



NAVAL BASE KITSAP-BANGOR

HISTORY OF NAVAL BASE KITSAP-BANGOR



Naval Base Kitsap-Bangor is located on the Kitsap Peninsula.

Naval Base Kitsap-Bangor was originally commissioned in the early 1940s as Naval Ammunition Depot, Bangor, and later in the 1970s as Naval Submarine Base, Bangor. In June 2004, the base merged with Naval Station Bremerton and was renamed Naval Base Kitsap.

Naval Base Kitsap is the largest naval base in the Pacific Northwest and is the host command for the Navy's fleet throughout West Puget Sound. It includes facilities in Bremerton, Bangor and Keyport.

The primary mission of Naval Base Kitsap-Bangor from World War II through the Korean Conflict and Vietnam era was to store, handle and load ammunition onto Navy transport ships. In 1964, Naval Base Kitsap-Bangor's mission was expanded to include Polaris missile storage. In 1977, Naval Base Kitsap-Bangor became the West Coast homeport of the TRIDENT submarine fleet.

QUICKFACTS

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NAVAL BASE KITSAP-BANGOR

- ❑ Located on 7,300 acres
- ❑ Includes 125 miles of roads and 8.6 million square-feet of buildings
- ❑ Home to 63 commands
- ❑ Employs 9,500 workers including 2,300 civilians and 1,300 contractors
- ❑ Recipient of several environmental, safety, energy and education awards from 2004 to present

Naval Base Kitsap-Bangor is the West Coast homeport of the TRIDENT submarine. Currently, eight of the Navy's 14 TRIDENT submarines are stationed at Naval Base Kitsap-Bangor including:

- ❑ USS Henry M. Jackson
- ❑ USS Alabama
- ❑ USS Nevada
- ❑ USS Pennsylvania
- ❑ USS Kentucky
- ❑ USS Nebraska
- ❑ USS Maine
- ❑ USS Louisiana

Each submarine has two crews of 165 people, is 560 feet long and weighs 18,700 tons. Naval Base Kitsap-Bangor is also home to two cruise-missile submarines, the USS Ohio and USS Michigan, and one fast-attack submarine, the USS Jimmy Carter.



CONTRIBUTING TO THE REGIONAL ECONOMY

Military bases, including personnel and procurement opportunities, contribute substantially to the regional economy of the communities they call home. The Navy's Regional Economic Impact Assessment (September 2008) reports that Kitsap County receives \$2.2 billion annually from Navy bases, facilities and activities. These contributions include salaries (active duty, reserve and civilian), procurement, retiree pensions, health care service payments and aid to school districts. The annual payroll earned by active duty personnel, reservists, civilian workers and retirees in Kitsap County is more than \$1.5 billion. The procurement of goods and services is more than \$464 million. School districts in the Puget Sound region receive more than \$16 million annually in aid from the federal government for the schooling of dependents of military personnel.