

Medium Tank Battalion United States, 1944

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How to use this Table of Organization and Equipment File

Unit Listings:

- 1. The 1944 US Medium Tank Battalion is headed with a grey title bar and a box that details a total personnel and equipment muster.
- 2. Each battalion unit is listed with a grey title bar and boxed.
- 3. Each unit component is boxed.
- **4.** A component box is placed within the unit box it is subordinate to, and is connected by wire diagram in its position in the chain of command, from top to bottom and left to right.

Example:

The Assault Gun Platoon is located in the Battalion HQ Company. A Gun Section, however, gets its orders directly from the Platoon HQ. The section box is therefore placed in the platoon box beneath the HQ box and connected to it by line.

Weapon Distribution:

- 1. (p), armed with a pistol.
- 2. (c), armed with a carbine.
- 3. (smg), armed with a submachine gun.
- (BAR), armed with a Browning Automatic Rifle.
- **5.** (grenadier), armed with a rifle and rifle grenade launcher.
- **6.** No designation means the soldier is armed with rifle.
- 7. Bazookas were not specifically assigned to individual personnel, (there was no bazooka gunner MOS). Bazooka men were chosen by the unit commander.
- **8.** Weapons mounted on a vehicle (i.e. AA machine guns) are so designated.
- **9.** Weapons carried on a vehicle (i.e. bazookas), and intended for dismounted use, are so designated.

Personnel and Equipment:

- 1. Ranks are headed in bold type.
- 2. The number of personnel, and their Military Occupational Specialties (MOS,) within that rank are listed in plain type.
- 3. Some personnel have multiple MOSs.

PFC/PRIVATE

One Messenger, jeep driver (smg)

This PFC/PRIVATE messenger is also a jeep driver.

4. Vehicles types are listed as follows:

VEHICLE

One 2 1/2-ton truck =field kitchen

This truck is a purpose-built field kitchen, or pulling a kitchen trailer.

BATTALION HEADQUARTERS, OF THE HEADQUARTERS & HEADQUARTERS COMPANY, MEDIUM TANK BATTALION

LIEUTENANT COLONEL

One Battalion commander (p)

One Executive officer (p)

One Operations & training (battalion S-3) (p)

One Communications (c)

One Intelligence (battalion S-2) (c)

One Supply (battalion S-4) (c)

FIRST LIEUTENANT

One Battalion adjutant (bn. S-1) (c)

MASTER SERGEANT

One Battalion sergeant major (c)

TECHNICAL SERGEANT

One Communications chief (c)

One Intelligence (c) One Operations (c)

Headquarters Section

SERGEANT One Message center chief (c)

PEC/PRIVATE

One Topographic draftsman (c) Five Radio operators (c)

Three Clerks (c) One Messenger (c)

One Messenger, jeep driver (smg) Two Halftrack drivers (smg) Three Jeep drivers (smg)

VEHICLES

Two Halftracks Four Jeeps

WEAPONS

One .50 cal. machine gun, mounted on halftrack One .30 cal. machine gun, mounted on halftrack Six M3 submachine guns

Nineteen M1 carbines Three .45 cal. pistols Two 2.36-inch bazookas,

carried on halftracks

LIEUTENANT

One Liaison, section leader (smg)

CORPORAL

Two Tank gunners (smg)

Tank Section

PFC/PRIVATE Two Tank drivers (smg) Two Cannoneers (smg)

Two Bow machine gunners,

radio operators (smg)

VEHICLES

Two Medium tanks

WEAPONS

Nine M3 submachine guns

Artillery Observation (Attached as needed, not organic)

CORPORAL

One Tank gunner (smg)

One Tank driver (smg) One Cannoneer (smg)

PFC/PRIVATE

One Bow machine gunner,

radio operator (smg)

VEHICLES

One Medium tank

WEAPONS

Four M3 submachine guns

HEADQUARTERS COMPANY, OF THE HEADQUARTERS & HEADQUARTERS COMPANY, MEDIUM TANK BATTALION

COMPANY HEADQUARTERS

Headquarters Section

CAPTAIN

One Company commander (c) One Halftrack

SERGEANT

One Communications (c)

