

AIR HISTORICAL BRANCH

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TRANSLATION NO. VII/83

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GERMAN AIRCRAFT LOSSES

SEPTEMBER 1939 - DECEMBER 1940

NOTE

The losses given in Translation VII/83 apply only to the West.

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The attached statistics have been compiled from original records kept by the Quartermaster General's Department of the German Air Ministry.

The care with which the records were kept is apparent from the way in which entries were amended at a later date (at times as much as 2 years afterwards) in the light of further information, and from the fact that even every minor accidents were recorded in detail.

Many losses were of course not entered in the records until some time after the occurrence, and the figures now prepared are therefore based on a scrutiny of the documents up to the end of 1941.

Key to contractions used

C.R.	Close reconnaissance (army co-op)
L.R.	Long-range reconnaissance
S.E.F.	Single engine fighters
T.E.F.	Twin engine fighters
N.F.	Night fighters
B.	Bombers
D.B.	Dive bombers
G.A.	Ground attack
T.	Transport
C.	Coastal
M.	Miscellaneous

A.H.B.6 Distribution

Same as for Translation VII/80

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SEPTEMBER 1939

DESTROYED

DAMAGED

	C.R.	L.R.	S.E.F.	T.E.F.	N.F.	B.	D.B.	G.A.	T.	C.	M.	C.R.	L.R.	S.E.F.	T.E.F.	N.F.	B.	D.B.	G.A.	T.	C.	M.
Due to enemy action	-	-	12	-	-	1	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
On operations, but not due to enemy action	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total on operations	-	-	14	-	-	1	-	-	-	4	-	-	-	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Not on operations	4	2	11	-	-	4	1	-	4	5	3	1	1	6	-	-	5	-	-	-	2	3

OCTOBER 1939

DESTROYED

DAMAGED

	C.R.	L.R.	S.E.F.	T.E.F.	N.F.	B.	D.B.	G.A.	T.	C.	M.	C.R.	L.R.	S.E.F.	T.E.F.	N.F.	B.	D.B.	G.A.	T.	C.	M.
Due to enemy action	1	4	-	-	-	8	-	-	-	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
On operations, but not due to enemy action	-	1	2	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-
Total on operations	1	5	2	1	-	9	-	-	-	5	-	-	1	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-
Not on operations	2	6	26	3	-	6	2	-	5	7	-	1	2	14	-	2	9	1	-	1	4	3

NOVEMBER 1939

NOVEMBER 1939	DESTROYED											DAMAGED										
	C.R.	L.R.	S.E.F.	T.E.F.	N.F.	B.	D.B.	G.A.	T.	C.	M.	C.R.	L.R.	S.E.F.	T.E.F.	N.F.	B.	D.B.	G.A.	T.	C.	M.
Due to enemy action.	-	11	13	-	-	6	-	-	-	4	-	-	3	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	1	-
On operations, but not due to enemy action	-	2	4	-	-	4	-	-	-	10	-	-	-	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-
Total on operations	-	13	17	-	-	10	-	-	-	14	-	-	3	3	-	-	2	-	-	-	3	-
Not on operations	1	-	16	2	-	16	-	-	2	2	3	-	4	25	-	-	18	-	-	2	6	1

DECEMBER 1939

	DESTROYED											DAMAGED										
	C.R.	L.R.	S.E.F.	T.E.F.	N.F.	B.	D.B.	G.A.	T.	C.	M.	C.R.	L.R.	S.E.F.	T.E.F.	N.F.	B.	D.B.	G.A.	T.	C.	M.
Due to enemy action	-	1	3	1	-	2	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	6	1	-	3	-	-	-	2	-
On operations, but not due to enemy action	-	3	3	-	-	3	-	-	-	8	-	-	-	7	-	-	2	-	-	-	5	-
Total on operations	-	4	6	1	-	5	-	-	-	10	-	-	-	13	1	-	5	-	-	-	7	-
Not on operations	-	1	4	1	-	5	4	-	-	2	1	-	-	16	2	-	11	1	-	1	1	-

JANUARY 1940

	DESTROYED											DAMAGED										
	C.R.	L.R.	S.E.F.	T.E.F.	N.F.	B.	D.B.	G.A.	T.	C.	M.	C.R.	L.R.	S.E.F.	T.E.F.	N.F.	B.	D.B.	G.A.	T.	C.	M.
Due to enemy action	-	2	5	-	-	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	5	-	-	-	-	-
On operations, but not due to enemy action	2	-	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	2	1	-	3	-	-	-	-	-
Total on Operations	2	2	9	-	-	5	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	2	2	-	8	-	-	-	-	-
Not on operations	1	2	10	5	-	14	5	-	4	3	2	-	2	11	2	-	6	1	-	1	2	2

