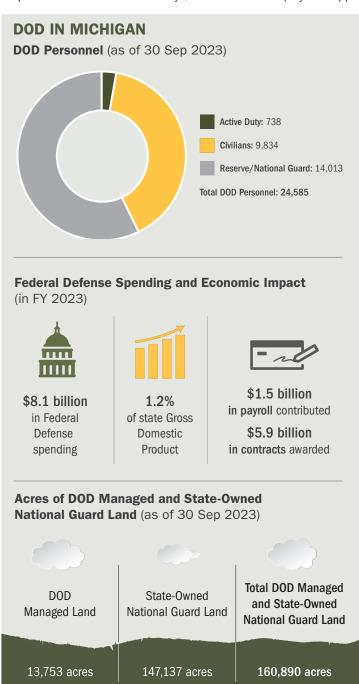
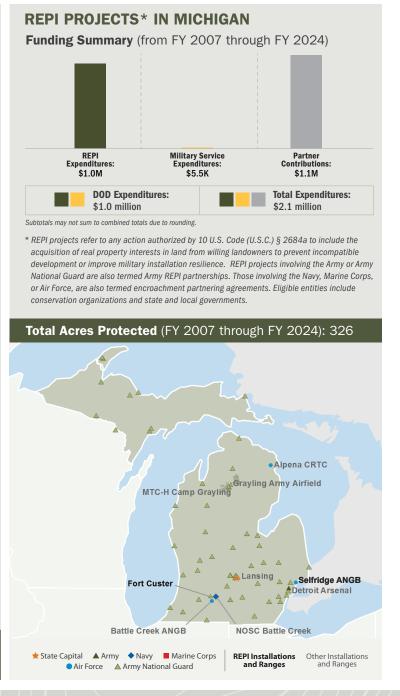


OVERVIEW

In Fiscal Year (FY) 2023, the state of Michigan received \$8.1 billion in Defense spending, which provides direct funding for the Department of Defense (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 investments, 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. 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, 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 benefited from broad bipartisan support both in the U.S. Congress and among groups representing state and local officials. From FY 2007 through FY 2024, DOD and its partners have contributed nearly \$2.1 million to REPI projects supporting two installations in Michigan.





MILITARY PRESENCE

- According to the Detroit Regional Chamber, Michigan's defense industry contributed \$31 billion in overall economic activity through 155,000 defense-related jobs and 17 commands and installations throughout the state. In 2020, the Detroit region was home to 3,338 businesses serving the defense and aerospace industry. Together, they employ more than 91,900 with annual average wages of \$89,142. Michigan is ranked 8th for aerospace manufacturing attractiveness.
- Michigan is home to more engineers per capita than any other state. The state's numerous R&D centers provide engineering, design and research support for the defense industry.
- Detroit Arsenal, in Warren, Michigan, was the first plant ever built in the U.S. for tank mass production.

- The 127th Wing, Michigan Air National Guard, is based at Selfridge Air National Guard Base, Michigan, a joint DOD and Department of Homeland Security installation. Its mission is to provide trained, equipped and motivated tanker, fighter and support resources for the community, state and nation.
- Fort Custer's training facilities are used by the Michigan National Guard and other branches of the armed forces, primarily from Ohio, Illinois and Indiana. Many Reserve Officer Training Corps students from colleges in Michigan, Ohio, Illinois, and Indiana also train at this facility, as well as the FBI, the Michigan State Police, and various law enforcement agencies.

REPI PROJECTS

Installation	County	Congressional District
Fort Custer	Calhoun, Kalamazoo	4th
Selfridge Air National Guard Base	Macomb	10th

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



Hart Lake, protected by the REPI Program, provides recreational opportunities and serves as a buffer for military training at Fort Custer.

Key REPI Partners

- Calhoun Conservation District
- Chesterfield Township
- Harrison Township, Macomb County
- Macomb County
- Michigan Defense Center
- Michigan Department of Natural Resources
- Six River Land Conservancy
- W. K. Kellogg Foundation

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