

USAF Leaders Through the Years

Secretaries of the Air Force

Stuart Symington	Sept. 18, 1947	Apr. 24, 1950
Thomas K. Finletter	Apr. 24, 1950	Jan. 20, 1953
Harold E. Talbot	Feb. 4, 1953	Aug. 13, 1955
Donald A. Quarles	Aug. 15, 1955	Apr. 30, 1957
James H. Douglas, Jr.	May 1, 1957	Dec. 10, 1959
Dudley C. Sharp	Dec. 11, 1959	Jan. 20, 1961
Eugene M. Zuckert	Jan. 24, 1961	Sept. 30, 1965
Harold Brown	Oct. 1, 1965	Feb. 15, 1969
Robert C. Seamans, Jr.	Feb. 15, 1969	May 14, 1973
John L. McLucas (acting)	May 15, 1973	July 18, 1973
John L. McLucas	July 18, 1973	Nov. 23, 1975
James W. Plummer (acting)	Nov. 24, 1975	Jan. 1, 1976
Thomas C. Reed	Jan. 2, 1976	Apr. 6, 1977
John C. Stetson	Apr. 6, 1977	May 18, 1979
Hans Mark (acting)	May 18, 1979	July 26, 1979
Hans Mark	July 26, 1979	Feb. 9, 1981
Verne Orr	Feb. 9, 1981	Nov. 30, 1985
Russell A. Rourke	Dec. 9, 1985	Apr. 7, 1986
Edward C. Aldridge, Jr. (acting)	Apr. 8, 1986	June 8, 1986
Edward C. Aldridge, Jr.	June 9, 1986	Dec. 16, 1988
James F. McGovern (acting)	Dec. 16, 1988	Apr. 29, 1989
John J. Welch, Jr. (acting)	Apr. 29, 1989	May 21, 1989
Donald B. Rice	May 22, 1989	Jan. 20, 1993
Michael B. Donley (acting)	Jan. 20, 1993	July 13, 1993
Gen. Merrill A. McPeak (acting)	July 14, 1993	Aug. 5, 1993
Sheila E. Widnall	Aug. 6, 1993	

USAF Chiefs of Staff

Gen. Carl A. Spaatz	Sept. 26, 1947	Apr. 29, 1948
Gen. Hoyt S. Vandenberg	Apr. 30, 1948	June 29, 1953
Gen. Nathan F. Twining	June 30, 1953	June 30, 1957
Gen. Thomas D. White	July 1, 1957	June 30, 1961
Gen. Curtis E. LeMay	June 30, 1961	Jan. 31, 1965
Gen. John P. McConnell	Feb. 1, 1965	July 31, 1969
Gen. John D. Ryan	Aug. 1, 1969	July 31, 1973
Gen. George S. Brown	Aug. 1, 1973	June 30, 1974
Gen. David C. Jones	July 1, 1974	June 20, 1978
Gen. Lew Allen, Jr.	July 1, 1978	June 30, 1982
Gen. Charles A. Gabriel	July 1, 1982	June 30, 1986
Gen. Larry D. Welch	July 1, 1986	June 30, 1990
Gen. Michael J. Dugan	July 1, 1990	Sept. 17, 1990
Gen. John M. Loh (acting)	Sept. 18, 1990	Oct. 29, 1990
Gen. Merrill A. McPeak	Oct. 30, 1990	Oct. 25, 1994
Gen. Ronald R. Fogleman	Oct. 26, 1994	

Chief Master Sergeants of the Air Force

CMSAF Paul W. Airey	Apr. 3, 1967	July 31, 1969
CMSAF Donald L. Harlow	Aug. 1, 1969	Sept. 30, 1971
CMSAF Richard D. Kisling	Oct. 1, 1971	Sept. 30, 1973
CMSAF Thomas N. Barnes	Oct. 1, 1973	July 31, 1977
CMSAF Robert D. Gaylor	Aug. 1, 1977	July 31, 1979
CMSAF James M. McCoy	Aug. 1, 1979	July 31, 1981
CMSAF Arthur L. Andrews	Aug. 1, 1981	July 31, 1983
CMSAF Sam E. Parish	Aug. 1, 1983	June 30, 1986
CMSAF James C. Binnicker	July 1, 1986	July 31, 1989
CMSAF Gary R. Pflingston	Aug. 1, 1990	Oct. 25, 1994
CMSAF David J. Campanale	Oct. 26, 1994	Nov. 4, 1996
CMSAF Eric W. Benken	Nov. 5, 1996	

Air Combat Command

Gen. John Michael Loh	June 1, 1992	June 22, 1995
Gen. Joseph W. Ralston	June 23, 1995	Feb. 27, 1996
Lt. Gen. Brett M. Dula (acting)	Feb. 28, 1996	Apr. 4, 1996
Gen. Richard E. Hawley	Apr. 5, 1996	

