



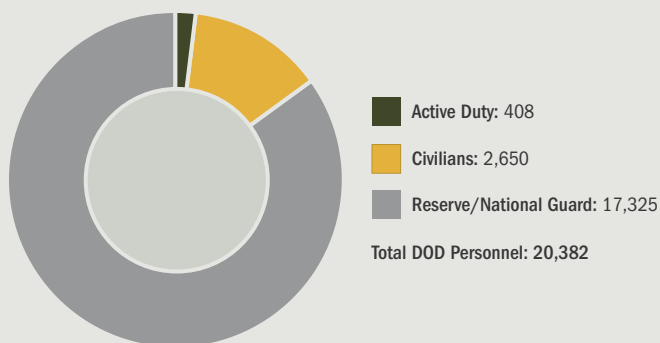
OVERVIEW

In Fiscal Year (FY) 2023, the state of Minnesota received \$2.4 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 2004 through FY 2024, DOD and its partners have contributed over \$101.1 million to REPI projects supporting one installation in Minnesota.

DOD IN MINNESOTA

DOD Personnel (as of 30 Sep 2023)



Federal Defense Spending and Economic Impact

(in FY 2023)



\$2.4 billion
in Federal
Defense
spending

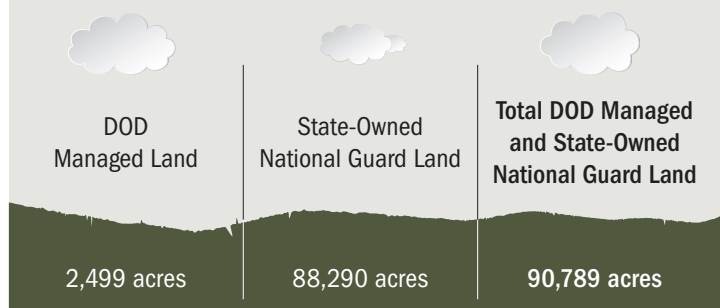


0.5%
of state Gross
Domestic
Product



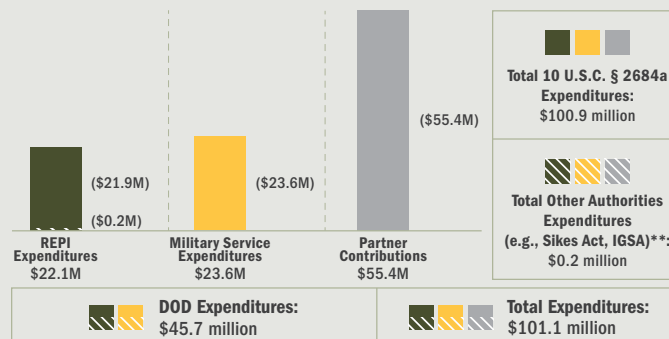
\$0.7 million
in payroll contributed
\$1.5 billion
in contracts awarded

Acres of DOD Managed and State-Owned National Guard Land (as of 30 Sep 2023)



REPI PROJECTS* IN MINNESOTA

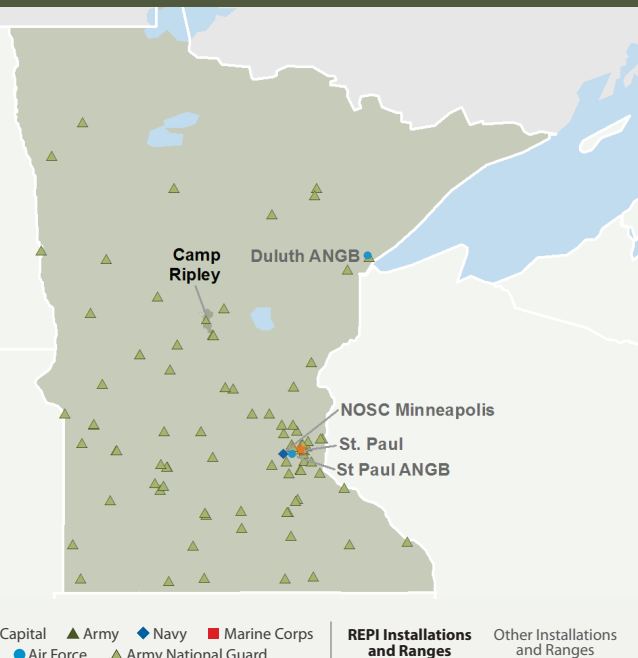
Funding Summary (from FY 2004 through FY 2024)



