



SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION

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NATIONAL MEMBERSHIP

**RECORD**

**2018**



## **SQUADRON MEMBERSHIP TEAM**

Membership and renewals of membership are the keys to success for any squadron. Establishing a Squadron Membership Team is one method for creating success.

The Squadron Membership Team should be divided into two groups. The first group will work on new membership growth and the other group will focus on membership renewals and member development. Working together will significantly increase your membership throughout the year. Membership is a year-round responsibility working to create growth in numbers, to support programs of The American Legion and our nation's veterans and families.

## **NEW SQUADRON DEVELOPMENT**

Detachment membership chairmen and advisers are encouraged to foster New Squadron Development in their detachments. Detachments should discuss SAL membership at every meeting and identify posts without squadrons or inactive squadrons without membership. Department advisers and/or detachment membership chairmen should periodically contact posts in the department about starting or reactivating squadrons.

## **NATIONAL MEMBERSHIP RECORD**

The purpose of the National Membership Record is to maintain a current total of SAL membership for each detachment. As you will note the beginning year of this record is 1983. Due to missing records, the final membership totals are not available for all years.

## **MEMBERSHIP GOALS**

The national membership goal of the Sons of The American Legion is established by the National Membership Committee. The goal has been set for at least one member higher than the final membership of the previous membership year. For example, the membership goal of 2018 is based on the final 2017 membership as of Dec. 31, 2017.

Each detachment has flexibility in setting its goal, which can, and should, be higher. However, this goal cannot be less than the national goal. Additional information on membership goals can be obtained by contacting [sal@legion.org](mailto:sal@legion.org).

## **REMEMBER ...**

## **MEMBERSHIP IS EVERYONE'S RESPONSIBILITY**

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<b>Detachment</b>	<b>1983</b>	<b>1984</b>	<b>1985</b>	<b>1986</b>	<b>1987</b>
Alabama	149	161	105	195	373
Alaska	335	480	554	645	695
Arizona	820	866	871	989	1152
Arkansas	121	94	60	157	125
California	2275	2116	2042	2174	2384
Colorado	688	649	697	686	909
Connecticut	279	281	307	293	261
District of Columbia	0	0	0	0	0
Delaware	207	135	75	86	94
Florida	2486	2691	3075	3087	2926
France	93	83	63	57	61
Georgia	125	210	266	430	513
Hawaii	5	4	3	2	12
Idaho	34	62	48	61	49
Illinois	2949	3173	3271	3827	4209
Indiana	10096	10813	11105	12418	13489
Iowa	128	141	146	84	170
Kansas	998	1350	1742	1988	2036
Kentucky	883	935	1031	1134	1017
Louisiana	648	925	978	1101	1016
Maine	549	717	871	776	915
Maryland	5905	5859	6067	6117	5955
Massachusetts	476	476	509	610	534
Mexico	-	-	-	-	-
Michigan	5311	5345	5533	5752	6032
Minnesota	2415	2460	3068	3509	3924
Mississippi	78	70	91	126	88
Missouri	766	868	1002	961	943
Montana	24	27	39	61	81
Nebraska	2166	2419	2694	3183	3764
Nevada	0	0	0	18	0
New Hampshire	717	1055	1520	1865	2100
New Jersey	3047	3084	3169	3426	3626
New Mexico	268	263	263	378	316
New York	5024	5182	5655	7308	7412
North Carolina	184	156	156	183	191
North Dakota	80	18	23	39	45
Ohio	5740	6103	6262	6990	8513
Oklahoma	385	300	377	318	307
Oregon	153	192	293	367	507
Pennsylvania	2963	3491	4101	4564	4840
Philippines	541	190	483	606	607
Puerto Rico	32	36	0	0	0
Rhode Island	144	148	101	92	87
South Carolina	137	159	95	168	192
South Dakota	0	0	0	0	0
Tennessee	464	402	381	518	728
Texas	1916	2045	2133	2324	2532
Utah	146	133	104	135	127
Vermont	175	239	316	333	424
Virginia	978	937	1112	1312	1332
Washington	319	375	421	313	438
West Virginia	394	506	567	632	511
Wisconsin	1223	1340	1507	1361	1367
Wyoming	168	248	255	336	359
<b>Total</b>	<b>66,207</b>	<b>70,012</b>	<b>75,607</b>	<b>84,095</b>	<b>90,288</b>

