

**Japanese Air Strength
Inner South Seas Area
17 February 1944**

Bonin Islands:

Iwo Jima
Chichijima Air Group (4 carrier attack planes)

Mariana Islands:

Tinian
22nd Air Flotilla
755th Air Group (10 land based medium bombers)

Saipan
26th Air Flotilla
201st Air Group (20 fighters)
4th Base Force
902nd Air Group (6 reconnaissance seaplanes)
22nd Air Flotilla
802nd Air Group (6 flying boats)

Carolinas:

Truk
22nd Air Flotilla
755th Air Group (8 land based medium bombers)
22nd Air Flotilla
252nd Air Group (25 fighters)
26th Air Flotilla
204th Air Group (15 fighters)
26th Air Flotilla
201st Air Group (8 Zero fighters)
26th Air Flotilla
501st Air Group (10 carrier borne bombers)
28th Air Flotilla
551st Air Group (14 carrier attack planes)
23rd Air Flotilla
753rd Air Group (10 land based medium bombers)
25th Air Flotilla
582nd Air Group (10 carrier attack planes)
4th Base Force
902nd Air Group (3 seaplane fighters, 12
reconnaissance seaplanes & 10 observation
seaplanes)
22nd Air Flotilla
552nd Air Group (10 carrier borne bombers)

Woleai
4th Base Force
902nd Air Group (4 reconnaissance sea planes)

Palau
4th Base Force
902nd Air Group (4 reconnaissance sea planes)

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