



REPI

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE
READINESS AND ENVIRONMENTAL
PROTECTION INTEGRATION PROGRAM

STATE FACT SHEETS | SOUTH CAROLINA



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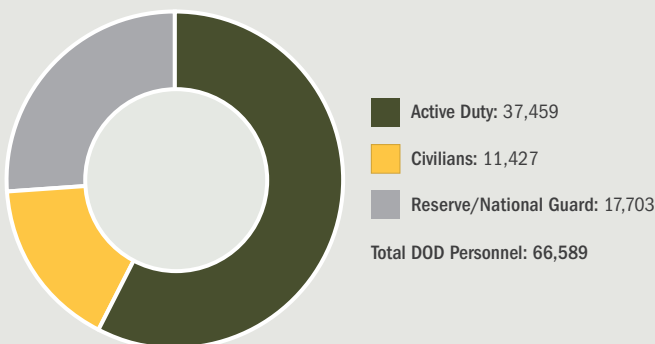
OVERVIEW

South Carolina received \$6.1 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 nearly \$89 million on three REPI projects in South Carolina.

DOD IN SOUTH CAROLINA

DOD Personnel (as of 30 Sep 2021)



Federal Defense Spending and Economic Impact (in FY 2021)



\$6.1 billion in Federal Defense spending

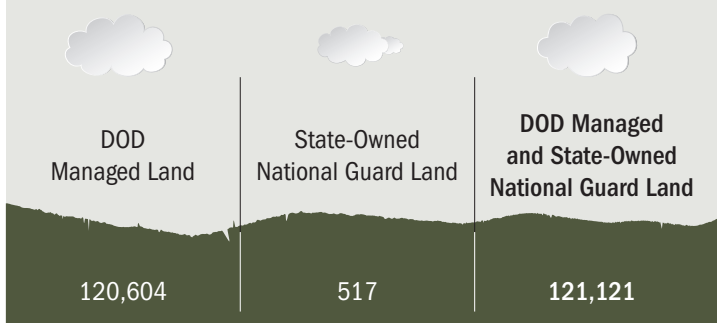


2.2% of state GDP



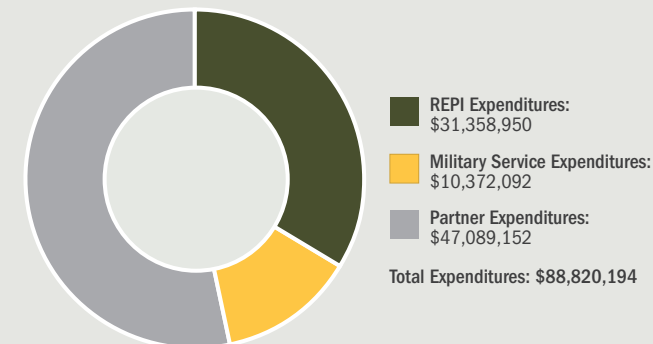
\$3.1 billion in payroll contributed
\$3.1 billion in contracts awarded

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



REPI PROJECTS* IN SOUTH CAROLINA

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): 29,644



MILITARY PRESENCE

- The South Carolina Military Base Task Force reported that military-related activities accounted for **191,519 jobs** and **\$25.3 billion** in economic activity in FY 2019.
- Shaw Air Force Base is home to the 20th Fighter Wing, the **largest F-16 combat wing in the Air Force** and the **largest suppression wing** in the continental U.S.
- Fort Jackson is the Army's **largest and most active Initial Entry Training Center**, training 50% of the Army's Basic Combat Training load and 70% of the women entering the Army.
- Located on **8,095 acres** in Beaufort County, including more than 4,000 acres of salt marsh and tidal streams, Marine Corps Recruit Depot Parris Island is the Marine Corps' **second oldest post and one of the most visited military facilities in the world**.
- The annual South Carolina state tax revenue generated by the military community is approximately **\$1 billion**, as of FY 2021.

REPI PROJECTS

Project Installation	County	Congressional District
Joint Base Charleston	Charleston	6th
MCAS Beaufort	Beaufort	1st
Midlands Area Joint Installation Consortium (MAJIC)	Kershaw, Richland, Sumter	2nd, 5th, 6th

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



MCAS Beaufort hosts training on aircraft such as the F/A-18 Hornet (left). Preserved wetlands near the installation help to protect area water quality (top).

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. For more information, visit www.serppas.org.
- South Carolina is a member of SERPPAS, along with the states of Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Mississippi, and North Carolina.

Key REPI Partners

- Beaufort County
- Beaufort County Open Land Trust
- Beaufort County Rural and Critical Land Preservation Program
- Charleston County
- City of Beaufort
- City of Columbia
- City of Sumter
- CoWaSee
- Ducks Unlimited
- Governor's Military Task Force
- Kershaw County
- Palmetto Conservation Foundation
- Richland County
- Rural and Critical Land Preservation Program
- South Carolina Department of Commerce
- South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control
- South Carolina Department of Natural Resources
- South Conservation Bank
- Sumter County
- The Central Midlands Council of Governments
- The Compatible Lands Foundation
- The Congaree Land Trust
- The Conservation Fund
- The Nature Conservancy of South Carolina
- The Trust for Public Land
- U.S. Department of Agriculture — Natural Resources Conservation Service

Data Sources

- **For Economic Impact Information:** South Carolina Military Base Task Force
 - "Economic Impact of Military Presence in S.C. Reaches \$24.1 billion": <https://www.sccommerce.com/news/economic-impact-military-presence-sc-reaches-241-billion>
 - "The Economic Impact of South Carolina's Military Community: A Statewide and Regional Analysis, June 2022": <https://scdva.sc.gov/sites/scdva/files/Documents/Economic%20Impact%20Final%20June%202022.pdf>
 - The Economic Impact of the S.C. Military Community: 2019 Update": <https://scdva.sc.gov/sites/default/files/Documents/2019%20economic%20impact%20of%20the%20military%20on%20SC.pdf>
- **For Installation-Specific Information:** Shaw Air Force Base: <http://www.shaw.af.mil/>; Fort Jackson: <https://home.army.mil/jackson/index.php>; Marine Corps Air Station Beaufort: <http://www.beaufort.marines.mil/>
- **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