

DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE
BUDGET OVERVIEW
FISCAL YEAR 2027





FY 2027 'A Year of Readiness'

PRIORITIES ADMINISTRATION & DEPARTMENT OF WAR

Air & Space
Superiority

Homeland Defense
& Strategic Deterrence

Airmen &
Guardians

Department of the Air Force

"FY 2027 moves beyond the trade-off between modernization & readiness. We are funding both as concurrent priorities to ensure the force is ready for today's and tomorrow's challenges."

-Honorable Troy E. Meink, SecAF

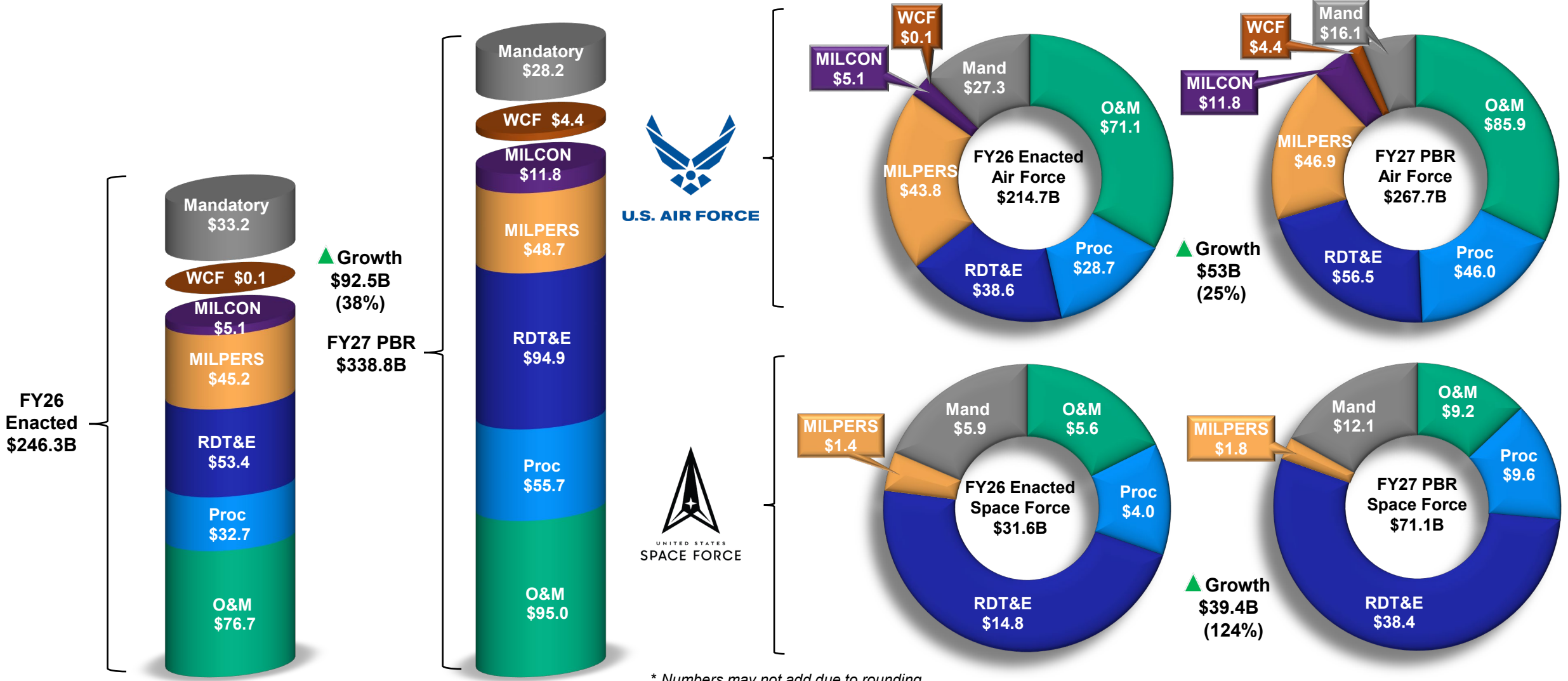
Solidifying Peace Through Strength:

- Supercharge America's Defense Industrial Base
- Enhances America's Military Readiness
- Secures America's Military Advantage
- Restore and Optimize our Military

