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Introduction

The 2024 edition of the Defence Key Figures is aimed at you, members of parliament, experts in defence issues, journalists, students, members of the Armed Forces Ministry's community or just reader eager to know more about this ministry and the 264,000 men and women who serve in it.

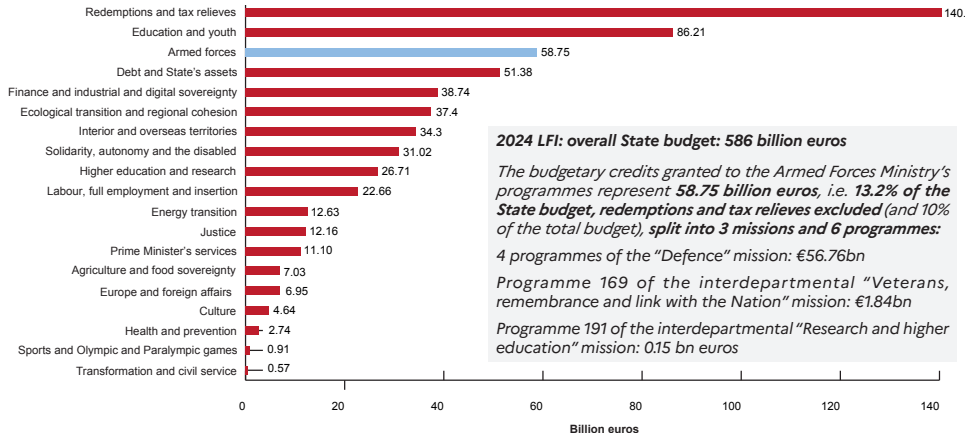
In 2023, for the sixth year in a row, the budget of the French armed forces has increased. Since 2017, the new budget trajectory has enabled to rise the armed forces credits from 32.3 to 43.9 billion euros in 2023, with a historic growth of 3 billion euros that same year, to prepare our forces to face the conflicts of tomorrow.

This policy is bearing fruits: it ensures great credibility to France when it comes to defending its interests and its nationals, it gives operational superiority to our forces, owing to investments in equipment, and it gives our military personnel better deployment conditions.

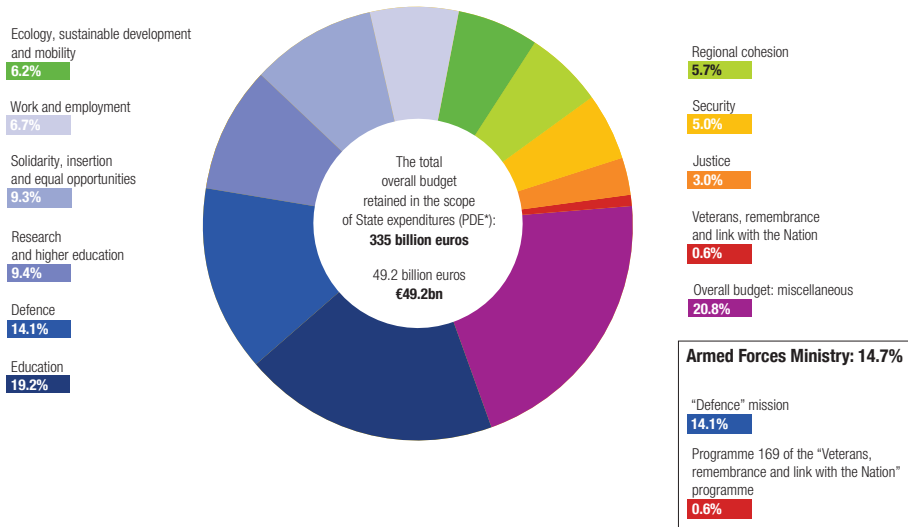
This 2024 edition of the Defence Key Figures shows both the 2019-2025 Military Programming Act, which makes up for the deficiencies of the past and the 2024-2030 Military Programming Act, presenting the ambition of a renovated force model.

1. The State's main budget missions

1.1 The breakdown of budgetary credits between State missions, redemptions and tax relieves excluded (2024 Initial Finance Bill [LFI])



1.2 Share of the Armed Forces Ministry's budget (pensions excluded) (2024 LFI)



*PDE corresponds to the expenditures for which the Government has defined a control and steering objective.

2. The Defence budget

The Finance Bill (LOLF) presents the budget according to the various budgetary credits, translated into missions, programmes and actions.

The Armed Forces Ministry is usually concerned by three missions: the "Defence" mission per se and the "Veterans, remembrance and link with the Nation" mission, to which one must add the "Dual (civil-military) research" (P191) programme of interdepartmental mission "Research and higher education".

The overall Ministry budget supplies amounts to 49.2 billion euros (pensions excluded) and to 58.7 billion euros (pensions included) for 2024.

The budget of the "Defence" mission supplies amounts to 47.2 billion euros (pensions excluded), that is to say 3.3 billion euros more than in 2023.

2.1 The national Defence effort

Since the Newport summit in Wales in September 2014, NATO has recommended to its allies to dedicate 2% of their GDP to defence-linked expenditures. During the Vilnius summit in July 2023, the allies have committed themselves to allocating over 2% of their GDP to defence-linked expenditures.

