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## Executing the Maritime Strategy

*"Today's expeditionary warfare dominance is, by necessity, the tip of our Maritime Strategy. Whether responding to pirates off the coast of Somalia, landing an embarked Marine Expeditionary Unit, locating and/or disarming mines on land or within shipping lanes, constructing roads and schools, or engaging in joint partnerships, our expeditionary force remains America's 911 in the execution of our strategy."*

**- Rear Adm. Kevin D. Scott, Deputy Director, Expeditionary Warfare**

Around the world, the Navy is executing the six core capabilities of the Maritime Strategy – forward presence, deterrence, sea control, power projection, maritime security and humanitarian assistance/disaster response.

### Forward Presence

- The [Harry S. Truman](#) Carrier Strike Group (CSG) arrived on station and conducted [mission turnover](#) with the Eisenhower CSG. Eisenhower CSG totaled more than 8,400 sorties and 26,100 hours of aerial combat support to U.S. and coalition Operation Enduring Freedom (OEF) warfighters during their deployment. [Harry S. Truman CSG launched its first sorties](#) during the last week of June, flying 54 sorties and more than 202 cumulative hours.
- Seabees from [Naval Mobile Construction Battalion \(NMCB\) 4](#) continued to lead the joint engineering efforts in Regional Command North in Afghanistan. These missions included construction and repair of berthing, command and control facilities, construction and expansion of combat outposts, and water wells.

### Deterrence

- USS Maryland (SSBN 738) (Gold crew) conducted two Follow-on Commander's Evaluation Tests (FCET) resulting in the [successful flight of four Trident II D5 missiles](#), and provided valuable information on operational reliability, accuracy, and performance factors of the missile system.

### Maritime Security

- USS The Sullivans (DDG 68) continued patrols in the northern Arabian Gulf in support of Combined Task Force – Iraqi Maritime. The Sullivans is providing security and maritime domain awareness in the vicinity of Al Basra Oil Terminal, which supplies approximately 80 percent of Iraq's gross domestic product.
- Approximately 2,500 U.S. and [Canadian Navy](#), U.S. Coast Guard and other U.S. and Canadian government civilian agency personnel participated in [Exercise Frontier Sentinel](#) (FS 2010), an annual joint interagency exercise. [Explosive Ordnance Disposal Mobile Unit \(EODMU\) 1's Marine Mammal program](#) played an integral - though sometimes unseen – role in the scenario-driven series of events during FS 2010, which focused on maritime homeland defense.

### Humanitarian Assistance / Disaster Relief

- USNS Mercy (T-AH 19) continued to support [Pacific Partnership 2010](#). In June, Mercy completed the [Cambodia](#) and [Vietnam](#) phases, [serving more than 49,000 patients](#) and [performing more than 400 surgeries](#).

### Building Partnerships Through Maritime Security Cooperation

- Ships gathered in Hawaii to kick off [Rim of the Pacific \(RIMPAC\)](#), the world's largest multinational maritime exercise. The exercise is themed "Combined Agility, Synergy and Support," and marks the 22nd exercise in the series that originated in 1971. RIMPAC brings together [14 partner nations](#) to conduct gunnery, missile, anti-submarine, and air defense exercises, as well as maritime interdiction and vessel boarding, explosive ordnance disposal, diving and salvage operations, mine clearance operations, and an amphibious landing.

## Status of the Navy (as of 1 July)

Navy Personnel		Ships, Submarines & Aircraft		Sailors at Sea by AOR	
Total Active Component	330,600	Total deployable ships/subs	288	NAVCENT/C5F	15,762
Total Reserve Component	65,179	Ships underway	164 (57%)	PACFLT	13,500
DoN Civilians	198,811	Attack Subs underway	32(59%)	NAVSO/C4F	1,642
		Ships deployed	124 (43%)	C2F	6,446
		Subs deployed	23 (42%)	NAVEUR/NAVAF/C6F	3,260
Navy Forces on the Ground in NAVCENT AOR	~14,300	Expeditionary units deployed	63 (34%)	For more information on the current status of the Navy, visit: <a href="http://www.navy.mil">www.navy.mil</a> .	
		Total Operational Aircraft	3,700+		