



Coast Guard 2010 Snapshot

A summary of facts and figures about America's Coast Guard
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**America's Maritime Guardian ...
 in the heartland, in the ports, on the seas, around the globe**

The U.S. Coast Guard is one of the five armed forces of the United States and the only military organization within the Department of Homeland Security. The Coast Guard protects against hazards to people, maritime commerce, and the environment. It defends our maritime borders and saves those in peril. The Coast Guard responds quickly to disasters to restore the nation's waterways. It helps sustain the Marine Transportation System, which carries 99% of U.S. imports and exports. When called upon, the Coast Guard defends the nation at home and abroad alongside the other armed forces.

Workforce Totals	Active Duty Workforce Race/Ethnicity	Average Time in Service (Yrs.)
Enlisted 34,134	American Indian/	Enlisted 8
Officers 8,255	Alaskan Native 2.5%	Officers 13
Civilian 7,867	Asian 0.8%	
Reserve 6,946	Black 5.6%	Officer Commissioning Sources
Auxiliary 30,000	Hispanic/Latino 11.0%	Academy 45%
	Multiple race 5.0%	OCS Reserve 20%
Active Duty Workforce	Native Hawaiian/ Pacific Islander .6%	OCS prior Enlisted 13%
Men 86.9%	White 77.4%	Direct Commission 12%
Women 13.1%		CWO to LT 4%
	Average Age (Yrs.)	EAD 2%
Married	Enlisted 29	
Enlisted 55%	Officers 36	
Officers 71%		

Missions

By law, the Coast Guard has 11 missions:

- ✦ Ports, waterways, and coastal security
- ✦ Drug interdiction
- ✦ Aids to navigation
- ✦ Search and rescue
- ✦ Living marine resources
- ✦ Marine safety
- ✦ Defense readiness
- ✦ Migrant interdiction
- ✦ Marine environmental protection
- ✦ Ice operations
- ✦ Other law enforcement

(listed in order of percentage of operating expenses)



Assets

Cutters (65 ft. and greater)	250
Boats (less than 65 ft.)	1,784
Aircraft	198

Coast Guard History

America's oldest continuous seagoing service – since 1790

Product of five different agencies merged over time:

- ✦ Revenue Marine (est. 1790)
- ✦ U.S. Lifesaving Service (est. 1848)
- ✦ U.S. Lighthouse Service (est. 1789)
- ✦ Steamboat Inspection Service (est. 1838)
- ✦ Bureau of Navigation (est. 1884)

An agency within ...

- Department of Treasury (from 1790)
- Department of Transportation (from 1967)
- Department of Homeland Security (from 2003)

Key Leaders

**Department of Homeland Security
Secretary**

Hon. Janet Napolitano

Coast Guard Commandant

Adm. Robert Papp

Coast Guard Vice Commandant

Vice Adm. Sally Brice-O'Hara

Coast Guard Chief of Staff

Vice Adm. John Carrier

Master Chief of the Coast Guard

MCPOCG Michael Leavitt

2010 Budget

\$10.1 billion

Motto

Semper Paratus (Always Ready)



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In an average day, the Coast Guard ...

- ✦ Saves 13 lives
- ✦ Responds to 64 search and rescue cases
- ✦ Rescues 77% of mariners in imminent danger
- ✦ Keeps 959 pounds of cocaine off the streets
- ✦ Saves \$260,000 in property
- ✦ Interdicts 10 undocumented migrants trying to enter the United States
- ✦ Services 49 buoys and fixes 21 discrepancies (such as buoys moved by a hurricane)
- ✦ Provides a presence in all major ports
- ✦ Screens 679 commercial vessels and 170,000 crew and passengers
- ✦ Issues 200 credentials to merchant mariners
- ✦ Inspects 70 containers
- ✦ Inspects 33 vessels for compliance with air emissions standards
- ✦ Performs 30 safety and environmental examinations of foreign vessels entering U.S. ports
- ✦ Boards 15 fishing boats to ensure compliance with fisheries laws
- ✦ Investigates 12 marine accidents
- ✦ Responds to and investigates 10 pollution incidents
- ✦ Does security boardings of 5 high interest vessels
- ✦ Escorts 4 high-value U.S. Navy vessels transiting U.S. waterways
- ✦ Identifies one individual with terrorism associations
- ✦ Has 6 patrol boats and 400 personnel:
 - Protecting Iraq's offshore oil infrastructure
 - Training Iraqi naval forces
 - Keeping sea lanes secure in the Arabian Gulf



In 2009, the Coast Guard ...

- ✦ Performed domestic icebreaking to keep waterways open for commercial traffic
- ✦ Enabled the transport of \$2 billion worth of cargo
- ✦ Assisted 479 ice transits
- ✦ Tracked 1,200 icebergs that had drifted into transatlantic shipping lanes
- ✦ Detected 112 foreign fishing vessels illegally encroaching the U.S. Exclusive Economic Zone
- ✦ Brought scientists to the Arctic to map the Arctic Ocean floor and for studies on polar bears, ocean sediment and methane gas
- ✦ Conducted cooperative patrols with China for fishery enforcement in the North Pacific



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Recruiting

gocoastguard.com

Academy

www.cga.edu

Civilian Jobs

www.uscg.mil/civilian

Coast Guard Auxiliary (volunteers)

www.cgaux.org

Boating Safety

www.uscgboating.org

In Your Community

www.uscg.mil/community



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