Given the budgetary credits planned in the 2024 LFI and the sums carried forward from 2023 to 2024, the goal defined by the Alliance (namely: 2% of the GDP dedicated to defence efforts) shall be reached by France as of 2024. This needs to be confirmed with the execution of the 2024 budget and the GDP calculated by INSEE (the French National Institute of Statistics and Information about the Economy) for the year 2024.

In €bn	2024
Means of the "Defence" mission (ZB*) (a)	47.2
Sums carried forward from 2023 to 2024	1.5
Other expenditures counted in the national defence effort (b)	10.9
Total defence expenditures (c=a+b)	59.6
GDP (d)	2 930.8
Share of the national defence effort in the GDP (c/d)	2.03%

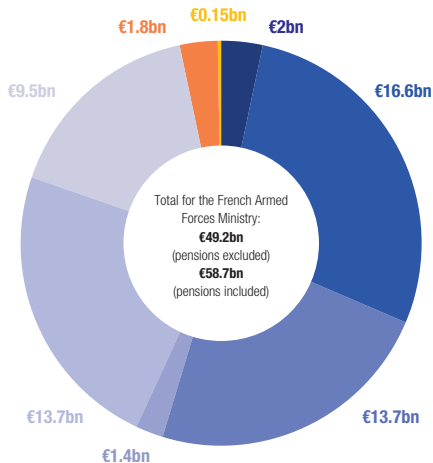
Source:

LFI

Provisional 2024 GDP stemming from the 2024 PLF (press kit DB)

*ZB = budget area.

2.2 Breakdown of the Armed Forces Ministry's budget credits (2024 LFI) by mission and programme.



"Defence" mission

- Environment and forecasting of the defence policy (P144)
- Equipment of the forces (P146)
- Training and employment of the forces (P178)
- Support to the defence policy (P212) – pays and wages (Title 2) excluded
- Title 2 (Operations outside the national territory and domestic operations included – pensions excluded)
- Specific "pensions" account

Interdepartmental "Veterans, remembrance and link with the Nation" mission

- Recognition and compensation for the "combating world" (P169)

Interdepartmental "Research and higher education" mission

- Dual civil and military research (P191)

Reminder: the difference between the sum of the items on the graph and the displayed total is due to the use of rounded-off figures.

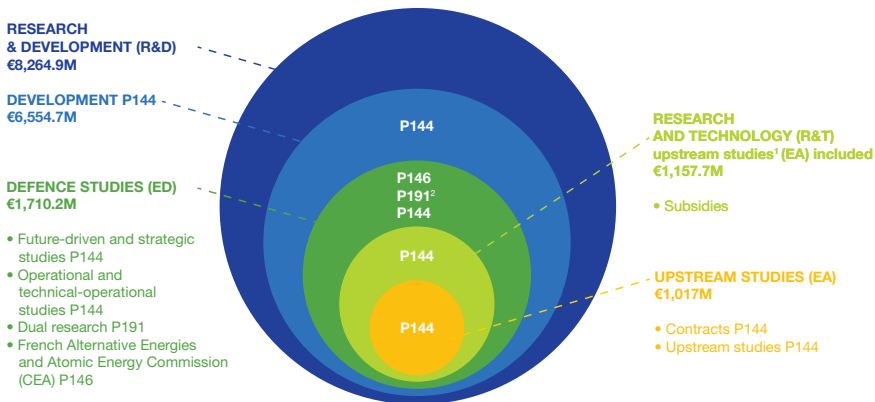
2.3 Breakdown of the budgetary resources of the “Defence” mission (2024 LFI)

	Strategic operations (OS)	2024 resources in billion euros (specific pensions account excluded)
Pays and wages (T2) €13.7bn	Pays and wages	13.5
	T2 for operations outside the national territory	0.1
	T2 for domestic operations	0.1
Equipment excluded €5.2bn	Operational activities (AOP)	1.8
	Running costs and specific activities (FAS)	2.8
	Operations outside the national territory (T2 excluded) (provision)	0.6
	Domestic operations (T2 excluded)	0.03
Equipment €28.3bn	Other armament operations (AOA)	1.4
	Deterrence (DIS)	6.4
	Smaller additional equipment	1.7
	Environment of armament programmes (EPA)	0.1
	Scheduled equipment maintenance (EPM)	5.7
	Scheduled individual training (EPP)	0.4
	Defence infrastructure (INFRA)	2.2
	Programmes with major impact (PEM)	9.1
	Prospects and preparation of the future (PPA)	0.8
	Intelligence (RENS)	0.5
	Total for the “Defence” mission, pensions excluded	47.2
“Pensions” special account	9.5	
Total for the “Defence” mission, pensions included	56.8	

Reminder: the difference between the items in the table and the presented total is due to the use of rounded-off figures.

2.4 Support to Defence Research end Development

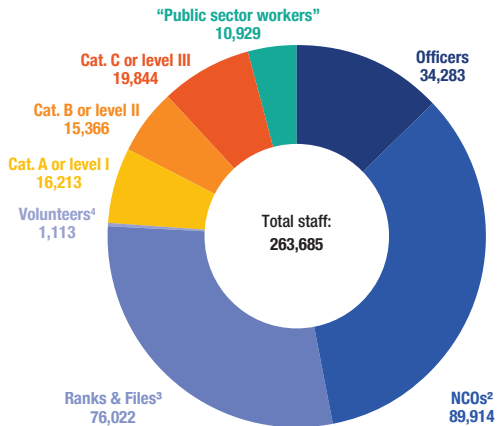
The French Armed Forces Ministry fosters and supports industrial and technological innovation all over the national territory, through various programmes. In 2024, it will dedicate €1.2bn to defence innovation, that is to say €8.3bn for Research and Development (R&D).



