## Organization of British Armored Brigades Structure and Brigade Elemental Assignments by Regiment 1939-1945

# Part 1 - Internal Organization

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Light Armored Brigade - No. I September 1939
HQ Light Armored Brigade
     6 Light Tanks
     4 Heavy Cruiser Tanks
3 Light Armored Regiments, each with
    HQ Light Armored Regiment, with
          4 Light Cruiser Tanks
    HQ Squadron
     2 Light Tank Squadrons, each with
          1 Sqn HQ, with
               3 Light Tanks
          5 Tank Troops, each with
               3 Light Tanks
     1 Squadron Light Cruisers, with
          1 Sqn HQ, with
               3 Light Cruiser Tanks
          5 Tank Troops, each with
               3 Light Cruiser Tanks
Total in a Light Regiment 22 Light Cruisers & 33 Light Tanks
                          24 officers and 492 enlisted.
Heavy Armored Brigade - No. II September 1939
HQ Heavy Armored Brigade, with
     6 Light Tanks
     4 Heavy Cruiser Tanks
3 HQ Heavy Armored Regiments (or Battalions), each with
          2 Light Tanks
          2 Close Support Cruiser Tanks
     1 HQ Squadron
     3 Tank Squadrons, each with
          1 Sqn HQ, with
               1 Light Tank
               2 Close Support Cruisers
          1 Light 1/2 Squadron
               1/2 Sqn HQ, with
                    1 Light Tank
          3 Tank Troops
               2 Light Cruisers
          1 Heavy 1/2 Squadron
               1/2 Heavy Sqn HQ, with
                    1 Heavy Cruiser Tank
               2 Tank Troops, each with
                    2 Heavy Cruisers
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Total in a Heavy Regiment 26 Light, 15 Heavy & 8 Close Support Cruisers, 30 officers and 573 enlisted.

Armored Brigade - No. III May 1940 HQ Armored Brigade & HQ Squadron 10 Cruiser Tanks 3 Armored Regiments, each with 1 Armored Regiment HQ, with 4 Cruiser Tanks 1 Tank Squadron HQ 3 Tank Squadrons, each with 1 Squadron HQ, with 2 Cruiser Tanks 2 Close Support Cruiser Tanks 4 Tank Troops, each with 3 Cruiser Tanks Total in a Armored reqt 46 Cruisers & 6 Close Support Cruisers. 31 officers and 546 enlisted. Armored Brigade - No. IV October 1940 Armored Brigade HQ and HQ Squadron, with 10 Cruiser Tanks 1 Motorized Infantry Battalion 3 Armored Regiments, each with 1 Armored Regiment HQ, with 4 Cruiser Tanks 1 Squadron HQ, with 4 Cruiser Tanks 3 Squadrons, each with 14 Cruiser Tanks 2 Close Support Cruiser Tanks Armored Regiment had 46 Cruiser Tanks and 6 Close Support Cruiser Tanks. Armored Brigade (Middle East) - No. V February 1942 HQ Armored Brigade Group & HQ Squadron, with 10 Cruiser Tanks 1 Signals Squadron 3 Armored Regiments 1 Motorized Infantry Battalion 1 Royal Horse Artillery Regiment, with 3 25pdr Batteries 1 Anti-Tank Battery, with 16 guns 1 Light AA Battery, with 18 guns 1 Troop Field Squadron Royal Engineers Administrative Services, including Light Field Ambulance 2 Royal Army Service Corps Companies Armored Brigade Ordnance Company Brigade Group Provost Unit Postal Detachment FFS Sub-section

