



Angola

Demographics:

Population: 10,766,471 (July 2003 est.)

Area: 1,246,700 sq km

Government: Republic, nominally a multiparty democracy with a strong presidential system



Army

Personnel:

Active: 91,500

Organization: The Angolan Army has 70 to 73 “brigades”, each fielding between 750 and 1,250 troops in ten military regions. Most regions were commanded by lieutenant colonels, with majors as deputy commanders, but majors commanded some regions. Each region consisted of one to

four provinces, with one or more infantry brigades assigned to it. The brigades were generally dispersed in battalion or smaller unit formations to protect strategic terrain, urban centers, settlements, and critical infrastructure such as bridges and factories. Counterintelligence agents were assigned to all field units to thwart UNITA infiltration. The army's diverse combat capabilities were indicated by its many regular and motorized infantry brigades with organic or attached armor, artillery, and air defense units; two militia infantry brigades; four antiaircraft artillery brigades; ten tank battalions; and six artillery battalions. These forces were concentrated most heavily in places of strategic importance and recurring conflict: the oil-producing Cabinda Province, the area around the capital, and the southern provinces where UNITA and South African forces operated.

Equipment:

MBT: 400 T-54/-55, ~230 T-62, ~30 T-72

RECCE: ~40 BRDM-2

AIFV: ~400 BMP-1/-2

APC: ~170 BTR-60/-80/-152

TOWED ARTY: 400: including **76mm:** M-1942 (ZIS-3); **85mm:** D-44; **122mm:** 24 D-30; **130mm:** 48 M-46; **152mm:** 4 D-20

SP ARTY: **152mm:** 4 2S3

ASLT GUNS: **100mm:** SU-100

MRL: **122mm:** 50 BM-21, 40 RM-70; **240mm:** BM-24

MOR: **82mm:** 250; **120mm:** ~40 M-43

ATGW: AT-3 Sagger

RL: **73mm:** RPG-7

RCL: 500; **82mm:** B-10; **107mm:** B-11

AD GUNS: ~450; **14.5mm:** ZPU-4; **23mm:** ZU-23-2, 20 ZSU-23-4 SP; **37mm:** M-1939; **57mm:** S-60 towed, 40 ZSU-57-2 SP

SAM: ~575 SA-7/-14/-16

Forces Abroad:

DROC: ~2,000 reported; CONGO: ~2,000 reported

Navy

Personnel: 4,000

Bases: Luanda (HQ)

Inventory:

Patrol and Coastal Combatants: 7

PATROL, INSHORE 7

4 Mandume Type 31.6m PCI<
3 Patrulheiro PCI< (all non-operational)
plus 1 amphibious support ship

Coastal Defense: SS-C-1 Sepal at Luanda (non-operational)

Air Force *Forca Aérea Popular de Angola*

Personnel: 6,000

Bases: Kuito, Luanda-Belas, Lubango, Luena, Mavinga, Mocamedes, Xangongo

Inventory:

Aérospatiale SA-342M Gazelle (7)

Agusta-Bell AB-212 (12)

Antonov An-12BP 'Cub' (6)

Antonov An-2 'Colt' (10)

Antonov An-26 'Curl' (12)

Antonov An-32 'Cline' (3)

Boeing 707-321B (1)

CASA C-212-300 Aviocar (17)
EMBRAER EMB-120 Brasilia (2)
EMBRAER EMB-312 Tucano (6)
Eurocopter AS-565AA/UA Panther (5/8)
Fokker F-27-400MPA Maritime (1)
ICA IAR-316 Alouette III (29)
Lockheed-Martin L-100-20 Hercules (2)
Mik.-Gur. MiG-15UTI 'Midget' (8)
Mik.-Gur. MiG-21bis/MF/U 'Fishbed'/'Mongol' (20)
Mik.-Gur. MiG-23ML/BN/UB 'Flogger' (20)
Mil Mi-24/35 'Hind' (12/14)
Mil Mi-8/17 'Hip' (25)
Pilatus PC-6B Turbo-Porter (4)
Pilatus PC-7 Turbo-Trainer (10)
Pilatus PC-9 (4)
Pilatus/Britten-Norman BN-2A Islander (6)
Rockwell 690A Turbo Commander (1)
Sukhoi Su-22M-4/UM-3K 'Fitter' (11/4)
Sukhoi Su-24MK 'Fencer' (12)
Sukhoi Su-25K/UBK 'Frogfoot' (19)
Sukhoi Su-27/UB 'Flanker' (8)

Weapons Systems:

ASM: HOT, AT-2 Swatter

AAM: AA-2 Atoll

Air Defense:

5 SAM battalions, 10 batteries with 40 SA-2, 12 SA-3, 25 SA-6, 15 SA-8, 20 SA-9, 10 SA-13 (mostly unserviceable)

Paramilitary

Personnel: 10,000

Organization:

RAPID REACTION POLICE: 10,000