1. The sum specified for each aggregate includes the amount of the one immediately beneath it.
2. Dual research (P191) was exceptionally covered in 2021 by the reflation plan.

3. The Armed Forces Ministry's strength in 2023

3.1 Breakdown of the strength by category of personnel in ETPT¹



Civilian personnel: 23.6% of the total strength.

Military personnel: 76.4% of the total strength.

Source: Armed Forces Human Resources Directorate (DRH-MD), 2023 Social Report.

Scope: Full-time personnel employed by the Armed Forces Ministry in 2023.

1. Full-time equivalent, a system taking into account the period of activity of the agent over the year and his/her working time quota.
2. Called "petty officers" in the Navy.
3. Called "seamen" and "seamen apprentices" in the Navy.
4. Not counting the volunteers of the Voluntary Military Service (SMV).

3.2 Breakdown of military personnel by category and managing organisation

Full-time equivalent	Officers	NCOs	Ranks and files	Volunteers ¹	Total	%
Army	14,566	38,270	58,637	379	111,851	55.6
Navy	4,964	22,342	7,152	227	34,685	17.2
Air and Space Force	6,654	22,730	9,406	92	38,882	19.3
National Gendarmerie ²	213	2,038	0	342	2,593	1.3
Defence Medical Services (SSA)	3,185	4,178	0	42	7,405	3.7
Joint Operational Energy Services (SEO)	216	324	828	0	1,368	0.7
Procurement Agency (DGA)	1,728	0	0	0	1,728	0.9
Joint General Support Services (SCA)	2,011	1	0	32	2,044	1.0
Other managing services ³	745	32	0	0	777	0.4
Total for the Armed Forces Ministry	34,283	89,914	76,022	1,113	201,332	100.0
%	17.0	44.7	37.8	0.6	100.0	

Source : Armed Forces Human Resources Directorate (DRH-MD), 2023 Social Report.
 Scope: Full-time personnel employed by the Armed Forces Ministry in 2023.

1. Not counting the volunteers from the Voluntary Military Service.

2. Only the "Gendarmes" working full-time for the Armed Forces Ministry.

3. Military Criminal Affairs (APM), Armed Forces General Inspectorate (CGA) and Defence Infrastructure Service (SID).

Note: the various totals and the sum of the figures displayed in the tables of pages 13, 14 and 15 sometimes contain marginal discrepancies. They are due to the choice made to present the figures in terms of full-time employment equivalent as rounded-off figures.

3.3 Breakdown of civilian personnel by category and employing organisation

Full-time equivalent	Cat. A et A+ or level I	Cat. B or level II	Cat. C or level III	Public-sector workers	Total	%
Army	897	1,339	2,917	2,762	7,915	12.7
Navy	441	796	1,071	460	2,768	4.4
Air and Space Force ¹	890	1,278	620	2,451	5,239	8.4
Other employer services ²	13,985	11,953	15,237	5,255	46,431	74.5
Total for the Armed Forces Ministry	16,213	15,366	19,844	10,929	62,353	100.0
%	26.0	24.6	31.8	17.5	100.0	

Source: Armed Forces Human Resources Directorate (DRH-MD), 2023 Social Report.

Scope: Full-time personnel employed by the Armed Forces Ministry in 2023.

1. Airnautical Industrial Service (SIAé) included.

2. CBCM, CGA, DGA, DGNUM, DGRIS, DGSE, DICOd, DIRISI, DPID, DRM, DRSD, people leaving Defence, other joint headquarters, EMA, GSAN, PR, SCA, SDBC, SEO, SGA, SSA, SIMu, Joint Services.

3.4 Breakdown by gender for full-time equivalent

	Military personnel			Civilian personnel			Total		
	Women	Men	Subtotal	Women	Men	Subtotal	Women	Men	Subtotal
Strength	34,233	167,099	201,332	24,372	37,981	62,353	58,605	205,080	263,685
%	17.0	83.0	100.0	39.1	60.9	100.0	22.2	77.8	100.0

Source: Armed Forces Human Resources Directorate (DRH-MD), 2023 Social Report.

Scope: Full-time personnel employed by the Armed Forces Ministry in 2023.

The average age of military personnel is 32.4 (32.1 for women and 32.5 for men).

The average age of civilian personnel is 47.2 (47.0 for women and 47.4 for men).