First type of Armored Regiment Second type of Armored Brigade HQ Armored Regiment, with HQ Armored Regiment, with 4 Stuart Tanks 4 Crusader Tanks 1 HQ Squadron 1 HQ Squadron 1 Squadron Stuarts, with 2 Squadrons Crusaders, with 1 Squadron HQ, with 1 Squadron HQ, with 4 Stuart Tanks 4 Crusader Tanks 4 Tank Troops, each with 4 Tank Troops, each with 4 Stuart Tanks 4 Crusader Tanks 2 Squadrons Grants, with 1 Squadron Grant, with 1 Squadron HQ, with 1 Squadron HQ, with 3 Grant Tanks 3 Grant Tanks 4 Tank Troops, each with 4 Tank Troops, each with 3 Grant Tanks 3 Grant Tanks Total 35 Crusaders & 12 Grants Total 20 Stuarts & 24 Grants Armored Brigade (Middle East) - No. VI August 1942 HQ Armored Brigade (Middle East) & HQ Sqn, with 8 Sherman Tanks, 1 Motorized Infantry Battalion 3 Armored Regiments, each with 1 HQ Armored Regiment, with 4 Sherman Tanks 4 AA Tanks 1 HQ Squadron 3 Squadrons, each with 1 Squadron HQ, with 4 Sherman Tanks 4 Troops, each with 3 Sherman Tanks Total 164 Shermans & 12 AA tanks, 54 officers and 600 enlisted. Armored Brigade (UK) - No. VII August 1942 HQ Armored Brigade & HQ Squadron, with 10 Cruiser Tanks 1 Motorized Infantry Battalion 3 Armored Regiments, each with 1 HQ Armored Regiment, with 4 Cruiser Tanks 8 AA Tanks 1 HQ Squadron 3 Squadrons, each with 1 Squadron HQ, with 2 Cruiser Tanks 2 Close Support Cruiser Tanks 5 Troops, each with 3 Cruiser Tanks

Armored Regiment had 55 Cruiser Tanks, 6 Close Support Cruisers, 8 AA Tanks, 36 officers and 644 enlisted.

Armored Brigade - No. VIII November 1943 HQ Armored Brigade & HQ Squadron, with 10 Cruiser Tanks 3 Armored Regiments, with 1 HQ Squadron, with 4 Cruiser Tanks 1 Reconnaissance Troop, with 11 Light Tanks AA Troop, with 6 AA tanks 3 Tank Squadrons, each with 1 Squadron HQ, with 3 Cruiser Tanks 2 Close Support Cruiser Tanks 5 Tank Troops, each with 3 Cruiser Tanks Total in armored regiment - 55 cruiser tanks, 6 close support cruisers, 11 light cruisers and 6 AA tanks, 37 officers & 655 enlisted. Armored Brigade - No. IX May 1945 HQ Armored Brigade (Type B) and HQ Squadron, with 7 Cruiser or Infantry Tanks 8 OP Tanks 2 AA Tanks 3 Armored Regiments, each with 1 HQ Squadron, with 1 Reconnaissance Troop, with 11 Light Tanks 1 AA Troop, with 6 AA Tanks 3 Tank Squadrons, each with 1 HQ Squadron, with 2 Cruiser Tanks 8 OP Tanks 2 Close Support Tanks 5 Tank Troops, each with 3 Cruiser or Infantry Tanks

Total in armored regiment - 55 cruisers, 6 close support tanks, 11 light tanks, and 6 AA tanks, 39 officers and 659 enlisted.

## Part II - Elemental Assignments in Specific Brigades

1st Light Armored Brigade See 1st Armored Brigade. 2nd Light Armored Brigade See 2nd Armored Brigade. 2nd Light Armored Brigade (Egypt) See 7th Armored Brigade. 1st Heavy Armored Brigade See 3rd Armored Brigade. Heavy Armored Brigade (Egypt) See 4th Armored Brigade. 1st Armored Brigade - Regular armored brigade in UK with the title 1st Light 9/39 Armored Brigade. 4/14/40 - Redesignated 1st Armored Brigade. 3/7/42 - Organized as an armored brigade group. 6/6/42 - Reorganized and designated as 1st Armored Brigade (Tank Delivery Troop. 10/4/42 - Redesignated as 1st Armored Brigade (Tank Reorganization Group). 11/21/42- Brigade HQ disbanded in the Middle East. Assigned Units 4th Hussars 9/3/39-6/5/42 King's Dragoon Guards 9/3/39-1/24/41 3rd Hussars 9/3/39-8/14/40 3rd Royal Tank Regiment 8/11/40-10/28/40 2/13/41-8/8/41 5/10/41-8/8/41 8th Hussars 1/21/42-6/1/42 2/5/42-6/5/42 1st Royal Tank Regiment 6th Royal Tank Regiment 1st Rangers 2/25/41-3/21/41 9th King's Royal Rifle Corps 3/22/41-2/11/42 Assigned From March-June 1942 104th Royal Horse Artillery 11th Foresters 6th Company, Royal Army Service Corps 307th Company, Royal Army Service Corps 7th Field Troop, Royal Engineers (5/4/42) 20th Field Troop, Royal Engineers (5/4/42) Units assigned for operations in Greece, 2/26/41-5/1/41 2nd Royal Horse Artillery 102nd (Northumberland Hussar) Anti-Tank Regiment 155th Light AA Regiment 1st Armored Brigade Company, Royal Army Service Corps 1 Support Group, Royal Army Service Corps 3rd Field Squadron, Royal Engineers 142nd Field Park Squadron, Royal Engineers 4th Light Field Ambulance

#### 1st Armored Reconnaissance Brigade

3/30/40 - Brigade HQ formed in France. 11/26/40 - Redesignated as 27th Armored Brigade.

