

# U.S. NAVAL BATTLE FORCE CHANGES 1 JANUARY 2011– 31 DECEMBER 2011

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### COMMISSIONINGS

Date	Name (Hull No.)	Comments	Date	Name (Hull No.)	Comments
1 Feb	<i>Resolute</i> (JHSV-5), <i>Courageous</i> (JHSV-7), and <i>Sacrifice</i> (JHSV-9)	Names announced by the U.S. Army.	9 May	<i>Cesar Chavez</i> (T-AKE-14)	Keel laid at General Dynamics National Steel and Shipbuilding, San Diego, CA.
1 Feb	<i>Maury</i> (AGS-66)	Contract for construction awarded to VT Halter Marine, Moss Point, MS.	14 May	<i>Anchorage</i> (LPD-23)	Christened.
12 Feb	<i>Anchorage</i> (LPD-23)	Launched at Huntington Ingalls Industries, Pascagoula, MS.	18 May	<i>Cesar Chavez</i> (T-AKE-14)	Named.
23 Feb	<i>William P. Lawrence</i> (DDG-110)	Delivered by Huntington Ingalls Industries, Pascagoula, MS.	19 May	<i>William P. Lawrence</i> (DDG-110)	In Commission, Special at Moss Point, MS.
17 Mar	<i>Montgomery</i> (LCS-8)	Construction contract awarded to Lockheed Martin for construction at Fincantieri Marinette Marine, Marinette, WI.	20 May	<i>Minnesota</i> (SSN-783)	Keel laid by Huntington Ingalls Industries, Newport News, VA.
18 Mar	<i>Milwaukee</i> (LCS-5)	Named.	27 May	Unnamed (AGOR-27)	Contract for construction awarded to Dakota Creek Industries Inc., Anacortes, WA.
25 Mar	<i>Montgomery</i> (LCS-8) and <i>Jackson</i> (LCS-6)	Both named.	28 May	<i>John F. Kennedy</i> (CVN-79)	Named.
26 Mar	<i>Arlington</i> (LPD-24)	Christened at Huntington Ingalls Industries, Moss Point, MS.	4 June	<i>William P. Lawrence</i> (DDG-110)	In Commission, Full. Commissioning ceremony at Mobile, AL. Homeported at San Diego, CA.
1 Apr	<i>John P. Murtha</i> (LPD-26)	Construction contract awarded to Huntington Ingalls Industries, Moss Point, MS.	15 June	<i>Finn</i> (DDG-113)	Construction contract awarded to Huntington Ingalls Industries, Moss Point, MS.
15 Apr	<i>Spruance</i> (DDG-111)	Delivered by General Dynamics, Bath Iron Works, Bath, ME.	30 June	Unnamed (JHSV-6) and <i>Courageous</i> (JHSV-7)	Construction contract for both ships awarded to Austal USA, Mobile, AL.
16 Apr	<i>William McLaren</i> (T-AKE-12)	Christened and launched at General Dynamics National Steel and Shipbuilding, San Diego, CA.	15 July	<i>Little Rock</i> (LCS-9)	Named.
21 Apr	USCGC <i>Bernard C. Webber</i> (WPB-1101)	Launched at Bollinger Marine, Lockport, LA. First of <i>Sentinel</i> class, which will replace the <i>Island</i> class.	7 Aug	<i>California</i> (SSN-781)	Delivered by Huntington Ingalls Industries, Newport News, VA.
7 May	<i>Michael Murphy</i> (DDG-112)	Christened at General Dynamics, Bath Iron Works, Bath, ME.	18 Aug	USCGC <i>Richard Etheridge</i> (WPC-1102)	Launched at Bollinger Marine, Lockport, LA.
8 May	<i>Michael Murphy</i> (DDG-112)	Launched.	1 Sep	<i>Spruance</i> (DDG-111)	In Commission, Special at Bath, ME.
			2 Sep	USCGC <i>Stratton</i> (WMSL-752)	Ex- <i>Hamilton</i> . Delivered to the Coast Guard; In Commission, Special. Scheduled to be placed In Commission, Full on March 31, 2012 at Alameda, CA.

9 Sep	USCGC <i>James</i> (WMSL-754)	Contract for construction awarded to Huntington Ingalls Industries, Moss Point, MS.
12 Sep	<i>Spearhead</i> (JHSV-1)	Launched at Austal USA, Mobile, AL.
15 Sep	<i>Michael Monsoor</i> (DDG-1001)	Contract for construction for both ships and Unnamed (DDG-1002) awarded to General Dynamics, Bath Iron Works, Bath, ME.
22 Sep	USCGC <i>Kathleen Moore</i> (WPB-1109), USCGC <i>Joseph Napier</i> (WPB-1110), USCGC <i>William Trump</i> (WPB-1111), and USCGC <i>Isaac May</i> (WPB-1112)	Contract for construction awarded to Bollinger Marine, Lockport, LA.
26 Sep	<i>Ralph Johnson</i> (DDG-114)	Same as <i>Finn</i> (DDG-113).
26 Sep	<i>Rafael Peralta</i> (DDG-115)	Construction contract awarded to General Dynamics, Bath Iron Works, Bath, ME.
1 Oct	<i>Spruance</i> (DDG-111)	In Commission, Full at Key West, FL. Homeported at San Diego, CA.
7 Oct	<i>Choctaw County</i> (JHSV-2)	Name changed from <i>Vigilant</i> .
13 Oct	<i>Mississippi</i> (SSN-782)	Launched at General Dynamics, Electric Boat, Groton, CT.
14 Oct	<i>Montford Point</i> (MLP-1) and <i>John Glenn</i> (MLP-2)	Contract for construction awarded to General Dynamics National Steel Shipbuilding, San Diego, CA.
27 Oct	<i>Milwaukee</i> (LCS-5)	Keel laid at Fincantieri Marinette Marine, Marinette, WI.
29 Oct	<i>California</i> (SSN-781)	In Commission, Full at Norfolk, VA. Homeported at Groton, CT.
29 Oct	<i>Medgar Evers</i> (T-AKE-13)	Launched at General Dynamics National Steel Shipbuilding San Diego, CA.
8 Nov	<i>Choctaw County</i> (JHSV-2)	Keel laid at Austal USA, Mobile, AL.



U.S. NAVY (SHANNON RENEFORD)

Chief of Naval Operations Admiral Jonathan Greenert exchanges greetings with an unidentified sailor on board the eighth *Virginia*-class submarine USS *California* (SSN-781) shortly after her commissioning ceremony 29 October 2011 in Norfolk, VA. The *California* is homeported in Groton, Connecticut.

