From the J-Vault: Jews in Uniform

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This week, from the J-Vault: Jews in the United States Army and Navy (1917)

In 1917, the American Jewish Committee (AJC) sent out letters to regimental post commanders in the American military in order to attempt to determine the number and proportion of Jews serving in uniform. The estimate they arrived at was roughly 6%.

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Today, the blog Jews in Green estimates that this number is less than 1%, although there is still no truly accurate way to tell.

Whatever the proportions, however, many Jews do serve in the US armed forces. Click here to sponsor a Passover meal for a deployed Jewish soldier via koshertroops.com. The Aleph Institute also conducts programs to support Jewish life in the military.