-Office of the Secretary of War



Department of the Air Force FY27 Budget Request Summary



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Operation and Maintenance

(DAF ▲ +23% // USAF ▲ +20% // USSF ▲ +70%)

Budget Activity	FY26 Enacted			FY27 Request		
	Disc*	Mand**	Total	Disc*	Mand**	Total
U.S. Air Force Total	71.1	5.6	76.7	85.9	6.1	92.0
Operating Forces	58.7	5.6	64.3	72.6	6.1	78.7
Mobilization	3.6	0.0	3.6	4.1	0.0	4.1
Training and Recruiting	3.3	0.0	3.3	3.6	0.0	3.6
Admin and Service-Wide Activities	5.5	0.0	5.5	5.5	0.0	5.5
U.S. Space Force Total	5.6	0.0	5.6	9.2	0.4	9.6
Operating Forces	5.4	0.0	5.4	8.7	0.4	9.1
Mobilization	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Training and Recruiting	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Admin and Service-Wide Activities	0.2	0.0	0.2	0.5	0.0	0.5
DAF Total (\$B)	76.7	5.6	82.3	95.0	6.5	101.5

Foundational Readiness O&M	FY26 Enacted			FY27 Request		
	Disc*	Mand**	Total	Disc*	Mand**	Total
Weapon System Sustainment (WSS)	19.1	2.0	21.1	24.6	0.2	24.8
Facility Sustainment, Restoration, and Modernization (FSRM)	3.5	2.9	6.4	7.5	6.1	13.6
Flying Hour Program (FHP)	8.0	0.1	8.1	9.7	0.2	9.9
Enterprise IT (EIT)	3.8	0.0	3.8	4.3	0.0	4.3
Total (\$B)	34.4	5.0	39.4	46.1	6.5	52.6

Forges readiness by training and sustaining our force, providing warfighters with lethal weapon systems and the flight hours to master them, all launched from modernized bases with a secure IT backbone.

Foundational Readiness

- Invests \$22.6B, a \$3.0B increase, in Weapon System Sustainment (USAF) - Increases WSS requirements from 85% to 93.2%; critically investing in depot maintenance and contractor logistics support, sustaining engineering, and modernization
- Invests \$2.2B, a \$0.7B increase, in Weapon System Sustainment (USSF) - Funds 95% of USSF WSS requirement; ensuring freedom of action in, from, and to space, while denying our adversaries
- Invests \$9.9B, a \$1.8B increase, in Flying Hour Program (USAF) - Buys 1.1M flying hours; increasing total force FHP funding to 94%
- Invests \$13.6B, a \$7.2B increase, in FSRM (DAF) - Modernizes power projection platforms, including runways, hangars, spaceports, and other mission-critical infrastructure, while also improving dorms and unaccompanied housing to enhance the quality of life for Airmen and Guardians
- Invests \$4.3B, a \$0.5B increase, in Enterprise IT (USAF) - Replaces and updates aging equipment and IT infrastructure

Additional Readiness Requirements

- Invests \$0.4B for INDOPACIFIC Theater Posture (USAF) - Prepares and sustains 5 basing clusters enabling Agile Combat Employment (ACE) operations in 1st & 2nd island chains
- Invests \$0.5B for Adversary Air (ADAIR) (USAF) - Increases pilot production by 90+ pilots annually, improve training realism, and accelerate pilots' integration into operational units
- Invests \$1.2B, a \$0.8B increase, for Exercises and Training (USAF) - Funds large force exercises to certify joint and allied forces for rapid, large-scale peer conflict
- Invests \$0.8B, a \$0.5B increase, for Testing, Training, and Science & Technology (USSF) - Funds joint exercises focused on space superiority: Space Flag, Polaris Hammer, Skies Series

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Military Personnel

(DAF ▲ +5% // USAF ▲ +5% // USSF ▲ +29%)