12 Nov	<i>Medgar Evers</i> (T-AKE-13)	Christened.
17 Nov	<i>Zumwalt</i> (DDG-1000)	Keel laid at General Dynamics, Bath Iron Works, Bath ME.
29 Nov	USCGC <i>William Flores</i> (WPB-1103)	Same as USCGC <i>Bernard C. Webber</i> (WPB-1101)
3 Dec	<i>Mississippi</i> (SSN-782)	Christened.
15 Dec	<i>San Diego</i> (LPD-22)	Delivered to the Navy.

In Commission, Special—Date of commissioning and the ship entering the force level structure. Also the date the ship is delivered by the builder to the Navy and the ship's birthday. This status was created to legally ferry the ship from the builder's yard to the official commissioning site if it is at a location other than where the ship was built.

In Commission, Full—The date on which the commissioning ceremony was performed and the ship was fully received into the fleet.

Other than that the date has no significance. In the case of the Coast Guard, ships are placed in full commission after they reach their homeports.

#### RETURNED TO THE U.S. NAVY AND RECOMMISSIONED FOR FURTHER SERVICE

Date	Name (Hull No.)	Comments
30 Sep	<i>Zephyr</i> (PC-8), <i>Shamal</i> (PC-13), and <i>Tornado</i> (PC-14)	Returned from service with the U.S. Coast Guard. All three recommissioned for further U.S. Naval service; assigned to Little Creek, VA.

#### SHIPS DELIVERED TO THE MILITARY SEALIFT COMMAND AND PLACED IN SERVICE

Date	Name (Hull No.)	Comments
23 Feb	<i>Washington Chambers</i> (T-AKE-11)	Delivered to the Military Sealift Command and placed in service. Assigned to MSC Pacific Fleet and homeported at San Diego, CA.

#### NEW CONSTRUCTION SHIPS REJECTED BY THE NAVY AND RETURNED FOR REPAIRS

Date	Name (Hull No.)	Comments
26 May	<i>Howard O. Lorenzen</i> (AGM-25)	Ship conducted sea trials on 9 May, but was "reported as unsatisfactory" by the Board of Inspection and Survey (INSURV) for three discrepancies: 1) thrust bearing temperature; 2) steering; and 3) anchor. The ship's electric system, damage control, and aviation capabilities also were deemed unsatisfactory. Contract with VT Halter canceled; ship

transferred to Kiewit Offshore Services, Corpus Christi, TX, for repairs and replacement of radar system. After a rerun of sea trials, she ship was accepted on 10 Jan 2012.

#### SHIPS ACQUIRED BY THE MILITARY SEALIFT COMMAND FOR OPERATION

Date	Name (Hull No.)	Comments
10 Dec	<i>M/T Maersk Peary</i> (T-AOT-5246)	Acquired by the MSC for hauling fuel for the DLA.
22 Dec	Sea-Based X-Band Radar (SBX-1)	Owned by the Defense Department Missile Defense Agency. The SBX-1 is a floating, self-propelled mobile radar station, designed to operate in heavy seas to detect incoming ballistic missiles. Nominally based at Adak, AK.
23 Dec	<i>M/T Dove</i>	Serves as tender to the to Sea-Based X-Band Radar system (above). Officially rated as an Anchor Handling Towing Vessel. Closely resembles the <i>Powhattan</i> -class ATFs.

#### U.S. NAVAL SHIP DEPLOYMENTS/RETURNS

Date	Name (Hull No.)	Comments
4 Jan	<i>Halyburton</i> (FFG-40)	Departed Mayport, FL, for the 6th Fleet.
5 Jan	<i>Bainbridge</i> (DDG-96)	Departed Norfolk, VA, for the 5th and 6th Fleets.
12 Jan	<i>Gunston Hall</i> (LSD-44)	Departed Little Creek, VA, for the 4th Fleet.
13 Jan	<i>Enterprise</i> (CVN-65)	Deployed from Norfolk, VA, for the 5th Fleet. Carried CVW-1 and was accompanied by USS <i>Leyte Gulf</i> (CG-55), USS <i>Barry</i> (DDG-52), USS <i>Bulkeley</i> (DDG-84), USS <i>Mason</i> (DDG-87), USNS <i>Arctic</i> (T-AOE-8), and an SSN.
14 Jan	<i>Robert G. Bradley</i> (FFG-49) <i>Steven W. Groves</i> (FFG-29)	Both departed Mayport, FL, for the 6th Fleet.

20 Jan	<i>Higgins</i> (DDG-76)	Departed San Diego, CA, for the 5th Fleet.	30 Mar	<i>Roosevelt</i> (DDG-80)	Departed Mayport, FL, for the 6th Fleet.
27 Jan	<i>La Jolla</i> (SSN-701)	Departed Pearl Harbor, HI, for deployment in the western Pacific.	1 Apr	<i>Thach</i> (FFG-43)	Departed San Diego, CA, for the 4th Fleet.
1 Feb	<i>Reuben James</i> (FFG-57)	Departed on an independent western Pacific deployment.	1 Apr	<i>Boone</i> (FFG-28)	Departed Mayport, FL, for the 4th Fleet.
2 Feb	<i>Ronald Reagan</i> (CVN-76)	Departed on deployment to the 7th Fleet from San Diego, CA. Carried CVW-14. Accompanied by USS <i>Chancellorsville</i> (CG-62), USNS <i>Henry J. Kaiser</i> (T-AO-187), and an SSN. The USS <i>Preble</i> (DDG-88) departed 9 Feb to join the Task Group.	1 Apr	<i>Nitze</i> (DDG-94)	Departed Norfolk, VA, for the 4th Fleet.
7 Feb	<i>Gary</i> (FFG-54)	Deployed for a 4th Fleet counterdrug deployment.	14 Apr	<i>Howard</i> (DDG-83)	Departed San Diego, CA, for the 5th and 7th Fleets.
22 Feb	<i>Boxer</i> (LHD-4) <i>Green Bay</i> (LPD-20) <i>Comstock</i> (LSD-45)	All departed San Diego, CA, for deployments to the 5th Fleet.	15 Apr	<i>Hopper</i> (DDG-70)	Departed Pearl Harbor, HI, for the 5th Fleet.
23 Feb	<i>Michigan</i> (SSGN-727)	Returned from a three month deployment.	9 May	<i>Ford</i> (FFG-57)	Departed Everett, WA, for the 7th Fleet.
23 Mar	<i>Bataan</i> (LHD-5) ARG	Deployed (early) from Norfolk, VA, to relieve USS <i>Kearsarge</i> (LHD-3) ARG off Libya. Carried the 2d Marine Expeditionary Unit; was accompanied by USS <i>Mesa Verde</i> (LPD-19) and USS <i>Whidbey Island</i> (LSD-41).	9 May	<i>Rentz</i> (FFG-46)	Departed San Diego, CA, for the 4th Fleet.
9 Mar	<i>Monterey</i> (CG-61)	Departed Norfolk, VA, for the 6th Fleet.	11 May	<i>George H. W. Bush</i> (CVN-77)	Commenced first deployment as part of Carrier Strike Group Two. Carried CVW-8; accompanied by USS <i>Gettysburg</i> (CG-64), USS <i>Anzio</i> (CG-68), USS <i>Truxtun</i> (DDG-103), and USS <i>Mitscher</i> (DDG-57).
21 Mar	<i>Forest Sherman</i> (DDG-98)	Departed Norfolk, VA, for the 6th Fleet.	13 May	<i>Philippine Sea</i> (CG-58)	Departed Mayport, FL, for the 5th Fleet.
21 Mar	<i>Cleveland</i> (LPD-7)	Departed San Diego, CA for the 7th Fleet.	16 May	<i>Kearsarge</i> (LHD-3) ARG	Returned to Norfolk, VA, from deployment. Carried the 26th MEU.
23 Mar	<i>Bataan</i> (LHD-5)	Departed Norfolk, VA, for deployment to the 5th and 6th Fleets.	20 May	<i>Ramage</i> (DDG-61)	Departed Norfolk, VA, for the 6th Fleet.
23 Mar	<i>Mesa Verde</i> (LPD-19)	Departed Norfolk, VA, for deployment to the 6th Fleet.	1 June	<i>Chung-Hoon</i> (DDG-93)	Deployed from Pearl Harbor, HI, for the 7th Fleet.
23 Mar	<i>Whidbey Island</i> (LSD-41)	Departed Little Creek, VA, for deployment to the 5th and 6th Fleets.	12 June	<i>George Washington</i> (CVN-73)	Forward deployed. Departed Yokosuka, Japan, for summer deployment. Carried CVW-5. Accompanied by USS <i>Cowpens</i> (CG-63), USS <i>Curtis Wilbur</i> (DDG-54), USS <i>Fitzgerald</i> (DDG-62), and USS <i>McCampell</i> (DDG-85).
24 Mar	<i>Abraham Lincoln</i> (CVN-72)	Returned to Everett, WA, from deployment with Task Group.	14 June	<i>Carr</i> (FFG-52) <i>Samuel B. Roberts</i> (FFG-58)	Both deployed from Mayport, FL, for the 6th Fleet.
			20 June	<i>Reuben James</i> (FFG-57)	Returned to Pearl Harbor, HI.
			24 June	<i>Port Royal</i> (CG-73)	Deployed from Pearl Harbor, HI, for the 5th Fleet.

