



# DoD Unmanned Aircraft Systems (UAS) Airspace Integration

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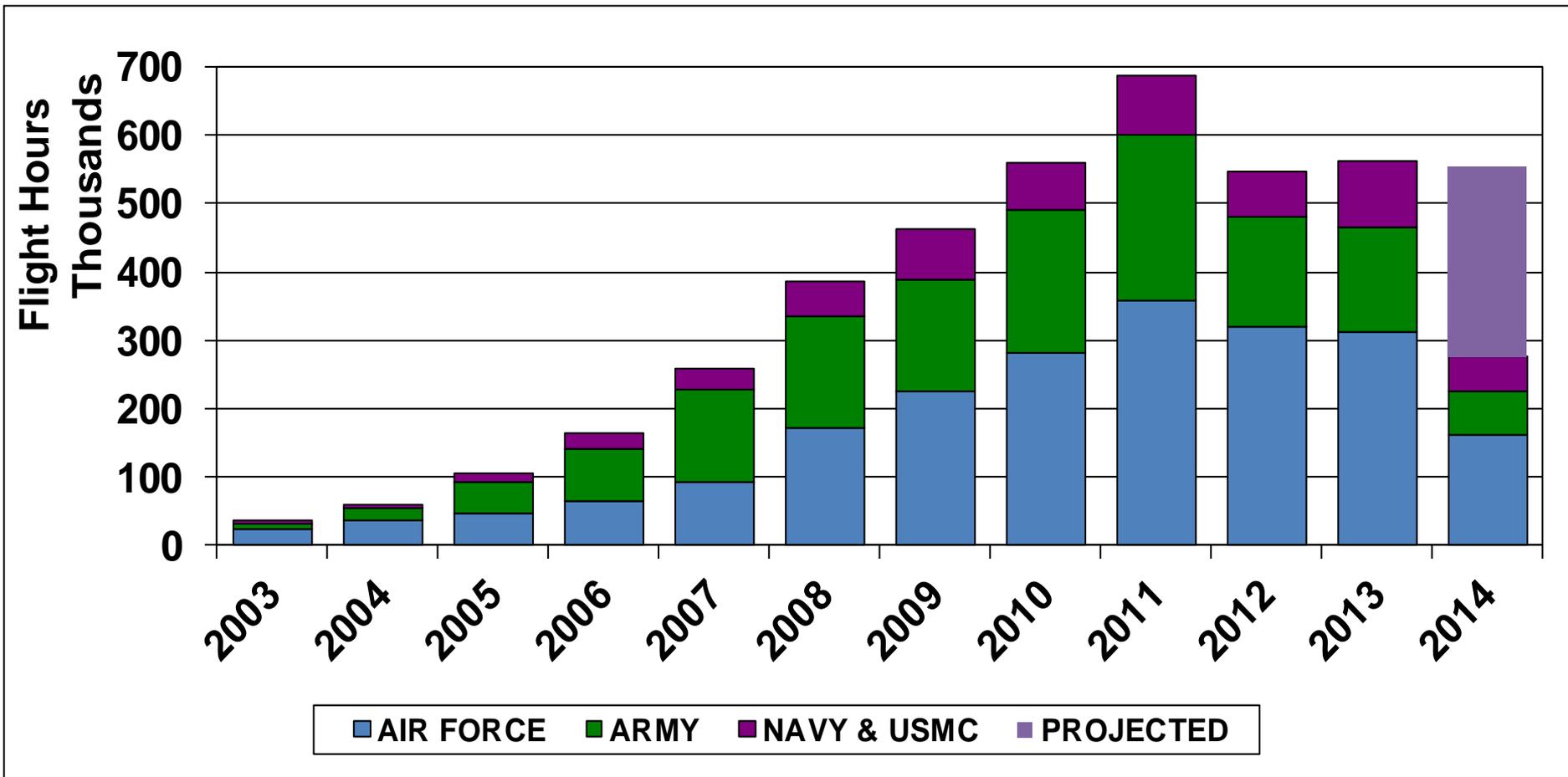
# DoD UAS Flight Hours