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<b>Detachment</b>	<b>1988</b>	<b>1989</b>	<b>1990</b>	<b>1991</b>	<b>1992</b>
Alabama	533	616	852	808	807
Alaska	740	741	735	802	647
Arizona	1260	1374	1269	1505	1730
Arkansas	166	140	118	122	267
California	2594	2426	2798	3150	3366
Colorado	593	862	924	1105	1010
Connecticut	227	381	541	680	818
District of Columbia	0	0	0	0	0
Delaware	121	151	231	308	374
Florida	3117	3111	3684	3996	4568
France	78	106	108	92	96
Georgia	631	782	1064	1412	1511
Hawaii	22	21	103	79	97
Idaho	79	81	112	132	274
Illinois	4455	4794	5157	5706	6217
Indiana	14528	16167	18188	19836	20933
Iowa	233	407	481	496	627
Kansas	2234	2368	2668	2786	3012
Kentucky	1063	1341	1696	1909	1981
Louisiana	957	960	1081	1007	1175
Maine	1058	1209	1287	1375	1596
Maryland	6692	7280	7846	7943	8604
Massachusetts	601	683	945	1139	1529
Mexico	-	-	-	-	-
Michigan	6749	7380	8381	9260	10120
Minnesota	4204	4851	5223	5093	5282
Mississippi	69	133	187	159	174
Missouri	1041	1115	1496	1546	1692
Montana	74	106	112	108	94
Nebraska	3815	4035	4092	4297	4504
Nevada	0	0	0	12	6
New Hampshire	2338	2565	3047	3302	3629
New Jersey	4118	4396	4645	4868	5124
New Mexico	348	376	504	510	777
New York	8068	9409	11075	11914	13131
North Carolina	289	552	488	449	481
North Dakota	49	98	458	371	316
Ohio	9697	10939	12055	13499	15218
Oklahoma	186	274	375	551	465
Oregon	652	731	953	1171	1246
Pennsylvania	5699	6395	7710	9165	10642
Philippines	679	549	572	458	198
Puerto Rico	0	0	15	0	15
Rhode Island	135	162	209	315	362
South Carolina	282	350	446	408	396
South Dakota	18	27	35	36	30
Tennessee	824	821	1130	1330	1303
Texas	2655	2786	3240	3342	3512
Utah	165	223	249	284	279
Vermont	625	585	900	1129	1260
Virginia	1551	1717	1939	2068	2244
Washington	523	598	679	711	932
West Virginia	583	698	745	1073	1045
Wisconsin	1441	1432	1718	1821	1768
Wyoming	257	339	359	310	409
<b>Total</b>	<b>99,116</b>	<b>109,643</b>	<b>124,925</b>	<b>135,948</b>	<b>147,893</b>

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<b>Detachment</b>	<b>1993</b>	<b>1994</b>	<b>1995</b>	<b>1996</b>	<b>1997</b>
Alabama	807	949	1153	1207	1174
Alaska	612	667	887	942	898
Arizona	2061	2141	2283	2301	2466
Arkansas	220	358	282	289	320
California	3486	3782	4061	4198	4253
Colorado	1310	1389	1477	1471	1625
Connecticut	1008	1155	1279	1323	1250
District of Columbia	0	0	0	0	0
Delaware	466	577	647	635	707
Florida	5130	5458	5419	5517	5844
France	95	98	112	129	156
Georgia	1373	1606	1608	1957	2330
Hawaii	103	116	117	80	92
Idaho	291	360	400	414	386
Illinois	6865	7483	8004	8610	9352
Indiana	22997	23924	24883	25776	27278
Iowa	732	848	858	932	934
Kansas	3282	3711	3813	4014	4269
Kentucky	2036	2285	2700	2927	3210
Louisiana	1113	1098	917	938	1041
Maine	1798	1756	1727	1874	1811
Maryland	9284	9858	10318	10564	11185
Massachusetts	1638	1613	2060	2229	2643
Mexico	-	-	-	-	-
Michigan	10880	11551	11494	12162	12731
Minnesota	5466	5489	5609	6046	6436
Mississippi	128	189	154	242	287
Missouri	1714	1934	2006	2064	2027
Montana	82	99	105	134	131
Nebraska	4702	4974	5084	5397	5260
Nevada	3	17	27	19	65
New Hampshire	3779	4145	4288	4358	4433
New Jersey	5463	5430	5816	5909	6321
New Mexico	1025	1119	1220	1107	1112
New York	14706	15264	15819	16190	16748
North Carolina	493	670	745	869	1145
North Dakota	296	321	332	259	233
Ohio	17167	18434	19795	20944	22159
Oklahoma	414	669	396	363	434
Oregon	1152	1159	1233	1372	1418
Pennsylvania	12203	13856	15193	17117	19009
Philippines	237	173	160	135	152
Puerto Rico	46	63	72	32	67
Rhode Island	307	359	317	325	396
South Carolina	465	326	464	421	384
South Dakota	92	69	27	94	83
Tennessee	1250	1128	1122	1328	1323
Texas	3745	4114	3890	4013	4633
Utah	309	287	287	291	364
Vermont	1530	1724	1926	2014	2003
Virginia	2494	2521	2712	2671	2924
Washington	1009	1067	1100	1158	1272
West Virginia	1321	1707	1874	2042	2169
Wisconsin	1736	1713	1750	1840	1847
Wyoming	455	473	479	458	512
<b>Total</b>	<b>161,376</b>	<b>172,276</b>	<b>180,501</b>	<b>189,701</b>	<b>201,302</b>

