

DEPUTY IN PARADISE: RISING THROUGH THE RANKS IN THE U.S.

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More than 7, records were obtained. An analysis of the data shows manned warplane accidents have spiked nearly 40 percent since 2011, the year the mandated budget cuts known as sequestration took effect. The records can be searched by aircraft type, base, fiscal year and location. Tara Copp The rise in aviation mishaps has not surprised former Defense Secretary Chuck Hagel, who led the Pentagon in 2011 when the cuts were enforced. In 2011, those aircraft reported accidents per year. By 2015, the rate had skyrocketed to 10.3 accidents per year, an increase of 39 percent. Class C accidents were the primary driver of a significant rise in Super Hornet mishaps. Collectively, the records offer unprecedented insight into the rise of aviation mishaps during the past five years. It shows that the problems in the Navy and Marine Corps appear far more severe than those in the Air Force. And the accident rates for individual aircraft platforms vary significantly. While hundreds of mishap reports involve life-threatening and fatal accidents, the database also reveals a steady rise in relatively minor incidents, such as a maintainer injured by falling airframe components, collisions on flight decks during taxi maneuvers or minor birdstrikes. However, the rapid rise of minor incidents should not be dismissed, defense analysts said. In the past three weeks, six more military aviation accidents have killed 16 pilots or crew, and destroyed six aircraft. A day later, seven airmen were killed when their HH Pave Hawk crashed in western Iraq during a routine transit flight. On April 3, two more crashes occurred. Later that day however, a Marine Corps CH-53 Super Stallion helicopter crashed during a training flight in California, killing the four crew members on board. The next day, April 4, there was another loss. On April 6, two soldiers were killed when their AH-64 Apache attack helicopter crashed during a training flight at Fort Campbell, Kentucky. The crash occurred at the end of a deadly week for military aviation. Several hours later, top aviation officers from all four branches will also testify before the tactical air and land subcommittee on their combat aviation request. Since March 14, six military aviation crashes have killed 16 pilots or crew. From left to right: Caleb Nathaniel King, Navy Lt. Carl Enis, Staff Sgt. Christopher Zanetis, Master Sgt. Christopher Raguso; Marine 1st Lt. Kenneth McKenzie, in a weekly press briefing at the Pentagon, rejected the idea that the recent accidents were an indicator of a larger problem. Each one is tragic. We regret each one. After 17 years of running this machine at near capacity, the tank is approaching empty. Stephen Losey The climb That the spike began in 2011 is significant. That was the year sequestration, the automatic budget cuts agreed to by Congress and former President Barack Obama, took effect. Instead of a well-funded reset, each service was mandated to execute steep budget cuts. To absorb the cuts, each service had to make hard choices. Personnel were much easier to cut than weapons programs; which often have three- or five-year spending obligations, with expensive fines for canceling. Critics say the services decided to cut people in order to protect aircraft platforms — like the F-35 joint strike fighter — dealing a self-inflicted wound that made things worse. In summer 2014, Islamic State militants conquered a wide swath of Iraq and Syria. China built militarized man-made islands in the South China Sea, and Russian forces invaded the Ukrainian territory of Crimea. Anthony Bianca, head of Marine Corps aviation plans and programs. Morale was low between 2011 and 2015. Navy officials said late Thursday that the aircraft was on final approach to the base from a routine training mission when the mishap occurred. Faram Notably, the number of mishaps climbed despite the fact that overall, the military flew those manned warplanes 1.5 million fewer hours in 2015 than it did in 2011. In interviews, military officials acknowledged readiness was hurt by the sequester cuts, but they cautioned against tying the rise in mishaps directly to the cuts in funding. Still, they did not have an answer for what caused the spike. A Class C has the possibility of quickly becoming a Class A — the worst type of mishap — if a pilot has not had enough flying time to have it ingrained how to react. Class A mishaps, across all platforms, climbed 17 percent in the same time frame, from 71 accidents per year in 2011 to 83 accidents per year in 2015.

