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RESPECT
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UH-60 BLACK HAWK

Mission

To provide air assault, general support, aeromedical evacuation, command and control, and support to combat and other operations

Entered Army Service

1979

Description and Specifications

The UH-60 Black Hawk is a utility tactical transport helicopter that replaces the UH-1 "Huey". The versatile Black Hawk has enhanced the overall mobility of the Army, due to dramatic improvements in troop capacity and cargo lift capability, and will serve as the Army's utility helicopter in the objective force. On the asymmetric battlefield, it provides commanders the agility to get to the fight quicker and to mass effects throughout the battlespace across the full-spectrum of conflict. An entire 11-person, fully equipped infantry squad can be lifted in a single Black Hawk, transported faster than in predecessor systems, in most weather conditions. The Black Hawk can reposition a 105mm Howitzer, its crew of six, and lift up to 30 rounds of ammunition in a single lift. The aircraft's critical components and systems are armored or redundant, and its airframe is designed to progressively crush on impact to protect crew and passengers.



Minnesota National Guard UH-60 Black Hawk over Baghdad

	UH-60A	UH-60L
<i>Mass gross weight:</i>	20,250 lbs	22,000 lbs or 23,500 (external cargo)
<i>Cruise speed:</i>	139 kt	150 kt
<i>Endurance:</i>	2.3 hours	2.1 hours
<i>Maximum Range:</i>	320 nm	306 nm
<i>External load:</i>	8,000 lbs	9,000 lbs
<i>Internal load:</i>	2,640 lbs (or 11 combat-equipped troops)	
<i>Crew:</i>	4 (2 pilots, 2 crew chiefs)	
<i>Armament:</i>	Two 7.62mm machine guns	

[Information courtesy Army.mil](#)

Manufacturer

United Technologies, General Electric

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