

U.S. First Army Buildup at Normandy

Operation OVERLORD

First Seven Weeks: 6 June – 20 July 1944



U.S. Divisions in France

							4Δ ^{Army} → 4Δ ^{VIII}	4Δ ^{VIII}	4Δ ^{VIII}
							5 ^{Army} → 5 ^V	5 ^V	5 ^V
					35 ^{XIX}	35 ^{XIX}	35 ^{XIX}	35 ^{XIX}	35 ^{XIX}
				8 ^{VIII}	8 ^{VIII}	8 ^{VIII}	8 ^{VIII}	8 ^{VIII}	8 ^{VIII}
			3Δ ^{XIX} → 3Δ ^{Army}	3Δ ^{XIX}	3Δ ^{XIX}	3Δ ^{XIX}	3Δ ^{VII}	3Δ ^{VII}	3Δ ^{VII}
			83 ^{VIII} → 83 ^{VII}	83 ^{VII}	83 ^{VII}	83 ^{VII}	83 ^{VIII}	83 ^{VIII}	83 ^{VIII}
		30 ^{XIX}	30 ^{XIX}	30 ^{XIX}	30 ^{XIX}	30 ^{XIX}	30 ^{VII}	30 ^{VII}	30 ^{VII}
		2Δ ^V	2Δ ^V	2Δ ^V	2Δ ^V	2Δ ^V	2Δ ^{VII}	2Δ ^{VII}	2Δ ^{VII}
	90 ^{VII}	90 ^{VII} → 90 ^{VIII}	90 ^{VIII}	90 ^{VIII}	90 ^{VIII}	90 ^{VIII}	90 ^{VIII}	90 ^{VIII}	90 ^{VIII}
	79 ^{VII}	79 ^{VII}	79 ^{VII} → 79 ^{VIII}	79 ^{VIII}	79 ^{VIII}	79 ^{VIII}	79 ^{VIII}	79 ^{VIII}	79 ^{VIII}
	9 ^{VII}	9 ^{VII}	9 ^{VII}	9 ^{VII}	9 ^{VII}	9 ^{VII}	9 ^{VII}	9 ^{VII}	9 ^{VII}
	2 ^V	2 ^V	2 ^V	2 ^V	2 ^V	2 ^V	2 ^V	2 ^V	2 ^V
1 ^V	1 ^V	1 ^V	1 ^V	1 ^V	1 ^V	1 ^V → 1 ^{VII}	1 ^{VII}	1 ^{VII}	1 ^{VII}
29 ^V	29 ^V → 29 ^{XIX}	29 ^{XIX}	29 ^{XIX}	29 ^{XIX}	29 ^{XIX}	29 ^{XIX}	29 ^{XIX}	29 ^{XIX}	29 ^{XIX}
4 ^{VII}	4 ^{VII}	4 ^{VII}	4 ^{VII}	4 ^{VII}	4 ^{VII}	4 ^{VII} → 4 ^{VIII}	4 ^{VIII}	4 ^{VIII}	4 ^{VII}
101 ^{VII}	101 ^{VII} → 101 ^{VIII}	101 ^{VIII}	101 ^{Army}	101 ^{Army}	101 ^{Army}	← England →			
82 ^{VII}	82 ^{VII}	82 ^{VII} → 82 ^{VIII}	82 ^{VIII}	82 ^{VIII}	82 ^{VIII}	← England →			
6 Jun	10 Jun	15 Jun	26 Jun	2 Jul	8 Jul	12 Jul	15 Jul	17 Jul	20 Jul

D-Day

← St. Lo: Falls 18 July →

← Cobra Buildup →

Key:

- 2^V 2nd Division, Vth Corps
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- Transfer between Corps

1. Two U.S. Corps, V and VII, were operational on 6 June. Four U.S. Corps, V, VII, VIII and XIX, were operational on 20 July 1944.
2. Two divisions, 82nd and 101st, sailed back to England in July to serve as Army reserve.
3. Eight divisions were re-assigned in mid-July as all four Corps were re-organized for Operation Cobra. VII Corps was the ME.
4. Operation Cobra was scheduled for 18 July, but was delayed until 25 July 1944.

U.S. and British Army Task Organization Operation OVERLORD: 6 June 1944



21st Army Group
LONDON
6 Jun 1944

ANNEX A: Task Organization to Operation OVERLORD

21st Army Group

Gen Bernard L. MONTGOMERY



U.S. First Army

LtGen Omar N. BRADLEY

VII Corps UTAH Beach

MajGen J. Lawton COLLINS

4th Infantry Division

MajGen Raymond O. BARTON

82nd Airborne Division

MajGen Matthew B. RIDGWAY

101st Airborne Division

MajGen Maxwell D. TAYLOR

V Corps OMAHA Beach

MajGen Leonard T. GEROW

1st Infantry Division

MajGen Clarence R. HUEBNER

29th Infantry Division

MajGen Charles H. GERHARDT



British Second Army

LtGen Sir Miles C. DEMPSEY

I Corps SWORD Beach and JUNO Beach

LtGen J.T. CROCKER

3rd London Infantry Division (REIN)

MajGen Thomas G. RENNIE

3rd Canadian Infantry Division (REIN)

MajGen R.F.L. KELLER

6th Airborne Division

MajGen Richard N. "Windy" GALE

51st Highland Infantry Division

MajGen D. Charles BULLEN-SMITH

XXX Corps GOLD Beach

LtGen G.C. BUCKNALL

50th Northumbrian Infantry Division (REIN)

MajGen D.A.H. GRAHAM