



# REPI

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE  
READINESS AND ENVIRONMENTAL  
PROTECTION INTEGRATION PROGRAM

## STATE FACT SHEETS | NORTH CAROLINA



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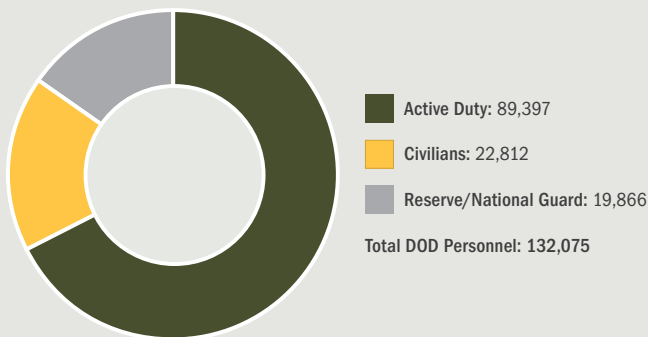
### OVERVIEW

In Fiscal Year (FY) 2023, the state of North Carolina received \$12.5 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 2000 through FY 2024, DOD and its partners have contributed nearly \$235.8 million to REPI projects supporting seven installations in North Carolina.

### DOD IN NORTH CAROLINA

DOD Personnel (as of 30 Sep 2023)



### Federal Defense Spending and Economic Impact (in FY 2023)



**\$12.5 billion**  
in Federal  
Defense  
spending

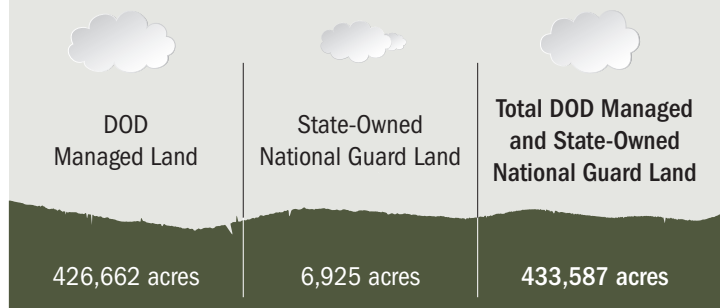


**1.6%**  
of state Gross  
Domestic  
Product



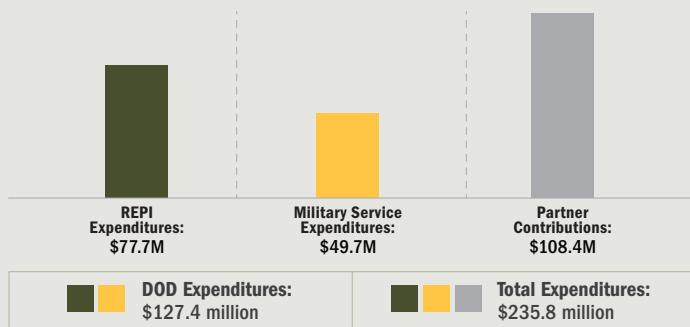
**\$7.8 billion**  
in payroll contributed  
**\$4.4 billion**  
in contracts awarded

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



### REPI PROJECTS\* IN NORTH CAROLINA

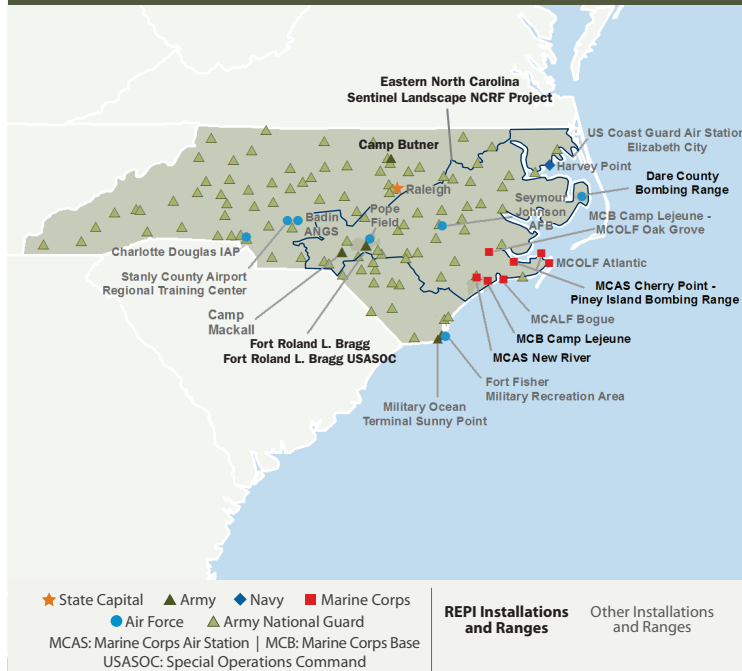
Funding Summary (from FY 2000 through FY 2024)



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. REPI projects involving the Army or Army National Guard are also termed Army REPI partnerships. Those involving the Navy, Marine Corps, or Air Force, are also termed encroachment partnering agreements. Eligible entities include conservation organizations and state and local governments.

