

Fixed Wing

INVESTMENT COMPONENT

Modernization

Recapitalization

Maintenance



UC-35

MISSION

To perform operational support and focused logistics missions for the Army, joint services, national agencies, and multinational users in support of intelligence and electronic warfare, transporting key personnel, and providing logistical support for battle missions and homeland security.

DESCRIPTION

The Fixed Wing fleet consists of eight aircraft platforms and 256 aircraft that allow the Army to perform day-to-day operations in a more timely and cost-efficient manner without reliance on commercial transportation. The fleet provides timely movement of key personnel to critical locations throughout the theater of operations, and transports time-sensitive and mission-critical supply items and repair parts needed to continue the warfight. Special electronic-mission aircraft provide commanders with critical intelligence and targeting information, enhancing lethality and survivability on the battlefield.

All Army fixed-wing aircraft are commercial off-the-shelf products or are developed from those products. The fleet includes:

- C-12 Utility
- C-20/C-37 Long range transport
- C-23 Cargo
- C-26 Utility
- EO-5 Airborne Reconnaissance Low (ARL)
- RC-12 Guardrail Common Sensor (GR/CS)
- UC-35 Utility

The EO-5 and RC-12 are classified as special electronic mission aircraft and provide real-time intelligence collection in peace and wartime environments. The C-12, C-23, C-26, and UC-35 are classified as operational support aircraft and provide direct fixed-wing support to warfighting combatant commanders worldwide. The C-20 and C-37 are assigned to Andrews Air Force Base and are classified as senior support aircraft for the chief of staff and service secretary.

SYSTEM INTERDEPENDENCIES

None

PROGRAM STATUS

- C-12, RC-12, and UC-35 aircraft are sustained using a Life Cycle Contractor Support (LCCS) maintenance contract (DynCorp)
- C-23 aircraft are sustained using an LCCS maintenance contract (M7 Aerospace)
- C-37 and UC-35 aircraft were purchased with Congressional plus-up funding
- C-37, C-20, and C-26 aircraft are sustained using Air Force LCCS maintenance contracts (Gulfstream and M7 Aerospace)
- EO-5 aircraft are sustained using an LCCS maintenance contract (King Aerospace)

PROJECTED ACTIVITIES

- Acquire 10 C-12 replacement aircraft for the Army Reserve
- Re-compete the C12/RC-12/UC-35 aircraft Life Cycle Contractor Support contract
- Re-compete and assume responsibility from the Air Force for C-26 aircraft Life Cycle Contractor Support

ACQUISITION PHASE

Technology Development

Engineering & Manufacturing Development

Production & Deployment

Operations & Support



C-20/37



C-26



RC-12



EO-5 (ARL)



C-12



C23

Fixed Wing

FOREIGN MILITARY SALES

None

CONTRACTORS

DynCorp (Fort Worth, TX)

Gulfstream (Savannah, GA)

King Aerospace (Addison, TX)

M7 Aerospace (San Antonio, TX)

	EO-5	C-12/RC-12	C-20/37	C-23	C-26	UC-35
Platform:	DeHavilland Dash 7	Beech King Air 200	Gulfstream GIV and GV	Shorts Sherpa	Fairchild Metro Liner	Cessna Citation
Propulsion:	PT6A-50	PT6A-41/42/67	RR 611-8/BR 710-48	PT6A-65AR	Garrett TPE331-12	JT15D or PW535A
Ceiling (feet):	25,000	31,000/35,000	45,000	20,000	25,000	45,000
Speed (knots):	110 (loiter) 220 (Cruise)	260	459	180	260	415
Max. Weight (pounds):	47,000	12,500/16,500	74,600/95,000	25,600	16,500	16,500
Range (nautical miles):	1,500	1,454/1,000	4,220/5,500	900	1,500	1,500
Passengers:	N/A	6-8/(N/A)	12-14	30	20	8