PFC/PRIVATE One Bugler (c)

One Messenger,

VEHICLES

One Jeep

WEAPONS

One Machine gunner (c) Two M3 submachine guns Four M1 carbines

jeep driver (smg) One Halftrack driver (smg)

One .30 cal. machine gun, mounted on halftrack

One 2.36-inch bazooka,

carried on halftrack

Maintenance Section

LIEUTENANT

One Motor transport, section commander (c)

STAFF SERGEANT

One Motor (c)

PFC/PRIVATE

One Artillery mechanic (c) One Auto mechanic (c) One Auto mechanic. jeep driver (smg)

One Radio repairman (c)

One Armorer (c)

PFC/PRIVATE (CONT)

One Tank mechanic, halftrack driver (smg)

VEHICLES

One Halftrack One Jeep One 1-ton trailer

WEAPONS

One .50 cal. machine gun. mounted on halftrack Two M3 submachine guns Six M1 carbines One 2.36-inch bazooka, carried on halftrack

Administrative, Mess, and Supply Section

FIRST SERGEANT

One Company first sergeant (c)

STAFF SERGEANT

One Mess (c) One Supply (c)

CORPORAL

One Company clerk (c)

PFC/PRIVATE

Four Cooks (c), two officers' mess One Cook's helper (c)

One Truck driver (smg) Six Basic privates (c)

VEHICLES WEAPONS

=field kitchen One 1-ton trailer

One 2 1/2-ton truck One M3 submachine gun Fifteen M1 carbines One 2.36-inch bazooka, carried on truck

Battalion

Reconnaissance Platoon

LIEUTENANT

One Platoon commander (c)

STAFF SERGEANT

One Platoon sergeant (c)

SERGEANT Two Reconnaissance scouts

CORPORAL Two Reconnaissance scouts

PFC/PRIVATE

Eight Reconnaissance scouts One Messenger (c)

One Messenger, jeep driver (smg) One Halftrack driver (smg)

Four Jeep drivers (smg) VEHICLES

One Halftrack Five Jeeps

WEAPONS

One .50 cal. machine gun. mounted on halftrack Six M3 submachine guns Twelve M1 rifles Three M1 carbines One 2.36-inch bazooka. carried on halftrack

LIEUTENANT One Platoon commander (c)

STAFF SERGEANT

One Platoon sergeant (c)

PFC/PRIVATE

Four Riflemen

One .50 cal. machine gun, mounted on halftrack One M3 submachine gun

Four M1 rifles Two M1 carbines

One Halftrack driver (smg)

Three Gun Sections; each SERGEANT

One Section chief (smg)

CORPORAL

One Gunner (smg)

PFC/PRIVATE One Cannoneer (smg) One Tank driver (smg) One Bow machine gunner, radio operator (smg)

VEHICLES

One Medium tank. 105mm howitzer One Ammunition trailer

WEAPONS

Five M3 submachine guns

ASSAULT GUN PLATOON

Platoon Headquarters

VEHICLES One Halftrack

WEAPONS

Ammunition Section

SERGEANT One Section chief (c)

PEC/PRIVATE Three Ammo handlers (c) One Halftrack driver (smg)

One Halftrack One Ammunition trailer

WEAPONS

One .30 cal. machine gun, mounted on halftrack One M3 submachine gun Four M1 carbines One 2.36-inch bazooka, carried on halftrack

MORTAR PLATOON

Platoon Headquarters

LIEUTENANT One Platoon commander (c)

TECHNICAL SERGEANT One Platoon sergeant (c)

PFC/PRIVATE Four Riflemen One Halftrack driver (smg)

VEHICLES One Halftrack

WEAPONS One .50 cal. machine gun, mounted on halftrack One M3 submachine gun

Four M1 rifles Two M1 carbines One 2.36-inch bazooka,

One Halftrack carrier.

