U.S. Department of War

2025 DEMOGRAPHICS PROFILE

TOTAL DEPARTMENT OF WAR MILITARY COMMUNITY

There are over 4.4 million individuals who make up the Total DOW Force community, including 2,045,294 (45.8%) DOW military personnel and 2,421,432 (54.2%) DOW force family members.

Total DOW Force Military Personnel

Of the 2,045,294 Total DOW Force military personnel, nearly two-thirds are active-duty members.



Total DOW Force

81.9% enlisted | **18.1%** officers

80.9% male | **20.0%** female

31.5% identify with racial minority groups* | **20.2%** are Hispanic or Latino

Average age is **28.9** years old

Active-Duty Members (N=1,285,084)

81.7% enlisted | **18.3%** officers

81.7% male | **18.3%** female

33.0% identify with racial minority groups* | **21.3%** are Hispanic or Latino

Average age is **28.7** years old

Selected Reserve Members (N=760,210)

82.2% enlisted | **17.8%** officers

77.2% male | **22.8%** female

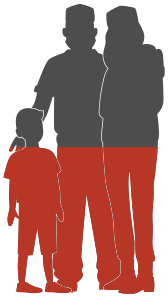
28.9% identify with racial minority groups* | **18.3%** are Hispanic or Latino

Average age is **31.8** 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 DOW Force Family Members

Across the Total DOW Force, **51.8%** of military personnel have family members enrolled in the Defense Enrollment Eligibility Reporting System, or DEERS.



Of the **2,421,432** Total DOW Force family members...

62.6% are active-duty family members



and **37.4%** are selected reserve family members

Total DOW Force Family Members



39.8% Spouses | **59.9%** Children | **0.3%** Adult/Other Dependents**

Active-Duty Family Members (N=1,515,836)

41.7% Spouses (N=631,775)
57.9% Children (N=877,887)
0.4% Adult/Other Dependents** (N=6,174)

Selected Reserve Family Members (N=905,596)

36.6% Spouses (N=331,384)
63.2% Children (N=572,607)
0.2% Adult/Other Dependents** (N=1,605)

***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.*

Source: 2025 Demographics Profile of the Military Community (Department of War); https://download.militaryonesource.mil/12038/MOS/Reports/2025-demographics-report.pdf