3.5 Breakdown of strength by status

63,369 career military personnel

- 31% of the military population
- 70% of the officers
- 44% of the NCOs
- Feminisation rate: 17.3%
- Average age: 42.0

137,963 under-contract military personnel

- 69% of the military population
- 30% of the officers
- 56% of the NCOs
- 100% des militaires du rang et des volontaires
- Feminisation rate: 16.9%
- Average age: 28.0

Strength: 201,332 full-time equivalent

Feminisation rate: 17.0%
Average age: 32.4
Average seniority: 11.6 years

Military personnel



37,874 civil servants (tenured)

- 61% of the civilian population of the Ministry
- 23% of Cat. A
- 34% of Cat. B
- 43% of Cat. C
- Feminisation rate: 47.5%
- Average age: 49.0

- 19% of Level II
- 26% of Level III
- Feminisation rate: 36.6%
- Average age: 40.6

10,929 public sector workers

- 18% of the civilian population of the Ministry
- 8% de TSO
- 15% of team leaders
- 77% of workers
- Feminisation rate: 12.9%
- Average age: 49.1

Strength: 62 353 full-time equivalent

Feminisation rate: 39.1%
Average age: 47.2
Average seniority: 17.0 years

Civilian personnel



13,550 under-contract civilians

- 22% of the civilian population of the Ministry
- 55% of Level I

4. Strength of the operational reserve

Breakdown of the Armed Forces Ministry's operational reserve by service, directorate and managing organisation

Breakdown of reservists holding an ESR¹

Physical strength	Officers	NCOs	Ranks & Files	Total	Average (day/individual)
Army	5,128	6,972	12,819	24,919	37
Navy	1,849	2,803	727	5,409	37
Air and Space Force	1,599	2,455	1,653	5,707	37
national Gendarmerie	29	447	46	522	39
SSA	1,946	2,179	0	4,125	24
SEO	56	73	101	230	37
SCA	422	-	-	422	37
DGA	90	-	-	90	24
SID	26	-	-	26	35
Total	11,145	14,929	15,376	41,450	35
%	26.9	36.0	37.1	100.0	

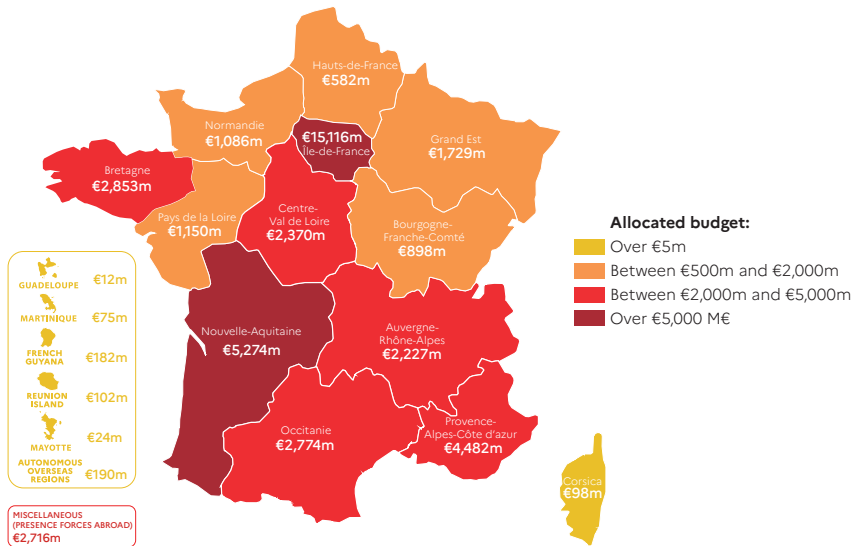
Source: Joint Reserve Office (EMA-BIAR); National Guard General Secretariat (SGGN); Armed Forces Human Resources Directorate (DRH-MD), 2023 Social Report.

Scope: All reservists holding an ESR¹ in December 2023, including the gendarmes managed by the Ministry of the Armed Forces.

1. Commitment to serve in the reserve component (contract).

5. The Armed Forces Ministry all over the French territory

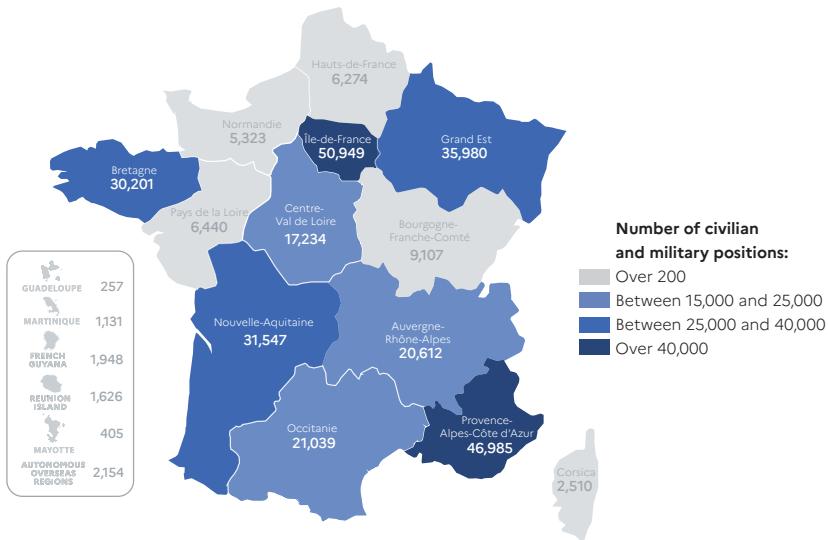
43.9 billion euros in 2023, distributed all over the country



Breakdown of the Defence mission's budget by region for 2023

Source: Ministerial statistics services

269,243 civilian and military personnel in 2023, distributed all over the country



Breakdown of the Armed Forces Ministry's strength in full-time equivalent.

