

United States Infantry Battalion (Redeployment organization)

Tables of Organization reference 7-16, 7-17 and 7-18

All dated 1st June 1945

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Composed of;

Battalion Headquarters	5 Officers
Headquarters Company	4 Officers, 84 men
Company Headquarters	(2 Officer, 18 men)
Battalion HQ Section	(14 men)
Communication Platoon	(1 Officer, 26 men)
Ammunition & Pioneer Platoon	(1 Officer, 26 men)
Three Rifle Companies, each	7 Officers, 235 men
Company Headquarters	(2 Officers, 40 men)
Weapons Platoon	(2 Officers, 75 men)
	(two LMGs, three 60-mm mortars, six 57-mm rifles, six rocket launchers)
Three Platoons, each	(1 Officer, 40 men)
Heavy Weapons Company	7 Officers, 188 men
Company Headquarters	(2 Officers, 30 men)
Two .30-cal MG Platoons, each	(1 Officer, 35 men) (four heavy machine guns)
Gun Platoon	(1 Officer, 32 men) (six 75-mm rifles)
81-mm Mortar Platoon	(2 Officers, 56 men) (six 81-mm mortars)
Total strength	1014 all ranks (37 Officers and 977 men)

Summary Table, United States Infantry Battalion, June 1945 (Redeployment)

Detail	HQ & HQ Company					Total, HQ & HQ Company	Three Rifle Companies, each			Total, Rifle Company	Heavy Weapons Company				Total, Heavy Weapons Company	Total, Battalion
	Battalion Headquarters	Company HQ	Battalion HQ Section	Communication Platoon	Ammunition & Pioneer Platoon		Company HQ	Weapons Platoon	Three Rifle Platoons (each)		Company HQ	Two .30-cal MG Platoons (each)	Gun Platoon	81-mm Mortar Platoon		
i). Personnel																
Officers	5	2	0	1	1	9	2	2	1	7	2	1	1	2	7	37
Enlisted Men	0	18	14	26	26	84	40	75	40	235	30	35	32	56	188	977
Total, all ranks	5	20	14	27	27	93	42	77	41	242	32	36	33	58	195	1014
ii). Transport																
1/4-ton trucks	0	1	3	5	0	9	0	4	0	4	2	5	1	7	20	41
3/4-ton trucks	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	2
1 1/2-ton trucks	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	3	4
1/4-ton trailers	0	0	0	3	0	3	0	4	0	4	0	4	0	6	14	29
1-ton trailers	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	3	4
iii). Weapons																
Pistols, .45-cal	2	0	0	0	0	2	0	22	0	22	0	8	12	18	46	114
Carbines	3	7	4	6	23	43	10	24	1	37	11	20	15	29	95	249
Rifles, M1	0	13	10	21	4	48	32	31	36	171	21	8	6	11	54	615
Rifles, M1C (sniper)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	3	0	0	0	0	0	9
Browning Automatic Rifles	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	0	3	15	0	0	0	0	0	45
Light machine guns, M1914A4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	2	0	4	0	0	8	14
Heavy machine guns, M1917A1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	8	8
Machine guns, .50-cal, M2	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	0	1	1	0	1	0	2	6
60-mm mortars	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	9
81-mm mortars	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	6	6
M7 rifle grenade launchers*	0	1	2	2	1	6	1	7	10	38	1	4	3	0	12	132
M8 carbine grenade launchers*	0	2	0	0	0	2	1	0	0	1	5	5	0	6	21	26
2.36-in antitank rocket launchers	0	2	0	1	2	5	0	6	0	6	0	2	3	2	9	32
57-mm rifle, M18	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	9
75-mm rifle, M20	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	0	6	6

*figures for M7 and M8 grenade launchers are only confirmed for the Rifle Company, remainder are taken from the previous issue. An overall total of 171 launchers of both types is quoted for the Battalion in one source, which is 13 more than the above provisional figure.

