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**DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE ANNOUNCES RECRUITING AND RETENTION
NUMBERS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2016 THROUGH JUNE 2016**

The Department of Defense (DoD) announced today recruiting and retention statistics for the Active and Reserve Components for fiscal year (FY) 2016 through June 2016.

- **Active Component.**

- **Recruiting.** Three of the four active Services met or exceeded its fiscal year-to-date (FYTD) 2016 accession goals through June 2016. The Army missed by 3,685.
 - Army – 39,340 accessions, with a goal of 43,025; 91.4 percent.
 - Navy – 25,472 accessions, with a goal of 25,472; 100.0 percent.
 - Marine Corps – 19,781 accessions, with a goal of 19,755; 100.1 percent.
 - Air Force – 22,475 accessions, with a goal of 22,318; 100.7 percent.
- All four of the Active Components met or exceeded the DoD quality benchmarks.
- **Retention.** The Army, Air Force, Navy, and Marine Corps exhibited strong retention numbers for the 9th month of FY 2016.

- **Reserve Component.**

- **Recruiting.** Five of the six Reserve Components met or exceeded its FYTD accession goals through June 2016. The Army National Guard was 4,007 short of its FYTD goals.
- All six of the Reserve Components met or exceeded the DoD quality benchmarks.
 - Army National Guard – 31,702 accessions, with a goal of 35,709; 88.8 percent.
 - Army Reserve – 20,432 accessions, with a goal of 19,244; 106.2 percent.
 - Navy Reserve – 5,264 accessions, with a goal of 5,264; 100.0 percent.
 - Marine Corps Reserve – 5,571 accessions, with a goal of 5,500; 101.3 percent.
 - Air National Guard – 6,779 accessions, with a goal of 6,779; 100.0 percent.
 - Air Force Reserve – 5,435 accessions, with a goal of 5,305; 102.5 percent.
- **Attrition** – All six Reserve Components met their FYTD attrition goals. Currently, DoD allows for a 2% increase from the component established ceiling to be considered acceptable. (Note: This indicator lags by 1 month due to data availability).

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.

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