Assigned Units	
lst East Riding Yeomanry	3/30/40-11/25/40
lst Fife and Forfar Yeomanry	4/7/40-6/17/40
4/7th Dragoon Guards	6/18/40-11/25/40
13/18th Hussars	6/18/40-11/25/40

#### 1st Assault Brigade Royal Engineers

11/26/43- Brigade HQ formed in UK by redesignation and reorganization of HQ Engineer Assault Troops.
5/10/44 - Redesignated as 1st Assault Brigade and Assault Park Squadron Royal Engineers.
1/17/45 - Redesignated as 1st Assault Brigade, Royal Engineers.
4/23/45 - Redesignated as 1st Armored Engineer Brigade.
7/30/45 - Brigade HQ disbanded.

Assigned Units	
5th Assault Regiment, RE	11/26/43-4/22/45
6th Assault Regiment, RE	11/26/43-4/22/45
42nd Assault Regiment, RE	11/26/43-4/22/45
557th Assault Training Regiment, RE	1/8/45-4/23/45
149th Assault Park Squadron, RE	1/18/45-4/22/45
87th Assault Dozer Squadron, RE	3/1/45-4/22/45
5th Armored Engineer Regiment	4/23/45-7/14/45
6th Armored Engineer Regiment	4/23/45-7/24/45
42nd Armored Engineer Regiment	4/23/45-7/12/45
149th Armored Engineer Park Squadron	4/23/45-7/12/45
557th Armored Engineer Training &	
Experimental Establishment	4/24/45-7/12/45

#### 2nd Armored Brigade

9/3/39 - A regular armored brigade in the UK with the title 2nd Light Armored Brigade.
4/14/40 - Redesignated as 2nd Armored Brigade.
3/4/42 - Reorganized as an armored brigade group.
7/7/42 - Reverted to the status of an armored brigade.
5/1/45 - Reorganized as an armored brigade, Type "A".

Assigned Units 9/3/39-06/26/42 Bays 8/2/42-8/31/45 10th Hussars 9/3/39-7/4/42 8/2/42-8/31/45 9th Lancers 9/3/39-6/30/42 8/2/42-8/31/45 1st Rifle Brigade 10/31/40-6/19/42 3/5th Royal Tanks 7/7/42-8/1/42 3rd Sharpshooters 7/7/42-7/13/42 6th Royal Tanks 7/7/42-8/1/42 1st Kings Royal Rifles 7/7/42-8/1/42 6/22/43-6/29/44 8/16/44-12/16/44 9th Kings Royal Rifles 8/13/42-8/20/42 Yorkshire Dragoons 8/24-42-12/18/42 9th Kings Own Yorkshire Light Infantry 12/19/42-6/22/43

## 2nd Armored Reconnaissance Brigade

3/30/40 - Brigade HQ formed in France. 6/23/40 - Redesignated and reorganized as 3rd Motor Machine Gun Brigade. Assigned Units 5th Dragoon Guards 3/30/40-6/22/40 3/30/40-6/22/40 15/19th Hussars 1st Fife and Forfar Yeomanry 6/18/40-6/22/40 3rd Armored Brigade 9/39 - A regular armored brigade in the UK entitled the 1st Heavy Armored brigade. 4/14/40 - Redesignated as 3rd Armored Brigade. 9/18/41 - Brigade ceased to be operational. 1/11/43 - Brigade HQ disbanded in Middle East. Assigned Units 2nd Royal Tanks 9/3/39-8/11/40 3rd Royal Tanks 9/3/39-5/22/40 6/19/40-6/30/40 10/29/40-1/25/41 5th Royal Tanks 9/3/39-2/18/41 3/24/41-4/14/41 King's Dragoon Guards 2/26/41-3/22/41 3rd Hussars 2/26/41-4/14/41 6th Royal Tanks 2/26/41-4/14/41 1st Royal Tanks 4/9/41-9/18/41 "D" Squadron, 7th Royal Tanks 4/16/41-9/18/41 Forces added from 2/25/41-3/19/41 1st Royal Horse Artillery 1st Light AA Battery Australian Field Regiment, Royal Austrian Artillery 1st Tower Hamlet Rifles 18th Australian Infantry Brigade Anti-tank Company Free French Motorized Battalion 4th Field Squadron, Royal Engineers 3rd Armored Brigade Company, Royal Army Service Corps 3rd Light Field Ambulance 4th Armored Brigade 9/3/39 - A regular armored brigade in Egypt with the title Heavy Armored Brigade (Egypt). 2/16/40 - Redesignated 4th Heavy Armored Brigade. 4/14/40 - Redesignated 4th Armored Brigade. 2/9/42 - Reorganized as 4th Armored Brigade Group. 6/6/43 - Reverted to the role of an armored brigade. 2/2/45 - Reorganized as an Armored Brigade, Type "A". Assigned Units 1st Royal Tanks 9/3/39-4/10/40 6/3/42-7/7/42 6th Royal Tanks 9/3/39-1/19/41 6/7/42-7/7/42 7th Hussars 4/10/40-5/3/41 2nd Royal Tanks 20/13/40-4/16/41

