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**DEPARTMENT OF WAR ANNOUNCES RECRUITING AND RETENTION NUMBERS
FOR FISCAL YEAR 2026 – THRU NOVEMBER 2025**

Today, the Department of War (DoW) announced recruiting and retention statistics for the Active and Reserve Components through end of month November 2025.

Through the second month of Fiscal Year (FY) 2026, the Military Services continue to build upon recruitment momentum from the previous year, despite operating within a uniquely challenging accessions environment. At the end of the month for November 2025, all active components achieved their fiscal-year-to-date (FYTD) recruiting accession goals.

- **Active Components.**
 - **Recruiting.** Service data below represents cumulative fiscal year to date (FYTD) goals and accessions/gains through EOM November 2025.
 - Army Accessions: Goal 9,100; Attained: 10,318 (113.38 percent/+1,218)
 - Navy Accessions: Goal 6,147; Attained: 7,057 (114.80 percent/+910).
 - Marine Corps Accessions: Goal 2,875; Attained: 2,901 (100.90 percent/+26).
 - Air Force Accessions: Goal 4,052; Attained: 4,051 (99.98 percent/-1).
 - Space Force Accessions: Goal 126; Attained: 126 (100.00 percent).
 - **Quality.** The Marine Corps, Air Force, and Space Force all met DoD recruit quality benchmarks through November 2025.
 - **Retention.** Navy and Marine Corps met their goals across all zones for the second month of the fiscal year. Army and Air Force data is lagging by one month due to the government shutdown, however, both Services expect to meet FY 2026 retention goals.
- **Reserve Components.**
 - **Recruiting.** The data below represents the Reserve Components' cumulative FYTD goals and accessions/gains through EOM November 2025.
 - Army Reserve Gains: Goal 2,419; Attained: 1,959 (80.98 percent/-460).
 - Army National Guard Gains: Goal 6,972; Attained: 8,361 (119.92 percent/+1,389).
 - Navy Reserve Gains: Goal 1,210; Attained: 1,374 (113.55 percent/+164).
 - Marine Corps Reserve Gains: Goal 1,031; Attained: 1,259 (122.11 percent/+228).
 - Air National Guard Gains: Goal 1,343; Attained: 1,342 (99.93 percent/-1).
 - Air Force Reserve Gains: Goal 1,078; Attained: 920 (85.34 percent/-158).
 - **Quality.** Marine Corps Reserve, Air National Guard, and Air Force Reserve met or exceeded DoW quality benchmarks through EOM November 2025.

Detailed information on specific recruiting data can be obtained by contacting the individual military recruiting commands at 502-626-0164 for Army, 210-565-4678 for Air Force and Space Force, 703-784-9454 for Marine Corps, and 901-874-9048 for Navy. The Reserve Components can be reached at the following numbers: National Guard Bureau 703-607-2586, Army Reserve 910-570-8330, Air Force Reserve 703-697-1761, Navy Reserve 757-322-5652, and Marine Corps Reserve 504-678-6535.