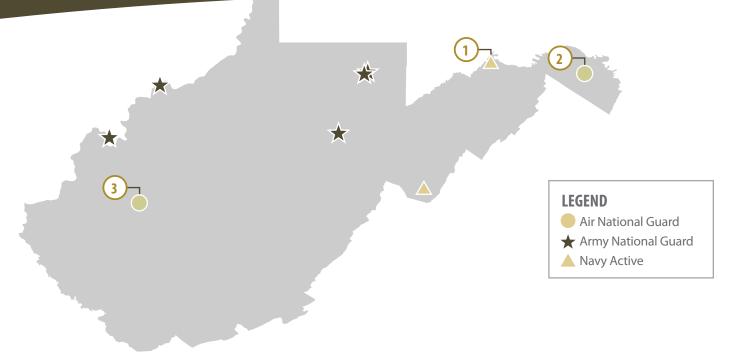
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Chesapeake Bay Program

As a landowner and member of the Bay community, DoD is committed to restoring and protecting the Chesapeake Bay and its watershed and has established a joint DoD Chesapeake Bay Program.

The mission of the program is to incorporate restoration, pollution prevention, and stewardship initiatives for the Chesapeake Bay into DoD's mission of providing the military forces needed to deter war and ensure our nation's security. The program facilitates partnerships to strengthen Bay restoration and protection efforts and engage all levels of DoD military, civilians, and their families to become environmental stewards of the watershed.





1 Allegany Ballistics Laboratory

The Allegany Ballistics Laboratory is used primarily for the research, development, production, and testing of solid propellants and motors for ammunition, rockets, and armaments. Currently, the facility is operated as a highly automated production facility for tactical propulsion systems and composite and metal structures.



2 Shepherd Field Air National Guard Base

Shepherd Field is home to the West Virginia Air National Guard's 167th Airlift Wing. This unit operates eight C-17 Globemaster III aircraft and provides mission ready citizen Airmen for rapid global mobility to support and defend the state and nation. The 167th Airlift Wing focuses on Air Mobility, a mission that delivers global air transportation of equipment and supplies during times of war, states of emergency, and peace-time training.



3 McLaughlin Air National Guard Base

McLaughlin Air National Guard Base in Charleston, West Virginia, is home to the West Virginia Air National Guard's 130th Airlift Wing. The 130th Airlift Wing operates eight C-130H Hercules cargo aircraft known as the "Workhorse of the Air Force" with a primary mission to provide combat airlift to the state and the nation.



National Guard and Reserve Components

The Guard and Reserve organize, train, and equip citizen soldiers and airmen for rapid mobilization in the state, nation, and around the world. While all Reserve components have a federal mission to augment active duty forces in times of crises, the Guard has the unique mission of serving the Governor during state emergencies. The West Virginia Army National Guard has 38 units and activities stationed in 22 counties throughout West Virginia and overseas. The West Virginia Air National Guard includes the 130th Airlift Wing, which operates the C-130E Hercules, and the 167th Airlift Wing, which operates the C-5 Galaxy.













Defense Spending by State

Fiscal Year 2020