Budget Activity	FY26 Enacted			FY27 Request		
	Disc*	Mand**	Total	Disc*	Mand**	Total
U.S. Air Force Total	43.8	1.0	44.8	46.9	0.0	46.9
Officer Personnel Pay and Allowances	18.5	0.3	18.8	19.7	0.0	19.7
Enlisted Personnel Pay and Allowances	21.6	0.5	22.1	25.2	0.0	25.2
Cadet Pay and Allowances	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.1
Enlisted Subsistence	1.7	0.0	1.7	0.0	0.0	0.0
Permanent Change of Station	1.8	0.2	2.0	1.8	0.0	1.8
Other Personnel Costs	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.1
U.S. Space Force Total	1.4	0.0	1.4	1.8	0.0	1.8
Officer Personnel Pay and Allowances	0.8	0.0	0.8	1.0	0.0	1.0
Enlisted Personnel Pay and Allowances	0.5	0.0	0.5	0.7	0.0	0.7
Enlisted Subsistence	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Permanent Change of Station	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.1
Other Personnel Costs	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
DAF Total (\$B)	45.2	1.0	46.2	48.7	0.0	48.7

	FY26 Enacted	FY27 Request
Active Total	331,900	343,600
U.S. Air Force	321,500	330,400
U.S. Space Force	10,400	13,200
Air Force Reserve	67,500	67,400
Air National Guard	106,300	107,400
Total	505,700	518,400

Grows the force required for any global challenge while also investing directly in our people to ensure we can recruit and retain skilled Airmen and Guardians.

- **Invests \$48.7B, a \$2.5B increase, for MILPERS** - Funds Pay Raises, End Strength Growth, and Special Pay and Incentives
- **Military Pay Raises** - Prioritizes the financial health and stability of Airmen and Guardians
 - 7.0% Increase - Junior Enlisted (E1 to E5)
 - 6.0% Increase - Mid-to-Senior Enlisted (E-6-E9) & Junior Officers (O1 to O3)
 - 5.0% Increase - Senior Leaders (O4 & above)
- **Military End Strength Growth** - Increases Total Force End Strength by 12,700 warfighters
 - Grows USAF Active Duty by +8,900
 - Grows USSF Active Duty by +2,800
 - Resizes Air Force Reserves by -100
 - Grown Air National Guard by +1,100
- **Military Special Pay and Incentives** - Increases Imminent Danger Pay and Hostile Fire Pay aimed at recruiting and retaining warfighters

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Research, Development, Test & Evaluation (USAF)

(DAF ▲+50% // USAF ▲ +27% // USSF ▲+100%)

DAF RDT&E	FY26 Enacted			FY27 Request		
	Disc*	Mand**	Total	Disc*	Mand**	Total
U.S. Air Force Total	38.6	6.7	45.3	56.5	1.1	57.6
U.S. Space Force Total	14.8	5.5	20.3	38.4	2.3	40.7
DAF Total (\$B)	53.4	12.2	65.6	94.9	3.3	98.2

USAF Major Activity RDT&E	FY26 Enacted			FY27 Request		
	Disc*	Mand**	Total	Disc*	Mand**	Total
Basic	0.4	0.0	0.4	0.4	0.0	0.4
Applied Research	1.6	0.0	1.6	1.3	0.0	1.3
Advanced Tech	1.3	0.0	1.3	1.2	0.0	1.2
Advanced Component	7.8	1.6	9.4	9.4	0.0	9.4
System Development	9.9	3.0	12.9	16.0	0.0	16.0
Management Systems	3.9	0.0	3.9	4.9	0.0	4.9
Ops Systems Development	13.6	2.0	15.6	23.3	1.1	24.4
U.S. Air Force Total (\$B)	38.6	6.6	45.1	56.5	1.1	57.6

Major Readiness Programs RDT&E (\$B)	FY26 Enacted			FY27 Request		
	Disc*	Mand**	Total	Disc*	Mand**	Total
Air Superiority	12.0	1.8	13.8	16.2	0.9	17.1
Nuclear Enterprise, Deterrence & Modernization	9.7	2.4	12.1	14.0	0.1	14.1
Munitions	2.8	1.0	3.8	4.2	0.1	4.3

Ensures our warfighters are equipped with the most advanced and capable systems to deter and, if necessary, defeat any adversary.

