REPI READINESS AND ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION INTEGRATION PROGRAM
STATE PROFILE | COLORADO

COLORADO

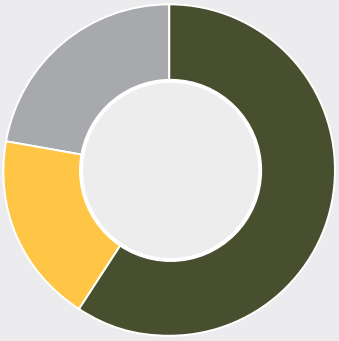
OVERVIEW

Colorado received $9.8 billion in Defense spending in Fiscal Year (FY) 2018, which provides direct funding for DoD personnel salaries, defense contracts, and construction of military facilities in the state. This spending by DoD personnel, contractors, and their families creates significant economic activity, attracts related industries and investment, and generates important state and local government tax revenues.

The Readiness and Environmental Protection Integration (REPI) Program is a key tool used by DoD and its partners to protect the military's ability to train, test, and operate in the state. DoD 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 REPI, DoD works with state and local governments, conservation organizations, and willing private landowners to address these challenges to the military mission and the viability of DoD installations and ranges. The REPI Program has enjoyed broad bipartisan support both in the U.S. Congress and among groups representing state and local officials. Through FY 2019, DoD and its partners have spent over $49 million on REPI projects at 3 installations in Colorado.

DOD IN COLORADO

DoD Personnel (as of 30 Sep 2018)



Active Duty: 35,009

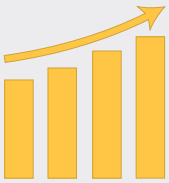
Civilians: 11,657

Reserve/National Guard: 13,555

Total DoD Personnel: 60,221

Federal Defense Spending and Economic Impact (in FY 2018)

$9.8 billion in Federal Defense spending



2.6% of state GDP

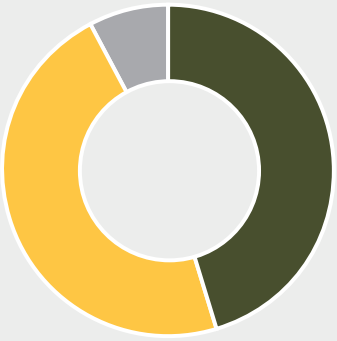
$3.5 billion in payroll contributed
$6.3 billion in contracts awarded

Acres of DoD Managed and State-Owned National Guard Land (as of 30 Sep 2017)

DoD Managed Land	State-Owned National Guard Land	Total DoD Managed and State-Owned National Guard Land
476,056	159	476,215

REPI PROJECTS* IN COLORADO

Funding Summary (through FY 2019)



REPI Expenditures: $22,450,508

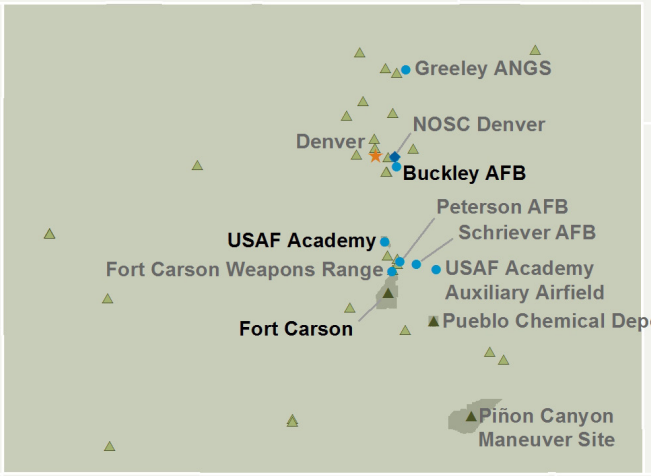
Military Service Expenditures: $23,345,422

Partner Expenditures: $3,747,089

Total Expenditures: $49,543,089

** REPI projects refer to any action authorized by 10 USC §2684(a) to include the acquisition of interests in land from willing landowners to prevent incompatible development and protect habitat or any other natural resources management. REPI projects involving the Army or Army National Guard are also termed Army Compatible Use Buffer (ACUB) partnerships. Those involving the Navy, Marine Corps, or Air Force, are also termed encroachment partnering agreements. Eligible partners include conservation organizations and state and local governments.*

Total Acres Protected (through FY 2019): 25,935



State Capital ▲ Army ◆ Navy ■ Marine Corps ● Air Force ▲ Army National Guard | **REPI Installations and Ranges** | Other Installations and Ranges

MILITARY PRESENCE

- The Office of the Governor of Colorado reported that military related activities directly or indirectly generated approximately **247,000 jobs** in 2017.
- 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, in extreme weather conditions, and 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, tank, 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. It provides a unique training resource, with the arid, high desert climate allowing for year round training.
- Home to **five strategic command**s, including U.S. Northern Command (USNORTHCOM), and North American Aerospace Defense Command (NORAD, and Air Force Space Command).

REPI PROJECTS

Project Installation	County	Congressional District
Buckley Air Force Base	Arapahoe	6th
Fort Carson	El Paso	3rd, 5th
USAF Academy	El Paso	5th

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

Ranch lands near Fort Carson protect training by shielding noise from the CH-47 heavy-lift helicopter.

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. For more information, visit www.wrpinfo.org.
- Colorado is a member of WRP, along with the states of Arizona, Nevada, New Mexico, California, and Utah.

Key REPI Partners

- Arapahoe County
- City of Aurora
- City of Colorado Springs
- Colorado Department of Transportation
- Colorado Department of Military and Veterans Affairs
- Colorado Division of Wildlife
- El Paso County
- Great Outdoors Colorado
- State of Colorado
- The Nature Conservancy
- The Trust for Public Land
- Urban Drainage and Flood Control District
- U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service

Data Sources

- **For Federal Spending and personnel Information:** Office of Economic Adjustment: "Defense Spending By State Fiscal Year 2018": https://www.oea.gov/sites/default/files/defense-spending-rpts/FY2018-Defense-Spending-by-State-Report_0_0.pdf
- **For Land Information:** Department of Defense: "Base Structure Report – Fiscal Year 2018 Baseline": https://www.acq.osd.mil/eie/Downloads/BSI/Base%20Structure%20Report%20FY18.pdf
- **For REPI Projects Information:** "2020 REPI Report to Congress": httpa://www.repi.mil/Portals/44/Documents/Reports_to_Congress/REPI2020RTC.pdf
- **For Economic Impact Information:** "The Economic Impact of Department of Defense, Veterans and Military Retirees, and the Department of Veterans Affairs Activities in Colorado": https://coloradospringschamberedc.com/wp-content/uploads/2018/08/18colomilstudyabr.pdf

For more information about the REPI Program, visit ***www.repi.mil***