

A Day in the Navy
April 17, 2012

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- On April 17, 323,773 active duty officers, Sailors and midshipmen; 64,073 Selected Reserve Sailors, with 4,021 mobilized Reserves; and 203,609 civilians are serving in the Department of the Navy.
- There are 282 active ships in service; 145 (51 percent) ships, including six aircraft carriers and six large-deck amphibious ships, and 28 (53 percent) submarines are underway away from homeport.
- There are 6,125 individual augmentees, 4,635 of whom are mobilized Reserve Sailors, [deployed on the ground around the world](#) in support of overseas contingency operations.
- [Chief of Naval Operations Adm. Jonathan Greenert](#) delivers his remarks as the keynote speaker during a luncheon at the [Sea-Air-Space Exposition](#) at the Gaylord National Resort and Convention Center in National Harbor, Md. The Navy League's Sea-Air-Space Exposition is three days of seminars and demonstrations highlighting the latest maritime-related technologies and solutions.
- [USS Wasp \(LHD 1\)](#), USS Mitscher (DDG 57) and [USS De Wert \(FFG 45\)](#) arrive in New Orleans with 1,700 Sailors and Marines to commemorate the [Bicentennial of the War of 1812](#) and celebrate New Orleans Navy Week. New Orleans kicks off the commemoration beginning in April 2012 and continuing through 2015.
- [The Carl Vinson Carrier Strike Group](#) transits the Indian Ocean after completing seven days of bilateral exercises with the Indian navy and concluding Exercise Malabar 2012.
- USS Enterprise (CVN 65) and Carrier Air Wing (CVW) 1 conduct 71 aircraft launches and recoveries, flying 103 total hours in support of maritime security operations in the U.S. 5th Fleet area of responsibility (AOR).
- The Iwo Jima Amphibious Readiness Group concludes participation in Exercise African Lion 2012, a bilateral amphibious exercise between approximately 1,200 U.S. military personnel and Royal Moroccan forces.
- USS Denver (LPD 9) and USS Tortuga (LSD 46) participate with the armed forces of the Philippines in Exercise Balikatan 2012 in the South China Sea.
- USNS Supply (T-AOE 6) conducts replenishment-at-sea with USS Stethem (DDG 63), USS Momsen (DDG 92), USS Milius (DDG 69) and USS John Paul Jones (DDG 53) in the Arabian Gulf.
- Crew members from [SPS Blas de Lezo \(F 103\)](#), a Spanish ship in port at Naval Station Norfolk, pay tribute to three Spanish sailors buried in the [Captain Theodore H. Conaway Memorial Naval Cemetery](#) at [Naval Medical Center Portsmouth](#) with a wreath laying ceremony.

- Personnel from the Surface Warfare Officers School Command and the Center for Service Support at Naval Station Newport collect trash, recyclables and debris along the west shoreline of the installation during an [Earth Day base cleanup](#).
- Naval Surface Warfare Center, Carderock Division- Ship Systems Engineering Station in Philadelphia holds its Holocaust Remembrance Program with Holocaust survivor Marius Gherovici, born in Bucharest, Romania, in 1927, as the guest speaker.
- USS McClusky (FFG 41) is underway in the eastern Pacific with an embarked U.S. Coast Guard Law Enforcement Detachment, conducting Countering Transnational Organized Crime Operations in the U.S. Southern Command AOR.
- [USS Blue Ridge \(LCC 19\)](#) conducts a helicopter crash firefighting drill, while underway patrolling the Philippine Sea. negotiate
- Seabees from Naval Mobile Construction Battalion 23 Detachment Honduras install electrical wiring in barracks in support of the U.S. Army South's Beyond the Horizon Honduras 2012 exercise.
- Navy Reserve Operational Health Support Units are participating in Arctic Care 2012 with Army National Guard, Army Reserve, and interagency medical, dental and veterinary services in Nome, Alaska.
- Sailors assigned to Maritime Civil Affairs Team 111, forward maneuvering units of the Combined Joint Task Force - Horn of Africa, visit Ngomeni, Kenya, Beach Management Units to discuss future Basic Survival Skills training in the area.
- Naval Supply Systems Command Fleet Logistics Center San Diego's Navy Food Management Team embarks aboard USS Gary (FFG 51) to provide the ship's Culinary Specialists with advanced culinary and "scratch cooking" training, as well as management assistance for food service operations.
- Postal Division personnel from Naval Supply Systems Command Fleet Logistics Center in Rota, Spain, prepare more than 24,000 pounds of mail in preparation for USS Iwo Jima (LHD 7), USS New York (LPD 21) and USS Gunston Hall (LSD 44) support requirements.
- USS Annapolis (SSN 760) conducts maritime security operations in the European Command AOR.
- [USNS Bruce C. Heezen \(T-AGS 64\)](#) is underway in the Mediterranean Sea in support of the XVIII International Hydrographic Conference to be held this month in the Principality of Monaco.
- Navy recruiters encourage 118 people to join and serve America's Global Force for Good.