Air Superiority

- Invests \$5.0B, a \$1.5B increase, for F-47 - Accelerates development of our 6th Gen Fighter
- Invests \$1.4B, a \$0.5B increase, for Collaborative Combat Aircraft (CCA) - For continued concept exploration and architectural development for semi-autonomous uncrewed aircraft
- Invests \$2.1B, a \$1.1B increase, for F-35 - Enhances Continuous Capability Development and Delivery (C2D2) interoperability and network-centric capability of 5th Gen Fleet

Nuclear Enterprise, Deterrence, and Modernization

- Invests \$1.6B, a \$0.7B increase, for B-52 - Restores critical modernization by replacing legacy radars
- Invests \$2.9B, a \$0.1B increase, for B-21 - Continues development of a survivable stealth bomber capable of delivering both conventional and nuclear munitions
- Invests \$2.2B, a \$0.4B increase, for Survivable Airborne Operations Center (SAOC) - Continues development of this critical mobile command post
- Invests \$4.5B for Sentinel - Continues modernization of our land-based leg of our nuclear triad

Munitions

- Invests \$0.6B, a \$0.3B increase, for Family of Affordable Mass Munitions - Completes development milestones and stabilizes the industrial base for U.S. and allied needs
- Invests \$1.2B, a \$0.2B increase, for Hypersonic Attack Cruise Missiles - Crucial for "deterrence by denial" in the Pacific, enabling strikes beyond enemy defenses

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Research, Development, Test & Evaluation (USSF)

(DAF ▲ +50% // USAF ▲ +27% // USSF ▲ +100%)

DAF RDT&E	FY26 Enacted			FY27 Request		
	Disc*	Mand**	Total	Disc*	Mand**	Total
U.S. Air Force Total	38.6	6.7	45.3	56.5	1.1	57.6
U.S. Space Force Total	14.8	5.5	20.3	38.4	2.3	40.7
DAF Total (\$B)	53.4	12.2	65.6	94.9	3.3	98.2

USSF Major Activity RDT&E	FY26 Enacted			FY27 Request		
	Disc*	Mand**	Total	Disc*	Mand**	Total
Basic	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Applied Research	0.3	0.0	0.3	0.2	0.0	0.3
Advanced Tech	0.7	0.0	0.7	0.4	0.0	0.5
Advanced Component	3.9	0.1	4.0	3.0	0.0	3.0
System Development	4.4	0.5	4.9	9.9	0.0	9.9
Management Systems	0.7	0.1	0.8	0.6	0.0	0.6
Ops Systems Development	4.6	4.8	9.4	23.5	2.3	25.8
Software and Digital Tech	0.2	0.0	0.2	0.6	0.0	0.6
U.S. Space Force Total (\$B)	14.8	5.5	20.3	38.4	2.3	40.7

USSF Core Functions RDT&E	FY26 Enacted			FY27 Request		
	Disc*	Mand**	Total	Disc*	Mand**	Total
Space Control	2.6	4.1	6.7	17.9	0.0	17.9
Global Mission Operations	9.6	0.6	10.2	14.4	2.3	16.7
Enterprise Function	2.1	0.6	2.7	4.2	0.0	4.2
Space Access	0.4	0.2	0.6	1.9	0.0	1.9
Total (\$B)	14.8	5.5	20.3	38.4	2.3	40.7

Modernize Space Force capabilities to create a more resilient, survivable, and responsive architecture that enhances national security by improving missile warning, space domain awareness, and secure satellite communications.

Enterprise

- **Invests \$1.6B, a \$0.9B increase, for Space Domain Awareness** - Provides the space and ground-based architecture required to detect, track, catalogue, and identify in the space domain. Funds Deep Space Advance Radar Capability and Space Situation Awareness Operations

Global Mission Operations

- **Invests \$6.7B, a \$2.5B increase, for Satellite Communication** - Provides dedicated ground architecture required to securely transport wideband, narrowband, tactical, and strategic satellite communications
- **Invests \$6.8B, a \$2.9B increase, for Missile Warning Missile Tracking** - Improves resilient infrastructure across Low and Medium Earth Orbit
- **Invest \$1.1B for Space Based Moving Target Indicators** - Provides the capability to track targets moving on the ground, sea, or in the air. Funds Air Moving Target Indicator (AMTI) and Ground Moving Target Indicator (GMTI)

Space Access

- **Invests \$0.1B for Tactical Responsive Space** - Provides rapidly integrated and deployable end-to-end space-based capabilities for power projection

Space Control

- **Invests \$0.5B, a \$0.4B increase, for Cyberspace Warfare Operations** - Provides in-band (Protect/Respond) and out-of-band (Identify/Detect) active capabilities

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Procurement

(DAF▲+60% // USAF▲+30% // USSF▲+342%)