8th Hussars	4/17/41-5/3/41 7/31/41-2/8/42
4th Royal Tanks 5th Royal Tanks	2/14/42-6/2/42 5/4/41-7/27/41 5/4/41-7/27/41 7/31/41-6/7/42
7th Royal Tanks 44th Royal Tanks	5/4/41-7/11/41 7/1/41-7/27/41 7/13/43-8/31/45
3rd Royal Tanks	7/31/41-6/7/42
4/8th Hussars	7/14/42-11/23/42
8th Royal Tanks	6/7/42-7/7/42
11th Hussars	7/16/42-11/22/42
12th Lancers	7/18/42-9/12/42
Greys	9/16/42-11/23/42
2nd Derbyshire Yeomanry Royals	1/27/44-4/29/45 10/4/42-11/15/43 5/12/42-5/21/43
King's Dragoon Guards	3/12/42-4/30/43
3rd County of London Yeomanry	7/13/43-7/28/43
1st East Riding Yeomanry	6/14/45-8/31/45
1st King Royal Rifle Corps	2/1/42-7/7/42
9th Rifle Brigade	7/18/42-8/3/42
2nd Kings Royal Rifle Corps	12/24/42-5/21/43
1st Royal Horse Artillery 104th Royal Horse Artillery	9/28/43-5/14/45 2/9/42-7/7/42 7/13/42-7/18/42
3rd Royal Horse Artillery	7/18/42-4/30/42
78th Field Regiment	4/30/43-5/21/43
Troop, 169th Light AA Battery	4/25/42-5/3/42
Troop, 171st Light AA Battery	5/21/42-7/7/42
Troop, 113th Light AA Battery	7/14/42-9/12/42
Troop, 42nd Light AA Battery	9/12/42-4/28/43
Troop, 175th Light AA Battery Troop, 4th Field Squadron, RE	4/28/43-5/21/43 2/9/42-7/7/42 8/3/42-10/2/42
Troop, 3rd Field Squadron, RE	1/14/43-3/28/43
Troop, 21st Field Squadron, RE	7/13/42-8/3/42
Troop, 629th Field Squadron, RE	10/27/42-1/14/43
Troop, 572nd Field Squadron, RE	4/28/43-5/6/43
5th Co, Royal Army Service Corps	5/6/43-5/21/43
58th Co, Royal Army Service Corps	2/9/42-5/21/43
151st Light Field Ambulance	2/9/42-7/7/42
14th Light Field Ambulance	7/16/42-5/21/43

## 5th Guards Armored Brigade

9/15/41 - Brigade HQ formed in the UK by the redesignation of the 20th Independent (Guards) Infantry Brigade.
2/2/45 - Reorganized as an Armored Brigade, Type "A".
6/12/45 - Redesignated 5th Guards Brigade.

