



REPI

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE
READINESS AND ENVIRONMENTAL
PROTECTION INTEGRATION PROGRAM

STATE FACT SHEETS | MINNESOTA



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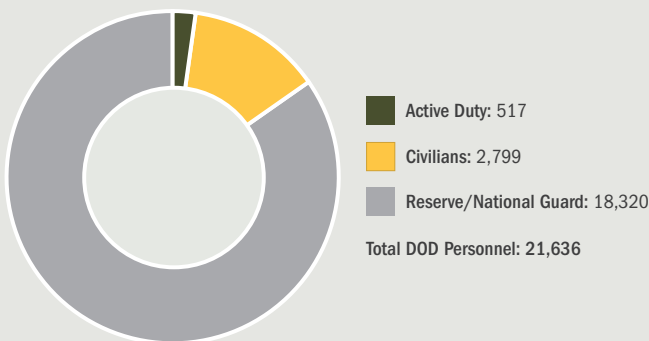
OVERVIEW

Minnesota received \$2.2 billion in Defense spending in Fiscal Year (FY) 2021, 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 2022, DOD and its partners have spent over \$130 million on REPI projects at one installation in Minnesota.

DOD IN MINNESOTA

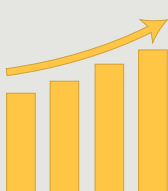
DOD Personnel (as of 30 Sep 2021)



Federal Defense Spending and Economic Impact (in FY 2021)



\$2.2 billion in Federal Defense spending

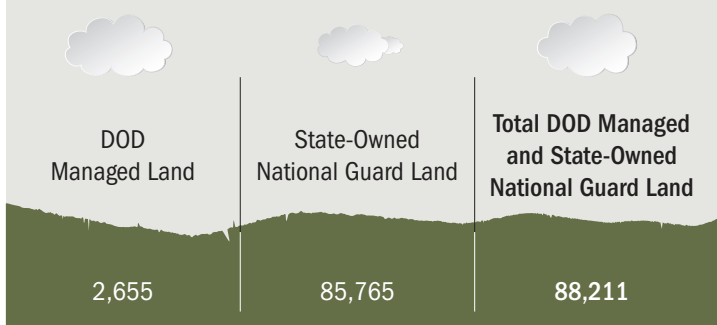


0.5% of state GDP



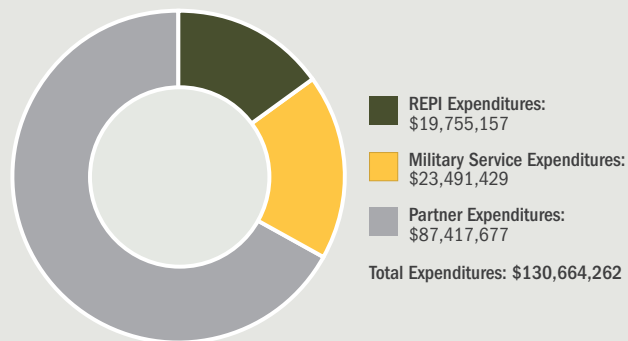
\$695.7 million in payroll contributed
\$1.5 billion in contracts awarded

Acres of DOD Managed and State-Owned National Guard Land (as of 30 Sep 2021)



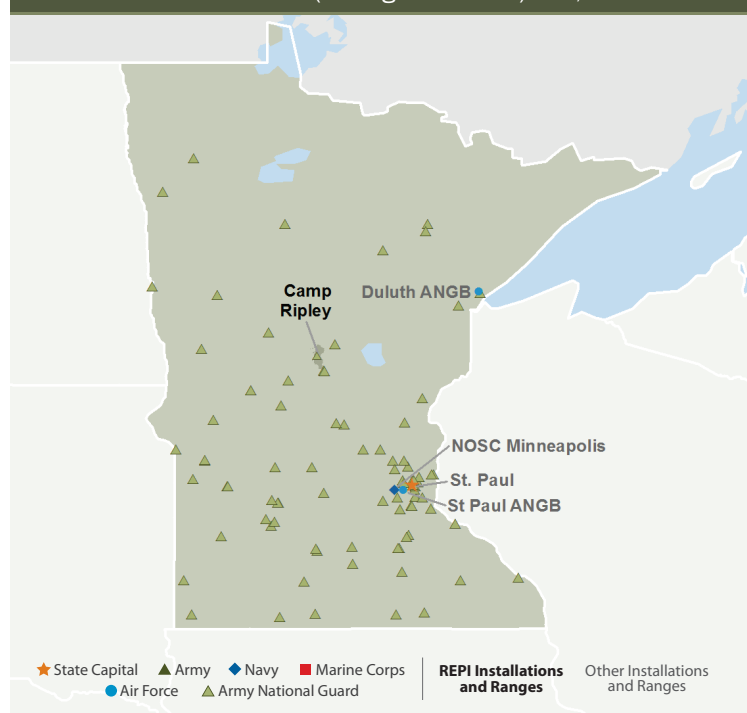
REPI PROJECTS* IN MINNESOTA

Funding Summary (through FY 2022)



* 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 2022): 48,461



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, and contributed more than \$260 million to the local economy in fiscal year 2019.
- 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 used by the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources, which holds Conservation Officer Academy and annual training events on post; the Minnesota State Patrol, which also holds its academy and training events there; Homeland Security Emergency Management; and the Minnesota Department of Transportation, for annual driver training events, like snow plow training.
- During 2019, Camp Ripley facilitated more than 395,000 man-days of military training and 61,000 man-days for local and interagency partners.
- More funding has been spent to protect land around Camp Ripley than any other REPI project, and was recognized as a Sentinel Landscape in July 2016.

REPI PROJECTS

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

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



Ground co-training at the Crow Wing River.

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:** <https://minnesotanationalguard.ng.mil/crtc/>
- **For Economic Impact Information:** Minnesota National Guard 2019 Annual Report: <https://ngmnpublish.azurewebsites.us/wp-content/uploads/2021/06/2019-annual-report.pdf>
- **For Land Information:** Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Sustainment, Real Property, Business Systems & Information Directorate: "Base Structure Report – FY22 Baseline" (as of 30 Sept 2021)
- **For Federal Spending and Personnel Information:** Office of Local Defense Community Cooperation: "Defense Spending by State – Fiscal Year 2021": <https://oldcc.gov/dsbs-fy2021>
- **For REPI Projects Information:** "2023 REPI Report to Congress": https://www.repi.mil/Portals/44/Documents/Reports_to_Congress/REPI2023RTC.pdf