carried on halftrack

Three Mortar Squads; each

SERGEANT

CORPORAL

PFC/PRIVATE

One Squad leader (c)

81 mm mortar

VEHICLES

WEAPONS One Mortar gunner (c)

One Asst. mortar gunner (c) Two Ammo handlers (c) One Halftrack driver (smg)

One M3 submachine gun Five M1 carbines One 2.36-inch bazooka. carried on halftrack

COMPANY HEADQUARTERS OF THE MEDIUM TANK COMPANY, MEDIUM TANK BATTALION

Headquarters Section

CAPTAIN

One Company commander (smg)

SERGEANT

One Communications chief (c) Two Tank commanders (smg)

CORPORAL

Three Gunners (smg) One Liaison agent (c)

PFC/PRIVATE

One Bugler,

Three Tank drivers (smg) Three Cannoneers (smg)

jeep driver (smg)

One Jeep

VEHICLES

Two Medium tanks

One Medium tank,

105mm howitzer

PFC/PRIVATE (CONT)

Three bow machine gunners,

radio operators (smg)

=one command tank

WEAPONS Sixteen M3 submachine guns Two M1 carbines

Maintenance Section

FIRST LIEUTENANT

One Motor transport,

section commander (c)

TECHNICAL SERGEANT

One Motor (c)

PFC/PRIVATE

One Armorer (c) One Artillery mechanic (c) Two Tank mechanics (c)

Three Tank mechanics,

two recovery vehicle drivers (smg)

one jeep driver (smg)

One Radio repairman (c)

VEHICLES

One Tank recovery vehicle

One Halftrack One Jeep

WEAPONS

One .50 cal. machine gun, mounted on halftrack

Three M3 submachine guns Seven M1 carbines

One 2.36-inch bazooka, carried on tank recovery vehicle

Administrative, Mess, and Supply Section

One Mess (c)

One Supply (c)

FIRST SERGEANT

One Company First Sergeant (c)

STAFF SERGEANT

One Company clerk (c)

PFC/PRIVATE

Two Cooks (c) One Cook's helper (c)

One Truck driver (sma)

One 1-ton trailer Six Basic privates (c)

WEAPONS

One M3 submachine gun Thirteen M1 carbines One 2.36-inch bazooka.

carried on truck

THREE MEDIUM TANK PLATOONS OF THE MEDIUM TANK COMPANY, MEDIUM TANK BATTALION; each

Tank No. 1

LIEUTENANT

One Platoon commander (c) One Tank driver (smg)

CORPORAL

One Gunner (smg)

PFC/PRIVATE

One Cannoneer (smg)

One Bow machine gunner, radio operator (smg)

VEHICLE

One Medium tank

WEAPONS

One M1 carbine

Four M3 submachine guns

Tank No. 2 SERGEANT PFC/PRIVATE

One Tank commander (smg) One Tank driver (smg)

One Cannoneer (smg) One Bow machine gunner.

CORPORAL

One Gunner (smg) radio operator (smg)

Five M3 submachine guns

Tank No. 3

SERGEANT

One Tank commander (smg)

CORPORAL

One Gunner (smg)

PFC/PRIVATE

One Tank driver (smg)

One Cannoneer (smg) One Bow machine gunner,

radio operator (smg)

VEHICLE

One Medium tank

WEAPONS

Five M3 submachine guns

Tank No. 4

STAFF SERGEANT PFC/PRIVATE

One Platoon sgt. (smg) One Tank driver (smg) One Cannoneer (smg)

CORPORAL One Gunner (smg)

One Bow machine gunner.

