REPI READINESS AND ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION INTEGRATION PROGRAM
STATE PROFILE | KANSAS

KANSAS

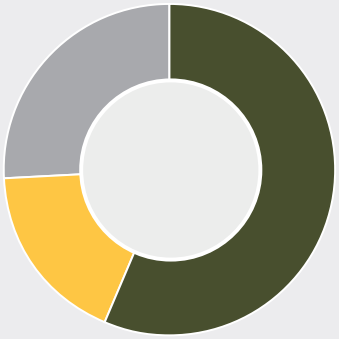
OVERVIEW

Kansas received $3.1 billion in Defense spending in Fiscal Year (FY) 2018, 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 2019, DoD and its partners have spent nearly $13 million on REPI projects at 1 installation in Kansas.

DOD IN KANSAS

DoD Personnel (as of 30 Sep 2018)



Active Duty: 21,503

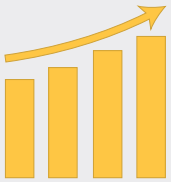
Civilians: 7,201

Reserve/National Guard: 10,048

Total DoD Personnel: 38,752

Federal Defense Spending and Economic Impact (in FY 2018)

$3.1 billion in Federal Defense spending



1.8% of state GDP

$2.0 billion in payroll contributed
$1.1 billion in contracts awarded

Acres of DoD Managed and State-Owned National Guard Land (as of 30 Sep 2017)

DoD Managed Land	State-Owned National Guard Land	Total DoD Managed and State-Owned National Guard Land
140,973	252	141,225

REPI PROJECTS* IN KANSAS

Funding Summary (through FY 2019)

REPI Expenditures: $6,419,158

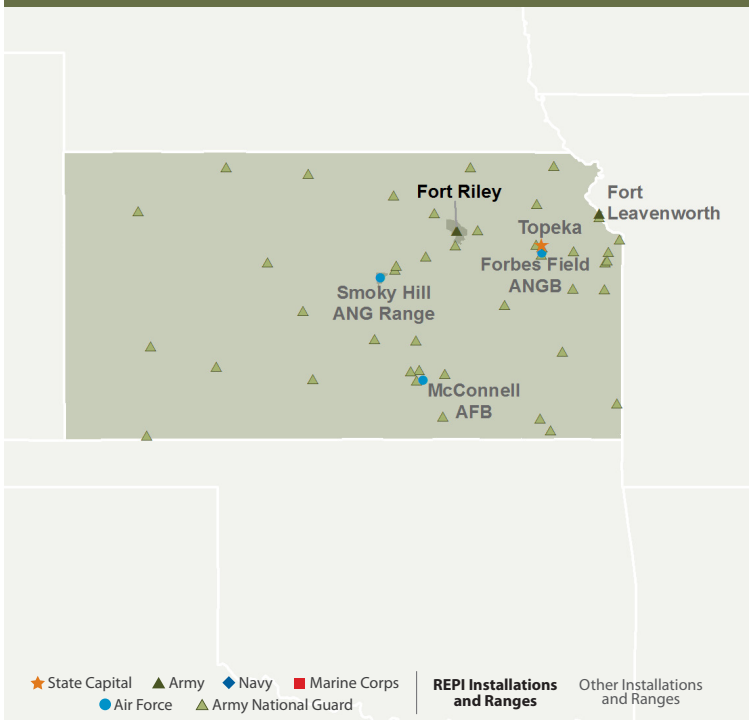
Military Service Expenditures: $4,002,000

Partner Expenditures: $2,518,646

Total Expenditures: $12,939,804

** 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 2019): 15,962



MILITARY PRESENCE

- Fort Leavenworth generates **$2.7 billion** in annual economic impact throughout the region via salaries and the supplies and services it buys from Kansas City-area companies.
- Established in 1827, Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, is the **oldest military post in continuous operation** west of the Mississippi.
- Smoky Hill Air National Guard Range near Salina, Kansas, is the **largest bombing range** in the Air National Guard inventory at 34,000 acres.
- McConnell AFB supports worldwide aerial refueling and airlift operations, thus providing **global reach for troops, equipment, and supplies** in support of global contingency and conventional operations.
- Fort Riley is home to the 1st Infantry Division, which is the **oldest continuously serving division** in the U.S. Army. In FY 2018, Fort Riley had a direct economic impact of over $1.7 billion and a total population of over 67,000 individuals.

REPI PROJECTS

Project Installation	County	Congressional District
Fort Riley	Geary, Riley	1st

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

Open space preserved near Fort Riley preserves local character and allows ground vehicle maneuver training to continue.