As of March 31, 2014



## 4.3 Million Flight Hours FY 2001- 2nd Qtr FY2014

Does not include Group 1 UAS

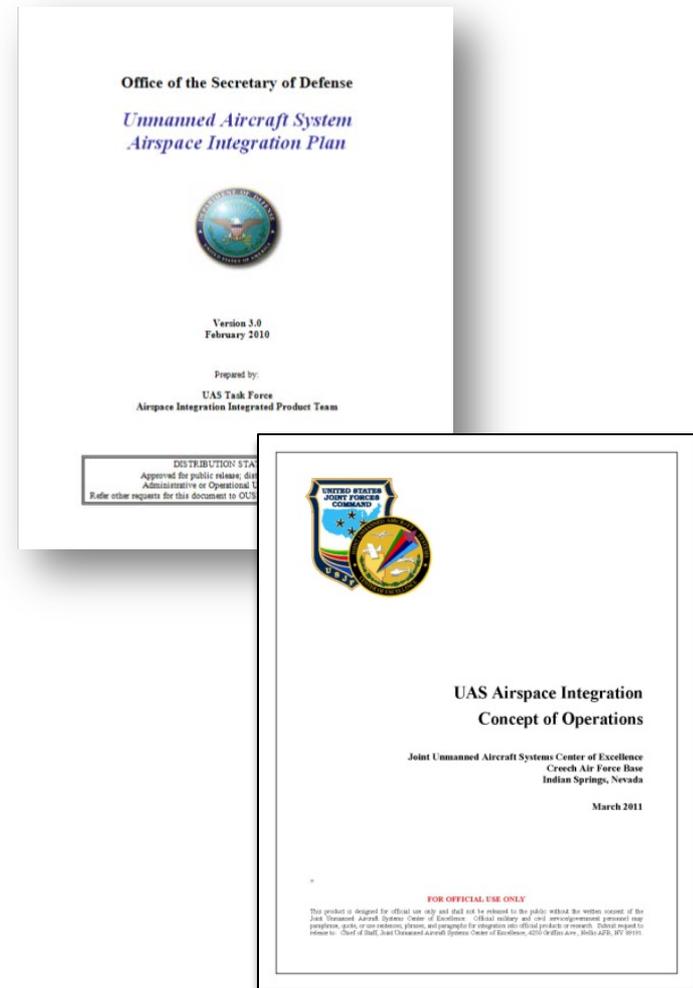




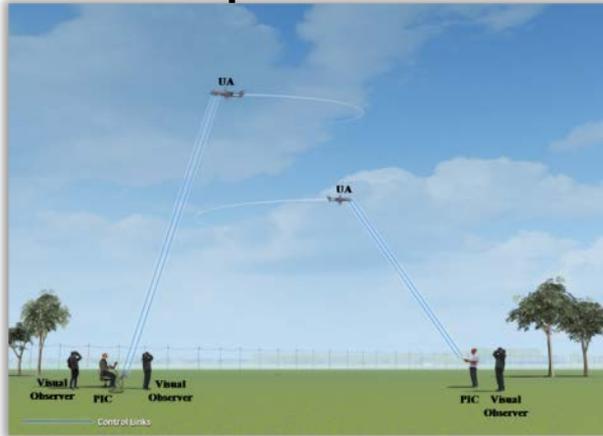
- Deployed systems are returning to U.S. bases or redeploying to other areas
- DoD UAS require NAS access to:
  - Train pilots/operators
  - Joint Exercises
  - Develop and test systems
- Many locations have no direct access to Restricted or Warning Areas
- Essential to expand access to other training areas (Military Operating Areas)
- Standardized procedures, technology development and regulatory updates needed for UAS integration

Expanded access is required to support increasing demand in fiscally constrained environment

