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Volume XV

STRATEGIC CONCENTRATION OF AAA AND FLYING UNITS IN THE WEST

(Luftwaffe Command West Command Area)

September 1944 to May 1945

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## PREFACE

In view of the Luftwaffe chain of command during World War II, the report "Luftwaffe Operations in the West, 1943 to 1945" had been divided into two parts, namely,

"Aerial Warfare in the West"        and  
"Reich Air Defense".

The large volume of source material required and the difficulties in procuring it, made it impossible to compile this report in chronological order. The author was compelled to concentrate first on those phases for which sufficient source material could be made available in time. Therefore, the first part deals with air defense operations during the period from 15 September 1943 to 1 July 1944; it comprises four volumes, including four volumes of appendixes.

Considerable credit is due to General der Flieger (ret) Paul Deichmann who, through his liberal procurement of extensive source material, made it possible to begin work, in summer 1954, on the following main basic outlines:

Command Structure in the West,  
Organizational Structure of Flying Units in the West ,  
Strategic Concentration of Flying Units in the West,  
Strategic Concentration of AAA Units in the West,  
Strategic Concentration of Flying and AAA Units in  
the West (Luftwaffe Command West Command Area).



Volume XV describes the

Strategic Concentration of Flying and AAA Units in the West  
(Command Area of Luftwaffe Command West) ,

presented in deployment outlines covering the period from  
22 September 1944 to 7 May 1945, and based solely on German documents.

On hand of the available source material it becomes apparent that the

various concentration movements were organized according to the

following schedule:

Flying Units: 4 days of assembly in 1944 and  
3 days of assembly in 1945.

AAA Units: 7 days of assembly in 1944 and  
4 days of assembly in 1945.

In order to complete the picture of the then prevailing AAA defense  
movements  
setup, the strategic concentration/of the AAA units of the Navy also  
have been taken into account, as far as available documents have made  
this possible.



The definition tables included in this volume are designed to facilitate the task of evaluating the strategic concentration movements of flying and AAA units in the west. Owing to ~~the~~ <sup>the</sup> ~~these~~ <sup>of these tables</sup> abbreviated form/ it is not, however, possible to dispense with the study of the organizational structure of these units. Volume XV includes 22 sketches showing the deployment of flying units and 17 sketches showing the deployment of AAA units.

The source material used for the compilation of the various deployment outlines consisted chiefly of Luftwaffe High Command situation maps which were available in the original as well as microfilms, photostats, and tracings. Additional documents used for this purpose have been mentioned in the list of source material.

Volume XV does not provide a complete picture of the strategic concentration of AAA and flying units in the west, because the necessary data is lacking, namely, all daily situation maps covering the period in question and issued by the Luftwaffe High Command or the various command agencies in the west. ~~XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX~~ Nevertheless, this volume presents an extensively documented outline of the strategic concentration of flying and AAA units in the west.



It has been possible to obtain only partial information concerning the actual strength of flying units available at the time, whereas the report on the number of AAA units is practically complete. On the other hand, many deployment outlines fail to list the concentration points of the AAA units. However, the AAA concentration areas may be ascertained from the deployment maps.

Although barely legible or damaged microfilms and situation map photostats may result in minor errors in the figures listed, this will not ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~ affect the historic accuracy of the overall picture.

Although the phases of concentration of flying units within the command area of Luftwaffe Command West during the last months of the war are not included, this volume on the whole constitutes an important basis for the evaluation of Luftwaffe operations conducted against the Allies in the west from 1943 to 1945.

The evaluation of all air and AAA situation maps was carried out by Generalmajor (ret) Walter Grabmann. He thus played an important part in the compilation of this volume, and the author is greatly indebted to him for his efforts.



PART I

CONCENTRATION OF FLYING UNITS

IN THE WEST

(Command Area of Luftwaffe Command West)

September 1944 to May 1945



Concentration of Flying Units in the West

(Command Area of Luftwaffe Command West)

Status as of 3 October 1944

(Based on Luftwaffe High Command situation map dated 3 October 1944)

Overall Strength as of 3 October 1944:

	<u>Actual Strength</u>	<u>Effective Strength</u>
Close-reconnaissance aircraft	33	10
Long-range reconnaissance aircraft	36	17
Weather observers	0	0
Jet-propelled bombers and reconnaissance aircraft (Ar *) 234)	12	8
Day fighters	343	314
Night fighter aircraft	69	50
Bombers	187	144
Transport aircraft	?	?
Jet-propelled bombers (Me **) 262)	?	?
***) "Mistel" aircraft	15	10

The following units are not included:-

123d Long-Range Reconnaissance Group Headquarters; 2d Squadron, 13th Close-Reconnaissance Group; 2d Bomber Wing Headquarters; II Group, 55th (Supply) Bomber Wing; and Experimental Detachment Schenk (Me 262)

See deployment maps, appendixes A1 - A4.

\*) Craft manufactured by Arado Flugzeugwerke G.m.b.H.

\*\*\*) Craft manufactured by Messerschmitt A.G.

\*\*\*) "Piggy-Back" aircraft; pilotless bomber connected to a fighter plane which steers the bomber to the target.



Deployment of Reconnaissance UnitsStatus as of 2 October 1944Command Area, Luftwaffe Command WestDeployment Map, Appendix AI

Headquarters and Units	Field Headquarters or Airfield	Remarks
<u>Luftwaffe Command West Headquarters</u>	Limburg, Lahn	
<u>123d Long-Range Recon. Group Headquarters</u>	Limburg, Lahn	
1st Squadron, 33d Long-Range Recon. Group	Leck	In transit
4th Squadron, 123d Long-Range Recon. Group	Limburg, Linter	
5th Squadron, 123d Long-Range Recon. Group	Buer	
1st Squadron, 121st Long-Range Recon. Group	Langendiebach	
3d Squadron, 122d Long-Range Recon. Group	Quakenbrueck	
<u>13th Close-Reconnaissance Group Headquarters</u>	Lachen-Speyerdorf	
1st Squadron, 13th Close-Recon. Group	Lachen-Speyerdorf	
2d Squadron, 13th Close-Recon. Group	Donaueschingen	
3d Squadron, 13th Close-Recon. Group	Cologne-Wahn	
Special Detachment Goetz	Rheine	Ar 234 (long-range recon. craft)



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Deployment of Day Fighter UnitsStatus as of 3 October 1944Command Area, II Fighter Corps HqDeployment Map, Appendix A2

Headquarters and Units	Field Headquarters or Airfield	Remarks
<u>II Fighter Corps Headquarters</u>	Flammersfeld	
<u>27th Fighter Wing Headquarters</u>	Heanef	
III Group, 27th Fighter Wing	Cologne-Wahn	
II Group, 6th Fighter Wing	Eudenberg	
<u>26th Fighter Wing Headquarters</u>	Krefeld	
I Group, 26th Fighter Wing	Krefeld	
II Group, 26th Fighter Wing	Kirchhellen	
III Group, 26th Fighter Wing	Boeninghardt	
<u>2d Fighter Wing Headquarters</u>	Nidda	
I Group, 2d Fighter Wing	Merzhausen	
II Group, 2d Fighter Wing	Nidda	
I Group, 11th Fighter Wing	Altenstadt	
II Group, 11th Fighter Wing	Breitscheid	
I Group, 4th Fighter Wing	Goetzenhain	



Deployment of Day Fighter UnitsStatus as of 2 October 1944Command Area, 5th Fighter DivisionDeployment Map, Appendix 12

Headquarters and Units	Field Headquarters or Airfield	Remarks
<u>5th Fighter Division</u> <u>Headquarters</u>	Durlach	
<u>76th Fighter Wing</u> <u>Headquarters</u>	Freiburg	
III Group, 76th Fighter Wing	Wittenweyer	
<u>53d Fighter Wing</u> <u>Headquarters</u>	Lorsch	
II Group, 53d Fighter Wing	Lorsch and Biblis	
I Group, 77th Fighter Wing	Badenhausen	



Deployment of Bomber and Special UnitsStatus as of 2 October 1944Command Area, Luftwaffe Command WestDeployment Map, Appendix A3

Headquarters and Units	Field Headquarters or Airfield	Remarks
<u>26th Bomber Wing</u> <u>Headquarters</u>	Luebeck-Blankensee	
I Group, 26th Bomber Wing	Luebeck-Blankensee	
II Group, 26th Bomber Wing	Grossenbrode	
III Group, 26th Bomber Wing	Leck	
III Group, 3d Bomber Wing	Varelbusch, Ahlhorn, and Muenster-Handorf	V-1 Carriers
<u>1st Training Wing</u> <u>Headquarters</u>	Wesendorf	
I Group, 1st Training Wing	Wunsterf	
II Group, 1st Training Wing	Wesendorf	
<u>Headquarters Unit "Einhorn"</u>	Ahlhorn	(FW 190
1st Squadron, 66th Bomber Wing ("Mistel")	Ahlhorn	R 886 { (Ju 188/ Ju 88
<u>2d Bomber Wing Headquarters</u>	Bonn-Hangelar	Battle Detachment Hallenleben
III Group, 51st Bomber Wing (FW 190)	Bonn-Hangelar	Night fighter group
2d Night Fighter Group	Cologne-Ostheim	minus 2d Squadron
II Group, 55th Bomber Wing	Ettinghausen	transport group
II Group, 100th Bomber Wing	Aalborg	minus 6th Squadron
Experimental Detachment Schenk	Rheine	Me 262



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Deployment  
~~XXXXXXXXXX~~/of Flying Units ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~

Status as of 2 October 1944

Strength Movements after 31 August 1944 (Third Air Fleet Command)

Headquarters and Units	Detached from Airfield	Assigned to Airfield
<u>Transfers from the West:</u>		
<u>a) Headquarters</u>		
<u>Third Air Fleet Command Headquarters</u>	Arlon, Mayen	Limburg, Lahn; deactivated on 22 September 1944
<u>IX Air Corps Headquarters</u>	Zeist - Driebergen	Prague; pulled out of action on 22 September 1944
<u>4th Fighter Division Headquarters</u>	Metz	Metz; deactivated on 8 Sept. 1944 (R 422)
<u>b) Reconnaissance Units</u>		
<u>5th Long-Range Recon. Group Headquarters</u>	Muehldorf, Inn	) Pulled out of ) action )
1st and 2d Squadron, 5th Long-Range Recon. Group	Muehldorf, Inn	
6th Squadron, 123rd Long-Range Recon. Group	Deelen	deactivated (?)
2d Squadron, 128th Naval Patrol Group	Friedrichshafen	deactivated (?)
<u>c) Day Fighter Units</u>		
III Group, 1st Fighter Wing	Florennes	Fels am Wagram, for rehabilitation
III Group, 3d Fighter Wing	Rouvres, Limburg, Lahn after 1 September 1944, Wittenweyer after 11 September 1944	Goetzendorf, for rehabilitation, on 22 September 1944 (R528)
200th Fighter Group	Dijon	deactivated (?)



Deployment  
~~OPERATIONAL~~ of Flying Units  
~~XXXXXXXXXX~~  
 Status as of 2 October 1944

Strength Movements after 31 August 1944 (Third Air Fleet Command)

Headquarters and Units	Detached from Airfield	Assigned to Airfield
<u>Transfers from the West:</u>		
d) <u>Bomber Units and Special Units</u>		
I Group, 2d Bomber Wing	Gilze - Rijen	deactivated (?)
II Group, 2d Bomber Wing	Achmer	deactivated (?)
<u>6th Bomber Wing Headquarters</u>		
I Group, 6th Bomber Wing	Volkel	In rest area Gerstungen
II Group, 6th Bomber Wing	Deelen	In rest area Rockau
<u>30th Bomber Wing Headquarters</u>		
I Group, 30th Bomber Wing	Zwischenahn	In rest area Voerden
II Group, 30th Bomber Wing	Achmer	At Ahlhorn for re-equipment
<u>53d Bomber Wing Headquarters</u>		
I Group, 53d Bomber Wing	Lachen - Speyerdorf	At Weisselsdorf for conversion to V-1 carriers
II Group, 53d Bomber Wing	Merzhausen	On 2 November 1944 at Varelbusch and at Ahlhorn
III Group, 53d Bomber Wing	Babenhausen	At Reppen for conversion to V-1 carriers
	Lachen - Speyerdorf	At Weisselsdorf for conversion to V-1 carriers



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Deployment  
~~Deployment~~ of Flying Units ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~

Status as of 2 October 1944

Strength Movements after 31 August 1944 ( Third Air Fleet Command)

Headquarters and Units	Detached from Airfield	Assigned to Airfield
4th Squadron, 51st Bomber Wing	Eindhoven	At Schwaebisch Hall for re-equipment
<u>54th Bomber Wing Headquarters</u>	Eindhoven	At Gieselstadt for conversion to jet-propelled fighters
III Group, 54th Bomber Wing	Soesterberg	Neuburg, Danube, for conversion to jet-propelled fighters
I Group, 66th Bomber Wing minus 1st Squadron	Eindhoven	In rest area Dedelsdorf
Bomber Wing Bongart	Luxeuil and Malbouhans	(?)



Deployment  
~~XXXXXXXXXX~~ of Flying Units ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~

Status as of 2 October 1944

Strength Movements after 31 August 1944

Headquarters and Units	Detached from Airfield	Assigned to Airfield
<u>Transfers to the West:</u>		
<u>a) Headquarters</u>		
Luftwaffe Command West <u>Headquarters</u>	Limburg, Lahn; organized from Third Air Fleet Command Headquarters	Limburg, Lahn (Dehrn Castle)
<u>b) Reconnaissance Units</u>		
2d Squadron, 13th Close-Reconn. Group	Landsberg, Lech	Donaueschingen
5th Squadron, 123d Long-Range Reconn. Group	(?)	Buer
<u>c) Fighter Units</u>		
None		
<u>d) Bomber Units and Special Units</u>		
II Group, 55th Bomber Wing	(?)	Ettinghausen
<u>26th Bomber Wing Headquarters</u>	Munich-Riem rehabilitation area	Luebeck-Blankensee
I Group, 26th Bomber Wing	Memingen rehabilitation area	Luebeck-Blankensee
II Group, 26th Bomber Wing	Neubiberg rehabilitation area	Grossenbrode
III Group, 26th Bomber Wing	Leck and Grossenbrode rehabilitation and re-equipment areas	Leck
<u>Special Detachment Goetz</u> (Ar 234)	Re-activation area (?)	Rheine



Deployment  
~~XXXXXXXXXX~~ of Flying Units ~~IX~~  
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Status as of 2 October 1944

Flying Units in Rest Areas, in Process of Activation and  
 Re-equipment or Conversion  
 Deployment Map, Appendix A4

Headquarters and Units	Field Headquarters or Airfield	Remarks
3d Squadron, 14th Close-Reconn. Group	Bayreuth	In process of re-equipment
<u>5th Long-Range Recon. Group Headquarters</u>	Muehldorf, Inn	In rest area
1st and 2d Squadron, 5th Long-Range Recon. Group	Muehldorf, Inn	In rest area
III Group, 2d Bomber Wing	Friedrichshafen	In process of con- version to Do <sup>*</sup> 335 for night fighter purposes
<u>6th Bomber Wing Headquarters</u>	Arnstadt	In rest area
I Group, 6th Bomber Wing	Gerstungen	In rest area
II Group, 6th Bomber Wing	Reckau	In rest area
III Group, 6th Bomber Wing	Bittstaedt	In rest area
<u>30th Bomber Wing Headquarters</u>	Ahlhorn	In process of re- equipment
I Group, 30th Bomber Wing	Voerden	In rest area
II Group, 30th Bomber Wing	Ahlhorn	In process of re-equipment

\* ) Craft manufactured by Dornier Werke G.m.b.H.



Deployment  
~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~ of Flying Units ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~

Status as of 2 October 1944

Flying Units in Rest Areas, in Process of Activation and Re-equipment or Conversion

Deployment Map, Appendix A4

Headquarters and Units	Field Headquarters or Airfield	Remarks
<u>51st Bomber Wing Headquarters</u>	Landsberg, Lech	In process of re-equipment with Me 262 (Bombers)
I Group, 51st Bomber Wing minus 1st Squadron	Lechfeld	In process of re-equipment with Me 262 (Bombers)
1st Squadron, 51st Bomber Wing	Schwaebisch Hall	In process of re-equipment with Me 262 (Bombers)
II Group, 51st Bomber Wing	Schwaebisch Hall	In process of re-equipment with Me 262 (Bombers)
<u>53d Bomber Wing Headquarters</u>	Weisselsdorf	In process of conversion to V-1 carriers
II Group, 53d Bomber Wing	Reppen	In process of conversion to V-1 carriers
III Group, 53d Bomber Wing	Weisselsdorf	In process of conversion to V-1 carriers
I Group, 66th Bomber Wing minus 1st Squadron	Dedelsdorf	In rest area
III Group, 66th Bomber Wing	Burg	Organization and equipment with "Mistel" aircraft
II Group, 76th Bomber Wing	Burg	In process of re-equipment
<u>54th Bomber Wing Headquarters</u>	Giebelstadt	In process of conversion to jet-propelled fighters (Me 262)
III Group, 54th Bomber Wing	Neuburg, Danube	In process of conversion to jet-propelled fighters (Me 262) (R 887)
6th Squadron, 100th Bomber Wing	Fassberg	In training



Concentration of Flying Units in the West

(Command Area of Luftwaffe Command West)

Status as of 18 October 1944(Based on Luftwaffe High Command situation map dated 21 October 1944)  
(The situation map lists day fighter units only)Overall Strength as of 18 October 1944:

	Actual Strength	Effective Strength
Close-reconnaissance aircraft	-	-
Long-range reconnaissance aircraft	-	-
Weather observers	-	-
Day fighters	353	191
Twin-engine fighters	-	-
Close-support aircraft	-	-
Twin-engine night fighters	-	-
Single-engined night fighters	-	-
Bombers	-	-
Bombers equipped with aerial torpedoes	-	-
Special-purpose aircraft	-	-

See deployment map, appendix A5.



