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 Armoured 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 Armoraed 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
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Total in a Heavy Regiment 26 Light, 15 Heavy & 8 Close Support Cruisers, 30 officers and 573 enlisted.

1 Heavy Cruiser Tank 2 Tank Troops, each with 2 Heavy Cruisers

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 regt 46 Cruisers & 6 Close Support Cruisers.

31 officers and 546 enlisted.

Armored Brigade - No. IV October 1940

Armoured 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 Crusier Tanks

2 Close Support Crusier Tanks

Armored Regiment had 46 Cruiser Tanks and 6 Close Support Cruiser Tanks.

<u>Armored Brigade (Middle East) - No. V February 1942</u>

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 4 Stuart Tanks 4 Crusader Tanks 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 3 Grant Tanks 1 Squadron HQ, with 3 Grant Tanks 4 Tank Troops, each with 4 Tank Troops, each with 3 Grant Tanks 3 Grant Tanks Total 20 Stuarts & 24 Grants Total 35 Crusaders & 12 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

5 Troops, each with 3 Cruiser Tanks

2 Cruiser Tanks

2 Close Support 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 Squadorn, 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 Squadorn, 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

9/39 - Regular armored brigade in UK with the title 1st Light 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
8th Hussars	5/10/41-8/8/41
1st Royal Tank Regiment	1/21/42-6/1/42
6th Royal Tank Regiment	2/5/42-6/5/42
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 Reconnaisance Brigade

3/30/40 - Brigade HQ formed in France.

11/26/40 - Redesignated as 27th Armored Brigade.

Assigned Units

1st East Riding Yeomanry	3/30/40-11/25/40
1st Fife and Fofar 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 brigadein 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

Bays	9/3/39-06/26/42 8/2/42-8/31/45
10th Hussars	9/3/39-7/4/42
9th Lancers	8/2/42-8/31/45 9/3/39-6/30/42
Jen Lancers	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 Shaprshooters	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.

5th Dragoon Guards	3/30/40-6/22/40
15/19th Hussars	3/30/40-6/22/40
1st Fife and Fofar Yeomanry	6/18/40-6/22/40

3rd Armored Brigade

9/39 - A regulared 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 2/26/41-3/22/41 King's Dragoon Guards 2/26/41-4/14/41 3rd Hussars 2/26/41-4/14/41 6th Royal Tanks 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 Brigdae.

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
6th Royal Tanks	6/3/42-7/7/42 9/3/39-1/19/41
7th Hussars	6/7/42-7/7/42 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
	2/14/42-6/2/42
4th Royal Tanks	5/4/41-7/27/41
5th Royal Tanks	5/4/41-7/27/41
	7/31/41-6/7/42
7th Royal Tanks	5/4/41-7/11/41
44th Royal Tanks	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
	1/27/44-4/29/45
2nd Derbyshire Yeomanry	10/4/42-11/15/43
Royals	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
	9/28/43-5/14/45

1st Royal Horse Artillery
104th Royal Horse Artillery
3rd Royal Horse Artillery
7/13/42-7/18/42
78th Field Regiment
4/30/43-5/21/43
Troop, 169th Light AA Battery
7/14/2-5/3/42
Troop, 171st Light AA Battery
7/14/42-9/12/42
Troop, 113th Light AA Battery
7/14/42-9/12/42
Troop, 42nd Light AA Battery
7/14/42-9/12/42
Troop, 175th Light AA Battery
7/14/42-9/12/42
17roop, 4th Field Squadron, RE
8/3/42-10/2/42
1/14/43-3/28/43
Troop, 3rd Field Squadron, RE
7/13/42-8/3/42
Troop, 21st Field Squadron, RE
10/27/42-1/14/43
Troop, 629th Field Squadron, RE
10/27/42-1/14/43
Troop, 572nd Field Squadron, RE
5/6/43-5/21/43
5th Co, Royal Army Service Corps
58th Co, Royal Army Service Corps
151st Light Field Ambulance
14/16/42-5/21/43

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 the conversion of the 30th Independ ent (Guards) Infantary Brigade.
- 1/15/43 Redesignated and reorganized as the 6th Guards Tank Brigade.
- 2/2/45 Reformed by redesignation and reorganization of 6th Guard Tank Brigade as an Armored Brigade, Type "A".
- 6/17/45 Redesignated as 6th Guards Regiment.

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	2/2/45-6/16/45
4th	Motorize	ed Coldstream Guards	9/15/41-1/14/43

9/39 - Regular armored brigade in Egypt with the title of the Light Armored Brigade (Egypt).

2/16/40 - Redesignated as 7th Light Armored Brigade. 4/14/40 - Redesignated as the 7th Armored Brigade. 3/1/42 - Reorganized as an armored brigade group.

6/4/43 - Reverted to the status of an armored brigade. 5/1/45 - Reorganized as an Armored Brigade, Type "B".

Assigned Units

Assigned Unites	
7th Hussars	9/3/39-4/10/40
	7/7/41-12/15/43
	7/8/45-8/31/45
8th Hussars	9/3/39-1/19/41
	3/7/41-4/16/41
11th Hussars	9/3/39-4/14/40
1st Royal Tanks	4/10/40-4/3/41
3rd Hussars	10/13/40-1/22/41
2nd Royal Tanks	4/16/41-7/10/41
	9/6/41-8/31/45
4th Royal Tanks	4/16/41-5/8/41
6th Royal Tanks	6/8/41-1/24/42
	12/30/42-6/8/44
	6/24/44-8/20/44
	9/16/44-8/31-45
8th Royal Tanks	1/29/44-7/8/45
2nd Rifle Brigade	4/16/41-4/30/41
	9/26/43-11/13/43
	12/19/43-5/20/44
1st Cameronians	2/24/42-3/12/42
1st West Yorkshire	3/12/42-5/12/42
14th Sherwood Foresters	1/9/43-6/4/43

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

- 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
1st 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 competely 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 indepedent armored brigade.

