

**French Cavalry Regiments
Table of Organization
1914**

Peace Time Establishment of
Cavalry Regiment or Regiment of Chasseurs d'Afrique

Cavalry Regiment		Spahis Regiment		
<u>4 sqn & 1 depot</u>		<u>5 Sqns</u>		
<u>Men</u>	<u>Horses</u>	<u>Men</u>	<u>Horses</u>	
1	3	1	3	Colonel
1	2	1	2	Lt. Colonel
2	4	2(a)	4	Majors (chefs d'escadron)
1	2(a)	1	2(a)	Major (admin officer)
1	2	-	-	Captain adjoint to colonel
1	-	1	-	Captain (paymaster)
1	-	1	-	Captain (material officer)
1	1	1	1	Lieutenant (asst paymaster)
(b)	-	(b)	-	Doctor
(b)	-	(b)	-	Veterinary Surgeon
<u>Cadre Complémentaire (c)</u>				
3(d)	6	2(d)	4	Captains
<u>An Active Squadron:</u>				
1	2	1	2	Captain
4	4	4	4	Lieutenant or 2nd Lieutenant
<u>Depot Squadron:</u>				
1	2	-	-	Captain
2	2	-	-	Lieutenants or 2nd Lieutenants
<u>Peloton Hors Rang</u>				
3	3	1	1	Adjudants chefs
2	2	-	-	Adjudants
1	-	-	-	Adjutant (barracks) (e)
1	-	-	-	Adjutant (master farrier)
1	-	1	-	Adjutant (master armorer)
1	-	-	-	Fencing Instructor (adjutant/Sgt)
1	1	-	-	Trumpet Major (Adj, Sgt, Sgt-Maj)
1	1	1	1	Quartermaster-Sergeant
1	-	1	-	Paymaster Sergeant
1	-	1	-	<i>Garde magasin</i> Sergeant
1	-	-	-	Sergeant (asst to mess sgt)
1	-	-	-	Hospital Sergeant
1	1	-	-	Telegraphist Sergeant (f) (g)
1	-	-	-	Machine FGun Sergeant (g)
1	-	-	-	Transport Corporal
1	-	-	-	Corporal (chief harnessmaker)
1	-	-	-	Corporal (armorer) (h)
1	1	1	1	Trumpeter Corporal
1	-	1	-	Corporal (admin clerk)
1	-	-	-	Corporal (asst paymaster clerk)
1	-	-	-	Corporal (clerk to mat'l capt)
2	-	-	-	Corporal (asst fencing master)
1	-	-	-	Corporal (master tailor)
2	-	-	-	Corporal (saddlers) (i)

1	-	-	-	Corporal (master shoemaker)
1	1	-	-	Telegraphist Corporal
2	2	-	-	Machine Gun Corporal (g)
1	-	1	-	Private (clerk to colonel)
1	-	1	-	Private (clerk to paymaster) (j)
1	-	-	-	Private (clerk to asst paymaster)
1	-	1	-	Private (clerk to material capt)
1	-	1	-	Private (orderly)
2	-	4	-	Private (armorers) (j)
1	-	-	-	Private (tailor) (j)
1	-	-	-	Private (saddler) (j)
1	-	-	-	Private (shoemaker) (j)
6	-	-	-	Private (transport drivers)
-	-	2	2	Private (trumpeters)
-	-	2	-	Private (farriers)
50	13	20	5	Total
<u>Active Squadron:</u>				
1	2	1	2	Captain
4	4	4	4	Lieutenants or 2nd Lieutenants
1	1	1	1	Adjutant
1	1	1	1	Sergeant-Major
10(k)	10	10(k)	10	Sergeant
1	-	1	-	Sergeant-Farrier
12	12	16	16	Corporals
4	4	4	4	Trumpeters
3	3	3	3	Assistant Farriers
129	152	138	138	Privates (troopers) (l)
-	-	2	1	Privates (tailors)
-	-	2	1	Privates (shoemakers)
-	-	2	1	Privates (saddlers)
166	190	185	183	Total
<u>Depot Squadron:</u>				
1	2	-	-	Captain
2	2	-	-	Lieutenants or 2nd lieutenants
1	1	-	-	Sergeant-major
4	4	-	-	Sergeant (k)
4	4	-	-	Corporals
2	2	-	-	Trumpeters
2	2	-	-	Asst Farriers
38	13	-	-	Privates (troopers)
53	30	-	-	Total
<u>Summary</u>				
35	48	35	45	Officers
74	-	70	-	NCOs
69	-	83	-	Corporals
601	-	767	-	Troopers
779	810	955	930	Troopers

- (a) If employed for more than 3 years in this capacity only 1 horse is allowed.
(b) Number not fixed in 1914.
(c) In regiments of Chasseurs d'Afrique there are also 3 lieutenants or 2nd lieutenants.

- (d) Acts as adjutant-major and officer in charge of mobilization.
- (e) Has a clerk from the auxiliary service.
- (f) May be a sergeant-major or adjutant
- (g) Not in all regiments.
- (h) May be a sergeant
- (i) One is a master saddler
- (j) Sometimes belongs to the auxiliary service.
- (k) One is a Quartermaster-Sergeant
- (l) Includes 1 saddler, 1 hosemaker, 1 tailor, 1 pupil farrier & 1 hospital orderly
 . In two squadrons out of four the hospital orderly belongs to the auxiliary service.

War Establishment of
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Cavalry
 Regiment
4 sqn & 1 depot
Men Horses

Regimental HQ

1	3	Colonel
1	2	Lt. Colonel
2	4	Majors (chefs d'escadron)
1	2	Captain (instructor)
1	-	Assistant paymaster
1	1	Supply Officer
2	4	Surgeons
2	4	Veterinary Surgeons
	2	1-horse ambulances
	6	2-horse supply wagons
	1	6-horse wagon bridging wagon
	1	6-horse wagon forge wagon
	1	6-horse wagon baggage wagon

Lower Staff & Peloton hors rang

2	2	Adjudants
1	1	Baggage Master Adjutant
1	1	Sergeant Trumpeter
1	1	Sergeant Armorer
1	1	Sergeant Telegraphist
1	1	Corporal Quartermaster
1	1	Corporal Assistant Paymaster's Clerk
1	1	Corporal Hospital Orderly
1	1	Corporal Saddler
1	1	Private Colonel's Clerk
1	1	Private Asst Paymaster's Clerk
10	-	Privates Drivers
1	1	Private Armorer
3	-	Private Telegraphists
2	-	Private Drivers of bridging wagons
16	11	Privates Orderlies

Machine Gun Section:

1	2	Lieutenant
1	1	Sergeant

3	3	Corporals
15	15	Privates (Troopers)
7	-	Drivers
	2	4-horse wagons
	1	6-horse wagon
<u>Squadron</u>		
1	2	Captains
4	8	Subalterns
1	1	Squadron Sergeant-Major
1	1	Supply Sergeant
8	8	Sergeants
1	1	Quartermaster Sergeant
1	1	Quartermaster Corporal
16	16	Corporals
1	1	Corporal Farrier
3	3	Farriers
4	4	Corporal Trumpeters
1	1	Corporal Medical Orderly
96	96	Mounted Troopers
10	-	Dismounted Troopers
2	-	Drivers
	1	4-Horse Wagon