

AIR FORCE MATERIEL COMMAND



MISSION

HQ USAF established this command to create a single, streamlined organization for managing all Air Force research, development, test, acquisition, and support.

AFMC has tremendous resources and responsibilities, directly controlling about 30 percent of the Air Force's budget for more than 100 major acquisition programs. AFMC supports more than 6,400 aircraft and 29,500 engines, while at the same time operating 13 host bases, and running Air Force's medical and test pilot schools.

AFMC delivers war-winning expeditionary capabilities to the warfighter through development and transition of technology, professional acquisition management, exacting test and evaluation, and world-class sustainment of all Air Force weapon systems. From cradle-to-grave, AFMC provides the work force and infrastructure necessary to ensure the United States remains the world's most respected Air and Space Force.

LINEAGE

Air Force Materiel Command established and activated, 1 July 1992

STATIONS

Wright Patterson AFB, OH

COMMANDERS

Gen Ronald W. Yates, 1 Jul 1992

Gen Henry Viccellio Jr., 30 Jun 1995

LTG Kenneth E. Eickmann (acting), 9 May 1997

Gen George T. Babbitt, Jr., 29 May 1997

Gen Lester L. Lyles, 20 Apr 2000

Gen. Gregory S. Martin, 22 Aug 2003

Gen Bruce Carlson, 19 Aug 2005

Gen Donald J. Hoffman, 21 Nov 2008

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Attached below the shield, a White scroll edged with a narrow Yellow border and inscribed "AIR FORCE MATERIEL COMMAND" in Blue letters. **SIGNIFICANCE:** Ultramarine blue and Air Force yellow are the Air Force colors. Blue alludes to the sky, the primary theater of Air Force operations. Yellow refers to the sun and the excellence required of Air Force personnel. The wings are representative of the Air Force. The gear with the star and red disc is from the historical shoulder insignia approved 16 June 1947. It is symbolic of the technical air missions performed by the Command in service to the advancement of air power for our country's continued freedom.



OPERATIONS

AFMC's Five-Center Construct Fully Operational Air Force Materiel Command's new five-center organizational construct is now fully operational, declared AFMC Commander Gen. Janet Wolfenbarger on Tuesday. She said she was "incredibly proud" to stand with the command's 80,000-plus workforce in announcing this milestone. "We leveraged an historic opportunity to more efficiently and effectively equip the Air Force for world-dominant airpower," said Wolfenbarger in the command's Oct. 22 release. AFMC undertook the two-year transition from 12 centers to five-the largest reorganization in the command's 21-year history-as part of Air

Force-wide efficiency initiatives to reduce redundancy and cut costs. Wolfenbarger said there have been "quantifiable successes" in the past year through the reorganization and the collaboration across the five centers, including lower costs, improved readiness, increased depot aircraft production, and reduced parts shortages. The five centers are the Air Force Lifecycle Management Center, Air Force Nuclear Weapons Center, Air Force Research Lab, Air Force Sustainment Center, and Air Force Test Center. 2013

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