Battalion Headquarters (5 Officers)

Detail	Rank	No.	Weapon/Vehicle/Other	No.
Battalion commander	Lieutenant colonel	1	Pistol	1
Executive	Major	1	Pistol	1
Intelligence, S-2	Captain	1	Carbine	1
Operations and training, S-3	Captain	1	Carbine	1
Supply, S-4	First Lieutenant	1	Carbine	1
Total, all ranks		5		

Headquarters Company (4 Officers, 84 men)**Company Headquarters (2 Officers, 18 men)**

Detail	Rank	No.	Weapon/Vehicle/Other	No.
Adjutant and S-1 <i>(also Company commander)</i>	Captain	1	Carbine	1
Motor transport	First Lieutenant	1	Carbine	1
First Sergeant	First Sergeant	1	Carbine	1
Mess	Staff Sergeant	1	Carbine	1
Supply	Staff Sergeant	1	Carbine	1
Motor	Sergeant	1	Rifle, M1	1
Clerk, Company	Corporal	1	Rifle, M1	1
Armorer-artificer	Technician, grade 5	1	Rifle, M1	1
Bugler	Private or PFC	1	Carbine <i>(with M8 launcher)</i>	1
Cook (1 for Officers' mess)	Technician, grade 4	2	Rifle, M1	2
Cook	Technician, grade 5	1	Rifle, M1	1
Cook's helper	Private or PFC	1	Rifle, M1	1
Mechanic, automobile	Technician, grade 4	1	Rifle, M1	1
Basic	Private or PFC	4	Rifle, M1	4
Orderly	Private or PFC	1	Carbine <i>(with M8 launcher)</i>	1
			Truck, 1/4-ton	1
Mechanic, automobile	Technician, grade 5	1	Rifle, M1 <i>(with M7 launcher)</i>	1
			Truck, 3/4-ton, weapon carrier	1
			Launcher, rocket, AT, 2.36-in	2
Total, all ranks		20		

Battalion Headquarters Section (14 men)

Detail	Rank	No.	Weapon/Vehicle/Other	No.
Sergeant Major	Technical Sergeant	1	Carbine	1
Intelligence	Staff Sergeant	1	Carbine	1
Operations	Staff Sergeant	1	Carbine	1
Supply	Staff Sergeant	1	Carbine	1
Gas	Corporal	1	Rifle, M1	1
Clerk, Headquarters	Technician, grade 5	1	Rifle, M1	1
Scout, observer, intelligence	Private or PFC	5	Rifle, M1	5
Scout, observer, intelligence	Private or PFC	1	Rifle, M1	1
Driver, truck, light	Private or PFC (see note)	2	Truck, 1/4-ton	1
			Rifle, M1 (<i>with M7 launcher</i>)	2
Total, all ranks		14		

Ammunition and Pioneer Platoon (1 Officer, 26 men)

Detail	Rank	No.	Weapon/Vehicle/Other	No.
Headquarters				
Platoon commander (Munitions)	Second Lieutenant	1	Carbine	1
Platoon Sergeant	Technical Sergeant	1	Carbine	1
Driver, truck, light	Private or PFC (see note)	1	Rifle, M1 (<i>with M7 launcher</i>)	1
			Truck, 1½-ton, cargo	1
			Trailer, 1-ton	1
			Machine gun, .50-cal	1
			Launcher, rocket, AT, 2.36-in	2
Three Squads, each				
Squad leader	Sergeant	1	Rifle, M1	1
Ammunition bearer	Private or PFC	7	Carbine	7
Total, all ranks		27		

Communication Platoon (1 Officer, 26 men)

