

**COLORADO**

<b>Ft Carson</b>	
<b>Gains</b>	<b>Losses</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Heavy Brigade Combat Team and UEx Headquarters from Ft Hood</li> <li>• Validated the temporary stationing of a BCT returning from overseas</li> <li>• Various units returning from overseas</li> <li>• Inpatient care services from the United States Air Force Academy</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Various engineer, air defense artillery and support units</li> </ul>

<b>Army Net Personnel Impacts</b>			<b>Active Army MILCON (\$M)</b>	<b>Army Economic Impact (\$M)</b>
<b>Military</b>	<b>Civilian</b>	<b>Student</b>	<b>Cost Estimate</b>	<b>Total State Salary Change</b>
4,178	199	0	\$200.0	\$310.5

- While some units at Ft Carson become inactive to facilitate the Army’s transformation to a modular force, the number is generally small.
- There will be a net increase at Ft Carson of approximately over 4,000 soldiers by 2011. The end state Soldier population at Ft Carson will exceed 20,000.

## Fort Carson

**BRAC 05 recommendations recognize Fort Carson as one of the Army's larger maneuver training installations. The Army intends to increase the number of operational units at Fort Carson. The recommendations validate the plan to temporarily station an Infantry Brigade Combat Team (BCT) at Fort Carson in 2006, along with the two BCTs currently stationed at Fort Carson. Fort Carson provides the facilities and training resources for the Army to station four Heavy Brigade Combat Teams (BCT) and a Unit of Employment (UEX) Headquarters. The additional BCT and UEX are relocating from Fort Hood, TX. These recommendations accommodate the return of forces from overseas and the Army's Modular Force Transformation.**

### **Incoming Activities**

What: A Heavy Brigade Combat Team and UEX Headquarters from Fort Hood to Fort Carson.

Why: Locate a BCT and UEX Headquarters at an installation capable of meeting their training, readiness, and quality of life requirements. Enhances deployment, redeployment, and training of the Joint Team.

What: Various units returning from overseas.

Why: Relocates units in accordance with known Global Basing and Posture decisions to enhance training, deployability, and force stabilization.

What: The inpatient care services at the United States Air Force Academy to Fort Carson Medical Facilities.

Why: Reduces excess capacity at Fort Carson and relocates medical personnel to an installation with a more diverse workload, providing them with enhanced opportunities to maintain their medical currency.

### **Departing Activities**

What: Inactivate various engineer, air defense artillery and support units.

Why: Inactivation of these units facilitates the Army's transformation to a modular force.

**Quantitative Results**

Net Personnel Impacts <sup>1</sup>			MILCON Cost Estimate
Military	Civilian	Student	
+4178	+199	NA	\$ 200,000,000

<sup>1</sup> Based on FY03 ASIP data. Does not reflect any personnel changes resulting from standard programming and Command Plan actions since FY03. The personnel increase shown here includes only the impact of the BRAC 2005 Recommendations.

**Implementation Timeline:**

Heavy BCT Move	FY08-09	Return of Forces from Overseas	FY06-08
UEx Headquarters Move	FY08-09	Unit Inactivations	FY06-08

According to BRAC law, this (or these) action(s) must be initiated within two years and completed within six years from the date the President transmits the report to Congress.

**Internal Communications:** (Fort Carson Work Force)

- The Secretary of Defense’s BRAC 2005 recommendations demonstrates that Fort Carson is a valuable installation to the Army and DoD.
- The Army is transforming the operational force and increasing the number of BCTs from 33 to 43. With the return of forces from overseas, we expect 40 of these BCTs to be permanently stationed in the United States.
  - 2d Brigade, 2d Infantry Division is the first such unit to return and will arrive at Fort Carson before Oct 05.
  - In addition, the Army intends to relocate a Heavy BCT and a UEx Headquarters from Fort Hood to Fort Carson in FY08-09.
  - The exact dates for these moves are not known, but will be predicated on facilities being constructed and the operational needs of the Army.
- As part of the modular force transformation, many units will inactivate or convert to other structural designs. While some units at Fort Carson will inactivate, the number is generally small. We believe there will be a net increase at Fort Carson of over 4,000 Soldiers by 2011.
- As a result of all these actions, we believe the end state Soldier population at Fort Carson will exceed 20,000.
- We believe the increased troop strength will result in an increase in our garrison staff and some support organizations.
- Based on operational requirements and the availability of adequate inpatient medical care, the Fort Carson Medical Facilities will assume the mission for US Air Force Academy’s inpatient medical care.

**External Communications: (Civilian community)**

- The Secretary of Defense’s BRAC 2005 recommendations demonstrate that Fort Carson is a valuable installation to the Army and DoD.
- Fort Carson is an integral part of the transformation our Armed Services.
- Fort Carson’s importance in this transformation will result in an increase in the number of Operational Army units, Soldiers and family members over the next couple years.
- We expect BRAC 2005 actions will result in a significant increase in the demands on the community and the benefits to the community based on the projected growth of the installation.
  - There will be more military families living in the local community, more children attending local schools and more customers at local businesses.

**Approving BRAC Recommendations - Statutory Steps:**

- 16 May 05 SECDEF forwards Recommendations to BRAC Commission
- 08 Sept 05 BRAC Commission recommendations due to President
- 23 Sept 05 President approves/disapproves Commission recommendations
- 20 Oct 05 Commission resubmits recommendations (if initially rejected by President)
- 07 Nov 05 President submits final recommendations to Congress. Once submitted, the plan, becomes final within 45 legislative days, unless Congress passes a joint resolution to block the entire package.

**BRAC Recommendations impacting Fort Carson:**

Fort Hood, Texas  
Convert Inpatient Services to Clinics