

By the Numbers

Total Members 8,152

Full-Time Military 1,595

Traditional 6,039

Civilian Employees 518

New Positions 653

Targeted Growth 8805

Locations 27 across the state

Total Buildings 430+

(includes Camp Williams and Roland Wright Air Base)

ECONOMIC IMPACT TO UTAH: \$4.487 Billion

(see Kem C. Gardner policy Institute data for 2023)

Utah's military and defense industry contributed \$22.2 billion to the state's GDP and supported more than 173,000 jobs in Fiscal Year 2023, with major impacts from Hill Air Force Base, Dugway Proving Ground, and Utah Veterans Community, and the Utah National Guard.

The Utah National Guard alone generated 10,228 jobs, \$1.4 billion in GDP, and \$2.3 billion in output, highlighting its significant role in the state's economy.



About Us

The Utah National Guard (UTNG) was organized on March 26, 1894, when the first of its Soldiers took their oaths in a conference hall in Salt Lake City.

MISSION: The Utah National Guard provides mission-ready military forces to assist both state and federal authorities in times of emergency or war. The Utah National Guard trains, equips, and prepares its members to protect the state and nation's citizens from enemies both foreign and domestic, and to react quickly in the face of natural or man-made disasters or emergencies.



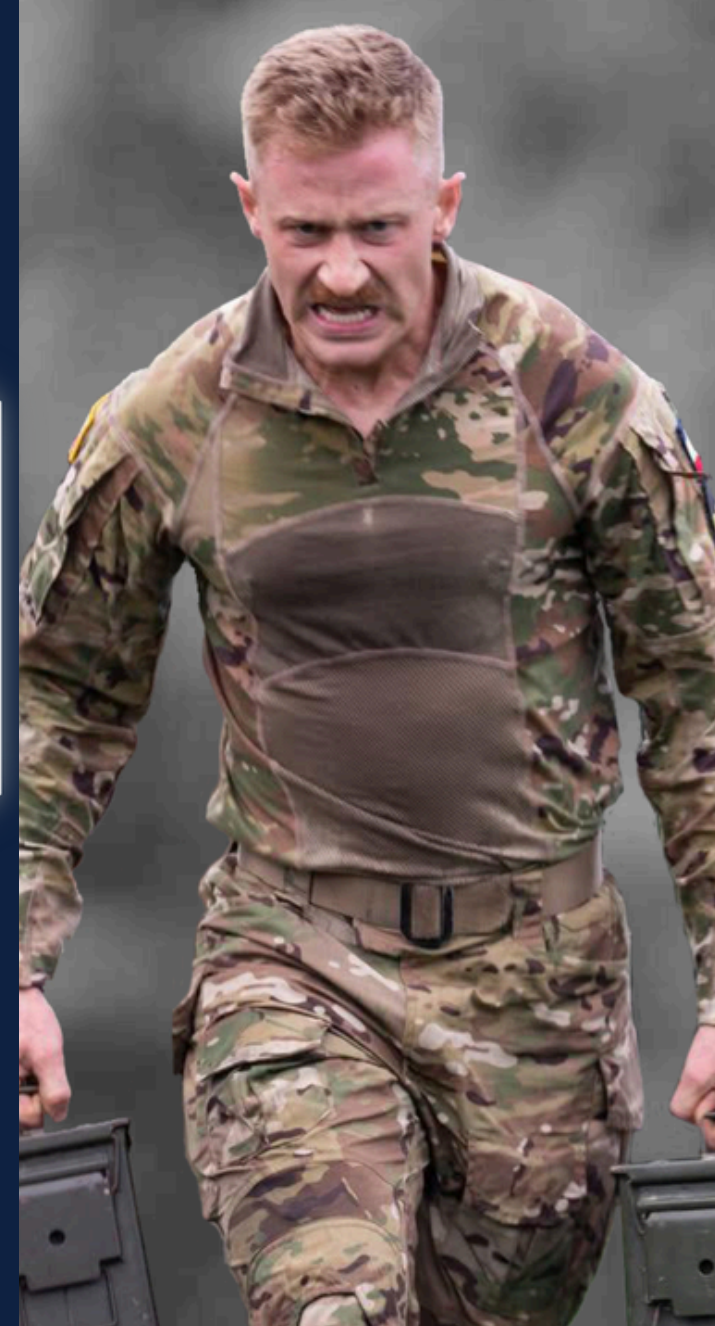
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Fiscal Year 2026 Approved Governor's Budget Request

Recruiting and Retention Program

- **\$3.4M one-time state funding request**
- Targeted bonuses to improve enlistment & retention in competitive labor market & stabilize UTNG force strength

Tuition Assistance for Higher Education

- **\$1.6M one-time state funding request**
- Additional funding to continue tuition assistance for Guard members
- Improves Recruiting, Retention, and Educational support

West Traverse Sentinel Landscape (At Camp Williams)

- **\$3M one-time state funding request**
- 11,314 acres identified for preservation
- 4,278 acres preserved, 565 acres in progress
- Support land conservation to prevent encroachment near key training areas and project long-term mission readiness

Army Reserve Furniture Purchase

- **\$9.5M - Federally Funded**
- Authorizes the replacement of Army Reserve facility furniture with costs born entirely by federal funding

Cyber Building

- **\$4.2M - Federally Funded**
- Authorizes enhancements to UTNG's cyber building to support mission growth and modernization at no cost to the state.

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2025 Operational Accomplishments

151st Wing successfully passed the US Strategic Command Nuclear inspection, certifying the Wing in the Air Force's top-priority mission.

UTNG modernized capabilities adding the 1-204th Infantry Battalion, gaining 653 Soldiers, and upgrading to the newest AH-64 Apache aircraft, positioning Utah as a leader in readiness and innovation.

151st Explosive Ordnance Disposal team responded to 15 regional incidents, including safe disposal of 18 WWII unexploded shells near critical rail infrastructure in Salt Lake City.

UTNG hosted the statewide Counter Small Unmanned Aerial Systems workshop, showcasing cutting-edge counter-drone technologies for future force protection.

118th Transportation Company completed a 12-month Southwest Border mission, directly supporting U.S. Customs & Border Protection.

Completion of the new Medical Simulation Training Center (MSTC), delivering state-of-the-art regional medical readiness training.

Exercise Zero Drip demonstrated UTNG's emerging cyber protection capabilities, strengthening partnerships with the Utah Cyber Center and Emergency Management.

Utah's Signal Intelligence element executed 10 operational lines of effort, producing 440 intelligence reports and receiving 509 community feedback citations.

130th Engineering Installation Squadron delivered seven engineering projects and 19 installations, supporting major national initiatives including Pacific Air Force Command Deep Fiber and the European Defense Initiative.

169 Intelligence, Surveillance, & Reconnaissance Group and 151 Intelligence Support Squadron supported national intelligence missions with 52 mobilizations and 44 additional activations, enhancing federal operations.

