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**DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE ANNOUNCES RECRUITING AND RETENTION
NUMBERS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2025 – THRU SEPTEMBER 2025**

Today, the Department of Defense (DoD) announced recruiting and retention statistics for the Active and Reserve Components through end of month September 2025.

The Military Services concluded FY25 with all active components achieving their recruitment accession missions by the end of September. While this represents a significant accomplishment, the Military Services remain focused on mitigating the potential impacts of pervasive challenges in the recruiting market to ensure sustained recruiting success.

- **Active Components.**
 - **Recruiting.** Service data below represents cumulative fiscal year to date (FYTD) goals and accessions/gains through EOM September 2025.
 - Army Accessions: Goal 61,000; Attained: 62,050 (101.72 percent/+1,050)
 - Navy Accessions: Goal 40,600; Attained: 44,096 (108.61 percent/+3,496).
 - Marine Corps Accessions: Goal 26,600; Attained: 26,600 (100.00 percent/+0).
 - Air Force Accessions: Goal 30,100; Attained: 30,166 (100.22 percent/+66).
 - Space Force Accessions: Goal 796; Attained: 819 (102.89 percent/+23).
 - **Quality.** Navy, Air Force, Marine Corps, and Space Force met or exceeded DoD quality benchmarks through EOM September 2025.
 - **Retention.** All Services reached at least 100% of their goals across all zones for the twelfth month of the FY.
- **Reserve Components.**
 - **Recruiting.** The data below represents the Reserve Components' cumulative FYTD goals and accessions/gains through EOM September 2025.
 - Army National Guard Gains: Goal 38,530; Attained: 39,905 (103.57 percent/+1,375).
 - Army Reserve Gains: Goal 16,670; Attained: 12,426 (74.54 percent/-4,244).
 - Navy Reserve Gains: Goal 8,149; Attained: 8,178 (100.36 percent/+29).
 - Marine Corps Reserve Gains: Goal 6,568; Attained: 7,051 (107.35 percent/+483).
 - Air National Guard Gains: Goal 9,840; Attained: 10,683 (108.57 percent/+843).
 - Air Force Reserve Gains: Goal 6,308; Attained: 6,491 (102.90 percent/+183).
 - **Quality.** Army National Guard, Marine Corps Reserve, Air National Guard, and Air Force Reserve met or exceeded DoD quality benchmarks through EOM September 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.