8 July	<i>Vella Gulf</i> (CG-72)	Departed Norfolk, VA, for the 6th Fleet.
9 July	<i>O'Kane</i> (DDG-77)	Deployed from Pearl Harbor, HI, for the 5th Fleet.
25 July	<i>John C. Stennis</i> (CVN-74)	Deployed from San Diego, CA. Carried CVW-9. Accompanied by USS <i>Mobile Bay</i> (CG-53), USS <i>Pinckney</i> (DDG-91), USS <i>Kidd</i> (DDG-100), USS <i>Dewey</i> (DDG-105), USS <i>Wayne E. Meyer</i> (DDG-108), USNS <i>Yukon</i> (T-AO-202), and an SSN.
1 Aug	<i>Carney</i> (DDG-64)	Departed Mayport, FL, for the 5th Fleet.
10 Aug	<i>De Wert</i> (FFG-45)	Departed Mayport, FL, for the 5th Fleet.
18 Aug	<i>Gary</i> (FFG-54)	Returned to San Diego, CA.
31 Aug	<i>Ross</i> (DDG-71) and <i>Ramage</i> (DDG-61)	Returned to Norfolk, VA.
1 Sep	<i>Russell</i> (DDG-59)	Departed Pearl Harbor, HI, for 5th Fleet.
9 Sep	<i>Ronald Reagan</i> (CVN-76)	Returned to San Diego, CA.
16 Sep	<i>Thach</i> (FFG-43)	Returned to San Diego, CA.
19 Sep	<i>Donald Cook</i> (DDG-75)	Departed from Norfolk, VA, for the 5th Fleet.
26 Sep	<i>Ingraham</i> (FFG-61)	Deployed from Everett, WA, for the 4th Fleet.
1 Oct	<i>Oak Hill</i> (LSD-51)	Departed Little Creek, VA, for the 4th Fleet.
7 Oct	<i>The Sullivans</i> (DDG-68)	Departed Mayport, FL, for the 6th Fleet.
14 Nov	<i>Makin Island</i> (LHD-8) ARG	Deployed from San Diego, CA. Carried 11th MEU. Accompanied by USS <i>New Orleans</i> (LPD-18) and USS <i>Pearl Harbor</i> (LSD-52).
29 Nov	<i>Chafee</i> (DDG-90)	Departed Pearl Harbor, HI, for 7th Fleet.
29 Nov	<i>John Paul Jones</i> (DDG-53)	Departed San Diego, CA, for 5th Fleet.
30 Nov	<i>Carl Vinson</i> (CVN-70) <i>Halsey</i> (DDG-97)	Departed San Diego, CA, for the 5th Fleet.
1 Dec	<i>Bunker Hill</i> (CG-52)	Departed San Diego, CA, for the 5th Fleet.

5 Dec	<i>Momsen</i> (DDG-92)	Departed Everett, WA, for the 5th Fleet.
6 Dec	<i>Cape St. George</i> (CG-71)	Departed Pearl Harbor, HI, for the 5th Fleet.
6 Dec	<i>Sterret</i> (DDG-104)	Departed San Diego, CA, for the 5th Fleet.
8 Dec	<i>Abraham Lincoln</i> (CVN-72)	Departed from Everett, WA, for deployment ending at Norfolk, VA, prior to starting her RF/COH at Newport News, VA. Carried CVW-2. Accompanied by USS <i>Vicksburg</i> (CG-69), USS <i>Porter</i> (DDG-78), USS <i>Nitze</i> (DDG-94), USS <i>James E. Williams</i> (DDG-95), and USNS <i>Supply</i> (T-AOE-6).
10 Dec	<i>George H. W. Bush</i> (CVN-77)	Returned to Norfolk, VA, from the 5th and 6th Fleets.

#### CHANGE OF HOMEPORTS OR ASSIGNMENT OF U.S. NAVAL SHIPS

Date Officially Assigned	Name (Hull No.)	Comments
1 Jan	<i>West Virginia</i> (SSBN-736)	Assigned to homeport of Portsmouth Naval Shipyard, Portsmouth, NH, for overhaul.
1 Feb	<i>Memphis</i> (SSN-691)	Assigned to homeport of Portsmouth Naval Shipyard, Portsmouth, NH, for defueling and deactivation.
9 Feb	<i>Washington Chambers</i> (T-AKE-11)	Assigned to homeport of San Diego, CA.
1 Mar	<i>City of Corpus Christi</i> (SSN-705)	Assigned to homeport of Pearl Harbor, HI.
3 Mar	<i>Oklahoma City</i> (SSN-723)	Arrived at new homeport of Guam to replace the <i>City of Corpus Christi</i> (SSN-705) as a forward deployed submarine.
15 Mar	<i>Harpers Ferry</i> (LSD-49)	Assigned to homeport of San Diego, CA.
15 Mar	<i>Germantown</i> (LSD-42)	Assigned to homeport of Sasebo, Japan, relieving <i>Harpers Ferry</i> (LSD-49) as the forward deployed LSD.