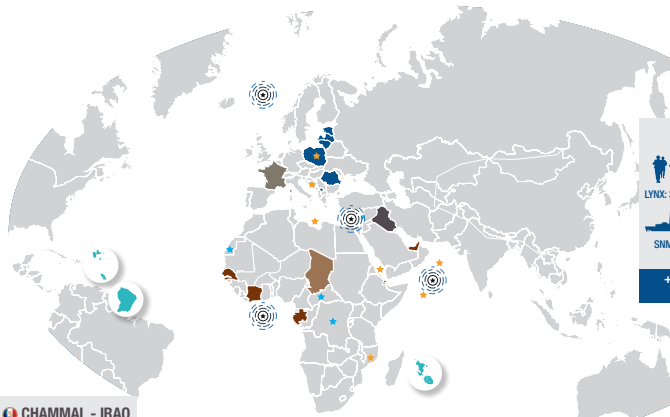
6. The main operations of the French armed forces



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MORE THAN **30,000** DEPLOYED FRENCH MILITARY PERSONNEL



NUCLEAR DETERRENCE



HOMELAND



6,000 to 10,000
MILITARY PERSONNEL

SOVEREIGNTY FORCES

- West Indies (FAA): 1,100
- French Guiana (FAG): 2,650
- Mayotte/Réunion (FAZSOI): 2,100
- New Caledonia (FANC): 1,500
- French Polynesia (FAPP): 1,000

8,350
MILITARY PERSONNEL

PREPOSITIONED FORCES

- Senegal (EFS): 350
- Ivory Coast (FFCI): 600
- Gabon (EFG): 350
- Djibouti (FFDJ): 1,500
- United Arab Emirates (FFEAU): 850

3,650
MILITARY PERSONNEL

CHAMMAL - IRAQ



600
MILITARY PERSONNEL

FRENCH ELEMENTS IN CHAD



≈ 1,000
MILITARY PERSONNEL

NATO

LYNX: 300
 eAP
 AIR SHIELDING

SNMG¹
 KFOR
 AIGLE: 1,500

¹ cyclical Deployment

+ 2,000 MILITARY PERSONNEL

FRENCH MARITIME DEPLOYMENTS (action of the State at sea excluded)

- Corymbe (Gulf of Guinea): 450
- North Atlantic: 200
- Eastern Mediterranean: 250

900
MILITARY PERSONNEL

UN

- Daman (Lebanon): 700
- Sahara
- Central African Republic
- Democratic Republic of the Congo

750
MILITARY PERSONNEL

EU

- Missions:
- ★ Althea
 - ★ Aspidès
 - ★ Atalante
 - ★ Irini
 - ★ Agénor
 - 🇲🇵 MAM Poland
 - ★ EUTM Mozambique

600
MILITARY PERSONNEL

OTHER MARITIME MISSIONS

- Persian Gulf:
- Combined maritime forces¹: 150
- ¹ non-permanent Deployment

+ 150
MILITARY PERSONNEL

RECURRING MISSIONS

- Aimaval group: 2,700
- Jeanne d'Arc: 800

3,500
MILITARY PERSONNEL

7. Focus on three major exercises conducted in 2023

Milex – October 2023



- **9 nations;**
- **2,800 military personnel, including 600 French ones;**
- **Crisis management training** focusing on the amphibious dimension on the Spanish Atlantic coast;
- **Goal: develop the European Union's common military capabilities** to conduct an autonomous operation in an environment marked by hybrid threats;
- Next edition in **2024**.

Croix du Sud – April 2023



- **19 nations;**
- Over **3,000 military and civilian personnel**, including **800 from partner countries** from the Pacific and Europe;
- **Crisis scenario:** Humanitarian Assistance and Disaster Relief (HADR);
- **Goal:** training **to conduct joint and allied crisis management operations;**
- **Exercice Marara** with the FANC in 2024;
- Next edition in **2025**.



Orion – February-May 2023



To have resilient and interoperable armed forces, focusing on high-intensity within a coalition:

- **14 nations;**
- About **20,000 military personnel**, including **1,700 allied ones;**
- **Unprecedented** multi-domain **exercise**
- **Goal: preparing the armed forces** for the most complex situations of modern engagements, to have armed forces ready for high-intensity combat;
- Next edition in **2026**.



8. Equipments issued to the armed forces

8.1 Army (figures as of 31st December 2023)

ITEM OF EQUIPMENT	AMOUNT
ARMoured VEHICLES	
<i>Main battle tanks</i>	222
Leclerc	222
<i>Tracked armoured vehicles</i>	187
VHM (high-mobility vehicles) + BV206L (troop transport + HT270 (...))	94
DCL (Leclerc repair vehicles)	18
AMX 30 D (repair)	26
EBG (engineer armoured vehicles) & SDPMAC ¹	49
<i>Wheeled armoured vehicles</i>	5,934
AMX 10 RCR (Tanks)	203
VBCI (armoured infantry fighting vehicles)	627
VBTT/VAB (all-terrain armoured vehicle/armoured personnel carrier)	2,005
PVP (small protected vehicle)	1,110
VBL/VB3L (light armoured vehicles, including the upgraded ones)	1,343
VBHP (highly protected armoured vehicles)	14
Buffalo (armoured intervention and protection vehicles)	3
Griffon (Multi role armoured vehicleww)	573
Jaguar	56
<i>Wheeled vehicles</i>	5,371
Versatile transport truck	892
Maastech (unprotected tactical vehicles)	485
VT4 (4x4 tactical vehicle)	3,994
ARTILLERY	215
155 mm guns (CAESAR, AUF1, TRF1)	78
VAB OPS - Griffon VOA	54