# Assigned Units:

2nd Armored Grenadier Guards	9/15/41-6/11/45
1st Armored Coldstream Guards	9/15/41-6/11/45
2nd Armored Independent Guards	9/15/41-6/11/45
1st Motorized Grenadier Guards	9/15/41-6/11/45

6th Guards Armored Brigade			
9/15/41 - Formed in the UK by	9/15/41 - Formed in the UK by the conversion of the 30th Independent (Guards)		
Infantry Brigade.			
1/15/43 - Redesignated and re	eorganized as the 6th Guards Tank		
Brigade.			
2/2/45 - Reformed by redesid	nation and reorganization of 6th		
	as an Armored Brigade, Type "A".		
6/17/45 - Redesignated as 6th			
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Assigned Units			
4th Armored Grenadier Guards	9/15/41-1/14/43		
	2/2/45-6/16/45		
3rd Armored Scots Guards	9/15/41-1/14/43		
	2/2/45-6/16/45		
2nd Armored Wels Guards	9/15/41-1/11/43		
4th Armored Coldstream Guards	s 2/2/45-6/16/45		
4th Motorized Coldstream Gua	rds 9/15/41-1/14/43		
7th Armored Brigade			
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Light Armored Briga			
2/16/40 - Redesignated as 7th			
4/14/40 - Redesignated as the			
3/1/42 - Reorganized as an a	-		
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When forming an Armored Brigade Group, the following were added 414th Battery, Royal Horse Artillery to 8/31/42 14th Royal horse Artillery from 9/1/42 "A" Battery, 95th Anti-tank Regiment to 11/20/42 65th Company, Royal Army Service Corps 13th Light Field Ambulance Armored Brigade Ordnance, RAOC Field Park

## 8th Armored Brigade

8/1/41 - Formed in Palestine by the redesignation of the 6th Cavalry Brigade.
11/19/42- Reorganized as an independent armored brigade.
2/2/45 - Reorganized as an armored brigade type "A".

Assigned Units	
Nottinghamshire Yeomanry	8/1/41-8/30/45
Staffordshire Yeomanry	8/1/41-2/13/44
Greys	8/1/41-6/30/42
3rd Royal Tanks	7/12/42-2/6/44
24th Lancers	2/8/44-7/29/44
4/7th Dragoon Guards	2/27/44-8/31/45
13/18th Hussars	7/29/44-8/31/45
lst Buffs	3/14/42-6/17/43
7th Rifle Brigade	7/1/43-11/3/43
12th Kings Royal Rifle Corps	3/11/44-8/31/45

Note: In February 1942 this brigade did not change completely into organization No. VI, owing to the non-availability of royal artillery and royal engineer units in the Middle East command.

#### 9th Armored Brigade

8/3/41 - Formed in Syria by the conversion of the 4th Cavalry Brigade.
3/19/42 - Reorganized as an independent armored brigade.
11/12/42- Reorganized as an armored brigade.
5/28/43 - Reorganized as an independent armored brigade.

Assigned Units	
Royal Wiltshire Yeomanry	8/3/41-5/27/43
	8/13/43-10/8/44
Warwickshire Yeomanry	8/3/41-5/27/43
	8/23/43-10/8/44
1st Household Cavalry Regiment	8/3/41-10/9/41
Yorkshire Hussars	10/10/41-3/13/42
3rd Hussars	3/16/42-5/27/43
	8/23/43-8/30/44
	10/6/44-12/30/44
4th Hussars	10/26/44-5/6/45
7th Hussars	10/26/44-7/8/45
8th Royal Tanks	7/11/45-8/31/45
14th Sherwood Foresters	8/10/42-12/9/42
11th Kings Royal Rifle Corps	12/9/42-5/27/43
7th Rifle Brigade	11/4/43-5/21/44

7/2/44-8/16/44 12/16/44-2/3/45

#### 10th Armored Brigade

11/1/41 - Formed by conversion of 125th Infantry Brigade. 7/25/42 - Redesignated 10th Armored Brigade and reorganized.

#### Assigned Units

Corps	11/1/41-7/24/42
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Infantry	11/17/41-6/13/42
	Corps Corps

#### 11th Armored Brigade

11/1/41 - Formed by conversion of 126th Infantry Brigade. 7/25/42 - Redesignated 11th Armored Brigade and reorganized.

#### Assigned Units

107th Royal Armored Corps	11/1/41-7/24/42
110th Royal Armored Corps	11/1/41-7/24/42
111th Royal Armored Corps	11/1/41-7/24/42
1st Highland Light Infantry	11/1/41-6/14/42

## 12th to 19th Armored Brigades

Not formed.

# 20th Light Armored Brigade

See 20th Armored Brigade.

#### 20th Armored Brigade

9/3/39 - Formed in UK as 20th Light Armored Brigade with Territorial Army units.
4/14/40 - Redesignated as 20th Armored Brigade.
4/30/43 - Brigade HQ disbanded in UK.