The amphibious dock landing ship USS *Germantown* (LSD-42) returns to Fleet Activities Sasebo, Japan, on 25 August 2011 after her summer patrol in the western Pacific. The *Germantown* was homeported in Sasebo as the forward-deployed relief for the USS *Harpers Ferry* (LSD-49) in March.

1 Apr	<i>Tennessee</i> (SSBN-734)	Assigned to homeport of Kings Bay, GA, upon completion of her overhaul at Portsmouth Naval Shipyard, Portsmouth, VA.
15 Apr	<i>Michael Murphy</i> (DDG-112)	Assigned to homeport of Pearl Harbor, Hawaii.
1 June	<i>Helena</i> (SSN-725)	Assigned to homeport of Norfolk, VA, after completion of overhaul.
18 July	<i>Wally Schirra</i> (T-AKE-8)	Homeported at Norfolk, VA.
11 Aug	<i>Pasadena</i> (SSN-752)	Assigned to homeport of Portsmouth Naval Shipyard, Portsmouth, NH, for overhaul.
15 Aug	<i>San Diego</i> (LPD-22)	Assigned to homeport of San Diego, CA.
1 Oct	Riverine Squadron Four	Assigned to homeport of Little Creek, VA.
18 Oct	<i>Zephyr</i> (PC-8), <i>Shamal</i> (PC-13), and <i>Tornado</i> (PC-14)	Assigned to homeport of Little Creek, VA, having been returned from service with the Coast Guard.
29 Oct	<i>California</i> (SSN-781)	Assigned to homeport of Groton, CT.
1 Dec	<i>Virginia</i> (SSN-774)	Same as <i>California</i> (SSN-781).
27 Dec	<i>Pittsburgh</i> (SSN-720)	Same as <i>California</i> (SSN-774).
30 Dec	<i>Arlington</i> (LPD-24)	Assigned to homeport of Norfolk, VA.

#### ADMINISTRATIVE SURFACE COMMAND CHANGES

Date	Command Name	Comments
14 Mar	Military Sealift Command	The following commands changed: a) Commander Sea Logistics Command, Atlantic, to Commander, Military Sealift Command Atlantic. b) Commander, Sea Logistics, Pacific, to Commander, Military Sealift Command, Pacific. c) Commander, Sea Logistics, Central, to Commander, Military Sealift Command, Central. d) Commander, Sea Logistics, Europe, to Commander, Military Sealift Command, Europe. e) Commander, Sea Logistics, Far East, to Commander, Military Sealift, Command, Far East.
1 Aug	Mine Countermeasures Squadron Two	Renamed Mine Countermeasures Squadron Three.
30 Sep	United States 2nd Fleet	Disestablished. Roles and responsibilities realigned and merged with Commander, U.S. Fleet Forces Command.



The U.S. 2nd Fleet's 65-year history came to a close on 30 September 2011 in disestablishment ceremonies at Norfolk, Virginia. Many of the fleet's assets, personnel, and responsibilities were merged into the new Fleet and Joint Operations organization of Commander, U.S. Fleet Forces.

1 Oct	Riverine Squadron Four (Composite)	Established and homeported at Little Creek, VA. (Disestablished in February 2012.)
14 Dec	Carrier Strike Group Nine	Permanent duty station changed from Everett, WA, to San Diego, CA, and reassigned from USS <i>Abraham Lincoln</i> (CVN-72) to USS <i>Ronald Reagan</i> (CVN-76).
30 Dec	Carrier Strike Group Seven	Deactivated.

#### DECOMMISSIONINGS

Date	Name (Hull No.)	Comments
4 Feb	<i>Los Angeles</i> (SSN-688)	Placed out of commission upon completion of recycling at Puget Sound, WA.
28 Mar	USCGC <i>Hamilton</i> (WHEC-715)	Decommissioned at Alameda, CA. Sold to Philippines.
29 Mar	USCGC <i>Chase</i> (WHEC-718)	Decommissioned at Alameda, CA. Sold to Nigeria.
31 Mar	<i>Nassau</i> (LHA-4)	Decommissioned at Norfolk, VA. To be stricken.

1 Apr	<i>Memphis</i> (SSN-691)	Inactivation ceremony at New London, CT. Placed In Commission, Special on 7 Apr for inactivation.
21 Apr	<i>Jarrett</i> (FFG-33)	Decommissioning ceremony at San Diego, CA. Formally decommissioned 26 May and stricken.
29 June	<i>Philadelphia</i> (SSN-690)	Decommissioned at Groton, CT. To be stricken and recycled.
29 June	<i>Dubuque</i> (LPD-8)	Decommissioned at San Diego, CA. Placed in reserve at the Bremerton, WA, inactive ships maintenance facility.
29 July	<i>Doyle</i> (FFG-39)	Decommissioned at Mayport, FL.
30 Sep	<i>Cleveland</i> (LPD-7)	Same as <i>Dubuque</i> (LPD-8).

#### SHIPS/CRAFT PLACED OUT OF SERVICE

Date	Name (Hull No.)	Comments
13 Jan	<i>Kiska</i> (T-AE-35)	Stricken for disposal.
7 Apr	<i>Shasta</i> (T-AE-33)	Same as <i>Kiska</i> (T-AE-35).
29 Mar	<i>Richard G. Matthiesen</i> (T-AOT-1124)	Placed out of service and transferred. to the Maritime Administration for layup.
27 Sep	<i>Massapequa</i> (YTB-807)	Based in Japan. Placed out of service. To be stricken and disposed of.
27 Sep	<i>Wenatchee</i> (YTB-808)	Placed out of service. To be stricken and disposed of.
27 Sep	<i>Catahecassa</i> (YTB-828)	Same as <i>Wenatchee</i> (YTB-808).
27 Sep	YC-1407	Placed out of service. To be stricken and disposed of.
27 Nov	YON-280	Placed out of service. To be stricken and disposed of.
15 Dec	IX-514	Ex-YFU-79. Unofficially known as " <i>Baylander</i> " and used as a helicopter training craft. Placed out of service. To be disposed of.
15 Dec	YC-1068	Same as YC-1407.