ITEM OF EQUIPMENT	AMOUNT
120 mm mortars	74
GMLRS	9
INDIVIDUAL COMBATANT EQUIPMENT	23,075
FÉLIN	23,075
ANTI-TANK WEAPON SYSTEMS (FIRING STATIONS)	900
MMP (medium-range missiles) (338), Eryx (562)	
HELICOPTERS	265
Gazelle (80), Tigre (67), Cougar (24), Puma SA 330 (25), Caracal (8), Caïman NH90 (61)	
TRAINING HELICOPTERS	18
Fennec ²	18
LIAISON AIRCRAF	14
TBM 700 (9), Pilatus (5)	14
AIR DEFENCE SYSTEMS	194
Mistral firing station	194
UAVs (NUMBER OF AIR ELEMENTS)	
SDT (tactical UAV systems)	In the fielding phase
SMDR (mini intelligence UAV systems)	70
Micro-UAVs (NX70/ PARROT ANAFI)	900
Nano-UAVs (BH3)	860

1. Explosive anti-tank mine-clearing systems.
2. The training fleet (EC120 Colibri) has been outsourced.

Source: 2021-2035 fleet evolution plan. The presented data represent the sum of the operational fleet and the fleet undergoing maintenance.

8.2 Navy (figures as of 31st December 2023)

ITEM OF EQUIPMENT	AMOUNT
COMBAT AND SUPPORT SHIPS	69
Ballistic missile submarines	4
Nuclear-powered attack submarines	5*
Aircraft carrier	1
Amphibious Helicopter carriers	3
First rank destroyers ¹	15
Surveillance frigates	6
High-sea patrolers ²	17
Minehunters	8
Support and assistance ships ³	8
Logistic support ships	2*
LANDING CRAFT⁴	15
MARITIME GENDARMERIE*	41
Gendarmerie patrol crafts ⁵	41
HYDROGRAPHIC AND OCEANOGRAPHIC SHIPS	4
CHANNEL MINE-CLEARING AND SURVEILLANCE SHIPS	7
Base ships for mine clearance and sonar-towing vessels ⁶	7
TRAINING	13
Cadet training ships and sailing boat ⁷	13
TEST VESSELS	3

1. 2 air-defence frigates, 2 multi-purpose frigates with enhanced air-defence capabilities, 6 multi-purpose frigates, 5 La Fayette-class frigates, including 3 upgraded ones.
2. 6 high-sea patrolers, 3 public-service patrolers, 3 West Indies-French Guyana patrolers (PAG), 1 overseas patroller, 3 patrolers (Arago, Le Malin, Fulmar), 1 polar patroller (L'Astrolabe).

ITEM OF EQUIPMENT	AMOUNT
EMBARKED AIR GROUP	45
Navy Rafale ⁸	41
Hawkeye – E2C	3
MARITIME PATROL AIRCRAFT	22
Atlantique 2	22
MARITIME SURVEILLANCE AIRCRAFT	13
Falcon 50 M (8), Falcon 200 "Gardian" (5)	13
COMBAT AND RESCUE HELICOPTERS	46
Caiman Marine (27), Panther (16), Dauphin Pedro (3)	46
SUPPORT AND CIVIL SERVICE HELICOPTERS	25
Dauphin FI (11), Dauphin N (6) and Dauphin N3+ (2), H160 (6)	25
MARITIME SUPPORT AIRCRAFT	22
Falcon 10 M (6), Xingu (8), Cap 10 M (6)	22

3. 4 overseas support and assistance vessels, 4 metropolitan support and assistance vessels.
4. 5 equipment transport landing crafts (CTM), 4 rapid amphibious roll-on/roll-off landing crafts (EDA-R), 6 standard amphibious landing crafts (EDA-S).
5. 5 Gendarmerie coastal patrolers, 27 coastal maritime surveillance patrol boats, 9 maritime and port surveillance patrol boats.
6. 4 base ships for clearance divers, 3 sonar-towing ships.
7. 8 cadet training ships, 2 navigation training vessels, 3 sailing boats.
8. Total: 42 Navy Rafales including 41 placed at the disposal of the Navy and 1 in the hands of Dassault Aviation to develop new standards.

* 4 nuclear-powered attack submarines in service, the 5th has been delivered and shall enter service in 2024, 1 logistic support ship in service, the 2nd has been delivered and shall enter service in 2024.

8.3 Air and Space Force (figures as of 31st December 2023)

ITEM OF EQUIPMENT	AMOUNT
COMBAT AIRCRAFT	196
All types of Rafale	97
Mirage 2000 D (conventional assault)	64
Mirage 2000-5F (air defence)	28
Mirage 2000 B ¹	7
TRANSPORT AIRCRAFT	70
C130 Hercules (tactical transport aircraft)	14
C130-J-30 Super Hercules (tactical transport aircraft)	5
KC130-J (tactical transport and tanker aircraft)	2
CN235 (light tactical transport aircraft)	27
A400M Atlas (tactical transport with strategic range)	22
OPERATIONAL SUPPORT AIRCRAFT	24
C135FR and KC135 (resupply)	3
A330 Phénix (strategic tanker and transport aircraft)	12
A330 ATS	3
E-3F SDCA (airborne detection, command and control)	4
ALSR (light surveillance and reconnaissance aircraft)	2
LIAISON AIRCRAFT	28
A330, Falcon 7X, Falcon 900 and Falcon 2000 (for governmental use)	7
TBM 700 and DHC6 (liaison aircraft)	21