Air (Aerospace) Defense Command

Lt. Gen. George E. Stratemeyer	Mar. 27, 1946	Nov. 30, 1948
Maj. Gen. Gordon P. Saville	Dec. 1, 1948	Sept. 1, 1949
Lt. Gen. Ennis C. Whitehead	Jan. 8, 1951	Aug. 24, 1951
Gen. Benjamin W. Childlaw	Aug. 25, 1951	May 31, 1955
Maj. Gen. Frederic H. Smith, Jr. (acting)	June 1, 1955	July 19, 1955
Gen. Earle E. Partridge	July 20, 1955	Sept. 16, 1956
Lt. Gen. Joseph H. Atkinson	Sept. 17, 1956	Feb. 28, 1961
Lt. Gen. Robert M. Lee	Mar. 1, 1961	July 5, 1963
Maj. Gen. Robert H. Terrill (acting)	July 6, 1963	July 31, 1967
Lt. Gen. Herbert B. Thatcher	Aug. 1, 1967	July 31, 1967
Lt. Gen. Arthur C. Agan, Jr.	Aug. 1, 1967	Feb. 28, 1970
Lt. Gen. Thomas K. McGehee	Mar. 1, 1970	June 30, 1973
Gen. Seth J. McKee	July 1, 1973	Sept. 30, 1973

Gen. Lucius D. Clay, Jr.	Oct. 1, 1973	Aug. 31, 1975
Gen. Daniel James, Jr.	Sept. 1, 1975	Dec. 6, 1977
Gen. James E. Hill	Dec. 6, 1977	Dec. 31, 1979
Gen. James V. Hartinger	Jan. 1, 1980	Mar. 31, 1980

Discontinued July 1, 1950. Reestablished as a major command and organized Jan. 1, 1951. Redesignated Aerospace Defense Command Jan. 15, 1968. Inactivated Mar. 31, 1980.

Air Education and Training Command

Gen. Henry Viccellio, Jr.	July 1, 1993	June 19, 1995
Gen. Billy J. Boles	June 20, 1995	Mar. 17, 1997
Gen. Lloyd W. Newton	Mar. 17, 1997	

Air Force Communications Command

Maj. Gen. Harold W. Grant	July 1, 1961	Feb. 15, 1962
Maj. Gen. Kenneth P. Bergquist	Feb. 16, 1962	June 30, 1965
Maj. Gen. J. Francis Taylor, Jr.	July 1, 1965	Oct. 31, 1965
Maj. Gen. Richard P. Klocko	Nov. 1, 1965	July 2, 1967
Maj. Gen. Robert W. Paulson	July 15, 1967	Aug. 1, 1969
Maj. Gen. Paul R. Stoney	Aug. 1, 1969	Oct. 31, 1973
Maj. Gen. Donald L. Werbeck	Nov. 1, 1973	Aug. 24, 1975
Maj. Gen. Rupert H. Burris	Aug. 25, 1975	Oct. 31, 1977
Maj. Gen. Robert E. Sadler	Nov. 1, 1977	July 1, 1979
Maj. Gen. Robert T. Herres	July 1, 1979	July 27, 1981
Maj. Gen. Robert F. McCarthy	July 27, 1981	June 1, 1984
Maj. Gen. Gerald L. Prather	June 1, 1984	Aug. 28, 1986
Maj. Gen. John T. Stihl	Aug. 28, 1986	Mar. 29, 1988
Maj. Gen. James S. Cassity, Jr.	Mar. 29, 1988	May 16, 1989
Maj. Gen. Robert H. Ludwig	May 16, 1989	Nov. 9, 1990
Maj. Gen. John S. Fairfield	Nov. 9, 1990	July 1, 1991

Formerly Air Force Communications Service. Redesignated Air Force Communications Command Nov. 15, 1979. Redesignated Air Force Command, Control, Communications, and Computer Agency, an FOA. Redesignated Air Force Communications Agency June 13, 1996.

Air Force Intelligence Command

Maj. Gen. Gary W. O'Shaughnessy	Oct. 1, 1991	June 1, 1993
Maj. Gen. Kenneth A. Minihan	June 2, 1993	Oct. 1, 1993

Now Air Intelligence Agency, an FOA. See Electronic Security Command.

Air Force Logistics Command

Gen. Joseph T. McNarney	Oct. 14, 1947	Aug. 31, 1949
Lt. Gen. Benjamin W. Chidlaw	Sept. 1, 1949	Aug. 20, 1951
Gen. Edwin W. Rawlings	Aug. 21, 1951	Feb. 28, 1959
Lt. Gen. William F. McKee	Mar. 1, 1959	Mar. 14, 1959
Gen. Samuel E. Anderson	Mar. 15, 1959	July 31, 1961
Gen. William F. McKee	Aug. 1, 1961	June 30, 1962
Gen. Mark E. Bradley, Jr.	July 1, 1962	July 31, 1965
Gen. Kenneth B. Hobson	Aug. 1, 1965	July 31, 1967
Gen. Thomas P. Gerrity	Aug. 1, 1967	Feb. 24, 1968
Lt. Gen. Lewis L. Mundell (acting)	Feb. 24, 1968	Mar. 28, 1968
Gen. Jack G. Merrell	Mar. 29, 1968	Sept. 11, 1972
Gen. Jack J. Catton	Sept. 12, 1972	Aug. 31, 1974
Gen. William V. McBride	Sept. 1, 1974	Aug. 31, 1975
Gen. F. Michael Rogers	Sept. 1, 1975	Jan. 27, 1978
Gen. Bryce Poe II	Jan. 28, 1978	July 31, 1981
Gen. James P. Mullins	Aug. 1, 1981	Nov. 1, 1984
Gen. Earl T. O'Loughlin	Nov. 1, 1984	July 31, 1987
Gen. Alfred G. Hansen	July 31, 1987	Oct. 31, 1989
Gen. Charles C. McDonald	Oct. 31, 1989	July 1, 1992

