



# REPI

READINESS AND ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION INTEGRATION PROGRAM  
STATE PROFILE | GEORGIA



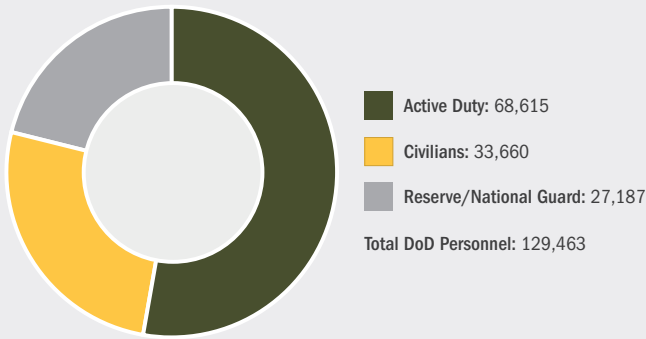
## OVERVIEW

Georgia received \$12.6 billion in Defense spending in Fiscal Year (FY) 2015, 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 2017, DoD and its partners have spent over \$260 million on 6 REPI projects in Georgia.

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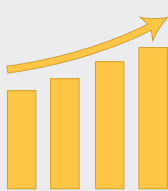
DoD Personnel (as of 30 Sep 2014)



### Federal Defense Spending and Economic Impact (in FY 2015)

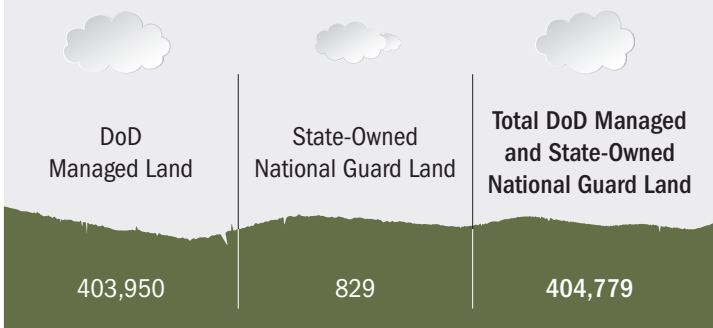


\$12.6 billion in Federal Defense spending



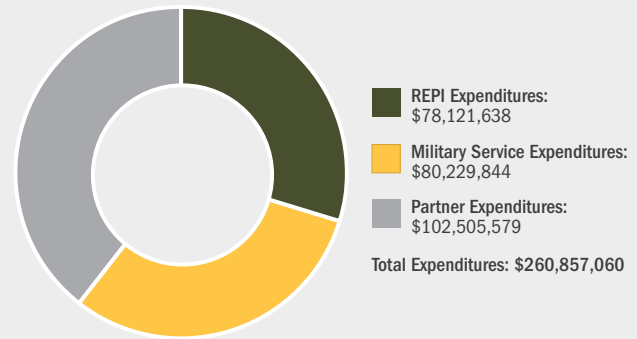
\$6.2 billion in payroll contributed  
\$6.4 billion in contracts awarded

### Acres of DoD Managed and State-Owned National Guard Land (as of 30 Sep 2014)



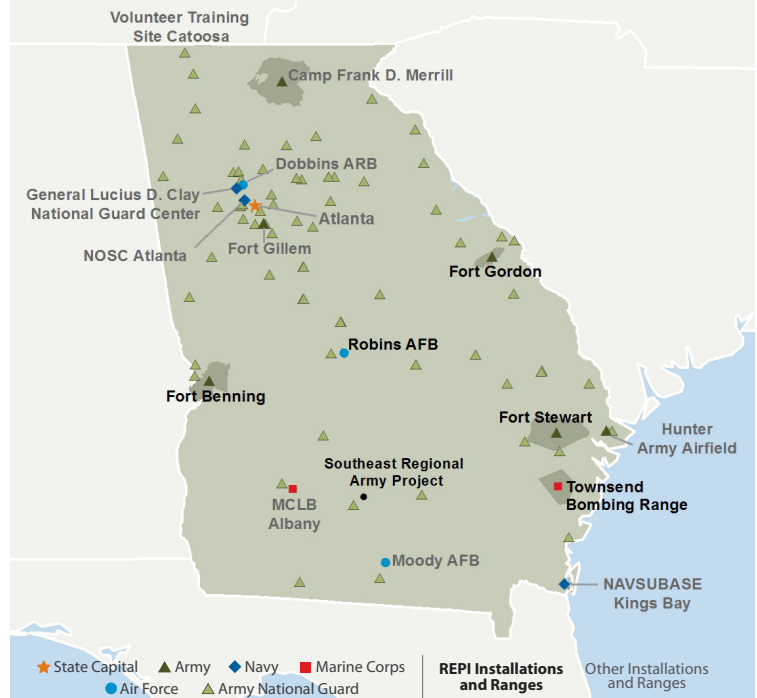
### REPI PROJECTS\* IN GEORGIA

Funding Summary (through FY 2017)