**SHIPS/CRAFT REACQUIRED BY THE U.S. NAVY**

Date	Name (Hull No.)	Comments
14 May	<i>Oriole</i> (MHC-55)	Reacquired by the Navy for transfer to VSE Corp. for modernization and refit prior to transfer to Taiwan in 2012.
2 June	<i>Falcon</i> (MHC-59)	Same as <i>Oriole</i> (MHC-55).

**SHIPS/CRAFT TRANSFERRED TO OTHER GOVERNMENT/ NON-GOVERNMENT AGENCIES**

Date	Name (Hull No.)	Comments
10 Aug	<i>Arthur W. Radford</i> (DD-968)	Transferred to the State of Delaware in 2010 for use as an artificial fishing reef, scuttled 26 miles in 70 feet of water off Indian River Inlet, DE. Damaged by Hurricane Irene three weeks after vessel scuttled.

**SHIPS/CRAFT TRANSFERRED TO THE MARITIME ADMINISTRATION (MARAD)**

Date	Name (Hull No.)	Comments
28 Apr	<i>Nassau</i> (LHA-4)	Transferred to the Maritime Administration Reserve Fleet at James River, VA.
14 July	<i>Richard G. Matthiesen</i> (T-AOT-1124)	Transferred to the Maritime Administration Reserve Fleet at Beaumont, TX, for layup. Rated "militarily useful."

**SHIPS/CRAFT STRICKEN FROM THE NAVAL VESSEL REGISTER (NVR)**

Date	Name (Hull No.)	Comments
4 Feb	<i>Los Angeles</i> (SSN-688)	Stricken upon completion of recycling.
13 Apr	YON-98	Stricken and disposed of.
29 Apr	YOGN-115	Same as YON-98.
29 Apr	YON-287	Same as YON-98.
26 May	<i>Jarrett</i> (FFG-33)	Stricken. Available for Foreign Military Sales (FMS).
29 July	<i>Doyle</i> (FFG-39)	Same as <i>Jarrett</i> (FFG-33).

27 Sep	IX-545	Ex- <i>Waxahachie</i> (YTB-814). Fitted with experimental propulsion system. Stricken and disposed of.
27 Sep	YP-696	Stricken and disposed of.

**NUCLEAR-POWERED SURFACE SHIPS AND SUBMARINES IN THE NAVY RECYCLING PROGRAM**

Ship Name (Hull No.)	Recycling Start	Completion
<i>Long Beach</i> (CGN-9)	13 Oct 2013 <sup>1</sup>	—
<i>Narwhal</i> (SSN-671)	1 Oct 2014 <sup>1</sup>	—
<i>Drum</i> (SSN-677)	1 Oct 2009	30 Nov 2011 <sup>1</sup>
<i>Los Angeles</i> (SSN-688)	4 Feb 2011 <sup>1</sup>	In Progress
<i>Philadelphia</i> (SSN-690)	1 Oct 2018 <sup>1</sup>	—
<i>Memphis</i> (SSN-691)	1 Oct 2017 <sup>1</sup>	—
<i>Omaha</i> (SSN-692)	30 Sep 2010 <sup>1</sup>	In Progress
<i>Cincinnati</i> (SSN-693)	1 Oct 2010 <sup>1</sup>	In Progress
<i>Groton</i> (SSN-694)	1 Oct 2012 <sup>1</sup>	—
<i>Birmingham</i> (SSN-695)	1 Oct 2012 <sup>1</sup>	—
<i>New York City</i> (SSN-696)	1 Oct 2011 <sup>1</sup>	In Progress <sup>1</sup>
<i>Indianapolis</i> (SSN-697)	1 Oct 2013 <sup>1</sup>	—
<i>Bremerton</i> (SSN-698)	17 May 2017 <sup>1</sup>	—
<i>Jacksonville</i> (SSN-699)	20 Feb 2017 <sup>1</sup>	—
<i>Dallas</i> (SSN-700)	1 Oct 2017 <sup>1</sup>	—
<i>La Jolla</i> (SSN-701) <sup>2</sup>	1 Dec 2014 <sup>1</sup>	—
<i>Phoenix</i> (SSN-702)	1 Oct 2013 <sup>1</sup>	—
<i>Baltimore</i> (SSN-704)	1 Oct 2012 <sup>1</sup>	—
<i>City of Corpus Christi</i> (SSN-705)	30 Sep 2015 <sup>1</sup>	—
<i>Albuquerque</i> (SSN-706)	21 Oct 2015 <sup>1</sup>	—
<i>Portsmouth</i> (SSN-707)	1 Oct 2015	—
<i>Minneapolis-St. Paul</i> (SSN-708)	1 Oct 2016	—
<i>Hyman G. Rickover</i> (SSN-709)	1 Oct 2016	—
<i>Augusta</i> (SSN-710)	1 Oct 2019 <sup>1</sup>	—
<i>San Francisco</i> (SSN-711) <sup>2</sup>	1 Mar 2017 <sup>1</sup>	—
<i>Atlanta</i> (SSN-712)	1 Oct 2014	—
<i>Houston</i> (SSN-713)	5 Jan 2016 <sup>1</sup>	—
<i>Norfolk</i> (SSN-714)	1 Oct 2018 <sup>1</sup>	—
<i>Buffalo</i> (SSN-715)	5 May 2017 <sup>1</sup>	—
<i>Salt Lake City</i> (SSN-716)	1 Oct 2016 <sup>1</sup>	—
<i>Providence</i> (SSN-719)	1 Mar 2018 <sup>1</sup>	—
<i>Pittsburgh</i> (SSN-720)	14 Nov 2019 <sup>1</sup>	—

NOTES

1. Revised data.
2. USS *La Jolla* (SSN-701) and USS *San Francisco* (SSN-711), will be converted to Moored Nuclear Training Ships, replacing ex-*Daniel Webster* (SSBN-626) and ex-*Sam Rayburn* (SSBN-635), at Charleston, SC.

The nuclear-powered ship and submarine recycling program is responsible for the dismantling and disposal of decommissioned nuclear-powered submarines (SSN/SSBN) and cruisers (CGN). All nuclear-powered ship/submarine dismantling is done at the Puget Sound Naval Shipyard, Bremerton, Washington. Before beginning inactivation availability, the vessel is placed in a “stand down” status. That allows for defueling the nuclear reactor(s), de-energizing and draining ship systems and removing any equipment needed for reuse in the Fleet.

Decommissioning and striking from the Naval Vessel Register takes place after defueling is completed. The removed nuclear fuel is sent to Arco, Idaho, for reprocessing.

Inactivation is usually performed at Puget Sound, but can be done at any nuclear capable shipyard, such as Portsmouth Naval Shipyard at New Hampshire. Several “boats have been inactivated there because of the work backlog at Puget

Sound. When that is done the hull must be prepared for open tow to Bremerton. In some cases hulls have to be prepared for long-term storage because of the backlog. An example of this is the hulk of *ex-Long Beach* (CGN-9). For ships/submarines inactivated at Puget Sound the dismantling usually takes place concurrently with the inactivation availability. Hull recycling is accomplished by removing all remaining equipment, cutting the hull into manageable pieces, removing and disposing of hazardous materials, and the declassification and demilitarization of material/ equipment to be scrapped. The HY-80 steel and other scrap metals are sold for recycling. The reactor compartments are “packaged” and shipped to Hanford, Washington, where they will be buried.