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Based on a review of accident reports and open records, at least service members deaths were attributed to those Class A accidents. Stats since All four military services have reported a rise in mishaps over the past five years. Mishaps rose from 80 to 90 in that same time frame. All variants of the C flew 20, fewer hours in than they did in Mishaps rose from 80 to 99 in that same time frame. Hornet mishaps rose from 19 to 31 per year in that same time frame. The less frequently a pilot flies or a maintainer works on an aircraft, the less current their skills are. That is where experience comes into play. The services responded by reducing training and exercises, then cutting the number of experienced maintainers and pilots. However, military officials made those personnel cuts without tracking what qualifications and skill sets were walking out the door. Anyone with 15 years in service was eligible to retire with benefits, which meant the military lost upper mid-grade, highly trained personnel. The services cut more junior service members, too. Valerie Insinna In the Air Force, which shed almost 1, maintainers to address budget shortfalls, the increased workload generated by older, more maintenance-heavy warplanes was carried out by a smaller and less experienced workforce. Continuous training is non-existent for most maintainers. But now comes the hard part. Stephen Losey The Navy is now studying what impact maintainer cuts had on the fleet. It has found that mid-grade enlisted maintainers now have an average 1. The strongest correlation was found between lack of experience and the Class C mishaps, Fischer said. The Air Force has long known its maintainer shortage is a serious problem, affecting aircraft readiness and burning out its personnel, and has been trying to fix it for years “ with some success. Dave Goldfein told reporters last fall. Pilots and maintainers stateside flew less, maintained less and lost proficiency. Fewer personnel also meant others deployed more, adding pressure on military families. For all of these reasons, many service members opted to leave the service. Elizabeth Kealey and co-pilot Capt. Crash investigators found an improper installation of the filter, filter retaining ring and cover allowed oil to spill out during flight. Two pilots killed in a helicopter crash last winter were yards from their destination when their aircraft went down. Sanborn The filter was a known issue. Three waivers had been granted to allow the helicopter to keep flying until it could be addressed. Neither pilot had flown On that day, VFA , a strike fighter squadron attached to the aircraft carrier Carl Vinson, had 10 jets launching for an exercise near the Philippines. That aircraft had just come back online after a fuel cell replacement. However, the check flight to return to operations had revealed other issues. The pilot barely had time to eject before the jet crashed into the Celebes Sea, just south of the Philippines, according to a Navy report. Geoff Ziezulewicz The communications link that provided Aircraft with situational awareness of other jets worked only on deck, not in the air. The tactical air navigation system that directed to the ship only worked after the Super Hornet was already overhead. The other aircraft pilot was a Navy lieutenant with hours in the jet. The junior officer was assigned to fly the more reliable jet. The communications link failed, leaving the pilot with no situational awareness of other aircraft as the jets approached the Vinson to land. Then, indicator lights began to flash, signaling he was losing hydraulic fuel. He lost rudder control and had to idle the right engine. Light at the end of the tunnel? President Trump signed the spending pact into law the same day. Service officials should take mishaps into consideration as they determine how to spend that money, said John Pendleton, director of readiness and force structure issues at the Government Accountability Office. What this does tell you for sure is the readiness of the force to be able to operate safely is going down and this is not a good trend.

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3: Our Staff - Sunsu Dojo, St Croix

Sloane has served in the U.S. Marshals Service since , rising through the ranks and serving in several key positions, including Senior Inspector, Supervisory Deputy U.S. Marshal and Chief Deputy U.S. Marshal of the Virgin Islands and the District of Columbia.