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<b>Detachment</b>	<b>1998</b>	<b>1999</b>	<b>2000</b>	<b>2001</b>	<b>2002</b>
Alabama	1298	1437	1447	1587	1800
Alaska	1022	1181	1252	1174	1210
Arizona	2545	2955	3128	3298	3661
Arkansas	382	345	322	337	336
California	4263	4813	5114	5544	5955
Colorado	1735	1827	2022	2112	2170
Connecticut	1399	1445	1438	1547	1360
District of Columbia	57	77	105	100	71
Delaware	816	911	1021	1038	1142
Florida	6209	6432	7096	7662	8605
France	139	105	140	172	253
Georgia	2395	3078	3279	3715	4230
Hawaii	102	98	101	99	96
Idaho	423	452	485	478	527
Illinois	9648	10453	10996	11571	12296
Indiana	28493	29390	31035	32393	33686
Iowa	1234	1192	1309	1496	1613
Kansas	4294	4350	4421	4442	4737
Kentucky	3318	3478	3598	3718	4037
Louisiana	1059	1117	1188	1266	1451
Maine	1942	2155	2153	2229	2360
Maryland	11914	12441	12634	12878	13208
Massachusetts	2983	3371	3480	3850	4143
Mexico	-	-	-	-	-
Michigan	13260	13438	13893	14549	15641
Minnesota	6537	6747	7435	7796	8829
Mississippi	234	274	279	295	317
Missouri	2211	2265	2305	2340	2521
Montana	168	194	273	315	361
Nebraska	5135	5129	5432	5376	5572
Nevada	94	124	147	165	137
New Hampshire	4687	4837	5071	5275	5646
New Jersey	6504	6812	7076	7149	7586
New Mexico	1134	1169	1197	1139	1212
New York	17202	17745	18847	20150	21997
North Carolina	1339	1429	1589	1610	1622
North Dakota	232	261	257	303	319
Ohio	23143	24491	25379	26568	27772
Oklahoma	372	633	597	642	785
Oregon	1397	1411	1254	1379	1454
Pennsylvania	21347	23174	25132	27278	30992
Philippines	106	169	190	172	226
Puerto Rico	28	41	0	0	0
Rhode Island	440	384	362	368	358
South Carolina	436	415	471	809	732
South Dakota	108	177	181	299	336
Tennessee	1398	1576	1689	1630	1837
Texas	4729	4844	4831	5296	5800
Utah	359	407	393	437	498
Vermont	2191	2441	2584	2774	3394
Virginia	2646	2733	2855	3010	3190
Washington	1334	1508	1464	1723	1898
West Virginia	2373	2671	3203	3088	3132
Wisconsin	1917	1972	2057	1989	2176
Wyoming	525	566	531	549	839
<b>Total</b>	<b>211,256</b>	<b>223,140</b>	<b>234,738</b>	<b>247,179</b>	<b>266,126</b>

