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

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

Despite the challenging recruitment market, the Military Services continue to successfully navigate the recruitment landscape. At the end of month March 2025, all active components met or exceeded their recruiting goals for the fiscal year to date (FYTD). The Military Services continue to prioritize resources, including recruiting personnel, as critical components in their gameplans to attract and recruit applicants needed to maintain a lethal All-Volunteer Force ready for today's missions and to confront future challenges.

- **Active Component.**
 - **Recruiting.** Service data below represents cumulative FYTD goals and accessions/gains through end of month March 2025.
 - Army Accessions: Goal: 24,900; Attained 28,859 (115.90 percent/+3,959)
 - Navy Accessions: Goal 18,670; Attained 19,371 (103.75 percent/+701).
 - Marine Corps Accessions: Goal 6,980; Attained 7,431 (106.46 percent/+451).
 - Air Force Accessions: Goal 15,848; Attained 15,864 (100.10/percent/+16).
 - Space Force Accessions: Goal 441; Attained 443 (100.45 percent/+2).
 - **Quality.** Air Force, Marine Corps, and Space Force met or exceeded DoD quality benchmarks through end of month March 2025.
 - **Retention.** All Services retention trends remain strong through the halfway point of the fiscal year, having achieved 100% or better in all zones.
- **Reserve Component.**
 - **Recruiting.** The data below represents the Reserve Components' cumulative FYTD goals and accessions/gains through end of month March 2025.
 - Army National Guard Gains: Goal 20,793; Attained 22,993 (110.58 percent/+2,200).
 - Army Reserve Gains: Goal 8,059; Attained 6,343 (78.71 percent/-1,716).
 - Navy Reserve Gains: Goal 3,999; Attained 4,168 (104.23 percent/+169).
 - Marine Corps Reserve Gains: Goal 3,267; Attained 3,599 (110.16 percent/+332).
 - Air National Guard Gains: Goal 4,059; Attained 4,846 (119.39 percent/+787).
 - Air Force Reserve Gains: Goal 3,175; Attained 3,185 (100.31 percent/+10).
 - **Quality.** Marine Corps Reserve, Air National Guard, and Air Force Reserve met or exceeded DoD quality benchmarks through end of month March 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.