For more information about the REPI Program, visit ***www.repi.mil***

Key REPI Partners

- Kansas Land Trust
- Kansas Department of Natural Resources
- The Nature Conservancy
- U.S. Department of Agriculture—Natural Resources Conservation Service

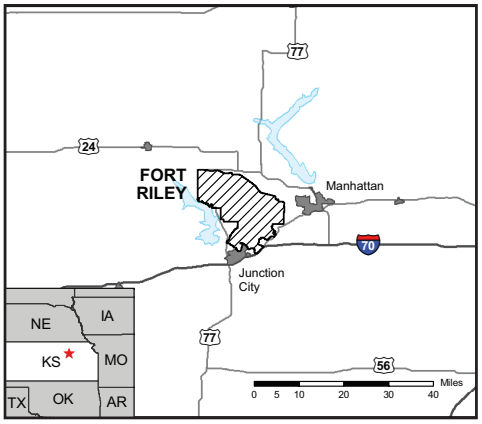
Data Sources

- **For Economic Impact Information:**
  - Fiscal and Economic Impact of Military Activity in Kansas, November 2009: http://www.cedbr.org/students/newsletter/ReportMilitaryEconImpact.pdf
  - Fort Leavenworth Statistical Data, September 2018: https://home.army.mil/leavenworth/application/files/9515/5241/8463/FY18_Stat_Card_FINAL.pdf
  - Fort Riley, Kansas Economic Impact and Partner Summary, FY 2018: https://home.army.mil/riley/application/files/5515/4834/9634/FY18EIS.PDF
  - Kansas Department of Commerce Web Site, April 2015: http://www.kansascommerce.com/index.aspx?NID=438
- **For Federal Spending and personnel Information:** Office of Economic Adjustment: "Defense Spending By State Fiscal Year 2018": https://www.oea.gov/sites/default/files/defense-spending-rpts/FY2018-Defense-Spending-by-State-Report_0_0.pdf
- **For Land Information:** Department of Defense: "Base Structure Report — Fiscal Year 2018 Baseline": https://www.acq.osd.mil/eie/Downloads/BSI/Base%20Structure%20Report%20FY18.pdf
- **For REPI Projects Information:** "2020 REPI Report to Congress": https://www.repi.mil/Portals/44/Documents/Reports_to_Congress/REPI2020RTC.pdf
- **For Military Impact Information:** Fort Riley Web Site, January 2019: https://home.army.mil/riley/index.php/about

U.S. ARMY :

FORT RILEY : KANSAS

Working lands owned by ranchers near Fort Riley provide a situation that is conducive to maintaining ideal training conditions on-post. Located in northeastern Kansas, Fort Riley trains over 30,000 soldiers predominantly in live-fire exercises and vehicle maneuver training in which every weapons system in a heavy artillery division's inventory may be fired. Such training generates significant amounts of noise, so for Fort Riley's mission to continue, development around the post must remain compatible with this requirement.



Building on an early partnership between the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Natural Resources Conservation Service and the Department of Defense, the post is sustaining the military mission and providing far-reaching benefits to the community's way of life. Together with the Kansas Land Trust, the partners are protecting family-owned ranches consisting of prime soils and the largest remaining tracts of native tallgrass prairie in Kansas. Preserving the most altered ecological community in North America helps buffer important high-noise activities such as Howitzer and demolition training.

Also of note at Fort Riley was an effort that prevented the incompatible siting of a 100-turbine wind farm project that would have interfered with the operation of a Digital Airport Surveillance Radar station at Marshall Army Air Field. All told, the post's efforts help allow combined air and ground operations to continue and to protect the disappearing tallgrass prairie rangelands.

BENEFIT SUMMARY

COMMUNITY

- Protects working lands and local character that benefit the economy
- Supports existing regional planning efforts, including the development of a Joint Use Land Study to better coordinate planning efforts among various government entities

MILITARY

- Protects live-fire artillery, ground vehicle maneuver, helicopter, and night flying training that produces significant amounts of noise or requires minimal light pollution
- Prevents the loss of training days and less-realistic workarounds
- Provides for future mission growth and multi-Service efforts

Open space (bottom) preserved near Fort Riley preserves local character and allows ground vehicle maneuver training (top) to continue.

KEY PARTNERS

- Kansas Department of Natural Resources
- Kansas Land Trust
- The Nature Conservancy
- U.S. Department of Agriculture–Natural Resources Conservation Service

FAST FACTS THROUGH 30 SEP 2019

» Acres preserved:
15,962

» Transactions conducted:
25

» Total funds expended:
$12.9 million

» Project status:
In Progress

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