#### Assigned Units

Royal Glouchestershire Hussars	9/3/39-4/6/43
1st Northamptonshire Yeomanry	9/3/39-4/3/43
2nd Northamptonshire Yeomanry	9/3/39-4/20/43
2nd Rangers	10/15/40-3/21/41
10th Kings Royal Rifle Corps	3/22/41-1/7/43

#### 21st Armored Brigade

6/11/45 - Formed in Italy by redesignation of 21st Tank Brigade as an armored brigade, type "B".

Assigned Units	
12th Royal Tanks	6/11/45-8/31/45
48th Royal Tanks	6/11/45-8/31/45
North Irish Hussars	6/11/45-8/11/45

## 22nd Heavy Armored Brigade

See 22nd Armored Brigade.

#### 22nd Armored Brigade

9/3/39 - Formed in UK with Territorial Army units with the title 22nd Heavy Armored Brigade.

4/14/40 - Redesignated 22nd Armored Brigade.

3/4//42 - Redesignated 22nd Armored Brigade Group. 9/17/42 - Reverted to the role of an armored brigade. 2/2/45 - Reorganized as an armored brigade, Type "A". Assigned Units Abbright2nd Royal Glouchestershire Hussars3rd Sharpshooters9/3/39-9/16/424th County of London Yeomanry9/3/39-7/29/441st Royal Tanks5th Royal Tanks9/17/42-8/31/455th Dragoon Guards2nd King's Royal Rifle Corps11/23/40-8/2/4150th Reconnaissance Regiment2/16/42-6/19/421et Rifle Brigade 2nd Royal Glouchestershire Hussars9/3/39-9/16/423rd Sharpshooters9/3/39-9/16/42 Units Assigned when Armored Brigade Group UnitsAssignedwhenArmoredBrigadeGroup107thRoyalHorseArtillery3/4/42-6/6/422ndRoyalHorseArtillery6/25/42-8/2/421stRoyalHorseArtillery8/2/42-9/12/42Troop,7thFieldSquadron,RE13/7thFieldSquadron,RE4/1/42-6/21/4220thFieldSquadron,RE6/21/42-9/10/42Troop,4thFieldSquadron,RE67thCompany,RoyalArmyService3/4/42-6/16/42432thCompanyBoyalArmyService3/4/42-6/16/42432th Company, Royal Army Service Corps 3/4/42-6/16/42 2nd Light Field Ambulance 3/4/42-6/16/42 23rd Armored Brigade 11/1/40 - Formed by redesignation 23rd Army Tank Brigade and reorganized. 7/12/42 - Reorganized as an independent armored group. 8/44 - Reorganized as an infantry brigade group 1/45 - Reverted to and reorganized as an armored brigade group. Assigned Units 40th Royal Tanks 11/1/40-8/31/45 46th Royal Tanks 11/1/40-12/1/42 6/28/43-1/4/44 7/22/44-8/31/45 50th Royal Tanks 11/1/40-8/31/45 50th Royal lanks 1st London Rifle Brigade 

 1st London Rifle Brigade
 2/12/40-1/18/41

 7th Rifle Brigade
 1/19/41-8/11/42

 11th Kings Royal Rifle Corps
 11/4/42-8/31/45

 Units assigned when formed into a Brigade Group in July 1942 5th Royal Horse Artillery7/18/2-9/29/42 

