

British Air Defenses of England
8 August 1940

10th Air Group, Box, Wiltshire: Air Vice Marshal Sir Quintin Brand

92nd Squadron (16/2 - Spitfires) (in Pembrey)¹
87th Squadron (15/4 - Hurricanes) (in Exeter)
213th Squadron (20/4 - Hurricanes) (in Exeter)
238th Squadron (19/3 - Hurricanes) (in St. Eval)
247th Squadron (5/4 - Gladiators) (in Roborough)
234th Squadron (9/1 - Spitfires) (in Middle Wallop)
609th Squadron (13/5 - Spitfires) (in Middle Wallop)
604th Squadron (9/8 - Blenheims) (in Middle Wallop)
152nd Squadron (13/2 - Spitfires) (in Warmwell)
249th Squadron (15/5 - Hurricanes) (in Broscombe Down)

11th Group, Uxbridge: Air Vice-Marshal K.R.Park

615th Squadron (16/6 Hurricanes) (in Kenley)
64th Squadron (12/5 - Spitfires) (in Kenley)
111th Squadron (14/7 - Hurricanes) (in Croydon)
32nd Squadron (13/9 - Hurricanes) (in Biggin Hill)
610th Squadron (19/1 - Spitfires) (in Biggin Hill)
501st Squadron (15/7 - Hurricanes) (in Gravesend)
1st Squadron (16/4 - Hurricanes) (in Northolt)
1st RCAF Squadron (22/0 - Hurricanes) (in Northolt)²
303rd Squadron (15/2 - Hurricanes) (in Northolt)³
54th Squadron (12/7 - Spitfires) (in Hornchurch)
266th Squadron (7/2 - Spitfires) (in Hornchurch)⁴
65th Squadron (13/7 - Spitfires) (in Rochford)
600th Squadron (7/5 - Blenheims) (in Manston)
56th Squadron (17/2 - Hurricanes) (in North Weald)
151st Squadron (17/3 - Hurricanes) (in North Weald)
85th Squadron (19/3 - Hurricanes) (in Debden)
257th Squadron (16/6 - Hurricanes) (in Debden)
25th Squadron (10/7 - Blenheims) (in Martlesham)
17th Squadron (16/5 - Hurricanes) (in Martlesham)
43rd Squadron (13/1 - Hurricanes) (in Tangemere)
601st Squadron (13/3 - Hurricanes) (in Tangemere)
Fighter Interception Unit Squadron (2/0) - Hurricanes)
(in Tangemere)

602nd Squadron (18/3 - Hurricanes) (in Westhampnett)

12th Group, Watnall, Nottinghamshire: Air Vice Marshal T.L.Leigh-Mallory

66th Squadron (15/3 - Spitfires) (in Coltishall)
242nd Squadron (21/1 - Hurricanes) (in Coltishall)
19th Squadron (15/4 - Spitfires) (in Duxford)⁵

¹ Strength figures of aircraft are servicable and unservicable.

² Became operational on 18 August 1940.

³ Polish squadron - not operational.

⁴ 10 Spitfires delivered on evening of 17 August 1940.

310th Squadron (15/3 - Hurricanes) (in Duxford)⁶
23rd Squadron (7/7 - Blenheims) (in Wittering)
74th Squadron (17/5 - Spitfires) (in Wittering)
229th Squadron (18/2 - Hurricanes) (in Wittering)
46th Squadron (21/1 - Hurricanes) (in Digby)
611th Squadron (24/3 - Spitfires) (in Digby)
29th Squadron (14/5 - Blenheims) (in Digby)
222nd Squadron (14/4 - Defiants) (in Kirton-in-Lindsey)
222nd Squadron (16/3 - Spitfires) (in Kirton-in-Lindsey)
264th Squadron (Defiants) (in Kirton-in-Lindsey)
73rd Squadron (19/3 - Hurricanes) (in Church Fenton)
302nd Squadron (12/5 - Hurricanes) (in Leconfield)⁷
616th Squadron (13/4 - Spitfires) (in Leconfield)

13th Group, Newcastle

41st Squadron (16/3 - Spitfires) (in Chatterwick)
219th Squadron (11/5 Blenheims) (in Chatterwick)
607th Squadron (19/5 - Hurricanes) (in Chatterwick)
72nd Squadron (14/4 - Hurricanes) (in Acklington)
79th Squadron (18/4 Hurricanes) (in Acklington)
253rd Squadron (22/2 - Hurricanes) (in Turnhouse)
603rd Squadron (8/6 - Spitfire) (in Turnhouse)
145th Squadron (8/6 - Hurricanes) (in Dream)
605th Squadron (15/5 - Hurricanes) (in Dream)
3rd Squadron (18/3 - Hurricanes) (in Wick)
504th Squadron (20/3 - Hurricanes) (in Wick)
232nd Squadron (8/0 - Hurricanes) (in Sumburgh)
245th Squadron (14/8 - Hurricanes) (in Aldergrove)

Production of fighters during week prior to 8/17/40:

Spitfires: 31
Hurricanes: 43
Defiants: 11
Beaufighters: 5

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⁵ Cannon armed.

⁶ Czechoslovakian unit.

⁷ Polish, not operational.