Formerly Air Materiel Command. Redesignated Air Force Logistics Command Apr. 1, 1961. Inactivated July 1, 1992.

Air Force Materiel Command

Gen. Ronald W. Yates	July 1, 1992	June 30, 1995
Gen. Henry Viccellio, Jr.	June 30, 1995	

Air Force Reserve Command

Maj. Gen. Rollin B. Moore, Jr.	Aug. 1, 1968	Jan. 26, 1972
Brig. Gen. Alfred Verhulst (acting)	Jan. 27, 1972	Mar. 15, 1972
Maj. Gen. Homer I. Lewis	Mar. 16, 1972	Apr. 8, 1975
Maj. Gen. William Lyon	Apr. 16, 1975	Apr. 16, 1979
Maj. Gen. Richard Bodycombe	Apr. 17, 1979	Oct. 31, 1982
Maj. Gen. Sloan R. Gill	Nov. 1, 1982	Oct. 31, 1986
Maj. Gen. Roger P. Scheer	Nov. 1, 1986	Oct. 31, 1990
Maj. Gen. John J. Closner III	Nov. 1, 1990	Oct. 31, 1994
Maj. Gen. Robert A. McIntosh	Nov. 1, 1994	

Since Mar. 16, 1972, the chief of Air Force Reserve had also been commander, Hq. Air

Force Reserve (AFRES). Maj. Gen. Thomas Marchbanks, Jr., served as chief, Air Force Reserve, from Jan. 18, 1968, to Feb. 1, 1971. Formerly Air Force Reserve, AFRC became a major command Feb. 17, 1997.

Air Force Space Command

Gen. James V. Hartinger	Sept. 1, 1982	July 30, 1984
Gen. Robert T. Herres	July 30, 1984	Oct. 1, 1986
Maj. Gen. Maurice C. Padden	Oct. 1, 1986	Oct. 29, 1987
Lt. Gen. Donald J. Kutyna	Oct. 29, 1987	Mar. 29, 1990
Lt. Gen. Thomas S. Moorman, Jr.	Mar. 29, 1990	Mar. 23, 1992
Gen. Donald J. Kutyna	Mar. 23, 1992	July 1, 1992
Gen. Charles A. Horner	July 1, 1992	Sept. 13, 1994
Gen. Joseph W. Ashy	Sept. 13, 1994	Aug. 26, 1996
Gen. Howell M. Estes III	Aug. 26, 1996	

Air Force Special Operations Command

Maj. Gen. Thomas E. Eggers	May 22, 1990	June 30, 1991
Maj. Gen. Bruce L. Fister	June 30, 1991	July 22, 1994
Maj. Gen. James L. Hobson, Jr.	July 22, 1994	

Air Force Systems Command

Maj. Gen. David M. Schlatter	Feb. 1, 1950	June 24, 1951
Lt. Gen. Earle E. Partridge	June 24, 1951	June 20, 1953
Lt. Gen. Donald L. Putt	June 30, 1953	Apr. 14, 1954
Lt. Gen. Thomas S. Power	Apr. 15, 1954	June 30, 1957
Maj. Gen. John W. Sessums, Jr.	July 1, 1957	July 31, 1957
Lt. Gen. Samuel E. Anderson	Aug. 1, 1957	Mar. 9, 1959
Maj. Gen. John W. Sessums, Jr.	Mar. 10, 1959	Apr. 24, 1959
Gen. Bernard A. Schriever	Apr. 25, 1959	Aug. 31, 1966
Gen. James Ferguson	Sept. 1, 1966	Aug. 30, 1970
Gen. George S. Brown	Sept. 1, 1970	July 31, 1973
Gen. Samuel C. Phillips	Aug. 1, 1973	Aug. 31, 1975
Gen. William J. Evans	Sept. 1, 1975	July 31, 1977
Gen. Lew Allen, Jr.	Aug. 1, 1977	Mar. 13, 1978
Gen. Alton D. Slay	Mar. 14, 1978	Feb. 1, 1981
Gen. Robert T. Marsh	Feb. 1, 1981	Aug. 1, 1984
Gen. Lawrence A. Skantze	Aug. 1, 1984	July 17, 1987
Gen. Bernard P. Randolph	July 17, 1987	Apr. 1, 1990
Gen. Ronald W. Yates	Apr. 1, 1990	July 1, 1992

Formerly Air Research and Development Command. Redesignated Air Force Systems Command Apr. 1, 1961. Inactivated July 1, 1992.

