

ARMY FUTURES COMMAND

Army Futures Command (AFC), headquartered in Austin, is a center of innovation and modernization for the U.S. Army. AFC was established in 2018 and specializes in research and training to develop the Army's ability to combat evolving threats in the near and distant future.

ESTIMATED CONTRIBUTION TO THE TEXAS ECONOMY, 2023

GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT

\$1.1 Billion

ECONOMIC OUTPUT

\$1.8 Billion

EMPLOYMENT, 2023

DIRECT EMPLOYMENT

970

TOTAL EMPLOYMENT (DIRECT AND INDIRECT)

8,757

IN TEXAS, EMPLOYMENT INCLUDES:

• 289 ACTIVE-DUTY ARMY PERSONNEL



• 11 ACTIVE-DUTY NATIONAL GUARD/RESERVE PERSONNEL



• 380 CIVILIAN PERSONNEL



• 290 CONTRACTORS



AFC EMPLOYS MORE THAN **17,000 PERSONNEL** WORLDWIDE.

PARTNERSHIPS

AFC teams with The University of Texas at Austin, Texas A&M University, other academic institutions, industry experts, and joint and multinational organizations to research and test technological innovations that modernize the Army. AFC is one of four major commands, including the Army Materiel Command, the Army Training and Doctrine Command, and Forces Command. These commands restructured in 2019 to give AFC authority over the Combat Capabilities Development Command, a team of highly skilled scientists, engineers, technicians and support staff focused on contributing to AFC's goal to modernize the Army.

AFC also houses the Army Software Factory, located on the Austin Community College Rio Grande Campus, which provides training to soldiers and civilians on cloud technology and modern software to prepare for Army endeavors. AFC also uses the Army Applications Laboratory, located in Capital Factory in Austin, to connect ideas to the right people and organizations within the Army to close capability gaps and develop new solutions in support of Army modernization.

OUTLOOK

AFC continues to optimize innovation with artificial intelligence and expand engagement with innovative companies and the private sector to modernize the Army.

Comptrollers 2023 economic impact, Texas military installations:

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