FEBRUARY 1940

	DESTROYED											DAMAGED										
	C.R.	L.R.	S.E.F.	T.E.F.	N.F.	B.	D.B.	G.A.	T.	C.	M.	C.R.	L.R.	S.E.F.	T.E.F.	N.F.	B.	D.B.	G.A.	T.	C.	M.
Due to enemy action	-	2	-	-	-	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	-	-	-	-	-
On operations, but not due to enemy action	-	-	2	-	-	5	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
Total on operations	-	2	2	-	-	10	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	5	-	-	-	-	-
Not on Operations	2	-	20	3	-	13	3	-	3	1	1	1	-	20	3	-	15	1	-	6	1	2

MARCH 1940

	DESTROYED											DAMAGED										
	C.R.	L.R.	S.E.F.	T.E.F.	N.F.	B.	D.B.	G.A.	T.	C.	M.	C.R.	L.R.	S.E.F.	T.E.F.	N.F.	B.	D.B.	G.A.	T.	C.	M.
Due to enemy action	-	6	-	-	-	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	4	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
On operations but not due to enemy action	-	3	4	2	-	6	-	-	-	4	-	-	-	7	2	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
Total on operations	-	9	4	2	-	10	-	-	-	4	-	-	2	11	2	-	2	-	-	-	-	-
Not on operations	5	4	18	13	-	29	5	-	2	1	-	-	2	37	4	-	42	1	-	4	-	6

APRIL 1940

	DESTROYED											DAMAGED										
	C.R.	L.R.	S.E.F.	T.E.F.	N.F.	B.	D.B.	G.A.	T.	C.	M.	C.R.	L.R.	S.E.F.	T.E.F.	N.F.	B.	D.B.	G.A.	T.	C.	M.
Due to enemy action	1	9	12	18	-	54	12	-	35	29	-	2	5	4	3	-	1	-	-	10	5	-
On operations, but not due to enemy action	-	2	19	7	-	19	-	-	30	9	-	-	-	18	3	-	6	-	-	30	1	-
Total on operations	1	11	31	25	-	73	12	-	65	38	-	2	5	22	6	-	7	-	-	40	6	-
Not on operations	9	7	18	3	-	25	4	-	3	1	3	1	4	33	5	-	31	4	-	3	2	6

MAY 1940

	DESTROYED											DAMAGED										
	C.R.	L.R.	S.E.F.	T.E.F.	N.F.	B.	D.B.	G.A.	T.	C.	M.	C.R.	L.R.	S.E.F.	T.E.F.	N.F.	B.	D.B.	G.A.	T.	C.	M.
Due to enemy action	45	52	104	69	-	350	63	-	182	11	1	8	11	24	11	-	92	15	-	6	1	1
On operations, but not due to enemy action	4	11	43	13	-	29	19	-	11	13	24	-	4	67	2	-	28	6	1	6	3	2
Total on operations	49	63	147	82	-	379	82	-	193	24	25	8	15	88	13	-	120	21	1	12	4	3
Not on operations	4	1	10	2	-	17	2	-	4	1	1	1	-	16	3	-	26	-	-	4	-	1

FOR FURTHER LOSSES DURING MAY SEE FOOTNOTE TO JUNE 1940

JUNE 1940

DESTROYED											DAMAGED										
C.R.	L.R.	S.E.F.	T.E.F.	N.F.	B.	D.B.	G.A.	T.	C.	M.	C.R.	L.R.	S.E.F.	T.E.F.	N.F.	B.	D.B.	G.A.	T.	C.	M.
22	16	65	21	-	88	26	-	6	9	-	5	1	12	9	-	24	5	-	2	2	1
1	7	23	3	-	24	5	-	7	3	1	4	4	25	4	-	19	1	-	8	2	1
23	23	88	24	-	112	31	-	13	12	1	9	5	37	13	-	43	6	-	10	4	2
2	1	12	2	-	13	7	-	3	2	3	-	1	9	-	-	14	1	-	1	4	2
62	28	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	41	32	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	17

JULY 1940

	DESTROYED											DAMAGED										
	C.R.	L.R.	S.E.F.	T.E.F.	N.F.	B.	D.B.	G.A.	T.	C.	M.	C.R.	L.R.	S.E.F.	T.E.F.	N.F.	B.	D.B.	G.A.	T.	C.	M.
Due to enemy action	-	18	34	19	-	76	12	-	1	11	1	-	2	6	4	-	12	8	-	1	-	-
On operations, but not due to enemy action	-	8	12	1	-	17	4	1	-	3	-	-	4	8	2	-	14	2	-	-	-	-
Total on operations	-	26	46	20	-	93	16	1	1	14	1	-	6	14	6	-	26	10	-	1	-	-
Not on operations	2	4	7	2	-	20	5	-	3	2	4	1	1	16	2	-	28	5	-	3	1	3