The average cost in Fiscal Year 2012 dollars to decommission and recycle each CGN is \$101.3 million, and for each SSN it is \$61.4 million.

All future “Recycling Start Dates” are projected, as of April 2012.

### SHIPS/CRAFT TRANSFERRED TO FOREIGN COUNTRIES

Date	Recipient	U.S. Navy Name (Hull No.)	Foreign Name (Hull No.)	Method of Transfer
13 May	Philippines (WHEC-715)	USCGC <i>Hamilton</i> (PF-15)	<i>Gregorio De Pilar</i>	Sale
(Replaces RPS <i>Rajah Humabon</i> (PF-11) (ex-USS <i>Atherton</i> [DE-169]) as flagship of the navy. USCGC <i>Dallas</i> (WHEC 716) of this class to be transferred in May 2012).				
13 May	Nigeria	USCGC <i>Chase</i> (WHEC-718)	<i>Aradu</i> (F-90)	Sale
(Replaces the old MEKO Class frigate <i>Aradu</i> (F-89).)				

### READY RESERVE FORCE (RRF) SHIPS

Date	Name (Hull Type)	Comments
Additions (since 1 January 2012)		
NONE.		
Deletions (since 1 January 2012)		
28 Feb	<i>M/V Cape Jacob</i> (T-AK-5029)	Transferred to the RRF from the Military Sealift Command. Berthed at the Maritime Reserve Fleet at Suisun Bay, CA. Previously employed for several years with the Maritime Prepositioning Force (MPF) at Diego Garcia. Subsequently reduced to regular Maritime Reserve (NDRF).

at Suisun Bay, CA, for San Pedro, CA. Scheduled to be open to the public on 4 July 2012. With the transfer of this ship all *Iowa*-class battleships are now museums.

### SHIPS DONATED FOR USE AS MUSEUMS

Date	Name (Hull No.)	Comments
6 Sep	<i>Iowa</i> (BB-61)	Transferred to the Pacific Battleship Center, Los Angeles, CA, for permanent berthing and display as a museum and memorial. Departed Maritime Reserve Fleet on 27 Oct under tow

### FORMER NAVAL SHIPS DISPOSED OF BY THE NAVY/ MARITIME ADMINISTRATION

Date	Name (Hull No.)	Comments
24 Mar	<i>Taluga</i> (AO-62)	Dismantlement completed.
13 Apr	<i>Clamp</i> (ARS-33) and <i>Bolster</i> (ARS-38)	Both sold to Marine Metal Inc., Brownsville, TX, for \$462,223.31 Both departed under tow for Brownsville on 23 May.
12 July	<i>Benjamin Isherwood</i> (AO-191)	Never completed. Sold by original U.K. purchaser to International Shipbreaking Ltd., Brownsville, TX. Departed under tow from the Maritime Administration Reserve Fleet at James River, VA.
19 July	<i>Henry Eckford</i> (AO-192)	Same as <i>Benjamin Isherwood</i> (AO-191).

28 July *Point Defiance* (LSD-31) Originally sold 29 Sep 1995 to Pegasus Inc. for scrapping. Repossessed by the Navy on 1 July 1997 when the company defaulted on the scrapping contract. Laid up at the Maritime Reserve Fleet at Suisun Bay, CA. Sold for \$578,539 to All Star Metals, Brownsville, TX, for scrapping. Departed under tow on 7 September for the Allied Recycling Co. at the former Mare Island Naval Shipyard for the cleaning of marine growth and loose paint before departing for Brownsville, TX. Departed in early October under tow for Brownsville.

9 Aug *Sperry* (AS-12) Sold by the Maritime Administration for \$1,526,726 to Esco Marine, Brownsville, TX, for scrapping. Towed from Suisun Bay, CA, reserve fleet on 28 September for Allied Defense Recycling at the former Mare Island Naval Shipyard for cleaning of marine growth and loose paint before departing for Esco Marine. Departed Mare Island on 17 October under the tow of the tug *Rachel* for Brownsville, TX.

17 Aug *Sanctuary* (AH-17) Originally sold in the mid-1990s to Project Life Foundation, Baltimore, MD, for resale as scrap. Laid up at the Locust Point Marine Terminal, Baltimore, MD. When pier fees and other fees for the pier mooring were not paid, she was sold on 21 August 2007 at public auction for \$50,000. Resold in mid-2011 to Esco Marine, Brownsville, TX, for scrapping.

18 Aug *Thomaston* (LSD-28) Sold on 28 July to All Star Metals, Brownsville, TX, for \$894,708. Departed Maritime Administration Bay Reserve Fleet at Suisun Bay, CA, under tow.

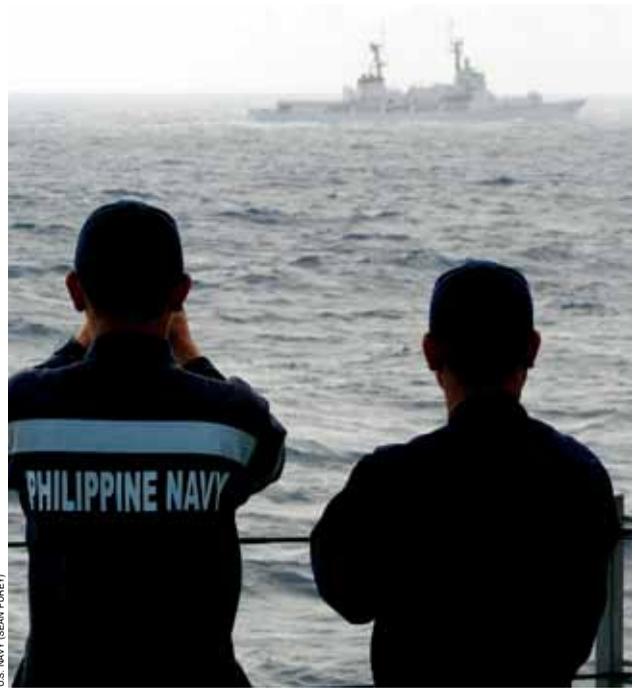
24 Aug *H.H. Hess* (AGS-38) Scrapping completed.

14 Oct *Reclaimer* (ARS-42) Scrapping completed.

7 Nov YON-280 Sold for \$384,000.

17 Nov *Bolster* (ARS-38) Scrapping completed.

23 Nov *Tulare* (LKA-112) Sold for \$1,138,000 to International Shipbreaking Ltd., Brownsville, TX. Departed the Maritime Reserve Fleet at Suisun Bay, CA, on 14 December for Allied Defense Recycling at the former Mare Island Naval Shipyard for cleaning of marine growth and loose paint before departing under tow for Brownsville, TX, on 30 December.