VEHICLES

One 2 1/2-ton truck

=field kitchen

radio operator (smg)

WEAPONS

VEHICLE

One Medium tank

VEHICLE

WEAPONS

One Medium tank

Five M3 submachine guns

COMPANY HEADQUARTERS OF THE LIGHT TANK COMPANY, MEDIUM TANK BATTALION

Headquarters Section

CAPTAIN

One Company commander (c)

VEHICLES Two Light tanks

One Communications chief (smg)

One Tank commander (smg)

One Jeep WEAPONS

Nine M3 submachine guns Two M1 carbines

CORPORAL

One Liaison (c)

PFC/PRIVATE

One Bugler,

jeep driver (smg)

Two Tank drivers (smg)

Two Tank gunners (smg) Two Bow machine gunners, radio operators (smg)

SECOND LIEUTENANT

One Motor transport, section commander (c)

TECHNICAL SERGEANT

One Motor (c)

PFC/PRIVATE

Two Armorers (c) Three Tank mechanics (c)

Two Tank mechanics,

one halftrack driver (smg) one tank recovery vehicle driver (smg)

One Radio repairman, jeep driver (smg)

Maintenance Section

VEHICLES

One Tank recovery vehicle

One Halftrack One Jeep

WEAPONS

One .50 cal. machine gun, mounted on halftrack Three M3 submachine guns

Seven M1 carbines

Two 2.36-inch bazookas

one carried on halftrack one carried on tank recovery vehicle

One Company First Sergeant (c)

CORPORAL

One Company clerk, jeep driver (c)

PFC/PRIVATE

Two Cooks (c) One Cook's helper (c) One Truck driver (c)

VEHICLES

One 2 1/2-ton truck =field kitchen One Jeep

One 1-ton trailer

WEAPONS

One .50 cal. machine gun, mounted on truck One M3 submachine gun Twelve M1 carbines

Administrative, Mess, and Supply Section

FIRST SERGEANT

STAFF SERGEANT

One Mess (c)

One Supply (c)

Five Basic privates (c)

THREE LIGHT TANK PLATOONS OF THE LIGHT TANK COMPANY, MEDIUM TANK BATTALION; each

Tank No. 1

SECOND LIEUTENANT

One Platoon commander (c)

PFC/PRIVATE

One Tank driver (smg) One Tank gunner (smg) One Bow machine gunner,

radio operator (smg)

One Light tank

WEAPONS One M1 carbine Three M3 SMGs

VEHICLE

Tank No. 2

SERGEANT One Tank commander (smg) PFC/PRIVATE

One Tank driver (smg) One Tank gunner (smg) One bow machine gunner, radio operator (smg)

VEHICLE One Light tank

WEAPONS

Four M3 SMGs

Tank No. 3

SERGEANT

One Tank commander (smg)

PEC/PRIVATE

One Tank driver (smg) One Tank gunner (smg) One bow machine gunner, radio operator (smg)

VEHICLE

One Light tank WEAPONS

Four M3 SMGs

Tank No. 4

SERGEANT One Tank commander (smg) PFC/PRIVATE One Tank driver (smg)

One Tank gunner (smg) One bow machine gunner, radio operator (smg)

VEHICLE One Light tank

WEAPONS Four M3 SMGs

SERVICE COMPANY, MEDIUM TANK BATTALION

COMPANY HEADQUARTERS

Headquarters Section

CAPTAIN

SERGEANT

PFC/PRIVATE

One Company commander (asst. battalion S-4) (c)

One Bugler, WC driver (smg)

Two Radio operators (c)

One Communications chief (c)

VEHICLES

One Weapons carrier WEAPONS

One M3 SMG

Four M1 carbines

Maintenance Section

LIEUTENANT

One Motor transport, section commander (c)

STAFF SERGEANT

One Motor (c)

PFC/PRIVATE

One Armorer, jeep driver (smg)

Two Motor transport mechanics (c) One Motor transport mechanic, truck driver (smg)

VEHICLES

One 2 1/2-ton truck =personnel and equipment

One Jeep One 1-ton trailer

WEAPONS

One .50 cal. machine gun, mounted on truck Two M3 submachine guns Four M1 carbines

Administrative, Mess, and Supply Section

FIRST SERGEANT

One Company First Sergeant (c)

STAFF SERGEANT

One Mess (c) One Supply (c)

CORPORAL

One Company clerk (c)

PFC/PRIVATE

Two Cooks (c)

