The U.S. Army Test, Measurement and Diagnostic Equipment Activity (USATA) provides the technical expertise, management, logistics, engineering and facilities in support of the Army’s Test, Measurement, Diagnostic Equipment (TMDE) calibration and repair support program during peacetime and war. USATA supports every Soldier and every weapon system currently in the Army inventory. They also provide support to other Department of Defense and Federal agencies.

USATA’s unique, worldwide calibration mission requires a dynamic workforce consisting of 35 different job series and eight career fields.

USATA is headquartered at Redstone Arsenal, Alabama, with 46 support activities in 22 states, seven countries and across three continents.

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USATA manages the Army’s TMDE calibration and repair program and provides critical support to weapon systems by:

- Ensuring accuracy, readiness and safety
- Providing worldwide mobile and fixed laboratories
- Using highly precise measurements

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