Air Mobility Command

Gen. Hansford T. Johnson	June 1, 1992	Aug. 22, 1992
Ronald R. Fogleman	Aug. 23, 1992	Oct. 17, 1994
Gen. Robert L. Rutherford	Oct. 18, 1994	July 15, 1996
Gen. Walter Kross	July 15, 1996	

Air National Guard

Col. William A. R. Robertson	Nov. 28, 1945	Oct. 1948
Maj. Gen. George G. Finch	Oct. 1948	Sept. 25, 1950
Maj. Gen. Earl T. Ricks	Oct. 13, 1950	Jan. 4, 1954
Maj. Gen. Winston P. Wilson	Jan. 26, 1954	Aug. 5, 1962
Maj. Gen. I. G. Brown	Aug. 6, 1962	Apr. 19, 1974
Maj. Gen. John J. Pesch	Apr. 20, 1974	Jan. 31, 1977
Maj. Gen. John T. Guice	Feb. 1, 1977	Apr. 1, 1981
Maj. Gen. John B. Conaway	Apr. 1, 1981	Nov. 1, 1988
Maj. Gen. Philip G. Killey	Nov. 1, 1988	Jan. 28, 1994
Maj. Gen. Donald W. Shepperd	Jan. 28, 1994	

AFRC and ANG primary responsibilities came under Continental Air Command 1948-68. Since Mar. 16, 1972, the director of Air National Guard has also been commander, Hq. Air National Guard (ANG).

Air Proving Ground Command

Maj. Gen. Carl A. Brandt	Oct. 1946	Aug. 1948
Maj. Gen. William E. Kepner	Aug. 1948	June 1950
Maj. Gen. Bryant L. Boatner	July 1950	July 1952
Maj. Gen. Patrick W. Timberlake	July 1952	Apr. 1955
Maj. Gen. Robert W. Burns	Aug. 1955	July 1957

Now Air Force Development Test Center, Eglin AFB, Fla.

Air Training Command

Lt. Gen. Barton K. Yount	July 7, 1943	Sept. 26, 1945
Maj. Gen. James P. Hodges	Sept. 27, 1945	Apr. 12, 1946
Lt. Gen. John K. Cannon	Apr. 13, 1946	Oct. 13, 1948
Lt. Gen. Robert W. Harper	Oct. 14, 1948	June 30, 1954
Maj. Gen. Glenn O. Barcus	July 1, 1954	July 25, 1954
Lt. Gen. Charles T. Myers	July 26, 1954	July 31, 1958
Lt. Gen. Frederic H. Smith, Jr.	Aug. 1, 1958	July 31, 1959
Lt. Gen. James E. Briggs	Aug. 1, 1959	July 31, 1963
Lt. Gen. Robert W. Burns	Aug. 1, 1963	Aug. 10, 1964

Lt. Gen. William W. Momyer	Aug. 11, 1964	June 30, 1966
Lt. Gen. Sam Maddux, Jr.	July 1, 1966	Aug. 30, 1970
Lt. Gen. George B. Simler	Sept. 1, 1970	Sept. 9, 1972
Lt. Gen. William V. McBride	Sept. 9, 1972	Aug. 31, 1974
Lt. Gen. George H. McKee	Sept. 1, 1974	Aug. 28, 1975
Gen. John W. Roberts	Aug. 29, 1975	Apr. 1, 1979
Gen. Bennie L. Davis	Apr. 1, 1979	July 28, 1981
Gen. Thomas M. Ryan, Jr.	July 29, 1981	June 22, 1983
Gen. Andrew P. Iosue	June 23, 1983	Aug. 27, 1986
Lt. Gen. John A. Shaud	Aug. 28, 1986	June 5, 1988
Lt. Gen. Robert C. Oaks	June 6, 1988	June 24, 1990
Lt. Gen. Joseph W. Ashy	June 25, 1990	Dec. 9, 1992
Gen. Henry Viccellio, Jr.	Dec. 10, 1992	June 30, 1993

Redesignated Air Education and Training Command July 1, 1993.