### Total Acres Protected (FY 2000 through FY 2024): 93,997



## MILITARY PRESENCE

- MCAS Cherry Point is the **largest Marine Corps Air Station, occupying over 29,000 acres.**
- Seymour Johnson Air Force Base houses the 4<sup>th</sup> Fighter Wing, the multi-role, all-weather F-15E Strike Eagle, and the 916<sup>th</sup> Air Refueling Wing.
- Camp Lejeune MCB is home to II Marine Expeditionary Force and the U.S. Marine Corps Forces Special Operations Command.
- Fort Roland L. Bragg hosts the **only U.S. airborne corps and airborne division**, the “Green Berets” of the Special Operations Command, and the **Army’s largest support command, with nearly 48,000 active duty personnel.**
- As **the only East Coast rotary wing installation**, MCAS New River and tenant commands are vital to the training, readiness, and deployment of worldwide Marine Corps aviation forces.
- North Carolina is home to approximately **775,000 veterans** who collectively represent every county in the state.
- Behind agriculture, **the military is the second largest economic driver** in the state.
- North Carolina is home to more than half of all U.S. special operations forces.
- North Carolina is home to more than **11,000 Air National Guard and Army National Guard personnel**, including the Army National Guard’s 30<sup>th</sup> Armored Brigade Combat Team.

## REPI PROJECTS

Installation	County	Congressional District
Camp Butler	Granville	4th
Dare County Range	Dale	3rd
Eastern North Carolina Sentinel Landscape	Multiple	Multiple
Fort Roland L. Bragg	Cumberland, Hoke, Harnett, Moore	9th
Fort Roland L. Bragg USASOC	Cumberland	8th, 9th
MCAS Cherry Point-Piney Island Bombing Range	Craven	3rd
MCB Camp Lejeune (with MCAS New River)	Onslow	3rd

For all REPI Project Profiles visit: [www.repi.mil/BufferProjects/ProjectList.aspx](http://www.repi.mil/BufferProjects/ProjectList.aspx)



Development adjacent to the Fort Liberty perimeter.



Landowner Julian Johnson values the protection of longleaf pine on his property.

## 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.
- North Carolina is a member of SERPPAS along with the states of Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Mississippi, and South Carolina. For more information, visit [www.serppas.org](http://www.serppas.org).

## Key REPI Partners

- Carteret County
- City of Havelock
- City of Raleigh
- Coastal Conservation League
- Conservation Resources
- Ducks Unlimited
- Durham County
- Durham County Soil and Water Conservation District
- Eastern North Carolina Sentinel Landscape
- Granville County
- National Fish and Wildlife Foundation
- National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration
- National Wild Turkey Federation
- North Carolina Agricultural Development and Farmland Preservation Trust
- North Carolina Attorney General Wetlands Grant
- North Carolina Coastal Federation
- North Carolina Coastal Land Trust
- North Carolina Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services
- North Carolina Department of Environment and Natural Resources
- North Carolina Department of Justice Environmental Enhancement Grant
- North Carolina Department of Natural and Cultural Resources
- North Carolina Division of Coastal Management
- North Carolina Division of Parks and Recreation
- North Carolina Forest Service
- North Carolina Land and Water Fund
- North Carolina Sandhills Conservation Partnership
- North Carolina Wildlife Resources Commission
- Onslow County
- Sandhills Area Land Trust
- Sandhills Ecological Institute
- State of North Carolina
- Tar River Land Conservancy
- The Conservation Forestry Partners
- The Conservation Fund
- The Nature Conservancy
- The Working Lands Trust
- Three Rivers Land Trust
- Tobacco Trust Fund
- Triangle Land Conservancy
- U.S. Department of Agriculture - Natural Resources Conservation Service
- U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service
- U.S. Forest Service

## Data Sources

- **For Economic Impact Information:**
  - North Carolina Department of Commerce, “Military Economic Impact on North Carolina: October 2022 Report”: [www.ourncmilitary.nc.gov/media/678/open](http://www.ourncmilitary.nc.gov/media/678/open)
- **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](http://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](http://www.repi.mil/Portals/44/Documents/Reports_to_Congress/REPI2025RTC.pdf)