

# FORT BRAGG

## NORTH CAROLINA

### LOCATION

Fort Bragg, “Home of the Airborne and Special Operations Forces,” is situated in the sandhills of North Carolina, 10 miles northwest of downtown Fayetteville in the south central portion of the state. The Cape Fear River is 6 miles to the east; Interstate 95, 12 miles to the east; Pinehurst, 28 miles to the west; and Charlotte, 150 miles to the west. The post occupies an irregularly-shaped parcel of land stretching into six counties: Cumberland, Hoke, Moore, Harnett, Scotland, and Richmond. Included within this area is Camp Mackall, an auxiliary training complex. The climate at Fort Bragg supports year round training.

### SIZE

**Total Acres:** 1,482,348.10

**Square Footage of Buildings:** 29,730,022 SF

**Plant Replacement Value:** \$6,004,849,000

### HISTORY

Camp Bragg emerged as a field artillery site in 1918 to provide year round training with suitable terrain and adequate water and rail facilities. In 1922, Camp Bragg became Fort Bragg, a permanent Army post. Because Fort Bragg was the only reservation in the United States with room enough to test the latest in long range artillery weapons, the Field Artillery Board was transferred here in 1922. Fort Bragg was the first installation at which paratroopers were taught the all-around defense of objectives seized by them, including bridgeheads, airfields and other strategic points. The 82d Airborne Division was assigned to Fort Bragg in 1946, the XVIII Airborne Corps was reactivated at Fort Bragg in 1951, and the 10<sup>th</sup> Special Forces Group, the Army’s first unconventional warfare unit, was activated at Fort Bragg in 1952. The US Special Operations Command activated at Fort Bragg in 1989. The last 20 years of the 20<sup>th</sup> century found Fort Bragg engaged in repeated power projection efforts starting with operations in Grenada, El Salvador, Panama, Operation Desert Shield/Storm, humanitarian assistance in Florida in the wake of Hurricane Andrew, and the deployment of the 82d Airborne Division to Haiti to reinstate the duly elected President. Fort Bragg closed out the century with a firm resolve to meet the next century with equal drive as evidenced by the power projection efforts in just a few years of the new century in Afghanistan and Iraq. Today, Fort Bragg is home to the United States Army’s premier contingency forces. Those strategic crisis response forces serve every combatant commander and are postured for no-notice worldwide deployment by air, sea, and land to fight on arrival and win. In addition to being a power projection platform, Fort Bragg provides a community for our employees and customers that is committed to their well-being – one that fosters a shared sense of dedication and pride.

## MISSIONS

Fort Bragg's mission is to (1) maintain the Army's premier power projection platform, capable of launching the Army's first response capability within 18 hours; mobilize, deploy, redeploy, demobilize, and reconstitute Active and Reserve Component Forces and a Joint Task Force Headquarters as required; (2) provide the people, infrastructure, and services to train and sustain the Army's premier contingency forces; (3) provide base operations to the units and soldiers that call Fort Bragg home; and (4) provide a wide array of community services in support of our customers. Our forces have the capability of airborne, air assault, air land, and special operations and have the world's most advanced and lethal weapon systems at their disposal. Our Strom Thurmond Strategic Deployment Facility is the benchmark for deployment platforms.

## MAJOR UNITS/TENANTS

XVIII Airborne Corps HQ	82d Airborne Division
XVIII Airborne Corps Artillery	1 <sup>st</sup> COSCOM
44 <sup>th</sup> MEDCOM	18 <sup>th</sup> Field Artillery Brigade
20 <sup>th</sup> Engineer Brigade	525 <sup>th</sup> Military Intelligence Brigade
18 <sup>th</sup> Aviation Brigade	16 <sup>th</sup> MP Brigade
35 <sup>th</sup> Signal Brigade	18 <sup>th</sup> Soldier Support Group
108 <sup>th</sup> ADA Brigade	229 <sup>th</sup> Aviation Group
1 <sup>st</sup> Battlefield Coordination Det	2d Judicial Circuit
4 <sup>th</sup> Brigade, 78 <sup>th</sup> Division	10 <sup>th</sup> MP Battalion
18 <sup>th</sup> Weather Squadron	249 <sup>th</sup> Engineer Battalion
902d MI Group	Airborne & Special Operations Test Directorate
Army/Air Force Exchange Svc	Defense Commissary Agency
Defense Automated Printing Svc	Fort Bragg Schools
Defense Reutilization & Marketing Office	Forward Support Office – Bragg
General Services Administration, Federal Supply Service	Grounds Intelligence Spt Activity
Nat'l Imagery and Mapping Agcy	Joint Special Operations Cmd
NC Army National Guard Mob'n & Training Equipment Sites	NC Air Force & Special Opns Area Office
US Army Special Forces Cmd	US Army Special Operations Cmd
US Army JFK Special Warfare Ctr And School	US Army Civil Affairs/Psychological Operations Command
US Army Aviation & Missile Cmd	US Army Audit Agency, Bragg Field Offc
US Army Logistics Assistance Offc	US Army Dental Activity
US Army Reserve Center	US Army Parachute Team
Womack Army Medical Center	US Army Trial Defense Service

**POPULATION**

	<b>Authorized</b>
Military	39,630
Civilian	4,867
Contractor	3,525
Student	3,228
Other	3,381
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>54,631</b>