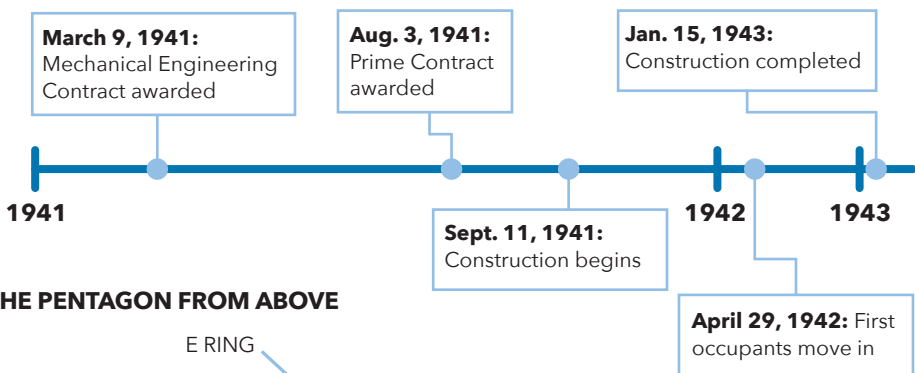


# Pentagon remains largest US government building

The headquarters of the U.S. Department of Defense spans roughly 6.34 million square feet, including five floors separated into five rings, giving the building its instantly recognizable pentagon shape. Known as “a city within a city,” the Pentagon employs a combined 23,000 civilian and military personnel in a building that is only 71 feet high.

The original development of the Pentagon stemmed from the Department of Defense’s need for space during times of war. Currently, the Pentagon now headquarters all branches of the military within its 17.5 miles of corridors. Regardless of its colossal size, it is said it only takes seven minutes to walk between any two points.

## BUILDING THE PENTAGON



## THE PENTAGON FROM ABOVE