Air University

Maj. Gen. Muir S. Fairchild	Mar. 15, 1946	May 17, 1948
Maj. Gen. Robert W. Harper	May 17, 1948	Oct. 15, 1948
Gen. George C. Kenney	Oct. 16, 1948	July 27, 1951
Lt. Gen. Idwal H. Edwards	July 28, 1951	Feb. 28, 1953
Lt. Gen. Laurence S. Kuter	Apr. 15, 1953	May 31, 1955
Lt. Gen. Dean C. Strother	June 1, 1955	June 30, 1958
Lt. Gen. Walter E. Todd	July 15, 1958	July 31, 1961
Lt. Gen. Troup Miller, Jr.	Aug. 1, 1961	Dec. 31, 1963
Lt. Gen. Ralph P. Swofford, Jr.	Jan. 1, 1964	July 31, 1965
Lt. Gen. John W. Carpenter III	Aug. 1, 1965	July 31, 1968
Lt. Gen. Albert P. Clark	Aug. 1, 1968	July 31, 1970
Lt. Gen. Alvan C. Gillem II	Aug. 1, 1970	Oct. 31, 1973
Lt. Gen. F. Michael Rogers	Nov. 1, 1973	Aug. 31, 1975
Lt. Gen. Raymond B. Furlong	Sept. 1, 1975	July 1, 1979
Lt. Gen. Stanley M. Umstead	July 1, 1979	July 24, 1981
Lt. Gen. Charles G. Cleveland	July 24, 1981	Aug. 1, 1984
Lt. Gen. Thomas C. Richards	Aug. 1, 1984	Nov. 6, 1986
Lt. Gen. Truman Spangrud	Nov. 6, 1986	July 12, 1988
Lt. Gen. Ralph E. Havens	July 12, 1988	Oct. 6, 1989
Maj. Gen. David C. Reed	Oct. 6, 1989	Jan. 4, 1990
Lt. Gen. Charles G. Boyd	Jan. 4, 1990	Oct. 26, 1992
Lt. Gen. Jay W. Kelley	Oct. 27, 1992	June 30, 1993

Air University was part of Air Training Command between May 1978 and July 1983. Ceased to be a major command and was assigned to Air Education and Training Command July 1, 1993.

Alaskan Air Command

Brig. Gen. Joseph H. Atkinson	Oct. 1, 1946	Feb. 25, 1949
Brig. Gen. Frank A. Armstrong, Jr.	Feb. 26, 1949	Dec. 27, 1950
Maj. Gen. William D. Old	Dec. 27, 1950	Oct. 14, 1952
Brig. Gen. W. R. Agee	Oct. 27, 1952	Feb. 26, 1953
Maj. Gen. George R. Acheson	Feb. 26, 1953	Feb. 1, 1956
Lt. Gen. Joseph H. Atkinson	Feb. 24, 1956	July 16, 1956
Maj. Gen. Frank A. Armstrong, Jr.	July 17, 1956	Oct. 23, 1956
Maj. Gen. James H. Davies	Oct. 24, 1956	June 27, 1957
Lt. Gen. Frank A. Armstrong, Jr.	June 28, 1957	Aug. 18, 1957
Brig. Gen. Kenneth H. Gibson	Aug. 19, 1957	Aug. 13, 1958
Maj. Gen. C. F. Necrason	Aug. 14, 1958	July 19, 1961
Maj. Gen. Wendell W. Bowman	July 26, 1961	Aug. 8, 1963
Maj. Gen. James C. Jensen	Aug. 15, 1963	Nov. 14, 1966
Maj. Gen. Thomas E. Moore	Nov. 15, 1966	July 24, 1969
Maj. Gen. Joseph A. Cunningham	July 25, 1969	July 31, 1972
Maj. Gen. Donavon F. Smith	Aug. 1, 1972	June 5, 1973
Maj. Gen. Charles W. Carson, Jr.	June 18, 1973	Mar. 2, 1974
Maj. Gen. Jack K. Gamble	Mar. 19, 1974	June 30, 1975
Lt. Gen. James E. Hill	July 1, 1975	Oct. 14, 1976
Lt. Gen. M. L. Boswell	Oct. 15, 1976	June 30, 1978
Lt. Gen. Winfield W. Scott, Jr.	July 1, 1978	Apr. 1, 1981
Lt. Gen. Lynwood E. Clark	Apr. 1, 1981	Aug. 31, 1983
Lt. Gen. Bruce K. Brown	Sept. 1, 1983	Sept. 26, 1985
Lt. Gen. David L. Nichols	Sept. 27, 1985	May 22, 1988
Lt. Gen. Thomas G. McInerney	May 22, 1988	Aug. 9, 1990

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Continental Air Command

Lt. Gen. Ennis C. Whitehead	Apr. 5, 1949	Jan. 1, 1951
Maj. Gen. Willis H. Hale	Jan. 1, 1951	Feb. 18, 1952
Lt. Gen. Leon W. Johnson	Feb. 18, 1952	Dec. 14, 1955
Lt. Gen. Charles B. Stone III	Dec. 15, 1955	June 30, 1957
Lt. Gen. William E. Hall	July 1, 1957	Sept. 30, 1961
Lt. Gen. Gordon A. Blake	Sept. 30, 1961	June 30, 1962
Lt. Gen. Edward J. Timberlake	July 1, 1962	July 1966
Lt. Gen. Henry Viccellio, Sr.	Aug. 1, 1966	Aug. 1, 1968

Electronic Security Command

Col. Roy H. Lynn	Oct. 26, 1948	July 5, 1949
Col. Travis M. Hetherington	July 6, 1949	Feb. 21, 1951
Maj. Gen. Roy H. Lynn	Feb. 22, 1951	Feb. 13, 1953
Maj. Gen. Harold H. Bassett	Feb. 14, 1953	Jan. 3, 1957