One Cook's helper (c) One Truck driver (smg) Six Basic privates (c)

VEHICLES

One 2 1/2-ton truck =field kitchen One 1-ton trailer

WEAPONS

One .30 cal. machine gun, mounted on truck One M3 submachine gun Thirteen M1 carbines

Battalion Administrative and Personnel Section

WARRANT OFFICER

One Personnel, section commander

(asst. battalion S-1) (c)

TECHNICAL SERGEANT

One Personnel (c)

PFC/PRIVATE Three Clerks (c) One Truck driver (smg)

One 2 1/2-ton truck =personnel and equipment

One 1-ton trailer

WEAPONS

One M3 submachine gun Five M1 carbines One 2.36-inch bazooka.

carried on truck

BATTALION SUPPLY & TRANSPORTATION PLATOON

LIEUTENANT

One Motor transport, platoon commander (c)

WARRANT OFFICER

One Supply (asst. battalion S-4) (c)

TECHNICAL SERGEANT

One Supply (c)

STAFF SERGEANT

One Motor.

platoon sergeant (c) One Supply (c)

CORPORAL

One Dispatcher, jeep driver (smg)

PFC/PRIVATE

Two Clerks (c)

One Clerk.

weapons carrier driver (smg) Seven Machine gunners (c) Seven Ammunition handlers (c) PFC/PRIVATE

Twenty nine Truck drivers (smg)

VEHICLES

Twenty nine 2 1/2-ton trucks =thirteen ammunition

=fourteen POL

=one ration

=one water One Weapons carrier

One Jeep

Fifteen 1-ton trailers

Thirteen Ammunition trailers

WEAPONS

Eight .50 cal. machine guns, mounted on truck Six .30 cal. machine guns, mounted on truck Thirty one M3 submachine guns

Twenty one M1 carbines Seven 2.36-inch bazookas, carried on truck

carried on weapons carrier

BATTALION MAINTENANCE PLATOON

CAPTAIN

One Motor transport, company commander (bn. motor transport) (c)

WARRANT OFFICER One Motor transport (c)

MASTER SERGEANT

STAFF SERGEANT

SERGEANT

TECHNICAL

SERGEANT

One Chief mechanic (c)

One Motor supply (c)

One Recovery chief (c)

PFC/PRIVATE

One Armorer. jeep driver (smg) One Artillery mechanic (c) Four Automotive mechanics (c) Three Automotive mechanics, one halftrack driver (smg) two truck drivers (smg) Ten Tank mechanics (c)

Two Tank mechanics,

One Radio repairman (c)

PFC/PRIVATE (CONT)

Two Welders (c) Two Wrecker operators (smg)

VEHICLES Two Tank recovery vehicles

One Halftrack Two Heavy wrecking trucks Two 2 1/2-ton trucks =maintenance

WEAPONS

One .50 cal. machine gun, mounted on halftrack Two .30 cal, machine guns. mounted on truck Eight M3 submachine guns Twenty four M1 carbines

Four 2.36-inch bazookas, carried on two recovery vehicles carried on two heavy wreckers

ATTACHED MEDICAL DETACHMENT (attached to battalion headquarters)

two recovery vehicle drivers (smg)

CAPTAIN OR FIRST LIEUTENANT

Two Medical Corps

One Motor (c)

STAFF SERGEANT One Medical

CORPORAL

One Medical

PFC/PRIVATE

Seven Medical-surgical technicians. four jeep drivers

PFC/PRIVATE (CONT)

One Ambulance driver One Weapons carrier driver Six Litter bearers One Basic private

One Jeep

Two 1-ton trailers

VEHICLES

One 3/4-ton ambulance One Weapons carrier Four Jeeps

UNITED STATES MEDIUM TANK BATTALION (1944)

Vehicles, armored and tracked:

- 53 Medium tanks
- 13 Halftracks
- 6 Medium tanks, 105mm
- 3 Halftrack carriers, 81mm mortar
- 17 Light tanks
- 6 Tank recovery vehicles