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Deployment of Day Fighter UnitsStatus as of 18 October 1944Command Area, Luftwaffe Command WestDeployment Map, Appendix A5

Headquarters and Units	Field Headquarters or Airfield	Remarks
<u>Luftwaffe Command West Headquarters</u>	Limburg, Lahn	
<u>II Fighter Corps Headquarters</u>	Flammersfeld	
<u>2d Fighter Wing Headquarters</u>	Nidda	
I Group, 2d Fighter Wing	Marzhausen	
II Group, 2d Fighter Wing	Nidda	
III Group, 2d Fighter Wing	Altenstadt	
<u>26th Fighter Wing Headquarters</u>	Krefeld	
I Group, 26th Fighter Wing	Krefeld	
II Group, 26th Fighter Wing	Kirchhellen	
III Group, 26th Fighter Wing	Greater Rekan	
<u>5th Fighter Division Headquarters</u>	Durlach	
<u>53rd Fighter Wing Headquarters</u>	Donaueschingen	
II Group, 53d Fighter Wing	Malmsheim	
III Group, 53d Fighter Wing	Neuhausen ob Eck	
III Group, 76th Fighter Wing	Donaueschingen	



Deployment of Day Fighter UnitsStatus as of 18 October 1944Strength Movements after 2 October 1944

Headquarters and Units	Detached from Airfield	Assigned to Airfield
<u>Transfers from the West:</u>		
I Group, 4th Fighter Wing	Goetsenhain	Gahro, in Reich air defense command area
II Group, 6th Fighter Wing	Eudenbach	Eagenow, for rehabilitation purposes
I Group, 11th Fighter Wing	Altenstadt	Voelkenrode, for rehabilitation purposes
II Group, 11th Fighter Wing	Breitscheid	Wunstorff, for rehabilitation purposes
<u>27th Fighter Wing Headquarters</u>		
	Hennef	Riesa-Canitz, in Reich air defense command area
	Cologne-Wahn	Grossenhain, in Reich air defense command area
<u>76th Fighter Wing Headquarters</u>		
	Freiburg, Breisgau	Felseabrany, Hungary, in Fourth Air Fleet Command area
I Group, 77th Fighter Wing	Babenhausen	Schoenwalde, for rehabilitation purposes
<u>Transfers to the West:</u>		
III Group, 2d Fighter Wing	Koenigsberg, Neumark, rehabilitation area	Altenstadt
III Group, 53d Fighter Wing	Paderborn, Reich air defense command area	



Concentration of Flying Units in the West

(Command Area of Luftwaffe Command West)

Status as of 1 November 1944

(Based on Luftwaffe High Command situation map dated 2 November 1944)

Overall Strength as of 1 November 1944:

	Actual Strength	Effective Strength
Close-reconnaissance aircraft	42	25
Long-range reconnaissance aircraft	34	12
Weather observers	3	2
Jet-propelled reconnaissance and bomber aircraft ( Ar 234)	15	8
Day fighters	345	223
Night fighter aircraft	127	67
Bombers	100	69
Transport aircraft	22	15
Jet-propelled bombers (Me 262)	26	21
"Mistel" aircraft	39	28

The following units are not included:

123d Long-Range Reconnaissance Group Headquarters; 3d Squadron, 122d Long-Range Reconnaissance Group; III Group, 53d Bomber Wing; and Luftwaffe High Command Weather Observation Groupment (Wetterschwarm<sup>3</sup>).

See deployment maps, appendixes A5 - A9.

A "Schwarm" usually consists of approximately five aircraft.



Deployment of Reconnaissance UnitsStatus as of 1 November 1944Command Area, Luftwaffe Command WestDeployment Map, Appendix A5

Headquarters and Units	Field Headquarters or Airfield	Remarks
<u>Luftwaffe Command West Headquarters</u>	Limburg, Lahn	
1st Weather Recon. Squadron (General Reserve)	Zwischenahn	Weather observers
Weather Observ. Flight (General Reserve)	Rhein-Main	Weather observers
<u>123d Long-Range Recon. Group Headquarters</u>	Hadamar	
5th Squadron, 123rd Long-Range Recon. Group	Buer	
1st Squadron, 121st Long-Range Recon. Group	Langendiebach	Minus Herzogen-surach Detachment
3d Squadron, 122d Long-Range Recon. Group	Quakenbrueck	
4th Squadron, 123d Long-Range Recon. Group	Limburg-Linter	
<u>13th Close-Reconnaissance Group Headquarters</u>	Lachen-Speyerdorf	
1st Squadron, 13th Close-Recon. Group	Lachen-Speyerdorf	
2d Squadron, 13th Close-Recon. Group	Donaueschingen	
3d Squadron, 13th Close-Recon. Group	Cologne-Wahn	



Deployment of Day Fighter UnitsStatus as of 1 November 1944Command Area, II Fighter CorpsDeployment Map, Appendix A7

Headquarters and Units	Field Headquarters or Airfield	Remarks
<u>II Fighter Corps Headquarters</u>	Flammersfeld	
<u>26th Fighter Wing Headquarters</u>	Greven	
I Group, 26th Fighter Wing	Greven	
II Group, 26th Fighter Wing	Kirchhellen	
III Group, 26th Fighter Wing	Plantlunne	
<u>2d Fighter Wing Headquarters</u>	Nidda	
I Group, 2d Fighter Wing	Merzhausen	
II Group, 2d Fighter Wing	Nidda	
II Group, 2d Fighter Wing	Altenstadt	



Deployment of Day Fighter UnitsStatus as of 1 November 1944Command Area, 5th Fighter DivisionDeployment Map, Appendix A7

Headquarters and Units	Field Headquarters or Airfield	Remarks
<u>5th Fighter Division Headquarters</u>	Durlach	
<u>53d Fighter Wing Headquarters</u>	Donaueschingen	
II Group, 53d Fighter Wing	Malsheim	
III Group, 53d Fighter Wing	Neuhausen ob Eck	
IV Group, 53d Fighter Wing	Donaueschingen	former III Group, 76th Fighter Wing



Deployment of Bomber and Special UnitsStatus as of 1 November 1944Command Area, Luftwaffe Command West  
(3d Air Division)Deployment Map, Appendix AB

Headquarters and Units	Field Headquarters or Airfield	Remarks
<u>3d Air Division Headquarters</u>	Bad Essen	
<u>1st Training Wing Headquarters</u>	Bad Nenndorf	
I Group, 1st Training Wing	Wunstorf	
II Group, 1st Training Wing	Wesendorf	
<u>53d Bomber Wing Headquarters</u>	Zwischenahn	
I Group, 53d Bomber Wing	Varelbusch	Minus 2d and 3d Squadrons } Transport aircraft
2d Squadron, 53d Bomber Wing	Ahlhorn	
3d Squadron, 53d Bomber Wing	Muenster-Hammorf	
II Group, 53d Bomber Wing	Zwischenahn	Minus 5th and 6th Squadrons }
5th Squadron, 53d Bomber Wing	Wittmundhafen	
6th Squadron, 53d Bomber Wing	Hesepe	
III Group, 53d Bomber Wing	Eggebeck	Minus 8th and 9th Squadrons } V-1 Carriers
8th Squadron, 53d Bomber Wing	Leck	
9th Squadron, 53d Bomber Wing	Schleswig	



Deployment of Bomber and Special UnitsStatus as of 1 November 1944Command Area, Luftwaffe Command West  
(3d Air Division)Deployment Map, Appendix A8

Headquarters and Units	Field Headquarters or Airfield	Remarks
<u>2d Bomber Wing Headquarters</u>	Bonn-Hangelar	Battle Detachment Hallensleben
I Group, 51st Bomber Wing (minus 2d Squadron)	Rheine	Me 262 - Bombers
2d Squadron, 51st Bomber Wing	Hopsten	Me 262 - Bombers
III Group, 51st Bomber Wing (Night Fighter Group)	Bonn-Hangelar	FW 190
Special-Purpose Detachment Goetz	Rheine	Ar 234
1st Night Fighter Group	Boeninghardt	Ju 87 (R 886)
2d Night Fighter Group	Cologne-Ostheim	Minus 2d Squadron, Ju 87 (R 886)
I Group, 66th Bomber Wing	Vechta	In transit, equipped with "Mistel" air- craft (Ju 188/Ju 88)
III Group, 66th Bomber Wing	Burg	"Mistel" air- craft (Me 109/Ju 88 (R 886)



Deployment of Flying UnitsStatus as of 1 November 1944Strength Movements (Reconnaissance, Bomber, and Special Units) after 2 October 1944Strength Movements (Day Fighter Units) after 18 October 1944

Headquarters and Units	Detached from Airfield	Assigned to Airfield
<u>Transfers from the West:</u>		
1st Squadron, 33d Long-Range Recon. Group	Leck	At Justerbog, for re-equipment
Experimental Detachment Schenk, Me 262	Rheine	Absorbed by I Group, 51st Bomber Wing
III Group, 76th Fighter Wing	Donaueschingen	Donaueschingen, re-designated IV Group, 53d Fighter Wing
III Group, 3d Bomber Wing	Varelbusch, Ahlhorn, Muenster-Handorf	Deactivated (?)
<u>26th Bomber Wing Headquarters</u>	Luebeck-Blankensee	) Transferred to command area of Fifth Air Fleet Command
I Group, 26th Bomber Wing	Luebeck-Blankensee	
II Group, 26th Bomber Wing	Grossenbrode	
III Group, 26th Bomber Wing	Leck	At Leck, for re-equipment
<u>Headquarters Unit "Einhorn"</u>	Ahlhorn	Villafrance, in command area of Second Air Fleet Command
II Group, 55th Bomber Wing	Ettinghausen	At Plattling, for re-equipment
II Group, 100th Bomber Wing (minus 6th Squadron)	Aalberg	At Aalborg, for training



Deployment of Flying UnitsStatus as of 1 November 1944Strength Movements (Reconnaissance, Bomber, and Special Units) after 2 October 1944Strength Movements (Day Fighter Units) after 18 October 1944

Headquarters and Units	Detached from Airfield	Assigned to Airfield
<u>Transfers to the West:</u>		
<u>3d Air Division Headquarters</u>	Riga-Spilve, in command area of First Air Fleet Command	Bad Essen
1st Weather Recon. Squadron (General Reserve)	) Command area of ) Fifth Air Fleet ) Command (?)	Zwischenahn
Weather Observ. Flight (General Reserve)	)	Rhein - Main
III Group, 2d Fighter Wing	Koenigsberg, Neumark rehabilitation area	Altenstadt
IV Group, 53d Fighter Wing	Donauschingen; formerly III Group, 76th Fighter Wing	Donauschingen
<u>53d Bomber Wing Headquarters</u>	Weisselsdorf; in process of conversion to V-1 carriers	Zwischenahn
I Group, 53d Bomber Wing	(?)	Varelbusch, Ahlhorn, and Muenster-Handorf
II Group, 53d Bomber Wing	Reppen; in process of conversion to V-1 carriers	Zwischenahn, Wittmundhafen, and Hesepe
III Group, 53d Bomber Wing	Weisselsdorf; in process of conversion to V-1 carriers	Eggebeck, Leck, and Schleswig



Deployment of Flying UnitsStatus as of 1 November 1944Strength Movements (Reconnaissance, Bomber, and Special Units) after 2 October 1944Strength Movements (Day Fighter Units) after 18 October 1944

Headquarters and Units	Detached from Airfield	Assigned to Airfield
<u>Transfers to the West:</u>		
I Group, 51st Bomber Wing	Lechfeld and Schwaebisch Hall; in process of conversion to Me 262 - bombers	Rheine and Hopsten
1st Night Fighter Group	Wormditt; in command area of Sixth Air Fleet Command	Boeninghardt
I Group, 66th Bomber Wing (minus 1st Squadron)	Dedelsdorf rest area	Vechta
III Group, 66th Bomber Wing ("Mistel" aircraft)	Burg; in process of reorganization	Burg



Deployment of Flying UnitsStatus as of 1 November 1944Flying Units in Process of Re-Equipment or Conversion, and TrainingDeployment Map, Appendix A9

Headquarters and Units	Field Headquarters or Airfield	Remarks
3d Squadron, 14th Close-Reconn. Group	Bayreuth	In process of re-equipment
<u>5th Long-Range Recon. Group Headquarters</u>	Muehldorf, Inn	In rest area
1st and 2d Squadrons, 5th Long-Range Recon. Group	Muehldorf, Inn	In rest area
1st Squadron, 33d Long-Range Recon. Group	Jueterbog	In process of re-equipment
1st Squadron, 100th Long-Range Recon. Group	Jueterbog	In process of conversion to Me 262 aircraft
1st Detachment, 131st Long-Range Recon. Group	Herzogenaurach	Retraining area
3d Squadron, 133d Long-Range Recon. Group	Jueterbog	In process of re-equipment
III Group, 4th Group-Support Wing (minus 7th Squadron)	Reinshlen	In training
III Group, 26th Bomber Wing	Leck	In process of re-equipment
<u>40th Bomber Wing Headquarters</u>	Schwaebisch Hall	In process of re-equipment
I Group, 40th Bomber Wing	Schwaebisch Hall	In process of re-equipment
II Group, 40th Bomber Wing	Parchim	In process of re-equipment
III Group, 40th Bomber Wing	Luebeck-Blankensee	In process of re-equipment



Deployment of Flying UnitsStatus as of 1 November 1944Flying Units in Process of Re-Equipment or Conversion, and TrainingDeployment Map, Appendix A9

Headquarters and Units	Field Headquarters or Airfield	Remarks
<u>51st Bomber Wing Headquarters</u>	Landsberg, Lech	In process of conversion to Me-262 bombers
II Group, 51st Bomber Wing (minus 6th Squadron)	Schwaebisch Hall	In process of conversion to Me-262 bombers
II Group, 76th Bomber Wing	Burg	In process of re-equipment
II Group, 100th Bomber Wing (minus 6th Squadron)	Aalborg	In process of training
6th Squadron, 100th Bomber Wing	Fassberg	In process of training



Concentration of Flying Units in the West

(Command Area of Luftwaffe Command West)

Status as of 28 November 1944

(Based on Luftwaffe High Command situation map dated 29 November 1944)

Overall Strength as of 28 November 1944:

	Actual Strength	Effective Strength
Close-reconnaissance aircraft	53	30
Long-range reconnaissance aircraft	0	0
Weather observers	3	2
Jet-propelled reconnaissance and bomber aircraft (Ar 234)	6	3
Day fighters	494	249
Night fight aircraft	132	73
Bombers, including transport aircraft	154	125
Jet-propelled bombers (Me 262)	38	36
"Mistel" aircraft	24	7
Ground-support aircraft	77	16

The following units are not included:-

Weather Observation Flight (General Reserve); 3d Squadron, 123d Long-Range Recon. Group; 2d Bomber Wing Headquarters; III Group, 66th Bomber Wing ("Mistel" aircraft); 6th Squadron, 51st Bomber Wing; III Group, 4th Ground-Support Wing; and Special-Purpose Detachment Sommer.

See deployment maps, appendices A10 - A13



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Deployment of Reconnaissance UnitsStatus as of 28 November 1944Command Area, Luftwaffe Command WestDeployment Map, Appendix A10

Headquarters and Units	Field Headquarters or Airfield	Remarks
<u>Luftwaffe Command West Headquarters</u>	Limburg, Lahn	
1st Weather Recon. Squadron (General Reserve)	Zwischenahn	Weather observers
Weather Observ. Flight (General Reserve)	Rhein - Main	
<u>123d Long-Range Recon. Group Headquarters</u>	Hadamar	
3d Squadron, 123d Long-Range Recon. Group	Quakenbrueck	
Special-Purpose Detachment Sommer (Ar 234)	Biblis	Jet-propelled recon. craft
Special-Purpose Detachment Goetz (Ar 234)	Rheine	Jet-propelled recon. craft
Special-Purpose Detachment Braunegg (A 234)	Rheine	Jet-propelled recon. craft
2d Squadron, 1st Close-Recon. Group	Nieder-Mendig	
3d Squadron, 1st Close-Recon. Group	Twente	
<u>13th Close-Recon. Group Headquarters</u>	Lachen-Speyerdorf	
1st Squadron, 13th Close-Recon. Group	Lachen-Speyerdorf	
2d Squadron, 13th Close-Recon. Group	Lachen-Speyerdorf	
2d Squadron, 13th Close-Recon. Group	Donaueschingen	
3d Squadron, 13th Close-Recon. Group	Cologne, Wahn	



Deployment of Day Fighter UnitsStatus as of 28 November 1944Command Area, II Fighter CorpsDeployment Map, Appendix All

Headquarters and Units	Field Headquarters or Airfield	Remarks
<u>II Fighter Corps Headquarters</u>	Flammersfeld	
<u>26th Fighter Wing Headquarters</u>	Greven	
I Group, 26th Fighter Wing	Greven	
II Group, 26th Fighter Wing	Kirchhellen	
III Group, 26th Fighter Wing	Plantlunne	
<u>2d Fighter Wing Headquarters</u>	Nidda	
I Group, 2d Fighter Wing	Merzhausen	
II Group, 2d Fighter Wing	Nidda	
III Group, 2d Fighter Wing	Altstadt	



Deployment of Day Fighter UnitsStatus as of 28 November 1944Command Area, 5th Fighter DivisionDeployment Map, Appendix AII

Headquarters and Units	Field Headquarters or Airfield	Remarks
<u>5th Fighter Division Headquarters</u>	Durlach	
<u>53d Fighter Wing Headquarters</u>	Donaueschingen	
II Group, 53d Fighter Wing	Malsheim	Some elements in Huchenfeld
III Group, 53d Fighter Wing	Germersheim	Some elements in Karlsruhe-Durlach
IV Group, 53d Fighter Wing	Donaueschingen	



Deployment of Bomber and Special UnitsStatus as of 20 November 1944Command Area, Luftwaffe Command WestDeployment Map, Appendix A12