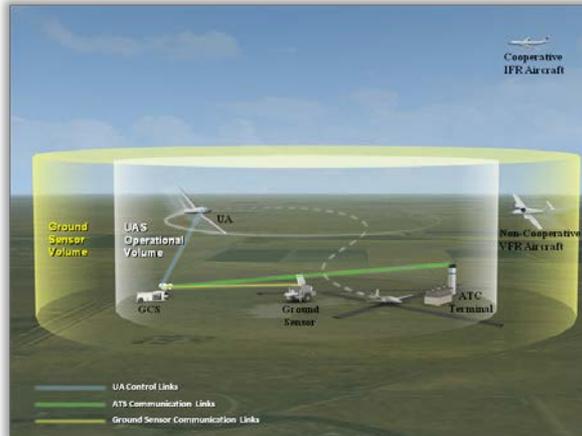
- **Airspace Integration (AI) Plan – Apr 2011**
  - Outlines DoD’s equities in UAS Integration
  - Outlines NAS Access Flight Profiles
  - Defines capabilities and resources needed for current and future operations
  - Update in process
  
- **AI CONOPS – May 2011**
  - Procedurally implements the AI Plan
  - Outlines “Sense and Avoid” (SAA)-enabled operations & associated standards
  - Develops DoD-standards for:
    - Departure/Transit/Arrival
    - Lost-Comm, Lost-Link, Loss of SAA Procedures and Emergency Procedures



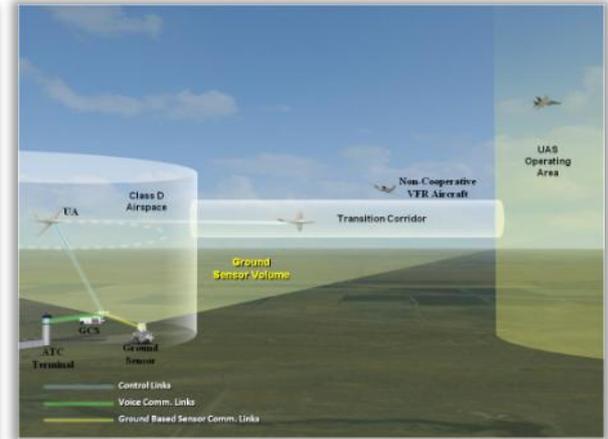
## Visual Line-of-Sight Operations



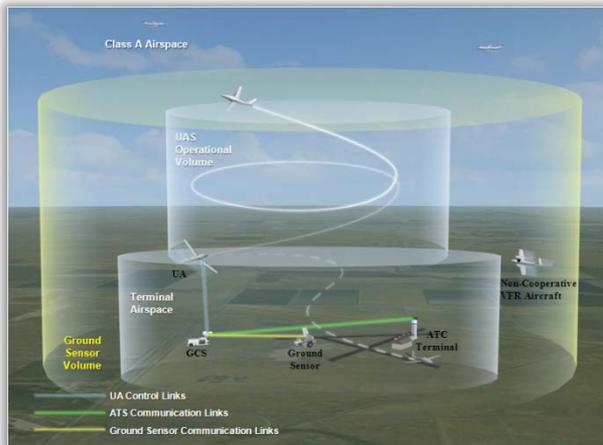
## Terminal Area Operations



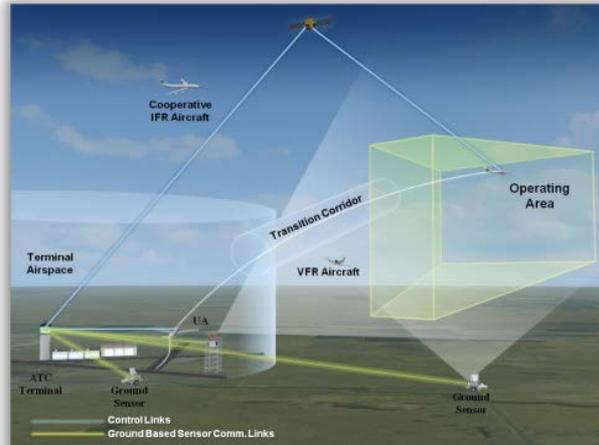
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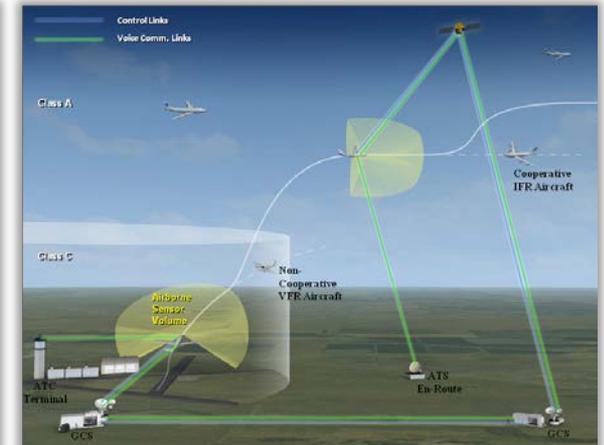
## Vertical Transit Operations



