

TWENTY-SECOND AIR FORCE



MISSION

LINEAGE

Domestic Division, Air Corps Ferrying Command established and activated, 28 Dec 1941

Redesignated Domestic Wing, Air Corps Ferrying Command, 26 Feb 1942

Redesignated Domestic Wing, Army Air Forces Ferry Command, 9 Mar 1942

Redesignated Domestic Wing, Army Air Forces Ferrying Command, 31 Mar 1942

Redesignated Ferrying Division, Air Transport Command, 20 Jun 1942

Redesignated Continental Division, Air Transport Command, 28 Feb 1946

Discontinued, 31 Oct 1946

Continental Division, Military Air Transport Service established and organized, July 1, 1948

Continental Division, Air Transport Command and Continental Division, Military Air Transport Service, consolidated, 1979

Redesignated Western Transport Air Force, 1 July 1958

Redesignated and Twenty-Second Air Force, 8 Jan 1966

Inactivated, 1 Jul 1993

Activated, 1 Jul 1993

STATIONS

Washington D.C.,

Cincinnati, OH, Feb 1943

Kelly AFB, TX, 1 Jul 1948

Travis AFB, CA

Dobbins ARB, GA

ASSIGNMENTS

Air Corps Ferrying Command
Military Airlift Command
Air Mobility Command, 1 Jun 1992
Air Force Reserve Command, 1 Jul 1993

COMMANDERS

Col William H. Tunner, 28 Dec 1941
MG Bob E. Nowland, 1 Aug 1944-31 Oct 1946
Unknown, 1 Jul 1948
MG James S. Stowed, 1 May 1950
MG Brooke E. Allen, 12 May 1955
MG Russell L. Waldron, 29 May 1957
MG Glen R. Birchard, 10 Jul 1961
MG George B. Dany, 29 Jun 1963
MG Joseph A. Cunningham, 19 Jul 1966
MG James C. Sherrill, 3 Jun 1968
MG William G. Moore, Jr., 1 Feb 1970
MG John F. Gonge, 29 Aug 1972
MG Thomas A. Aldrich, 1 Apr 1978
BG James L. Gardner, Jr., 17 Jul 1978
MG Charles F. G. Kuyk, Jr., 23 May 1980
MG Robert F. Coverdale, 27 Jul 1981
MG Donald W. Bennett, 29 Oct 1984
MG Donald D. Brown, 27 Feb 1987
MG Alexander K. Davidson, 26 Jul 1989
MG Richard J. Trzaskoma, 26 Jul 1989
MG Robert A. McIntosh, 1 Jul 1993
MG James E. Sherrard III, 1 Nov 1994
BG Joseph McNeil, 17 Jan 1995
BG Michael R. Lee, 6 Aug 1995
MG James E. Sherrard III, 11 Jan 1998
MG John J. Batbie, Jr., 25 Sep 1998
MG James D. Bankers, 7 May 2000
MG Martin M. Mazick, 11 Mar 2006
MG James T. Rubeor, 4 Apr 2009
MG Wallace Farris
MG Mark Kyle

HONORS

Service Streamers

World War II American Theater

Campaign Streamers

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

Air Force Outstanding Unit Awards

1 Jul 1991-30 Jun 1993

1 Jul 1993-1 Sep 1994

2 Sep 1994-1 Sep 1996

2 Sep 1996-1 Sep 1998

2 Sep 2000-1 Sep 2002

2 Sep 2002-1 Sep 2004

2 Sep 2004-2 Sep 2006

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Approved, 31 Jul 1959, modified, 16 Aug 1994

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OPERATIONS

In Feb 1942, the Army Air Corps activated the Domestic Wing, later redesignated as the Ferrying Division, with the personnel of the Domestic Division, Army Air Corps Ferrying Command, established in Dec 1941. The Domestic Wing moved newly-produced aircraft, flown by AAF pilots, civilian pilots, and women pilots of the Women's Auxiliary Ferrying Squadron and the Women's Air Service Pilots, from points within the United States to ports of embarkation for shipment to Britain and other overseas Allies. Later, AAF pilots flew aircraft to destinations outside the United States. In mid-1942, the wing began flying cargo on transports it ferried to overseas locations, and in May 1943, the AAF assigned transports to the Ferrying Division to fly cargo over its scheduled overseas ferrying routes. In May 1944, the Ferrying Division began flying wounded US military personnel from overseas theaters of operations to the United States. After Jun 1945 until Oct 1946, the Ferrying Division returned Italian and German prisoners of war from US locations to Europe and thousands of US military personnel from overseas locations to the United States as part of postwar demobilization.

From Jul 1948 to Jun 1958, the newly designated Continental Division transported by air military personnel, including sick and wounded; materiel, equipment, and other cargo within the continental United States and to and from overseas bases and locations during peacetime and for Air Force and joint training exercises and contingency and humanitarian operations. Its units participated in Operations VITTLES (Berlin Airlift), 24 June 1948-2 May 1949 and the Korean War, Jun 1950 to May 1953. From Jul 1951 to Mar 1958, it also delivered all types of US military aircraft from US aircraft factories to worldwide locations.

From Jul 1958 through Jan 1966, the unit as the Western Transport Air Force supervised air transportation of military personnel, equipment, and cargo throughout the Pacific and Southeast, South and Southwest Asia from the Pacific coast of the United States to Saudi Arabia; aeromedical transportation within the continental United States; and various special missions, training, and exercises for the Department of Defense and major commands.

As Twenty-Second Air Force, the unit managed air transportation of military personnel, equipment, and cargo for the western half of the United States and throughout the Pacific and Southeast, South and Southwest Asia from the Pacific coast of the United States to Saudi Arabia; aeromedical transportation within the continental United States; the airlanding and airdropping of combat forces, equipment and materiel into a combat zone; and various special missions, training, exercises and humanitarian operations for the Department of Defense and major commands from Jan 1966 to Jul 1993. In December 1974, the Twenty-Second Air Force received the Tactical Air Command's Twelfth Air Force C-130 tactical airlift operations.

With its reassignment to the Air Force Reserve in Jul 1993, Twenty-Second Air Force managed Air Force Reserve airlift units which conducted the air transportation of military personnel, equipment, and cargo; the airlanding and airdropping combat forces, equipment and materiel into a combat zone; and various special missions, training, exercises and humanitarian operations for the Department of Defense and Air Force major commands. Between Oct 1994 and 1 Apr 1997, Twenty-Second Air Force also managed Air Force Reserve air refueling units which conducted aerial refueling of US military aircraft of all US military services during missions, training, exercises and humanitarian operations.

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