Headquarters and Units	Field Headquarters or Airfield	Remarks
<u>Luftwaffe Command West Headquarters</u>	Limburg, Lahn	
<u>1st Training Wing Headquarters</u>	Bad Nenndorf	
I Group, 1st Training Wing	Fassberg	
II Group, 1st Training Wing	Wesendorf	
<u>53d Bomber Wing Headquarters</u>	Zwischenahn	V-1 Carriers
I Group, 53d Bomber Wing	Varelbusch	Minus 2d) Trans- Squadron) port air- craft
2d Squadron, 53d Bomber Wing	Ahlhorn	
II Group, 53d Bomber Wing (minus 5th and 6th Squadrons)	Zwischenahn	) V-1 Carriers
5th Squadron, 53d Bomber Wing	Wittmundhafen	
6th Squadron, 53d Bomber Wing	Hesepe	
III Group, 53d Bomber Wing (minus 8th and 9th Squadrons)	Eggebeck	
8th Squadron, 53d Bomber Wing	Leck	
9th Squadron, 53d Bomber Wing	Schleswig	



## Deployment of Bomber and Special Units

Status as of 28 November 1944

Command Area, Luftwaffe Command West

Deployment Map, Appendix A12

Headquarters and Units	Field Headquarters or Airfield	Remarks
51st Bomber Wing Headquarters	Achmer	) Me 262 Bombers
I Group, 51st Bomber Wing (minus 1st and 2d Squadrons)	Rheine	
1st and 2d Squadrons, 51st Bomber Wing	Hopsten	
6th Squadron, 51st Bomber Wing	Hesepe	
Battle Detachment Hallensleben Headquarters (2d Bomber Wing)	Hennef	
1st Night Fighter Group	Boeninghardt	Minus Krefeld Detachment (Ju 87)
1st Night Fighter Group Detachment	Krefeld	
2d Night Fighter Group	Cologne-Wahn	(Ju 87) (R 886)
20th Night Fighter Group	Bonn-Hangelar	Former III Group, 51st Bomber Wing (FW 190)
4th Ground-Support Wing Headquarters	Guetersloh	
I Group, 4th Ground-Support Wing	Lippspringe	
II Group, 4th Ground-Support Wing	Guetersloh	In transit
III Group, 4th Ground-Support Wing (tank destroyers)	Kirrlach	In transit
I Group, 66th Bomber Wing ("Mistel" aircraft)	Delersdorf	Minus Vechta Detach- ment (Ju 188/ Ju 88 (R 886)
Command Staff, I Group, 66th Bomber Wing	Vechta	
III Group, 66th Bomber Wing ("Mistel" aircraft)	Burg	Me 109 / Ju 88 (R 886)



Deployment of Flying UnitsStatus as of 28 November 1944Strength Movements after 1 November 1944

Headquarters and Units	Detached from Airfield	Assigned to Airfield
<u>Transfers from the West:</u>		
<u>3d Air Division Headquarters</u>	Bad Essen	Tomaschow, in command area of Sixth Air Fleet Command
1st Squadron, 121st Long-Range Recon. Group	Langendiebach	Deactivated (?)
4th Squadron, 123d Long-Range Recon. Group	Limburg, Linter	Deactivated (?)
5th Squadron, 123d Long-Range Recon. Group	Buer	Deactivated (?)
III Group, 151st Bomber Wing	Bonn-Hangelar	Bonn-Hangelar; re-designated 20th Night Fighter Group



Deployment of Flying UnitsStatus as of 28 November 1944Strength Movements after 1 November 1944

Headquarters and Units	Detached from Airfield	Assigned to Airfield
<u>Transfers to the West:</u>		
2d Squadron, 1st Close-Reconnaissance Group	(?)	Nieder-Mendig
3d Squadron, 1st Close-Reconnaissance Group	(?)	Twente
<u>4th Ground-Support Wing Headquarters</u>	Gerdauen } Gerdauen } Gerdauen } in command area of Sixth Air Fleet Command	Guetersloh
I Group, 4th Ground-Support Wing		Lippspringe
II Group, 4th Ground-Support Wing		Guetersloh
III Group, 4th Ground-Support Wing	Reinsehlen training area	Kirrlach; in transit
20th Night Fighter Group	Re-designated III Group, 51st Bomber Wing	Bonn-Hangelar
<u>51st Bomber Wing Headquarters (Me 262)</u>	Landsberg, Lech; in process of re-equipment	Achmer
6th Squadron, 51st Bomber Wing (Me 262)	Schwaebisch-Hall, in process of re-equipment	Hessepe
Special-Purpose Detachment Braunegg	Rheine; in process of re-activation	Rheine
Special-Purpose Detachment Sommer	Biblis; in process of re-activation	Biblis



Deployment of Flying UnitsStatus as of 28 November 1944Flying Units in Process of Training, Re-Equipment, and Re-TrainingDeployment Map, Appendix A13

Headquarters and Units	Field Headquarters or Airfield	Remarks
3d Squadron, 14th Close-Reconn. Group	Bayreuth	In process of re-equipment
<u>5th Long-Range Recon. Group Headquarters</u>	Muehldorf, Inn	In rest area
1st and 2d Squadrons, 5th Long-Range Recon. Group	Muehldorf, Inn	In rest area
1st Squadron, 33d Long-Range Recon. Group	Justerbog	In process of re-equipment
3d Squadron, 123d Long-Range Recon. Group	Justerbog	In process of re-equipment
1st Squadron, 100th Long-Range Recon. Group	Justerbog	In process of re-equipment
III Group, 26th Bomber Wing	Leck	In process of re-equipment
<u>40th Bomber Wing Headquarters</u>	Luebeck-Blankensee	In process of re-equipment
I Group, 40th Bomber Wing	Neuburg, Danube	In process of re-equipment
II Group, 40th Bomber Wing	Parchim	In process of re-equipment
III Group, 40th Bomber Wing	Luebeck-Blankensee	In process of re-equipment
II Group, 51st Bomber Wing (minus 6th Squadron)	Lechfeld	In process of conversion to Me 262 Bombers
II Group, 76th Bomber Wing	Burg	In process of re-equipment
II Group, 100th Bomber Wing	Aalborg	In process of training



Concentration of Flying Units in the West

(Command Area of Luftwaffe Command West)

Status as of 1 January 1945

(Day Fighter Units Only)

(Compilation based on individual documents and Luftwaffe High Command situation map dated 29 November 1944 issued for "Bodenplatte" \*) offensive scheduled for 1 January 1945)

Overall Strength as of 1 January 1945:

	Actual Strength	Effective Strength
Day fighters	?	1035 (S 10)

See Deployment maps, appendixes A14 and A 15

\*) Code name for Luftwaffe Ardennes offensive.



Deployment of Day Fighter UnitsStatus as of 1 January 1945Command Area, 3d Air DivisionDeployment Map, Appendix A14

Headquarters and Units	Field Headquarters or Airfield	Remarks
<u>3d Air Division Headquarters</u>	Wiedenbrueck	Situation map dated 29 November 1944
<u>1st Fighter Wing Headquarters</u>	Twente	)
I Group, 1st Fighter Wing	Twente	) (R 977)
II Group, 1st Fighter Wing	Rheine	)
<u>3d Fighter Wing Headquarters</u>	Lippspringe	)
I Group, 3d Fighter Wing	Paderborn	)
II Group, 3d Fighter Wing	Lippspringe	) ( S 3d)
III Group, 3d Fighter Wing	Wabern	)
IV Group, 3d Fighter Wing	Gutersloh	)
<u>6th Fighter Wing Headquarters</u>	Oldenburg	)
I Group, 6th Fighter Wing	Oldenburg	)
II Group, 6th Fighter Wing	Quakenbrueck	) (R 441)
III Group, 6th Fighter Wing	Vechta	)



Deployment of Day Fighter UnitsStatus as of 1 January 1945Command Area, 3d Air DivisionDeployment Map, Appendix A 14

Headquarters and Units	Field Headquarters or Airfield	Remarks
<u>26th Fighter Wing Headquarters</u>	Nordhorn	)
I Group, 26th Fighter Wing	Greven	)
II Group, 26th Fighter Wing	Nordhorn	) (S 3f)
III Group, 26th Fighter Wing	Fuerstenau	)
<u>27th Fighter Wing Headquarters</u>	Rheine	)
I Group, 27th Fighter Wing	Rheine	)
II Group, 27th Fighter Wing	Hopsten	) (R 527)
III Group, 27th Fighter Wing	Hesepe	)
IV Group, 27th Fighter Wing	Achmer	)
IV Group, 54th Fighter Wing	Voerden	)
<u>77th Fighter Wing Headquarters</u>	Dortmund	)
I Group, 77th Fighter Wing	Dortmund	) (S 3f)
II Group, 77th Fighter Wing	Boeninghardt	)
III Group, 77th Fighter Wing	Duesseldorf	)



Deployment of Day Fighter UnitsStatus as of 1 January 1945Command Area, Fighter Sector Command  
Central Rhine RegionDeployment Map, Appendix A15

Headquarters and Units	Field Headquarters or Airfield	Remarks
<u>Fighter Sector Command Central Rhine Region Headquarters</u>	Darmstadt	Situation map dated 29 November 1944
<u>2d Fighter Wing Headquarters</u>	Nidda	)
I Group, 2d Fighter Wing	Merzhausen	)
II Group, 2d Fighter Wing	Nidda	) Situation map dated 29 Nov. 1944
III Group, 2d Fighter Wing	Altenstadt	)
<u>4th Fighter Wing Headquarters</u>	Rhein - Main	)
I Group, 4th Fighter Wing	Darmstadt-Griesheim	)
II Group, 4th Fighter Wing	Mainz-Finthen	) Situation map dated 29 Nov. 1944
II Group, 4th Fighter Wing	Egelsbach	)
IV Group, 4th Fighter Wing	Rhein - Main	)



Deployment of Day Fighter UnitsStatus as of 1 January 1945Command Area, Fighter Sector  
Command Central Rhine RegionDeployment Map, Appendix A15

Headquarters and Units	Field Headquarters or Airfield	Remarks
<u>11th Fighter Wing Headquarters</u>	Biblis (?)	
I Group, 11th Fighter Wing	Biblis (?)	
II Group, 11th Fighter Wing	Biblis (?)	
III Group, 11th Fighter Wing	Babenhausen (?)	
III Group, 54th Fighter Wing	Zellhausen (?)	
<u>53d Fighter Wing Headquarters</u>	Donaueschingen	}
II Group, 53d Fighter Wing	Malsheim	}
III Group, 53d Fighter Wing	Germersheim	} Situation map
IV Group, 53d Fighter Wing	Donaueschingen	} dated 29 Nov.
		} 1944, and
		} R 848



Deployment of Day Fighter UnitsStatus as of 1 January 1945Strength Movements after 28 November 1944

Headquarters and Units	Detached from Airfield	Assigned to Airfield
<u>Transfers from the West:</u>	None	
<u>Transfers to the West:</u>		
<u>1st Fighter Wing Headquarters</u>	Greifswald )	Twente
I Group, 1st Fighter Wing	Greifswald ) in Reich	Twente
II Group, 1st Fighter Wing	Tutow ) air defense	Rheine
	) command	
	) area	
<u>3d Fighter Wing Headquarters</u>	Stoernede ) in Reich air	Lippspringe
I Group, 3d Fighter Wing	Werl ) defense	Paderborn
II Group, 3d Fighter Wing	Alperstedt; rehabilitation	Lippspringe
	) area	
III Group, 3d Fighter Wing	Schachten ) in Reich air	Wabern
IV Group, 3d Fighter Wing	Stoernede ) defense	Gütersloh
	) command area	
<u>6th Fighter Wing Headquarters</u>	Perleberg )	Oldenburg
I Group, 6th Fighter Wing	Perleberg ) rehabilitation	Oldenburg
II Group, 6th Fighter Wing	Hagenow ) area	Quakenbrueck
III Group, 6th Fighter Wing	Schwerin )	Vechta



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Deployment of Day Fighter UnitsStatus as of 1 January 1945Strength Movements after 28 November 1944

Headquarters and Units	Detached from Airfield	Assigned to Airfield
<u>Transfers to the West:</u>		
<u>27th Fighter Wing Headquarters</u>	Hopsten )	Rheine
I Group, 26th Fighter Wing	Rheine )	Rheine
II Group, 27th Fighter Wing	Hopsten )	Hopsten
III Group, 27th Fighter Wing	Hesepe )	Hesepe
IV Group, 27th Fighter Wing	Achmer )	Achmer
IV Group, 54th Fighter Wing	Voerden )	Voerden
<u>77th Fighter Wing Headquarters</u>		
I Group, 77th Fighter Wing	Schoenwalde )	Dortmund
II Group, 77th Fighter Wing	Schoenwalde ) rehabilitation area	Dortmund
III Group, 77th Fighter Wing	Eggersdorf )	Boeninghardt
	Neuruppin )	Duesseldorf



Deployment of Day Fighter UnitsStatus as of 1 January 1945Strength Movements after 28 November 1944

Headquarters and Units	Detached from Airfield	Assigned to Airfield
<u>Transfers to the West:</u>		
<u>4th Fighter Wing Headquarters</u>	Rhein - Main	Rhein-Main
I Group, 4th Fighter Wing	Darmstadt-Griesheim	Darmstadt-Griesheim
II Group, 4th Fighter Wing	Mainz-Finthen	Mainz-Finthen
I Group, 4th Fighter Wing	Egelsbach	Egelsbach
IV Group, 4th Fighter Wing	Rhein-Main	Rhein-Main
In Reich air defense command area		
<u>11th Fighter Wing Headquarters</u>	Wunstorf	Biblis (?)
I Group, 11th Fighter Wing	Dedelsdorf	Biblis (?)
II Group, 11th Fighter Wing	Wunstorf	Biblis (?)
III Group, 11th Fighter Wing	Hustedt	Babenhausen (?)
III Group, 54th Fighter Wing	Oldenburg	Zellhausen (?)
rehabilitation area		



Concentration of Flying Units in the West  
(Command Area of Luftwaffe Command West)

Status as of 1 February 1945

(R 987)

Overall Strength on 1 February 1945:      No particulars available.

See deployment maps, Appendixes A 21 and A22



Deployment of Day Fighter UnitsStatus as of 1 February 1945Command Area, Luftwaffe Command WestDeployment Map, Appendix A21

Headquarters and Units	Field Headquarters or Airfield	Remarks
<u>Luftwaffe Command West Headquarters</u>	Limburg	
<u>14th Air Division Headquarters</u>	Flammersfeld	
<u>2d Fighter Wing Headquarters</u>	Nidda	
I Group, 2d Fighter Wing	Merzhausen	
II Group, 2d Fighter Wing	Nidda	
III Group, 2d Fighter Wing	Ettinghausen	
<u>15th Air Division Headquarters</u>	Bad Essen	
<u>26th Fighter Wing Headquarters</u>	Fuerstenau	
I Group, 26th Fighter Wing	Fuerstenau	
II Group, 26th Fighter Wing	Nordhorn	
III Group, 26th Fighter Wing	Plantluegne	
III Group, 54th Fighter Wing	Varelbusch	



Deployment of Day Fighter UnitsStatus as of 1 February 1945-Command Area, Luftwaffe Command WestDeployment Map, Appendix A21

Headquarters and Units	Field Headquarters or Airfield	Remarks
<u>27th Fighter Wing Headquarters</u>	Hopsten	
I Group, 27th Fighter Wing	Rheine	
II Group, 27th Fighter Wing	Hopsten	
III Group, 27th Fighter Wing	Hesepe	
IV Group, 27th Fighter Wing	Achmer	
<u>16th Air Division Headquarters</u>	Durlach	
<u>53d Fighter Wing Headquarters</u>	Bonlanden	
II Group, 53d Fighter Wing	Malmsheim	
III Group, 53d Fighter Wing	Kirrlach	
IV Group, 53d Fighter Wing	Nellingen	



Deployment of Flying Units  
(minus Day Fighter Units)

Status as of 1 February 1945

Command Area, Luftwaffe Command West

Deployment Map, Appendix A22

Headquarters and Units	Field Headquarters or Airfield	Remarks
<u>Luftwaffe Command West Headquarters</u>	Limburg	
<u>123d Long-Range Recon. Group Headquarters</u>	Langendiebach	
Elements of 123d Long-Range Recon. Group	Twente and Nieder Mendig	
<u>14th Air Division Headquarters</u>	Flammersfeld	
<u>2d Bomber Wing Headquarters</u>	Boeninghardt	
1st Night Fighter Group	Boeninghardt	
2d Night Fighter Group	Cologne-Mahn	
20th Night Fighter Group	Twente	
<u>15th Air Division Headquarters</u>	Bad Essen	
<u>51st Bomber Wing Headquarters</u>	Achmer	
I Group, 51st Bomber Group	Achmer	
II Group, 51st Bomber Group	Achmer	
<u>53d Bomber Wing Headquarters</u>	Zwischenahn	Including 53d Bomber Wing units (?)
<u>I Group, 66th Bomber Wing</u>	Dedelsdorf	
<u>16th Air Division Headquarters</u>	Durlach	
13th Close-Reconn. Group	Oedheim	



Concentration of Flying Units in the West - Southern Area

(Command Area of Sixth Air Fleet Command)

Status as of 7 May 1945 (?)

(Based on incomplete Luftwaffe High Command chart dated 19 May 1945)  
(R 498)

Note: Only those flying units are listed which were employed at western front.

See deployment map, appendix A16.