Her left hand is held open in the universal sign of peace, symbolizing the gentleness of a mother taking care of her child. Although she appears to be calm and gentle, she is prepared to protect the young ones in the rough waves of the sea. Her right hand forms a fist of warning showing she is ready to unleash a great amount of fury as a mother would be if the child was harmed in any way. This hand position is used in Seiuchin Kata. In oriental mythology, the sea serpent is born at the bottom of the sea and ascends into heavens. This is depicted by the small dragon above the head of Mizu Gami. The three stars represent the spiritual, mental and physical aspects of the arts. Thomas The emblem was created before Water Island officially became on othe U. The rising sun represents the Kyu and Dan rankings and the energy force one attains through the study of Sansei Isshin-ryu Karate-do. A Sansei Karate-ka must strive for a strong body and peace of mind through practice of the art. Our Founder Professor Richard A. Bell founded Sansei Isshinryu Karate-Do in and was chief instructor until his death in Teaching martial arts since , Professor held the following titles and ranks: Hanshi instructed Karate at St. Joseph High School for four years and became the first female Virgin Islander to achieve 8th Dan and now as a 10th Dan is the highest ranking female martial artists in the Caribbean. Young Tatsuo began his study of Karate at the age of 8 when he walked some 12 miles to the neighboring village of Shuri to learn Shuri-Tei Karate from his uncle. His uncle sent him home; obstinately he returned and was sent away several more times. His uncle finally gave in to his persistence and accepted him as a pupil. For about four years young Shimabuku was privileged to study Karate in the dojo of his uncle each day after completing the most menial domestic chores. Later, he again took up the study of Karate and became his best student. As the situation grew more and more desperate for the Japanese and as the need to press the Okinawans into service became more urgent, he was forced to flee. As his reputation in Karate spread among the Japanese, many soldiers began a thorough search as they wanted to study Karate under him. The officers who finally caught up with him agreed to keep the secret of his whereabouts if he could teach them Karate; it was in this manner that Shimabuku survived the war. After consulting the age masters and the heads of schools.

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"The Virgin Islands is part of the United States. We're a territory, and we're citizens of the U.S. And the same resources that are given to other states and territories, we look for that.

The probe remains open, and Bobeck has been reassigned pending its outcome. Grigsby is subject of an official investigation, but the unusual statement does not say why. David Haight, whose lascivious lifestyle ended his once-promising career. They likely would have retired quietly if their cases had not been discovered. Peduzzi has an aviation arm that supports companies "doing business with the Department of Defense. Moreover, Bobeck was in no position to award or influence contracts, Kazin said. Peduzzi appears on congressional records as a lobbyist for Sikorsky, a division of the defense contracting giant Lockheed Martin. Sikorsky itself is a major player in military helicopters, specifically the Black Hawk, the workhorse transport helicopter for active duty and National Guard units. The free accommodations had nothing to do with his business, he said. Bobeck lived in the small, furnished basement apartment after Bobeck divorced his wife, Ferreira said. Not necessarily so in the world of uniformed general officers and contractors, according to a government watchdog. Scott Amey, general counsel for the non-partisan Project On Government Oversight , said that when job negotiations began between Bobeck and Peduzzi, the officer needed to avoid any dealings that affected the company and the government. At minimum, Bobeck needed to seek advice on the ethics of accepting gifts, particularly living quarters. He should have recused himself from any matter the company had an interest in. The job discussions date to , Ferreira said, a particularly sensitive time for the National Guard, which has been battling with the active-duty Army over the division of helicopters as the service began to draw down its ranks to , soldiers by The Army and National Guard are still working out details on splitting up its helicopter fleet. One thing has been finalized: Greg Hicks , spokesman for the Joint Chiefs of Staff. Les Melnyk, a National Guard Bureau spokesman. Bobeck retains his security clearance, Melnyk said. Keeping a security clearance after retirement is valuable for post-retirement jobs with defense contractors, Amey said. A high flyer Bobeck was a relatively rare bird on the Joint Chiefs of Staff where the vast majority of officers are from the active-duty services. But Bobeck was anything but a weekend warrior. After completing flight school, he served on active duty for more than a decade, returning to the New York Guard in on a full-time basis. Be the first to hear about breaking news, as it happens. Thanks for signing up. By giving us your email, you are opting in to our Newsletter:

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7: rank | Definition of rank in English by Oxford Dictionaries

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