



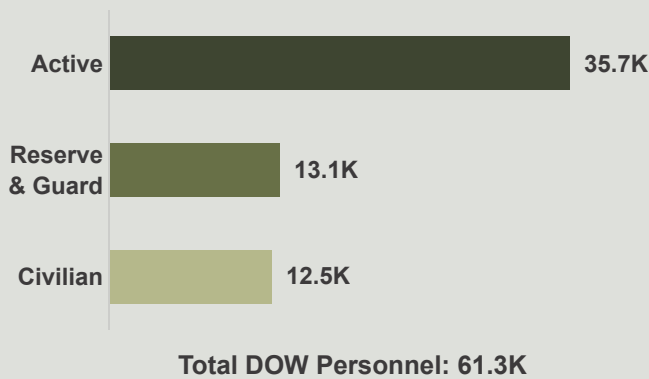
OVERVIEW

In Fiscal Year (FY) 2024, the state of Colorado received \$13.7 billion in Defense spending, which provides direct funding for the Department of War (DoW) personnel salaries, defense contracts, and construction of military facilities in the state. This spending by DoW personnel, contractors, and their families creates significant economic activity, attracts related industries and investments, and generates important state and local government tax revenues.

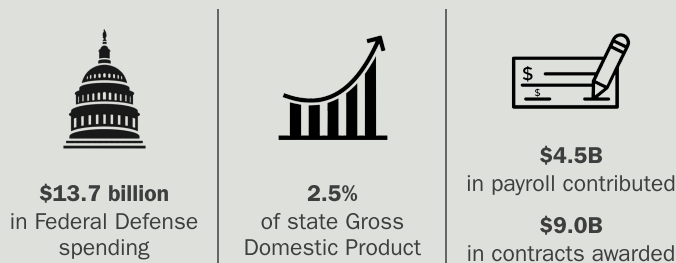
The Readiness and Environmental Protection Integration (REPI) Program is a key tool used by DoW and its partners to protect the military's ability to train, test, and operate in the state. The Department created the REPI Program in response to the development of lands and loss of habitat in the vicinity of or affecting its installations, ranges, and airspace that can lead to restrictions or costly and inadequate training and testing alternatives. Through the REPI Program, DoW works with state and local governments, conservation organizations, and willing private landowners to address these challenges to the military mission and the viability of DoW installations and ranges. The REPI Program has benefited from broad bipartisan support both in the U.S. Congress and among groups representing state and local officials. From FY 2003 through FY 2025, DoW and its partners have contributed over \$78.9 million to REPI projects supporting five installations in Colorado.

DOW IN COLORADO

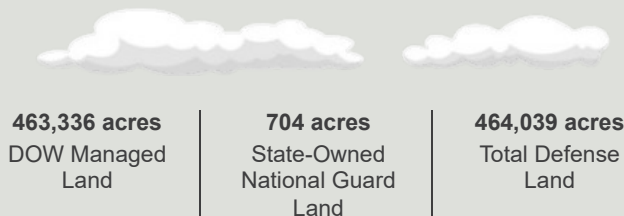
DOW Personnel (as of 30 Sept 2024)



Federal Defense Spending and Economic Impact
(in FY 2024)

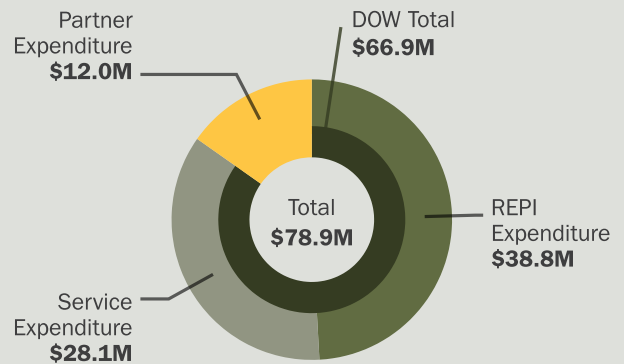


Acres of National Defense Land
(as of 30 Sept 2024)

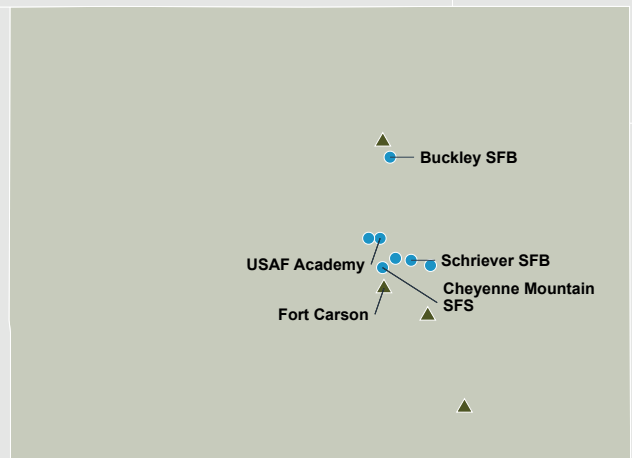


REPI PROJECTS IN COLORADO

Funding Summary (from FY 2003 through FY 2025)



