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

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

The Military Services continue to produce significant recruiting gains despite the challenging recruitment landscape. At the end of month (EOM) May 2025, among the active components, all Services are on track to meet or exceed their annual enlisted accession goals. The Military Services continue to prioritize resources, including recruiting personnel, as critical components of their strategies to attract and recruit applicants needed to sustain a lethal All-Volunteer Force ready for current and future missions.

- **Active Component.**
 - **Recruiting.** Service data below represents cumulative FYTD goals and accessions/gains through end of month May 2025.
 - Army Accessions: Goal: 34,300; Attained 40,515 (118.12 percent/+6,215)
 - Navy Accessions: Goal 25,551; Attained 25,463 (99.66 percent/-88).
 - Marine Corps Accessions: Goal 11,647; Attained 11,673 (100.22 percent/+26).
 - Air Force Accessions: Goal 21,722; Attained 21,771 (100.23 percent/+49).
 - Space Force Accessions: Goal 555; Attained 557 (100.36 percent/2).
 - **Quality.** Air Force, Marine Corps, and Space Force met or exceeded DoD quality benchmarks through end of month May 2025.
 - **Retention.** All Services reached at least 100% of their goals across all zones for the eighth month of the fiscal year.
- **Reserve Component.**
 - **Recruiting.** The data below represents the Reserve Components' cumulative FYTD goals and accessions/gains through end of month May 2025.
 - Army National Guard Gains: Goal 26,901 Attained 29,555 (109.87 percent/+2,654).
 - Army Reserve Gains: Goal 10,996; Attained 8,676 (78.90 percent/-2,320).
 - Navy Reserve Gains: Goal 5,504; Attained 5,472 (99.42 percent/-32).
 - Marine Corps Reserve Gains: Goal 4,490; Attained 4,863 (108.31 percent/+373).
 - Air National Guard Gains: Goal 5,904; Attained 6,700 (113.48 percent/+796).
 - Air Force Reserve Gains: Goal 4,204; Attained 4,293 (102.12 percent/+89).
 - **Quality.** Marine Corps Reserve, Air National Guard, and Air Force Reserve met or exceeded DoD quality benchmarks through end of month May 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.