Detail	Rank	No.	Weapon/Vehicle/Other	No.
<i>Headquarters</i>				
Communication	First Lieutenant	1	Carbine	1
Communication chief	Staff Sergeant	1	Carbine	1
			Truck, 1/4-ton*	1
			Launcher, rocket, AT, 2.36-in	1
<i>Message Center Section</i>				
Message Center chief	Sergeant	1	Rifle, M1	1
Clerk, code	Technician, grade 5	1	Rifle, M1	1
Clerk, code	Private or PFC	1	Rifle, M1	1
Messenger	Private or PFC	4	Carbine	4
			Truck, 1/4-ton*	2
			Trailer, 1/4-ton*	1
<i>Wire Section</i>				
Wire chief	Sergeant	1	Rifle, M1	1
Lineman, field	Technician, grade 5	2	Rifle, M1 (<i>1 with M7 launcher</i>)	2
Lineman, field	Private or PFC	7	Rifle, M1	7
Operator, switchboard	Technician, grade 5	1	Rifle, M1	1
Operator, switchboard	Private or PFC	1	Rifle, M1	1
			Truck, 1/4-ton*	1
			Trailer, 1/4-ton*	1
<i>Radio & Visual Section</i>				
Radio	Staff Sergeant	1	Rifle, M1 (<i>with M7 launcher</i>)	1
Operator, radio	Technician, grade 4	2	Rifle, M1	2
Operator, radio	Technician, grade 5	1	Rifle, M1	1
Repairman, radio	Technician, grade 4	1	Rifle, M1	1
Repairman, radio	Technician, grade 5	1	Rifle, M1	1
			Truck, 1/4-ton*	1
			Trailer, 1/4-ton*	1
Total, all ranks		27		

*The allocation of vehicles within the Platoon is not shown in the Table of Organization; the above is taken from an Infantry School Training Bulletin. All trucks are driven by Platoon personnel.

Notes

Of the total 3 drivers, light truck, in Headquarters Company, 1 is a Technician, grade 5, rank and 2 are Privates or PFCs.

Detail for issue of M7 and M8 grenade launchers not available to me, above entries in *italics* are estimates only, based on issues in preceding Tables of Organization.

Three Rifle Companies (7 Officers, 235 men), each

Company Headquarters (2 Officers, 40 men)

Detail	Rank	No.	Weapon/Vehicle/Other	No.
Company commander	Captain	1	Carbine	1
Executive	First Lieutenant	1	Carbine	1
First Sergeant	First Sergeant	1	Carbine	1
Communication	Sergeant	1	Rifle, M1 (with M7 launcher)	1
Operator, radio telephone	Private or PFC	1	Carbine	1
Bugler	Private or PFC	1	Carbine (with M8 launcher)	1
Messenger	Private or PFC	3	Carbine	3
			<i>(unallocated)</i>	
			Automatic Rifle	6
Mess	Staff Sergeant	1	Carbine	1
Supply	Staff Sergeant	1	Carbine	1
Clerk, Company	Corporal	1	Rifle, M1	1
Armorer-artificer	Technician, grade 5	1	Rifle, M1	1
Cook	Technician, grade 4	3	Rifle, M1	3
Cook	Technician, grade 5	2	Rifle, M1	2
Cook's helper	Private or PFC	3	Rifle, M1	3
Basic	Private or PFC	21	Rifle, M1	21
	Total, all ranks	42		

Weapons Platoon (2 Officers, 75 men)

