

Air Force Reserve: Continental

Here's just another reason why I love Military covers! This is a large set or series (depending on whether they were issued all at once or over a period of time). They're all the same design, as seen here—same saddle, same front panel, same inside, same color scheme. The only difference is in the back panel, which carries the individual unit designation and location. Some are Air Rescue units, but most are either Troop Carrier Squadrons or Troop Carrier Wings. All are front-strike 40s.

Listed here are all the ones currently listed in the Military Listing, but there must be more—perhaps *many* more!

65th Troop Carrier.. OK
 69th Troop Carrier.. TX
 77th Troop Carrier.. SC
 94th Troop Carrier.. MA
 301st Air Rescue.. FL
 302nd Air Rescue.. AZ
 303rd Air Rescue.. CA
 304th Air Rescue.. OR
 313th Air Rescue.. OR
 314th Troop Carrier.. CA
 328th Troop Carrier.. WA
 337th Troop Carrier.. CT
 349th Troop Carrier.. CA

415th Troop Carrier.. NY
 433rd Troop Carrier.. TX
 435th Troop Carrier.. FL
 440th Troop Carrier.. WI
 442nd Air Rescue.. MO
 446th Troop Carrier.. TX
 452nd Troop Carrier.. CA
 454th Troop Carrier.. MD
 512th Troop Carrier.. PA
 14th Troop Carrier.. NY
 757th Troop Carrier.. OH
 758th Carrier Squad.. PA
 Fourteenth Air Force GA



Air Command Set/Series!

same as above;off-center R prtng on fr CA
Tenth Air Force MI

In 1944, the majority of the Numbered Air Forces of the United States Army Air Forces (USAAF) were fighting in various parts of the world, such as the Eighth Air Force in Europe and the Twentieth Air Force in the Pacific. They were supported by four numbered air forces located within the United States (First, Second, Third and Fourth).

On 13 December 1944, the USAAF established "Major Commands", in order to streamline command and control of wartime operations in the various theaters. First, Second, Third and Fourth Air Force were placed under Continental Air Forces (CAF), which provided command and control for USAAF forces in the ZI. CAF had been formed to oversee redeployment, provide air defense of the country, and ultimately form and command the continental strategic reserve. Similar overseas major commands for the Pacific Theater (United States Strategic Air Forces in the Pacific (USASTAF)) and European Theater (United States Strategic Air Forces in Europe (USSTAF)) were also established.

On 21 March 1946, the USAAF established a new organization of Major Commands as follows: Strategic Air Command (SAC), Tactical Air Command (TAC), Air Defense Command (ADC). In addition, several overseas-based Major Commands were established: Far East Air Forces (FEAF), United States Air Forces in Europe (USAFE), Sixth Air Force was redesignated Caribbean Air Command and elevated to Major Command status, Eleventh Air Force was redesignated Alaskan Air Command and elevated to Major Command. [http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Continental_Air_Command]

