

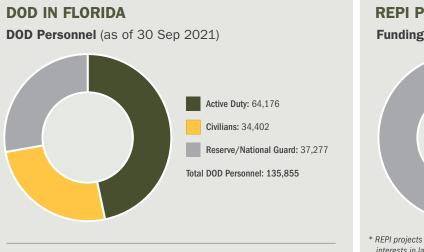
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE READINESS AND ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION INTEGRATION PROGRAM

STATE FACT SHEETS | FLORIDA

## **OVERVIEW**

Florida received \$30.1 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 \$228 million on REPI projects at 11 installations in Florida.



**Federal Defense Spending and Economic Impact** (in FY 2021)



spending



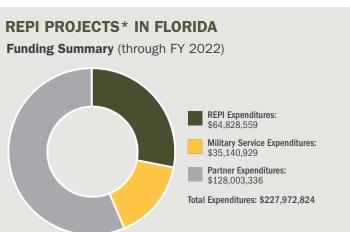
2.3% of state GDP



\$8.4 billion in payroll contributed\$21.7 billion in contracts awarded

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





\* 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): 86,180



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

### **MILITARY PRESENCE**

- Enterprise Florida reported that miltary related activities directly or indirectly generated over 846,000 jobs and \$95 billion in total economic impact in 2018.
- All counties benefit from defense activities in Florida.
- Home to 20 major installations, 3 of 10 unified combatant commands, and the military's only east coast space launch facility.
- Hosts 2 of only 4 Navy deep water ports in the country with adjacent airfields.
- Includes the Marine Corps' only maritime prepositioning force facility.

# **REPI PROJECTS**

Project Installation	County	Congressional District
Avon Park AFB	Polk, Highlands	18th
Cape Canaveral SFS	Brevard	8th
Camp Blanding	Clay	4th
Eglin AFB	Okaloosa	1st
Homestead ARB	Miami-Dade	28th
NAS Pensacola	Escambia	1st
NAS Whiting Field	Santa Rosa	1st
NS Mayport	Duval	5th
OLF Whitehouse (with NAS Jacksonville)	Duval	4th
Tyndall AFB	Bay	2nd

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





Eglin AFB is slated to become the new home of the Joint Strike Fighter, requiring open space for low-altitude maneuvers (top). REPI projects support Longleaf Pine forests, an important ecosystem that provides buffer lands around military bases and habitat for 29 endemic threatened and endangered species (left).

# Centers.

- Joint Gulf Range Complex connects test and training ranges that extend from Key West to Northwest Florida and across the eastern Gulf of Mexico.
- Jacksonville Range Complex (JRC) includes 150,000 square miles of air, surface, and subsurface operational area, strategically located in Florida's near coastal waters, supporting all Military Services and integrating six instrumented ranges. Warm waters, temperate climate, lower sea states, and shore proximity make JRC the ideal training venue.
- Hosts 1 of only 3 Navy Fleet Readiness

### 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 ssppas.org.
- Florida is a member of SERPPAS, along with the states of Alabama, Georgia, Mississippi, North Carolina, and South Carolina.

#### **Key REPI Partners**

- Brevard County Environmentally **Endangered Lands** Program
- Central Florida Regional **Planning Council**
- City of Jacksonville
- City of Niceville
- **Conservation Florida**
- Escambia County
  - Florida Defense Alliance
- Florida Defense Support Task Force
- Florida Department of Agriculture and **Consumer Services**
- Florida Department of Environmental Protection
- Florida Division of State Lands
- Florida Office of
- Greenways and Trails Franklin's Promise
- Highlands County
- Highlands County Economic Development Commission
- Long Leaf Alliance Miami-Dade County
- Environmentally **Endangered Lands** Program

- Miami Dade County - Purchase of
- Development **Rights Program** National Fish and
- Wildlife Foundation
- Naval Research Laboratory
- North Florida Land Trust
- Okaloosa County
- Okaloosa County Water and Sewer Department
- Polk County
- Preservation Law Group
- Santa Rosa County
- South Florida Water н. Management District St. Johns River Water
- Management District State of Florida
- Suwanee River Water
- Management District
- The Conservation Fund The Nature Conservancy
- University of Florida USDA – Natural Resources
- **Conservation Service** U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service
- U.S. Forest Service

### **Data Sources**

- For Economic Impact Information: Enterprice Florida, "Florida Defense Industry Economic Impact Assessment," 2020: https://www.enterpriseflorida. com/wp-content/uploads/Florida-Defense-Industry-Economic-Impact-Assessment 2020-FINAL.pdf
- 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 2022)
- 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