Major Program	FY26 Enacted			FY27 Request		
	Disc*	Mand**	Total	Disc*	Mand**	Total
U.S. Air Force Total	28.7	13.0	41.7	46.0	8.2	54.2
Aircraft	19.9	10.2	30.1	27.0	3.7	30.7
Missile	3.3	2.3	5.6	6.2	4.6	10.8
Other Procurement	4.6	0.4	5.0	12.0	0.0	12.0
Ammunition	0.8	0.1	0.9	0.9	0.0	0.9
U.S. Space Force Total	4.0	0.3	4.3	9.6	9.4	19.1
Space Procurement	4.0	0.3	4.3	9.6	9.4	19.1
DAF Total (\$B)	32.7	13.3	46.0	55.7	17.7	73.3

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Drives superiority by equipping a ready force with next-generation capabilities in air, space, and with the right munition technology, while also maintaining our essential air and space platforms.

Aircraft Procurement

- Invests \$7.4B, a \$1.1B increase, for F-35 - Expands the fleet of 5th generation fighters with the procurement of 38 F-35 aircraft
- Invests \$1.1B for CCA - Initiates the production of semi-autonomous uncrewed aircraft to augment crewed fighters
- Invests \$1.1B, a \$0.5B increase, for F-16 Mods - Enhances the capabilities of the existing F-16 fleet with Active Electronically Scanned Array (AESA) radars and the Integrated Viper Electronic Warfare Suite (IVEWS)
- Invests \$3.0B for F-15EX - Continues replacement of C/D models; buys 24 aircraft
- Invests \$3.9B, a \$0.8B increase, for KC-46A - Increases global reach and mission endurance by purchasing 15 new aircraft
- Invests \$3.2B for B-21 - Funds the next-generation stealth bomber

Missile Procurement

- Invests \$1.0B, a \$0.6B increase, for Long Range Standoff Weapons - Provides a visible and tailorable deterrent and is designed to replace the aging Air-Launched Cruise Missile
- Invests \$1.7B, a \$1.1B increase, for Joint Advanced Tactical Missiles - Air-to-air missile will deliver a decisive, beyond-visual-range advantage against enemy threats
- Invests \$0.7B, a \$0.3B increase, for Long Range Anti-ship Missiles - Air-launch capability provides a long-range, anti-surface weapon, reducing reliance on external targeting support
- Invests \$2.1B, a \$1.4B increase, for Advanced Medium-Range Air-to-Air Missiles - Premier all-weather, radar-guided missile effectively engages low and high-altitude targets, even when facing electronic attacks
- Invests \$0.5B, a \$0.3B increase, for Tactical Air Intercept Missiles - Enables fighters to detect, intercept, and destroy enemy aircraft and missiles

Other Procurement

- Invests \$1.4B, a \$1.3B increase, for Air Base Air Defense (ABADs) - Contributes to the joint layered defense of our airbases against modern aerial threats
- Invests \$0.4B, a \$0.3B increase, for Three-Dimensional Long-Range Radar - Next-gen round-based sensor detects and tracks airborne threats, delivering critical data

Space Procurement

- Invests \$7.1B for Airborne Moving Target Indicator - Improves target detection and tracking capabilities
- Invests \$4.2B, a \$2.9B increase, for National Security Space Launches - Procures 22 National Security Space services
- Invests \$0.8B, a \$0.2B increase, for Space Development Agency - Funds 9 Space Development Agency launches
- Invests \$0.7B for Global Positioning System (GPS) III Follow On - Continues production support of two GPS III Follow-on satellites

Equipping the Ready Force for Tomorrow



Military Construction

(DAF ▲ +105%)

Category	FY26 Enacted			FY27 Request		
	Disc*	Mand**	Total	Disc*	Mand**	Total
Military Construction - Air Force	4.0	1.0	5.0	10.6	0.0	10.6
Military Construction - AFR	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0
Military Construction - ANG	0.3	0.0	0.3	0.5	0.0	0.5
Base Realignment and Closure	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.1
Military Family Housing	0.6	0.0	0.6	0.6	0.7	1.3
DAF Total (\$B)	5.1	1.0	6.1	11.8	0.7	12.5

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Prioritize modernizing infrastructure for next-gen platforms, hardening facilities, and improving the quality of life for our people.