## Operating Areas



## Dynamic Operations





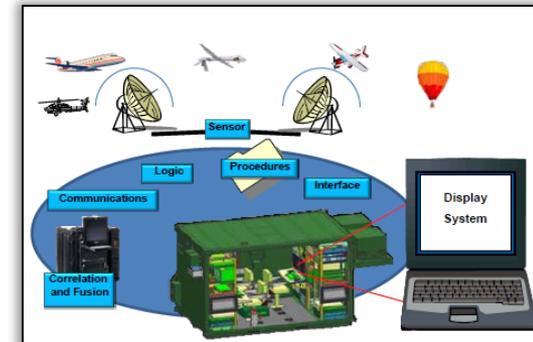
# DoD UAS AI Activities



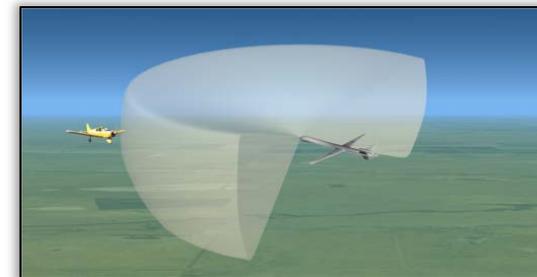
- **Training** - established comprehensive standardized UAS training programs
- **Airworthiness** - updated DoD airworthiness guidance (MIL HDBK 516) to include UAS criteria and means of compliance
- **Policy and Standards** - working with other agencies
  - Worked with FAA to streamline Certificate of Authorization or Waiver (COA) process
  - Sharing DoD standards processes with FAA and RTCA 228
  - Working with FAA Aviation Rulemaking Committee to update FARs to enable UAS operations
  - Working with FAA and NASA to define “well clear” for SAA system
- **Technology** – Developing SAA systems

- Incremental and overlapping by design
- Ground Based SAA (GBSAA)
  - Early to mid term solution
  - USAF and Marines have each fielded one system to meet specific needs
  - Army is developing a more robust system to support the Gray Eagle program
- Airborne SAA (ABSAA)
  - Longer term solution in early development
  - Initially for larger UAS (Global Hawk/Triton) but will be scalable to others

