



# FACT SHEET

U.S. Army Cyber Command and Second Army  
The Nation's Army in Cyberspace  
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## THE FACTS: CYBER MISSION FORCE

### *What is the Cyber Mission Force?*

In 2012, the Joint Staff and U.S. Cyber Command – a sub-unified command subordinate to U.S. Strategic Command – directed the services to collectively build a Cyber Mission Force consisting of 133 Cyber Mission Teams, four Joint Force Headquarters -- Cyber, and one Cyber National Mission Force. These are expected to be at their initial operating capability by the end of Fiscal Year 2016.

The Army was tasked with standing up 41 of these teams, known as Cyber Protection Teams, Cyber Combat Mission Teams and Combat Support Teams, as well as National Mission Teams and their complementary National Support Teams. The Army's cyber force is a Total Army force. In addition to active forces, the Army National Guard and the U.S. Army Reserve are building cyber combat power. The Guard is expected to eventually have 11 CPTs, while the Army Reserve is transforming the Army Reserve Information Operations Command into the Army Reserve Cyber Operations Group, which is expected to field 10 additional CPTs.



### *What does the Cyber Mission Force do?*

Today, networks are a warfighting platform and force multiplier for commanders. The Cyber Mission Force ensures commanders can maintain the freedom to operation in cyberspace and accomplish their missions via three primary avenues:

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Defensive Cyberspace Operations: Passive and active cyberspace operations to preserve the ability to use friendly cyberspace capabilities and protect data, networks, net-centric capabilities and other designated systems

Offensive Cyberspace Operations: Cyberspace operations intended to project power by the application of force in or through cyberspace

Department of Defense Information Network Operations: Operations to design, build, configure, secure, operate, maintain and sustain DoD networks to create and preserve information assurance



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