Acres Protected (FY 2003 through FY 2025): 46,385



▲ Army ◆ Navy
 ■ Marine Corps ● Air Force
REPI Installations and Ranges

MILITARY PRESENCE

- Buckley Space Force Base includes 3,100 active duty members from every service, 4,000 National Guard personnel and Reservists, four commonwealth international partners, 2,400 civilians, 2,500 contractors, 36,000 retirees and approximately 40,000 veterans and dependents. The base contributes an estimated **\$1 billion annually to the local economy.**
- Contains a **one-of-a-kind high-altitude training facility** in Gypsum, Colorado, that allows National Guard instructors to train helicopter pilots from around the world to safely operate their aircraft at very high altitudes with heavy loads.
- Home to the 10th Air Base Wing, which is the **host wing for the Air Force Academy** and provides quality support to enhance the education and development of future Air Force leaders.
- Fort Carson comprises about **138,500 acres** that are used for mounted and dismounted maneuver training, airborne training, and weapons training (small arms, tanks, artillery, and helicopters).
- Comprising about **237,000 acres**, the Pinon Canyon training site can support a full range of training, including brigade-level, force on-force maneuvers. The site provides a unique, arid, and high desert environment that allows for year round training.
- Home to **five strategic commands**, including U.S. Northern Command (USNORTHCOM), and North American Aerospace Defense Command (NORAD, and Air Force Space Command).
- Schriever Space Force Base is home to 8,000 military and civilian employees. The base indirectly contributes an estimated \$1.3 billion to the local Colorado Springs, Colorado area annually.

REPI PROJECTS

Installation	County	Congressional District
Buckley Space Force Base	Arapahoe	6th
Fort Carson	El Paso	5th
Schriever Space Force Base	El Paso	5th
USAF Academy	El Paso	5th

For all REPI Project Profiles visit: www.repi.mil/BufferProjects/ProjectList.aspx



Army Sgt. Maj. Peter Klundt jumps out of an Air Force C-130J Super Hercules over a designated landing zone during Bright Star in Alexandria, Egypt, Sept. 8, 2025.

Western Regional Partnership (WRP)

- The REPI Program supports regional partnerships such as WRP to identify common issues and solutions for mutual benefit.
- WRP partners work to protect natural resources, while promoting sustainability, homeland security, and military readiness.
- Colorado is a member of WRP, along with the states of Arizona, Nevada, New Mexico, California, and Utah. For more information, visit <https://www.wrpinfo.org>.

Key REPI Partners

- Arapahoe County
- Cimarron Comanche National Grassland
- City of Aurora
- City of Colorado Springs
- Colorado Department of Military and Veterans Affairs
- Colorado Parks and Wildlife
- Colorado Springs Fire Department
- Colorado Springs Utilities
- Colorado State Forest Service
- El Paso County
- El Paso County Financial Services Office
- El Paso County Wildland Fire Management
- Great Outdoors Colorado
- Palmer Land Conservancy
- Pike-San Isabel National Forests
- Pikes Peak Area Council of Governments
- State of Colorado
- The Nature Conservancy
- Trust for Public Land
- U.S. Department of Agriculture Forest Service
- U.S. Forest Service
- Urban Drainage and Flood Control District

Data Sources

- **For Economic Impact Information:** “The Economic Impact of Department of War, Veterans and Military Retirees, and the Department of Veterans Affairs Activities in Colorado”: <https://coloradospringschamberedc.com/wp-content/uploads/2018/08/18colomilstudyabr.pdf>
- **For Land Information:** Office of the Assistant Secretary of War for Sustainment, Real Property, Business Systems & Information Directorate: “Base Structure Report – FY25 Baseline” (as of 30 Sept 2024)
- **For Federal Spending and Personnel Information:** Office of Local Defense Community Cooperation: “Defense Spending by State – Fiscal Year 2024”: <https://oldcc.gov/defense-spending-state-fiscal-year-2024>
- **For REPI Projects Information:** “2026 REPI Report to Congress”:
- www.repi.mil/Portals/44/REPI_2026_RTC_20260305.pdf