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<b>Detachment</b>	<b>2003</b>	<b>2004</b>	<b>2005</b>	<b>2006</b>	<b>2007</b>
Alabama	1940	1868	1979	2192	2254
Alaska	1355	1380	1422	1444	1470
Arizona	3834	4177	4482	4852	5089
Arkansas	295	370	364	397	593
California	6255	6918	7038	7911	8477
Colorado	2222	2251	2455	2681	2577
Connecticut	1442	1424	1701	1749	1838
District of Columbia	83	92	57	105	143
Delaware	1319	1533	1624	1754	1845
Florida	9347	10178	10487	11203	11790
France	269	213	231	274	267
Georgia	4473	4560	4853	4614	4948
Hawaii	89	37	29	28	38
Idaho	573	642	582	628	663
Illinois	13139	13444	13948	14538	14587
Indiana	34692	34899	35611	36103	35372
Iowa	1872	1943	2019	2200	2396
Kansas	4742	4835	5274	5455	5844
Kentucky	4073	4145	4198	4304	4381
Louisiana	1555	1574	1630	1803	1823
Maine	2359	2489	2494	2496	2609
Maryland	13901	14295	14581	15053	15343
Massachusetts	4252	4297	4916	5276	5428
Mexico	-	-	-	-	-
Michigan	16419	17421	18159	18882	19296
Minnesota	9383	9554	10062	10384	10437
Mississippi	372	396	455	382	510
Missouri	2427	2454	2682	2757	2931
Montana	517	531	581	666	692
Nebraska	5474	5487	5637	5558	5573
Nevada	149	93	99	142	87
New Hampshire	5634	5851	5955	5970	5999
New Jersey	8112	8468	9095	9031	9097
New Mexico	1315	1311	1392	1448	1508
New York	23379	24541	25383	25703	26145
North Carolina	1693	1620	1599	1656	1705
North Dakota	334	317	433	570	590
Ohio	29245	28789	29214	29829	30108
Oklahoma	850	723	1000	727	695
Oregon	1445	1437	1505	1662	1765
Pennsylvania	34019	36581	39497	43365	46779
Philippines	133	129	37	0	16
Puerto Rico	0	0	0	0	0
Rhode Island	413	399	367	342	264
South Carolina	741	817	798	867	970
South Dakota	311	433	361	308	412
Tennessee	1768	1670	1642	1714	1787
Texas	6177	6226	6101	5984	6136
Utah	436	421	439	485	577
Vermont	3462	3555	3763	3888	3912
Virginia	3358	3635	3746	4045	4119
Washington	2029	2128	2240	2310	2380
West Virginia	3146	3148	3146	3205	3201
Wisconsin	2472	2600	2746	2804	2990
Wyoming	912	972	974	1012	1005
<b>Total</b>	<b>280,206</b>	<b>289,271</b>	<b>301,083</b>	<b>312,756</b>	<b>321,461</b>



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<b>Detachment</b>	<b>2008</b>	<b>2009</b>	<b>2010</b>	<b>2011</b>	<b>2012</b>
Alabama	2360	2291	2266	2103	1758
Alaska	1456	1449	1409	1439	1423
Arizona	5564	5672	5831	5896	6173
Arkansas	576	522	546	532	548
California	8770	8916	9360	9843	10136
Colorado	2716	2669	2630	2684	2691
Connecticut	1914	1903	1949	1988	1867
District of Columbia	194	176	186	136	176
Delaware	1982	2094	2210	2303	2376
Florida	12265	12837	13286	14016	14604
France	277	310	287	280	190
Georgia	5020	5066	5241	5179	5140
Hawaii	40	43	68	43	48
Idaho	668	599	552	524	529
Illinois	14789	14957	15143	14872	14923
Indiana	35185	36074	36991	37426	37890
Iowa	2602	2760	2740	3002	3382
Kansas	6015	6046	6051	6092	6237
Kentucky	4424	4281	4301	4217	4099
Louisiana	1772	2004	1924	2016	2158
Maine	2765	2895	2854	2787	2747
Maryland	15449	15634	15460	15486	15701
Massachusetts	5409	5437	5492	5442	5665
Mexico	-	-	-	-	-
Michigan	19929	20408	20926	20746	20700
Minnesota	10431	10632	10835	10905	10902
Mississippi	500	601	779	564	547
Missouri	3000	3135	3277	3345	3416
Montana	687	713	754	858	906
Nebraska	5557	5678	5678	5613	5665
Nevada	131	108	193	303	286
New Hampshire	5918	5968	6034	5890	6018
New Jersey	8869	9019	8978	9394	9385
New Mexico	1656	1582	1657	1688	1729
New York	26215	26970	27891	28630	28980
North Carolina	1680	1729	1824	1923	1803
North Dakota	677	671	697	750	765
Ohio	30085	30428	30438	30606	31059
Oklahoma	701	791	853	879	918
Oregon	1809	1841	1924	1859	1799
Pennsylvania	49144	52578	54784	56945	58655
Philippines	0	0	17	23	41
Puerto Rico	0	0	0	0	0
Rhode Island	367	280	264	226	206
South Carolina	1037	964	1049	1007	1042
South Dakota	435	434	514	573	491
Tennessee	1787	1661	1568	1724	1839
Texas	6311	6230	6451	6641	6639
Utah	784	658	611	583	552
Vermont	3951	3961	3937	3900	3881
Virginia	4300	4434	4476	4493	4370
Washington	2382	2624	2588	2599	2642
West Virginia	2944	2883	2845	2875	2869
Wisconsin	3051	3158	3200	3309	3560
Wyoming	1048	1074	1241	1204	1169
<b>Total</b>	<b>327,598</b>	<b>335,848</b>	<b>343,060</b>	<b>348,361</b>	<b>353,295</b>

