



# Texas Military Preparedness Commission

## Office of the Governor

### Dyess Air Force Base 2020

#### MISSION

Dyess AFB is home to the 7th Bomb Wing, which operates B-1B Lancer bombers and is comprised of many units working to support logistics, operations, medical, and additional support functions. The mission of the 7th Bomb Wing is to provide dominant air power and combat support to combatant and joint force commanders. It is charged with producing combat ready air crews in the Air Force's only B-1B training unit.

#### TENANT COMMANDS

**317th Airlift Wing** - The largest C-130J Group in Air Mobility Command. The unit transports troops, supplies, and equipment around the world and routinely supports humanitarian disaster relief.

**7th Operations Group** is responsible for executing global conventional bombing and provide firepower worldwide at any time.

**7th Maintenance Group** provides support to the bomb wing, deployed units, and associate units.

**7th Mission Support Group** maintains the base by ensuring administrative, educational, and communications requirements for the wing.

**7th Medical Group** provides healthcare for all personnel and families.

Other commands include the **489th Bomb Group** (US Air Force Reserve), **1 Motor Transport Maintenance Company** (U.S. Marine Corps Reserve), **413th Civil Affairs Battalion** (U.S. Army Reserve), **111th Engineer Battalion** (U.S. Army National Guard).

#### PARTNERSHIPS

Dyess AFB has a strong relationship with the City of Abilene with the founding the city's Military Affairs Committee (MAC) in 1956. The community support helps Dyess AFB provide a solid foundation for power projection. The Chamber of Commerce houses MAC, which oversees various programs, social and working events to foster the relationships between military and civilian leaders. The relationship between Dyess AFB and Abilene is considered a benchmark for base-city relationships, which is illustrated by the "Abilene Trophy" which was renamed after the community won the award enough times to forfeit future eligibility. The award is now sponsored by the Abilene Chamber of Commerce.

Variable	Total Impact
Direct Employment	6,005
Output to the Texas Economy (in billions)	\$3.8
GDP (in billions)	\$2.3
Disposable Personal Income (in billions)	\$1.2

Source: Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts, 2019

#### OUTLOOK

Dyess is located on 5,303 acres and holds an additional 1,017 acres in easements. The base has 17 hangars and a 13,500 foot runway to accommodate the B-1 mission. Recent upgrades include two renovated dormitories, water main repair, an improved small arms firing range, and a successful partnership program. The City of Abilene recently recieved a DEAAG award for the expansion of the security control center at Dyess AFB. This base is under consideration for basing the new B-21 Raider.