- **Invests \$12.5B, a \$6.4B increase, in MILCON** - Funds 58 major construction projects for critical infrastructure
- **Invests \$1.3B in Military Family Housing** - Domestic and Overseas Support - Funds 5 family housing construction improvement projects (Alaska, Japan, Germany) and 1 new construction project in the United Kingdom

Dormitories

- **Invests \$308M for Ft Sam Houston** - Supports 25K medical students; modernizes barracks for the world's largest medical education and training center
- **Invests \$12M for Goodfellow "Cost to Complete"** - Supports one of DAF's premier training locations that produces 14,000+ annual DoD and international graduates
- **Invests \$10M for Cannon "Cost to Complete"** - Supports Special Operations airmen; upgrading aging dormitories

Child Development Center

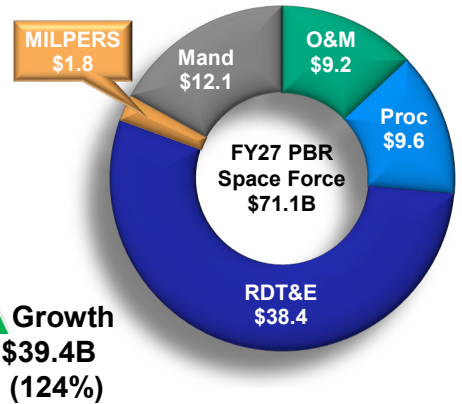
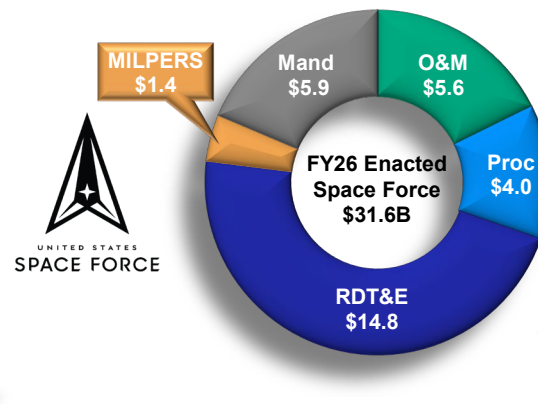
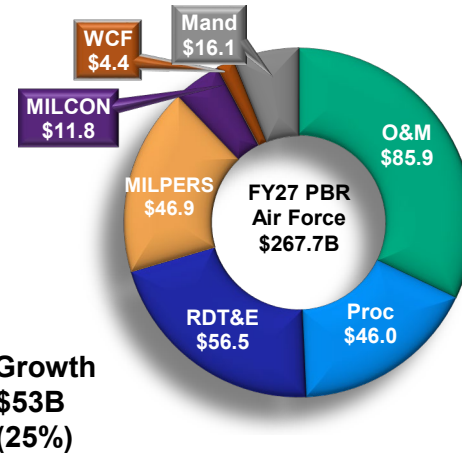
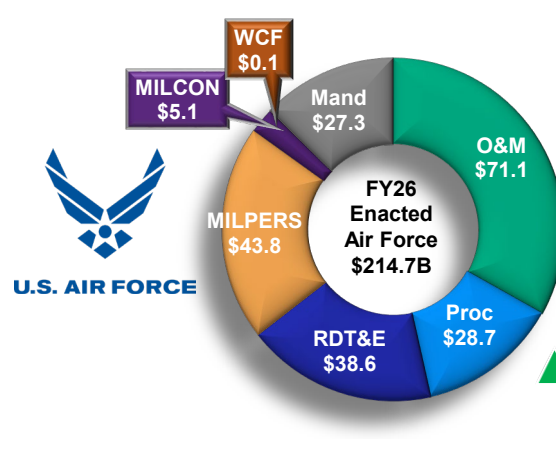
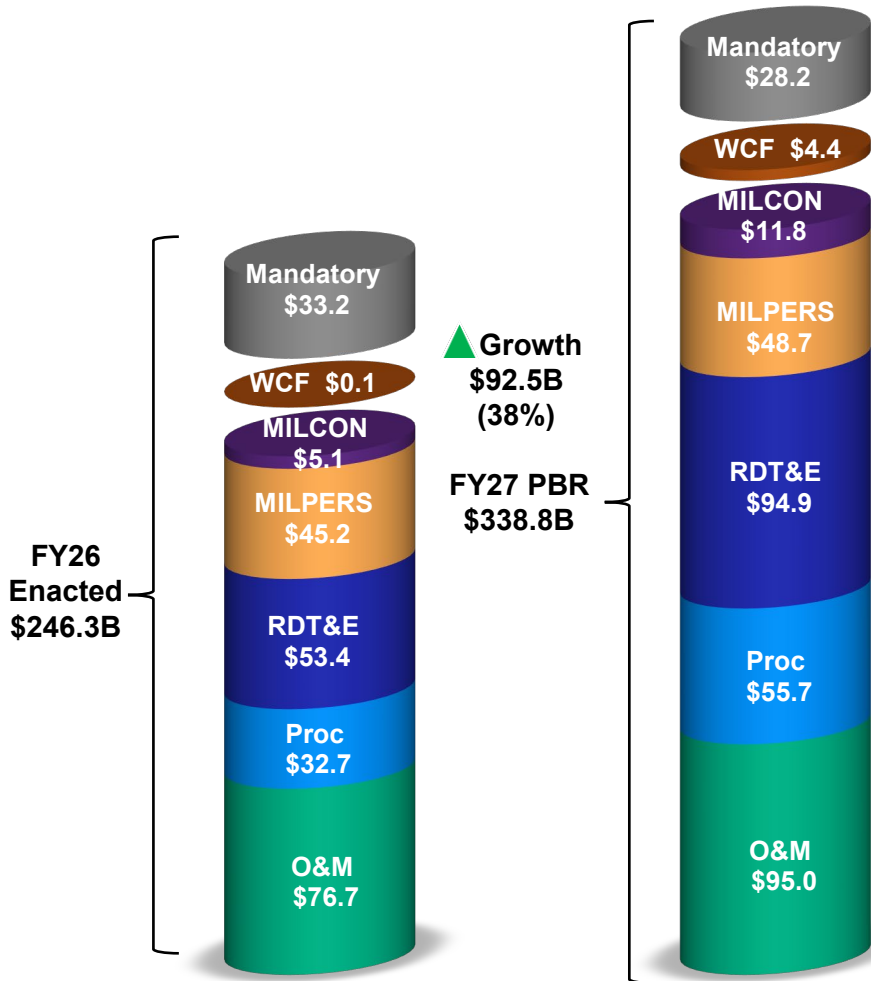
- **Invests \$27M for Little Rock AFB** - Supports military families; adds a new facility to address high demand for childcare