* REPI projects refer to any action authorized by 10 U.S.C. § 2684a to include the acquisition of real property interests in land from willing landowners to prevent incompatible development or improve military installation resilience.

** In addition to the real property transactions reported here, this project has expended REPI funds under authorities other than 10 U.S.C. § 2684a, including natural resources management activities under 10 U.S.C. § 2679, also known as Intergovernmental Support Agreements (IGSA), or 16 U.S.C. § 670c-1, commonly referred to as the Sikes Act.

Total Acres Protected (FY 2004 through FY 2024): 31,489



MILITARY PRESENCE

- Minnesota is home to Camp Ripley, a **53,000-acre National Guard training center** utilized by the military, federal, state, local, and civilian communities.
- Camp Ripley's environmental team **received the National Guard Bureau Environmental Award for its work to grow and preserve the Sentinel Landscape in central Minnesota.** Camp Ripley is the only National Guard facility to participate in this program which protects agricultural and recreational land surrounding military installations.
- Minnesota is home to the 55th Civil Support Team, a 22-member group of full-time soldiers and airmen **on call 24 hours a day** in the event that a law enforcement agency needs specialized help in detecting, identifying, analyzing, or assisting when a chemical, biological, radiological, or nuclear hazard may be present.
- Camp Ripley is utilized by several agencies including the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources, Minnesota State Patrol, Homeland Security Emergency Management, and the Minnesota Department of Transportation. These agencies partner with the installation to conduct annual and academy events and annual driver training events, like snow plow training.
- With over 400,000 person-days of training in 2023, Camp Ripley is a world class training center for military and civilian personnel of all military branches, international military partners, and first responders worldwide.
- More funding has been spent to protect land around Camp Ripley than any other REPI project.

REPI PROJECTS

Installation	County	Congressional District
Camp Ripley	Cass, Crow Wing, Morrison	7th

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



Ground co-training at the Crow Wing River site at Camp Ripley supports ground vehicle maneuver training and live-fire artillery and bombing training..

Key REPI Partners

- Cass County
- Cass Soil and Water Conservation District
- Crow Wing County
- Crow Wing Soil and Water Conservation District
- Ducks Unlimited
- Lessard-Sams Outdoor Heritage Council
- Minnesota Board of Water and Soil Resources
- Minnesota Deer Hunter's Association
- Minnesota Department of Natural Resources
- Minnesota Land Trust
- Morrison County
- Morrison Soil and Water Conservation District
- National Wild Turkey Federation
- Parks and Trails Council
- The Conservation Fund
- The Nature Conservancy
- The Trust for Public Land
- U.S. Department of Agriculture—Natural Resources Conservation Service

Data Sources

- **For Camp Ripley information:** www.minnesotanationalguard.ng.mil/crtc/
- **For Economic Impact Information:** Minnesota National Guard 2023 Annual Report: www.ngmnpublish.azurewebsites.us/wp-content/uploads/2024/01/2023_Minnesota_National_Guard_Annual_Report_Web-1.pdf
- **For Land Information:** Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Sustainment, Real Property, Business Systems & Information Directorate: "Base Structure Report – FY24 Baseline" (as of 30 Sept 2023)
- **For Federal Spending and Personnel Information:** Office of Local Defense Community Cooperation: "Defense Spending by State – Fiscal Year 2023": www.oldcc.gov/dsbs-fy2023
- **For REPI Projects Information:** "2025 REPI Report to Congress": www.repi.mil/Portals/44/Documents/Reports_to_Congress/REPI2025RTC.pdf