Detail	Rank	No.	Weapon/Vehicle/Other	No.
<i>Headquarters</i>				
Platoon commander	First Lieutenant	1	Carbine	1
Executive	Second Lieutenant	1	Carbine	1
Platoon Sergeant	Technical Sergeant	1	Carbine	1
Messenger	Private or PFC	2	Carbine	2
Driver, truck, light	Private or PFC	3	Rifle, M1 (with M7 launcher)	3
			Truck, 1/4-ton	3
			Trailer, 1/4-ton	3
Driver, truck, light	Technician, grade 5	1	Rifle, M1 (with M7 launcher)	1
			Truck, 1/4-ton	1
			Trailer, 1/4-ton	1
			Machine gun, .50-cal	1
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Detail	Rank	No.	Weapon/Vehicle/Other	No.
Assault Section				
Section leader <i>Three Squads, each</i>	Staff Sergeant	1	Rifle, M1	1
Squad leader	Sergeant	1	Rifle, M1	1
Gunner, rocket	Private or PFC	2	Pistol	2
			Launcher, rocket, AT, 2.36-in	2
Gunner, rocket, assistant	Private or PFC	2	Rifle, M1	2
Ammunition bearer	Private or PFC	2	Rifle, M1	2
Special Weapons Section				
Section leader	Staff Sergeant	1	Rifle, M1	1
Messenger <i>Three Squads, each</i>	Private or PFC	1	Carbine	1
Squad leader	Sergeant	1	Rifle, M1	1
Gunner, rifle	Corporal	1	Pistol	1
			Rifle, 57-mm, M18	1
Gunner, rifle, assistant	Private or PFC	1	Pistol	1
Ammunition bearer	Private or PFC	2	Carbine	2
60-mm Mortar Section				
Section leader	Staff Sergeant	1	Rifle, M1	1
Messenger <i>Three Squads, each</i>	Private or PFC	1	Carbine	1
Squad leader	Sergeant	1	Rifle, M1	1
Gunner, mortar	Private or PFC	1	Pistol	1
			Mortar, 60-mm	1
Gunner, mortar, assistant	Private or PFC	1	Pistol	1
Ammunition bearer	Private or PFC	2	Carbine	2
Light Machine Gun Section				
Section leader	Staff Sergeant	1	Rifle, M1 (with M7 launcher)	1
Messenger <i>Two Squads, each</i>	Private or PFC	1	Carbine	1
Squad leader	Sergeant	1	Rifle, M1 (with M7 launcher)	1
Gunner, machine gun	Private or PFC	1	Pistol	1
			Light machine gun, .30-cal	1
Gunner, machine gun, assistant	Private or PFC	1	Pistol	1
Ammunition bearer	Private or PFC	2	Carbine	2
Total, all ranks		77		

Three Rifle Platoons (1 Officer, 40 men), each

Detail	Rank	No.	Weapon/Vehicle/Other	No.
<i>Headquarters</i>				
Platoon commander	First <u>or</u> Second Lieutenant	1	Carbine	1
Platoon Sergeant	Technical Sergeant	1	Rifle, M1	1
Platoon guide	Staff Sergeant	1	Rifle, M1 (with M7 launcher)	1
Messenger	Private or PFC	2	Rifle, M1	2
<i>Three Squads, each</i>				
Squad leader	Staff Sergeant	1	Rifle, M1	1
Rifleman	Private or PFC	7	Rifle, M1 (2 with M7 launcher)	7
Squad leader, assistant	Sergeant	1	Rifle, M1 (with M7 launcher)	1
Rifleman, automatic	Corporal	1	Automatic rifle	1
Rifleman, automatic, assistant	Private or PFC	1	Rifle, M1	1
Ammunition bearer	Private or PFC	1	Rifle, M1	1
Total, all ranks		41		

Note

1 Rifle, M1, in each Rifle Platoon was replaced by an M1C sniper rifle fitted with telescopic sight.

Heavy Weapons Company (7 Officers, 188 men)

Company Headquarters (2 Officers, 30 men)

Detail	Rank	No.	Weapon/Vehicle/Other	No.
Company commander	Captain	1	Carbine	1
Reconnaissance (also Second in command)	First Lieutenant	1	Carbine	1
First Sergeant	First Sergeant	1	Carbine	1
Mess	Staff Sergeant	1	Carbine	1
Supply	Staff Sergeant	1	Carbine	1
Transportation	Staff Sergeant	1	Rifle, M1	1
Communication	Sergeant	1	Carbine (<i>with M8 launcher</i>)	1
Reconnaissance	Sergeant	1	Carbine (<i>with M8 launcher</i>)	1
Clerk, Company	Corporal	1	Rifle, M1	1
Armorer-artificer	Technician, grade 5	1	Rifle, M1	1
Bugler	Private or PFC	1	Carbine (<i>with M8 launcher</i>)	1
Cook	Technician, grade 4	2	Rifle, M1	2
Cook	Technician, grade 5	2	Rifle, M1	2
Cook's helper	Private or PFC	3	Rifle, M1	3
Mechanic, automobile	Technician, grade 4	1	Rifle, M1	1
Messenger	Private or PFC	1	Carbine	1
Basic	Private or PFC	9	Rifle, M1	9
Messenger	Private or PFC	1	Carbine (<i>with M8 launcher</i>) Truck, 1/4-ton	1 1
Messenger	Private or PFC	1	Carbine (<i>with M8 launcher</i>) Truck, 1/4-ton Machine gun, .50-cal	1 1 1
Mechanic, automobile	Technician, grade 5	1	Rifle, M1 (<i>with M7 launcher</i>) Truck, 3/4-ton, weapon carrier	1 1
Total, all ranks		32		

