

Detail	Headquarter company								3 rifle companies (each)							Total, parachute battalion
	Battalion headquarters	Company headquarters	Intelligence section	Signal platoon	Mortar platoon (4 3-inch mortar detachments)	Protective section	Administrative platoon	Totla, headquarters company	Company headquarters	Two 3-inch mortar detachments (each)	Anti-tank section	3 rifle platoons (each)			Total, rifle company (each)	
												Rifle platoon headquarters	3 rifle sections (each)	Total rifle platoon (each)		
Serjeants' mess						2	2								2	
Rank and file mess (includes 1 corporal)						(b)8	8								8	
A.P.T.C.—																
Instructors						3	3								3	
Total, attached	3	2				21	23	3						3	35	
Total, a parachute battalion, (including attached)	27	11	11	27	37	6	77	169	14	8	7	4	10	34	139	613
<i>(ii) Distribution of rank and file by trades and duties</i>																
<i>Tradesmen—</i>																
Equipment repairer						1	1									1
Clerks	3	(b)2				(b)4	6	1							1	12
Technical storeman						1	1									1
Carpenters and joiners						(b)2	2									2
Blacksmith						1	1									1
Driver-mechanic						2	2									2
Bricklayer						(a)1	1									1
Total, tradesmen	3	2				12	14	1							1	20
<i>Non-tradesmen—</i>																
Regimental police	6															6
Parachute packers						8	8									8
L.M.G. numbers and riflemen					6		6					9	27	81	249	
Signallers (includes 1 corporal)				24			24									24
Water dutyman						1	1									1
Rangetaker					1		1									1
Mortar detachments					29		29		7						14	71

Detail	Battalion headquarters	Headquarter company							3 rifle companies (each)							Total, parachute battalion	Ammunition -rounds		
		Company headquarters	Intelligence section	Signal platoon	Mortar platoon (four 3-inch mortar detachments)	Protective section	Administrative platoon	Total, headquarters company	Company headquartes	Two 3-inch mortar detachments	Anit-tank section	3 rifle platoons (each)			Total, rifle company (each)		On man or with gun	Reserve	Total
												Rifle platoon headquarters	3 rifle (sections) each	Total rifle platoon					
Pistols, .45-inch, automatic	10	5		8	28	2	2	45	5	7		1	2	7	40	175	21	2,450	6,225
Rifles, .303-inch	15	6	11	10	2	4	75	108	8		6	2	6	20	74	345	50	34,500	51,750
Machine carbines, 9-mm., Sten	2			9	7			16	1	1	1	1	2	7	25	93	256	5,952	29,760
Machine carbines, 9-mm., Sten (pool for parachutists)																429		137,280	137,280
L.M.Gs., .303-inch						2		2					1	3	9	29	1,000	29,000	58,000
Mortars, 3-inch					4			4		1					2	10	48	540	1,020
Mortars, 2-inch, modified	1												1	3	9	28	(e)6	(f)12	180
A.Tk. rifles, .55-inch						1						1		1	3	10	50	500	1,000
Grenades No. 68						34		34			17	17		17	68	238			238
Discharger cups						2					1		1	2	10	32			
Grenades, No. 36M	48	4	22	56	74	12		168	22	16	14	8	20	68	272	1,032		500	1,532
No. 69												30		30	90	270		150	420
Smith guns										1					1	3	20	60	120

- (a) Need not be a parachutist (may be medical category "B")
- (b) 1 need not be a parachutist (may be medical category "B")
- (c) 1 need not be a parachutist (may be medical category "B")
- (d) For training purposes in lieu of bicycles (folding)
- (e) Smoke.
- (f) Signal.

NOTE ON FIRST REINFORCEMENTS

<i>Details left at base—</i>	
<i>Orderly room serjeant</i>	1
<i>First reinforcements—</i>	
Captain	1
Subalterns	4
Warrant officer, class II	1
Colour serjeant	1
Serjeants	6
Corporals	4
Lance-corporals	8
Privates	57
Nursing orderlies R.A.M.C.	3
Pistols, .45-inch	8
Rifles, .303-inch	77
Machine carbines, 9-mm., Sten	82