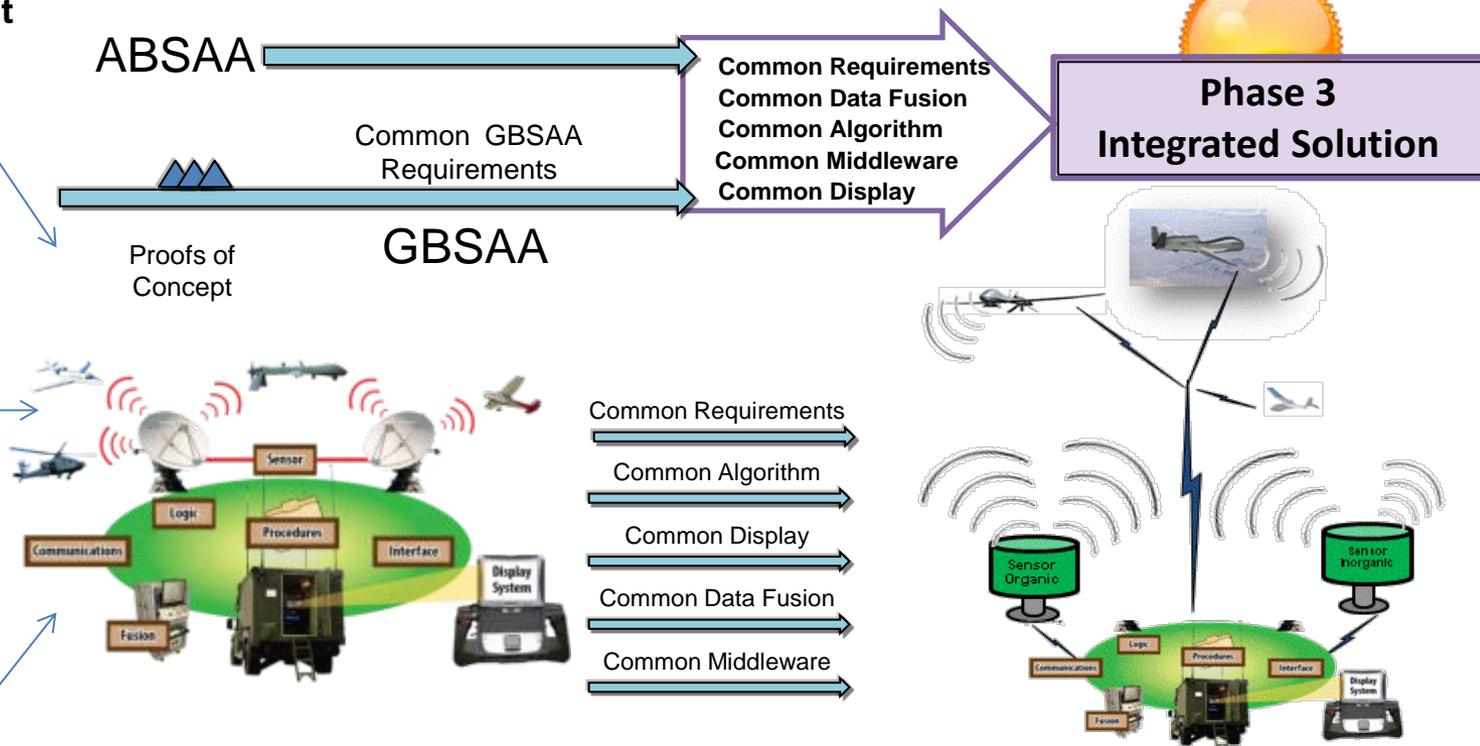
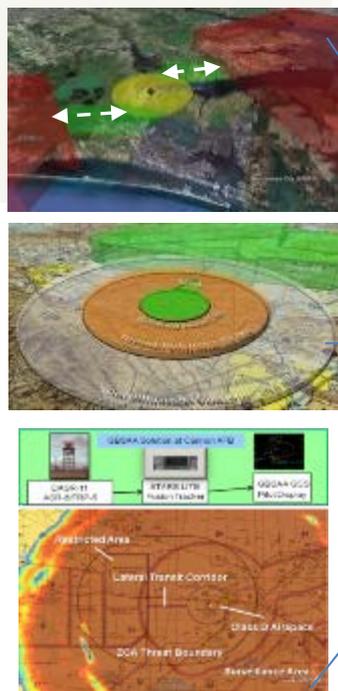
GBSAA