US NAVY (SEAN FUREY)

Filipino sailors embarked on the USS *Reuben James* (FFG-57) check out their navy's newest ship, the *Gregorio del Pilar*, ex-USCGC *Hamilton* (WHEC-715) as the ships operate in the Pacific Ocean in July 2011, about two months after the vessel was sold to the Philippines.

**2010 ERRATA**

Date	Name (Hull No.)	Comments
2 Feb 2010	IX-515 (“ <i>Sea Flyer</i> ”)	Ex-USN SES-110BH, ex-USCGC <i>Dorado</i> (WSES-1), ex-USN SES-200). Name unofficial. Empty hull sold 31 August 2010 for \$20,000.
4 Feb 2010	<i>Los Angeles</i> (SSN-688)	Decommissioning ceremony held on 23 January 2010 at San Pedro, CA. Placed In Commission, Special on 4 February 2010 at Puget Sound Naval Shipyard.

10 Mar 2010	YON-90	Stricken. Disposed of.	6 July 2010	YON-262	Stricken. Sold on 26 July 2010.
2 July 2010	YON-329	Stricken. Reclassified 8 July 2010 as plant equipment and retained as a breasting barge at Inactive Ship Facility, Pearl Harbor, HI.	19 July 2010	YRDH-7	Stricken and to be disposed of.
2 July 2010	YP-702	Formally a training ship at the U.S. Naval Academy, Annapolis, MD. Stricken and to be disposed of.	18 Aug 2010	YON-308	Stricken. Sold on 5 May 2010 for \$234,000.
			15 Dec 2010	M/T <i>Evergreen State</i> AOT-5205)	Acquired for hauling fuel for the Defense Logistics Agency (DLA). Sister ship to M/T <i>Empire State</i> .

## AIRCRAFT CARRIER AIR-WING ASSIGNMENTS AND COMPOSITION AS OF 2 APRIL 2012

### Air Wing/Fleet/Ship Assignment

#### CVW-1 Atlantic *Enterprise* (CVN-65)

VFA-211<sup>1</sup> "Fighting Checkmates" (11 F/A-18F)  
 VMFA-251 "Thunderbolts" (10 F/A-18C)  
 VFA-136 "Knighthawks" (12 F/A-18E)  
 VFA-11 "Red Rippers" (11 F/A-18E)  
 VAW-123 "Screwtops" (4 E-2C)  
 VAQ-137 "Rooks" (2 EA-6B [ICAP-II, Block 89] 1 EA-6B [ICAP-III, Block 2])  
 VRC-40 (Det. 1) "Rawhides" (2 C-2A)  
 HS-11 "Dragonslayers" (7 HH-60H/SH-60F)

#### CVW-2 Pacific *Abraham Lincoln* (CVN-72)

VFA-2 "Bounty Hunters" (12 F/A-18F)  
 VFA-151 "Vigilantes" (10 F/A-18C)  
 VFA-137 "Kestrels" (12 F/A-18E)  
 VFA-34 "Blue Blasters" (12 F/A-18C)  
 VAW-116 "Sun Kings" (4 E-2C)  
 VAQ-131 "Lancers" (3 EA-6B [Block 89A] 2 EA-6B [ICAP II, Block 3D])  
 VRC-30 (Det. B) "Providers" (2 C-2A)  
 HSC-12 "Golden Falcons" (7 SH-60F/HH-60H)  
 HSM-77 (Det. 4) "Saberhawks" (8 SH-60B)

#### CVW-3 Atlantic *Harry S. Truman* (CVN-75)

VFA-32 "Swordsmen" (12 F/A-18F)  
 VFA- 37 "Bulls" (11 F/A-18C)  
 VMFA-312 "Checkerboard" (10 F/A-18C)  
 VFA-105 "Gunslingers" (12 F/A- 8E)  
 VAW-126 (Group II) "Seahawks" (3 E-2C)  
 VAQ-130 "Zappers" (1 EA-6B [CAP II, Block 4], 2 EA-6B [ICAP II, Block 3D] 1 EA-6B [Block 89A])  
 VRC-40 (Det. 4) "Rawhides" (2 C-2A)  
 HSC-7 "Dusty Dogs" (7 MH-60S)  
 HSM-74 "Swamp Foxes" (8 MH-60R)

#### CVW-5 Pacific *George Washington* (CVN-73)

VFA-102 "Diamondbacks" (12 F/A-18F)  
 VFA-115 "Eagles" (12 F/A-18E)  
 VFA-195 "Dam Busters" (10 F/A-18E)  
 VFA-27 "Royal Maces" (12 F/A-18E)

VAW-115 "Liberty Bells" (4 E-2C)  
 VAQ-141 "Shadowhawks" (5 EA-18G)  
 VRC-30 (Det. E) "Providers" (2 C-2A)  
 HS-14 "Chargers" (12 HH-60F/SH-60F)

#### CVW-7 Atlantic *Dwight D. Eisenhower* (CVN-69)

VFA-143 "Pukin' Dogs" (12 F/A-18E)  
 VFA-103 "Jolly Rogrs" (12 F/A-18F)  
 VFA-131 "Wildcats" (10 F/A-18C)  
 VFA-83 "Rampagers" (10 F/A-18C)  
 VAW-121 "Bluetails" (4 E-2C)  
 VAQ-140 "Patriots" (4 EA-6B [ICAP-III, Block 2])  
 VRC-40 (Det.3) "Rawhides" (2 C-2A)  
 HS-5 "Nightdippers" (7 HH-60F/SH-60F)

#### CVW-8 Atlantic *George H. W. Bush* (CVN-77)

VFA-213 "Black Lions" (12 F/A-18F)  
 VFA-31 "Tomcatters" (12 F/A-18E)  
 VFA-15 "Valions" 10 F/A-18C)  
 VFA-87 "Golden Warriors" (10 F/A-18A)  
 VAW-124 "Bear Aces" (4 E-2C)  
 VAQ-141<sup>2</sup> "Shadowhawks" (4-6 EA-18G)  
 VRC-40 (Det. 2) "Rawhides" (2 C-2A)  
 HSC-9 "Tridents" (7 MH-60S)  
 HSM-70 (Det.) "Spartans" (11 MH-60R)

#### CVW-9 Pacific *John C. Stennis* (CVN-74)

VFA-41 "Black Aces"(12 F/A-18F)  
 VFA-14 "Tophatters" (12 F/A-18E)  
 VFA-97 "Warhawks" (10 F/A-18C)  
 VFA-192 "Golden Dragons" (10 F/A-18C)  
 VAW-112 "Golden Hawks" (4 E-2C)  
 VAQ-133 "Providers" (4 EA-6B [ICAP-III, Block 2])  
 VRC-30 (Det. E) "Providers" (2 C-2A)  
 HSC-8 "Eightballers" (12 MH-60S)  
 HSM-71 "Raptors"(11 MH-60R)