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Deployment of Reconnaissance Units

Status as of 7 May 1945

Command Area . Luftwaffe Command West

Deployment Map, Appendix A16

Headquarters and Units	Garrison <del>XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX</del> Airfield	Remarks
<u>Luftwaffe Command West Headquarters</u>	Lofer Region	
1st Squadron, 100th Long-Range Reconn. Group	Seaz (?)	Me 262
<u>13th Close-Reconnaissance Group Headquarters</u>	Bad Reichenhall	
3d Squadron, 13th Close-Reconn. Group	Bad Reichenhall	



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Deployment of Day Fighter UnitsStatus as of 7 May 1945Command Area, 7th Fighter DivisionDeployment Map, Appendix A16

Headquarters and Units	Garrison <del>XXXXXX</del> Airfield	Remarks
<u>7th Fighter Division Headquarters</u>	Saalbach	
I Group, 27th Fighter Wing	Zell am See	In process of transfer to Aigen
III Group, 27th Fighter Wing	Zell am See	personnel engaged in ground combat
<u>53d Fighter Wing Headquarters</u>	Prien	}
II Group, 53d Fighter Wing	Prien	} Personnel engaged in
III Group, 53d Fighter Wing	Prien	} ground combat
IV Group, 53d Fighter Wing	Prien	}
<u>300th Fighter Wing Headquarters</u>	Ainring	Taken prisoner
II (Assault) Group, 300th Fighter Wing	Ainring	Taken prisoner
III Group, 300th Fighter Wing	Ainring	Personnel engaged in ground combat
IV Group, 300th Fighter Wing	Ainring	Personnel engaged in ground combat
44th Fighter Unit (Me 262) (IV Group, 7th Fighter Wing)	Salzburg	Taken prisoner



Deployment of Night Fighter UnitsStatus as of 7 May 1945Command Area, 7th Fighter DivisionDeployment Map, Appendix A16

Headquarters and Units	Garrison <del>XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX</del> Airfield	Remarks
<u>7th Fighter Division Headquarters</u>	Saalbach	
II Group, 2d Night Fighter Wing	Pocking	)
V Group, 2d Night Fighter Wing	Schleissheim	)
		)
<u>5th Night Fighter Wing Headquarters</u>	Bad Aibling	)
1st Squadron, 6th Night Fighter Wing	Bad Aibling	)
4th Squadron, 6th Night Fighter Wing	Bad Aibling	)
7th Squadron, 6th Night Fighter Wing	Bad Aibling	)
10th Squadron, 6th Night Fighter Wing	Bad Aibling	)
1st Squadron, 11th Night Fighter Wing	Bad Aibling	)

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Deployment of Jet-Propelled Bomber and  
Ground-Support UnitsStatus as of 7 May 1945Command Area, 7th Fighter DivisionDeployment Map, Appendix A16

Headquarters and Units	Garrison <del>XXXXXXXXXXXXXX</del> Airfield	Remarks
<u>7th Fighter Division Headquarters</u>	Saalkach	
<u>51st Bomber Wing Headquarters</u>	Holzkirchen	) Minus aircraft;
I Group, 51st Bomber Wing	Holzkirchen	) personnel
II Group, 51st Bomber Wing	Holzkirchen	) employed in
13th Squadron, 51st Bomber Wing	Holzkirchen	) patrol service
1st Night Fighter Group	Bad Aibling	Minus certain elements
2d Night Fighter Group	Bad Aibling	



Deployment of Fighter UnitsStatus as of 7 May 1945Command Area, IX Air Corps (Fighters)Deployment Map, Appendix A13

Headquarters and Units	Garrison <del>XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX</del> Airfield	Remarks
<u>IX Air Corps Headquarters (Fighters)</u>	Radstadt Region	
<u>8th Fighter Division Headquarters</u>	Lend	
<u>2d Fighter Wing Headquarters</u>	Eger	Deactivation requested
I Group, 2d Fighter Wing	Karlsbad	Deactivation requested
II Group, 2d Fighter Wing	Eger	In process of transfer to Prague
<u>7th Fighter Wing Headquarters (Me 262)</u>	Prague	
III Group, 7th Fighter Wing (Me 262)	Prague	
4th Squadron, 100th Night Fighter Wing	Bruenn	



Concentration of Flying Units in the West - Northern Area.

(Command Area of Home Air Fleet Command)

Status as of 7 May 1945 (?)

(Based on incomplete Luftwaffe High Command chart dated 19 May 1945, and supplementary information provided by organization chart drawn up in May 1945 by Home Air Fleet Command)

(R 498 and R 594)

Note: Only those flying units are listed which were employed at western front.

See deployment maps, appendixes A17 - A20.



Command AgenciesStatus as of 7 May 1945Command Area, Home Air Fleet CommandDeployment Map, Appendix A17

Headquarters	Garrison	Remarks
<u>2d Fighter Division</u> <u>Headquarters</u>	Nordhastedt	
<u>9th Air Division</u> <u>Headquarters</u>	Husum	
<u>15th Air Division</u> <u>Headquarters</u>	Ruegge, Holstein	
<u>Fighter Sector Command</u> <u>Denmark Headquarters</u>	Grove	



Deployment of Reconnaissance UnitsStatus as of 7 May 1945Command Area, Home Air Fleet CommandDeployment Map, Appendix A17

Headquarters and Units	Garrison Airfield	Remarks
1st Squadron, 33d Long-Range Recon. Group	Schleswig	
1st Squadron, 123d Long-Range Recon. Group	Hohn	minus organic night reconn. detachment *) (Nachtschwarm )
1st Organic Night-Reconn. Detachment (Nachtschwarm *) ), 123d Long-Range Recon. Group	Schleswig	
1st Weather Reconnaissance Squadron	Schobuell	

\*) A "Schwarm" usually consists of five aircraft.



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Deployment of Day Fighter UnitsStatus as of 7 May 1945Command Area, Home Air Fleet CommandDeployment Map, Appendix A18

Headquarters and Unit	Garrison Airfield	Remarks
1st Fighter <sup>er</sup> Wing (elements)	Region of Schwoerhohn, Klixbuell, Enge	Minus aircraft
<u>3d Fighter Wing Headquarters</u>	Hamtrup	} } } } }
II Group, 3d Fighter Wing	Klixbuell	
III Group, 3d Fighter Wing	Oster-Schnatebuell	
IV (Assault) Group, 3d Fighter Wing	Westerland	
<u>4th Fighter Wing Headquarters</u>	Leck	
III Group, 4th Fighter Wing	Leck	
II Group, 7th Fighter Wing	Gettorf	Minus aircraft
II Group, 11th Fighter Wing	Buelsbuell	Minus aircraft
III Group, 11th Fighter Wing	Buelsbuell	Minus aircraft



Deployment of Day Fighter UnitsStatus as of 7 May 1945Command Area, Home Air Fleet CommandDeployment Map, Appendix A 18

Headquarters and Unit	Garrison Airfield	Remarks
<u>26th Fighter Wing Headquarters</u>	Huellerup	Minus aircraft
I Group, 26th Fighter Wing	Marienholtz	Minus aircraft
Command Staff, II Group, 26th Fighter Wing	Husum	
4th Squadron, 26th Fighter Wing	Kropp	Minus aircraft
<u>27th Fighter Wing Headquarters</u>	Grossenwiehe	
II Group, 27th Fighter Wing	Grossenwiehe	
<u>301st Fighter Wing Headquarters</u>	Sande	
I Group, 301st Fighter Wing	Leck	
II Group, 301st Fighter Wing	Luetjenholm	
III Group, 301st Fighter Wing	Ost-Bergum	
7th Squadron, 400th Fighter Wing	Husum	



Deployment of Night Fighter UnitsStatus as of 7 May 1945Command Area, Home Air Fleet CommandDeployment Map, Appendix A19

Headquarters and Unit	Garrison Airfield	Remarks
<u>1st Night Fighter Wing Headquarters</u>	Eggebeck	
I Group, 1st Night Fighter Wing	Husum	
4th Squadron, 1st Night Fighter Wing	Eggebeck	
7th Squadron, 1st Night Fighter Wing	Eggebeck	
10th Squadron, 1st Night Fighter Wing	Eggebeck	
<u>2d Night Fighter Wing Headquarters</u>	Schleswig	
1st Squadron, 2d Night Fighter Wing	Schleswig	
7th Squadron, 2d Night Fighter Wing	Leck	
<u>3d Night Fighter Wing Headquarters</u>	Husum	
7th Squadron, 3d Night Fighter Wing	Husum	



Deployment of Night Fighter UnitsStatus as of 7 May 1945Command Area, Home Air Fleet CommandDeployment Map, Appendix A19

Headquarters and Unit	Garrison Airfield	Remarks
<u>4th Night Fighter Wing Headquarters</u>	Eggebeck	
I Group, 4th Night Fighter Wing	Bollingstedt	
4th Squadron, 4th Night Fighter Wing	Flensburg	
● II Group, 4th Night Fighter Wing	Bollingstedt	
<u>5th Night Fighter Wing Headquarters</u>	Klein Wiehe	
1st Squadron, 5th Night Fighter Wing	Linnau	
4th Squadron, 5th Night Fighter Wing	Haurup	
7th Squadron, 5th Night Fighter Wing	Weseby	
10th Squadron, 5th Night Fighter Wing	Sollerup	
7th Squadron, 11th Night Fighter Wing	Leck	
● 10th Squadron, 11th Night Fighter Wing	Schleswig	
I Group, 100th Night Fighter Wing	Klein Wiehe	



Deployment of Bomber UnitsStatus as of 7 May 1945Command Area, Home Air Fleet CommandDeployment Map, Appendix A20

Headquarters and Unit	Garrison Airfield	Remarks
II Group, 26th Bomber Wing	Schleswig	
<u>66th Bomber Wing Headquarters</u>	Schleswig	
Command Staff, II Group, 76th Bomber Wing	Scheppern	
4th Squadron, 76th Bomber Wing	Erfte	
5th Squadron, 76th Bomber Wing	Tielen	
6th Squadron, 76th Bomber Wing	Scheppern	
Command Staff, II Group, 1st Training Wing	Breckling	
I Group, 200th Bomber Wing	Schleswig	
Command Staff, 20th Night Fighter Group	Schleswig	
1st Night Fighter Group	Schobuell and Husum	Certain elements
II Group, 2d Transport Wing	Suederup and Tastrup	



Deployment of Flying UnitsStatus as of 7 May 1945Command Area, Air Command DenmarkDeployment Map, Appendix A20

Headquarters and Units	Garrison	Remarks
1st Squadron, 3d Night Fighter Wing	Denmark	)
10th Squadron, 3d Night Fighter Wing	Denmark	)
I Group, 102d Night Fighter Wing	Denmark	) Ground elements
II Group, 102d Night Fighter Wing	Denmark	) in process of
I Group, 26th Bomber Wing	Denmark	) advancing southward



PART II

CONCENTRATION OF FLAK UNITS IN THE WEST

(Command Area of Luftwaffe Command West)

September 1944 to May 1945



Explanatory Note

The abbreviations heading the columns of the deployment outlines and shown on the deployment charts denote the following designations:

- S - Heavy AA batteries
- SO - Heavy provisional and Z.I. AA batteries
- ML - Medium and light AA batteries
- MLO - Medium and light provisional and Z.I. AA batteries
- SCH - Searchlight batteries
- LSP - Air barrage batteries
- N - Smoke companies
- Pers - Reserve personnel batteries without guns

The figures in the various columns stand for the number of AA and searchlight batteries, or smoke companies.



Concentration of AAA Units in the West

(Command Area of Luftwaffe Command West)

Status as of 22 September 1944

Operations Staff No. 10230.

(Based on Luftwaffe High Command AAA situation map, dated 23 September 1944)

Overall Strength on 22 September 1944 :-

(Minus Naval AAA Units)

154	Heavy AAA batteries	(S)
0	Heavy provisional and Z.I. AA batteries	(SO)
228	3/5 Medium and light AA batteries	(ML)
1/5	Medium and light provisional and Z.I. AA batteries	(MLO)
0	Searchlight batteries	(SCH)

No particulars are available concerning the number of Naval AAA units  
in the west on 22 September 1944.

Sss Deployment Map, Appendix Flak 1.



Deployment of AAA UnitsStatus as of 22 September 1944Command Area, III AA CorpsIII AA Corps Headquarters located at Rheinbach, near EuskirchenLocation of Command Agencies: 16th AA Division Hq: Huis Ter Heide

18th AA Brigade Hq : Arnhem

19th AA Brigade Hq : s'Hertogenbosch

20th AA Brigade Hq : Rotterdam

Deployment Concentration Areas	S	SO	ML	MLO	SCH
16th AA Division	23	0	49 1/5	0	0
18th AA Brigade	26 1/2	0	14 2/5	0	0
19th AA Brigade	26	0	38 2/5	0	0
20th AA Brigade	4 1/2	0	24 2/5	0	0
<u>Overall Strength:</u>	79	0	126 2/5	0	0



Deployment of AA UnitsStatus as of 22 September 1944Command Area, IV AA CorpsIV AA Corps Headquarters located at WiesbadenLocation of Command Agencies: 9th AA Division Hq : Bolchen

13th AA Division Hq : Strasbourg

1st AA Brigade Hq : Trier

<u>Deployment Concentration Areas</u>	S	SO	ML	MLO	SCH
1st AA Brigade	5	0	26 1/5	0	0
9th AA Division	28	0	40	0	0
13th AA Division	26	0	22 1/5	0	0
<u>Overall Strength:</u>	59	0	88 2/5	0	0



Deployment of AA UnitsStatus as of 22 September 1944Command Area, Air Command Channel  
IslandsAir Command Channel Islands Headquarters located at Guernsey

Deployment Concentration Areas	S	SO	ML	MLO	SOH
Guernsey	6	0	5 1/5	1/5	0
Jersey	6	0	5	0	0
Alderney	4	0	3 3/5	0	0
Overall Strength:	16	0	13 4/5	1/5	0



Deployment of AA UnitsStatus as of 22 September 1944Strength Movements after 9 September 1944 (Command Area, Third  
Air Fleet Command) :See Volume XIII

Command Area		S	SO	ML	MLO	SCH	LSP	ETR
Third Air Fleet Command	Departures		10		6	-	-	24
Luftwaffe Command West	Additions	25		104		-	-	
III AA Corps	Departures		5		5 3/5	-	-	-
	Additions	6		65 4/5		-	-	-
IV AA Corps	Departures		-		-	-	-	-
	Additions	29	-	45 1/5	-	-	-	-
Air Command Channel Islands	Departures	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Additions	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
16th AA Divisions	Departures	10	5	7	2/5	-	-	-
	Additions							



Concentration of AA Units in the West

(Command Area of Luftwaffe Command West)

Status as of 7 October 1944

(Based on Luftwaffe High Command AA situation map, Operations Staff No. 10273, dated 9 October 1944)

Overall Strength on 7 October 1944  
(Minus Naval AA Units)

172	Heavy AA batteries	(S)
0	Heavy provisional and Z.I. AA batteries	(SO)
234 1/5	Medium and light AA batteries	(ML)
2	Medium and light provisional and Z.I. AA batteries	(MLO)
0	Searchlight batteries	(SCH)

No particulars are available concerning the number of naval AA units in the west on 7 October 1944.

See Deployment Map, Appendix Flak 2.



Deployment of AA UnitsStatus as of 7 October 1944Command Area, III AA CorpsIII AA Corps Headquarters located at Rheinbach, near EuskirchenLocation of Command Agencies: 16th AA Division Hq : Apeldoorn

1st AA Brigade Hq : Trier

20th AA Brigade Hq : Rotterdam

Deployment Concentration Areas	S	SO	ML	MLO	SGH
16th AA Division	56	0	72	0	0
20th AA Brigade	23	0	33 3/5	0	0
1st AA Brigade	10	0	22 3/5	0	0
Under direct control	13	0	17 3/5	0	0
<u>Overall Strength:</u>	101	0	144 4/5	0	0
Out of this number the following units were controlled by the 16th AA Division:					
18th AA Brigade Sonsbeck	23	0	11 4/5	0	0
19th AA Brigade Amersfoort	10	0	27 1/5	0	0
Under direct control	13	0	33	0	0



Deployment of AA UnitsStatus as of 7 October 1944Command Area, IV AA CorpsIV AA Corps Headquarters located at EdenkobenLocation of Command Agencies: 9th AA Division Hq : Bolchen

13th AA Division Hq : Strasbourg

Deployment Concentration Areas	S	SO	ML	MLO	SCH
9th AA Division	26	0	46 $\frac{2}{5}$	0	0
13th AA Division	29	0	39 $\frac{1}{5}$	1 $\frac{4}{5}$	0
Overall Strength:	55	0	75 $\frac{3}{5}$	1 $\frac{4}{5}$	0



Deployment of AA UnitsStatus as of 7 October 1944Command Area, Air Command Channel  
IslandsAir Command Channel Islands Headquarters located at Guernsey

Deployment Concentration Areas	S	SO	ML	MLO	SCH
Guernsey	6	0	5 1/5	1/5	0
Jersey	6	0	5	0	0
Alderney	4	0	3 3/5	0	0
Overall Strength:	16	0	13 4/5	1/5	0



Deployment of AA UnitsStatus as of 7 October 1944Strength-Movements after 22 September 1944

Command Areas		S	SO	M	MLO	SCH	ETR
<u>Luftwaffe Command West</u>	Departures		-			-	-
	Additions	18	-	5 3/5	1 4/5	-	-
<u>III AA Corps</u>	Departures		-		-	-	-
	Additions	22	-	18 2/5	-	-	-
<u>IV AA Corps</u>	Departures	4	-	12 4/5		-	-
	Additions		-		1 4/5	-	-
<u>Air Command Channel Islands</u>	Departures	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Additions	-	-	-	-	-	-



Concentration of AA Units in the West

(Command Area of Luftwaffe Command West)

Status as of 23 October 1944

(Based on Luftwaffe High Command AA situation map, Operations Staff No. 10336, dated 24 October 1944)

Overall Strength on 23 October 1944  
(Minus Naval AA Units)

175	Heavy AA batteries	(S)
0	Heavy provisional and Z.I. AA batteries	(SO)
243 4/5	Medium and light AA batteries	(ML)
3	Medium and light provisional Z.I. AA batteries	(MLO)
0	Searchlight batteries	(SCH)

Overall Strength of Naval AA Units in the West on 23 October 1944:

63	Heavy AA batteries	(S)
5	Heavy provisional and Z.I. AA batteries	(SO)
40 3/4	Medium and light AA batteries	(ML)
8 1/2	Medium and light provisional and Z.I. AA batteries	(MLO)
11 3/4	Searchlight batteries	(SCH)

See Deployment Map, Appendix Flak 3.



