



AIR STATION NEW ORLEANS
 "BUSIEST ALL-HELICOPTER SAR STATION IN THE COAST GUARD"

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A SUMMARY OF FACTS AND FIGURES ABOUT AVIATION IN
 THE EIGHTH COAST GUARD DISTRICT, NEW ORLEANS

In an average year, Air Station New Orleans:

- Conducts 360+ search and rescue cases
- Saves 60 lives
- MEDEVACs 40 people
- Assists 150 people in distress
- Protects over \$6.5 million in property
- Flies over 3,200 hours on 1900+ missions

Leadership

Commanding Officer
 CDR Ed Cubanski, III
Executive Officer
 CDR Tom Maine
Command Master Chief
 AMTCM Tommy Davis

Our Area of Responsibility / What We Do

Air Station New Orleans (ASNOLA), with its five helicopters, is the busiest all helicopter SAR station in the Coast Guard. As such, ASNOLA has an area of responsibility (AOR) extending east from Apalachicola, Florida, to the Texas-Louisiana border in the west, north to Memphis, Tennessee, and south up to 200 nautical miles offshore covering thousands of offshore oil platforms. Located on Naval Air Station/Joint Reserve Base New Orleans, ASNOLA maintains two ready crews able to launch within 30 minutes of a call, 365-days a year, 24-hours a day, and in nearly any weather conditions.

Air Station New Orleans Personnel

- 27 Officers
- 93 Enlisted
- 2 Civilians
- 122 : Total

Air Station New Orleans History

- 1955 : Commissioned at old Naval Air Station on Lake Ponchartrain.
- 1957 : Moved with Navy to Alvin Callender Field (NBG) in Belle Chasse
- 1969 : First operational unit flying Sikorsky HH-3F twin engine helo
- 1980 : Rescue efforts resulted in 1,500th live saved for ASNOLA
- 1985 : First unit to fly HH-65A on operational missions
- 2000 : First unit to fly HH-65B on operational missions
- 2005 : Along with "Air Group New Orleans", unit saved over 7,100 lives during Hurricane Katrina rescue efforts
- 2006 : First unit to perform SAR in HH-65C

Missions

- Search and Rescue
- Ports, Waterways, & Coastal Security
- Homeland Security
- Law Enforcement
- Rotary Wing Air Intercept (RWAI)
- Marine Environmental Protection
- Aids to Navigation

Aircraft

HH-65C : Short Range Recovery Helicopter

- Manufacturer: Aerospatiale Helicopter Corporation
- Engines: 2 Turbomeca Arriel 2C2-CG
- Ratings: 853 SHP dual / 1,053 SHP single
- Endurance (Standard/Max): 2 hrs / 3 hrs
- Range (Standard/Max): 300NM / 400NM
- Fuel Load (Standard/Max): 1,800 lbs / 1,969 lbs
- Max Gross Weight: 9,480 lbs
- Crew: 2 pilots, 1 flight mechanic, 1 rescue swimmer
- SAR Gear: Rescue Basket, Sling, Litter, EMT Kit with Oxygen, Defibrillator



Air Station New Orleans: Mission and Vision

Ready Today... Preparing for Tomorrow

The mission of Coast Guard Air Station New Orleans is to maintain READINESS to launch fully mission capable aircraft 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, to accomplish Coast Guard missions in support of Sector New Orleans, D8 and LANTAREA.

Our Strategic Objectives

- Maximize our operational readiness and employment.
- Optimize the use of our resources.
- Meet or exceed regulatory requirements.
- Develop our people's full potential & enhance their well being.
- Know our customers and meet their needs.
- Support and partner with the local community.

About the Eighth Coast Guard District

The Eighth District, headquartered in New Orleans, covers 26 states throughout the Gulf Coast and heartland of America. It stretches from the Appalachian Mountains and Chattahoochee River in the east to the Rocky Mountains in the west, and from the U.S./Mexico border and the Gulf of Mexico to the Canadian border in North Dakota.

Part of the Department of Homeland Security, the 3,500 members of the District are vital in protecting the 1,200 miles of coastline and 10,300 miles of inland navigable waterways located in their area of responsibility.

District Eight is home to: four air stations; 15 search and rescue stations; 14 aids-to-navigation teams; three vessel traffic services; and five LORAN stations. There are also three Coast Guard Auxiliary regions in the Eighth District's area of responsibility, New Orleans, St. Louis and Louisville, Ky.

Units on the Naval Air Station Joint Reserve Base

- Naval Operational Support Center (NOSC)
- Navy Strike Fighter Squadron 204 (FA-18s)
- Navy VR-54 (C-130T)
- 3rd Battalion, 23rd Marines, 4th Marine Division
- Marine Air Group 42 (MAG-42)
- Army's 377th Theater Support Command
- Coast Guard Air Station New Orleans
- Louisiana Air National Guard: 159th Fighter Wing & 122nd Fighter Squadron

About the Naval Air Station/Joint Reserve Base

The primary mission of NAS JRB New Orleans is the training of Naval Reservists and the operational, logistical, and fiscal support for tenant commands and transient aircraft on a 24-hour basis. The base also serves as a platform for assistance with homeland security air defense through the Louisiana Air National Guard as well as search and rescue efforts for much of the Gulf Coast by Air Station New Orleans.

After Hurricane Katrina, NAS JRB became the center of the DoD rescue and recovery efforts. During the first ten days following the storm, more than 10,000 military personnel and relief workers were airlifted in NAS JRB along with over 18 million pounds of relief supplies. NAS JRB became the primary SAR airfield for flights that saved over 30,000 lives in the New Orleans area.

Air Station New Orleans Budget FY08

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| • Facilities | \$255K |
| • Training | \$20K |
| • Support/Operations | \$1.15M |

Coast Guard Budget FY08

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| • Operating Expenses (includes pay) | \$5.89B |
| • Acquisition, Construction & Improvement | \$949M |
| • Reserve Training | \$126M |
| • R&D, Testing | \$17.5M |
| • Mandated Spending | \$1.45B |

Air Station New Orleans Mission Breakout

Search and Rescue	33%
Training	47%
Ports, Waterways, & Coastal Security	8%
LE/COOP	5%
Marine Environmental Protection	2%
Other	5%

Coast Guard Mission Breakout

Search and Rescue	11%
Drug Interdiction	16%
Migrant Interdiction	6%
PWCS	21%
Living Marine Resources	10%
Aids to Navigation	13%
Environmental Protection	4%
Other Law Enforcement	2%

Web Links

[Air Station New Orleans
www.uscg.mil/d8/units/airstanola](http://www.uscg.mil/d8/units/airstanola)
[D8 External Affairs
www.d8externalaffairs.com](http://www.d8externalaffairs.com)
[Recruiting
www.gocoastguard.com](http://www.gocoastguard.com)
[Auxiliary
www.cgaux.com](http://www.cgaux.com)
[Department of Homeland Security
www.dhs.gov](http://www.dhs.gov)