

**IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

**DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE ANNOUNCES RECRUITING AND RETENTION NUMBERS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2019 THROUGH NOVEMBER 2018**

The Department of Defense (DoD) today announced recruiting and retention statistics for the Active and Reserve Components through the second month of fiscal year (FY) 2019 [November 30, 2018].

- **Active Component.**
  - **Recruiting.** The fiscal year-to-date (FYTD) data below represents the Services' cumulative monthly goals and monthly accessions/gains for this period.
    - Army Accessions: Goal 11,820; Attained 7,668 (64.87 percent/-4,152).
    - Navy Accessions: Goal 6,176; Attained 6,197 (100.34 percent/+21).
    - Marine Corps Accessions: Goal 5,100; Attained 5,101 (100.02 percent/+1).
    - Air Force Accessions: Goal 4,700; Attained 4,709 (100.19 percent/+9).
  - **Quality.** All Components met their quality goals.
  - **Retention.** All Services are exhibiting strong retention through the second month of FY2019.
- **Reserve Component.**
  - **Recruiting.** The Service FYTD data below represents the Reserve Components' cumulative monthly goals and monthly gains for this period. Three of the six Reserve Components met or exceeded their accession goals through the second month of the fiscal year, November 2018.
    - Army NG Gains: Goal 7,513; Attained 6,604 (87.90 percent/-909).
    - Army Reserve Gains: Goal 2,316; Attained 1,969 (85.02 percent/-347).
    - Navy Reserve Gains: Goal 1,256; Attained 1,145 (91.16 percent/-111).
    - Marine Corps Reserve Gains: Goal 1,333; Attained 1,579 (118.45 percent/+246).
    - Air NG Gains: Goal 1,365; Attained 1,428 (104.26 percent/+63).
    - Air Force Reserve Gains: Goal 1,049; Attained 1,049 (100.00 percent/+0).
  - **Quality.** All Reserve Components met or exceeded the DoD quality benchmarks.
  - **Attrition.** Data unavailable at this time

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, 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.