



Cameroon

Demographics:

Population: 15,746,179 (July 2003 est.)

Area: 475,440 sq km

Government: Unitary republic; multiparty presidential regime (opposition parties legalized in 1990- preponderance of power remains with the president)



Army

Personnel:

Active: 12,500

Organization:

8 Military Regions each with 1 infantry battalion

Presidential Guard battalion
1 armored recce battalion
1 airborne/commando battalion
1 arty battalion (5 batteries)
6 infantry battalions (1 training),
1 anti-aircraft battalion (6 batteries)
1 engineer battalion

Equipment:

RECCE: 8 M-8, 15 Ferret, 8 V-150 Commando (20mm gun), 5 VBL

AIFV: 14 V-150 Commando (90mm gun)

APC: 21 V-150 Commando, 12 M-3 half-track

TOWED ARTY: **75mm:** 6 M-116 pack; **105mm:** 16 M101; **130mm:** 12 Type-59, 12 Gun 82 (reported); **155mm:** 8 II

MRL: **122mm:** 20 BM-21

MOR: **81mm** (some SP); **120mm:** 16 Brandt

ATGW: 25 Milan, TOW (reported)

RL: **89mm:** LRAC

RCL: **57mm:** 13 PRC Type-52; **106mm:** 40 M-40A2

AD GUNS: **14.5mm:** 18 PRC Type-58; **35mm:** 18 GDF-002; **37mm:** 18 PRC Type-63

Forces Abroad:

UN AND PEACEKEEPING

DROC (MONUC): 1

Navy

Personnel: ~1,300

Bases: Douala (HQ), Limbe, Kribi

Inventory:

Patrol and Coastal Combatants: 3

PATROL, COASTAL: 2

1 Bakassi (Fr P-48) PCC
1 L'Audacieux (Fr P-48) PCC

PATROL, INSHORE 1

1 Quartier PCI<

PATROL, RIVERINE craft only

6 US Swift-38 (Gendarmerie)
6 Simonneau

Air Force *Armée de l'Air de Cameroun*

Personnel: 300

Bases: Batouri, Douala, Garoua, Yaounde

Organization:

Armée de l'Air de Cameroun		
Escadron de Chasse	Alpha Jet, Impala Mk2	Garoua
Escadron de Reconnaissance Maritime	Do128	Douala
Escadron de Transporte	C-130, DHC-5, IAI 201, PA-23	Yaounde
Escadron d'Helicopteres	SA-316B/318C/342, Bell 206L	Yaounde
Ecole d'Aviation	Impala Mk1, CM-170, Tetras	Garoua

Aircraft Inventory:

Aérospatiale SA-316B Alouette III	3
Aérospatiale SA-318C Alouette II	1
Aérospatiale SA-342L Gazelle	4
Atlas Impala Mk1/2	2/4
Bell 206L-3 Long Ranger	2

Dassault/Dornier Alpha Jet MS.2	6
de Havilland Canada DHC-5D Buffalo	4
Dornier Do128-6	2
Fouga CM-170 Magister	6
Humbert Tétras	6
IAI 201 Arava	1
Lockheed-Martin C-130H/H-30 Hercules	3
Piper PA-23 Aztec	2

Paramilitary

Personnel: 9,000

Organization:

GENDARMERIE: 9,000

10 regional groups
~6 US Swift-38