New Mission Beddowns

- **Invests \$1.5B for F-47-** Provides strategic infrastructure that postures the Air Force for a 2030 and beyond air dominance
- **Invests \$2.2B for Space Force** - Funds Spaceport of the Future and key strategic space infrastructure
- **Invests \$1.3B for Sentinel** - Critical investments in the Utility Corridor, Operations Facilities, and Land Acquisition with strategic impact on the Nuclear, Command, Control, and Communications
- **Invests \$0.3B for B-21** - Ensures project funding with appropriate phasing for laydown of the Main Operating Bases
- **Invests \$0.08B for T-7A** - Invests in training and allied support infrastructure
- **Invests \$0.2B for F-35** - Funds a maintenance facility at Hill AFB and a 2-Bay Fuel Cell at Nellis AFB, ensuring unimpeded operational capability of our fifth-generation fighter fleet
- **Invests \$0.6B for USSPACECOM** - Funds headquarters relocation to Huntsville, AL.



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Major Requirements*	FY26	FY27
Aircraft (Proc. Qty)		
F-35	24	38
F-15EX	21	24
T-7A	14	23
KC-46A	15	15
MH-139	6	4
EA-37B	2	3
C-37	0	1
Weapons/Munitions (Proc. Qty)		
AMRAAM	423	1,317
JDAM	1,500	1,150
FAMM	1,000	1,000
JASSM	381	821
AIM-9 Missiles	1,173	648
SDB II	806	373
SDB I	511	220
LRASM	114	156
AARGM-ER	75	105
JSM	100	100
SIAW	0	50
MILCON (Projects)		
New Mission Beddowns		7
Military Family Housing		5
Dormitories		4
Child Development Center		1
Space		
Launches		31
GPS IIIF		2
FHP (Hours)	1,083,000	1,147,000
End Strength (Military Personnel)	505,700	518,400
WSS Requirements		
U.S. Air Force	85%	93%
U.S. Space Force	73%	95%
FSRM-Facility Sustainment Model		90%
Unaccompanied Housing- BCI		80%

*List is not all inclusive