Vehicles, soft and towed:

- 39 2 1/2-ton trucks
- 2 Heavy wreckers
- 3 Weapons carriers
 - 26 1-ton trailers
- 26 Jeeps
- 20 .50 caliber machine guns
- 12 .30 caliber machine guns
- 437 M3 submachine guns
- 20 M1 rifles
- Personnel:

Weapons:

240 M1 carbines

3 .45 cal. pistols

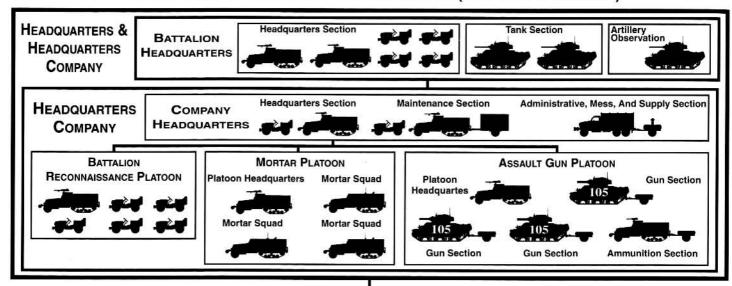
35 2.36-inch bazookas

42 Officers 678 Enlisted men

17 Ammunition trailers

1 3/4-ton ambulance

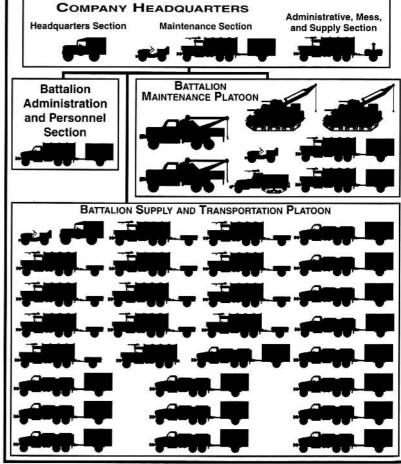
UNITED STATES MEDIUM TANK BATTALION (vehicular schematic)





Attached Medical Detachment (attached to battalion headquarters)





SERVICE COMPANY



GHQ Pack US15 Medium Tank, M4A3, Sherman

Dimensions:

Length/hull 19 ft 4 ins Height 9 ft 2 ins Width 8 ft 7 ins Weight 66, 500 lbs

Performance:

Max Speed 26 mph Range 145 miles

Armament:

One 75mm gun, two .30 cal. MGs, one AA .50 cal. MG

Notes

The various Sherman types differed in the following manner: M4 had a welded hull, the M4A1 a cast hull. The M4A4 & M4A6 featured an extended hull and suspension. Later vehicles had sand shields, the wider M34A1 gun mount, and appliqué armor.



GHO Pack US14

Medium Tank, M4A4, 105mm Howitzer Dimensions:

Length/hull 19 ft 4 ins Height 9 ft 2 ins Width 8 ft 7 ins Weight 66, 500 lbs

Performance: Max Speed

26 mph Range 145 miles

Armament:

One 105mm howitzer and two .30 cal. MGs

Notes

For infantry close support the US Army initially fielded self-propelled 75mm howitzers. For better crew protection and the punch of a bigger gun, the army placed a 105mm howitzer in a M4 turret. Production of howitzer Sherman variants exceeded 5,000 vehicles.

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GHQ Pack US28 Light Tank, M5A1, Stuart

Dimensions:

Length 14 ft 2 ins 7 ft 7 ins Height Width 7 ft 4 ins Weight 33,907 lbs

Performance:

Max Speed Range 70 miles

Armament:

37mm gun, two .30 caliber MGs, one .30 cal AA MG

Notes

By 1942, most World War II combatants had abandoned their light tank formations. The US Army, however, retained its light tank companies. The Stuart made this possible. It was an excellent light tank with a good 37mm main gun and superior armor protection. The design was mechanically sound and very fast.

