

**German Armed Forces  
Eastern Front  
Beginning of the  
Invasion of the Soviet Union  
1 June 1941**

Forces Disposable on an Army Level

Infantry

- Grossdeutschland Motorized Infantry Regiment
- Leibstandardt SS Adolph Hitler Motorized Infantry Brigade
- 125 Infantry Regiment
- 2 Machine Gun Battalions
- 6 Motorized Machine Gun Battalions
- 10 Flak Battalions, 2 designated as replacements
- 29 Flak Companies

Fast Troops:

- 2 Motorcycle Battalions
- 1 Motorized Reconnaissance Battalion
- 4 Panzer Battalions
- 2 Panzer Battalions (equipped w captured French material)
- 14 Motorized Anti-Tank Battalions, 8 Sfl.

Artillery:

- 5 Strumgeschütz Batteries
- 11 Strumgeschütz Battalions (each with 3 batteries)
- 29 Motorized Heavy Artillery Battalions (3 100mm Batteries)
- 12 Motorized Heavy Artillery Battalions  
(2 150mm Batteries & 1 100mm Battery)
- 34 Motorized Heavy Artillery Bns (3 150mm Batteries)
- 3 Horse Drawn Heavy Artillery Bns (3 150mm Batteries)
- 19 Motorized Heavy Artillery Bns (3 210mm Mortar Btrys)
- 2 Motorized Heavy Artillery Bns (3 240mm Howitzer Batteries)
- 2 Motorized Heavy Artillery Bns (3 300mm Mortar Batteries)
- 1 Motorized Heavy Artillery Bn  
(1 305mm Mortar & 1 350mm Mortar Battery)
- 7 Motorized Heavy Artillery Bns (3 150mm Batteries)
- 1 Motorized Heavy Artillery Battery (150mm guns)
- 2 Motorized Heavy (210mm) Artillery Battalions  
(1 with 2 Batteries, 1 Bn with 3 Batteries)
- 2 Motorized Heavy Artillery Battalions (2 240mm Batteries)
- 1 Special Artillery Battalion (Gerät 0/40)

Railroad Artillery:

- 1 150mm Railroad Battery
- 2 170mm Railroad Battery
- 1 210mm Railroad Battery
- 3 240mm Railroad Battery
- 13 280mm Railroad Battery

Army Flak Artillery:

- 10 Mixed Flak Battalions, each with  
2 88mm Flak Batteries & 1 other Battery

Coast Artillery:

- 73 Coastal Batteries outside of Norway
- 98 Coastal Batteries in Norway

Observation Artillery:

- 6 Balloon Batteries

Smoke Troops:

- 6 Smoke Battalions
- 1 Heavy Smoke Battalion
- 4 Smoke Thrower Regiments
- 5 Gas Battalions
- 2 Mobile Gas Battalions

Pioneers:

- 23 Motorized Pioneer Battalions
- 31 Horse Drawn Pioneer Battalions
- 225 Bridge Columns
- 29 Bridge Building Battalions

Construction Troops:

- 115 Construction Battalions, including 15 Fortress
- 23 Road Construction Battalions
- 2 Bicycle Road Construction Battalions, 5 more being organized

Signals Formations:

- 2 Signal Direction Regiments
- 12 Army Signals Regiments
- 10 Army Signals Battalions
- 10 Horch Companies (later Long Range Signals Companies)
- 48 Teletype, Cable, Telephone, and Radio Companies

Truck Transportation Service:

- 3 Truck Transportation Regiments
- 1 Truck Transportation Battalion

Railroad Troops:

- 7 Railroad Pioneer Battalions
- 2 Railroad Bridge Construction Battalions
- 10 Railroad Construction Battalions
- 27 Railroad Construction Companies
- 2 Railroad Pier Construction Companies
- 21 Railroad Telephone Construction Companies
- 13 Railroad Switch Box Companies
- 7 Railroad Water Facility Companies
- 8 Railroad Traffic Management Companies
- 10 Field Track Companies
- 8 Armored Trains

Maintenance Troops:

- 33 Motorized Quartermaster Column Battalions
- 136 Truck Columns
- 5 Horse Drawn Quartermaster Column Battalions
- 30 Traffic Columns
- 32 Motorized Quartermaster Battalions
- 14 Horse Drawn Quartermaster Battalions

Other troops:

- 47 Wacht (Watch) Battalions
- 15 Military Police Battalions
- 10 Traffic Battalions
- 173 Landschützen Battalions

Luftwaffe:

- 70 Reconnaissance Staffels
  - 19 (1 each) for the Panzer Divisions
  - 34 (1 each) for the General Commands
  - 4 (1 each) for the Panzer General Commands
- 11 for the H.Gr.Kdo. (Herres Gross Kommando) and the AOK (Armeeoberkommando)
- 2 for OKH (Oberkommandoherres)

## Field Forces:

### Infantry Divisions:

26 1st Wave Infantry Divisions  
(1, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 11, 12, 15, 17, 21, 22, 23, 24, 26, 28, 30, 31, 32, 34, 35, 44, 45, 46, 50, & 72nd)  
16 2nd Wave Infantry Divisions  
(52, 56, 57, 58, 61, 62, 68, 69, 71, 73, 75, 76, 78, 79, 86, & 87)  
15 3rd Wave Infantry Divisions  
(205, 206, 208, 211, 212, 214, 215, 216, 217, 218, 223, 225, 227, 239, & 246)  
14 4th Wave Infantry Divisions  
(251, 252, 253, 254, 255, 256, 257, 258, 260, 262, 263, 267, 268, & 269)  
5 5th Wave Infantry Divisions  
(93, 94, 95, 96, & 98)  
4 6th Wave Infantry Divisions  
(81, 82, 83, & 88)  
14 7th Wave Infantry Divisions  
(161, 162, 163, 164, 167, 168, 169, 170, 181, 183, 196, & 197, 198, & 199)  
10 8th Wave Infantry Divisions  
(290, 291, 292, 293, 294, 295, 296, 297, 298, & 299)  
10 11th Wave Infantry Divisions  
(121, 122, 123, 125, 126, 129, 131, 132, 134, 137)  
6 12th Wave Infantry Divisions  
(102, 106, 110, 111, 112, & 113)  
9 13th Wave Infantry Divisions  
(302, 304, 305, 306, 319, 320, 321, 323, & 327)  
8 14th Wave Infantry Divisions  
(332, 333, 335, 336, 337, 339, 340, & 342)  
15 15th Wave Infantry Divisions  
(702, 704, 707, 708, 709, 710, 711, 712, 713, 714, 715, 716, 717, 718, & 719)  
9 Security Divisions  
(207, 213, 221, 281, 285, 286, 403, 444, & 454)  
4 Light (Jager in 1942) Infantry Divisions  
(97, 99, 100, & 101)  
6 Mountain Divisions (1, 2, 3, 4, 5, & 6)  
1st Cavalry Division  
10 Motorized Infantry Divisions  
(3, 10, 14, 16, 18, 20, 25, 29, 36, & 60)  
2 Motorized Formations  
(Grossdeutschland Regiment & Lehr Brigade)  
SS Das Reich Motorized Infantry Division  
SS Leibstandarte Adolf Hitler Motorized Infantry Division  
SS Totenkopf Motorized Infantry Division  
SS Wiking Motorized Infantry Division  
21 Panzer Divisions  
(1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20 & 21)

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