Maj. Gen. Gordon L. Blake	Jan. 4, 1957	Aug. 5, 1959
Maj. Gen. John B. Ackerman	Aug. 6, 1959	Sept. 20, 1959
Maj. Gen. Millard Lewis	Sept. 21, 1959	Aug. 31, 1962
Maj. Gen. Richard P. Klocko	Sept. 1, 1962	Oct. 15, 1965
Maj. Gen. Louis E. Coira	Oct. 16, 1965	July 18, 1969
Maj. Gen. Carl W. Stapleton	July 19, 1969	Feb. 23, 1973
Maj. Gen. Walter T. Galligan	Feb. 24, 1973	May 16, 1974
Maj. Gen. Howard P. Smith	May 17, 1974	July 31, 1975
Maj. Gen. K. D. Burns	Aug. 1, 1975	Jan. 18, 1979
Maj. Gen. Doyle E. Larson	Jan. 19, 1979	July 31, 1983
Maj. Gen. John B. Marks	Aug. 1, 1983	Apr. 16, 1985
Maj. Gen. Paul H. Martin	Apr. 17, 1985	Aug. 14, 1989
Maj. Gen. Gary W. O'Shaughnessy	Aug. 15, 1989	Oct. 1, 1991

Formerly USAF Security Service. Redesignated Electronic Security Command Aug. 1, 1979. Redesignated Air Force Intelligence Command Oct. 1, 1991. Redesignated Air Intelligence Agency Oct. 1, 1993.

Headquarters Command

Brig. Gen. Burton M. Hovey	Jan. 3, 1946	Dec. 13, 1948
Brig. Gen. Sydney D. Grubbs	Dec. 14, 1948	Oct. 1, 1950
Brig. Gen. Morris J. Lee	Oct. 2, 1950	June 13, 1952
Brig. Gen. Stoyte O. Ross	June 14, 1952	July 4, 1956
Maj. Gen. Reuben C. Hood, Jr.	Aug. 1, 1956	June 30, 1959
Maj. Gen. Brooke A. Allen	Aug. 3, 1959	Dec. 31, 1965
Maj. Gen. Rollen H. Anthis	Jan. 10, 1966	Nov. 30, 1967
Maj. Gen. Milton B. Adams	Dec. 1, 1967	June 30, 1968
Maj. Gen. Nils O. Ohman	July 5, 1968	Apr. 30, 1972
Maj. Gen. John L. Locke	May 1, 1972	Feb. 25, 1974
Maj. Gen. M.R. Reilly	Feb. 26, 1974	Aug. 1975
Maj. Gen. William C. Norris	Sept. 1, 1975	June 30, 1976

Established as Bolling Field; organized Dec. 15, 1946. Redesignated Headquarters Command, USAF, Mar. 17, 1958. Inactivated in 1976.

Military Airlift Command

Lt. Gen. Laurence S. Kuter	June 1, 1948	Oct. 28, 1951
Lt. Gen. Joseph Smith	Nov. 15, 1951	June 30, 1958
Lt. Gen. William H. Tunner	July 1, 1958	May 31, 1960
Gen. Joe W. Kelly, Jr.	June 1, 1960	July 18, 1964
Gen. Howell M. Estes, Jr.	July 19, 1964	July 31, 1969
Gen. Jack J. Catton	Aug. 1, 1969	Sept. 12, 1972
Gen. Paul K. Carlton	Sept. 20, 1972	Mar. 31, 1977
Gen. William G. Moore, Jr.	Apr. 1, 1977	June 30, 1979
Gen. Robert E. Huyser	July 1, 1979	June 26, 1981
Gen. James R. Allen	June 26, 1981	June 30, 1983
Gen. Thomas M. Ryan, Jr.	July 1, 1983	Sept. 19, 1985
Gen. Duane H. Cassidy	Sept. 20, 1985	Sept. 20, 1989
Gen. Hansford T. Johnson	Sept. 20, 1989	June 1, 1992

Formerly Military Air Transport Service. Redesignated Military Airlift Command Jan. 1, 1966. Inactivated June 1, 1992.

