



# FACT SHEET

## U.S. Air Force Fact Sheet

### 305TH AIR MOBILITY WING

The 305th Air Mobility Wing extends America's global reach by generating, mobilizing and deploying 32 KC-10 and 13 C-17 aircraft to conduct strategic airlift and air refueling missions worldwide. Additionally, the Wing operates two of America's largest strategic aerial ports supporting the delivery of cargo to combatant commanders abroad.

The Wing's motto, "Can Do," is derived from one of the most notable Bomb Groups during World War II: the 305th Bomb Group (later, the 305th Bomb Wing). During the War, the 305th earned a reputation as courageous, innovative, "Can Do" warriors. In total, 787 brave 305th Bomb Wing personnel lost their lives over the skies of Europe, and numerous unit and individual citations were awarded for heroism including two Medals of Honor.

Throughout the years, the 305 AMW has been home to many aircraft, including the B-17, B-29, KC-97, B-47, KC-135, B-58, EC-135, C-141, C-12, KC-10 and C-17. The wing's Airmen and aircraft have been involved in every major contingency since 1994, including Operations NORTHERN and SOUTHERN WATCH, ALLIED FORCE, NOBLE EAGLE, ENDURING FREEDOM, IRAQI FREEDOM, NEW DAWN, UNIFIED PROTECTOR, FREEDOM'S SENTINEL and INHERENT RESOLVE.

The Wing has been a significant part in critical peacetime operations including the 2004 Pacific Rim tsunami relief, Hurricane Katrina support, Operation TOMODACHI (assistance to Japan following the March 2011 earthquake and tsunami), Operation UNITED ASSISTANCE (to halt the spread of Ebola in West Africa) and the first US aid to Nepal after the 2015 earthquake.

The Wing is also a supporting partner that enables flight operations of USN, USA, USMC, ANG, AFRC and DOJ aircraft at Maxfield and McGuire Fields. In addition, the Wing supports the Joint Base with cargo and passenger processing through the Aerial Port Squadron, airfield and ramp maintenance, and air traffic control services. The wing has won thirteen consecutive Air Force Outstanding Unit Awards since 1994 (19 overall). Today, more than 2,400 men and women of the 305th AMW stand ready to provide worldwide support at a moment's notice.



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