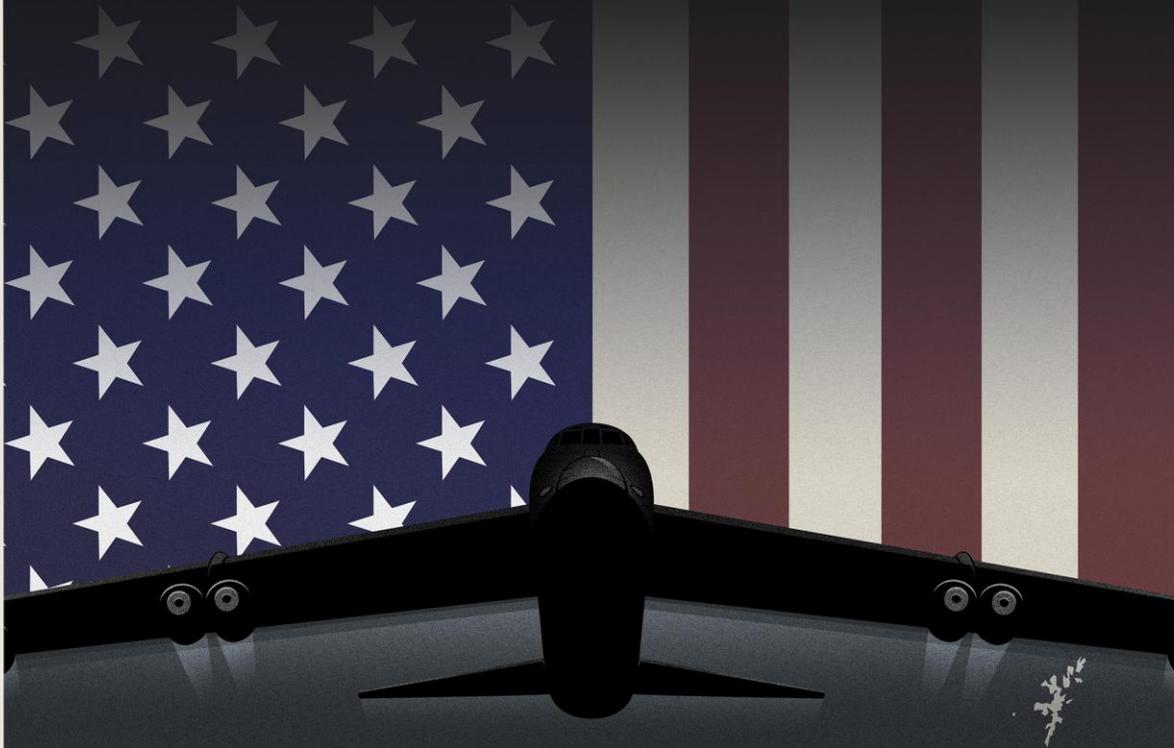


U.S. AIR FORCE BOMBERS IN EUROPE



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United States Strategic Command demonstrates commitment to our allies and partners through the global employment of military forces. Bomber missions, like those from RAF Fairford, represent our unwavering support to our allies and our commitment to regional security.

B-52 "BUFF"

- **Power plant:** eight Pratt & Whitney engines TF33-P-3/103 turbofan
- **Speed:** 650 miles per hour (Mach 0.84)
- **Range:** 8,800 miles (7,652 nautical miles)
- **Payload:** 70,000 pounds
- **Armament:** conventional or nuclear weapons
- **Crew:** five (aircraft commander, pilot, radar navigator, navigator and electronic warfare officer)
- **Primary function:** heavy bomber
- **Key factoid:** During Desert Storm, B-52s delivered 40 percent of all the weapons dropped by coalition forces
- **First flight:** 1954
- **Home stations:** Barksdale AFB, Louisiana, and Minot AFB, North Dakota

