

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE READINESS AND ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION INTEGRATION PROGRAM

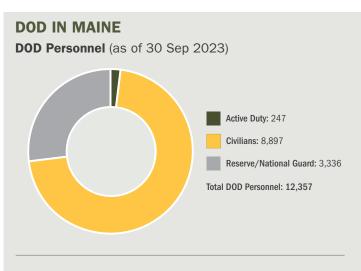
STATE FACT SHEETS | MAINE



OVERVIEW

In Fiscal Year (FY) 2023, the state of Maine received \$4.2 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 2018 through FY 2024, DOD and its partners have contributed over \$14.4 million to REPI projects supporting one installation in Maine.



Federal Defense Spending and Economic Impact (in FY 2023)



6.440 acres

24.449 acres

17,967 acres

REPI PROJECTS* IN MAINE

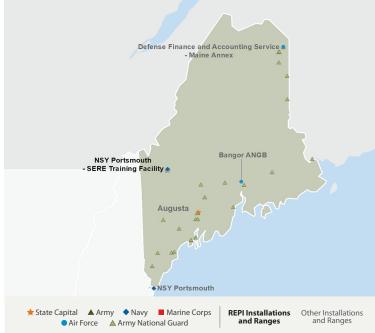
Funding Summary (from FY 2018 through FY 2024)



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 2018 through FY 2024): 32,899



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

MILITARY PRESENCE

- The impact of the Portsmouth Naval Shipyard in 2022 was nearly \$1.5 billion, reflecting its substantial contribution to the regional economy through employment, contracts, and indirect spending.
- The Navy's Survival, Evasion, Resistance, and Escape (SERE) School moved from Naval Air Station Brunswick to Portsmouth Naval Shipyard in 2010 and trains an average of 1,200 students per year.
- SERE training is 12 days and is split between the Portsmouth Shipyard and the 12,500 acre Ralph Odem Training Facility in Redington, Maine.
- Ships, small craft, pontoons, and docks make up 69% of product and service contract awards in the state of Maine.

Key REPI Partners

- High Peaks Alliance
- Mahoosuc InitiativeMaine Audubon
 - Society
- Maine Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry
- Mountain Conservancy Collaborative
- National Fish and Wildlife Foundation

- The Nature Conservancy
- Rangeley Lakes Heritage Trust
- The Trust for Public Land
- Trout Unlimited
- U.S. Department of Agriculture-Natural Resources Conservation Service

REPI PROJECTS

Installation	County	Congressional District
Naval Shipyard Portsmouth, Survival, Evasion, Resistance, and Escape (SERE) School	Franklin	2nd

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



USS New Hampshire arriving at NSY Portsmouth for scheduled maintenance.

Data Sources

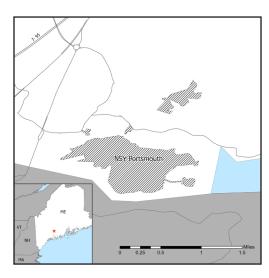
- For Economic Impact Information:
 - Portsmouth Naval Shipyard Economic Impact 2023: www.saveourshipyard.org/ web-content/ documents/ SSAEconomicImpact2023.pdf
- For Land Information: Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Sustainment, Real Property, Business Systems & Information Directorate: "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



NAVAL SHIPYARD PORTSMOUTH SERE SCHOOL

The Survival, Evasion, Resistance, and Escape (SERE) School mission is to provide training to pilots, flight officers, intelligence officers, air crew, and other personnel deemed at high risk of capture.

While classroom training is held at Portsmouth Naval Shipyard (PNSY), the Navy's East Coast SERE School field training is located in Redington Township, Maine, where the remote environment and harsh climate are essential to the effective



execution of its training mission. The training emphasizes the basic skills necessary for long-term land survival; effective rescue methods; evasion of capture by hostile forces; resistance to interrogation, indoctrination, and exploitation; and escape from detention when held by enemy forces.

This type of training requires isolated wilderness to provide the most realistic and undisturbed training environment. Even minimal development can affect SERE training realism, and the Redington property is already located next to three major ski resorts and

snowmobiling trails as well as commercial logging activities. Therefore, the Navy is working with the Trust for Public Land (TPL) to acquire conservation easements on large properties adjacent to SERE School training land in order to preserve the forested, mountainous habitat.

These properties represent a keystone in TPL's White Mountains to Moosehead Lake Initiative to protect a large unbroken corridor of forests across New Hampshire and Maine. Project partners will also work to develop forest management plans to benefit wildlife habitat management, improve timber harvesting practices, and ensure compatibility with SERE School operations.

BENEFIT SUMMARY

COMMUNITY

- Preserves open space and habitat
- Supports a landscape-scale "green corridor" for wildlife
- Supports ongoing regional planning efforts

MILITARY

- Protects the ability to perform sensitive training
- Improves operational security
- Preserves a realistic isolated training environment
- FAST FACTS FROM FY 2018 THROUGH FY 2024 | Project Status: In Progress





SERE School field training at the Redington property in Maine (top) provides Sailors with basic survival skills like starting a fire in harsh, remote environments (bottom).

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Authority		Acres Protected, Managed, or Improved	Total Funds Expended	
10 U.S.C. § 2684a	5	32,899	\$14.4 million	

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