8/3/41-5/27/43
8/13/43-10/8/44
8/3/41-5/27/43
8/23/43-10/8/44
8/3/41-10/9/41
10/10/41-3/13/42
3/16/42-5/27/43
8/23/43-8/30/44
10/6/44-12/30/44
10/26/44-5/6/45
10/26/44-7/8/45
7/11/45-8/31/45
8/10/42-12/9/42
12/9/42-5/27/43
11/4/43-5/21/44

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

Assigned Units

108th Royal Armored Corps	11/1/41-7/24/42
109th Royal Armored Corps	11/1/41-7/24/42
145th Royal Armored Corps	11/1/41-7/24/42
13th Highland Light Infantry	11/17/41-6/13/42

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.

Royal Gouchestershire 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

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

2nd Royal Gouchestershire Hussars	9/3/39-9/16/42
3rd Sharpshooters	9/3/39-9/16/42
4th County of London Yeomanry	9/3/39-7/29/44
1st Royal Tanks	9/17/42-8/31/45
5th Royal Tanks	9/17/42-8/31/45
5th Dragoon Guards	7/29/44-8/31/45
2nd King's Royal Rifle Corps	11/23/40-8/2/41
50th Reconnaissance Regiment	2/16/42-6/19/42
1st Rifle Brigade	6/19/42-8/31/45

Units Assigned when Armored Brigade Group

107th Royal Horse Artillery	3/4/42-6/6/42
2nd Royal Horse Artillery	6/25/42-8/2/42
1st Royal Horse Artillery	8/2/42-9/12/42
Troop, 7th Field Squadron, RE	3/4/42-4/1/42
13/7th Field Squadron, RE	4/1/42-6/21/42
20th Field Squadron, RE	6/21/42-9/10/42
Troop, 4th Field Squadron, RE	9/10/42-916/42
67th Company, Royal Army Service Corps	3/4/42-6/16/42
432th 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
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 Artillery	7/18/2-9/29/42
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 Squadorn, 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
331st Company, Royal Army Service Corps	7/12/42-8/31/45
333rd Company, Royal Army Service Corps	7/12/42-5/18/43
7th Light Field Ambulance	7/12/42-2/4/43
150th Light Field Ambulance	2/5/43-8/31/45

24th Armored Brigade

11/1/40 - Formed in UK by the redesignation of 24th Army Tank Brigade.

- 8/30/42 Redesignated as 24th Armored Brigade Group.
- 12/15/42- Ceased to be an armored brigade group.
- 3/1/43 Brigade HQ disbanded in Middle East.
- 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 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 as 13th Reserve Unit in 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 Gouchestershire Hussars	12/9/42-1/15/42
1st Queen's Westministers	12/1/40-8/31/45
11th King's Royal Rifle Corps	2/1/41-12/3/42

Units Assigned to form the Armored Brigade Group:

5th Royal Horse Artillery	10/12/42-10/31/42
"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	8/30/42-12/14/42
334th Company, Royal Army Service Corps	8/30/42-12/14/42
6th Light Field Ambulance	8/30/42-12/14/42

Units	Assigned	from	August	1943	to	form	the	Dummy	Tanks	Brigade
39th F	Roval Tank	S		·		<u> </u>	8/2	$\frac{29/43-8}{29}$	3/26/43	3

39th Royal Tanks	0/29/43-0/20/43
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
631	st Armored Engineer Park Sqn	4/6/45-8/19/45

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

Assigned Units

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
1st 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
1st 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
1st 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.

5th Dragoon Guards	12/1/40-7/13/44
15/19th Hussars	12/1/40- 6/20/44
1st Fife and Fofar Yeomanry	12/1/40- 8/20/44
2nd Queen Victoria's Rifles	12/1/40- 1/14/41

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 Fofar 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

12/39/40-1/8/41
1/8/41-8/31/45
3/8/41-8/31/45
3/9/41-8/31/45
12/27/40-3/25/41
3/26/41-10/15/43
7/2/44-9/4/44
23/22/44-2/27/45
3/31/45-4/25/45
3/30/45-4/24/45

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

141st Royal Armored Car Regiment	2/2/45-8/27/45
1st Fife and Fofar 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.

2/45 - Became Armored Brigade, Type "B".8/22/45 - Brigade HQ disbanded in NW Europe.

Assigned Units

1st North Somerset Yeomanry	3/17/44-8/18/45
144th Royal Royal Armored Car Regiment	3/17/44-2/28/45
148th Royal Royal Armored Car Regiment	3/17/44-8/16/44
1st East Riding Yeomanry	8/16/44-4/23/45
4th Royal Tanks	3/1/45-3/30/45
11th Royal Tanks	1/28/45-3/30/45
	4/26/45-8/19/45
Staffordshire Yeomanry	4/26/45-6/26/45

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
1st Fife and Fofar 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".

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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 Yoemanry	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 thak 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
114th Royal	Armored	Car	Regiment	7/20/42-9/25/43
115th Royal	Armored	Car	Regiment	7/20/42-9/25/43

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