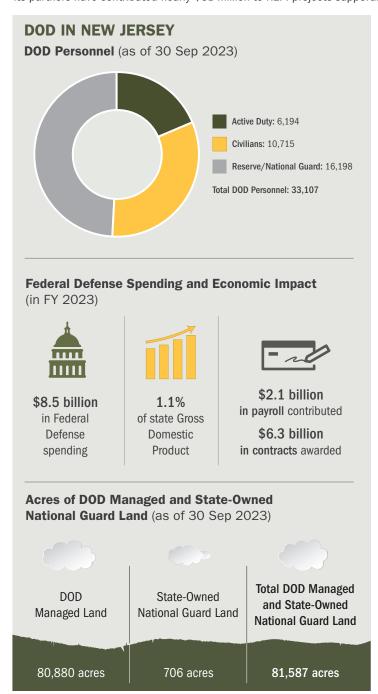
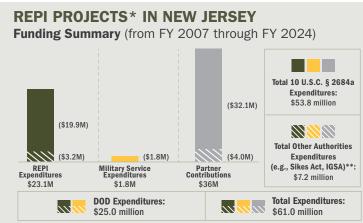


### **OVERVIEW**

In Fiscal Year (FY) 2023, the state of New Jersey received \$8.5 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 \$61 million to REPI projects supporting three installations in New Jersey.





Subtotals may not sum to combined totals due to rounding.

- \* REPI projects refer to any action authorized by 10 U.S. Code (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.



## **MILITARY PRESENCE**

- New Jersey military installations strategically develop opportunities for the state's workforce that address the military and defense industry's current and future needs. According to the New Jersey Department of Military and Veterans Affairs, New Jersey bases employ approximately 70,000 residents every year and bring more than \$6 billion in economic benefit to the state.
- New Jersey is home to Joint Base
   McGuire-Dix-Lakehurst, the nation's only
   tri-Service military base and the second
   largest employer in New Jersey (after the
   state itself).
- Joint Base McGuire-Dix-Lakehurst houses the largest and most advanced unit in the world for aircraft-launching missions and is the world's only base equipped to handle the entire spectrum of operations related to aircraft recovery and launch.
- Warren Grove Range is one of the most heavily utilized Air National Guard training ranges in the U.S. and a key Northeast training asset for all four Services, providing unique operational capabilities due to its remote location.

### **REPI PROJECTS**

Installation	County	Congressional District
Joint Base McGuire-Dix-Lakehurst	Burlington, Ocean	3rd, 4th
NWS Earle	Monmouth	4th
Warren Grove Range	Ocean	2nd

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



Controlled burns help prevent wildfires, which reduce visibility for air exercises. Photo credit: Dr. Walter Bien, Laboratory of Pinelands Research

# **Key REPI Partners**

- Burlington County
- Burlington County Farmland Protection Program
- Monmouth Conservation Foundation
- Monmouth County
- Monmouth University
- National Fish and Wildlife Foundation
- New Jersey Conservation Foundation

- New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection
- New Jersey Green Acres Program
- New Jersey Pinelands Commission
- Ocean County
- State of New Jersey
- Urban Coast Institute of Monmouth University

#### **Data Sources**

- For Economic Impact Information:
  - New Jersey Department of Military and Veterans Affairs: www.nj.gov/military/
- 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