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**FACTS & FIGURES: AFGHAN NATIONAL ARMY  
April 2010**

Founded: 2002

Strength: 112,779 troops (as of 11 Apr 10)

Target Strength: 171,600 (by October 2011)

Current performance levels based upon Capability Milestones (CM):

**CM-1** Capable of planning and executing operations at Battalion level with no external support:

- 21 ANA Kandaks (battalions),
- 2 Corps Headquarters: (203 in Gardez and 209 in Mazar-e-Sharif),
- 6 Brigade Headquarters,
- 6 Garrison Support Units,

**CM-2** Capable of leading operations with ISAF support: 48 units

**CM-3** Capable of participating in operations with ISAF lead: 42 units

**Afghan National Army Air Corps (ANAAC)**

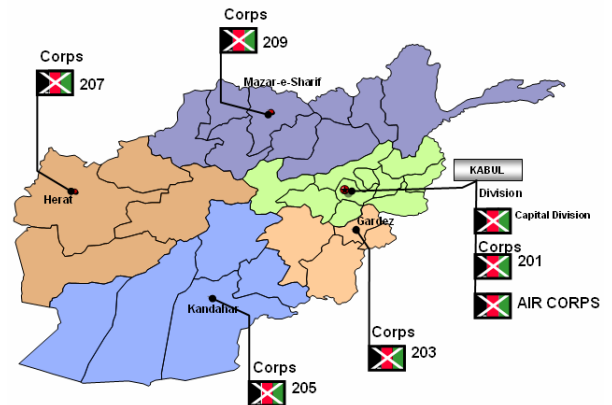
Founded: June 2008

Current Strength: 2,876 men and women, plus 34 rotary-wing and 12 fixed-wing aircraft (25x Mi-17, 9x Mi-35, 5x AN-32, 1x AN-26, 3x C-27 and 3x L-39)

Target Strength: 8,000+ personnel and 152 rotary and fixed-wing aircraft by December 2016

Capacity: Flew 90% of ANA air support missions in 2009 (compared to 10% in mid-2008).

NATO training efforts in Afghanistan will focus on the need to significantly increase the capacity of Afghan security forces in order to hand over gradually lead responsibility for security to Afghans themselves. In Regional Command Capital, since 28 August 2008, the Afghan National Security Forces have gradually taken over the lead responsibility for security in Kabul province. This process is led by the Afghan Ministry of Interior and supported by the Ministry of Defence and ISAF.



Footage of the ANAAC's first mission on 17 June 2008 available at: [www.natochannel.tv](http://www.natochannel.tv) or by contacting [content@natochannel.tv](mailto:content@natochannel.tv).