The M5, driven by twin Cadillac engines, was adopted during February 1942. (The M5 designation was used to avoid confusion with the M4 Sherman) Minor armor modifications resulted in the M5A1, which replaced the M5 early in 1943.



GHQ Pack US51

Halftrack, M3/M3A1, Personnel Carrier Dimensions:

20 ft 3 ins Length Height 8 ft 10 ins Width 6 ft 5 ins Weight 25,500 lbs

Performance:

Max Speed 40 mph Range 175 miles

Armament:

One AA machine gun

Notes

The M3 and M3A1 seated ten infantry men in the rear compartment and three in the cab. The M2, M3/M3A1 and all variants featured an unditching roller or winch on the front end.



GHQ Pack US30 M31, Armored Recovery Vehicle

Dimensions:

Length 26 ft 5 ins 9 ft 9 ins Height Width 8 ft 4 ins Weight 60,000 lbs

Performance:

Max Speed 25 mph Range 110 miles

Armament:

Dummy main and secondary armament

Notes

As heavier tanks entered service, the need for heavier wreckers became evident. During 1942 the US Army adopted the obsolescent M3 Grant/Lee tank for this role. The hull was modified to accommodate a crane arm and winch. All armament was stripped except for a hullmounted machine gun. Numerous stowage boxes were also added for tools and spares.

Over 800 M31s were built.



GHQ Pack US39

Truck, 3/4-ton, 4x4, Weapons Carrier **Dimensions:**

Length 13 ft 11 ins Height 6 ft 10 ins 5,400 lbs Width 6 ft 7 ins Weight Performance:

Max Speed 54 mph 240 miles

Armament:

None

Notes
Introduced during 1942, the Dodge 3/4-ton 4x4 range of vehicles were known as Weapons Carriers, Big Jeeps, or "Beeps." It was slightly wider than the jeep and thus carried a reinforced suspension. Despite larger tires, for superior flotation, the weapons carrier presented a lower silhouette than the jeep.

Originally intended to transport the heavy weapons of rifle companies, the weapons carrier proved so successful its role was expanded to light cargo and general purpose truck.

The beep came in many variants, principal of which were the WC51 weapons carrier, the WC56 command and recon vehicles, and the WC64 ambulance.



GHQ Pack US7 and US37 Truck, 2 1/2-ton, 6x6

Dimensions:

Length 22 ft 5 ins Height 9 ft 11 ins Width 8 ft 0 ins Weight 18,424 lbs (loaded) 26,320 lbs

Performance:

Max Speed 40 mph Range

Armament: One AA machine gun

Notes

In 1939 the US Army issued a series of new truck design requirements. Truck specifications were divided into four categories: 1/2-ton, 2 1/2-ton, 4-ton, and 7 1/2-ton.

By June 1940 the US Army approved the GMC designed "deuce and a half." Early versions of this vehicle were shipped to Great Britain via Lend Lease.

By 1943 the steel cab was dropped in favor of a soft top canvas tilt. This was a done as a space saving consideration for ship board transport, when the trucks were partially disassembled, palletized, and stacked. Remaining hard cabs, including over 100,000 Studebakers, were shipped Lend Lease to Russia.



GHQ Pack US11 and US58 (trailer) Truck, 1/2-ton, Utility, 4x4, Jeep

3 ft 9 ins

Dimensions: 11 ft 0 ins

Length Height Width 5 ft 2 ins Weight 2.750 lbs Performance: Max Speed 302 miles

Armament:

A wide range of weaponry depending on variant

Notes
During June 1940, the US Army drafted requirements for a 'go anywhere" light command and reconnaissance car. After a lengthy evaluation process the contract was awarded to Willys-Overland of Toledo Ohio. Several months into the contract it became apparent that Willys was unable to match production demands. Manufacturing during the war was thus jointly shared between Willys and Ford. A total of 639,245 jeeps were built.

The jeep served in every theater of operations, in scores of field modifications and standardized variants. Via Lend-Lease, it found its way into every Allied army. A military classic: the jeep more than any other vehicle symbolized the American military of World War II.