Pacific Air Forces

Lt. Gen. Ennis C. Whitehead	Dec. 30, 1945	Apr. 25, 1949
Lt. Gen. George E. Stratemeyer	Apr. 26, 1949	May 20, 1951
Lt. Gen. Earle E. Partridge (acting)	May 21, 1951	June 9, 1951
Gen. O.P. Weyland	June 10, 1951	Mar. 25, 1954
Gen. Earle E. Partridge	Mar. 26, 1954	May 31, 1955
Gen. Laurence S. Kuter	June 1, 1955	July 31, 1959
Gen. Emmett O'Donnell, Jr.	Aug. 1, 1959	July 31, 1963
Gen. Jacob E. Smart	Aug. 1, 1963	July 31, 1964
Gen. Hunter Harris, Jr.	Aug. 1, 1964	Jan. 31, 1967
Gen. John D. Ryan	Feb. 1, 1967	July 31, 1968
Gen. Joseph J. Nazzaro	Aug. 1, 1968	July 31, 1971
Gen. Lucius D. Clay, Jr.	Aug. 1, 1971	Sept. 30, 1973
Gen. John W. Vogt	Oct. 1, 1973	June 30, 1974
Gen. Louis L. Wilson, Jr.	July 1, 1974	May 31, 1977
Lt. Gen. James A. Hill	June 1, 1977	June 14, 1978
Lt. Gen. James D. Hughes	June 15, 1978	July 1, 1981
Lt. Gen. Arnold W. Braswell	July 1, 1981	Sept. 30, 1983
Gen. Jerome F. O'Malley	Oct. 8, 1983	Nov. 1, 1984
Gen. Robert W. Bazley	Nov. 1, 1984	Dec. 16, 1986
Gen. Jack I. Gregory	Dec. 16, 1986	July 22, 1988
Gen. Merrill A. McPeak	July 22, 1988	Oct. 30, 1990
Lt. Gen. James B. Davis	Nov. 5, 1990	Feb. 19, 1991
Gen. Jimmie V. Adams	Feb. 19, 1991	Jan. 25, 1993
Gen. Robert L. Rutherford	Jan. 26, 1993	Oct. 12, 1994
Gen. John G. Lorber	Oct. 12, 1994	

Formerly Far East Air Forces. Redesignated Pacific Air Forces July 1, 1957.

Strategic Air Command

Gen. George C. Kenney	Mar. 21, 1946	Oct. 18, 1948
Gen. Curtis E. LeMay	Oct. 19, 1948	June 30, 1957
Gen. Thomas S. Power	July 1, 1957	Nov. 30, 1964
Gen. John D. Ryan	Dec. 1, 1964	Jan. 31, 1967
Gen. Joseph J. Nazzaro	Feb. 1, 1967	July 28, 1968
Gen. Bruce K. Holloway	July 29, 1968	Apr. 30, 1972
Gen. John C. Meyer	May 1, 1972	July 31, 1974

Gen. Russell E. Dougherty	Aug. 1, 1974	July 31, 1977
Gen. Richard H. Ellis	Aug. 1, 1977	July 31, 1981
Gen. B. L. Davis	Aug. 1, 1981	July 31, 1985
Gen. Larry D. Welch	Aug. 1, 1985	June 30, 1986
Gen. John T. Chain	July 1, 1986	Jan. 31, 1991
Gen. George L. Butler	Feb. 1, 1991	June 1, 1992

Inactivated June 1, 1992.

Tactical Air Command

Lt. Gen. E. R. Quesada	Mar. 21, 1946	Nov. 23, 1948
Maj. Gen. Robert M. Lee	Dec. 24, 1948	June 20, 1950
Maj. Gen. Glenn O. Barcus	July 17, 1950	Jan. 25, 1951
Gen. John K. Cannon	Jan. 25, 1951	Mar. 31, 1954
Gen. O. P. Weyland	Apr. 1, 1954	July 31, 1959
Gen. Frank F. Everest	Aug. 1, 1959	Sept. 30, 1961
Gen. Walter C. Sweeney, Jr.	Oct. 1, 1961	July 31, 1965
Gen. Gabriel P. Disosway	Aug. 1, 1965	July 31, 1968
Gen. William M. Mommyer	Aug. 1, 1968	Sept. 30, 1973
Gen. Robert J. Dixon	Oct. 1, 1973	Apr. 30, 1978
Gen. W. L. Creech	May 1, 1978	Nov. 1, 1984
Gen. Jerome F. O'Malley	Nov. 1, 1984	Apr. 20, 1985
Gen. Robert D. Russ	May 22, 1985	Mar. 26, 1991
Gen. John Michael Loh	Mar. 27, 1991	June 1, 1992

Inactivated June 1, 1992.