Deployment of AA UnitsStatus as of 23 October 1944Command Area, III AA CorpsIII AA Corps Headquarters located at Rheinbach, near EuskirchenLocation of Command Agencies: 16th AA Division Hq : Doetinchem

1st AA Brigade Hq : Kyllburg

Deployment Concentration Areas	S	SO	ML	MLO	SCH
16th AA Division	54	0	77 $\frac{4}{5}$	1/5	0
1st AA Brigade	10	0	24 $\frac{2}{5}$	1/5	0
Under direct control	36	0	49 $\frac{4}{5}$	2/5	0
Overall Strength:	100	0	152	4/5	0
<u>Out of this number the following units were controlled by the 16th AA Division:</u>					
18th AA Brigade Sonsbeck	19	0	10 $\frac{2}{5}$	0	0
19th AA Brigade Amersfoort	10	0	28 $\frac{2}{5}$	0	0
AA Brigade On Special Assignment Rotterdam	25	0	39	1/5	0



Deployment of AA UnitsStatus as of 23 October 1944Command Area, IV AA CorpsIV AA Corps Headquarters located at EdenkobenLocation of Command Agencies: 9th AA Division Hq: Bolchen

13th AA Division Hq: Strasbourg

Deployment Concentration Areas	S	SO	ML	MLO	SCH
9th AA Division	33	0	54 2/5	2/5	0
13th AA Division	26	0	23 3/5	1 3/5	0
Overall Strength:	59	0	78	2	0



Deployment of AA UnitsStatus as of 23 October 1944Command Area, Air Command  
Channel IslandsAir Command Channel Islands Headquarters located at Guernsey

<u>Deployment Concentration Areas</u>	<u>S</u>	<u>SO</u>	<u>ML</u>	<u>MLO</u>	<u>SCH</u>
Guernsey	6	0	5 1/5	1/5	0
Jersey	6	0	5	0	0
Alderney	4	0	3 3/5	0	0
<u>Overall Strength :</u>	16	0	13 4/5	1/5	0
<u>Naval AA Units</u>					
Alderney	0	0	1	1/4	0
Guernsey	0	0	1 3/4	1/4	0
Jersey	0	0	1/2	3/4	0
<u>Strength of Naval AA Units:</u>	0	0	3 1/4	1 1/4	0



Deployment of AA Units

Status as of 23 October 1944

Naval Command Area

Naval Command Netherlands. . . . . (1). . . . .

Deployment Concentration Areas	S	SO	ML	MLO	SCE
Ijmuiden	5	0	2 1/2	0	1
Vlissingen	4	0	3 1/2	0	1
Hoeck van Holland	4	0	2 1/2	0	3/4
Den Helder	3	0	2 1/4	0	1/2
Texel	2	0	3/4	0	1/4
Vlieland	2	0	3/4	0	1/2
Terschelling	2	0	1/2	0	1/4
Ameland	1	0	3/4	0	1/4
Schiermonnikoog	1	0	1/4	0	1/4
Overall Strength:	24	3	20	1 1/4	4 3/4



Deployment of AA Units

Status as of 23 October 1944

Naval Command Area

Naval Command Channel Coast and Atlantic Coast (Encircled): . . . . . (?) . . . . .

Deployment Concentration Areas	S	SO	ML	MLO	SCH
Duenkirchen	0	0	1 1/2	1/2	0
Lorient	15	0	4	1/2	3
Ile de Croix	2	0	3/4	1/2	1/4
Belle Ile	1	0	3/4	1/4	1/2
St. Nazaire	16	0	3 3/4	0	3
Ile de Ré	2	0	1 1/2	1	0
La Rochelle	0	2	3/4	0	0
Ile d'Oléron	2	0	1 1/4	3/4	0
Royen Le Verdon            }	1	0	1 1/2	3/4	0
<u>Overall Strength:</u>	39	2	17 1/2	6	7



Deployment of AA UnitsStatus as of 23 October 1944Strength Movements after 7 October 1944  
(Naval Strength after 24 June 1944)

Command Area		S	SO	ML	MLO	SCE	N
<u>Luftwaffe Command West</u>	Departures		-			-	-
	Additions	3	-	9 3/5	1	-	-
<u>III AA Corps</u>	Departures	1	-			-	-
	Additions		-	7 1/5	4/5	-	-
<u>IV AA Corps</u>	Departures		-			-	-
	Additions	4	-	2 2/5	1/5	-	-
<u>Air Command Channel Islands</u>	Departures	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Additions	-	-	-	-	-	-
<u>Naval Command West</u>	Departures	25	-	48 1/4	15 1/2	5 3/4	12
	Additions		-				



Concentration of AA Units in the West

(Command Area of Luftwaffe Command West)

Status as of 7 November 1944(Based on Luftwaffe High Command <sup>AA</sup> Situation map, Operations Staff No. 10364, dated 9 November 1944)Overall Strength on 7 November 1944 ;  
(Minus Naval AA Units)

198	Heavy AA batteries	(S)
12	Heavy AA batteries with adequate personnel, but no guns	(Pers)
0	Heavy provisional and Z.I. AA batteries	(SO)
261	Medium and light AA batteries	(ML)
18	Medium and light AA batteries with adequate personnel, but no guns	(Pers)
2 4/5	Medium and light provisional and Z.I. AA batteries	(MLO)
0	Searchlight batteries	(SCL)

Overall Strength of Naval AA Units in the West on 7 November 1944:

<del>59</del>	<del>Heavy AA batteries</del>	<del>(S)</del>
3	Heavy provisional and Z.I. AA batteries	(SO)
34 1/4	Medium and light AA batteries	(ML)
6 1/4	Medium and light provisional and Z.I. AA batteries	(MLO)
10 1/2	Searchlight batteries	(SCL)

See Deployment Map, Appendix Flak 4.



Deployment of AA UnitsStatus as of 7 November 1944Command Area, III AA CorpsIII AA Corps Headquarters located at Dyck Castle, RheydtLocation of Command Agencies: 16th AA Division Hq: Doetinchem

2d AA Division Hq: Erkelens

19th AA Brigade Hq ; Rheinbach

Deployment Concentration Areas	S	SO	ML	MLO	SOH
16th AA Division	66	0	77 3/5	1 3/5	0
2d AA Division	22	0	26 1/2	0	0
19th AA Brigade	29	0	49 2/5	1/5	0
Under direct control	9	0	15 4/5	0	0
<b>Overall Strength:</b>	<b>126</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>169</b>	<b>1 4/5</b>	<b>0</b>
<u>Out of this number the following units were controlled by the 16th AA Division:</u>					
1st AA Brigade Amersfoort	16	0	34	1	0
AA Brigade On Special Assignment Rotterdam	24	0	31 3/5	3/5	0
18th AA Brigade Sonsbeck	23	0	12	0	0
Under direct control	3	0	0	0	0



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Deployment of AA UnitsStatus as of 7 November 1944Command Area, IV AA CorpsIV AA Corps Headquarters located at EienkobenLocation of Command Agencies: 9th AA Division Hq : Bolchen

13th AA Division Hq : Benfeld

<u>Deployment Concentration Areas</u>	S	SO	ML	MLO	SCH
9th AA Division	36	0	56	1/5	0
13th AA Division	20	0	22 1/4	3/5	0
<u>Overall Strength:</u>	56 + 12 Pers	0	78 1/4 + 18 Pers	4/5	0



Deployment of AA UnitsStatus as of 7 November 1944Command Area, Air Command  
Channel IslandsAir Command Channel Islands Headquarters located at Guernsey

<u>Deployment Concentration Areas</u>	<u>S</u>	<u>SO</u>	<u>ML</u>	<u>MLO</u>	<u>SCH</u>
Guernsey	6	0	5 1/5	1/5	0
Jersey	6	0	5	0	0
Alderney	4	0	3 3/5	0	0
<u>Overall Strength:-</u>	16	0	13 4/5	1/5	0
<u>Naval AA Units:</u>					
Guernsey	0	0	1 3/4	1/4	0
Jersey	0	0	1/2	3/4	0
Alderney	0	0	1	1/4	0
<u>Strength of Naval AA Units:</u>	0	0	3 1/4	1 1/4	0



Deployment of AA Units

Status as of 7 November 1944

Naval Command Area

Naval Command Netherlands: . . . . . (1) . . . . .

Deployment Concentration Areas	S	SO	ML	MLO	SCB
Ijmuiden	5	0	2 1/2	0	1
Hoek van Holland	4	0	2 1/2	0	3/4
Den Helder	4	0	2 1/4	0	1/4
Texel	2	0	3/4	0	1/4
Vlieland	2	0	3/4	0	1/2
Terschelling	2	0	1/2	0	1/4
Ameland	1	0	3/4	0	1/4
Schiermonnikoog	1	0	1/4	0	1/4
Overall Strength:	20	1	15 1/4	1 1/4	3 1/2



Deployment of AA Units

Status as of 7 November 1944

Naval Command Area

Naval Command Channel Coast and Atlantic Coast (Enclosed): . . . . .(?) . . .

Deployment Concentration Areas	S	SO	ML	MLO	SCH
Duenkirchen	0	0	1 1/2	1/2	0
Lorient	15	0	4	1/2	3
Ile de Croix	2	0	3/4	1/2	1/4
BelleIle	1	0	3/4	1/4	1/2
St. Nazaire	16	0	3 3/4	0	3
Ile de Re	2	0	1 1/2	1	0
La Rochelle	0	2	3/4	0	0
Ile d'Oléron	2	0	1 1/4	3/4	1/4
Royan ) Le Verdon )	1	0	1 1/2	1/4	0
Overall Strength:	39	2	15 3/4	3 3/4	7



Deployment of AA UnitsStatus as of 7 November 1944Strength Movements after 23 October 1944

Command Area		S	SO	ML	MLO	SCH	S (Pers)	ML (Pers)
<u>Luftwaffe Command West</u>	Departures		-		1/5	-		
	Additions	23	-	17 1/5		-	12	18
<u>III AA Corps</u>	Departures		-			-	-	-
	Additions	26	-	17	1	-	-	-
<u>IV AA Corps</u>	Departures	3	-		1 1/5	-		
	Additions		-	1/4		-	12	18
<u>Air Command Channel Islands</u>	Departures	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Additions	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<u>Naval Units</u>	Departures	4	2	6 1/2	3 1/4	1 1/4	-	-
	Additions						-	-



Concentration of AA Units in the West

(Command Area of Luftwaffe Command West)

Status as of 22 November 1944

(Based on Luftwaffe High Command AA situation map, Operations Staff No. 10387, dated 24 November 1944)

Overall Strength on 22 November 1944 :  
(Minus Naval AA Units)

210	Heavy AA batteries	(S)
18	Heavy AA batteries with adequate personnel, but no guns	(Pers)
0	Heavy provisional and ZI AA batteries	(SO)
274 1/5	Medium and light AA batteries	(ML)
17	Medium and light AA batteries with adequate personnel, but no guns	(Pers)
2 4/5	Medium and light provisional and ZI AA batteries	(MLO)
7	Searchlight batteries	(SCH)
3	Smoke companies	(F)

Overall Strength of Naval AA Units in the West on 22 November 1944:

59	Heavy AA batteries	(S)
3	Heavy provisional and ZI AA batteries	(SO)
34 1/4	Medium and light AA batteries	(ML)
6 1/4	Medium and light provisional and ZI AA batteries	(MLO)
10 1/3	Searchlight batteries	(SCH)

See Deployment Map, Appendix Flak 5.



Deployment of AA Units

Status as of 22 November 1944

Command Area, 16th AA Division

16th AA Division Headquarters located at Doetinchem

Location of Command Agencies: 18th AA Brigade Hq: Sonsbeck

AA Brigade On  
Special Assign-  
ment Hq : Huis Ter Heide

Deployment Concentration Areas	S	SO	ML	MLO	SCH	N
AA Brigade On Special Assignment	19	0	27 2/5	3/5	0	0
18th AA Brigade	34	0	19 3/5	0	0	0
Under direct control	24	0	36 3/5	1	0	0
<u>Overall Strength:</u>	77	0	83 3/5	1 3/5	0	0



Deployment of AA UnitsStatus as of 22 November 1944Command Area, III AA CorpsIII AA Corps Headquarters located at Dyck Castle, RheydtLocation of Command Agencies: 2d AA Division Hq: Hamrath

1st AA Brigade Hq: Aldenhoven

19th AA Brigade Hq: Rheinbach

Deployment Concentration Areas	S	SO	ML	MLO	SGH	N
1st AA Brigade	17	0	19 3/5	0	0	0
2d AA Division	23	0	20 3/4	0	0	0
19th AA Brigade	19	0	51 2/5	1/5	0	0
In process of transfer	7	0	12 3/5	0	7	3
<b>Overall Strength:</b>	66	0	104 1/5	1/5	7	3



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Deployment of AA UnitsStatus as of 23 November 1944Command Area, IV AACorpsIV AA Corps Headquarters located at EdenkobenLocation of Command Agencies:- 9th AA Division Hq : Saarbruecken

13th AA Division Hq: Saarbruecken

Deployment Concentration Areas	S	SO	ML	MLO	SGH	N
9th AA Division	36	0	55	1/5	0	0
13th AA Division	15	0	17 3/5	3/5	0	0
<u>Overall Strength :</u>	51 - 18 Pers	0	72 3/5 - 17 Pers	4/5	0	0



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Deployment of AA UnitsStatus as of 22 November 1944Command Area, Air Command  
Channel IslandsAir Command Channel Islands Headquarters located at Guernsey

<u>Deployment Concentration Areas</u>	<u>S</u>	<u>SO</u>	<u>ML</u>	<u>MLO</u>	<u>SCH</u>	<u>N</u>
Guernsey	6	0	5 1/5	1/5	0	0
Jersey	6	0	5	0	0	0
Alderney	4	0	3 3/5	0	0	0
<u>Overall Strength:</u>	16	0	13 4/5	1/5	0	0
<u>Naval AA Units:</u>						
Guernsey	0	0	1 3/4	1/4	0	0
Jersey	0	0	1/2	3/4	0	0
Alderney	0	0	1	1/4	0	0
<u>Strength of Naval AA Units:</u>	0	0	3 1/4	1 1/4	0	0



Deployment of AA UnitsStatus as of 22 November 1944Naval Command AreaNaval Command Netherlands: . . . . . (1) . . . . .

Deployment Concentration Areas	S	SO	ML	MLO	SCH
Ijmuiden	5	0	2 1/2	0	1
Hoeck van Holland	4	0	2 1/2	0	3/4
Den Helder	3	0	2 1/4	0	1/4
Texel	2	0	3/4	0	1/4
Vlieland	2	0	3/4	0	1/2
Terschelling	2	0	1/2	0	1/4
Ameland	1	0	3/4	0	1/4
Schiermonnikoog	1	0	1/4	0	1/4
Overall Strength:	20	1	15 1/4	1 1/4	3 1/2



Deployment of AA Units

Status as of 22 November 1944

Naval Command Area

Naval Command Channel Coast and Atlantic Coast (Encircled): . . . . . (7) . . . . .

Deployment Concentration Areas	S	SO	ML	MLO	SCH
Duenkirchen	0	0	1 1/2	1/2	0
Lorient	15	0	4	1/2	3
Ile de Croix	2	0	3/4	1/2	1/4
Belle Ile	1	0	3/4	1/4	1/2
St. Nazaire	16	0	3 3/4	0	3
Ile de Re	2	0	1 1/2	1	0
La Rochelle	0	2	3/4	0	0
Ile d'Oléron	2	0	1 1/4	3/4	1/4
Royan ) Le Verdon )	1	0	1 1/2	1/4	0
<u>Overall Strength:</u>	39	2	15 3/4	3 3/4	7



Deployment of AA UnitsStatus as of 23 November 1944Strength Movements after 7 November 1944:

Command Area		S	S Pers	SO	ML	ML Pers	MLO	SCH	N
<u>Luftwaffe Command West</u>	Departures			-		1	-		
	Additions	12	6	-	13 1/5		-	7	3
<u>III AA Corps</u>	Departures	60	-	-	64 4/5	-	1 3/5		
	Additions		-	-		-		7	3
<u>IV AA Corps</u>	Departures	4		-	5 3/5	1	-	-	-
	Additions		6	-			-	-	-
<u>16th AA Division</u>	Additions	77	-	-	83 3/5	-	1 3/5	-	-
<u>Air Command Channel Islands</u>	Departures	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Additions	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<u>Naval Units</u>	Departures	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Additions	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-



Concentration of AA Units in the West  
(Command Area of Luftwaffe Command West)

Status as of 7 December 1944

(Based on Luftwaffe High Command AA situation map, Operations Staff No. 10440, dated 9 December 1944)

Overall Strength on 7 December 1944 :  
(Minus Naval AA Units)

249	Heavy AA batteries	(S)
5	Heavy AA batteries with adequate personnel, but no guns	(Pers)
8	Heavy provisional and ZI AA batteries	(SO)
281 2/5	Medium and light AA batteries	(ML)
11	Medium and light AA batteries with adequate personnel, but no guns	(Pers)
7 2/5	Medium and light provisional and ZI AA batteries	(MLO)
10	Searchlight batteries	(SCH)
1	Air barrage battery	(LSP)
4 1/2	Smoke companies	(N)

Overall Strength of Naval AA Units in the West on 7 December 1944:

58	Heavy AA batteries	(S)
4	Heavy provisional and ZI AA batteries	(SO)
34 1/4	Medium and light AA batteries	(ML)
5 3/4	Medium and light provisional and ZI AA batteries	(MLO)
10 1/2	Searchlight batteries	(SCH)

See Deployment Map, Appendix Flak 6.