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<b>Detachment</b>	<b>2013</b>	<b>2014</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>2017</b>
Alabama	1,738	1,832	1,708	1,670	1,907
Alaska	1,444	1,425	1,363	1,420	1,431
Arizona	6,382	6,676	6,673	6,728	7,120
Arkansas	550	468	474	507	532
California	10,181	10,481	11,022	11,161	11,591
Colorado	2,983	3,028	3,099	3,008	3,169
Connecticut	1,805	1,762	1,811	1,828	1,779
District of Columbia	249	191	290	179	152
Delaware	2,334	2,400	2,422	2,343	2,260
Florida	15,645	16,118	17,322	17,843	18,152
France	253	257	267	291	278
Georgia	4,637	4,756	4,811	4,770	4,567
Hawaii	42	31	18	22	25
Idaho	540	426	493	568	552
Illinois	14,964	14,422	14,708	14,852	14,776
Indiana	37,071	37,276	37,453	38,319	38,381
Iowa	3,706	3,867	3,978	4,010	4,213
Kansas	6,382	6,406	6,602	6,661	6,664
Kentucky	4,016	3,825	3,602	3,429	3,378
Louisiana	2,113	2,131	2,164	2,125	1,938
Maine	2,723	2,588	2,577	2,508	2,543
Maryland	15,719	15,956	16,257	16,445	16,103
Massachusetts	5,566	5,395	5,562	5,705	5,721
Mexico	-	-	-	-	36
Michigan	20,878	21,439	21,896	22,654	23,262
Minnesota	10,756	10,804	11,452	11,626	11,567
Mississippi	601	564	715	559	590
Missouri	3,448	3,597	3,586	3,719	3,677
Montana	893	913	968	1,012	1,090
Nebraska	5,983	6,211	6,372	6,389	6,632
Nevada	292	292	351	539	588
New Hampshire	6,180	5,935	5,935	6,066	6,197
New Jersey	9,543	9,622	9,595	9,822	9,763
New Mexico	1,725	1,809	1,847	1,709	1,690
New York	29,118	29,372	29,298	29,671	29,683
North Carolina	1,894	1,892	1,967	2,092	2,196
North Dakota	799	670	717	771	836
Ohio	31,556	31,200	30,792	31,247	30,927
Oklahoma	1,056	744	1,031	1,059	1,146
Oregon	1,683	1,781	1,628	1,675	1,681
Pennsylvania	59,580	60,080	60,151	61,641	62,132
Philippines	60	69	27	44	52
Puerto Rico	0	0	35	36	34
Rhode Island	239	245	263	242	223
South Carolina	996	998	1,095	1,115	1,198
South Dakota	526	580	625	732	760
Tennessee	1,811	1,784	1,726	1,675	1,629
Texas	6,193	6,242	6,318	6,328	6,243
Utah	486	595	528	571	604
Vermont	3,845	3,898	3,884	3,867	3,893
Virginia	4,579	4,606	4,566	4,396	4,327
Washington	2,709	2,675	2,534	2,430	2,529
West Virginia	2,863	2,901	2,767	2,752	2,558
Wisconsin	3,671	3,605	3,683	3,812	3,646
Wyoming	1,164	1,169	1,291	1,305	1,240
<b>Total</b>	<b>356,170</b>	<b>358,009</b>	<b>362,319</b>	<b>367,948</b>	<b>369,861</b>



**SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION  
2018 MEMBERSHIP TARGET DATES**

September 13, 2017	10%
October 12, 2017	25%
November 15, 2017	35%
December 13, 2017	45%
January 18, 2018	60%
February 14, 2018	75%
March 14, 2018	80%
April 11, 2018	90%
May 9, 2018	100%
*July 25, 2018	105%

\*Delegate Strength Target Date



**2018**  

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*Membership Year*