AUGUST 1940

	DESTROYED											DAMAGED										
	C.R.	L.R.	S.E.F.	T.E.F.	N.F.	B.	D.B.	G.A.	T.	C.	M.	C.R.	L.R.	S.E.F.	T.E.F.	N.F.	B.	D.B.	G.A.	T.	C.	M.
Due to enemy action	1	13	177	114	1	183	47	-	2	19	1	-	1	24	32	-	48	14	-	-	2	1
On operations, but not due to enemy action	1	3	34	6	1	45	4	-	1	11	-	2	1	33	9	1	34	3	-	1	3	-
Total on operations	2	16	211	120	2	228	51	-	3	30	1	2	2	57	41	1	82	17	-	1	5	1
Not on operations	1	2	20	5	1	31	7	-	2	8	3	1	1	23	2	-	36	8	-	4	6	4

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SEPTEMBER 1940

	DESTROYED											DAMAGED										
	C.R.	L.R.	S.E.F.	T.E.F.	N.F.	B.	D.B.	G.A.	T.	C.	M.	C.R.	L.R.	S.E.F.	T.E.F.	N.F.	B.	D.B.	G.A.	T.	C.	M.
Due to enemy action	-	16	187	81	1	165	-	-	-	8	1	-	3	17	13	-	58	-	-	-	2	-
On operations, but not due to enemy action	1	3	33	2	1	65	2	-	-	15	1	1	3	42	-	-	70	1	-	-	3	-
Total on operations	1	19	220	83	2	230	2	-	-	23	2	1	6	59	13	-	128	1	-	-	5	-
Not on operations	2	3	14	5	1	19	7	-	6	4	5	7	3	16	1	1	34	8	-	2	5	12

OCTOBER 1940

	DESTROYED											DAMAGED										
	C.R.	L.R.	S.E.F.	T.E.F.	N.F.	B.	D.B.	G.A.	T.	C.	M.	C.R.	L.R.	S.E.F.	T.E.F.	N.F.	B.	D.B.	G.A.	T.	C.	M.
Due to enemy action	1	8	104	10	1	64	-	-	1	7	-	1	1	24	1	-	24	-	-	-	-	-
On operations, but not due to enemy action	3	5	19	2	13	78	-	-	-	9	-	3	6	28	3	2	66	3	-	-	1	-
Total on operations	4	13	123	12	14	142	-	-	1	16	-	4	7	52	4	2	90	3	-	-	1	-
Not on Operations	3	3	22	5	2	29	6	-	5	8	4	7	4	22	4	2	18	2	-	3	1	4

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NOVEMBER 1940

	DESTROYED											DAMAGED										
	C.R.	L.R.	S.E.F.	T.E.F.	N.F.	B.	D.B.	G.A.	T.	C.	M.	C.R.	L.R.	S.E.F.	T.E.F.	N.F.	B.	D.B.	G.A.	T.	C.	M.
Due to enemy action	-	8	46	12	3	62	8	-	1	7	-	1	1	6	1	1	8	1	-	-	-	-
On operations, but not due to enemy action	-	4	14	2	1	58	-	-	-	5	-	2	4	15	3	2	46	2	-	-	2	-
Total on operations	-	12	60	14	4	120	8	-	1	12	-	3	5	21	4	3	54	3	-	-	2	-
Not on operations	1	6	19	6	2	9	4	-	5	2	3	14	5	22	1	3	25	3	-	9	4	18

DECEMBER 1940

	DESTROYED											DAMAGED										
	C.R.	L.R.	S.E.F.	T.E.F.	N.F.	B.	D.B.	G.A.	T.	C.	M.	C.R.	L.R.	S.E.F.	T.E.F.	N.F.	B.	D.B.	G.A.	T.	C.	M.
Due to enemy action	-	4	12	-	-	14	-	-	-	2	2	-	3	6	3	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
On operations, but not due to enemy action	-	1	7	1	3	57	-	-	-	1	-	-	1	5	-	1	43	2	-	-	-	-
Total on operations	-	5	19	1	3	71	-	-	-	3	2	-	4	11	3	1	44	2	-	-	-	-
Not on operations	5	1	15	5	4	13	2	-	4	4	3	7	2	20	-	5	30	5	-	2	1	4