Deployment of AA Units

Status as of 7 December 1944

Command Area, 16th AA Division

16th AA Division Headquarters located at Dostinchen

Location of Command Agencies: 18th AA Brigade Hq: Sonsbeck

AA Brigade On  
Special Assign-  
ment Hq : Huis Ter Heide

Deployment Concentration Areas	S	SO	ML	MLO	SOE	LSP	N
AA Brigade On Special Assignment	18	0	31	1	0	0	0
18th AA Brigade	47	0	34 2/5	0	0	0	0
Under direct control	12	0	17 4/5	4/5	0	0	0
<u>Overall Strength:</u>	77	0	83 1/5	1 4/5	0	0	0



Deployment of AA UnitsStatus as of 7 December 1944Command Area, III AA CorpsIII AA Corps Headquarters located at Dyck Castle, RheydtLocation of Command Agencies: 1st AA Brigade Hq : Guberath (10 kilometers southwest of Muenchen-Gladbach )

2d AA Division Hq : Hamrath (15 kilometers northwest of Cologne)

19th AA Brigade Hq: Rheinbach (near Euskirchen)

Deployment Concentration Areas	S	SO	ML	MLC	SCH	LSP	N
1st AA Brigade	16	0	30	0	0	0	0
2d AA Division	31	0	22 1/2	0	0	0	0
19th AA Brigade	31	0	54 1/5	3/5	0	0	0
In process of transfer	4	0	17 3/5	0	10	0	0
<u>Overall Strength:</u>	72	0	114 2/5	3/5	10	0	3



Deployment of AA Units

Status as of 7 December 1944

Command Area, IV AA Corps

IV AA Corps Headquarters located at Edenkoben

Location of Command Agencies: 9th AA Division Hq: Neunkirchen (north of Saarbruecken)  
 28th AA Division Hq: Rastatt-Herrenalb  
 13th AA Division Hq: Biesheim (southeast of Colmar)

Deployment Concentration Areas	S	SO	ML	MLO	SCH	LSP	N
9th AA Division	35 + 4 Pers	0	40 3/5 + 9 Pers	0	0	0	0
28th AA Division	24 + 1 Pers	8	9 4/5 + 2 Pers	1 1/5	0	1	1
13th AA Division	25	0	19 3/5	3 3/5	0	0	1/2
<u>Overall Strength:</u>	84 + 5 Pers	8	70 + 11 Pers	4 4/5	0	1	1 1/2



Deployment of AA UnitsStatus as of 7 December 1944Command Area, Air Command  
Channel IslandsAir Command Channel Islands Headquarters located at Guernsey

Deployment Concentration Areas	S	SO	ML	ML0	SCH	LSP	N
Guernsey	6	0	5 1/5	1/5	0	0	0
Jersey	6	0	5	0	0	0	0
Alderney	4	0	3 3/5	0	0	0	0
<u>Overall Strength:</u>	16	0	13 4/5	1/5	0	0	0
<u>Naval AA Units:</u>							
Guernsey	0	0	1 3/4	1/4	0	0	0
Jersey	0	0	1/2	1/4	0	0	0
Alderney	0	0	1	1/4	0	0	0
<u>Overall Strength:</u>	0	0	3 1/4	3/4	0	0	0



Deployment of AA Units

Status as of 7 December 1944

Naval Command Area

Naval Command Netherlands: . . . . . (?) . . . . .

Deployment Concentration Areas	S	SO	ML	MLO	SGH
Ijmuiden	5	0	2 1/2	0	1
Hoeck van Holland	4	0	2 1/2	0	3/4
Den Helder	3	0	2 1/4	0	1/4
Texel	2	0	3/4	0	1/4
Vlieland	2	0	3/4	0	1/2
Terschelling	2	0	1/2	0	1/4
Ameland	1	0	1/4	0	1/4
Schiermonnikoog	1	0	1/4	0	1/4
<u>Overall Strength:</u>	20	1	15 1/4	1 1/4	3 1/2



Deployment of AA Units

Status as of 7 December 1944

Naval Command Area

Naval Command Channel Coast and Atlantic Coast (Encircled): . . . . . (?) . . . . .

Deployment Concentration Areas	S	SO	ML	MLO	SCH
Duenkirchen	0	0	1 1/2	1/2	0
Lorient	15	0	4	1/2	3
Ile de Croix	2	0	3/4	1/2	1/4
Belle Ile	1	0	3/4	1/4	1/2
St. Nazaire	16	0	3 3/4	0	3
Ile de Re	2	0	1 1/2	1	0
La Rochelle	0	2	3/4	0	0
Ile d'Oleron	2	0	1 1/4	3/4	1/4
Royan ) Le Verdon )	0	1	1 1/2	1/4	0
<u>Overall Strength</u>	38	3	15 3/4	3 3/4	7



Deployment of AA UnitsStatus as of 7 December 1944Strength Movements after 22 November 1944

Command Area		S	S Pers	SO	ML	ML Pers	MLO	SCH	N	LSP
<u>Luftwaffe Command West</u>	Departures		13			6				
	Additions	39		8	7 1/5		4 3/5	3	1 1/2	1
<u>III AA Corps</u>	Departures		-	-		-			-	-
	Additions	6	-	-	10 1/5	-	2/5	3	-	-
<u>IV AA Corps</u>	Departures		13		2 3/5	6		-		
	Additions	33		8			4	-	1 1/2	1
<u>16th AA Division</u>	Departures	-	-	-	2/5	-		-	-	-
	Additions	-	-	-		-	1/5	-	-	-
<u>Air Command Channel Islands</u>	Departures	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Additions	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<u>Naval Units</u>	Departures	1	-		-	-	1/2	-	-	-
	Additions		-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-



Concentration of AA Units in the West

(Command Area of Luftwaffe Command West)

Status as of 20 December 1944

(Based on Luftwaffe High Command AA situation map, Operations Staff No. 10465, dated 22 December 1944)

Overall Strength on 20 December 1944:  
(Minus Naval AA Units)

261	Heavy AA batteries	(S)
6	Heavy AA batteries with adequate personnel, but no guns	(Pers)
7	Heavy provisional and ZI AA batteries	(SO)
269 1/5	Medium and light AA batteries	(ML)
8	Medium and light AA batteries with adequate personnel, but no guns	(Pers)
8 2/5	Medium and light provisional and ZI AA batteries	(MLO)
12	Searchlight batteries	(SCH)
1	Air barrage battery	(LSP)
5 1/2	Smoke companies	(N)

Overall Strength of Naval AA Units in the West on 20 December 1944:

58	Heavy AA batteries	(S)
4	Heavy provisional and ZI AA batteries	(SO)
41	Medium and light <del>provisional and ZI</del> AA batteries	(ML)
5	Medium and light provisional and ZI AA batteries	(MLO)
10 1/3	Searchlight batteries	(SCH)

See Deployment Map, Appendix Flak 7.



Deployment of AA UnitsStatus as of 30 December 1944Command Area, 16th AA Division16th AA Division Headquarters located at Doetinchem

Location of Command Agencies: AA Brigade On Special Assignment Hq: Huis Ter Heide  
 16th AA Brigade Hq : Sonsbeek

Deployment Concentration Areas	S	SO	ML	MLO	SCH	LSP	N
AA Brigade On Special Assignment	15	0	24 1/2	1	0	0	0
16th AA Brigade	36	0	25 2/5	0	0	0	0
In process of transfer	2	0	3	0	0	0	0
Under direct control	24	0	20 1/5	4/5	0	0	0
<u>Overall Strength:</u>	77	0	73	1 4/5	0	0	0



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Deployment of AA UnitsStatus as of 20 December 1944Command Area, III AA CorpsIII AAA Corps Headquarters located at Rheinbach, near EsakirchenLocation of Command Agencies: 1st AA Brigade Hq: Aldenhoven (10 kilometers southeast of Muenchen-Gladbach)

2d AA Division Hq: Hellenthal

19th AA Brigade Hq: Waxweiler

Deployment Concentration Areas	S	SO	ML	MLO	SCH	LSP	N
● 1st AA Brigade	17	0	15 1/2	0	12	0	0
2d AA Division	20	0	21 2/5	0	0	0	0
19th AA Brigade	20	0	27 4/5	0	0	0	0
In process of transfer and rehabilitation	3	0	20	0	0	0	0
Under direct control	12	0	29 2/5	0	0	0	3
● <u>Overall Strength:</u>	72	0	113 4/5	3/5	12	0	3



Deployment of AA UnitsStatus as of 30 December 1944Command Area, IV AA CorpsIV AA Corps Headquarters located at EdenkobenLocation of Command Agencies: 9th AA Division Hq: Winnweiler (15 kilometers northeast of Kaiserslautern)

28th AA Division Hq: Rastatt-Herrenalb

13th AA Division Hq: Freiburg, Breisgau

Deployment Concentration Areas	S	SO	ML	MLO	SCH	LSP	N
9th AA Division + 1 Pers	28	0	38 3/5 + 8 Pers	0	0	0	0
28th AA Division + 2 Pers	33	7	10 3/5	1 4/5	0	0	1
13th AA Division + 3 Pers	35	0	19 2/5	4	0	1	11/2
<u>Overall Strength:</u>	96	7	68 3/5	5 4/5	0	1	2 1/2



Deployment of AA UnitsStatus as of 20 December 1944Command Area, Air Command  
Channel IslandsAir Command Channel Islands Headquarters located at Guernsey

<u>Deployment</u> <u>Concentration Areas</u>	<u>S</u>	<u>SO</u>	<u>ML</u>	<u>MLO</u>	<u>SCH</u>	<u>LSP</u>	<u>N</u>
Guernsey	6	0	5 1/5	1/5	0	0	0
Jersey	6	0	5	0	0	0	0
Alderney	4	0	3 3/5	0	0	0	0
<u>Overall Strength:</u>	16	0	13 4/5	1/5	0	0	0
<u>Naval AA Units</u>							
Guernsey	0	0	3 3/4	0	0	0	0
Alderney	0	0	1 3/4	0	0	0	0
<u>Strength of</u> <u>Naval AA Units:</u>	0	0	7 1/4	0	0	0	0



Deployment of AA Units

Status as of 30 December 1944

Naval Command Area

Naval Command Netherlands: . . . . . (?) . . . . .

Deployment Concentration Areas	S	SO	ML	MLO	SCH
Ijmuiden	5	0	2 1/2	0	1
Hoeck van Holland	4	0	2 1/2	0	3/4
Den Helder	3	0	2 1/4	0	1/4
Texel	2	0	3/4	0	1/4
Vlieland	2	0	3/4	0	1/2
Perschelling	2	0	1/2	0	1/4
Ameland	1	0	3/4	0	1/4
Schiermonnikoog	1	0	1/4	0	1/4
<u>Overall Strength:</u>	20	1	15 1/4	1 1/4	3 1/2



Deployment of AA UnitsStatus as of 30 December 1944Naval Command AreaNaval Command Channel Coast and Atlantic Coast (Encircled): . . . . . (?) . . . . .

Deployment Concentration Areas	S	SO	ML	MLO	SCH
Duenkirchen	0	0	1 1/2	1/2	0
Lorient	15	0	4	1/2	3
● Ile de Croix	2	0	1/4	1/2	1/4
Belle Ile	1	0	1/4	1/2	1/2
St. Nazaire	16	0	3 3/4	0	3
Ile de Ré	2	0	1 1/2	1	0
La Rochelle	0	2	3/4	0	0
Ile d'Oléron	2	0	1 1/4	3/4	1/4
● Gironde North	0	1	4	0	0
Gironde South	0	0	1 1/4	0	0
<u>Overall Strength:</u>	38	3	18 1/2	3 3/4	7



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Deployment of AA UnitsStatus as of 20 December 1944Strength Movements after 7 December 1944

Command Area	S	S Pers	SO	ML	ML Pers	MLO	SCH	N	LSP
<u>Luftwaffe Command West</u>			1	12 1/5	3				-
Departures									
Additions	12	1				1	2	1	-
<u>III AA Corps</u>				3/5					
Departures	-	-	-						-
Additions	-	-	-				2		-
<u>IV AA Corps</u>			1	1 2/5	3				
Departures									-
Additions	12	1				1		1	-
<u>16th AA Division</u>				10 1/5					
Departures	-	-	-						-
Additions	-	-	-						-
<u>Air Command Channel Islands</u>									
Departures	-	-	-						-
Additions	-	-	-						-
<u>Naval Units</u>						1 1/4			
Departures	-	-	-						-
Additions	-	-	-	6 3/4					-



Concentration of AA Units in the West  
(Command Area of Luftwaffe Command West)

Status as of 8 January 1945

(Based on Luftwaffe High Command AA situation map,  
Operations Staff No. 10507, dated 9 January 1945)

Overall Strength on 8 January 1945:  
(Minus Naval AA Units)

259	Heavy AA batteries	(S)
7	Heavy provisional and ZI AA batteries	(SO)
279 3/5	Medium and light AA batteries	(ML)
7	Medium and light provisional and ZI AA batteries	(MLO)
12	Searchlight batteries	(SCH)
2 1/4	Air barrage batteries	(LSP)
4 1/2	Smoke companies	(N)

Overall Strength of Naval AA Units in the West on 8 January 1945:

58	Heavy AA batteries	(S)
4	Heavy provisional and ZI AA batteries	(SO)
40 1/4	Medium and light AA batteries	(ML)
5	Medium and light provisional and ZI AA batteries	(MLO)
10 1/2	Searchlight batteries	(SCH)

See Deployment Map, Appendix Flak 8.



Deployment of AA UnitsStatus as of 8 January 1945Command Area, 16th AA Division16th AA Division Headquarters located at Doetinchem

Location of Command Agencies: AA Brigade On Special Assignment Hq: Huis Ter Heide  
 18th AA Brigade Hq : Sonsbeek

Deployment Concentration Areas	S	SO	ML	MLO	SCH	LSP	N
AA Brigade On Special Assignment	27	0	36	1 1/5	0	0	0
18th AA Brigade	24	0	13 2/5	0	0	0	0
Under direct control	8	0	16 4/5	1 2/5	0	0	0
In process of transfer	3	0	3 1/5	0	0	0	0
<u>Overall Strength:</u>	62	0	69 2/5	2 3/5	0	0	0



Deployment of AA UnitsStatus as of 8 January 1945Command Area, III AA CorpsIII AA Corps Headquarters located at Rheinbach, near EuskirchenLocation of Command Agencies: 1st AA Brigade Hq : Aldenhoven2d AA Division Hq: Nieder-Emmels (northwest of  
St. Vith)19th AA Brigade Hq: Troisvierges (20 kilometers  
southwest of St. Vith)

Deployment Concentration Areas	S	SO	ML	MLO	SCH	LSP	N
1st AA Brigade	18	0	24 1/5	0	12	0	0
2d AA Division	18	0	17 2/5	0	0	0	0
19th AA Brigade	26	0	46 3/5	2/5	0	0	0
Under direct control	10	0	20 4/5	1/5	0	0	3
In process of transfer and rehabilitation	5	0	9	0	0	0	0
<u>Overall Strength:</u>	77	0	118	3/5	12	0	3



Deployment of AA UnitsStatus as of 8 January 1945Command Area, IV AA CorpsIV AA Corps Headquarters located at Edenkoben

Location of Command Agencies: 9th AA Division Hq : Homburg  
 28th AA Division Hq : Achern (25 kilometers  
 northeast of Strasbourg)  
 13th AA Division Hq : Freiburg, Breisgau

Deployment Concentration Areas	S	SO	ML	MLO	SCH	LSP	N
9th AA Division	32	0	36 1/4	0	0	0	0
28th AA Division	35	7	17 3/4	1	0	1	1
13th AA Division	37	0	24 2/5	2 3/5	0	1 1/4	1/2
<u>Overall Strength:</u>	104	7	78 2/5	3 3/5	0	2 1/4	1 1/2



Deployment of AA UnitsStatus as of 8 January 1945Command Area, Air Command  
Channel IslandsAir Command Channel Islands Headquarters located at Guernsey

<u>Deployment Concentration Areas</u>	<u>S</u>	<u>SO</u>	<u>ML</u>	<u>MLO</u>	<u>SCH</u>	<u>LSP</u>	<u>N</u>
Guernsey	6	0	5 1/5	1/5	0	0	0
Jersey	6	0	5	0	0	0	0
Alderney	4	0	3 3/5	0	0	0	0
Overall Strength:	16	0	13 4/5	1/5	0	0	0
<u>Naval AA Units</u>							
Guernsey	0	0	3 3/4	0	0	0	0
Jersey	0	0	1 3/4	0	0	0	0
Alderney	0	0	1 1/4	0	0	0	0
<u>Strength of Naval AA Units:</u>	0	0	6 3/4	0	0	0	0



Deployment of AA Units

Status as of 8 January 1945

Naval Command Area

Naval Command Netherlands: . . . . . (?) . . . . .

Deployment Concentration Areas	S	SO	ML	MLO	SCH
Ijmuiden	5	0	2 1/2	0	1
Hoeck van Holland	4	0	2 1/2	0	3/4
Den Helder	3	0	2 1/4	0	1/4
Texel	2	0	3/4	0	1/4
Vlieland	2	0	3/4	0	1/2
Terschelling	2	0	1/2	0	1/4
Ameland	1	0	1/4	0	1/4
Schiermonnikoog	1	0	1/4	0	1/4
<u>Overall Strength:</u>	20	1	14	1 1/2	3 1/2



Deployment of AA Units

Status as of 8 January 1945

Naval Command Area

Naval Command Channel Coast and Atlantic Coast (Encircled):. . . . .(?) . . .