 121st Field Regiment (Self Propelled)
 9/29/42-11/17/42

 463rd Battery, 104th RHA
 9/8/44-2/15/45

 37th Light AA Battery
 7/12/42-9/29/42

 168th Light AA Battery
 9/29/42-11/17/42

 Troop, 9th Field Squadron, RE
 7/12/42-9/13/42

 295th Field Company, RE
 2/22/43-5/4/43

 626th Field Company, RE
 9/27/42-11/1/42

 1238th Field Company, RE
 10/3/44-4/2/45

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## 24th Armored Brigade

11/1/40 - Formed in UK by the redesignation Tank Brigade.	tion of 24th Army	
8/30/42 - Redesignated as 24th Armored Brigade Group.		
12/15/42- Ceased to be an armored brigad		
3/1/43 - Brigade HQ disbanded in Middle		
8/23/43 - Reformed in Middle East as a new 24th Armored Brigade (Dummy Tanks) by redesignation of 74th Armored Brigade (Dummy Tanks).		
5/26/44 - Redesignated as 87th Armored 1	Brigade (Dummy Tanks).	
7/14/44 - Reformed as an armored brigade (dummy tanks) by redesignation of 87th Armored Brigade (Dummy Tanks).		
9/29/44 - Redesignated and reorganized a the UK.		
Units Assigned		
41st Royal Tanks	11/1/40-12/9/42	
45th Royal Tanks	11/1/40-2/28/43	
47th Royal Tanks	11/1/40 - 1/15/42	
2nd Royal Glouchestershire Hussars	12/9/42-1/15/42	
lst Queen's Westminsters	12/1/40-8/31/45	
11th King's Royal Rifle Corps	2/1/41-12/3/42	
Units Assigned to form the Armored Brig	ada Croup.	
5th Royal Horse Artillery	$\frac{10}{10/12/42} - \frac{10}{31/42}$	
"B" Battery, 73rd Anti-tank Regt	10/12/42-10/31/42	
116th Light AA Battery	10/12/42-10/31/42	
Troop, 6th Field Sqn, Royal Engineers	8/30/42-10/31/42	
332nd Company, Royal Army Service Corps		
334th Company, Royal Army Service Corps		
6th Light Field Ambulance	8/30/42-12/14/42	
Units Assigned from August 1943 to form	the Dummy Tanks Brigade	
<u>39th Royal Tanks</u>	8/29/43-8/26/43	
101st Royal Tanks	8/29/43-8/26/43	
102nd Royal Tanks	8/29/43-8/26/43	
62nd Royal Tanks	8/26/43-5/25/44	
	7/14/44-9/17/44	
65th Royal Tanks	8/26/43-2/14/44	
60th Royal Tanks	2/15/44-5/25/44	
	7/14/44-9/17/44	
"K" Det SAS Brigade	7/14/44-9/17/44	

## 25th Armored Brigade

1/5/45 - Formed in Italy as a "B" Assault Brigade RAC/RE. HQ
was formed by redesignation and reorganization of the
HQ 25th Tank Brigade.

4/6/45 - Redesignated as 25th Armored Engineer Brigade, Royal Engineers.

Units Assigned	
51st Royal Tanks	1/5/45-5/13/45
"C" Sqn, 51st Royal Tanks	5/13/45-6/22/45
"A" Armored Regiment, RE	1/5/45-5/4/45
"B" Armored Regiment, RE	1/5/45-5/4/45
1st Armored Engineer Regiment	4/6/45-8/31/45
2nd Armored Engineer Regiment	4/6/45-8/31/45
"C" Armored Park Sqn, RE	1/5/45-5/4/45
631st Armored Engineer Park Sqn	4/6/45-8/19/45

## 26th Armored Brigade

10/12/40 - Formed by redesignation of 1st Motor Machine Gun Brigade in UK.

Assigned Units 16/5th Lancers

16/5th Lancers	10/12/40-1/9/44
	3/29/44-8/31/45
17/21st Lancers	10/12/40-8/31/45
2nd Lothian and Border Horse	10/12/40-7/17/45
4th Hussars	7/28/45-8/31/45
2nd Tower Hamlets Rifles	10/16/40-1/14/41
10th Rifle Brigade	1/15/41-5/29/44
lst Kings Royal Rifle Corps	7/22/45-8/31/45

## 27th Armored Brigade

11/28/40- Formed in UK by the redesignation of the 1st Armored Reconnaissance Brigade.

7/30/44 - Brigade HQ disbanded in NW Europe.

Assigned Units	
4/7th Dragoon Guards	11/26/40-1/31/44
13/18th Hussars	11/26/40-7/29/44
lst East Riding Yeomanry	11/26/40-10/8/43
	2/14/44-7/29/44
148th Royal Armored Car Regt	10/8/43-1/31/44
Staffordshire Yeomanry	2/14/44-7/29/44
lst Queen Victoria's Rifles	12/2/40-3/31/41
7th Kings Royal Rifle Corps	4/1/41-4/13/43

#### 28th Armored Brigade

12/1/40 - Formed in UK by the redesignation of the 3rd Motor Machine Gun Brigade. 8/21/44 - Brigade HQ disbanded in UK.

Assigned Units	
5th Dragoon Guards	12/1/40-7/13/44
15/19th Hussars	12/1/40- 6/20/44
lst Fife and Forfar Yeomanry	12/1/40- 8/20/44
2nd Queen Victoria's Rifles	12/1/40- 1/14/41
8th Kings Royal Rifle Corps	1/15/41-7/10/44

#### 29th Armored Brigade

12/28/40 - HQ formed in UK.