ABSAA



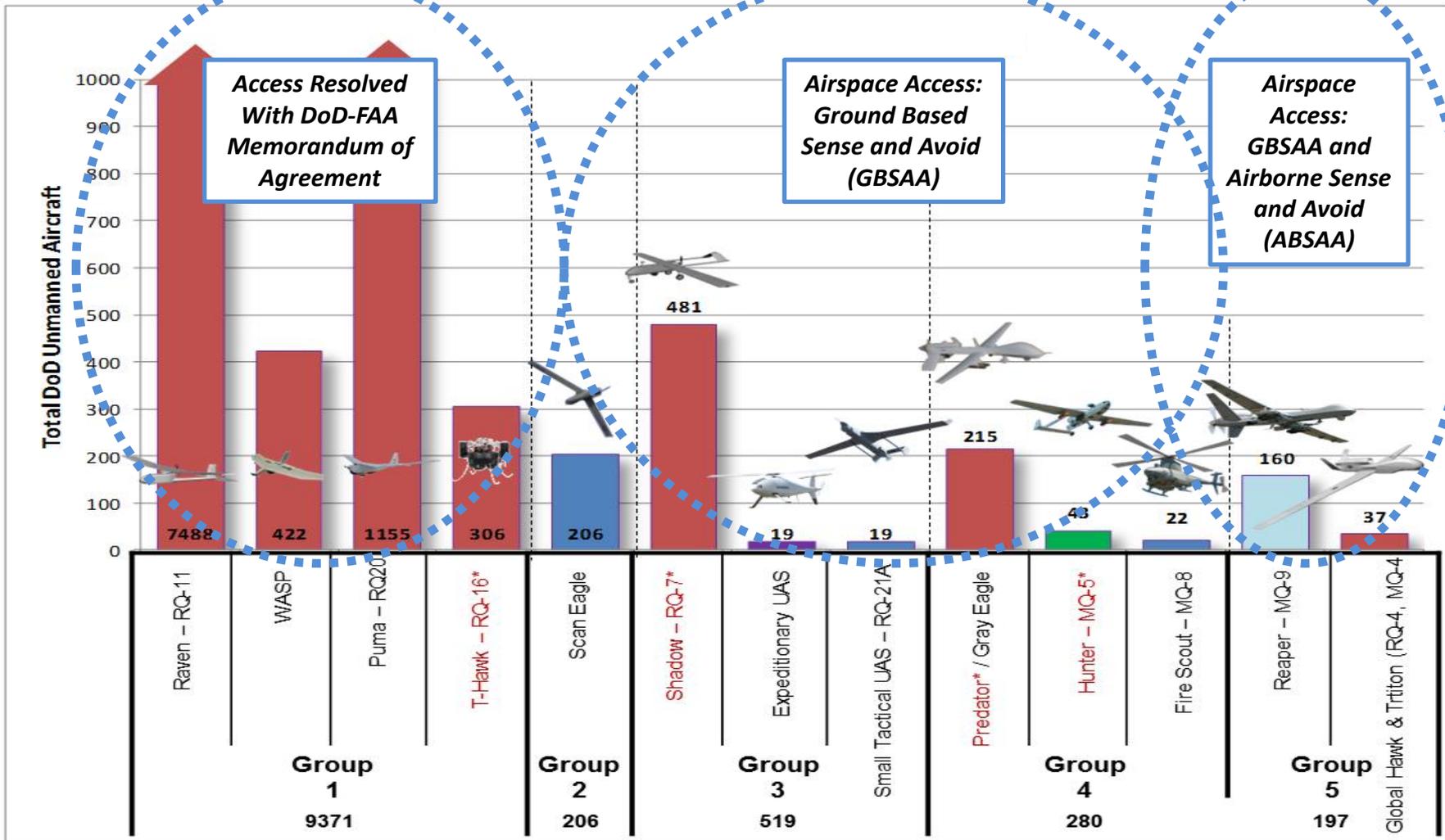
## Prototype Development (define and refine phase)



All services securing GBSAA solutions  
GBSAA likely to integrate with future ABSAA capabilities



# DoD Unmanned Aircraft Inventory



Access Resolved With DoD-FAA Memorandum of Agreement

Airspace Access: Ground Based Sense and Avoid (GBSAA)

Airspace Access: GBSAA and Airborne Sense and Avoid (ABSAA)

\* Not in Production

KEY: Multi - Service (Red), Army (Green), Air Force (Blue), Navy/USMC (Light Blue), SOCOM (Dark Blue)

As of April 1, 2014

- DoD has identified near, mid, and far-term UAS access requirements--in a construct that is incrementally achievable
- Programs and standards will continue to be developed to meet DoD requirements
  - SAA Technology
  - Airworthiness
  - Training
- FAA is working with DoD to leverage DoD experience to develop civil standards