\* 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 2017): 123,929



## MILITARY PRESENCE

- Naval Submarine Base Kings Bay encompasses approximately **16,000 acres**, and supports more than **9,000 military, civilian, and contract personnel**, as well as a variety of threatened and endangered species.
- Fort Stewart encompasses 285,000 acres, including the **Army's longest East Coast runway** at Hunter Army Airfield. Tank, field artillery, helicopter gunnery, and small arms ranges operate simultaneously year round at this Army installation. Fort Stewart's annual economic impact is between \$4-5 billion for the State of Georgia.
- Fort Benning is a self-sustaining military community that encompasses **182,000 acres** and supports over **120,000 military, civilian, and retired military citizens**.
- Robins Air Force Base is home to Warner Robins Air Logistics Center, the 78th Air Base Wing, and over 60 other units that contribute to the Air Force war fighting team. It is the **largest industrial complex in Georgia**, employing a work force of over 21,000 civilian, contractor, and military personnel and with an economic impact of \$2.7 billion in FY 2015.
- More REPI funding has been spent in Georgia than in any other state.

## REPI PROJECTS

Project Installation	County	Congressional District
<i>Fort Benning</i>	Chattahoochee, Muscogee	2nd
<i>Fort Gordon</i>	Richmond	12th, 10th
<i>Fort Stewart</i>	Chatham	1st
<i>Robins AFB</i>	Bibb, Houston, Peach	8th
<i>Southeast Regional Army Project</i>	Irwin	8th
<i>Townsend Bombing Range</i>	McIntosh	1st

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



Habitat in and around Townsend Bombing Range (top and left) helps preserve the range's training capability.

For more information about the REPI Program, visit [www.repi.mil](http://www.repi.mil)

## Southeast Regional Partnership for Planning and Sustainability (SERPPAS)

- The REPI Program supports regional partnerships such as SERPPAS to identify common issues and solutions for mutual benefit.
- SERPPAS partners work to prevent encroachment around military lands, encourage compatible resource-use decisions, and improve coordination among regions, states, communities, and military services. For more information, visit [www.serppas.org](http://www.serppas.org).
- Georgia is a member of SERPPAS, along with the states of Alabama, Florida, Mississippi, North Carolina, and South Carolina.

## Key REPI Partners

- Alabama Forest Resource Center
- Alabama Land Trust
- Altamaha Riverkeeper
- Bibb County
- Central Georgia Joint Development Authority
- Central Savannah River Land Trust
- Chatham County
- Chattahoochee Fall Line Conservation Partnership
- Chattahoochee Valley Land Trust
- City of Savannah
- Columbus Consolidated Government
- Ducks Unlimited
- Environmental Resources Network
- Georgia Conservancy
- Georgia Department of Natural Resources
- Georgia Forestry Commission
- Georgia Land Trust
- Georgia Ornithological Society
- Georgia Wetlands Trust Fund
- Houston County
- Knobloch Family Foundation
- Middle Georgia Regional Commission
- National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration
- National Wild Turkey Foundation
- Peach County
- St. Simons Land Trust
- State of Alabama
- State of Georgia
- The Conservation Fund
- The Longleaf Alliance
- The Nature Conservancy
- The Trust for Public Land
- U.S. Department of Agriculture—Natural Resources Conservation Center
- U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service
- U.S. Forest Service

## Data Sources

- For Economic Impact Information:
  - Robins AFB Impact Information: <http://www.robins.af.mil/Portals/59/documents/AFD-160304-042.pdf?ver=2016-06-24-140132-607>
  - For Fort Stewart Impact Information: <http://www.savannahchamber.com/economic-development/military>
- For Federal Spending and Personnel Information: Office of Economic Adjustment: "Defense Spending by State Fiscal Year 2015": <https://www.oea.gov/defense-spending-state-fiscal-year-2015>
- For Land Information: Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Energy, Installations, and Environment, "Base Structure Report — Fiscal Year 2015 Baseline": <http://www.acq.osd.mil/eie/Downloads/BSI/Base%20Structure%20Report%20FY15.pdf>
- For REPI Projects Information: "2018 REPI Report to Congress": [http://www.repi.mil/Portals/44/Documents/Reports\\_to\\_Congress/REPI2018RTC.pdf](http://www.repi.mil/Portals/44/Documents/Reports_to_Congress/REPI2018RTC.pdf)