ITEM OF EQUIPMENT	AMOUNT
TRAINING AIRCRAFT²	104
Pilatus PC-21	26
Alphajet (for the training of fighter pilots)	51
Xingu (for the training of transport pilots)	27
DEMONSTRATION TEAMS	23
Patrouille de France Alphajets	21
Extra 300	2
HELICOPTERS	75
Fennec (air defence and active air safety measures)	35
SAHARA Fennec	5
Caracal (combat, search and rescue)	11
EC225	2
Super Puma and Puma (Transport, search and rescue)	22
UAVs (AIR COMPONENTS)	10
Reaper	10
AIR DEFENCE WEAPON SYSTEMS	18
Crotale NG	10
Medium-range air defence "Mamba" missiles	8
SCCOA 4 RADARS (AIR OPERATIONS COMMAND AND CONTROL SYSTEM)	24
GM 200, GM 403, GM 406 and TRS 2215 radars	18
TRS22XX radars	4
BA2D INDRA	1
SATRAPE 3D	1

1. These seven Mirage 2000 B are used for the transformation of the Mirage 2000 D and Mirage 2000-5.

2. The training fleets (Grob 120 and Cirrus SR20 and SR22) have been outsourced.

9. The policy for the youth



82,000 young people expected to participate in the **Defence and Remembrance Days (JDM)** in 2024, in the framework of the **Universal National Service (SNU)**.

About **800,000 young people** expected to participate in the **Defence and Citizenship Day (JDC)** in 2024.



- **1,300 positions offered** to young people in the **Volunteer Military Service (SMV)** in 2024 for social and professional integration.
- Since 2015, more than 8,400 young people have volunteered.
- The **SMV** is present on **7 sites** and **6 regions**.
- **83% of professional integration in 2023**, for **60% of non-graduated young people** and an **average age of 20 years**.



About **6,000 young overseas people** aged between 16 and 25 are welcomed every year. **83.5% of them find a job or a qualifying training course** at the end of their training.

2,800 apprenticeship positions offered by the Ministry.



+ 80 000 young people benefit from the Armed Forces Ministry's actions¹.

1. Examples of set ups: defence classes, the defence training weeks, the "roped parties of success", the citizen rallies, the Civic Service volunteers, the post-baccalauréat trainees and the apprentices, the "Do sports, young citizens" programme.

10. The family and housing plans

Building on the effort initiated with the first "Family Plan" and officially launched on 1st January 2024, the "Family Plan 2" aims at better taking into account the quality of life of military personnel and their families, by better assisting mobility, by reducing the impact of operational constraints and by enhancing the daily life of the families all over France. Rooted in the 2024-2030 Military Programming Act, it has a €750m budget and is made up of 44 measures.



10,400 children accommodated (ministerial or subsidised day nurseries and reserved positions)



4,035 subsidised childminders



9,818 families have used Yoopies for free to look after their children (distributed access)



140,000 multi-activity boxes and "mission kits" for children distributed to the children of military personnel aged between 3 and 8 (2020-2023)



26,000 users of the Defence Culture & Leisure Pass

163,000 free internet connections (ops. outside the national territory excluded) in 2,700 buildings and 12 ships



€7.9m invested for the enhancement of the quality of life in military sites in 2023



275,000 family passes for rail transport, usable by each member of the family even when the military personnel is not present (national Gendarmerie included)



852 new accommodations ordered in mainland France, including 639 already delivered ones



1,085 spouses who applied to *Défense mobilité* have found a new job in 2023



11. Infrastructure



€2.6bn ordered and more than 20,000 purchases contracted every year



About 27% of the State's real estate, i.e. 2.7 million square meters of land and 25 million square meters of build-up surface



Ambition for housing

A new outsourcing contract for the management of State-owned accommodations.

Since 2023, **renovation and building of 15,000 flats and houses based on higher standards** (quality, comfort, environment)

€524m investments are necessary to accommodate the new generation of military equipment Scorpion vehicles, Barracuda submarines and FREMM [multi-purpose frigates], A400M Atlas and A330 MRTT [Multi-Role tanker transport aircraft]



Continuation of the **accommodation plan for 2024: delivery of 5,000 accommodations and ordering of 2,500 additional ones for €140m**

12. Defence innovation

€1.2bn have been planned for 2024 to face the technological breakthrough and with the following objectives:



• Remaining a technological leader owing to:

- the early exploration of breakthrough technologies (guided-energy weapons, hypervelocity);



- the launching of large-scale demonstrators (ground tactical robots, flight of UAS swarms);



• favouring the larger production of innovation stemming from inside the ministry (embarked data hub, surgical robot);



• contributing to the protection of the Paris 2024 Olympic and Paralympic Games (fight against UASs with intercepting drones and updating of shared air situational awareness);



• helping with, and speeding up, the development of dual technologies (exploration of the deep seas);



• stimulating the academic and industrial ecosystem through competitions, bid for tenders, innovative partnerships (detection of forged images, armed naval surface UASs);



• developing solutions in co-operation (research project of the EDF, NATO DIANA set up, bilateral co-operation);



• continuing the technological prospective works (Red Team experimentation, supporting the strategic anticipation works);



• Experimenting with the armed forces (PERSEUS, launching of CoHoMa III).



