



TOTAL DEFENSE DEPARTMENT MILITARY COMMUNITY

There are over 4.3 million individuals who make up the Total DOD Force community, including 2,022,141 (46.0%) DOD military personnel and 2,372,286 (54.0%) DOD force family members.

Total DOD Force Military Personnel

Of the 2,022,141 Total DOD Force military personnel, nearly two-thirds are active-duty members.



Total DOD Force



31% identify with racial minority groups*

19.2% are Hispanic or Latino

Average age is 29.9 years old

Active-Duty Members (N=1,267,738)



Average age is 28.7 years old

Selected Reserve Members (N=754,403)



Average age is 31.9 years old

*Racial minority includes Black or African American, Asian, American Indian or Alaska Native, Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander, Multi-racial, or Unknown

Total DOD Force Family Members

Across the Total DOD Force, 51.4% of military personnel have family members enrolled in the Defense Enrollment Eligibility Reporting System, or DEERS.



Of the 2,372,286 Total DOD Force family members...

63.0% are active-duty family members

N=1,495,107

N=877,179

and 37.0% are selected reserve family members

Total DOD Force Family Members



Active-Duty Family Members (N=1,495,107)

41.6% Spouses (N=621,400)
58.1% Children (N=869,007)
0.3% Adult/Other Dependents** (N=4,700)

Selected Reserve Family Members (N=877,179)

36.6% Spouses (N=320,935)
63.3% Children (N=554,962)
0.1% Adult/Other Dependents** (N=1,282)

**Adult/other dependent refers to a parent, grandparent, former spouse, sibling, disabled older adult, or any other individual over the age of 22 claimed as a dependent in DEERS, as well as dependents under age 21 who are not spouses or children.