#### CVW-11 Pacific *Nimitz* (CVN-68)

VFA-154 "Black Knights" (12 F/A-18F)  
 VFA-146 "Blue Diamonds" (10 F/A-18C)  
 VFA-147 "Argonauts" (12 F/A-18E)  
 VMFA-323 "Death Rattlers" (10 F/A-18C)  
 VAQ-138 "Yellow Jackets" (5 EA-18G)  
 VRC-30 (Det. C) "Rawhides" (2 C-2A)

HSC-6 “Indians” (7 HH-60F/SH-60F)  
 HSM-75 (Det.) “Spartans” (11 MH-60R)

CVW-14<sup>3</sup> Pacific *Ronald Reagan (CVN-76)*

VFA-113 “Stingers” (10 F/A-18C)  
 VFA-22 “Fighting Redcocks” (12 F/A-18F)  
 VFA-115 “Eagles” (12 F/A-18E)  
 VFA-25 “Fist of the Fleet” (12 F/A-18C)  
 VAW-113 “Black Eagles” (4 E-2C)  
 VAQ-139 “Cougars” (5 EA-18G)  
 VRC-30 (Det. C) “Providers” (2 C-2A)

CVW-17 Pacific *Carl Vinson (CVN-70)*

VFA-81 “Sunliners” (12 F/A-18E)  
 VFA-22 “Fighting Redcocks” (12 F/A-18F)  
 VFA-113 “Stingers” (10 F/A-18C)  
 VFA-25 “Fist of the Fleet” (10 F/A-18C)  
 VAW-125 “Tiger Tails” (4 E-2C)  
 VAQ-134 “Garudas” (4 EA-6B [ICAP-III, Block 2])  
 VRC-40 (Det. 5) “Rawhides” (2 C-2A)  
 HS-15 “Red Lions” (7 HH-60F/SH-60F)

NOTES

**General:**

VFA-94 (“Mighty Shrikes”) and VFA-97 (War Hawks”) flying F/A-18C (Night) and F/A-18C aircraft, respectively, are attached to the Marine Corps under the Unit Deployment Program (UDP). The UDP was designed by the Commandant of the Marine Corps to reduce the number of unaccompanied tours and improve unit continuity and provide for the deployment of units to the western Pacific for approximately six months—eliminating the 12-month permanent change of station assignments for personnel assigned to these.

The contract for the RF/COH of *Theodore Roosevelt* (CVN-71) was awarded on Aug. 26, 2009 and she arrived at Northrop Grumman Newport News Shipyard on 29 August 2009 to begin her RF/COH.

With the plan to place *Enterprise* (CVN-65) In commission, Special, in December 2012 for inactivation, three years before her replacement, *Gerald R. Ford* (CVN-79), is completed in FY 2015, the carrier force level will drop to nine. Ideally, as repeated by various administrations, 15 active carriers are needed to meet all U.S. security obligations and other contingencies.

All active air wings have a fleet logistics support squadron (VRC) detachment assigned when deployed. These detachments are not permanently assigned to the air wing and do not operate with air wings when not deployed.

**Specific:**

1. VFA-211 in CVW-1 has never been officially classified as a VFA by an OPNAVNOTICE 3111. Officially still is a VF squadron, technically she is a VFA squadron, as she flies Super Hornet (F/A-18F) aircraft and is employed as such.
2. Transferred to CVW-5 in FY 2012 after transitioning to the Growler (EA-18G). Replacement not known at this time.
3. See entry on next page about CVW-14 and her disestablishment and reactivation.

**NAVY AND MARINE CORPS AVIATION CHANGES**

Date	Designation (Nickname)	Comments
17 Dec 2010	VT-4 “War Bucks”	Deactivated. Was based at Pensacola, FL.
31 Jan	VFA-125 “Flying Eagles”	Disestablished as the F/A-18C Fleet Replacement Squadron (FRS). All duties and personnel transferred to VFA-122, now the FRS for the F/A-18E and F.

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U.S. NAVY (JAMES R. EVANS)

**Air Crewman Second Class Cory Merritt of Helicopter Antisubmarine Squadron 15 (HS-15) guides the pilots of an HH-60F Sea Hawk helicopter retrieving cargo from the deck of the fast combat support ship USNS *Bridge* (T-AOE-10) during a replenishment at sea with the carrier USS *Carl Vinson* (CVN-70). The “Red Lions” of HS-15 are part of the *Vinson’s* air wing.**

1 Feb	HSL-43 “Battle Cats”	Reclassified as Helicopter Maritime Strike Squadron (HSM) 43.			Permanent duty station was changed from Jacksonville, FL, to Norfolk, VA.
15 Feb	HSL-44 “Swamp Foxes”	Reclassified as HSM-44.	17 May	VFA-195 “Dambusters”	Squadron transitioned from the Hornet (F/A-18C) to the Super Hornet (F/A-18E) this date.
1 Mar	HMM-165 “White Knights”	Reclassified Marine Medium Tiltrotor Squadron 165 (VMM-165), flying MV-22Bs. Based at MCAS Miramar, CA.	1 June	HSL-45 “Wolfpack”	Reclassified as HSM-45.
1 Mar	HSM-78 “Blue Hawks”	Established as HSM-78. Homeported at San Diego, CA.	1 June	VFA-86 “Sidewinders”	Duty station changed from Beaufort, NC, to LeMoore, CA.
1 Mar	HSL-42 “Proud Warriors”	Reclassified as HSM-42. Permanent duty station changed to Jacksonville, FL.	1 June	HS-6 “Screamin’ Indians”	Reclassified HSC-6.
1 Apr	CVW-14	Deactivated, effective 30 November. Decision overruled by Secretary of Defense; air wing ordered restored to full operational duty on 20 March 2012. At time of deactivation the air wing comprised the squadrons listed on previous page.	15 Sep	Naval Air Station/ Joint Reserve Base Willow Grove, PA.	Disestablished as a result of Base Realignment and Closure 2005.
15 Apr	HS-7 “Shamrocks”	Reclassified Helicopter Sea Combat Squadron 7 (HSC-7).	1 Oct	Officer-in-Charge, Air Test and Evaluation Squadron Nine, Detachment Edwards Air Force Base, CA	Established this date to conduct operational Testing of the Navy’s Lightning II (F-35C)

**NOTE**

VAQ-132 “Scorpions,” VAQ-135 “Black avens,” and VAQ-142 “Gray Wolves” provide electronic warfare support to the U.S. Air Force in land-based expeditionary operations.