Deployment Concentration Areas	S	SO	ML	MLO	SCB
Duenkirchen	0	0	1 1/2	1/2	0
Lorient	15	0	4	1/2	3
Ile de Croix	2	0	3/4	1/2	1/4
Belle Ile	1	0	3/4	1/4	1/2
St. Nazaire	16	0	3 3/4	0	3
Ile de Re	2	0	1 1/2	1	0
La Rochelle	0	2	3/4	0	0
Ile d'Oléron	2	0	1 1/4	3/4	1/4
Gironde North	0	1	4	0	0
<u>Overall Strength</u>	38	3	19 1/2	3 1/2	7



Deployment of AA UnitsStatus as of 8 January 1945Strength Movements after 30 December 1944

Command Area		S	S Pers	SO	ML	ML Pers	MLO	SCH	LSP	N
<u>Luftwaffe Command West</u>	Departures	2	6	-		8	1 2/5	-		1
	Additions			-	10 2/5			-	1 1/4	
<u>III AA Corps</u>	Departures		-	-		-	-	-	-	-
	Additions	5	-	-	4 1/5	-	-	-	-	-
<u>IV AA Corps</u>	Departures		6	-		8	2 1/5	-		1
	Additions	8		-	9 4/5			-	1 1/4	
<u>16 AA Division</u>	Departures	15	-	-	3 3/5	-		-	-	-
	Additions		-	-		-	4/5	-	-	-
<u>Air Command Channel Islands</u>	Departures	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Additions	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<u>Naval Units</u>	Departures	-	-	-	3/4	-	-	-	-	-
	Additions	-	-	-		-	-	-	-	-



Concentration of AA Units in the West  
(Command Area of Luftwaffe Command West)

Status as of 22 January 1945

(Based on Luftwaffe High Command AA situation map,  
Operations Staff No. 10557, dated 24 January 1945)

Overall Strength on 22 January 1945:-  
(Minus Naval AA Units)

254	Heavy AA batteries	(S)
7	Heavy provisional and ZI AA batteries	(SO)
282	Medium and light AA batteries	(ML)
6 3/5	Medium and light provisional and ZI AA batteries	(MLO)
12	Searchlight batteries	(SCH)
2 1/4	Air barrage batteries	(LSP)
4 1/4	Smoke companies	(N)

are  
No particulars/available concerning the strength of Naval AA units in  
the west on 22 January 1945.

See Deployment Map, Appendix Flak 9.



Deployment of AA UnitsStatus as of 22 January 1945Command Area, 16th AA Division16th AA Division Headquarters located at Doetinchem

Location of Command Agencies: AA Brigade On Special Assignment Hq: Huis Ter Heide  
 18th AA Brigade Hq : Sonsbeck

Deployment Concentration Areas	S	SO	ML	MLO	SCH	LSP	N
AA Brigade On Special Assignment	20	0	36	1 1/5	0	0	0
18th AA Brigade	20	0	9 2/5	0	0	0	0
Under direct control	8	0	16 4/5	1 1/5	0	0	0
In process of transfer	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
<u>Overall Strength:</u>	49	0	62 1/5	2 2/5	0	0	0



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Deployment of AA UnitsStatus as of 22 January 1945Command Area, III AA CorpsIII AA Corps Headquarters located at Rheinbach, near EuskirchenLocation of Command Agencies: 1st AA Brigade Hq: Aldenhoven

2d AA Division Hq: Kalenborn, near Gerolstein

19th AA Brigade Hq : Amerdingen, near Kyllburg

Deployment Concentration Areas	S	SO	ML	MLO	SCH	LSP	N
1st AA Brigade	27	0	23 1/5	0	12	0	0
2d AA Division	33	0	62 1/5	2/5	0	0	0
19th AA Brigade	22	0	34 1/5	2/5	0	0	0
Under direct control	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
In process of transfer and rehabilitation	3	0	6 1/5	0	0	0	0
<u>Overall Strength-</u>	85	0	125 4/5	4/5	12	0	3



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Deployment of AA UnitsStatus as of 22 January 1945Command Area, IV AA CorpsIV AA Corps Headquarters located at EdenkobenLocation of Command Agencies: 9th AA Division Hq: Gr. Steinhausen (west of Pirmasens)

28th AA Division Hq: Rastatt-Herrenalb

13th AA Division Hq: Freiburg, Breisgau

Deployment Concentration Areas	S	SO	ML	MLO	SCH	LSP	N
9th AA Division	26	0	29 2/5	0	0	0	0
28th AA Division	41	7	26 3/5	1	0	1	3/4
13th AA Division	37	0	24 1/4	2 1/5	0	1 1/4	1/2
<u>Overall Strength:</u>	104	7	80 1/4	3 1/5	0	2 1/4	1 1/4



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Deployment of AA UnitsStatus as of 22 January 1945Command Area, Air Command  
Channel IslandsAir Command Channel Islands Headquarters located at Guernsey

<u>Deployment Concentration Areas</u>	<u>S</u>	<u>SO</u>	<u>ML</u>	<u>MLO</u>	<u>SCH</u>	<u>LSP</u>	<u>N</u>
<u>Guernsey</u>	6	0	5 1/5	1/5	0	0	0
<u>Jersey</u>	6	0	5	0	0	0	0
<u>Alderney</u>	4	0	3 3/5	0	0	0	0
<u>Overall Strength:</u>	16	0	13 4/5	1/5	0	0	0



Deployment of AA UnitsStatus as of 22 January 1945Strength Movements after 8 January 1945

Command Area		S	S Pers	SO	ML	ML Pers	MLO	SCH	LSP	N
<u>Luftwaffe Command West</u>	Departures	5	-	-		-	2/5	-	-	1/4
	Additions		-	-	2 2/5	-		-	-	
<u>III AA Corps</u>	Departures		-	-		-		-	-	-
	Additions	8	-	-	7 4/5	-	1/5	-	-	-
<u>IV AA Corps</u>	Departures	-	-	-		-	2/5	-	-	1/4
	Additions	-	-	-	1 4/5	-		-	-	
<u>16th AA Division</u>	Departures	13	-	-	7 1/5	-	1/5	-	-	-
	Additions		-	-		-		-	-	-
<u>Air Command Channel Islands</u>	Departures	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Additions	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-



Concentration of AA Units in the West(Command Areas of Luftwaffe Command West  
and Air Command Channel Islands)Status as of 7 February 1945(Based on Luftwaffe High Command AA situation map,  
Operations Staff No. 10588, dated 9 February 1945)Overall Strength on 7 February 1945(Minus Naval AA Units and Units  
of Air Command Channel Islands)

236	Heavy AA batteries	(S)
5	Heavy provisional and ZI AA batteries	(SO)
270 1/5	Medium and light AA batteries	(ML)
9 2/5	Medium and light provisional and ZI AA batteries	(MLO)
12	Searchlight batteries	(SCH)
6	Air barrage batteries	(LSP)
4 1/2	Smoke companies	(F)

Overall Strength of Naval AA Units in the West on 7 February 1945:

58	Heavy AA batteries	(S)
4	Heavy provisional and ZI AA batteries	(SO)
40 3/4	Medium and light AA batteries	(ML)
5	Medium and light provisional and ZI AA batteries	(MLO)
10 1/2	Searchlight batteries	(SCH)

Overall Strength of AA Units of Air Command Channel Islands on 7 February 1945:

16	Heavy AA batteries	(S)
13 4/5	Medium and light AA batteries	(ML)
1/5	Medium and light provisional battery	(MLO)

See Deployment Map, Appendix Flak IO.



Deployment of AA UnitsStatus as of 7 February 1945Command Area, 16th AA Division16th AA Division Headquarters located at DoetinchemLocation of Command Agencies: 9th AA Brigade Hq: Huis Ter Heide

18th AA Brigade Hq: Sensbeck

Deployment Concentration Areas	S	SO	ML	MLO	SCH	LSP	N
9th AA Brigade	22	0	33 1/5	2	0	0	0
18th AA Brigade	24	0	23 3/5	0	0	0	0
Under direct control	3	0	4 4/5	1 1/5	0	0	0
In process of transfer	0	0	4/5	0	0	0	0
<u>Overall Strength:</u>	49	0	62 2/5	3 1/5	0	0	0



Deployment of AA UnitsStatus as of 7 February 1945Command Area, III AA CorpsIII AA Corps Headquarters located at Berg (southwest of Bonn)  
HqLocation of Command Agencies: 1st AA Brigade; Aldenhoven

2d AA Division Hq: Kalenborn, near Gerolstein

19th AA Brigade Hq: Malbergweich, near Kyllburg

Deployment Concentration Areas	S	SO	ML	MLO	SCH	LSP	N
1st AA Brigade	23	0	17	0	0	0	0
2d AA Division	33	0	38 $\frac{2}{5}$	0	0	0	0
19th AA Brigade	11	0	46 $\frac{4}{5}$	$\frac{4}{5}$	0	0	0
Under direct control	14	0	13 $\frac{1}{5}$	0	12	0	3
In process of transfer and rehabilitation	8	0	7 $\frac{1}{5}$	0	0	0	0
<u>Overall Strength:</u>	88	0	122 $\frac{3}{5}$	$\frac{4}{5}$	12	0	3



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Deployment of AA UnitsStatus as of 7 February 1945Command Area, IV AA CorpsIV AA Corps Headquarters located at MdenkobenLocation of Command Agencies: 9th AA Division Hq: Gries, near Homburg

28th AA Division Hq: Rastatt-Herrenalb

13th AA Division Hq: Freiburg, Breisgau

<u>Deployment Concentration Areas</u>	<u>S</u>	<u>SO</u>	<u>ML</u>	<u>MLO</u>	<u>SCH</u>	<u>LSP</u>	<u>N</u>
9th AA Division	26	0	31 4/5	0	0	0	0
28th AA Division	39	5	30	3 1/5	0	1	1
13th AA Division	34	0	23 2/5	2 1/5	0	5	1/2
<u>Overall Strength</u>	99	5	85 1/5	5 2/5	0	6	1 1/2



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Deployment of AA UnitsStatus as of 7 February 1945Command Area, Air Command  
Channel IslandsHeadquartersAir Command Channel Islands/located at Guernsey

Deployment Concentration Areas	S	SO	ML	MLO	SCH	LSP	H
Guernsey	6	0	5 1/5	1/5	0	0	0
Jersey	6	0	5	0	0	0	0
Alderney	4	0	3 3/5	0	0	0	0
<u>Overall Strength:</u>	16	0	13 4/5	1/5	0	0	0
<u>Naval AA Units</u>							
Guernsey	0	0	3 3/4	0	0	0	0
Jersey	0	0	1 3/4	0	0	0	0
Alderney	0	0	1 3/4	0	0	0	0
<u>Strength of Naval AA Units:</u>	0	0	7 1/4	0	0	0	0



Deployment of AA Units

Status as of 7 February 1945

Naval Command Area

Naval Command Netherlands (Status as of 24 January 1945):. . . . .(7). . . . .

<u>Deployment Concentration Areas</u>	<u>S</u>	<u>SO</u>	<u>ML</u>	<u>MLO</u>	<u>SCH</u>
Ijmuiden	5	0	3 1/2	0	1
Heeck van Holland	4	0	2 1/2	0	3/4
Den Helder	3	0	2 1/4	0	1/4
Terschelling	2	0	1/2	0	1/4
Vlieland	2	0	3/4	0	1/2
Texel	2	0	3/4	0	1/4
Ameland	1	0	3/4	0	1/4
Schiermonnikoog	1	0	1/4	0	1/4
<u>Overall Strength:</u>	20	1	14	1 1/2	3 1/2



Deployment of AA UnitsStatus as of 7 February 1945Naval Command AreaNaval Command Channel Coast and Atlantic Coast (Encircled):. . . . .(7). . . . .

Deployment Concentration Areas	S	SO	ML	MLO	SCH
Duenkirchen	0	0	1 1/2	1/2	0
Lorient	15	0	4	1/2	3
Ile de Croix	2	0	3/4	1/2	1/4
Belle Ile	1	0	3/4	1/4	1/2
St. Nazaire	16	0	3 3/4	0	5
Ile de Re	2	0	1 1/2	1	0
La Rochelle	0	2	3/4	0	0
Ile d'Oléron	2	0	1 1/4	3/4	1/4
Gironde North	0	1	4	0	0
Gironde South	0	0	1 1/4	0	0
<u>Overall Strength:</u>	38	3	19 1/2	3 1/2	7



Deployment of AA UnitsStatus as of 7 February 1945Strength Movements after 22 January 1945

(Naval AA Units after 8 January 1945)

Command Area		S	SO	ML	MLO	SGH	LSP	N
<u>Luftwaffe Command West</u>	Departures	18	2	11 4/5		-		
	Additions				2 4/5	-	3 3/4	1/4
<u>III AA Corps</u>	Departures		-	3 1/5	-	-	-	-
	Additions	3	-		-	-	-	-
<u>IV AA Corps</u>	Departures	5	2			-		
	Additions			5	2 1/5	-	3 3/4	1/4
<u>16th AA Division</u>	Departures	-	-			-	-	-
	Additions			1/5	4/5	-	-	-
<u>Air Command Channel Islands</u>	Departures	16	-	13 4/5	1/5	-	-	-
<u>Naval Units</u>	Departures	-	-		-	-	-	-
	Additions	-	-	1/2	-	-	-	-



Concentration of AA Units in the West

(Command Areas of Luftwaffe Command and Air Command Channel Islands)

Status as of 23 February 1945(Based on Luftwaffe High Command AA situation map,  
Operations Staff No. 10623, dated 24 February 1945)Overall Strength on 23 February 1945:  
(Minus Naval AA Units and AA Units  
of Air Command Channel Islands)

441	Heavy AA batteries	(S)
0	Heavy provisional and ZI AA batteries	(SO)
344	Medium and light AA batteries	(ML)
8 4/5	Medium and light provisional and ZI AA batteries	(MLO)
77	Searchlight batteries	(SCH)
11 2/3	Air barrage batteries	(LSP)
12 1/2	Smoke companies	(N)

Overall Strength of Naval AA Units in the West on 23 February 1945:

58	Heavy AA batteries	(S)
4	Heavy provisional and ZI AA batteries	(SO)
40 1/2	Medium and light AA batteries	(ML)
5 1/2	Medium and light provisional and ZI AA batteries	(MLO)
10 1/2	Searchlight batteries	(SCH)

Overall Strength of AA Units of Air Command Channel Islands on 23 February 1945:

16	Heavy AA batteries	(S)
13 4/5	Medium and light AA batteries	(ML)
1/5	Medium and light provisional batteries	(MLO)

See Deployment Map, Appendix Flak II



Deployment of AA UnitsStatus as of 23 February 1945Command Area, VI AA CorpsVI AA Corps Headquarters located at DostinchenLocation of Command Agencies: 9th AA Brigade Hq: Huis Ter Heide18<sup>th</sup> AA Brigade Hq : Sonsbeck

4th AA Division Hq: Duisburg

Deployment Concentration Areas	S	SO	ML	MLO	SCH	LSP	N
9th AA Brigade	22	0	34 2/5	2 1/5	0	0	0
18th AA Brigade	24	0	23 3/5	0	0	0	0
4th AA Division, including directly controlled AA batteries	43	0	25	1 1/5	14	2 2/3	1
<u>Overall Strength:</u>	89	0	83 4/5	3 2/5	14	2 2/3	1



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Deployment of AA UnitsStatus as of 23 February 1945Command Area, III AA CorpsIII AA Corps Headquarters located at Berg (southwest of Bonn)Location of Command Agencies: 1st AA Brigade Hq: Kapellen (30 kilometers north-west of Cologne)

7th AA Division Hq: Cologne

2d AA Division Hq: Scheuren (25 kilometers southwest of Bonn)

19th AA Brigade Hq : Malbergweich, near Kyllburg

Deployment Concentration Areas	S	SO	ML	MLO	SOH	LSP	N
1st AA Brigade	29	0	28 4/5	0	0	0	0
7th AA Division, including directly controlled AA batteries	99	0	55 4/5	0	34	1/2	7 1/2
2d AA Division	19	0	24 2/5	0	0	0	0
19th AA Brigade	14	0	45 1/5	1	0	0	0
<u>Overall Strength:</u>	161	0	154 1/5	1	34	1/2	7 1/2



Deployment of AA UnitsStatus as of 23 February 1945Command Area, IV AA CorpsIV AA Corps Headquarters located at Edenkoben

Location of Command Agencies: 21st AA Division Hq: Darmstadt  
 9th AA Division Hq: Gries, near Homburg  
 28th AA Division Hq: Rastatt-Herrenalb  
 13th AA Division Hq: Freiburg, Breisgau

Deployment Concentration Areas	S	SO	ML	MLO	SCH	LSP	N
21st AA Division	92	0	22	0	29	2 1/2	2 1/2
9th AA Division	30	0	37 2/5	0	0	0	0
28th AA Division	35	0	22 1/2	1 2/5	0	1	1
13th AA Division	34	0	25 1/5	3	0	5	1/2
<u>Overall Strength:</u>	191	0	106	4 2/5	29	8 1/2	4



Deployment of AA UnitsStatus as of 23 February 1945Command Area, Air Command  
Channel IslandsAir Command Channel Islands Headquarters located at Guernsey

<u>Deployment Concentration Areas</u>	<u>S</u>	<u>SO</u>	<u>ML</u>	<u>MLO</u>	<u>SCH</u>	<u>LSP</u>	<u>N</u>
Guernsey	6	0	5 1/5	1/5	0	0	0
Jersey	6	0	5	0	0	0	0
Alderney	4	0	3 3/5	0	0	0	0
<u>Overall Strength:</u>	16	0	13 4/5	1/5	0	0	0
<u>Naval AA Units</u>							
Guernsey	0	0	3 3/4	0	0	0	0
Jersey	0	0	1 3/4	0	0	0	0
Alderney	0	0	1 3/4	0	0	0	0
<u>Strength of Naval AA Units:</u>	0	0	7 1/4	0	0	0	0



Deployment of AA Units

Status as of 23 February 1945

Naval Command Area

Naval Command Netherlands: . . . . . (?) . . . . .

Deployment Concentration Areas	S	SO	ML	MLO	SCH
Ijmuiden	5	0	2	0	1
Hoek van Holland	4	0	3 1/4	0	3/4
Den Helder	3	0	2	0	1/4
Terschelling	2	0	1/2	0	1/4
Vlissingen	2	0	3/4	0	1/2
Texel	2	0	3/4	0	1/4
Ameland	1	0	1/4	0	1/4
Schiermonnikoog	1	0	1/4	0	1/4
<u>Overall Strength:</u>	30	1	13 3/4	2	3 1/2



Deployment of AA Units

Status as of 23 February 1945

Naval Command Area

Naval Command Channel Coast and Atlantic Coast (Encircled): . . . . .(?) . . . . .

