

# A Quarter of U.S. Servicemembers and 75% of Defense Contractors Defy COVID Vaccine Mandate

By [TrialSite](#)

Global Research, February 23, 2022

[TrialSiteNews](#) 16 February 2022

Region: [USA](#)

Theme: [Science and Medicine](#)

All Global Research articles can be read in 51 languages by activating the “Translate Website” drop down menu on the top banner of our home page (Desktop version).

To receive Global Research’s Daily Newsletter (selected articles), [click here](#).

Visit and follow us on Instagram at [@globalresearch\\_crg](#).

\*\*\*

*Nearly a quarter of United States military personnel and 75 percent of Department of Defense contractors are defying **President Joe Biden’s** vaccine [mandate](#) for all service members, civilian Pentagon workers, and defense contractors, a workforce in excess of 740,000 people.*

The revelation was included in a Department of Defense COVID-19 Vaccine Operations Update slide deck. The report was current as of January 10.

## **Continued Military Defiance of Biden’s Vaccine Mandate**

The defiance of Pentagon workers and service members against [Biden’s order](#) continues amid a pause in enforcement as a result of a [federal court injunction](#).

## **Court of Appeals Allows Federal Mandate Injunction to Stand**

The U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit, a week ago, rejected the Biden administration’s attempt to reinstate the mandate.

In the meantime, faced with widespread refusal to take the vaccines, government to ease [enforcement](#).

## **A Quarter of U.S. Service Members Partially Vaccinated or Unvaccinated**

According to the DoD deck 339,883 of all U.S. service members, or 16 percent of the force, are only partially vaccinated and 179,952, or 8.4 percent of the force, have received no vaccine doses at all.

Total Force Individuals Vaccinated**		Fully Vaccinated <sup>4</sup>		Partially Vaccinated		Not Vaccinated or Unknown	
Personnel Category	Eligible Population	# Individuals	% of Total <sup>4</sup>	# Individuals	% of Total <sup>4</sup>	# Individuals	% of Total <sup>4</sup>
Active Duty (USA, USN, USAF, USMC)	1,342,909	1,219,442	90.8%	84,767	6.3%	38,700	2.9%
Reserves & National Guard	786,847	390,479	49.6%	255,116	32.4%	141,252	18.0%
<b>Total Service Members</b>	<b>2,129,756</b>	<b>1,609,921</b>	<b>75.6%</b>	<b>339,883</b>	<b>16.0%</b>	<b>179,952</b>	<b>8.4%</b>
Other Active Duty	112,345	42,318	74.6%	3,920	13.9%	12,889	11.5%
Other Guard/Reserve		41,506		11,712			
Civilians & Contractors	1,820,642	441,313	24.2%	79,218	4.4%	1,300,111	71.4%
Beneficiaries – All vaccination sites	2,616,959	1,062,167	40.6%	625,118	23.9%	929,674	35.5%
Other/Unknown		142,130		51,520			
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>6,679,702</b>	<b>3,339,355</b>	<b>50.0%</b>	<b>1,111,371</b>	<b>16.6%</b>	<b>2,228,976</b>	<b>33.4%</b>

### Three-Quarters of DoD Contractors Partially or Not Vaccinated

In addition, more than 75 percent of U.S. defense contractors – more than 3.3 million people – have defied the vaccination mandate.

According to the slide deck, 79,218 Pentagon contractors, or 4.4 percent of that group, are partially vaccinated, and 1,300,111, or 71.4 percent are not known to have taken any COVID vaccine.

The news of continued defiance to Biden’s vaccine mandates for the military comes amid increased tensions with Russia over Ukraine.

\*

Note to readers: Please click the share buttons above or below. Follow us on Instagram, @globalresearch\_crg. Forward this article to your email lists. Crosspost on your blog site, internet forums. etc.

*Featured image: Pfc. Shaniah Edwards, Medical Detachment, prepares to administer the Moderna COVID-19 vaccine to soldiers and airmen at the Joint Force Headquarters, February 12, 2021. (U.S. Army National Guard photo by Sgt. Leona C. Hendrickson – Source.)*

The original source of this article is [TrialSiteNews](#)

Copyright © [TrialSite](#), [TrialSiteNews](#), 2022

[Comment on Global Research Articles on our Facebook page](#)

[Become a Member of Global Research](#)

Articles by: [TrialSite](#)

**Disclaimer:** The contents of this article are of sole responsibility of the author(s). The Centre for Research on Globalization will not be responsible for any inaccurate or incorrect statement in this article. The Centre of Research on Globalization grants permission to cross-post Global Research articles on community internet sites as long the source and copyright are acknowledged together with a hyperlink to the original Global Research article. For publication of Global Research articles in print or other forms including commercial internet sites, contact: [publications@globalresearch.ca](mailto:publications@globalresearch.ca)

[www.globalresearch.ca](http://www.globalresearch.ca) contains copyrighted material the use of which has not always been specifically authorized by the copyright owner. We are making such material available to our readers under the provisions of "fair use" in an effort to advance a better understanding of political, economic and social issues. The material on this site is distributed without profit to those who have expressed a prior interest in receiving it for research and educational purposes. If you wish to use copyrighted material for purposes other than "fair use" you must request permission from the copyright owner.

For media inquiries: [publications@globalresearch.ca](mailto:publications@globalresearch.ca)