

56TH FIGHTER WING LUKE AIR FORCE BASE



The 56th Fighter Wing, headquartered at Luke Air Force Base, Phoenix, Ariz., is the largest fighter wing in the U.S. Air Force. The wing is part of Air Education and Training Command. The wing also oversees the Gila Bend Air Force Auxiliary Field and is steward of the 1.7 million acre Barry M. Goldwater Military Training Range.

MISSION

We train the world's greatest fighter pilots and combat-ready Airmen!

VISION

The world's premier fighter wing... advancing airpower to win tomorrow's fight.



WE TRAIN 75% OF THE WORLD'S F-35 PILOTS



Active: 4,803
Reserve: 1,408
Civilian: 1,203

ECONOMIC IMPACT

DIRECT: \$974 Million
INDIRECT: \$761 Million
INDUCED: \$697 Million
Total Economic Impact in AZ
\$2.4 Billion

LEADERSHIP



Wing Commander
Brig. Gen. Jason Rueschhoff



Deputy Commander
Col. Keagan McLeese



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LUKE HISTORY

Luke Air Force Base is named for the WWI flying ace and Phoenix native Lieutenant Frank Luke Jr., the first aviator to receive the Medal of Honor. Lieutenant Luke scored 18 aerial victories, 14 against German observation balloons, before being killed at the age of 21 on Sept. 29, 1918.



THUNDERBOLT NATION

Since 1941, Luke has graduated over **61,000** pilots

105 F-35 pilots annually

60 F-16 pilots annually

79 Intel specialists annually

98 F-35 maintainers annually

8 Medical lab technicians annually

16 Critical Care/Emergency Trauma Fellowship annually

236 Air Control Squadron personnel annually

PARTNERS IN TRAINING

Italy



Netherlands



Norway



Singapore



Denmark



Belgium