<u>Deployment Concentration Areas</u>	<u>S</u>	<u>SO</u>	<u>ML</u>	<u>MLO</u>	<u>SGH</u>
Duenkirchen	0	0	1 1/2	1/2	0
Lorient	15	0	4	1/2	3
Ile de Croix	2	0	3/4	1/2	1/4
Belle Ile	1	0	3/4	1/4	1/2
St. Nazaire	16	0	3 3/4	0	3
Ile de Re	2	0	1 1/2	1	0
La Rochelle	0	2	3/4	0	0
Ile d'Oléron	2	0	1 1/4	3/4	1/4
Gironde North	0	1	4	0	0
Gironde South	0	0	1 1/4	0	0
<u>Overall Strength:</u>	38	3	19 1/2	3 1/2	7



Deployment of AA UnitsStatus as of 23 February 1945Strength Movements after 7 February 1945

Command Area		S	SO	ML	MLO	SCH	LSP	H
<u>Luftwaffe Command West</u>	Departures		5		3/5			
	Additions	205		73 4/5		65	5 2/3	8
<u>III AA Corps</u>	Departures		-					
	Additions	73	-	31 3/5	1/5	22	1/2	4 1/2
<u>IV AA Corps</u>	Departures		5		1			
	Additions	92		20 4/5		29	2 1/2	2 1/2
<u>VI AA Corps</u>	Additions	89	0	83 4/5	3 2/5	14	2 2/3	1
<u>16th AA Division</u>	Departures	49	0	62 2/5	3 1/5	-	-	-
<u>Naval Units</u>	Departures	-	-	1/4		-	-	-
	Additions	-	-		1/2	-	-	-



PART III

SKETCHES

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pertaining to

Concentration of Flying and AA Units in the West

(Command Area of Luftwaffe Command West)

September 1944 to May 1945



Explanations of Tactical Symbols in Sketches Showing Concentration  
of Flying and AA Units in the West, Command Area of Luftwaffe Command  
West

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Luftwaffe Command West

IX Air Corps (Fighters) Headquarters

II Fighter Corps Headquarters

Air Command Denmark

3d Air Division

5th Fighter Division

16th AA Division

Air Command Channel Islands

Fighter Command Denmark

Fighter Sector Command Central Rhine Region

13th Close-Reconnaissance Group Headquarters

123d Long-Range Reconnaissance Group Headquarters

26th Fighter Wing Headquarters

3d Night Fighter Wing Headquarters

4th Ground-Support Wing Headquarters

2d Bomber Wing Headquarters)

1st Training Wing (Bombers) Headquarters

Airfield

Sector Boundary



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COMMAND  
I. HEADQUARTERS

Designation	Particulars
Luftwaffe High Command Operations Staff	Planning staff of the Commander in Chief of the Luftwaffe, responsible for the issuing of directives pertaining to operations, organization, training, armament, and supplies of Luftwaffe forces.
Home Air Fleet Command	Luftwaffe command staff in the Reich air defense organization, in full charge of operations conducted after 27 January 1944 by flying and AA units.
First Air Fleet Command	Luftwaffe command staff, in full charge of northern sector of eastern front.
Second Air Fleet Command	Luftwaffe command staff, in full charge of operations at the southern Italian front.
Third Air Fleet Command	Luftwaffe command staff, until 22 September 1944 in full charge of operations at the western front in France.
Fourth Air Fleet Command	Luftwaffe command staff, in full charge of operations in southern sector of eastern front.



## I. COMMAND HEADQUARTERS

Designation	Particulars
Fifth Air Fleet Command	Luftwaffe command staff, in full charge of operations at the northern front in Norway.
Sixth Air Fleet Command	Luftwaffe command staff, in full charge of central sector of eastern front.
Luftwaffe Command West	after 23 September 1944 Luftwaffe command staff, in full charge of operations at the western front.
II Fighter Corps Headquarters	Command staff in charge of air operations conducted after 28 June 1944 in support of defensive <del>LESF</del> combat of army units in the west.
IX Air Corps (Fighters) Headquarters	Command staff, after 26 January 1945 in charge of day and night fighter operations within the Reich air defense organization, as well as the entire radio intercept and aircraft warning service.
3d Air Division	Command agency, in charge of air unit operations conducted at the western front during the period from 4 October 1944 to 15 November 1944.



## I. COMMAND HEADQUARTERS

Designation	Particulars
14th Air Division ) 15th Air Division ) 16th Air Division )	Command agencies, in charge of air unit operations at the western front after 26 January 1945.
5th Fighter Division	Command agency, during the period from 22 September 1944 to 26 January 1945 in charge of operations conducted by air units at the western front.
All other fighter divisions	Command agencies in charge of day and night fighter operations, and responsible for the posting of air situation maps on the basis of results obtained from all radio intercept and aircraft warning service branches.  These agencies do not control any branches of the ground organization and do not exercise any command authority over ground organization and supply service installations.
Fighter Command	Headquarters of brigade status, operating in own command post, conducting operations of day and night fighter units, and posting air situation maps during the day and at night in subarea of a fighter division.



## I. COMMAND HEADQUARTERS

Designation	Particulars
Fighter Sector Command	Headquarters of regimental status, performing same functions as Fighter Command.
Air Command Denmark	Command staff in charge of AA forces and ground organization, as well as planning for counter-invasion operations in Denmark.
Air Command Channel Islands (Headquarters of brigade status)	Command staff in charge of AAA forces and ground organization operating in in the Channel Islands.
III AA Corps Headquarters ) IV AA Corps Headquarters ) VI AA Corps Headquarters )	Command staffs conducting operations of mobile AA units employed for AA support and in ground combat at the western front.
Motorized AA Divisions ) Motorized AA Brigades )	Command agencies conducting operations of mobile AA units employed for AA support and in ground combat at western front.



I COMMAND HEADQUARTERS

Designation	Particulars
Naval Command West	Regional administrative agencies of the Navy
Naval Command Netherlands	
Naval Command Channel and	
Atlantic Coast	



## II. RECONNAISSANCE UNITS

Designation	Particulars
Reconnaissance Group (Close-Reconnaissance Group and Long-Range Recon. Group)	Group Headquarters with 1 transport aircraft 3 - 5 reconnaissance squadrons, each assigned 12 aircraft In addition:    Headquarters company Maintenance detachment Aerial photo detachment Signal communication detachment 1 transport aircraft assigned to each squadron
Special Detachment Goetz    ) Special Detachment Sommer    ) Special Detachment Braunegg)	Detachments assigned to run field tests with jet-propelled aircraft Ar 234 designed for reconnaissance and bombing operations. Actual strength: 6 - 15 aircraft assigned to each detachment
Reconnaissance Squadron	Authorized strength: 12 aircraft
Weather Reconnaissance Squadron	
Weather Observation Groupment	Authorized strength: 4 aircraft



## III. DAY FIGHTER UNITS

Designation	Particulars
Fighter Wing operating in the west during the time covered by this report	Wing Headquarters with 4 aircraft 3 - 4 Fighter Squadrons, each assigned 52 - 68 aircraft Authorized strength: 160 - 276 aircraft
Fighter Squadron operating in the west during the time covered by this report	Group Headquarters with 4 aircraft 3 - 4 Fighter Groups, each assigned 16 aircraft Authorized strength: 52 - 68 aircraft In addition: Headquarters company Signal communication platoon 5 transport aircraft
Fighter Group in the west, operating during the time covered by this report	Authorized strength: 16 aircraft
Fighter Bomber	All fighter wings operating in the west were assigned fighter bombers.
44th Fighter Unit	Fighter Group, equipped with jet-propelled fighter aircraft Me 262



## IV. NIGHT FIGHTER UNITS

Designation	Particulars
Night Fighter Wing (Twin-engined night fighters)	<p>Wing Headquarters with 4 aircraft</p> <p>3 - 5 Night Fighter Groups, assigned 40 aircraft each</p> <p>Authorized strength: 124, 164, or 204 aircraft</p> <p>The night fighter wing did not have any ground organization installations at its disposal.</p>
Night Fighter Group (Twin-engined night fighters)	<p>Group Headquarters with 4 aircraft</p> <p>3 Night Fighter Squadrons, assigned 12 aircraft each</p> <p>During the period from 1 February 1944 to 1 October (?) 1944, two night fighter squadrons were operating and assigned 18 aircraft each.</p> <p>Authorized strength: 40 aircraft</p> <p>After 1 October (?) 1944:</p> <p>Group Headquarters with 4 aircraft</p> <p>3 Night Fighter Squadrons assigned 16 (?) aircraft each</p> <p>Authorized strength: 52 aircraft</p>
Night Fighter Squadron (Twin-engined night fighters)	<p>Authorized strength: 12 aircraft</p> <p>During the period from 1 February 1944 to 1 October (?) 1944: 18 aircraft</p> <p>After 1 October 1944: 16 (?) aircraft</p>



## V. GROUND-ATTACK UNITS

Designation	Particulars
Ground-Support Wing	<p>Wing Headquarters with 4 aircraft</p> <p>3 Close-Support Groups, assigned 40 aircraft each</p> <p>Authorized strength: 124 aircraft</p>
Close-Support Group	<p>Group Headquarters with 4 aircraft</p> <p>3 Ground-Attack Flights, assigned 12 aircraft each</p> <p>Authorized strength: 40 aircraft</p>
Night Fighter Group	<p>Group Headquarters with 4 aircraft</p> <p>3 Night Fighter Squadrons, assigned 12 aircraft each</p> <p>Authorized strength: 40 aircraft</p>
Ground-Attack Flight ) Night Fighter Squadron)	<p>Authorized strength: 12 aircraft</p>
Battle Detachment Hallenleben (2d Bomber Wing)	<p>Wing Headquarters for ground-attack units</p>



## VI. BOMBER UNITS

Designation	Particulars
Bomber Wing (including V-1 Carriers)	Wing Headquarters with 3 aircraft 3 Bombardment Groups, assigned 39 aircraft each Authorized strength: 120 aircraft In addition: 4th Bombard Group, operating with 3 squadrons as replacement unit.
Bombardment Group (including V-1 Carriers, "Mistel" aircraft carriers, and transport aircraft)	Group Headquarters with 3 aircraft 3 Bomber Flights, assigned 12 aircraft each Authorized strength: 39 aircraft In addition: 1 Headquarters company 1 motorized airfield operating company
Bomber Flight Headquarters Staff "Einhorn"	Authorized Strength: 12 aircraft Air unit assigned to run field tests of "Mistel" aircraft (Me 109 or FW 190 aircraft combined with Ju 88 bomber which is pilotless and loaded with explosives) Strength: 7 - 14 aircraft
Experimental Detachment Schenk	Detachment assigned to run field tests with jet-propelled bomber Me 262 Strength: 6 - 10 aircraft



## VII. AAA UNITS

Designation	Particulars
Heavy AAA battery engaged in tactical operations	<p>Number of guns: 4</p> <p>Type: 88 mm AA guns 18, 36, and 37</p> <p>88 mm AA guns 41</p> <p>105 mm AA guns 38 and 39</p> <p>Mobility: Fully mechanized, frequently by makeshift means</p>
Heavy provisional battery engaged in tactical operations	<p>Number of guns: 4 - 6</p> <p>Type: 88 mm AA guns 18, 36, and 37, and in some cases, 105 mm AA guns 38 and 39</p> <p>Mobility: Mechanized by improvised means</p>
Medium AA battery engaged in tactical operations	<p>Distribution: 3 - 4 detachments</p> <p>Number of guns: 3 assigned to each detachment 9 - 12 assigned to each battery</p> <p>Number of searchlights: Four 60 cm searchlights per battery</p> <p>Type of guns: 37 mm AA guns 18, 36, and 37</p> <p>37 mm AA guns 43 (also twin-barreled)</p> <p>50 mm AA guns 41</p> <p>Mobility: Fully mechanized, frequently by makeshift means.</p>



## VII. AAA UNITS

(Sources: Documents R 76, R 78, R 331, R 409, R 648, and R 824)

Designation	Particulars
Light AAA battery engaged in tactical operations	Distribution: 4 - 5 detachments Number of guns: 3 for each detachment 12 - 15 guns for each battery (also four-barreled guns) Mobility: Fully mechanized, frequently by makeshift means
Medium provisional battery engaged in tactical operations	Type of guns: 2 mm AA guns 28 and 30 2 mm AA guns 38 (also (four-barreled) 151/20 machine guns with improvised gun carriage and type Distribution, number/of guns : Same as medium AA battery. Captured guns: In addition: /40 mm AA guns Bofors 40 mm AA guns Skoda Mobility:
Light provisional battery engaged in tactical operations	Distribution, number and type of guns: Same as light AA battery. In addition: Captured guns: 20 mm AA guns Oerlikon 25 mm AA guns Hotchkiss Mobility:



## VII. AAA UNITS

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Designation	Particulars
Searchlight battery engaged in tactical operations	Distribution: 3 - 5 detachments Number of searchlights: 3 for each detachment 9 - 15 for each battery Type of searchlight:



VII. AAA UNITS

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Designation	Particulars
Smoke Company	Distribution
	Equipment
	Mobility



## List of Source Material

Designation	Description of Material
Air situation maps issued by Luftwaffe High Command Operations Staff, operations officer 1 (air operations):	
No. 3233, dated 3 October 1944	Original map and photostat of original map
No. 3415, dated 21 October 1944	Hand tracing from microfilm of original map (showing fighter units only), and original map
No. 3511, dated 2 November 1944	Original map and photostat of original map
No. 3700, dated 29 November 1944	Original map and photostat of original map
AAA situation maps, issued by Luftwaffe High Command Operations Staff:	
No. 10 220, dated 23 September 1944	Photostat of original map
No. 10 273, dated 9 October 1944	Photostat of original map
No. 10 336, dated 24 October 1944	Photostat of original map
No. 10 364, dated 9 November 1944	Photostat of original map
No. 10 387, dated 24 November 1944	Photostat of original map



Designation	Description of Material
AAA situation maps, issued by Luftwaffe High Command Operations Staff:	
No. 10 440, dated 9 December 1944	Photostat of original map, and original map
No. 10 465, dated 22 December 1944	Photostat of original map
No. 10 507, dated 9 January 1945	Photostat of original map
No. 10 557, dated 24 January 1945	Photostat of original map
No. 10 588, dated 9 February 1945	Photostat of original map
No. 10 623, dated 24 February 1945	Photostat of original map
S 3d	Memorandum with regard to data taken from flight log of Oberstleutnant (ret) Baer, describing the actions on 1 January 1945 by the 3d Fighter Wing during Operation "Bodenplatte". Original document.
S 3f	Memorandum with regard to information furnished from memory by First Lieutenant Krieger concerning the actions on 1 January 1945 by the 26th Fighter Wing and 77th Fighter Wing during Operation "Bodenplatte". Limited historic value.



Designation	Description of Material
S10	Excerpts from war diary of Armed Forces High Command, dealing with daily air operations in zone of interior and the west during the period from 1 January 1945 to 18 April 1945. Original document.
R 76	Performance chart for 20mm to 128 mm AAA guns. Original document.
R 78	Technical data concerning barrage balloons and their operating apparatus. Original document.
R 331	Luftwaffe table of organization, dated 15 July 1939, taken from service regulations No. 90/2.
R 409	Directives concerning organizational changes in the Luftwaffe, compiled by Office of Commander in Chief of the Luftwaffe and Luftwaffe High Command. Valuable document.
R 422	Command structure of Third Air Fleet Command, status as of 10 February 1944, and brought up to date until April 1945, on the basis of AAA situation map, western theater of war, dated 10 February 1944, and records of the Office of Chief of Supply and Administration, Luftwaffe High Command. Postwar analysis by 8th (Military Science) Branch of original documents with British agency (inadequate documentation).



Designation	Description of Material
R 441	Records of 26th Twin-Engine Fighter Wing and 6th Fighter Wing, compiled from memory by Oberstleutnant (ret) Kogler, former Commodore, 26th Twin-Engine Fighter Wing and 6th Fighter Wing. Limited historic value.
R 498	Incomplete report, No. 35035, dated 19 May 1945, compiled by Luftwaffe High Command, Operations Staff, regarding garrisons for flying units in May 1945. Limited historic value.
R 527	Particulars, compiled on the basis of personal records and from memory by Generalleutnant Beppe Schmid, former Commanding General, I Fighter Corps, and Generalmajor (ret) Walter Grabmann, former Commander, 3d Fighter Division.
R 528	Report on the 3d Fighter Wing and III Group, 3d Fighter Wing, compiled by Oberstleutnant (ret) Walter Dahl, former Commander, III Group, 3d Fighter Wing. Historic value.
R 594	Evaluation of a list of Luftwaffe units and personnel, status of May 1945, presumably compiled by Home Air Fleet Command, Personnel (Officers) Branch.



Designation	Description of Material
R 648	List showing average AA battery sizes (gun barrels), based on AA situation maps covering the period from 9 June 1944 to 23 February 1945. Commentary by General der Flak-artillerie (ret) von Rens.
R 824	Commentary by General der Flak-artillerie (ret) von Rens on the definition outlines in Volume VIII: Deployment of AAA units in the Reich <del>XXXX</del> air defense organization. Of historic value.
R 848	Excerpt from communication, dated 25 August 1955, of Generalmajor (ret) Hentschel, concerning Operation "Bodenplatte" on 1 January 1945. Of historic value.
R 886	Collection of orders issued by Luftwaffe High Command, Operations Staff, with regard to Ardennes Offensive, in December 1945. Valuable document.
R 887	concerning 54th Bomber Wing, Particulars/furnished by Major (ret) Schwaiger, former Commander, I Group, 54th Bomber Wing. Of historic value.
R 977	Information concerning 1st Fighter Wing, furnished by Oberst (ret) Ihlefeld. Of historic value.
R 987	Excerpts, verified by document, from the publication "Luftwaffenring", dated November 1955, dealing with deployment of flying units of Luftwaffe Command West on 1 February 1945. Authentic document.