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Specific effort is made on the quantum domain with project **PROQCIMA**, developed with the support of "France 2030". It speeds up the industrialisation of a sovereign quantum computer to have two French-designed universal quantum computer prototypes by the year 2032.

13. Ecological and energy transition

€600m for energy transition contracts and the suppression of strongly-emitting boilers (over the period covered by the Military Programming Act)



1.5% of airnautical biomass fuel in 2024

€430m dedicated to the "Water" plan by 2030



Making the fleet greener: **30% of the (commercial type) vehicles shall be low-emission ones (VFE)** by the end of 2024

Objective by 2024:
reduce energy consumptions by 10%
(compared with 2019)

Involvement of the Ministry in **2 major programmes** in favour of the **protection of biodiversity:**



Since 2010, the Ministry has been a major stakeholder of **energy transition:**
- 73% in polluting fossil fuel consumption,
- 40% of greenhouse gas emissions and 127 ha of grounds have been cleansed

- LIFE NaturArmy (2019-2024)

Budget: **€2.7m** for the exemplary management of Natura 2000 sites

- LIFE La Valbonne (2019-2026)

Budget: **€4.6m** for the restoration of habitats and the protection of species



€44m planned for the implementation of the energy efficiency contracts (CPE)



1,220 ha dedicated to the national "Make room for the sun plan" by the end of 2025

14. Partnerships and alliances

Support for Ukraine

Since the beginning of the war, France provides equipment and materials adapted to the context of engagement of the Ukrainian Armed Forces. These deliveries meet three criteria: delivering full capabilities (materials with ammunition, training, and maintenance of equipment), without weakening our Armed Forces while mastering the risk of escalation.

To sum up, France delivered military equipment worth a total of €2.6bn to Ukraine, plus €1.2bn given to the European Peace Facility (EPF), i.e. a support of over €3.8bn, between 24 February 2022 and 31 December 2023. This financial effort goes hand in hand with a determined action in terms of training, with nearly 10,000 Ukrainian soldiers already trained by our Armed Forces in Poland and France.

Employment of the EPF for the war in Ukraine

European Peace Facility (EPF)

The war in Ukraine has stepped up and changed in an unexpected way the recourse to EPF, which is, from the outset of the conflict, the EU's main tool for the funding of equipment deliveries to the Ukrainian Armed Forces. Deliveries have mainly concerned lethal equipment from the stocks of the Member States' Armed Forces. The EPF, which had not been initially designed to meet such a need, allowed the EU 27 to provide military aid to Ukraine in a reactive and massive manner: the instrument funded claims for reimbursement of military equipment and materials for Ukraine amounting to over €17bn.

In March 2024, the Member States agreed on the creation of a "Ukraine Assistance Fund" (UAF) under the EPF, a fund of €5bn devoted to the military assistance to Ukraine in 2024.



Glossary

€bn: billion euros

CAS: specific pension account

CBCM: Ministerial Budgetary and Accounting Control

CGA: Armed Forces General Inspectorate

CPE: energy efficiency contract

DGA: Procurement Agency

DGNUM: General Directorate for Digital, Information and Communication Systems

DGRIS: General Directorate for International Relations and Strategy

DGSE: Directorate-General for External Security

DICoD: Defence Information and Communication Delegation

DIRISI: Joint Defence Infrastructure Networks and Information Systems Directorate

DPID: Protection of Defence Sites, Assets and Activities Directorate

DRH-MD: Armed Forces Human Resources Directorate

DRM: Military Intelligence Directorate

DRSD: Defence Intelligence and Security Directorate

eAP: enhanced Air Policing

EFCl: French elements in Côte d'Ivoire

EFG: French elements in Gabon

EFS: French elements in Senegal

EMA: Joint Staff

ETI: medium-sized company

ETPT: full-time equivalent

FAA: Armed forces in French Guyana

FANC: Armed forces in New Caledonia

FAG: Armed forces in Guyana

FAPF: Armed forces in French Polynesia

FAZSOI: Armed forces in the south of the Indian Ocean

FFDJ: French forces in Djibouti

FFEAU: French forces in the United Arab Emirates

GDP: Gross domestic product

GSAN: Nuclear Weapon Security Gendarmerie

INSEE: national institute of statistics and information about the economy

JDC: Defence and citizenship day

JDM: Defence and remembrance day

JOP: Paris Olympic and Paralympic Games

LFI: Initial Finance Bill

LOLF: Finance Bill

LPM: Military Programming Act

€m: millions euros

€bn: billions euros

ONERA: National aerospace studies and research institute

OPEX: operation outside the national territory

OPINT: domestic operation

PME: small and medium-sized companies

PMEA: ministerial maximum number of authorised jobs

PR: President of the Republic

SCA: Joint General Support Services
SDBC: Armed Forces Ministry's Office Sub-Directorate
SEO: Joint Operational Energy Services (former SEA:
Joint POL Services)
SGA: General Secretariat for Administration
SIAé: Airnautical Industrial Service
SID: Defence Infrastructure Service
SJM: Military Justice Service
SIMu: Joint Ammunition Service
SMA: Adapted Military Service
SMV: Voluntary Military Service
SNU: Universal national service
SSA: Defence Medical Services
TPE: Very Small Companies
VFE: Low-emission vehicles

For further information

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