US Air Forces in Europe

Maj. Gen. William E. Kepner	Aug. 7, 1945	Aug. 13, 1945
Lt. Gen. John K. Cannon	Aug. 13, 1945	Mar. 2, 1946
Maj. Gen. Idwal H. Edwards	Mar. 2, 1946	Aug. 14, 1946
Brig. Gen. John F. McBlain (interim)	Aug. 14, 1947	Oct. 20, 1947
Lt. Gen. Curtis E. LeMay	Oct. 20, 1947	Oct. 15, 1948
Lt. Gen. John K. Cannon	Oct. 16, 1948	Jan. 20, 1951
Gen. Lauris Norstad	Jan. 21, 1951	July 26, 1953
Lt. Gen. William H. Tunner	July 27, 1953	June 30, 1957
Gen. Frank F. Everest	July 1, 1957	July 31, 1959
Gen. Frederic H. Smith, Jr.	Aug. 1, 1959	June 30, 1961
Gen. Truman H. Landon	July 1, 1961	July 31, 1963
Gen. Gabriel P. Disosway	Aug. 1, 1963	July 31, 1965
Gen. Bruce K. Holloway	Aug. 1, 1965	July 31, 1966
Gen. Maurice A. Preston	Aug. 1, 1966	July 31, 1968
Gen. Horace M. Wade	Aug. 1, 1968	Jan. 31, 1969
Gen. Joseph R. Holzapple	Feb. 1, 1969	Aug. 31, 1971
Gen. David C. Jones	Sept. 1, 1971	June 30, 1974
Gen. John W. Vogt	July 1, 1974	Aug. 31, 1975
Gen. Richard H. Ellis	Sept. 1, 1975	July 31, 1977
Gen. William J. Evans	Aug. 1, 1977	Aug. 1, 1978
Gen. John W. Pauly	Aug. 1, 1978	Aug. 1, 1980
Gen. Charles A. Gabriel	Aug. 1, 1980	June 30, 1982
Gen. Billy M. Minter	July 1, 1982	Nov. 1, 1984
Gen. Charles L. Donnelly, Jr.	Nov. 1, 1984	May 1, 1987
Gen. William L. Kirk	May 1, 1987	Apr. 12, 1989
Gen. Michael J. Dugan	Apr. 12, 1989	June 26, 1990
Gen. Robert C. Oaks	June 26, 1990	July 29, 1994
Gen. James L. Jamerson	July 29, 1994	July 16, 1995
Gen. Richard E. Hawley	July 17, 1995	Apr. 4, 1996
Gen. Michael E. Ryan	Apr. 4, 1996	

US Air Forces Southern Command/Caribbean

Maj. Gen. Willis H. Hale	Nov. 13, 1947	Oct. 19, 1949
Brig. Gen. Rosenham Beam	Oct. 20, 1949	Nov. 5, 1950
Brig. Gen. Emil C. Kiel	Nov. 6, 1950	June 10, 1953
Maj. Gen. Reuben C. Hood, Jr.	June 11, 1953	June 16, 1956
Maj. Gen. Truman H. Landon	June 20, 1956	June 1, 1959
Maj. Gen. Leland S. Stranathan	Aug. 3, 1959	Sept. 8, 1963
Maj. Gen. Robert A. Breitweiser	Sept. 11, 1963	July 9, 1966
Maj. Gen. Reginald J. Clizbe	Aug. 6, 1966	June 14, 1968
Maj. Gen. Kenneth O. Sanborn	June 14, 1968	Apr. 7, 1972
Maj. Gen. Arthur G. Salisbury	Apr. 7, 1972	Nov. 1, 1974
Maj. Gen. James M. Breedlove	Oct. 1974	Jan. 1, 1976

Inactivated Jan. 1, 1976.

USAF Academy Superintendents

Lt. Gen. Hubert R. Harmon	July 27, 1954	July 27, 1956
Maj. Gen. James E. Briggs	July 28, 1956	Aug. 16, 1959
Maj. Gen. William S. Stone	Aug. 17, 1959	June 30, 1962
Maj. Gen. Robert H. Warren	July 9, 1962	June 30, 1965
Lt. Gen. Thomas S. Moorman, Sr.	July 1, 1965	July 31, 1970
Lt. Gen. Albert P. Clark	Aug. 1, 1970	July 31, 1974
Lt. Gen. James R. Allen	Aug. 1, 1974	June 27, 1977
Lt. Gen. Kenneth L. Tallman	June 28, 1977	June 15, 1981
Maj. Gen. Robert E. Kelley	June 16, 1981	June 15, 1983
Lt. Gen. Winfield W. Scott, Jr.	June 16, 1983	June 25, 1987
Lt. Gen. Charles R. Hamm	June 26, 1987	July 1, 1991
Lt. Gen. Bradley C. Hosmer	July 1, 1991	July 7, 1994
Lt. Gen. Paul E. Stein	July 8, 1994	



Although it was designed in 1937, the T-6 Texan remained a prevalent primary trainer in USAF well into the 1950s. More than 15,000 Texans were built, and the trainer was used extensively by both the US Navy and allied air forces. Here, students at Randolph AFB, Tex., stop for the camera before a training mission.

Another North American Aviation, Inc., trainer, the T-28 Trojan was also used by the Navy. During the Vietnam War, the Trojan was modified for counter-insurgency duty, armed with two .50-caliber machine guns and up to 1,800 pounds of rockets or bombs. In an odd twist, Air Training Command during the 1960s used the T-28 to give its helicopter pilot trainees 120 hours of fixed-wing experience before they moved on to helicopter training.



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Ever since it entered operational service in 1961, the T-38 Talon has been the mainstay for training USAF pilots in high-performance aircraft. The Air Force also uses the T-38 to help its pilots maintain flying proficiency when they are assigned to units that fly such aircraft as the B-2 and U-2. Ongoing modifications and structural renewals will keep this sturdy aircraft in service until 2020, a mind-stretching 61 years after its first flight. ■