Assigned Units	
22nd Dragoons	12/30/40-1/8/41
24th Lancers	12/30/40-6/2/44
23rd hussars	1/8/41-8/31/45
2nd Fife and Forfar Yeomanry	6/7/41-8/31/45
3rd Royal Tanks	2/6/44-8/31/45
3rd London Rifle Brigade	1/9/41-1/17/41
8th Rifle Brigade	1/18/41-8/31/45

## 30th Armored Brigade

12/27/40 - Brigade HQ formed in UK. 2/2/45 - Became an Armored Brigade, Type "B".

Assigned Units	
23rd Hussars	12/39/40-1/8/41
22nd Dragoons	1/8/41-8/31/45
Westminster Dragoons	3/8/41-8/31/45
1st Lothians and Border Horse	3/9/41-8/31/45
2nd Queen's Westminsters	12/27/40-3/25/41
12th Kings Royal Rifle Corps	3/26/41-10/15/43
141st Royal Armored Car Regt	7/2/44-9/4/44
11th Royal Tanks	23/22/44-2/27/45
	3/31/45-4/25/45
4th Royal Tanks	3/30/45-4/24/45

4th Royal Tanks

## 31st Armored Brigade

2/2/45 - Formed in NW Europe as an Armored Brigade, Type "B" by the redesignation of the 31st Tank Brigade.

Assigned Units -

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141st Royal Armored Car Regiment	2/2/45-8/27/45
1st Fife and Forfar Yeomanry	2/2/45-6/6/45
49th Armored Personnel Carrier Regt	2/2/45-7/1/45
1st Canadian Armored Personnel Carrier Regt	2/2/455/15/45
7th Royal Tanks	2/14/45-8/31/45
4th Royal Tanks	4/15/45-6/9/45
Staffordshire Yeomanry	4/18/45-4/28/45
Greys	6/6/45-8/31/45
3rd Royal Tanks	8/28/45-8/31/45

32nd Armored Brigade

Not formed.

#### 33rd Armored

3/17/44 - Formed in UK by redesignation of 33rd Tank Brigade. - Became Armored Brigade, Type "B". 2/45 8/22/45 - Brigade HQ disbanded in NW Europe.

Assigned Units

3/17/44-8/18/45
3/17/44-2/28/45
3/17/44-8/16/44
8/16/44-4/23/45
3/1/45-3/30/45
1/28/45-3/30/45

4/26/45-8/19/45 4/26/45-6/26/45

Staffordshire Yeomanry

#### 34th Armored Brigade

2/2/45 - Formed in NW Europe by the redesignation of the 34th Tank Brigade as an Armored Brigade, Type "B".

Assigned Units	
9th Royal Tanks	2/2/45-7/1/45
107th Royal Armored Car Regiment	2/2/45-8/31/45
147th Royal Armored Car Regiment	2/2/45-6/30/45
lst Fife and Forfar Yeomanry	6/6/45-8/31/45
4th Royal Tanks	6/9/45-8/31/45

#### 35th Armored Brigade

7/14/45 - Formed in the UK by the redesignation of the 35th Tank Brigade as an Armored Brigade, Type "A".

Assigned Units	
152nd Royal Armored Car Regiment	7/14/45-8/31/45
155th Royal Armored Car Regiment	7/14/45-8/31/45
Royal Wiltshire Yeomanry	7/14/45-8/31/45
Warwick Yeomanry	7/14/45-8/31/45
Yorkshire Hussars	7/14/45-8/31/45
1st Royal Gloucestershire Hussars	7/14/45-8/31/45
8th Kings Royal Rifle Corps	7/14/45-8/31/45

36th to 73rd Armored Brigades Not formed.

#### 74th Armored Brigade (Dummy Tanks)

7/5/42 - Formed in the Middle East as a dummy tank brigade by redesignation of "A" Force Depot.

7/14/44 - Redesignated 24th Armored Brigade (Dummy Tanks).

#### Assigned Units

4th Northamptonshire Yeomanry	5/26/44-7/11/44
62nd Royal Tanks	7/12/44-7/13/44
3rd Royal Gloucestershire Hussars	5/26/44-7/11/44
60th Royal Tanks	7/12/44-7/13/44

## 88th through 136th Armored Brigades Not formed.

137th Armored Brigade 7/20/42 - Formed in UK by the redesignation of the 137th Infantry Brigade. 9/26/43 - Brigade HQ disbanded in the UK.

Units Assigned 113th Royal Armored Car Regiment 7/20/42-9/25/43 7/20/42-9/25/43 115th Royal Armored Car Regiment 7/20/42-9/25/43

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