Two .30-cal Machine Gun Platoons (1 Officer, 35 men), each

Detail	Rank	No.	Weapon/Vehicle/Other	No.
Headquarters				
Platoon commander	First <u>or</u> Second Lieutenant	1	Carbine	1
Platoon Sergeant	Technical Sergeant	1	Carbine	1
Instrument	Corporal	1	Rifle, M1	1
Transportation	Corporal	1	Rifle, M1	1
Messenger	Private or PFC	1	Carbine	1
Messenger	Private or PFC	1	Carbine (<i>with M8 launcher</i>) Truck, 1/4-ton	1 1
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Detail	Rank	No.	Weapon/Vehicle/Other	No.
Two Sections, each				
Section leader	Staff Sergeant	1	Rifle, M1	1
			Launcher, rocket, AT, 2.36-in	1
Two Squads, each				
Squad leader	Sergeant	1	Rifle, M1 (with M7 launcher)	1
Gunner, machine gun	Private or PFC	1	Pistol	1
			Heavy machine gun, .30-cal	1
			Light machine gun, .30-cal	1
Gunner, machine gun, assistant	Private or PFC	1	Pistol	1
Ammunition bearer	Private or PFC	3	Carbine	3
Ammunition bearer	Private or PFC	1	Carbine (with M8 launcher)	1
			Truck, 1/4-ton	1
			Trailer, 1/4-ton	1
Total, all ranks		36		

81-mm Mortar Platoon (2 Officers, 56 men)

Detail	Rank	No.	Weapon/Vehicle/Other	No.
Headquarters				
Platoon commander	First Lieutenant	1	Carbine	1
Executive	Second Lieutenant	1	Carbine	1
Platoon Sergeant	Technical Sergeant	1	Carbine	1
Instrument	Corporal	1	Rifle, M1	1
Transportation	Corporal	1	Rifle, M1	1
Messenger	Private or PFC	1	Carbine	1
Messenger	Private or PFC	1	Carbine	1
			Truck, 1/4-ton	1
			Launcher, rocket, AT, 2.36-in	2
Three Sections, each				
Section leader	Staff Sergeant	1	Rifle, M1	1
Two Squads, each				
Squad leader	Staff Sergeant	1	Rifle, M1	1
Gunner, mortar	Corporal	1	Pistol	1
			Mortar, 81-mm	1
Gunner, mortar, assistant	Private or PFC	1	Pistol	1
Ammunition bearer	Private or PFC	3	Carbine	3
Ammunition bearer	Private or PFC	1	Pistol	1
Ammunition bearer	Private or PFC	1	Carbine (with M8 launcher)	1
			Truck, 1/4-ton	1
			Trailer, 1/4-ton	1
Total, all ranks		58		

Gun Platoon (1 Officer, 32 men)

Detail	Rank	No.	Weapon/Vehicle/Other	No.
<i>Headquarters</i>				
Platoon commander	First <u>or</u> Second Lieutenant	1	Carbine	1
Platoon Sergeant	Technical Sergeant	1	Carbine	1
Messenger	Private or PFC	1	Carbine	1
			Truck, 1/4-ton	1
			Machine gun, .50-cal	1
<i>Three Squads, each</i>				
Squad leader	Staff Sergeant	1	Rifle, M1	1
Gunner, rifle	Corporal	2	Pistol	2
			Rifle, 75-mm, M20	2
Gunner, rifle, assistant	Private or PFC	2	Pistol	2
Ammunition bearer	Private or PFC	4	Carbine	4
Driver, truck, light	Private or PFC (see note)	1	Rifle, M1 (<i>with M7 launcher</i>)	1
			Truck, 1½-ton, cargo	1
			Trailer, 1-ton	1
			Launcher, rocket, AT, 2.36-in	1
Total, all ranks		33		

Notes

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